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## INTRODUCTION

As the St Saviour's Church magazine records, in June 1921 a Service of Dedication of the St Saviour's Church War Memorial was held. The service commenced with the names of the fallen being read out as members of the congregation stood. The magazine then lists the names, as is shown after this Introduction. Very sadly time has eroded the inscriptions upon the memorial and for the family or general visitor, there remains no visible record of their names. During the conflict names of those who had died were published in the magazine as information was received. Amongst those were nine whose names are not included in the Memorial Dedication. The connection of them as members of the parish or Church is less certain, but they at least justify their inclusion after the dedicated.

Names are shown as recorded in the Dedication list followed by their full correct names. The majority have been traced to where they were at the time of the 1911 Census (2<sup>nd</sup> April) or otherwise, in some cases, the 1901 (31<sup>st</sup> March) return. Occupations are verbatim of the returns. On the 1911 return the number of children born and those since deceased is declared. Unfortunately, many service records were lost in the Second World War due to enemy action and those that remain are of varied completeness. The Commonwealth War Graves Commission records also vary, some with very full information and others with much less, as might be expected in time of war. The three medals mentioned are the Military Cross, for officers; the Distinguished Conduct Medal for officers and other ranks; the Military Medal for other ranks. All are for bravery in battle on land. All the men would have qualified for Campaign medals; in some instances where the records still exist they show these to have been received by the next-of-kin. Most of the men are included on other local memorials and these are shown in italics where known. The fuller details of the memorials are as below, the information being provided by the RollofHonour/St Albans website –

*Albert St* – Street memorial, St Albans.

*Beaconsfield Rd* – Post Office employee's memorial removed from the Post Office, Beaconsfield Rd, before it was demolished, and placed in the premises at Brick Knoll Park, Ashley Rd, St Albans.

*Boundary Rd* – Methodist Church, Boundary Rd, member's memorial, removed from Church before it was demolished and placed in the Methodist Church, Hatfield Rd, St Albans.

*London Rd* – Street memorial, St Albans.

*Pageant Rd* – Street Memorial, St Albans.

*Sopwell Lane* – Street memorial, St Albans.

*St Albans* – St Albans Memorial, St Peter's St, St Albans.

*Verulam Rd* – Street memorial, St Albans.

*Victoria St* – Tabernacle Church, Victoria St, member's memorial removed from Church before it was demolished and placed in the Baptist Free Church, Marshalswick, St Albans.

I greatly appreciate David Laphorn's assistance as archivist in providing the appropriate Church magazine records, and even more for all his work to produce my manuscript as this booklet. As a lifetime resident of St Albans this has been for me a most interesting yet poignant journey of discovery and I can say with confidence - I shall remember them.

a.b.clayton St Albans. 2014

## ST SAVIOUR'S WAR MEMORIAL 1914-1918

Whilst their names are no longer legible on the War Memorial they are remembered - these are the names as recorded of those to whom this memorial was dedicated.

W.F. ALDOUS

C.A. BAILEY

G.F. BAILEY

C. BAMFORD

H.L. BETTS

P. BUCK

C.A. BUNN

A.E. BUTCHER

F.E. BUTCHER

C.H.J. CALVERT

G. CHAMBERLAIN

A. CHRISTMAS

C.R. COOPER

W.S. COOPER

A. CRAWLEY

A.J. CRITTEN

C. DAY

W. DENNIS

J.F. DORLING

F.J. DUMPLETON

T. EDWARDES

F.J. EVANS

F.W. EWER

G. FIELD

W.G. FIGG

G.S. GADNEY

F.W. GATES

H.J. GATES

E. HADDOW

J. HALSEY

C.W. HARRIS

A.G. HILL

A.T. HOPKINS

G. HORNET

G.E. HOWE

A. IVORY

H. IVORY

A. IZZARD

E. IZZARD

P.G. IZZARD

J. KEECH

C. KING

H. KING

R LAWRENCE

W. LINGER

J.C. LOTT

G. MAJOR

C.E. MANNERS

J.H. MANNERS

H.G. MARSHALL

A.F. MASSEY

K.E. NOTT

R. OWEN

C. PAUL

P. PAUL

W. PAUL

W.J. PAYNE

H. PEACOCK

A.R. PETRIE

R. POINTER

W. POWELL

R.E. QUINT

R.E.W. SEMPLE

W.D. SEMPLE

G.E. SEWELL

B.C. SEXTON

A.M. SMITH

H. SMITH

A. STONE

H.T. STONE

C. STRATTON

W. TAYLOR

L.J. TEARLE

A.G. TYLER

F. WARWICK

W.W. WARWICK

F.G. WELCH

F. WILKINSON

F. WILKS

H. WRIGHT

## ROLL OF HONOUR 1914-1918

### ST SAVIOUR'S CHURCH, ST ALBANS

#### **ALDOUS W. F. - ALDOUS William Frederick**

b.1884 St Albans. The son of Harry Aldous, grocer's assistant, and Maria Aldous. In 1911, aged 26 a domestic gardener, he was living at 21 Culver Rd, St Albans, with his widowed mother. One of three children. Military service – Rifleman 51781 Rifle Brigade 25<sup>th</sup> Res. Bn. later transferred to 664464 Labour Corps (possibly he was unfit for front line duties). Aged 34 he died 16<sup>th</sup> November 1918. Memorial/burial – St Leonard's Churchyard, Sandridge, Herts.

*Other memorial – St Albans.*

#### **BAILEY C. A. - BAILEY Cecil Arthur**

b.1897 Muswell Hill, London. The son of Arthur Bailey, rubber trade sales manager, and Maude Bailey - and twin brother of Guy Bailey. In 1911, aged 14 at school, he was living at "Tetherdown", Sandpit Lane, St Albans, with his parents. One of five children. Military service – Lieutenant in the West Yorkshire Regiment (Prince of Wales's Own) 4<sup>th</sup> Bn. attd. 2<sup>nd</sup> Bn. Duke of Wellington's (West Riding Regiment), aged 18 he was killed in action 5<sup>th</sup> May 1915. Memorial/burial - Ypres (Menin Gate) Memorial, West-Vlaanderen, Belgium.

*Other memorial – St Albans.*

#### **BAILEY G. F. - BAILEY Guy Frederick**

b.1897 Muswell Hill, London. The son of Arthur Bailey, rubber trade sales manager, and Maude Bailey - and the twin brother of Cecil Bailey. In 1911, aged 14, at school, he was living at "Tetherdown", Sandpit Lane, St Albans, with his parents. One of five children. Military service – Captain in the York and Lancaster Regiment 2<sup>nd</sup> Bn. and in 1916 was awarded the Military Cross. Aged 20 he was killed in action 7<sup>th</sup> July 1917. Memorial/burial - Philosophe British Cemetery, Mazingarbe, Pas de Calais, France.

Supplement to the London Gazette 17<sup>th</sup> November 1916. Military Cross awards.

"2nd Lt. (temp. Capt.) Guy Frederick Bailey, York & Lanc. Regt. For conspicuous gallantry in action. He led his company with great courage and initiative, capturing two machine-guns and 150 prisoners. Later he took the final objective. He set a splendid example to his men."

*Other memorial – St Albans.*

### **BAMFORD C. - BAMFORD Charles Aubrey**

b.1887 Wellesbourne, Warwick. The son of Walter Bamford, coachsmith, and Sarah Bamford. In 1911, aged 24 a gardener, he was living at Wellesbourne Hastings, Warwick, with his parents. One of ten children (three dead). He was working as a gardener and living at 78 Culver Rd, St Albans, when in September 1914 he married Nellie Howe at St Peter's Church, St Albans. Military service – Private 235273 Kings Own Regiment (Yorkshire Light Infantry), aged 30 he died of wounds 29<sup>th</sup> November 1917. Memorial/burial – Dozinghem Military Cemetery, West-Vlaanderen, Belgium. At this time his wife Nellie was living at 6 Bull St, New Bilton, Rugby, Warwick, with their daughters Phyllis and Doris.

*Other memorial – St Albans.*

### **BETTS H. L. - BETTS Henry Lee**

b.1885 Kensington, London. The son of Rev. John Betts, vicar of Stokesby, Norfolk, and Annie Betts. In 1901, aged 16 he was at Kings College, Taunton, Devon. Military service – Lieutenant in the Royal Fusiliers (City of London Regiment), aged 32 he was killed in action 20<sup>th</sup> September 1917. Memorial/burial - Hooze Crater Cemetery, West-Vlaanderen, Belgium. At this time his wife Elsie Betts (nee Lea) whom he had married in mid 1916 in Hampstead, was living at 87 Fellows Rd, Hampstead, London, possibly with a daughter Barbara.

