

Commemoration of the start of the Great War

Our Heroes Remembered

You may have seen a small article in the Spring 2014 Newsletter regarding the run up to mark the centenary of the outbreak of the Great War. We ask if there are any surviving relatives of local known casualties of World War One. A list of casualties has been put together giving locations of their final resting places, which can be seen below, together with the list of local men killed, details of whom have been taken from the Memorial at Coven.

We would like to hear from anyone who may have a story to tell about their ancestors who served in the conflict or maybe have photographs they would like to share with us. In addition, we would also like to know of the soldiers who survived the war and came back home to carry on with their lives. Please contact Mr P. Smith on 07584 087 495 or you can leave feedback here on the website using the forum link.

List of Local Men Killed in the Great War:

Name.	Number.	Date of Death.	Age.	Country
PARKES George. Nathaniel	76038.	31 May 1917.	18.	Belgium
STONES John. Jefford.	10265.	13 November 1917.	38.	Belgium
BENNETT James Richard.	7365.	23 October. 1914.	28.	Belgium
GREEN William.	39967	20 September 1917.	39.	Belgium
ONION Fred.	15965.	29 October 1914.	20.	Belgium
NIGHTINGALE H.	796748.	25 July. 1921.	50.	Canada
WARD William.	77610.	10 March. 1919.	23.	France
NEWMAN George.	48242.	30 November.	22.	France
HAYCOCK W.	6115.	14 July. 1916.	37.	France
VAUGHAN G E.	Major.	15 September 1916.	35.	France
ONION J.	18020.	14 October. 1916.	26.	France
FOSTER H W.	16129.	17 September 1916.	---	France
ASPREY Bernard Noel.	Lieutenant.	24 February. 1915.	26.	France
BEACH George. Harry.	20487.	6 July. 1916.	34.	France
SOUTHALL J.	46179 / 28604.	18 August 1917	42.	France
WILLOCK Walter Francis.	12041.	15 September 1916.	---	France
HAYNES George Edward.	47699.	21 September. 1918	24.	France
SMITH Ernest Charles.	10728.	6 August 1915.	31.	Turkey
GWILT. J.	67548.	13 November 1918.	37.	England.
BILL. John.	46421.	24 September 1917.	18.	England
PEARCE George. William.	2893.	22 November. 1918.	47.	England
SARGEANT Samuel Ernest.	TR8/5931.	12 February 1917.	29.	England
WAKELAM. L B O.	112.	15 February. 1915.	25.	England
KNIGHTS SMITH. Philip Arnold.	GS/18330.	12 April. 1918.	21.	England
HAYWARD Charles.	58272.	14 July. 1916.	48.	France

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As stated above, the Coven Memorial Hall trustees are researching the lives of the thirteen young men who died during the First World War (1914-1918) whose names appear on the Memorial at Coven and whom we remember each November on Remembrance Day. If you have any further information, however vague or uncertain, please contact either Mrs Jan Carr 01902 791443 or Mrs Lorna Jones 01902 790157.

Here is the list of those men whose names appear on the Memorial at Coven:

Name:	Month and Year Killed
Edwin Wellings	Dec 1914
Charles Hayward	July 1916
Bert Davis	Sept 1917
Joseph Deans	Sept 1917
Charles Bickley	March 1918
William Wellings	June 1918
Alfred Morris	Nov 1918
James Snead	May 1916
Victor Upperdine	Aug 1917
R.Standeford Pullen	Oct 1917
Frank Highway	April 1918
George H Davis	Oct 1918
Alfred Morris	Nov 1918