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## In memory of my grandfather PTE WILLIAM HELSBY 21441

He seemed so far away and yet now so near The stones like marble glistening in the sun They fought together and died together Comrades in arms Now standing rank upon rank Shoulder to shoulder Proud and true Forever on parade Always remembered, yet never known.

By Julie Barker

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## FOREWORD BY THE MAYOR

'As Mayor of Middlewich, it falls to me to introduce this new reprint of the Roll of Honour in November 2018, 100 years after the end of the First World War. No words can match those of Charles Fredrick Lawrence, Clerk to Middlewich Urban District Council when he introduced the original Roll of Honour. Suffice to say, the fallen will never be forgotten. They gave their today for our tomorrow'.

**CIIr William Walmsley** 

**Middlewich Town Mayor** 





## Tell them of us

No more will they hear the marching bands As they lie as brothers holding hands Facing the sun and stars, row on row The braziers once lit, no longer glow

Crying and laughter among the sea of stone
To ensure the fallen are never alone
The standards flutter and the trumpets sound
And the tears flow gently onto the sacred ground

It's hard to imagine the sweat and the toil
On their trek and their trudge through the crimson soil
The screaming, the guts, the gore and the stench
Like rats in a warren, scurrying from trench to trench

The shrill whistle sounds and it's over the top Explosions ring out, shrapnel flies and you drop Down in the sludge, boots trample your back It isn't the night that turns everything black

We stand and reflect, feel proud of our own Lying in their beds, below the seeds that are sown Of the poppies that show them they are never alone We promise to tell them, as soon as we're home.

By Andy McCormack





#### Original Preface to the Roll of Honour

It is earnestly hoped that this Roll of those -

'Whose hearts were as brave to meet the foe As the thin red line of years ago',

The Roll contains almost 1,200 names, or about one-fifth of the population. The town can boast that no conscientious objector ever appeared before Tribunal.

It has been found impracticable to distinguish most of those who were wounded in their Country's service, because of the absence of available records; and it has proved equally impossible to ascertain the rank and unit of very many: consequently these particulars have been almost wholly omitted.

Middlewich was worthily represented in every arm of the Forces – Army, Navy, Marines, R.A.F., R.N.A.S., and anti-aircraft – as well as in the manufacture of munitions. Her patriotic sons came from far distant lands such as Australia and Canada –

'Tell them, O guns, that we have heard the call, That we have sworn, and will not turn aside, That we will onward till we win or fall, That we will keep the faith for which they died'.

Middlewich men have served nobly on battleship and mine-sweeper, on horse and foot, on camel and tank, as well as under the sea and in the air; beginning with the "Contemptibles," who for a time gallantly stemmed the onrushing grey tide at Mons, and ending with the occupation of the Rhine towns.

Her daughters courageously served behind the lines while the Hun bombs were dealing death and destruction in hospitals around.

Her sons fought fearlessly on land and water. The shell-swept battlefields of France, Gallipoli (the "Cheshire Ridge"), Belgium, Palestine, Italy, Salonica, Mesopotamia, East Africa and Russia witnessed brave hearts from the old town striking a blow for Honour, for Liberty, for Righteousness; and most of these arenas were stained and sanctified with their life blood.

They endured the privations of trench life in foul weather, when –

'Not an inch of him was clean

Only his honour, spotless, rare;'

And in the arid Aceldama realised the full significance of the words from the Cross: "I thirst!" They experienced – some for four long weary years – the unspeakable horrors of the prisoners' laagers of Germany, Bulgaria and Turkey, where many would have starved to death but for the parcels sent from home.

A large number brilliantly distinguished themselves, and one took part in the glorious feat at Zeebrugge.

Those who won decorations are modestly reticent about their own thrilling achievements, but testify to the courageous deeds of others which escaped the notice of those in command. Through no fault of their own many did not participate in the actual fighting, but they did their bit" bravely and creditably behind the lines while Fritz, "strafing" them from the air, killed and maimed those around.

About fifty held His Majesty's Commission, a fifth of whom "died that we might live".



Large numbers were wounded several times, and at least one is entitled to display seven burnished stripes of gold.