*Other memorial – St Albans.*

### **BUCK P. - BUCK Percy**

b.1891 Peterborough, Cambs. The son of John Buck, carriage and wagon fitter, and Elizabeth Buck. In 1911, aged 19 a print apprentice, he was living at 9 Baliol Rd, Hitchin, Herts, with his parents. One of nine children (three dead). In November 1912 he married Bertha Stevens in Hitchin. Military service – At enlistment in January 1916 he was living at 59 Upper Culver Rd, St Albans and working at Gibbs and Bamforth, St Albans. Stated to be height 5'11", chest 36", weight 140 lbs and Church of England religion. Private 267098 Hertfordshire Regiment 1<sup>st</sup> Bn., aged 26 he was killed in action by shell shrapnel on 31<sup>st</sup> July 1917 at the battle of St Julien. Memorial/burial - Ypres (Menin Gate) West-Vlaanderen, Belgium. At this time his wife Bertha together with their son Cyril were living at 7 Park St, Hitchin, Herts. A photo of her and their son was returned to her, through Switzerland, by a German soldier who had found Percy holding it in his hand, lying badly wounded and unconscious. On the back of the photo it requested the finder to return it to her address. From March 1918 Bertha was granted a pension of 18s 9d (93p) per week. Until his death she had been receiving weekly a separation allowance of 16s (80p) plus pay allotment of 3s 6d (17p).

*Other memorials – St Albans and Hitchin.*

### **BUNN C. A. - BUNN Arthur Charles**

b.1896 Sandridge. The son of Henry Bunn and Emily Bunn. In 1911, aged 15 a garden boy, he was living at 7 Culver Terrace, Upper Culver Rd, St Albans, with his seven brothers and sisters. Later he worked for Mr. Lewis, "Sparrowswick", Harpenden Rd, St Albans. Military service – Corporal 890046 Royal Field Artillery 74<sup>th</sup> Div. Ammunition Col., he served in Egypt and Palestine as well as France. Aged 22 he was killed in action whilst on convoy duty, 15<sup>th</sup> September 1918. Memorial/burial - St Emillie Valley Cemetery, Villiers Faucon, Somme, France. At this time, his parents were living at 19 Upper Culver Rd, St Albans.

*Other memorial – St Albans.*

### **BUTCHER A. E. - BUTCHER Albert Edward**

b.1896 Battersea, London. The son of Frederick Butcher, bricklayer's labourer, and Florence Butcher - and younger brother of Frederick Butcher. In 1911, aged 15 a nurseryman, he was living at 10 Upper Culver Rd, St Albans, with his parents. One of twelve children (five dead). Probable Military service – Private 10747 Bedfordshire Regiment 2<sup>nd</sup> Bn., aged 21 he was killed in action 24<sup>th</sup> December 1917. Memorial/burial - Hooze Crater Cemetery, West-Vlaanderen, Belgium.

*Other memorial – St Albans.*

### **BUTCHER F. E. - BUTCHER Frederick Ernest**

b.1887 Sandridge, Herts. The son of Frederick Butcher, bricklayer's labourer, and Florence Butcher - and elder brother of Albert Butcher. In 1911, aged 24 a railway platelayer, he was living at 10 Upper Culver Rd, St Albans, with his parents. One of twelve children (five dead). Military service – Corporal 15883 Bedfordshire Regiment 1<sup>st</sup>/5<sup>th</sup> Bn., aged 30 he was killed in action 20<sup>th</sup> July 1917 in Palestine. Memorial/burial - Gaza War Cemetery, Israel. At this time his parents were living at 43 Upper Culver Rd, St Albans.

*Other memorial – St Albans.*

### **CALVERT C. H. J. - CALVERT Cyril Hugh Thomas**

b.1897 Calcutta, India. The son of Harry Calvert, War Office clerk (army pensioner). In 1911, aged 14 a boy ironmonger, he was living at 9 Clarence Rd, St Albans, with his father and his step mother Elizabeth Calvert. Military service – Gunner 940310 Royal Field Artillery "D" Bty. 181<sup>st</sup> Bde., aged



20 he was killed in action 9<sup>th</sup> October, 1917. Memorial/burial - Fins New British Cemetery, Sorel-le-Grand, Somme, France. At this time his parents were living at 105 Tooting Bec Rd, Balham, London.  
*Other memorial – St Albans.*

#### **CHAMBERLAIN G. - CHAMBERLAIN George**

b.1891 Luton, Beds. The son of Alfred Chamberlain, jobbing gardener, and Clara Chamberlain. In 1911, aged 19 a gardener, he was living at 25 Walton St, St Albans, with his parents. One of nine children (one dead). Military service – Private 15537 Bedfordshire Regiment 1<sup>st</sup> Bn., aged 25 he was killed in action 4<sup>th</sup> September 1916. Memorial/burial - Thiépval Memorial, Somme, France. At this time his wife Fanny Chamberlain (nee Holder) whom he had married earlier that year in St Albans, was living at 44 Albert St, St Albans.

*Other memorials– St Albans and Albert St.*

#### **CHRISTMAS A. - CHRISTMAS Arthur**

b.1893 St Albans. The son of Alfred Christmas, railway labourer, and Alice Christmas. In 1911, age 18 a provision merchant's groom boarding at 20 Dade Lane, Moseley, Birmingham, whilst his parents were living at 7 Heath Rd, St Albans. One of four children. He was a server and chorister at St Saviour's Church, a nephew of a previous verger of the Church. He later worked at the "North Herts Mail" at Hitchin. Military service – Enlisted January 1914, Corporal 74742 Royal Horse Artillery "O" Bty. 5<sup>th</sup> Bde., aged 25 he was killed in action 22<sup>nd</sup> March 1918. Memorial/burial - Pozieres Memorial, Somme, France.

*Other memorial – St Albans.*

#### **COOPER C. R. - COOPER Charles Ridgway**

b.1879 Hadleigh, Suffolk. The son of Thomas Cooper, nursery man and florist, and Emily Cooper - and the older brother of William Cooper. In 1901, aged 21 a printer's machine-minder, he was living at 37 South End, Wisbech, Cambs, with his parents. One of four children. In 1911 his three sisters, Frances, Marion and Muriel, were living at 6 London Rd, St Albans. Military service – Private 188 South African Artillery 2<sup>nd</sup> Regiment, aged 35 he died 12<sup>th</sup> April 1917. Memorial/burial - Brown's Copse Cemetery, Roeux, Pas de Calais, France.

*Other memorials – St Albans and High St.*

**COOPER W. S. - COOPER William Salisbury**

b.1885 Hadleigh, Suffolk. The son of Thomas Cooper, nursery man and florist, and Emily Cooper - and younger brother of Charles Cooper. In 1911 his three sisters, Frances, Marion and Muriel, were living at 6 London Rd, St Albans. Served in the Royal Navy and mercantile marine, but returned from Zanzibar to England when war was declared. Military Service – Sergeant 19583 Grenadier Guards 4<sup>th</sup> Bn. He was wounded in action, awarded the Military Medal at Jupa in 1916 and the Distinguished Conduct Medal in 1917. Aged 32 he died 14<sup>th</sup> May 1918. Memorial/burial – Aire Communal Cemetery, Pas de Calais, France.

*Other memorials – St Albans and High St.*

**CRAWLEY A. - CRAWLEY Alfred**

b.1893 St Albans. The son of Alfred Crawley, agricultural labourer, and Jane Crawley. In 1901, aged 7 at school, he was living at “Baileys Cottages”, St. Stephens, St Albans, with his widowed mother Jane Crawley who was in receipt of parish relief, and his three sisters and two brothers. Military service – Bombardier 67277 Royal Horse Artillery “D” Bty. 3<sup>rd</sup> Bde., aged 25 he died (of wounds?) 11<sup>th</sup> December 1918. Memorial/burial - Belgrade Cemetery, Namur, Belgium. By this time his mother had remarried and was now Mrs. J. Wicks and living at 14 Warwick Rd, St Albans.

*Other memorial – St Albans.*

**CRITTEN A. J. - CRITTEN Albert Josiah**

b.1886 West Ham, London. The son of a father who was a ship’s baker and Fanny Critten. Early 1909 he married Ethel Dendy in Hendon, London. In 1911, aged 25 a journeyman baker, he was living at 41 Cobbold St, Willesden, London, with his wife Ethel and their daughter Elsie. Military service – Private 202769 Norfolk Regiment 7<sup>th</sup> Bn., aged 31 he was killed in action 28<sup>th</sup> April, 1917. Memorial/burial - Arras Memorial, Pas de Calais, France. At this time Ethel was living at 39 Culver Rd, St Albans, with their daughters, Elsie, Olive and Ethel. It had been only just over a month prior to his death that Albert had signed his Will by which all his property and effects would go to his wife Ethel.

*Other memorial – St Albans.*

**DAY C. - DAY Charles Robert George**

b.1887 St Albans. The son of Charles Day, railway labourer, and Louisa Day. In 1911, aged 23 a bricklayer with Hammonds (builders), St Peter’s St, St Albans, he was living at Gwyn Cottages, Heath Rd, St Albans, with his parents. One of nine children (three dead). He played for St Saviour’s football team when they won the Bingham Cup. In June 1913, he married Gertrude Field at Saviour’s Church. Military service – Driver 890468 Royal Horse Artillery and Royal Field Artillery, aged 29 he suffered

serious accidental injuries whilst on active service and died 29<sup>th</sup> November 1917. Memorial/burial - Cairo War Memorial Cemetery, Egypt. At this time, his wife Gertrude was living at 29 Temperance St, St Albans, with their son Charles and baby daughter Frances whom Charles had never seen.

