

THE MEN FROM LADY BAY WHO DIED IN WW1

Commemoration of Lady Bay's Men who fell in the Great War



In the autumn of 2012 Friends of the Hook planted an avenue of 18 native black poplars on the Hook Nature Reserve to honour those men from Lady Bay and West Bridgford who fell in the First World War

To remember them we held a memorial event on 11th November at 2.00 p.m. 2018, the 100th anniversary of the end of the First World War. This event took place on the Hook, Lady Bay with approximately 60 people in attendance. The commemoration commenced with the sounding of the last post, followed by a reveille.

Our research identified 31 men from Lady Bay who died in the war. These men were aged 19 to 35, many being killed in action or dying of wounds. They left behind grieving sons, daughters, wives, brothers, sisters and parents, to whom there is no memorial.

In addition to the direct casualties of war there was an influenza pandemic which was named 'The Spanish flu' because there was a news blackout in Europe and the outbreak was reported in the Spanish press. This caused many more deaths. It is thought to have started in the camp and hospital in Etapes, where pigs and poultry were kept and where over 100,000 soldiers were in transit daily, thus spreading the flu rapidly.

The pandemic lasted until 1920 and soldiers who survived WW1 died of the flu but their names were not recorded. Worldwide, 20 to 50 million people died.

Jeff Mackintosh (Chair of Friends of the Hook) 2019

The following pages contain a list of those men and the information Jeff managed to collect about each of them. Their commemorative plaques can be found in the Poppy and Pint public house, whose building used to be the British Legion club.

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Private John Anderson. Served with Royal Scots Fusiliers was killed in action on 29th November 1917 aged 23, youngest son of Mr George Anderson, lived in **Adbolton, Lady Bay.**

Private William Thomas Atkin. Served with "B" Company, 10th Battalion Yorkshire Regiment, he died on 24th July 1918 aged 24 as a prisoner of war due to a lung infection, presumably influenza/pneumonia, son of master baker who lived at **163 Trent Boulevard, West Bridgford.** William lived in Newark.

Corporal Thomas Alleyne Bosworth. Served with the Canadian machine gun corps, he was killed in action on the 15th July 1918 aged 22. He had emigrated to Canada aged 15. His parents were living on **Julian Road** at the time of enlistment

2nd Lieutenant John Brash served with the East Lancashire division. He was killed in action on 16th of October 1916 aged 19 He lived at his parents' home **Holme Lodge on Julian road, West Bridgford**

Merchant Seaman Douglas Brewster. Served as a wireless operator on the SS Conch. He died on 7th December 1916 aged 21, when his ship was torpedoed off Portland Bill. He was the son of Edward C and Annie Brewster and the brother of Herbert Cyril Brewster, they lived at **58 Trent Boulevard, West Bridgford.**

2nd Lieutenant Edward Charles Brodbeck. Served in Notts and Derby Sherwood Foresters. He was killed in action on 26th July 1918 aged 22. He was the son of Charles and Ida Brodbeck who were Swiss citizens. His father, Charles, was Nottingham Education Committee's Director of Physical Exercises appointed to supervise the imposition of compulsory military drill in the city's elementary schools following national concerns over the army's poor performance during the Boer War. He lived at **5 Melbourne Road, West Bridgford**

Corporal Norman Leese Buckley. Served in the Machine Gun Corps (Infantry) He died of pneumonia on 15th Feb 1919 aged 20, after he caught a severe chill and he died at the Albert Hall Hospital, Nottingham. He was the son of Thomas R Buckley an insurance agent superintendent and Mary J Buckley of **42 Rutland Road, West Bridgford.**

Private Charles Lambley Burton served in the Royal Warwickshire regiment. He was killed in France and Flanders on the 13th October 1918 aged 32 husband of Edith M Burton who lived **at 27 Julian Road, West Bridgford**

Private Frank Buttress. Served with the Northumberland Fusiliers. He was killed in action on 14th March 1914 aged 29. He was the son of John and his wife Eva and was a window cleaner when he enlisted. The family lived at **11 Woodland Road, West Bridgford.**

Gunner James Chapman. Served with the Royal Field Artillery regiment. He died of wounds on the 1st July 1917 aged 35. He was the son of the late James and Mary Chapman of Aberdeen and husband of Janet Chapman. They had a son, James William. They lived at **62a Julian Road, West Bridgford.**

Corporal Charles Frank Clarke served in the Rifle brigade. He was killed in action in France and Flanders on the 30th July 1915 aged 20. He lived with his parents Charles and Rebecca Clarke and was an only child. They lived at **10 Lady Bay Road, West Bridgford**