Some families had all their sons in the forces – one can proudly boast of six – and in some homes more than one loved one won deathless glory. At least two poor widows lost two sons. Three who gained distinction made the supreme sacrifice; in fact, the long list of those who, in the words of J. W. Streets –

#### 'To liberty their heritage they gave And won immortal glory at the grave'.\*

May prove to be almost unparalleled in towns of the size of the one-time Royal Borough. As we picture the many hallowed mounds, surmounted by wooden crosses, around the battlefields, we recall Rupert Brooke's famous lines –

'If I should die, think only this of me: That there's some corner of a foreign land That is forever England.'\*

Their deeds were glorious, and the memory of them is imperishable. They upheld our greatest, our noblest traditions. Inspired by the knowledge that their cause was right against brutal might, they fought tenaciously and unflinchingly against almost overwhelming odds, braving the diabolical devices for torturing, maiming and killing invented by a fiendish foe; and, by their heroic courage in battles which even the bravest described as veritable infernos, they helped to save the world and civilisation, and Canon F. G. Scott's beautiful prayer finds an echo in our hearts -

'Dear Christ, who reign'st above the flood Of human tears and human blood, A weary road these men have trod; Oh! House them in the Home of God'.

Some Middlewich men there are whose names are not here recorded, who were nevertheless patriotic sons of the Empire, for they voluntarily offered themselves for service, but were rejected on medical grounds. It was not the lot of all to hear "the mad, hoarse shout of battle," for many, perforce, had to "carry on" at home to provide the sinews of war, and see that the fighters' needs were supplied; while the daughters of the old wych-town nursed the wounded, packed prisoners' parcels, provided comforts for those exposed to the hardships and rigours of life in the field, made munitions, and generally filled the places of the absent boys. Those at home also made herculean efforts for many war organisations, raised over £10,000, and did everything, in the words of the well-known war song, (the authoress of which was killed in a Hun Air Raid,) to "Keep the Home Fires Burning."

Written by Charles Fredrick Lawrence, Clerk to the Middlewich Urban District Council.

\* Quotations marked with an asterisk are from works of Soldier poets who fell in the Great War.



"If I should fall upon the field, And lie among the slain, Then mine will be the victory, And yours the pain." – John E. Stewart

## THE FALLEN

"The splendid dead Who gave the fragrant blossom of their youth At duty's call." – Hamish Mann

Arrowsmith, Thomas

Ankers, William

Arrowsmith, M.M., Joseph

Buckley, Sec.-Lieut., George

William

Brocklehurst, Staff. Sgt., John

Burrows, Frank Bailey, Charles

Brannon, Thomas

Brown, Robert Reeves Barnard, Horace

Brooks, Arthur

Burrows, Lce.-Cpl., William

Bailey, Daniel

Burke, Peter Edmund Baker, Lce.-Cpl., Alfred

Barker, Harry

Barnes, Alfred

Bolt, William Harold Burrows, Clarence Noden

Brazier, Frederick

Brooks, Sgt. Walter W Ormond Benstead, Cpl., Fredk. Matthias

Court, Captain, William Hubert

Roylance

Cooke, Captain, Charles Taylor

Coppenhall, Charles Coppenhall, William Copnall, Frederick

Cooke, Percy Thomas Cartlidge, Albert Edward

Carter, Christopher Challinor, John

Cookson, Harold Pearce Clare, Christopher

Clare, George

Clarke, Frederick Edward Clarke, Pte., William

Cooke, Cpl., Eric Francis Duncan

Crawford, George

Cox, Richard Joseph

Clewes, Charles Dunn, Oswald

Duncan, William

Dobson, Duncan Daniel

Dodd, John James Darlington, Ralph

Davies, Sgt.-Major, John James

Darlington, James Elton, George

Edwards, Leonard

Earl, Arthur Percy Egerton, Samuel

France-Hayhurst, Lieut.-Colonel

Frederick Charles

France-Hayhurst, R.N. Commander,

Cecil Halsted

French, Lieut., George Henry

Frith, Cpl., Bertram

Fortnum, (Bert) Albert Stuart Bryan

Fradley, John

France, Cpl., Charles

French, Percy

Griffiths, Sec.-Lieut., John Joseph

Green, John Robert Goodier, John Joseph Goodier, William

Haddon, Capt., Thomas Harrison, Lce-Cpl., Arthur Hatton, Russell Thomas

Holland, Sec.-Lieut., Thomas Welsby

Hodgkinson, Cpl., James

Hough, George Hoole, Harry

Healey, Fred Davenport

Hough, Stanley

Higgins, Edward

Hulse, Lce-Cpl., Arthur Ball

Hough, Frederick Higgins, John



#### "Yet listen – rising splendid, ever new, A sad, dear song is wafted in the air . . . His soul is singing: it's not buried there!" – Hamish Mann

#### "The splendour of their sacrifice That is too high for tears." - A.L. Jenkins

Jackson, Christopher Jackson, Sidney Johnson, Herbert Jones, Coy.-Sgt.-Major, Harry Jones, John Thomas Jones, William

Kirk, James Henry Lees, Lieut., Beresford Lightfoot, George Littlemore, Charles

Lowe, Sgt., Harry Lunt, George Thomas Lunt, Lce.-Cpl., William Maddock, Charles

Maddock, Charles Maddock, John William Mahon, Peter

Marshall, Ephraim Molloy, Edward Molloy, William Moores, Richard Moses, Lce.-Cpl., Fred Moss, John Thomas Moss, Lce.-Cpl., Frank Mulliner, Thomas, V.