*Other memorial – St Albans.*

#### **DENNIS W. - DENNIS Walter**

b.1886 St Albans. The son of Robert Dennis, woodwork render, and Mary Dennis. In 1911, aged 26 a woodwork render, he was living at 94 Albert St, St Albans, with his parents. One of fourteen children (eight dead). In March 1913, he married Alice Searle at St Peter's Church, St Albans. Military service – Private 28331 Suffolk Regiment 11<sup>th</sup> Bn., aged 30 he was killed in action 28<sup>th</sup> April 1917.

Memorial/burial - Arras Memorial, Pas de Calais, France. At this time his wife Alice was living at 59 Upper Culver Rd, St Albans.

*Other memorial – St Albans.*

#### **DORLING J. F. - DORLING John Francis**

b.1899 Walthamstow, Essex. The son of John Dorling, carpenter at joinery works, and Emma Dorling. In 1911, age 12 at school, he was living at 17 Manor Rd, Higham Hill Rd, Walthamstow, Essex, with his parents. One of six children. Military service – Private G/18952 Royal Sussex Regiment 13<sup>th</sup> Bn., aged 19 he died 25<sup>th</sup> April 1918. Memorial/burial – Tyne Cot Memorial, West Vlaanderen, Belgium.

At this time his parents were living at 55 Boundary Rd, St Albans.

*Other memorial – St Albans.*

#### **DUMPLETON F. J. - DUMPLETON Frederick John**

b.1895 St Albans. The son of Charles Dumbleton, builder, and Elizabeth Dumbleton. In 1911, aged 16 an apprentice joiner, he was living at 29 Culver Rd, St Albans, with his parents. One of five children. Military service – Private 14958 Bedfordshire Regiment 1<sup>st</sup> Bn., aged 20 he was killed in action 7<sup>th</sup> May 1915, close to Zilliebeke, Belgium. Memorial/burial - Sanctuary Wood Cemetery, West-Vlaanderen, Belgium. At this time his parents were living at 54 Victoria St, St Albans.

*Other memorial – St Albans.*

#### **EDWARDES T. - EDWARDS Thomas**

b.1897 Writtle, Essex. The son of Rev. George Edwardes and Emily Edwardes. In 1911, aged 14 at school, he was living at "Lemsford House", Lemsford Rd, St Albans, with his widowed father, priest

at St Saviour's Church. He was a server or chorister at St Saviour's Church. Military service – Lieutenant in the York and Lancaster Regiment 5<sup>th</sup> Bn., aged 20 he was killed in action 11<sup>th</sup> April 1918. "Acting as the Lewis Gun officer, in order to make it more effective against the enemy he stood up in the open and allowed his men to use his shoulder as a support to steady the gun. He was shot through the head". As a brother officer stated "Old Edwardes proved himself a hero". Memorial/burial - Tyne Cot Memorial, West-Vlaanderen, Belgium. There is a memorial plaque in the Lady Chapel, St Saviour's Church.

*Other memorial – St Albans.*

### **EVANS F. J. - EVANS Frederick John**

b.1883 Camden Town, London. The son of Noah Evans, railway goods guard, and Catherine Evans. Early 1907 he married Lillian Harris in St Albans. In 1911, aged 28 a bricklayer with Dumpletons Builders, he was living at 36 Warwick Rd, St Albans, with his wife Lillian and their two daughters, Violet and Lillian. He was a server or chorister at St Saviour's Church. Military service – Enlisted November 1914, Private 18154 Bedfordshire Regiment 7<sup>th</sup> Bn., aged 33 he was killed in action 25<sup>th</sup> June 1916. Memorial/burial - Carnoy Military Cemetery, Somme, France. At this time his wife Lillian was living at 24 Upper Heath Rd, St Albans, with their four children, Violet, Lillian, Frank and Elsie. His parents were living at 34 Heath Rd, St Albans.

*Other memorial – St Albans.*

### **EWER F. W. - EWER Frederick William**

b.1895 St Albans. The son of Frederick Ewer, gas stoker, and Lizzie Ewer. In 1911, aged 16 a boot factory worker, he was living at "Ivy Villa", Warwick Rd, St Albans with his parents. One of nine children (one dead). Military service – Private 4/7190 Bedfordshire Regiment 6<sup>th</sup> Bn., aged 21 he was killed in action 15<sup>th</sup> July 1916. Memorial/burial - Thiepval Memorial, Somme, France. At this time his parents were living at 32 Warwick Rd, St Albans.

*Other memorial – St Albans.*

### **FIGG W. G. - FIGG William George**

b.1891 St Albans. The son of William Figg, gas stoker, and Ellen Figg. In 1911, aged 19 a bricklayer's labourer, he was living at 16 College Place, St Albans, with his widowed grandmother, Mary Figg. A footballer with St Albans City and Barnet clubs he was later employed by Slade & Co. as an engineer. Military service – Private DM2/196699 Royal Army Service Corps "B" Siege Park attd. XI Corps Heavy Artillery, aged 27 he was killed in action by shellfire 31<sup>st</sup> October 1918. Memorial/burial – Vichte Military Cemetery, West-Vlaanderen, Belgium. At this time his wife Mabel Figg (nee

Butcher), whom he had married in early 1917 in St Albans, was living at 36 Upper Culver Rd, St Albans.

*Other memorial – St Albans.*

### **FIELD G. - FIELD George**

b.1892 St Albans. The son of George Field, straw plait bleacher, and Elizabeth Evans. In 1911, aged 19 a brush maker, he was living in Heath Rd, St Albans, with his parents. One of ten children. Military service – Private G/42861 Duke of Cambridge's Own (Middlesex Regiment 16<sup>th</sup> Bn.), aged 26 he died of wounds 20<sup>th</sup> October 1917. Memorial/burial - Dozinghem Military Cemetery, West-Vlaanderen, Belgium. At this time his wife Dorothy Field (nee Harding) whom he had married in late 1915 in St Albans, was living at 16 Fishpool St, St Albans. His parents were living at "Eton House", 23 Upper Heath Rd, St Albans.

*Other memorials – St Albans and Verulam Rd.*

### **GADNEY G. S. - GADNEY Gilbert Sims**

b.1886 Oxford. The son of Frank Gadney, tailor and outfitter, and Elizabeth Gadney. In 1911, aged 24 an auctioneer's clerk, he was living at "Northlands", Sandpit Lane, St Albans, with his sister and brother-in-law and their family. Military service – 2<sup>nd</sup> Lieutenant in the Gloucestershire Regiment 8<sup>th</sup> Bn., aged 30 he was killed in action 3<sup>rd</sup> July 1916. Memorial/burial - Thiepval Cemetery, Somme, France. His mother was then living at "Northlands", Sandpit Lane, St Albans.

*Other memorial – St Albans.*

### **GATES F. W. - GATES Frederick William**

b.1893 Knebworth, Herts. The son of Frederick Gates, horse keeper on farm, and Mary Gates - and elder brother of Henry Gates. In 1911, aged 18 he was living at 5 Heath Terrace, Sandridge Rd, St Albans, with his parents. One of eleven children. Military service – Driver 890624 Royal Field Artillery "A" Bty. 270<sup>th</sup> Bde. After nearly five years with the colours aged 26 he died 9<sup>th</sup> July 1919 at Purfleet Hospital, Kent, as he was about to be demobilised. Memorial/burial – St Albans Cemetery, Hatfield Rd, St Albans.

*Other memorial – St Albans.*

**GATES H. J. - GATES Harry James**

b.1895 Knebworth, Herts. The son of Frederick Gates, horse keeper on farm, and Mary Gates - and younger brother of Frederick Gates. In 1911, aged 15 he was living at 5 Heath Terrace, Sandridge Rd, St Albans, with his parents. One of eleven children. Military service – Private 15926 East Surrey Regiment 13<sup>th</sup> Bn., aged 22 he was killed in action 26<sup>th</sup> November 1917. Memorial/burial – Cambrai Memorial, Nord, France.

*Other memorial – St Albans.*

**HADDOW E. - HADDOW Ernest**

b.1893 Biggleswade, Beds. The son of James Haddow, bricklayer, and Ellen Haddow. In 1911, aged 17 a boot maker, he was living at 43 Upper Heath Rd, St Albans, with his parents. One of five children. Before becoming a member of the Methodist Church, Boundary Rd, St Albans, he was a server or chorister at St Saviour's Church. Military service – At the time of his enlistment in December 1912 he was a mineral water bottler (probably with St Albans Mineral Water Co., Lower Dagnell St, St Albans). Stated to be height 5'7", chest 35", weight 128 lbs, with fresh complexion, blue eyes and fair hair. Lance Corporal 13894 Duke of Cambridge's Own (Middlesex Regiment) 1/8<sup>th</sup> Bn., prior to the war he served in the East Indies. He was wounded on three occasions, but returned to the front each time, then aged 25 he died of wounds 6<sup>th</sup> August 1918. Memorial/burial - Wailly Orchard Cemetery, Pas de Calais, France.

*Other memorials – St Albans and Boundary Rd.*

**HALSEY J. - HALSEY John**

b.1876 St Albans. Son of John Halsey, carman at Wiles & Lewis tallow factory, Heath, St Albans, and Emily Halsey. Mid 1898 he married Emlin Birnie in St Albans. In 1911, aged 35 a house decorator, he was living in Boundary Rd, St Albans with his wife Emlin, a shop keeper, with their son John and two daughters Emlin and Alice. Military service – Private 20610 Norfolk Regiment 18<sup>th</sup> Entrenching Bn., late 8<sup>th</sup> Bn., aged 42 he was killed in action 21<sup>st</sup> March 1918. Originally, he had been reported as "Missing". Memorial/burial – Chauny Communal Cemetery British Extension, Aisne, France. At this time, his wife Emlin was living at 42 Boundary Rd, St Albans.

