

**Private LIONEL HENRY JAMES OSBORNE**

5183610, 1st Bn., Gloucestershire Regiment,  
who died age 23 on 19 March 1942,  
son of Frederick William and Ethel May Curtis, of Tewkesbury.  
Remembered with honour at the RANGOON MEMORIAL

*Tewkesbury Register 23 May 1942:*

**TEWKESBURY SOLDIER MISSING: Pte. L. Osborne**

*Mrs Ethel Curtis, of Hollams Road Tewkesbury, has received an official notification that her son, Private James Osborne of the Gloucestershire Regiment, has been posted as missing in the Eastern theatre of war.*

*Private Osborne, before joining the Regiment in 1937 was employed on the farm of Mr. W. Mitchell, of Northway Court.*

*He was 22 years of age and was educated at the Abbey Boy's School.*

Unfortunately, no photograph was published. Because the date of his being posted missing and that recorded by the CWGC as his date of death are close, we can only hope that Pte. Osborne was killed in action fighting the Japanese. Due to censorship, the *Register* could be no more precise about the location than "*Eastern theatre of war*". However, as with **Pte. Martin**, some graves in *Rangoon Cemetery* belong to prisoners of war.