Nicholls, Harry Ollier, Joseph

Ollier, Lce.-Cpl., Charles Parry, Edward Alfred Poole, Jacob Allen Parker, Sgt., Fred Preston, Samuel Preston, Harry Reynolds, Martin

Sandbach, George Sant, Oscar Sant, William Sant, Phillip Sant, Fred

Sheckelston, James Shepherd, Thomas William

Siddall, Herbert Siddall, John Smallwood, William Snelson, Sgt., Ernest Spilsbury, Samuel

Spilsbury, Lce-Cpl., William

Sproston, Sec.-Lieut., Frederick Alvin

Stubbs, Joseph

Sutton, George William

Swain, Qr.-Sgt., William Harold

Taylor, Frank Taylor, Sgt., William Thomas, Arthur Tomkinson, Arthur Trelfa, John Trelfa, Nathan Walley, George Walley, Seth

Walton, John

Washington, Cpl., James William

Wharton, Walter Whittaker, Arthur Whittaker, Frederick W. Whittaker, John

Worth, Sec.-Lieut., Thomas.

Williamson, Lce.-Cpl., Thomas Cecil

Wilkinson, John Wright, Frederick Walker, William

Wilkinson, M.M., Lce.-Cpl., James

Wilton, Frank Yoxall, Cpl., George Yoxall, George



"And England be greater because we have died." - Eric F. Wilkinson

"Remembrance of them shall not fade, Their deathless glory we'll acclaim; The supreme sacrifice they made Be writ on Britain's roll of fame" – C.F.L.

"Blow out, you bugles, over the rich dead." - Rupert Brooke

## **HONOURS**

D.S.O., M.C.

Broadbent, Brig.-General E.N., C.B. Officer of Legion of Honour, C.M.G., D.S.O., Order of the Sacred Treasur

Child, M.A., Major Arthur Gascoigne Fernie, B.A., Capt., E.H.

Haddon, Capt., John Hugo

Irwin, Major, Cuthbert

Moss, Capt., William Henry

Rolt, Brig.-General, S.P. Talbot, Lieut.-Col., Douglas H.

Kay, Mrs. Mary Lees

Bromley, Mrs. Lilian Barker, Miss Mabel

Arrowsmith, Pte., Joseph

Bradburn, Nurse, Maria Bebbington, Sergt., John

Order of the Sacred Treasure, 3rd Class. White Eagle of Serbia, 4th Class, thrice mentioned in Despatches, and appointed G.O.C. (General Officer's Commanding) Palestine Lines of Communication. Senior Chaplain, 53rd Division, mentioned in Despatches (wounded). Mentioned in Despatches, Chaplain Australian Forces. Mentioned in Despatches (wounded; brother killed). M.C., 7th Bn. Cheshire Regt., regarded as a fearless fighter. M.C. and Croix de Guerre with Palms 1914-5 Star. Conspicuous gallantry in taking two villages and consolidating. Wounded seven times and "gassed". C.B., etc. Mentioned in Despatches.

O.B.E., Red Cross work, Prisoners' Packing Centre, etc. Red Cross decoration. Red Cross decoration.

M.M., Dressing wounds and carrying in wounded under heavy fire, although wounded. (Killed; also brother). Royal Red Cross (2<sup>nd</sup> Class). D.C.M., and twice mentioned in Despatches. Led section, and captured four machine guns and 48 men (more than his section), killing the rest of the gun crew. Wounded several times.



Birchall, Sergt., Samuel

Buckley, Cpl., Frank

Beckett, Pte., Thomas

Bancroft, Pte., Thomas Clarke, Lce.-Cpl., Joseph

Evanson, Pte., Thomas

Fox, Sergt., James Henry

Healey, Sergt., Harry

Edge, Sergt.-Major, William Hazell, Sergt., Roger

Hamlett, George Frederick

Jinks, Pte., James

Mentioned in Despatches for valuable services on anti-aircraft defences in United Kingdom.

M.M., Devotion to duty in field. In charge of party of 30 while wiring and entrenching a position three nights during heavy bombardment. Wounded (brother killed).

M.M., Fetching in wounded officer under fire and leading a party of men to safety although almost surrounded. Wounded.