*Other memorial – St Albans.*

**HARRIS C. W. - HARRIS Charles William**

b.1895 St Albans. The son of Harry Harris, railway labourer, and Rose Harris. In 1911, aged 15 a grocer's errand boy, with Mr. King, St Peter's St, St Albans, he was living at 39 Walton St, St Albans, with his parents. One of nine children. A member of the Tabernacle Church, Victoria St, St Albans.

Military service – Enlisted August 1914, Private 12906 Bedfordshire Regiment 8<sup>th</sup> Bn., he went to France in June 1915. Aged 21 he was killed in action 23<sup>rd</sup> July 1917, near Menances. A shell landed upon the Lewis gun detachment of which he was a member and buried by earth he was dead before his comrades could rescue him. Memorial/burial - Pond Farm Cemetery, West-Vlaanderen, Belgium.

*Other memorials – St Albans and Victoria St.*

### **HILL A. G. - HILL Arthur George**

b.1891 St Albans. The son of William Hill, greengrocery hawker, and Harriett Hill. In 1911, aged 20 a hawker, he was living in Upper Culver Rd, St Albans, with his parents. One of nine children. Military service – Private TF5979 Duke of Cambridge's Own (Middlesex Regiment) 1<sup>st</sup>/8<sup>th</sup> Bn., aged 25 he died of gas poisoning in hospital 21st August 1916. He had only been at the front eight weeks.

Memorial/burial - Flatiron Copse Cemetery, Mametz, Somme, France.

*Other memorial – St Albans.*

### **HOPKINS A. T. - HOPKINS Alfred Thomas**

b.1887 St Pauls, London. The son of Alfred Hopkins, stone preparer, and Louisa Hopkins. One of six children. He married mid 1909 in St. Pancras, London, to Ellen Cass. In 1911, aged 24 a house decorator, he was living at 24 Cavendish Rd, St Albans, with wife Ellen and their daughter Vera. Subsequently he was a worker at Dangerfield Printing Works, Inkerman Rd, St Albans. Military service – Private 84469 Machine Gun Corps (Infantry) 248<sup>th</sup> Coy., formerly 31157 Northants Regiment, aged 31 he was killed in action 20<sup>th</sup> September 1917 at Ypres. Memorial/burial - Tyne Cot Memorial, West-Vlaanderen, Belgium. At this time his father was living at 8 Culver Rd, St Albans, and his wife at Sleeps Hyde, St Albans. Local people pitying Ellen and their three children, Vera, Ena and Alfred, set about starting a fund so she would be spared “the hardships that often follow the loss of the bread winner”.

*Other memorial – St Albans.*

### **HORNET G. - HORNETT George Marcus**

b.1893 Hatfield, Herts. The son of Daniel Hornett, farm labourer, and Alice Hornett. In 1911, aged 18 a straw worker, he was living at “Hall Heath”, Sandpit Lane, St Albans, with his parents. One of eight children. Military service – Private 31888 Bedfordshire Regiment 6<sup>th</sup> Bn., aged 24 he was killed in action 22<sup>nd</sup> September 1917. Memorial/burial - Tyne Cot Memorial, West-Vlaanderen, Belgium. At this time, his parents were living at 3 Newgate Cottages, Sandpit Lane, St Albans.

*Other memorial – St Albans.*

**HOWE G. E. - HOWE George Edwin**

b.1892 Hatfield, Herts. The son of William Howe, garage attendant and hotel boots, and Louisa Howe. In 1911 aged 19 a compositor's improver, he was living at 1 Folley Avenue, St Albans, with his parents. One of nine children (one dead). He was a server and chorister at St Saviour's Church. Military service – Private 265865 Hertfordshire Regiment 1<sup>st</sup> Bn. he served over three years in France. Aged 26 he died of gas poisoning at No.12 Hospital on 23<sup>rd</sup> May 1918, Rouen. Memorial/burial - St Sever Cemetery Extension, Rouen, Seine-Maritime, France. At this time his wife Edith Howe (nee Batchelor) whom he married in January 1918 at St. Paul's Church, St Albans, was living at 35 Burnham Rd, St Albans.

*Other memorial – St Albans.*

**IVORY A. - IVORY Arthur**

b.1895 St Albans. The son of Henry Ivory, coal carter, and Mary Ivory – and younger brother to Harry Ivory. In 1911, aged 16 a Post Office messenger, he was living at "Althorpe", Heath Rd, St Albans, with his parents. One of three children. A member of the Methodist Church, Boundary Rd, St Albans. Military service – Private 25568 Bedfordshire Regiment 4<sup>th</sup> Bn., aged 22 he was killed in action 23<sup>rd</sup> April 1917. Memorial/burial - Arras Memorial, Pas de Calais, France.

*Other memorials – St Albans and Boundary Rd.*

**IVORY H. - IVORY Harry**

b.1891 St Albans. The son of Henry Ivory, coal carter, and Mary Ivory – and elder brother to Arthur Ivory. In 1911, aged 19 a hat clicker, he was living at "Althorpe", Heath Rd, St Albans, with his parents. One of three children. A member of the Methodist Church, Boundary Rd, St Albans. Military service – Private 40376 South Wales Borderers 10<sup>th</sup> Bn., formerly 8637 Bedfordshire Regiment, aged 26 he died of wounds 3<sup>rd</sup> August 1917. Memorial/burial - Dozinghem Military Cemetery, West-Vlaanderen, Belgium.

*Other memorials – St Albans and Boundary Rd.*

**IZZARD A. - IZZARD Arthur Albert**

b.1895 St Albans. The son of James Izzard, labourer, and Alice Izzard – and younger brother of Ernest Izzard. In 1911, aged 16 a hat worker, he was living in Upper Culver Rd, St Albans, with his parents. One of twelve children (one dead). Military service – Enlisted August 1914, Lance Corporal 4/7118 Bedfordshire Regiment 4<sup>th</sup> Bn. He was wounded three times and in April 1917 he was awarded the Military Medal for gallantry and devotion to duty in action. The same year he was captured and as a



prisoner of war was held in Germany. For several months, he was in hospital there, but his treatment was insufficient. Repatriated whilst in poor health he died very shortly afterwards, aged 24 on 30<sup>th</sup> January 1919 in Ripon Hospital, Yorks. He was buried with full military honours on the 5<sup>th</sup> February 1919 at St Albans Cemetery, Hatfield Rd, St Albans.

*Other memorial – St Albans.*

#### **IZZARD E. - IZZARD Ernest Walter**

b.1886 St Albans. The son of James Izzard, labourer, and Alice Izzard - and elder brother of Arthur Izzard. One of twelve children (one dead). He married Lily Pratt in 1909 in St Albans. In 1911, aged 24 a postman, he was living at "Guion House", New Dalton St, St Albans, with his wife Lily. Military service – Enlisted August 1914, Corporal 268052 Hertfordshire Regiment, Aged 31 he was reported as "Missing" 31<sup>st</sup> July 1917 which was later amended to killed in action. Memorial/burial - Ypres (Menin Gate), West-Vlaanderen, Belgium. At this time his parents were living at 35 Upper Culver Rd, St Albans and his wife at 33 Kimberley Rd North, St Albans.

*Other memorials – St Albans and Beaconsfield Rd.*

#### **IZZARD P. C. - IZZARD Percy George**

b.1895 St Albans. The son of William Izzard, bricklayer's labourer, and Sarah Izzard. One of twelve children (one dead). In 1911, aged 15 a print feeder, he was living at "Ivydale", Ladysmith Rd, St Albans, with his step father Jack Rogers and mother Sarah Rogers. Military service – Private 2010 Hertfordshire Regiment, aged 23 he was killed in action 13<sup>th</sup> November 1916. Memorial/burial - Thiepval Memorial, West-Vlaanderen, Belgium. By his Will he left all his belongings to his mother Sarah living at 41 Upper Heath Rd, St Albans.

*Other memorial – St Albans.*

#### **KEECH J. - KEECH James William**

b.1898 Barnsley, Yorks. The son of Fred Keech, railway goods guard, and Ada Keech. In 1911, aged 12 an office boy, he was living at 10 Heath Rd, St Albans, with his parents. One of four children (one dead). A member of the Methodist Church, Boundary Rd, St Albans. Military service – When he enlisted in January 1917 he was an architect's clerk living at 5 Upper Heath Rd, St Albans. Stated to be height 5'7" and chest 34". Private TF/203372 Duke of Cambridge's Own (Middlesex Regiment) 23<sup>rd</sup> Bn. Aged 19 on the 21<sup>st</sup> September 1917 he was reported "Wounded and missing", which for official purposes was regarded as killed in action. Memorial/burial - Tyne Cot Memorial, West-Vlaanderen, Belgium. During 1917/18 his parents were living at 5 Upper Heath Rd, St Albans, when payment of a temporary allowance of 5s 6d (27p) per week was granted until June 1918.

