

Olivier de GORGUETTE of ARGOEUVES 1895-1915 - Between Me and allard



Me
Thursday
August 22nd -
07:46 PM

Could your relation Oliver have been at my school in London around 1910 - I see he was killed in France aged 20 in WW1?

Don



allard
Saturday
November 23rd
- 11:41 PM

Hello Don,

Sorry to answer so late. I hadn't been connected on the Geneanet website for some months.

Last update: Monday June 03, 2019

This member is not in your contacts

Olivier d'ARGOEUVES was the brother of my grandfather.

When I lived in London 20 yers ago, my mother told me his uncle Olivier had lived some time in London (1 year ?). I think he was fluent both in English and German. He sadly died during WW1. I think he was living around West Kensington.

Could you give me some more information : which school did he attend ? do you have some written information you could email me ?

My mother is now 90, and she would be so delighted to hear about her uncle she never knew.

Kind regards,

Pierre-Antoine ALLARD



Me
Sunday
November 24th
- 12:36 AM

He went to Clapham College which closed in 1986..it was a Catholic Boarding school next to Clapham Common ..he would have travelled to the College by underground.. The College was run by the Xaveriamn Brothets...I will dig out some more information on him tomorrow morning ..it was great to hear from you Don..there is more to add to his story



Me
Sunday
November 24th
- 11:47 AM

Morning Allard

Please contact me via my email address - so that I can add more details...

Basically - for his year in London 1912 to 1913 he attended our Schol Clpaham College which is in South London on the Underground at Clapham South Station. It was almost an "interational school" in those days. The School was Catholic and ran by the Xaverian Brothers [Belgium]. We have information on you Uncle that he was a linguist - French, English and German - he rurn to France in WW1 and died very young...we have an address which he registered when at the College of

Rue Vieux Bourg 6, Poruges

[does this make sense?]

..we have his date of birth as... 18th July 1895

If these two items are correct we have the same Oliver!!!

Please email me so I can share more detail ..if this is your Uncle do you have a photograph you could send me

Our Website - only set up this month, has views of the old school that your unce would have waked around [look under our school - buildings ..they have not changed for 100 years

<https://claphamoldxaverianarchive.com/>

Please contact me as I have more to share..something that will make your mother very happy

PS My mother is still alive at 92!!

Don



Me
Sunday
November 24th
- 11:49 AM

Sorry Pierre

I've just go you name wrong - apologies

Please contact me asas..I have something for you mother!!

Regards

Don



allard
Sunday
December 1st -
11:17 PM

Good evening Don,

thank you for the information.

Olivier d'ARGOEUVES, brother of my grand-father, is born in Saint-Omer (department of Pas-de-Calais, in Northern France) on 2nd July 1895. I have checked with the registries that we can find on Internet. He was the first in the family with this firstname. Since then 2 have been named in his honour.

On the address: my mother (born in her grand-parents' house in Saint-Omer in 1929) doesn't know the address you mention (Rue Vieux Bourg 6, Poruges), it is not a street of Saint-Omer where his parents were living. And Poruges is not a name of town/village in France. I have therefore no idea where it can be... do you have a scan of the handwritten address ?

My mother confirmed he had gone to London before the war and was also speaking german. He even had a secret mission as interpret during WWI, but the family never knew what kind of mission.

He sadly died from his wounds on 15th September 1915 in Jonchery-sur-Vesle in the Marne department.

My mother is so happy you have information on him and is enjoying to know more !

Best regards,

Pierre-Antoine



allard
Sunday
December 1st - 11:24 PM
gen.allard@free.fr

My email address for genealogical exchange is :

This will be easier to communicate.

Best regards,

P. A. ALLARD

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Good evening Don,

A great thank you for the pictures. I'll transmit to my mother who will be so pleased.

It is so beautiful to hear you and the school prayed for him and his classmates who gave their lives for us.

I have asked my sister to send me a picture of him – I hope we have some – otherwise I will ask my cousins who might have some.

Once again a great thank you for what you do to revive the memory of those who gave their lives, and particularly of my great-uncle Olivier.

Pierre-Antoine

From: don macdonald <donmiamac1234@sky.com>

Sent: lundi 2 décembre 2019 01:00

To: gen.allard@free.fr

Subject: Oliver

Evening Pierre, check the Clapham Website on <https://claphamoldxaverianarchive.com>

We are adding some information on Oliver...[look at the Clapham at War Section & Our School]...

Do you have a photograph of him you could send me?

This year we added a scroll to our "Roll of Honour Wall" in the College Chapel..

Where 150 ex-students who died in WW1 & WW2 are commemorated every year on 11th Nov...
some of those names were in Oliver's class at the College

The attachment below shows the names of those we added last year..... Oliver was one of those - we
honoured them and prayed for them..

If you look at the photos of the College - it was exactly the same when Oliver was there - he would
have walked those paths, been taught in the classes and gone to mass in the Chapel - he would have
had his interview in the Headmaster's Office up those dozen stairs.. the dog statues were above the
stables..

Don