M.M., dressing wounded under fire. M.M., stayed behind on retreat, and brought wounded in notwithstanding approach of enemy.

M.M., brought wounded man in under fire. Taken prisoner later.

M.M., took charge when officer killed; flanked two machine guns, and captured crew (24 men). Also awarded certificate for rescuing child from drowning at Middlewich.

M.M., took command when officer wounded. Although wounded, he made a personal reconnaissance, and obtained valuable information.

Mentioned in Despatches (wounded).
M.M., took charge when officers missing, holding position for 18 hours.

Meritorious Service Medal for picking up and throwing away a live bomb with 5 seconds fuse. Croix de Guerre with Star. Took charge of company, captured trench, turning enemy's machine guns on them. (Brother taken prisoner).

Medal of O.B.É. Persisted in doing dangerous work at Munitions Works, with certainty of suffering from poisoning as the result.

M.M., took ration party up front line under heavy fire. Also mentioned in Despatches for carrying message to firing line when communications destroyed. Wounded several times.



Lawrenson, Signaller, Herbert Edward

Marshall, Pte., Andrew

McHugh, Lce.-Cpl., Michael

Parker, Sergt., Fred Siddall, Lce.- Cpl., John William

Shaw, Pte., Frank

Sproston, Pte., James Ellam

Sutcliffe, Appren., Thomas Arthur

Wilkinson, Pte., James

Woodbine, Pte., John

Wagstaffe, Cpl., Ralph Thompson M.M., rescued man buried in an observation post by shell explosion, and got two other bodies out under heavy fire.

D.C.M. Attended to and brought in wounded men under heavy fire. Wounded, (Brother killed and one taken prisoner).

M.M., conveyed messages under fire from Headquarters to various companies. Wounded. Mentioned in Despatches for rescuing twenty miners from mine that had been filled with gas.

Mentioned in Despatches (killed).
M.M., Took charge of Platoon and
machine guns when Non.-Com.
Officers wounded, and advanced and
gained objective in spite of heavy
fire. Wounded four times.

D.C.M. Although subjected to heavy fire, put enemy machine gun out of action by bombing, and though wounded, continued bombing, withdrawing pins with teeth, and throwing with left hand. Also Italian Silver Medal for Military Valour.

M.M. Took messages under heavy

M.M. Took messages under heavy shell fire, and attended to wounded. Wounded.

D.S.M. At age of 16 took charge of vessel when man at helm killed, and brought it in safely under fire. Also received cheque for 20 guineas from the Manchester Liners Ltd. and certificate and medal of Mercantile Marine.

M.M. Got 300 bombs out of dug-out (30-40 ft. deep) when on fire. (Killed; also brother. Another brother wounded and taken prisoner). M.M. Fetched wounded in under heavy fire. Wounded, etc., several times. M.M. Brought in wounded under

heavy machine gun fire. Wounded.



## PRISONERS OF WAR IN GERMANY

UNLESS OTHERWISE STATED

Antrobus, James

Beswick, Kenneth H. (Turkey)

Burgess, Walter Bratherton, Horace Cannon, Thomas

Evanson, Thomas (M.M.)

Fleet, W.

Gamblin, Frank Hulme, Thomas

Higgins, Joseph Higgins, Samuel

Hopley, Arthur Hazell, Patrick Holman, R.

Jackson, Harry Kirk, Frank

Lloyd, Christopher Latham, William

Maddock, Charles Frederick

Morris, Frank Maddock, David Molloy, William Marshall, William McHugh, Thomas

Massev, Henry (Bulgaria)

Noden, Cyril Pve. Arthur Robinson, James Sproston, Harry Stoneley, William

Siddall, Benjamin (Bulgaria) Smallwood, Stanley

Wakefield, Albert Webb, Thomas W. Wilkinson, Jonas

Yarwood, T. Grange (Bulgaria)

"We'll put them down, gracing the Scroll, with honour coupled to the names."

## OVERSEAS HOSPITALS

Hislop, M.D., Capt., Lawrence Murphy, F.R.C.S., Capt., James Stocks, V.A.D., Miss Dorothy M.

## WOMEN'S AUXILIARY ARMY CORPS - OVERSEAS

Hough, Miss Milly Fields, Mrs. A.M.

## Q.M.A.A.C. – OVERSEAS

Smallwood, Miss Lydia - attached to R.E. Signals.

"Then, if I live, no man shall say, think I, 'He lives, because he did not dare to die!" F. St. Vincent Morris



Abbott, Charlie Allan, T. Allcock, G. Allman, G.R. Allman, William Ankers, J.W. Ankers, T. Antrobus, J.

Appleton, G. Herbert

Arnold, P.

