

**Alfred Edward REYNOLDS**

130th Field Company, Royal Engineers, killed in action near Messines, Belgium, 10 April 1918 aged 20.

**Robert Cecil SAYER(S)**

Private 1st/5th Battalion Gloucestershire Regiment. Died of wounds, Abbeville, sustained during the Battle of the Somme, France, 8 September 1916, aged 19.

**Ernest William SIMONS,**

Signal Boy, HMS Tiger, Royal Navy. Died of sickness, ashore, Devonport, 1 December 1916, aged 17.

**Albert SMITH**

Private, 14th (Quebec) Battalion Canadian Infantry. Died of pneumonia, France, 21 December 1918, aged 38.

**George Henry TAYLOR**

Guardsman, 3rd Battalion, Coldstream Guards, died as result of war service, Tewkesbury, 21 April 1922 aged 39.

**Richard Joseph Winters TAYLOR**

Driver, 9th Auxiliary Horse Company, Army Service Corps. Died of wounds, France, 23 November 1918, aged 26.

**Henry John WAYLEN**

Private 1st/5th Battalion Gloucestershire Regiment. Died of tuberculosis, Tewkesbury, as a result of war service in Salonica, 2 May 1917 aged 30.

**Alfred Charles WILKINSON**

Sapper, Royal Engineers. Killed following an accident, Chatham, 30 March 1918, aged 33.

**Frank William WILKINSON**

Sapper, 130th Field Company, Royal Engineers, died of wounds, France, 16 April 1918 aged 28.

With reference to - 'A Noble Band of Heroes: A commemoration of those from Tewkesbury who lost their lives during the Great War' by John Dixon and Malcolm Waldron, Tewkesbury Historical Society, 2015, and 'Goodbye, Mr Harrison', Sam Eedle, THS, 2015



# HOLY TRINITY CHURCH & TRINITY NATIONAL SCHOOL

ONE HUNDRED years ago today, the so-called 'Great War' came to an end. However, the effects of this calamity did not end for many families of this church and the school which it supported.

Trinity National School was founded in 1839, just two years after this church was built; in two cramped buildings either side of Trinity Walk, one of which is now the Sea Scouts' HQ, where some of our young people go out on Sunday mornings. The church school educated the poorer children from the alleys in the town centre, from infancy up until the age of thirteen or fourteen. An average of 300 children were on the school roll. From 1855, the church school educated the children of the workhouse, who no-one else would take in.

After war was declared in 1914, the head teacher, Mr Dillon Ricketts, published a weekly roll in the local press of ex-pupils who had enlisted or been called back to the colours; by November the list had grown to 103 boys. In May 1915, the church newsletter announced that this had grown to 127 and that one of the mistresses, Miss Edginton, had made an 'illuminated scroll' with all their names. By 1918, an unknown number had subsequently volunteered or been conscripted.

Thirty of these ex-schoolboys died, as did the Assistant Master and the brother of the Headmaster. Two former mistresses were widowed and the husbands of two more were badly wounded.

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IN TEWKESBURY itself, a town of just over 5,000 people, 689 men volunteered and more were conscripted. A total of 152 were commemorated on the town memorial, and the names of another 40 men and one woman failed to get inscribed. Some of them were only added this year. The town's MP was killed and his wife died while serving as a nurse. Both the town's pre-war Territorial officers and the Sergeant-Major were also killed. The Great War left a scar across the town and nation that has taken generations to heal.





**Ernest George ANDREWS,**

Private, 1st Battalion Royal Marine Light Infantry. Died of wounds, Passchendaele, Third Battle of Ypres, Belgium, 29 October 1917, aged 28.

**Charles Herbert ATTWOOD,**

Company Sergeant-Major, 1st/5th Battalion Gloucestershire Regiment. Killed in action, Third Battle of Ypres, Belgium, 6 August 1917 aged 35.

**Thomas BISHOP**

Private, 13th Battalion Gloucestershire Regiment. Killed in action, Festubert, France, 5 June 1916, aged 19.

**Frederick John COLLINS**

Private, 2nd Battalion Gloucestershire Regiment. Killed in action, Ypres, Belgium, 4 February 1915, aged 22.

**Albert COOPEY, MM**

Sergeant, Military Medal, 1st/5th Battalion Gloucestershire Regiment. Killed in action, Battle of Asiago, Italy, 15 June 1918, aged 24.

**William Alexander DAY**

Gunner, 149 Brigade, Royal Field Artillery, Died of wounds, Battle of the Somme, France, 15 July 1916, aged 30.

**Leonard Fred DEVEREUX**

Private, 10th Royal Welsh Fusiliers. Killed in action, The Bluff, Ypres, Belgium, 2 March 1916, aged 19.

**Frederick GREEN**

Private, 13th Battalion Gloucestershire Regiment. Killed in action, Templeux-la-Fosse, France, 22 March 1918, aged 27.

**Leonard GURNEY**

Private, 14th Battalion Worcestershire Regiment, killed in action, Battle of the Somme, France, 13 November 1916 aged 29.

**Reginald HALL**

Private, 112th Machine Gun Company, died of wounds, Battle of Arras, France, 3 May 1917 aged 19.

**Thomas HALL**

Sergeant, 10th Battalion Gloucestershire Regiment. Killed in action, Battle of Loos, France, 25 September 1915 aged 30.



**Arthur HARRISON (*Assistant Schoolmaster, 1906-1914*)**

From Accrington, Lancs. Lance-corporal, 10th Battalion Gloucestershire Regiment. Killed in action, Battle of Loos, France, 25 Sept 1915, aged 45.

**Albert HODGES**

Private, 39th Machine Gun Company. died of pleurisy and pneumonia in Basra, Mesopotamia (*now Iraq*), 19 October 1918, aged 22.

**William HODGES**

7693 Private, 1st Btn Gloucestershire Regt, (Boer War veteran) Died Grenay, near Bethune, France, 21 May 1916 aged 31.

**Clarence HOWELL**

Private, 9th Battalion Worcestershire Regiment, killed in action, Mesopotamia (*now Iraq*), 25 January 1917 aged 21.

**James JEYNES**

10th Battalion Gloucestershire Regiment, killed in action, Battle of the Somme, France, 17 August 1916, aged 37.

**Alfred Ernest JORDAN**

Gunner, 88th Regiment, Royal Field Artillery. Killed in action, Hundred Days Campaign, France, 12 August 1918, aged 21.

**William Henry JORDAN**

Corporal, 5th Battalion Gloucestershire Regiment and Labour Corps. Died of pneumonia, Bristol, (after serving in France), 5 November 1918 aged 28.

**George Thomas MANN**

Lance-Corporal, 1st Battalion Gloucestershire Regiment, killed in action, Battle of the Somme, France, 22 September 1916 aged 29.

**John MATTY**

Lance-Sergeant, 9th Battalion Gloucestershire Regiment, killed in action near Doiran, Salonica, Greece, 17 March 1917, aged 30.

**William James Maisey PARKER**

Private, 7th Battalion Gloucestershire Regiment, killed in action Gallipoli, Turkey, 26 July 1915 aged 23.

**Frederick Thomas RAGGATT**

formerly Artificer, Royal Navy, died of enteric fever (Typhoid), Tredington, 18 November 1918 aged 22.

