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ROBERT EDWARD ANGUS

Captain, 64 Squadron Royal Flying Corps, formerly of The Ayrshire (Earl of Carrick's Own) Yeomanry

Killed in action in France on 20 November 1917, aged 23

Address: Hill House, Leckhampton

He has no known grave and is commemorated on the Arras Memorial and named on the War Memorials at Leckhampton and in Clare College, Cambridge.

Robert Edward Angus was the only son of his widowed mother Elizabeth Angus of the above address. His late father was James Angus JP of Ochiltree House, Ayr, Scotland. He was born at Radcliffe in Northumberland and was educated at St Ninian's College, Moffat, and Loretto College, near Edinburgh. He had been due to go up to Clare College, Cambridge, but having already obtained a commission in the Yeomanry he was called up when war broke out.

He fought at Gallipoli in October 1915 and later moved to Egypt in January 1916 to serve with the Machine Gun Corps. He transferred again in 1917 to the Royal Flying Corps and was sent to France in October that year. He was killed in aerial combat over Bourlon Wood near Cambrai on 20 November 1917 during a bombing mission, a few days after his promotion as Captain.

A cavalry officer's sword, engraved 'Lieu. R. E. Angus', was sold at an auction in 2003.

The Arras Memorial, which commemorates 34,785 soldiers of the forces of the United Kingdom, South Africa and New Zealand, with no known grave, who died in the Arras sector between the spring of 1916 and 7 August 1918

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