Arrowsmith, Frederick Arthur

Ashley, G.W. Ashley, T. Ashmore, Alfred Ashmore, James Atherton, J. Atherton, J.H.

Atherton, William Henry

Atkinson, G.H.

Bagnall, John B. Bagnall, R.E. Bagnall, Robert Bagnall, William Bailey, Albert Bailey, E. Stanley Bailey, Fred Bailey, Geo. Thomas Bailey, George Bailey, George Bailey, George T. Bailey, J.H. Bailey, James Bailey, Joseph Bailey, P. Bailey, Percy V. Bailey, Richard Henry Bailey, Sec.-Lieut., W.H. Bailey, William Bailey, William.

Baker, Harry Baker, J. Bancroft, T. Bannaghan, John

Bannaghan, Thomas Anthony

Barker, Harry

Barker, John Massey Barker, Reginald Prescott

Barlow, G. Barlow, H.L. Barlow, J. Barnard, A. Barnard, G.R. Barnard, H.

Barnard, Henry

Barnard, Jack Barnard, John

Barnard, Sidney Edward

Barnes, W.

Barnes, Wm. Barnett, Charles H. Barnett, F.

Basford, W. Bateman, Fred. Bateman, Jack

Bateman, R.A. Bateman, Sam Bateman, Sidney Bateman, William

Bebbington, J. Beckett, H. Beckett, S.

Beckett, Thomas Beech, Henry Bennett, Henry Bennett, W.A. Bennion, John F.

Bentley, C.H.
Bentley, John
Berry, Arthur E.
Birchall, Alfred
Birchall, Arthur
Birchall, E.
Birchall, Edward
Birchall, H.

Birchall, Harold Birchall, Harry Bithell, C.T.

Bithell, F.J. Bloor, E. Bloor, H.



Bloor, Jack Blunstone, Arthur Bolt, R.S. Booth, G.T. Booth, M. Bowden, John Bradburn, -Bradburn, James E. Bradburn, Joseph Bradburn, P. Bradbury, Albert Bradbury, C. Bradbury, J.C. Bradbury, R. Bradbury, W. Brassington, Fred. Bratherton, Geo. Bratt, Edward Bratt, George Bratt, R. Breeze, S.W. Brereton, Harry Brew, W.C. Briscall, Harry Brocklehurst, P. Brookes, Albert Brooks, Arthur Brooks, F. Brooks, J.H. Brooks, W. Broster, P. Brown M.D., Capt., Geo. Hbt. Brown, H.W.

Brown M.D., Capt., Geo. Hi Brown, H.W. Brooks, Walter W. Ormond Buckley, Albert Buckley, F. Buckley, H. Buckley, Harry Buckley, Sam. Buckley, Samuel Buckley, T. Bunn, F. Bunn, F. Bunn, F. Bunn, Frank

Bunn, Fred

Bunn, George

Bunn, H. Bunn, T. Burgess, Geo. Burgess, George Burgess, James Burgess, James Burgess, John Thomas Burgess, T. Burgess, Thomas Burgess, W.N. Burke, Edward Burke, James Burke, James Burke, Peter E. Burrows, Albert Burrows, Thomas Burton, Frederick H. Byrom, H.

Cannon, Edward Cannon, James Cannon, Thomas Cannon, Thomas Capper, A. Capper, F. Capper, Henry Capper, R. Carr. Bernard Carter, Geo. Thomas Carter, James Cartledge, H. Cartledge, John Cartledge, William Cartlidge, Thomas Cartwright, H. Cawley, John Cawley, S. Challinor, Alec Challinor, Alec. Challinor, C.S. Challinor, Edward Challinor, Frank Challinor, Fred Challinor, James



Challinor, R. Challinor, Sam

Challinor, Sec.-Lieut., R.H.

Challinor, W. Clare, G. Clark, Rollo Clarke, Alfred Clarke, C.

Clarke, Chas, Robert Clarke, Edward Clarke, Edwin Clarke, Frank Clarke, G. Clarke, Joe Clarke, John Clarke, John Clarke, Peter Clarke, R. Clarke, Reginald Clarke, Robert Clarke, T. Clarke, Thomas

Clarke, W. Clarke, Wm. H. Cleaves, Christopher Clewes, Charles Clewes, Frank Clewes, Fred Clewes, James Clewes, John

Clewes, Thomas Clewes, William Clough, Thomas Cockshoot, C.

Clewes, R.

Cooke, George Frederick

Cooke, Sidney A. Cookson, C.E. Cookson, G.A. Cookson, J.H. Cookson, John Cooper, Arthur Cooper, Clarence Cooper, Harry Cooper, Percy Copnall, Frank

Copnall, Fred Copnall, William Coppenhall, H. Coppenhall, James Coppenhall, William

Cork, F. Cork, T. Corwood, A. Corwood, J. Costello, Edward Costello, John Cotterill, C.