*Other memorials – St Albans and Boundary Rd.*

### **KING C. - KING Cecil Court**

b.Hatfield, Herts 1889. The son of Alfred King and Eliza King - and elder brother of Harold King. One of eight children (one dead). In 1911, having enlisted November 1907, age 23 Trooper 1636 with the Household Cavalry, The Royal Horse Guards (The Blues) he was in Windsor, Berks. Discharged in June 1912 as unsuitable for the Household Cavalry, he re-enlisted 6<sup>th</sup> August 1914, the second day following declaration of war. At that time stated to be a presser, height 5'10", chest 39", weight 156 lbs, with fair complexion, hazel eyes, brown hair and of Baptist religion. On the 30<sup>th</sup> October 1914, aged 25 he was reported "Missing", which for official purposes was regarded as killed in action. Memorial/burial - Ypres (Menin Gate), West-Vlaanderen, Belgium. At this time his widowed mother was living at 42 Warwick Rd, St Albans.

*Other memorial – St Albans.*

### **KING H. - KING Harold**

b.1898 Essendon, Herts. The son of Alfred King and Eliza King - and younger brother of Cecil King. In 1911, aged 13 at school, he was living at 31 Prospect Rd, Cheshunt, Herts, with his widowed mother. One of eight children (one dead). Military service – Gunner 889567 Royal Field Artillery "D" Bty. 161<sup>st</sup> Bde., aged 20 he was killed in action by a hostile shell 22<sup>nd</sup> September 1918. Memorial/burial - Trefcon British Cemetery, Caulain Court, Aisne, France. At this time his widowed mother was living at 42 Warwick Rd, St Albans.

*Other memorial – St Albans.*

### **LAWRENCE R. - LAWRENCE Robert**

b.1894 St Albans. Son of Walter Lawrence, St Albans Corporation grave digger, and Emily Lawrence. In 1911, aged 17 a St Albans Corporation grave digger, he was living at "Rosedale", Warwick Rd, St Albans, with his parents. One of eleven children (two dead). Military service – Company Quartermaster Sergeant 201388 East Lancashire Regiment 4<sup>th</sup> Bn., he was killed in action 21<sup>st</sup> March 1918. Memorial/burial – Pozieres Memorial, Somme, France. At this time his parents were living at 38 Boundary Rd, St Albans. His wife Margaret Lawrence (nee Holt), whom he had married in late 1917 in Blackburn, Lancs, was living with their daughter Margaret at 135 Daisy St, Blackburn.

*Other memorial – St Albans (the Roll of Honour website lists him as Reuben Lawrence, Albert St, St Albans, who also gave his life).*

### **LINGER W. - LINGER William**

b.1894 Sandridge, Herts. The son of Frederick Linger, general labourer, and Annie Linger. In 1911, aged 17 a general labourer, he was living at 14 Sandridge Rd, St Albans with his parents. One of three children. Military service – Lance Corporal 10043 Bedfordshire Regiment 2<sup>nd</sup> Bn., aged 22 he was killed in action 30<sup>th</sup> July 1916. Memorial/burial - Thiepval Memorial, Somme, France.

*Other memorial – St Albans.*

### **LOTT J. C. - LOTT John Cyprian**

b.1895 De Aar, Cape Province, South Africa. The son of the Rev. R. Lott (sometime Vicar of De Aar, Cape Colony, and Rector of Croughton, Northants) and Mrs. Lott. In 1911, aged 16 at school, he was a visitor at the Vicarage, Pinhoe, Exeter, Devon. Subsequently he went to Trinity College, Oxford, and home was “Kirby”, Battlefield Rd, St Albans, with his widowed mother. Military service – 2nd Lieutenant in the East Lancashire Regiment 3<sup>rd</sup> Bn. attached to 11<sup>th</sup> Bn. and he was awarded the Military Cross in 1917. Aged 23 he was killed in action 13<sup>th</sup> April 1918 during the battle of the Lys. Memorial/burial - Outtersteene Communal Cemetery Extension Bailleul, Nord, France. By his Will he left his estate of £149 to Alice Lott, presumably his mother.

Supplement to London Gazette 17<sup>th</sup> November 1917. Military Cross awards.

2nd Lt. John Cyprian Lott, E. Lan. Regt. Spec. Res.

“For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty in leading his company to their objective with great dash and ability. During consolidation, he set a splendid example of coolness and disregard of danger, moving about on the top and encouraging his men. On several occasions, he has shown exceptional gallantry, within three days personally leading three bombing attacks against a strongly wired enemy position.”

*Other memorial – St Albans.*

### **MAJOR G. - MAJOR George**

b.1888 St Albans. The son of George Major, general labourer, and Esther Major. In 1901, aged 12 at school, he was living in Walton St, St Albans with his parents. Military service – At enlistment in April 1907 he was stated to be height 5'4", chest 34", weight 113 lbs, with fresh complexion and blue eyes. The first eight and a half years of his service was as 8995 Bedford Regiment 2<sup>nd</sup> Bn., then Sergeant 20973 Border Regiment 2<sup>nd</sup> Bn. and in November 1916 he was awarded the Military Medal. Aged 30 he was killed in action 9<sup>th</sup> August 1918. Memorial/burial - Giavera Memorial, Italy. At this time, his parents were living at 58 Warwick Rd, St Albans. His wife Emily Major (nee Hawes), whom he had married in September 1916 at St Saviour's Church, was living at 25 Kew Gardens Road, Kew, Surrey. The War Office returned to her his sole personal documents consisting of photos, wallet, cards and a penknife.

*Other memorial – St Albans.*

**MANNERS C. E. - MANNERS Charles Edward**

b.1884 North Mymms, Herts. The son of Edward Manners, gardener, and Rosamond Manners – and elder brother of Henry Manners. In 1911, aged 26 a tailor's presser, he was living at 4 Clarence Rd, St Albans, with his parents. One of seven children (two dead). Military service – Enlisted July 1917, Rifleman R/40156 King's Royal Rifle Corps 18<sup>th</sup> Bn., aged 34 he was killed in action 23<sup>rd</sup> August 1918. Memorial/burial - Lussenthoek Military Cemetery, West-Vlaanderen, Belgium. At this time his parents were living at 34 Heath Rd, St Albans.

*Other memorial – St Albans.*

**MANNERS J. H. - MANNERS Henry John**

b.1887 Northaw, Herts. The son of Edward Manners, gardener, and Rosamond Manners - and younger brother of Charles Manners. One of seven children (two dead). Military service – Bombardier 89350 Canadian Field Artillery 4<sup>th</sup> Div. Ammunition Col, aged 30 he died 21<sup>st</sup> October 1917. Memorial/burial - Ypres Reservoir Cemetery, West-Vlaanderen, Belgium. His wife Annie Manners had pre-deceased him.

*Other memorial – St Albans.*

**MARSHALL H. G. - MARSHALL Herbert George**

b.1893 Harpenden, Herts. The son of George Marshall, railway clerk, and Elizabeth Marshall. In 1911, aged 17 a Midland Railway clerk, he was living at 50 Sandridge Rd, St Albans, with his widowed mother. One of four children (two dead). He was a server at St Saviour's Church. Later he worked at Nicholson's Coats, Beaumont Works, Sutton Rd, St Albans. Military service – Private 8977 Royal Fusiliers 24<sup>th</sup> Bn., he was awarded the Military Medal at Mons. Aged 23 he was killed by a German sniper 11<sup>th</sup> July 1916. Memorial/burial - Cabaret-Rouge British Cemetery, Souchez, Pas de Calais, France.

*Other memorial – St Albans.*

**MASSEY A. F. - MASSEY Albert Francis**

b.1890 St Albans. the son of Albert Massey, timber merchant, and Esther Massey. In 1901, aged 10 at school, he was living at 105 London Rd, St Albans, with his two brothers, three sisters and their parents. Military service – 2<sup>nd</sup> Lieutenant in the Machine Gun Corps (Infantry) 8<sup>th</sup> Bn., aged 28 he was killed in action 28<sup>th</sup> March 1918. Memorial/burial - Pozieres Memorial, Somme, France. At this time his wife Muriel Massey (nee Cooper) whom he had married in early 1915 in St Albans, was living at 35 Wickham Ave, Bexhill, Sussex. By his Will he left his estate of £295 to Muriel.

*Other memorial – St Albans.*

### **NOTT K. E. - KNOTT Kenneth Ernest**

b.1894 East Hyde, Beds. The son of Ernest Nott, farmer, and Eliza Nott. In 1911, aged 16 a farm labourer, he was living at Newland's Farm near Luton, Beds, with his widowed mother Eliza Nott. One of four children. Military service – Private 265286 Hertfordshire Regiment 1<sup>st</sup> Bn., aged 23 he was killed in action 21<sup>st</sup> September 1917. Memorial/burial - Perth Cemetery (China Wall), West-Vlaanderen, Belgium. At this time his mother was living at 15 Clarence Rd, St Albans.

