

# **World War 1**

## **Birmingham City Police**

### **PC E263 John Edward POWELL**

**Gunner 185408**  
**113<sup>th</sup> Heavy Battery Royal Garrison Artillery**  
**Killed in France 8<sup>th</sup> October 1918**

John was born in Llandyssil, Montgomery, the son of Edward and Annie (nee Woosnam) of Oak Cottage, Llandyssil, Montgomery. John's father was a wagoner on a farm

John and Annie married in December 1890 in Forden Montgomeryshire on the Shropshire border

The 1901 census records the family residing in Trehelig Gro (white house) Welshpool with four children: John Edward 9, Mary E 7, Sarah E 2 William D five months

On 1<sup>st</sup> December 1913, John joined Birmingham City Police as a 22-year-old farm hand

John served on the E Division with warrant number 8418 and collar number E263 and he resigned on 11<sup>th</sup> May 1917 to enlist in the Army

John was killed in action on 8<sup>th</sup> October

His effects were sent to his father, Edward

John is buried at Guizancourt Farm Cemetery, Gouy, France Grave D 16



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