Cotterill, Thomas E.

Cousins, H. Cox. I.E. Cox, T.E. Cragg, Roger Cragg, S. Craig, J. Cregg, J.

Crofts, Robert Thomas

Cross, William

Daintith, W.H. Dale, Edward Trelfa Dale, John E. Dalziel, C. Dalziel, Norman Davey, Lieut., C.W.B.

Davies. -Davies, Charles Davies, Harold Davies, J.T. Davies, J.T. Davies, J.W. Davies, William Dean, Arthur Dean, Fred Dean, George Dean, James Dean, Reginald Dean, Sidney Dewison, A.M. Dewison, J.E. Dewison, Thos.

Dickenson, A.



Dickenson, C. Dickenson, Frank Dickenson, Harold Dickenson, J. Dickenson, J.T. Dillon, Albert Dillon, J. Ditheridge, W. Dobson, Douglas Dodd, Ernest Dolan, Austin Downing, A. Downing, Walter Drinkwater, Charles Wardman Drinkwater, Stanley B. Drinkwater, Thomas Harland Duffy, John Duncan, Joseph Henry Duncan, Peter Dunn, P.S. Dunning, James Dutton, Edward Dutton, William Dyson, C.F.

Eardley, E. Earl, Francis P. Eaton, George Eaton, Joseph Eaton, Thomas Edge, Frank Edge, William Edwards, Albert Edwards, Richard Egan, Charles Egan, John Egan, Thomas Egan, William J. Egerton, Frank Austin Egerton, Thomas Ellis, E.J. Ellis, E.W. Ellis, F.F. Estcourt, J.

Evans, Chris. Evans, Edward Evans, Fred Evans, L. Evans, Stanley Evison, Albert Evison, Charles Evison, George Evison, George

Farrington, Jonathan Farrington, Samuel Farrington, William Faulkner, Wilfred Fielding, -Fielding, Richard Finch, John Fitton, E. Ford, T. Forrest, Joseph Forster, J. Fortnum, F.J. Foster, A.B. Foster, J.B. Foster, S. Fox, Edward Fox, Jas. Henry Fox, John William Fox, Samuel France-Hayhurst, J.P., Capt., W.H. France-Hayhurst, W.W. Frogbrook, Albert V. France-Hayhurst, J.P., Capt., W.H. France-Hayhurst, W.W.

Gaffney, Ernest Gallimore, Frank Gallimore, Frank Albert Gallimore, H. Gallimore, James Gallimore, John Allen Gallimore, J.H. Gallimore, William Gamblin, J. Garner, George F.



Gere, James Gerrard, Henry Gerrard, W.

Gill, Sec.-Lieut., Joseph

Goodall, Joseph Goodier, Albert Goodier, Ernest Goodier J.S. Goodier T. Goodwin, A.A Goodwin, E.

Grange, -Graven, James Graven, John Graven, Martin Green, Thomas Green, William

Greenwood, James Page Greenwood, George Greenwood, George Greenwood, Horace W.

Gregory, Abram Gregory, John

Gregory, Thos. Reginald Griffiths, Frank Austin Griffiths, George William

Griffiths, J.

Hall, Frank Hall, Robert Hall, Samuel

Hall, Sec.-Lieut., Leonard M.

Hall, Sydney Hamlett, E. Hancock, John Hankey, Fred Harding, J.T.

Hargreaves, Sec.-Lieut., Luke

Hargreaves, William Harrison, Arthur Harrison, Edward Harrison, J.W. Harrop, Fred Hassall, Walter John Hatton, Nathan Hatton, Nathan

Hatton, Russell Thomas

Hatton, W. Hawkes, Harry Hayes, I. Hayes, Thomas Hayward, F. Healey, C.

Healey, Frank Walwyn Healey, George William Healey, John Thomas

Heaton, A. Henshall, -

Henshall, Henry Gibbons Henshall, J. Arthur Henshall, J. Edward Henshaw, Frank Preston

Henshaw, J.P. Hewitt, John Hewitt, Peter Hewitt, R.G. Hewitt, W. Heywood, F. Hickson, J.M.