*Other memorial – St Albans.*

### **OWEN R. - OWEN Richard**

b.1902 Littlehampton, Sussex. The son of (William?) Owen and Florence Owen. In 1911, aged 9 at school, he was a visitor with his mother to 38 Pyrland Rd, Canonbury, London. He was a server at St Saviour's Church. Merchant marine service – Midshipman apprentice aboard the S.S. "Highbury" of London, aged 15 he died 31<sup>st</sup> May 1917, so it is recorded. The vessel, after departure from Halifax, Nova Scotia, Canada, bound for Birkenhead, England with nitrate, was reported as missing. It was subsequently determined that she had been torpedoed and sunk by German submarine U-82 on the 14<sup>th</sup> June 1917, approximately 100 miles WSW of Bishop Rock, Ireland. This submarine sunk 36 vessels (total of 110,160 tons) before surrender in 1919. Memorial/burial - Tower Hill Memorial, London. At this time his mother was living at 14 Grange St, St Albans.

*Other memorial – St Albans.*

### **PAUL C. - PAUL Charles**

b.1892 Hertford. The son of Charles Paul, bricklayer, and Mary Paul – and elder brother of William Paul. In 1911, aged 18 a gardener, he was living in Boundary Rd, St Albans, with his parents. Military service – At enlistment in May 1910 in the Herts Royal Field Artillery, he was employed by Sander & Son (Orchids, Camp Rd, St Albans?), living at 4 Daisy Terrace, Boundary Rd, St Albans. Stated to be height 5'4" and chest 34". Private 57202 Cheshire Regiment 12<sup>th</sup> Bn., formerly 3501 Yorkshire Hussars, aged 26 he was killed in action 18<sup>th</sup> September 1918 in Serbia. Memorial/burial – Doiran Memorial, Greece.

*Other memorial – St Albans.*

**PAUL P. - PAUL Philip**

b.1893 St Albans. The son of Peter Paul, carpenter, and Ann Paul, living in West Side, Culver Rd, St Albans. In 1911, aged 18 a greengrocer's assistant, he was boarding at 35 Milton Rd, Hendon, London. He played for St Saviour's football team. Military service – Private 10255 Bedfordshire Regiment 1<sup>st</sup> Bn., he fought through Mons, Rheims to Ypres, aged 21 he was killed in action 14<sup>th</sup> November 1914. Memorial/burial - Ypres (Menin Gate), West-Vlaanderen, Belgium. At this time his parents were living at 33 Boundary Rd, St Albans.

*Other memorial – St Albans.*

**PAUL W. - PAUL William**

b.1898 St Albans. The son of Charles Paul, bricklayer, and Mary Paul – and the younger brother of Charles Paul. In 1911, aged 13 at school, he was living in Boundary Rd, St Albans, with his parents. Possible Military service – Private 26221 Machine Gun Corps (Infantry) 105<sup>th</sup> Coy, aged 18 killed in action 13<sup>th</sup> June 1916. Memorial/burial – Thiepval Memorial, Somme, France.

*Other memorial – St Albans.*

**PAYNE W. J. - PAYNE William James**

b.1889 St Albans. Son of William Payne, bricklayer, and Alice Payne. In 1911, aged 22 a printer's apprentice, he was living at 66 Warwick Rd, St Albans, with his parents. One of fourteen children (five dead). Military service – Sergeant 266407 Hertfordshire Regiment No.2 Coy, aged 28 he was killed in action 31<sup>st</sup> July 1917. Memorial/burial – Ypres (Menin Gate) Memorial, West-Vlaanderen, Belgium. At this time his wife Mary Payne (nee Cannon), whom he had married early 1915 in St Albans, and their son William, were living at 8 Camp View Rd, St Albans. By his Will he left everything he possessed to his "dear Wife".

*Other memorial – St Albans.*

**PEACOCK H. - PEACOCK Harry**

b.1882 St Albans. The son of Joseph Peacock, labourer, and Elizabeth Peacock. He married Beatrice Summers in mid 1910, in Upton-on-Severn, Worcs. In 1911, aged 28 a decorator, he was living with his wife Beatrice at "Clovelly", Warwick Rd, St Albans. Subsequently they had two daughters, Gwendoline and Winifred. Military service – Private 35141 Essex Regiment 13<sup>th</sup> Bn. formerly 31392 Suffolk Regiment, aged 25 he was killed in action 28<sup>th</sup> April 1917. Memorial/burial – Arras Memorial, Pas de Calais, France.

*Other memorial – St Albans.*

**PETRIE R. - PETRIE Alan Roy**

b.1884 Edgware, Middx. The son of Douglas Petrie, secretary, and Gertrude Petrie. In 1911, aged 26 a surveyor with estate agents, he was living at "Gable End", Hall Place Gardens, St Albans, with his sister Margaret. Military service – Lance Corporal 2171 London Regiment (London Scottish) "E" Coy. 1<sup>st</sup>/14<sup>th</sup> Bn., aged 30 he was killed in action on 13<sup>th</sup> November 1914. Memorial/burial - Ypres (Menin Gate), West-Vlaanderen, Belgium.

*Other memorial – St Albans.*

**POINTER R. - POINTER Robert**

b.1878 North Mymms, Herts. The son of Robert Pointer, agricultural labourer, and Sarah Pointer. He married Beatrice Hathaway in 1900 in St Albans. In 1911, aged 33 a builder's labourer, he was living at 6 Boundary Rd, St Albans, with his wife Beatrice, their son Robert and daughter Beatrice. Military service – Private 22178 Bedfordshire Regiment 6<sup>th</sup> Bn., aged 38 he was killed in action 15<sup>th</sup> July 1916. Memorial/burial - Thiépval Memorial, Somme, France.

*Other memorial – St Albans.*

**POWELL W. - POWELL William Alfred**

b.1895 St Albans. The son of William Powell, plumber and gas fitter, and Ellen Powell. In 1911, aged 15 a gas fitter, he was living at 43 Walton St, St Albans, with his parents. One of five children (one dead). Military service – Sergeant 12582 Bedfordshire Regiment 4<sup>th</sup> Bn., aged 24 he was killed in action by a bomb from a German aircraft 1<sup>st</sup> September 1918. Memorial/burial - St. Martin Culvaire British Cemetery, St Martin sur Cojeul, Pas de Calais, France. His wife Elizabeth Powell (nee Cook), whom he had married early 1918 in St Albans, subsequently remarried in latter half of 1919 to Charles Platt to live at 19A Horns Mill Rd, Hertford, Herts.

*Other memorial – St Albans.*

**QUINT R. E. - QUINT Robert Eustace**

b.1894 St Albans. the son of William Quint, police constable, and Rose Quint. In 1911, aged 16 a boot maker's clicker, with Edwin Lee & Sons, boot makers, Grosvenor Rd, St Albans, he was living at 79 Culver Rd, St Albans, with his widowed mother. One of four children (one dead). Military service – Enlisted September 1914 and stated to be 5'11", chest 36", weight 128 lbs, with fresh complexion, blue eyes, light brown hair and of Church of England religion. Private 5538 Hertfordshire Regiment 1<sup>st</sup> Bn., aged 22 he was killed in action 12<sup>th</sup> October 1916. Memorial/burial - Lonsdale Cemetery, Authuille, Somme, France. At this time, his wife Mabel Quint (nee Hammett) whom he had married in March

1916 at St Peter's Church, St Albans, was living at "Guion House", New Dalton St, St Albans and was granted a pension of 12/9d (64p) per week from April 1917.

*Other memorial – St Albans.*

#### **SEMPLE R. E. W. - SEMPLE Robert Edward Watson**

b.1896 Southampton, Hants. The son of Lieutenant Colonel Sir David Semple Kt., Royal Army Medical Corps, and Lady Ethel Semple - and younger brother of William Semple. One of seven children (two dead). Military service – Captain in the Royal Field Artillery and Guards Div. Trench Mortar Bty. In December 1917, he was awarded the Military Cross. He served for 3 years and 3 months in France, including the Somme, Messines, Cambrai, near Ypres and Arras. Aged 22 he was wounded in action 22<sup>nd</sup> October 1918 and died of wounds 5<sup>th</sup> November 1918 in No.8 General Hospital. Memorial/burial – St. Sever Cemetery extension, Rouen, Seine-Maritime, France. Around this time his parents were moving from 7 High Park Gardens, Kew, Surrey, to "Clare Lodge", Battlefield Rd, St Albans.

Awarded the Military Cross - Lieutenant Robert Edward Watson Semple, R.A. attached "Y" Guards Trench Mortar Battery.

"For bravery and devotion to duty while in command of a trench mortar Battery during the operations, Somme and Flanders. During the preparation for the attack on the 31<sup>st</sup> July he carried out all his allotted tasks in spite of destructive hostile fire which repeatedly buried his mortars."

#### **SEMPLE W. D. - SEMPLE William David**

b.1894 Southampton, Hants. The son of Lieutenant Colonel Sir David Semple Kt., Royal Army Medical Corps, and Lady Ethel Semple - and elder brother of Robert Semple. One of seven children (two dead). Military service – 2<sup>nd</sup> Lieutenant in the King's Royal Rifle Corps 13<sup>th</sup> Bn. Billeted at Great Missenden, Bucks, prior to departure for France in July 1915. Aged 21 he was killed in action 29<sup>th</sup> June 1916 leading an attack on the enemy trenches as the grenade officer of his regiment. Memorial/burial – Hannescamps New Military Cemetery, Pas de Calais, France. At this time his parents were living at "Clare Lodge", Firfield Rd, Farnham, Surrey, later Kew and subsequently "Clare Lodge", Battlefield Rd, St Albans. When sister Mabel married at St Saviour's Church in 1928 she left her wedding bouquet upon the war memorial in memory of her brothers.