Private George Augustus Collier Served with the Notts. and Derby Sherwood Foresters. He was killed in action in France and Flanders on the 1st of July 1916 aged 21. He was living with his parents at **Julian House, Trent Boulevard, West Bridgford.**

2nd Lieutenant Percy Huskinson Forrest served with Prince of Wales own, Leinster regiment. He died in France on the 21st March 1918 aged 28 and was living with his parents at **88 Holme Road, West Bridgford.**

Corporal Albert Edward Glover served with the ordinance corps, Calais. He died in Calais on the 11th March 1919 aged 32. He was living with his wife, Annie Glover at **16 Trent Boulevard, West Bridgford.**

2nd Lieutenant Henry Hays served with the Royal Welsh Fusiliers. He was trained as an officer and was killed in action in his first action in command in the 3rd battle of Ypres part of the Passchendaele offensive on 31st July 1917 aged 28. He was a teacher of arts and humanities at a college in Nottingham and lived with his wife, Mable, at **Rippon House, Seymour Road, West Bridgford.**

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2nd Lieutenant George Harold Highfield served with York and Lancashire regiment. He died of wounds on 4th July 1915 aged 24. He was living **at 120 Holme Road, West Bridgford**

Lance corporal Roland Frederick Huyton served with the Royal Warwickshire regiment. He died of wounds in France and Flanders on 25th May 1917 aged 25. He lived at **10 Woodland Road, West Bridgford.**

Private Harold Frederick Keatley served with the Notts and Derby Sherwood Foresters. He was killed in action in France and Flanders on 1st July 1916, the first day of the battle of the Somme, aged 21. He lived at **80 Trent Boulevard, West Bridgford**

Bombardier James Norman Victor Kelly served with Royal Garrison Artillery. He died in France and Flanders on 31st October 1917 aged 30. He lived at **10 Adbolton Grove, West Bridgford**

Rifleman Albert Charles Lacey served with the Kings Royal Rifles. He died at Connaught Hospital Aldershot of pneumonia on 11th October 1914 aged 20. **He lived at 124 Holme Road, West Bridgford.**

Private Leonard Lee served with the Durham Light Infantry. He was killed in action in France and Flanders on 29th May 1918 aged 19. He lived at **6 Rutland Road, West Bridgford.**

Private Stephen Watson Marwick served with the Australian Infantry. He was killed in action on 27th June 1915 aged 21. He last lived at **12 Lady Bay Road, West Bridgford.**

Private Frank Parks served with Notts. and Derby regiment, Sherwood Foresters. He was killed in action in France and Flanders on the 24th June 1916 aged 20. He lived at **161 Trent Boulevard, West Bridgford**

Private Alexander Pattrick served with the Princess Victoria's Irish Fusiliers. He died of wounds in France and Flanders on 24th March 1918 aged 24. **He lived with his father at 20 Lady Bay Road West Bridgford**

Private James Anderton Pattrick served with the Notts. and Derby Sherwood Foresters. He was killed in action on 26th September 1917 aged 33. He lived with his wife Sarah in 1917 at **68 Trent Boulevard, West Bridgford**

Gunner Harry Warton Redfern served with the Royal Rifle Brigade. He died after an operation at the Nottingham general hospital on 23rd August 1916 aged 23. He lived at **57 Trent Boulevard, West Bridgford.**

Private Sydney Leverton Simpson served with the Army service, motor division in East Africa. He died of malaria in a hospital in East Africa on 12th November 1917 aged 19. He lived with his wife Winifred at **44 Pierrepoint Road, West Bridgford.**

Gunner Edgar Charles Stevenson served with the Royal Garrison Artillery. He was killed in action in France and Flanders on 1st April 1918 aged 30 He lived with his wife Lucy and son at **21 Melbourne Road West Bridgford**

Lance corporal William Towers served with the Notts and Derby, Sherwood Foresters regiment. He was killed in action in France and Flanders on 21st June 1918 aged 22. He lived **at 30 Pierrepoint Road, West Bridgford.**

Private William Allan Wagstaff served in the Royal Scots, Lothian division. He was killed in action on 28th April 1917 aged 22. He lived at **16 Melbourne Road, West Bridgford.**

Driver Ronald Webster served with the Royal Engineers. He died of wounds in France and Flanders on 15th June 1917 aged 27. His sister Miss Evaline Webster was decorated by the King with the Royal Red Cross, second class, for "valuable services" in connection with the war. She was a member of the Queen Alexandra's Nursing Services, and was attached to the Leeds War Hospital. Four of Miss Webster's brothers, William, Sidney, Harry and Hugh as well as Ronald enlisted. Ronald lived at **126 Holme Road, West Bridgford.**