Higgins, Edward



Higgins, J. Higgins, Philip Higgins, S. Higgins, Samuel Higginson, Geo. Arthur Higginson, J.B. Hind, Richard Kitchen Hine, Frank Hinett, J. Hitchen, John Hodgkinson, Fred Hodgkinson, James Allan Hodgkinson, Joseph Hodgkinson, Peter Hodgkinson, Samuel Hodkinson, Albert Hodkinson, F. Hodkinson, James Holbrooks, Edward Hollinshead, J. Hollinshead, John Hollinshead, Joseph Hollinshead, Richard Hoole, Arthur Hoole, John Joseph Hope, W.J. Hopkins, William Hough, Ernest Hough, Frank George Hough, Fred Hough, G.H. Hough, G.T. Hough, George Hough, George Herbert Hough, Harry Thompson Hough, Isaac Hough, Isaac Hough, Joseph Hough, Joseph Hough, M.

Hough, Ralph Hough, T. Hough, W. Hough, William Houghton, W. Howe, George Howe, Harry Hughes, J.E. Hulme, Frank A. Hulme, George Frederick Hulme, John Hulme, Joseph Hulse, Ernest Hulse, T.A. Hunt, Frederick Hunt, Samuel Hurst, G.W. Hurst, J.S. Hyland, L.W.

Ireland, James Ireland, Thomas E. Irwin, John Thomas Irwin, Wilfred Isherwood, R.T.

Jackson, Frank Jackson, H. Jackson, Harold Jackson, J.J. Jackson, J.W. Jackson, John Edward Jackson, Joseph Jameson, John Jarvis, A.J. Jinks, Arthur Jinks, Edward Jinks, Harry Jinks, James, M.M. Jinks, Richard Johnson, Arthur Johnson, C.P. Johnson, Fred Johnson, H. Johnson, Herbert Johnson, Harold



Johnson, John Johnson, Lieut., Mark Johnson, Samuel Johnson, T. Johnson, William Jones, Fredk. Lewis Jones, H. Jones, Isaac Jones, J.J. Jones, John Jones, Joseph Jones, Robert Jones, Thomas Samuel Jones, Wm. Jordan, Dominic Jordan, John Jordan, T.M. Jordan, Wm. Edward

Kent, Frank Kent, Herbert Kirk, Chas. Kirk, James Henry Kitchen, J. Kitchen, J.

Lampard, Sec.-Lieut., O.C.H. Latham, A.E. Latham, Frank Latham, Harry Latham, R. Latham, S. Latham, T. Latham, Thomas Lawrence, A.H. Lawrence, B.A., Charles Henry Lawrence, John Ramsell Lawrence, M.D., Capt., Arthur Reginald Lea, Arthur Edward Lea, H. Lea, Harry Lea, Harry Leech, J. Lees, J.P., Colonel, C. Percy

Lees, William Edward

Leese, Alfred Leese, G. Leese, Hector Leeson, John Thomas Lewis, J.E. Leyenberg, Joseph Lievesley, John Lightfoot, T. Littlemore, F. Littlemore, F.C. Littlemore, J. Littlemore, T. Littler, P.S. Lloyd, Heber Lomas, -Lomas, Arthur Lomas, F.C. Lomas, Frank Henry Lomas, Frank Henry Lomas, Harry Lomas, T.E. Lomas, T.H. Lomas, Tom Lomas, William J. Lowe, Arnold Lowe, E. Lowe, Fred Lowe, J. Lowe, W. Lucas, J.A. Luker. -Lunt, Geo. Lunt, J. Lunt, John Thomas Lunt, Wm. Lynch, Frederick Lynch, G.

Macnab, Major, Gordon Maddock, F. Maddock, Frank Maddock, Herbert Maddock, J. Maddock, J.W. Maddock, James Henry Maddock, Simeon



Mahon, Martin Mahon, Martin Malpass, Frank Malpass, Henry Manley, G.T. Manley, J.G. Manley, James Manley, John Willie Manley, John Manley, Thomas

Mann, Sec.-Lieut., Geo. Bertram

Marshall, E.
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Massey, H.
Maxfield, Charles
Maxfield, John
Maxfield, Samuel
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McHale, James
McHugh, Patrick
Mellor, Levi
Millington, Ralph
Millington, Thos.
Mills, W.

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Moate, T. Molloy, F. Molloy, John

Molloy, John Edward

Moody, Harry

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Moores, T.

Morley, John Bartholomew

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Powell, John Arthur

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Robinson, John Robinson, John Robinson, Levi Robinson, Peter Robinson, R.J. Robinson, Richard

Robinson, S. Robinson, T.

Robinson, Thomas Robinson, Thomas William

Ross, A.

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Sant, William Reginald

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Skellon, Frank Skerratt, George

Siddall, William

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Smallwood, S. Smallwood, W.

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Worrall, George Bretherton C.