#### **SEWELL G. E. - SEWELL Geoffrey Edward**

b.1898 Stamford Hill, London. The son of Arthur Sewell, distillery manager, and Emily Sewell. In 1911, aged 13 at school, he was living at "Wolverdene", Battlefield Rd, St Albans, with his parents.



Military service – 2<sup>nd</sup> Lieutenant in The Buffs (East Kent Regiment) 1<sup>st</sup> Bn., aged 19 he died of wounds 2<sup>nd</sup> September 1917. Memorial/burial - Noeux-les-Mines Communal Cemetery Extension, Pas de Calais, France.

*Other memorial – St Albans.*

#### **SEXTON B. C. - SEXTON Bertram Christian**

b.1886 Manor Park, Essex. The son of Arthur Sexton, glass cutter and glazier, and Edith Sexton. In 1911, aged 24 a hosiery warehouseman, he was living at 37 New England St, St Albans, with his parents. One of five children (two dead). He was employed by Hope Brothers, Brighton, Sussex. Military service – Enlisted late 1916, Gunner 125699 Royal Garrison Artillery 116<sup>th</sup> Siege Bty., he arrived in France about May 1917. Aged 31 he died in hospital after being shot through the head 1<sup>st</sup> November 1917. Memorial/burial – Lussenthoek Military Cemetery, West-Vlaanderen, Belgium. At this time his wife Jane Sexton (nee Harris), whom he had married in mid 1912 in St Albans, was living at “St Kilda”, 15 Manville Rd, Balham, London.

*Other memorial – St Albans.*

#### **SMITH A. M. - SMITH Arthur Mansfield**

b.1897 St Albans. The son of William Smith, coal porter, and Maria Smith. In 1911, aged 14 at work, he was living at 6 Upper Culver Rd, St Albans, with his parents. One of eight children (two dead). Military service – At enlistment, November 1917, he was a groom and gardener, stated to be height 5'9" and chest 34". Private 50671 Cheshire Regiment 11<sup>th</sup> Bn., on the 23<sup>rd</sup> March 1918 aged 21 he was reported “Missing”, which for official purposes was regarded as killed in action. He had only served a total of five months. Memorial/burial - Arras Memorial, Pas de Calais, France. Arthur’s personal possessions were returned to his father, these included a wallet, photos, letters, diary and cards.

*Other memorial – St Albans.*

#### **SMITH H. - SMITH Herbert John**

b.1895 Luton, Beds. The son of Herbert Smith, blacksmith’s assistant, and Eliza Smith. In 1911, aged 16 a lithographic printer, living at 49 Cavendish Rd, St Albans, with his parents. One of eight children (one dead). In November 1916, as a soldier stationed at Marde Barracks, Aldershot, Hants, he had married Mabel Howard at St. Paul’s Church, St Albans. His military service and death cannot be traced, but his death was noted in the May 1918 issue of the Church magazine.

*Other memorial – St Albans.*

### **STONE A. - STONE Alfred**

b.1887 St Albans. The son of Alfred Stone, builder's engine driver, and Elizabeth Stone - and elder brother of Horace Stone. In 1911, aged 23 a postman, he was living at 38 Warwick Rd, St Albans with his parents. One of ten children (two dead). Military service – Enlisted 1916, Lance Corporal G/13379 The Buffs (East Kent Regiment) 1<sup>st</sup> Bn., aged 29 he was killed in action 24<sup>th</sup> June 1917.

Memorial/burial - Loos Memorial, Pas de Calais, France. At this time his parents were living at 68 Lower Boundary Rd, St Albans.

*Other memorial – Beaconsfield Rd.*

### **STONE H. T. - STONE Horace Thomas**

b.1897 St Albans. The son of Alfred Stone, builder's engine driver, and Elizabeth Stone - and younger brother of Alfred Stone. In 1911, aged 13 at school, living at 38 Warwick Rd, St Albans with his parents. One of ten children (two dead). A member of the Methodist Church, Boundary Rd, St Albans. Later he was working at Day's Straw Hat factory. Military service – Enlisted 1914, Private 70085 Sherwood Foresters (Nottinghamshire and Derbyshire Regiment) 16<sup>th</sup> Bn., aged 19 he was killed in action 10<sup>th</sup> October 1916. Memorial/burial - H.A.C. Cemetery, Ecoust-St Mein, Pas de Calais, France.

*Other memorials – St Albans and Boundary Rd.*

### **STRATTON C. - STRATTON Charles**

b.1895 Sandridge, Herts. The son of George Stratton, waterworks employee, and Lizzie Stratton. In 1911, aged 15 a print worker, he was living at 71 Heath Rd, St Albans, with his parents. One of five children. Military service – Upon enlistment in February 1916 stated to be height 5'7", chest 33" and weight 122 lbs. Private 43238 Northamptonshire Regiment 6<sup>th</sup> Bn., aged 21 he died from gunshot wounds to the abdomen in No.3 Casualty Station 28<sup>th</sup> March 1917. Memorial/burial - Aveluy Communal Cemetery Extension, Somme, France. His father received his personal items including a wallet, purse, photos, cards and coins.

*Other memorial – St Albans.*

### **TAYLOR W. - TAYLOR William**

b.1897 East Hyde, Beds. The son of David Taylor, coachman, and Mary Taylor. In 1911, aged 13 at school, he was living at "Hillside", Warwick Rd, St Albans, with his parents. One of nine children (one dead). Possible military service – Gunner 895212 Royal Horse Artillery and Royal Field Artillery "A" Bty. 242<sup>nd</sup> Bde. Aged 20 he died of wounds on 30<sup>th</sup> September 1917. Memorial/burial – Tyne Cot Memorial, West-Vlaanderen, Belgium.

*Other memorial – St Albans.*

#### **TEARLE L. J. - TEARLE Leslie James**

b.1897 St Albans. The son of Edward Tearle, English timber feller, and Emma Tearle. In 1911, aged 14 an oil merchant with R. J. Blackmore, Victoria St, St Albans, he was living at "Eaton House", Warwick Rd, St Albans, with his parents. One of ten children (one dead). He was a server or chorister at St Saviour's Church. Military service – Upon enlistment in the T.A. November 1912 stated to be height 5'4" and chest 36" Private 2007 Hertfordshire Regiment 1<sup>st</sup> Bn., aged 19 he was wounded at Cuinchy 17<sup>th</sup> April 1915. Later he was killed in action 11<sup>th</sup> July 1915 at Cuinchy. Memorial/burial - Woburn Abbey Cemetery, Cuinchy, Pas de Calais, France. At this time, his parents were living at "St. Barnabas", 49 Culver Rd, St Albans. By his Will he left the whole of his property and effects to his mother.

*Other memorial – St Albans.*

#### **TYLER A. G. - TYLER Arthur George**

b.1888 Cromer Hyde, Hatfield, Herts. The son of Walter Tyler, agricultural labourer, and Emily Tyler. In 1911, aged 22 a milkman, he was boarding at 16 Windmill Lane, Bushey Heath, Herts. Military service – Gunner 101938 Royal Garrison Artillery 172<sup>nd</sup> Siege Bty., he died of wounds 8<sup>th</sup> July 1917. Memorial/burial - Hazebrouck Communal Cemetery, Nord, France.

*Other memorial – St Albans.*

#### **WARWICK F. - WARWICK Frank**

b.1883 St Albans. The son of John Warwick, straw hat blocker, and Emily Warwick, dressmaker - and elder brother of William Warwick. In 1901, aged 18 a shoe maker, he was living at 27 Boundary Rd, St Albans, with his parents. Later working as a carman with Cable and Company, St Peter's St, St Albans. Military service – Bedfordshire Regulars in India, Gibraltar and South Africa, then as Private 8527 Bedfordshire Regiment 2<sup>nd</sup> Bn., aged 34 he was killed in action 8<sup>th</sup> December 1917. Memorial/burial - Tyne Cot Memorial, West-Vlaanderen, Belgium.

*Other memorial – St Albans.*

#### **WARWICK W. W. - WARWICK William Walter**

b.1890 St Albans. The son of John Warwick, blocker, and Emily Warwick, dressmaker - and younger brother of Frank Warwick. In 1911, aged 21 a painter, he was living at 15 Boundary Rd, St Albans, with his parents. One of six children (two dead). Military service – Rifleman 51842 London Regiment

(Post Office Rifles) 8<sup>th</sup> Bn., aged 28 he died (of wounds?) 28<sup>th</sup> October 1918. Memorial/burial – St Albans Cemetery, Hatfield Rd, St Albans. At this time his wife, Elizabeth Warwick (nee Monk) whom he had married in early 1915 in Hertford, was living at 62 Warwick Rd, St Albans, with their daughter Alice and son Leslie. His parents were living at 27 Boundary Rd, St Albans.

*Other memorial – St Albans.*

#### **WELCH F. G. - WELCH Frederick George**

The only Welch upon the St Albans War Memorial was a Walter Welch who was mentioned as being on active service in the Church magazine. There was no locally born Frederick George and hence assumed he was from outside of this area. Without further information, it has not been possible to trace him, his life or his military service. His death was presumably before December 1918 when his name was noted in the Church magazine.