Wright, Sec. Lieut., Thos. Geo. Wright, Walter Trevelyan

Wilkinson, L. Wilkinson, R.J. Wilkinson, S. Wilkinson, Thomas Wilkinson, Thomas Wrench, W. Wright, Frederick Woolley, R.

> Yoxall, G. Yoxall, J. Yoxall, James Yoxall, Jonas Yoxall, W. Young, J.

# Remembrance Day

war to end all wars, that was what they said, alas the wars remain.

remembrance day

we stand at the cenotaph in silence
the eleventh hour, eleventh day, eleventh month
the bugler sounds the 'last post' to signal the start of the
two minutes silence in memory of the fallen in many wars.
comrades recalled, family and friends are remembered in
the silence that abounds on a cold November morning.
the young and the old stand as one with the liveried
in a show of thanks and respect for fallen heroes.
with the sound of the 'reveille' the silence is broken
and standards raised in preparation of the wreath laying.
slowly and with reverence the wreaths of poppies are laid
at the base of the cenotaph by the dignified and humble.
the parade is called to order for the march away
and to the sound of drums and bugles they
marched away, as so many have,

L S T W E F O R G E T

never to return.

By John Currie

## THE ORDER OF SERVICE

11TH November 2018

The Reverend Barry Jobber, Chaplain to the Middlewich Branch Royal
British Legion leads in Prayer:

**HYMN: 'O VALIANT HEARTS'** 

O Valiant Hearts who to your glory came
Through dust of conflict and through battle-flame,
Tranquil you lie, your knightly virtue proved,
Your memory hallowed in the land you loved.

Proudly you gathered, rank on rank, to war, As who had heard God's message from afar, All you had hoped for, all you had you gave To save mankind yourselves you scorned to save.

Splendid you passed, the great surrender made, Into the light that nevermore shall fade; Deep your contentment in that blest abode, Who wait the last clear trumpet call of God.

O risen Lord, O Shepherd of our Dead, Whose cross has bought them and whose staff has led In glorious hope their proud and sorrowing Land Commits her children to thy gracious hand.

> Devlin Hobson, Middlewich Town Crier – The last soldier to fall in WWI

> > 10.59 am - Whistles blown

ACT OF REMEMBRANCE
Bugler Adrian Ogle will play the Last Post and Reveille

Cllr Ken Kingston, Chairman of the Middlewich branch of the Royal British Legion, will recite the Exhortation and the Kohima Epitaph

THE LAST POST.

THE EXHORTATION.

#### TWO MINUTES SILENCE



#### THE REVEILLE

#### THE KOHIMA EPITAPH.



Wreaths will now be laid:

#### THE NATIONAL ANTHEM

God save our gracious Queen,
Long live our noble Queen.
God save the Queen,
Send her victorious,
Happy and glorious,
Long to reign over us,
God save the Queen.

Thy choicest gifts in store,
On her be pleased to pour,
Long may she reign.
May she defend our laws
And ever give us cause,
To sing with heart and voice,
God save the Queen

# The Clergy from Middlewich Churches Together will lead the Prayers.

Let us say together the Lord's Prayer:
Our Father, who art in heaven,
Hallowed be thy name;
thy Kingdom come; thy will be done;
on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread.
And forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those who trespass against us.
And lead us not into temptation; but deliver us from evil.
For Thine is the kingdom, the power and the glory,
For ever and ever.

Amen

#### HYMN: 'O GOD OUR HELP IN AGES PAST'

O God, our help in ages past, Our hope for years to come, Our shelter from the stormy blast, And our eternal home.

Beneath the shadow of thy throne Thy saints have dwelt secure; Sufficient is Thine arm alone, and our defence is sure.

Before the hills in order stood, or earth received her frame, from everlasting thou art God, to endless years the same.

A thousand ages in thy sight
Are like an evening gone;
short as the watch that ends the night
before the rising sun.

Time, like an ever-rolling stream, Bears all our years away; they fly forgotten, as a dream dies at the opening day.

O God, our help in ages past, our hope for years to come, be thou our guard while troubles last, and our eternal home;

## The Blessing by Reverend Barry Jobber

Almighty God, grant to the living grace, to the departed rest, to the Church and all you people unity and peace; and the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit be amongst you and remain with you always.

Amen



We stood as one at the cenotaph (Beneath the weeping willow tree) We bowed our heads in reverence Recalling those who kept us free

Crisp uniforms, the standards high Prayers, praises, red poppies too Gathered as one, we are the many Owing so much to the valiant few

From the tower a church bell tolls The 11th hour, the 11th of November A crisp autumn morning falls silent As we bow our heads to remember

Yet, in the silence a sound is heard A babe in arms had begun to cry This a future, they sought to secure The reason, they'd fight for and die

By John Currie







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