#### **WILKINSON F. - WILKINSON Frank Arthur**

b.1899 Northampton. The son of John Wilkinson, postman, and Louisa Wilkinson. In 1911 aged 11 at school, he was living at “Bank Cottage”, 26 Warwick Rd, St Albans with his parents. One of six children (two dead). He was an altar boy at St Saviour’s Church and a member of the St Saviour’s Boy Scouts. Mercantile service – Quartermaster in the merchant marine, aged 18 he was accidentally killed when he fell into a ship’s hold upon the S.S. “Stephen” in August 1917.

*Other memorial – St Albans.*

#### **WILKS F. - WILKS Frank Walter**

b.1898 St Pancras, London. The son of George Wilks, railway clerk, and Clara Wilks. In 1911, aged 13 at school, he was living at 2 Walton Terrace, Boundary Rd, St Albans, with his parents. A member of St Peter’s Church Choir and Sunday School. He became a trainee at St Albans Post Office. Military service – Lance Corporal 210901 Corps of Royal Engineers 63<sup>rd</sup> Div. Signal Coy., aged 20 he was killed in action 29<sup>th</sup> September 1918. Memorial/burial - Provile British Cemetery, Nord, France. At this time his parents were living at 60 Boundary Rd, St Albans.

Other memorials – St Albans and Beaconsfield Rd.

#### **WRIGHT H. - WRIGHT Herbert**

Probably Herbert Wright - b.1896 Biggleswade, Beds. Son of Mr. Wright and Sarah Wright, charwoman. In 1911, aged 13 a houseboy, living at 83 Sopwell Lane, St Albans with his mother and brother. One of three children (one dead). Military service – Private 36497 Princess Charlotte Wales's (Royal Berkshire Regiment) 6<sup>th</sup> Bn., formerly 6112 Hertfordshire Regiment, aged 20 he died of wounds 15<sup>th</sup> October 1916. Memorial/burial – Contay British Cemetery, Contay, Somme, France. At this time his parents were living in St Albans.

*Other memorials – St Albans and Sopwell Lane.*

## **ROLL OF HONOUR 1914-1918**

### **ST SAVIOUR'S CHURCH, ST ALBANS**

those mentioned, but not included.....

#### **FOOTE Richard Christopher Gorges**

b.1894 Clevedon, Somerset. The son of Rev. John Foote and Margaret Foote of 14 Powis Square, Notting Hill, London. In 1911, aged 16 he was boarding at school in Ely, Cambs. Marine service - Lieutenant in the Royal Marine Light Infantry Chatham Bn. R.N. Div., aged 20 he was wounded 6<sup>th</sup> October 1914 and died in Ghent hospital, whilst a prisoner of war, on 15<sup>th</sup> October 1914. Memorial/burial - Ghent City Cemetery, Oost, Belgium. Probably fellow officer to William Herbert Pryce-Browne also of the R.M.L.I. who died 6<sup>th</sup> October in Antwerp, both named in same issue of the Church magazine.

#### **MYDDELTON Edward Geoffrey**

b.1893 Boston, Lincs. The son of Edward Myddelton, bank manager, and Sarah Myddleton. When he went to Jesus College, Cambridge, he joined the Officers Training Corps. He was a server at St Saviour's Church. Military service – 2<sup>nd</sup> Lieutenant in the Suffolk Regiment 2<sup>nd</sup> Bn., he was in the retreat from Mons and aged 21 was killed by shrapnel 26<sup>th</sup> August 1914 at Le Cateau. Memorial/burial - La Ferte-Sous-Jouarre Memorial, Seine-et-Marne, France. His parents who were living at "Oakhurst", Woodhall Spa, Lincs, had had the official report of "Missing" near Cambrai on the 26<sup>th</sup> August and also unofficially as wounded. Anxious for any more news, "The Times" on the 30<sup>th</sup> September, on their behalf, printed a request wanting any information as to their son.

#### **PRYCE-BROWNE William Herbert**

b.1870. The son of William Pryce-Browne. Upon retiring from the army he entered the church, but then rejoined upon war being declared. Military service – Major in the Royal Marine Light Infantry Cdg. Deal Bn., aged 44 he died of wounds 6<sup>th</sup> October 1914 which he had suffered two days earlier in the defence of Antwerp. Memorial/burial – Schoonselhof Cemetery, Antwerp, Belgium. His wife was Josephine Pryce-Browne. Probably fellow officer to Richard Foote, also of the Royal Marine Light Infantry who died 15<sup>th</sup> October in Ghent hospital, both named in same issue of the Church magazine.

#### **STEVENS Douglas David**

b.1891 North Finchley, London. The son of William Stevens, insurance official, and Mary Stevens. One of four children. In 1911, aged 20 a clerk with Imperial Tobacco Ltd., he was living at "Fair Oak", Radlett, Herts, with his parents. He did evening studies at King's College (Theological) London, helped at South Mimms Sanatorium and was a server at St Saviour's Church. Military service – Enlisted August 1915, Private 5450 Hertfordshire Regiment 1<sup>st</sup> Bn. and embarked for France March 1916. He served mainly as a sniper, aged 25 was killed in action 14<sup>th</sup> October 1916. Memorial/burial - Lonsdale Cemetery, Authuille, Somme, France.

### **TATHAM Trevor Hodgson Stanley**

b.1887 Newcastle, Northumberland. The son of Stanley Tatham, retired naval architect and Churchwarden at St Saviour's Church in 1918, and Frances Tatham, previously living at "Montana", Branksome Park, Bournemouth. One of three children. Naval service - Enlisted Royal Navy 1904 aged 16 and took part in the Somaliland Expedition of 1909. In 1911, aged 23 a Lieutenant on H.M.S. "Collingwood" and later on H.M.S. "Formidable", a battleship built 1898 of 15,250 tons. On exercise in the English Channel on the 1<sup>st</sup> January 1915 the vessel was sunk by two torpedoes from German submarine U-24 20 miles off Star Point. The U-boat sank 34 vessels (total of 106,103 tons) before surrender in 1918. The first torpedo hit the number one boiler port side, the second explosion caused the ship to list heavily to starboard. Huge waves, thirty foot high, lashed the stricken ship and with strong winds, rain and hail, she sunk in less than two hours. Only 199 men of the 750 crew survived, Trevor aged 27 was amongst those killed in action that day. Memorial/burial - Chatham Naval Memorial, Kent.

### **TAYLOR Francis Maurice**

b.1896 Newport Pagnell, Bucks. The son of Francis Taylor, pharmaceutical chemist, and Annie Taylor. One of five children. In 1911, age 15 a boarder at school, Alderley, Chesham Rd, Berkhamsted, Herts. Military service – Lieutenant in the Royal Fusiliers 10<sup>th</sup> Bn. (Corporation of London Regiment), aged 19 he was killed in action on 15<sup>th</sup> July 1916. Memorial/burial – Thiepval Memorial, Somme, France. At this time his parents were living at "The Limes", Newport Pagnell, Bucks.

### **TODD Ernest Arthur**

1893 St Albans. The son of William Todd and Hannah Todd. In 1911, aged 18 an apprentice printer, he was living at 70 Hatfield Rd, St Albans, with his widowed mother. One of six children. Military service – Upon enlistment in December 1916 stated to be height 5'7", chest 36" and weight 140lbs. Gunner 135019 Royal Garrison Artillery 182<sup>nd</sup> Siege Bty., aged 25 he was killed in action 31<sup>st</sup> March 1918 having only returned from U.K. leave earlier that month. Memorial/burial - His body was exhumed to be reburied at Adelaide Cemetery, Villiers-Bretonneux, Somme, France. His widowed mother Annie (Hannah) Todd

who was living at 38 Pageant Rd, St Albans, duly received his personal belongings which included letters, gold ring, metal pencil, safety razor, photos and a Rosary. Ernest's name had been included upon the first St Saviour's Roll of Honour dated 1919.

*Other memorials– St Albans and Pageant Rd.*

### **UNDERWOOD Harold Henry**

b.1891 Wellingborough, Northants. The son of George Underwood, greengrocer, and Sarah Underwood. In 1911, aged 19 a law student he was boarding at 3 Clarence Rd, St Albans, his widowed father then living at 19 College St, Wellingborough, Northants. One of ten children. He was a server at St Saviour's Church. Military service - Ex London University Training Corps he became a Captain in the Northamptonshire Regiment 1<sup>st</sup>/4<sup>th</sup> Bn., he was killed in action 19<sup>th</sup> April 1917 in Gaza. "He fell, killed instantly, at the head of his Company in a most gallant charge". Memorial/burial - Gaza War Cemetery, Israel. By his Will he left his estate of £228 to the Rev. Sidney Cuthbert, "Coningsby", Jennings Rd, St Albans. This priest who had been associated with St Saviour's Church for six years was received into the Catholic Church in 1916.

### **WELCH Walter**

b.1884 Sandridge, Herts. Son of George Welch, railway ganger, and Sophia Welch. Early 1908 Walter married Emma Dickins in St Albans. In 1911, aged 27 a railway company carter, he was living at 7 Roseberry Terrace, Upper Culver Rd, St Albans, with his wife Emma and their two children, Phyllis and Gerald. Presumably he is the Welch mentioned in the Church magazine as being on active service in 1914. There is no trace of his military service or death, although there is a W. Welch upon the St Albans memorial.