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## SOUTH EAST FERMANAGH FOUNDATION (SEFF)



# SEFF's Memorial Quilt

"Your Legacy lives on..."

# |FOREWORD |

t is an immense honour for me to be writing the Foreword for a Project which strikes to the very heart of SEFF's purpose as an organisation.

SEFF exists to support the Innocent Victims and Survivors of Terrorism in ensuring that their individual needs are addressed and appropriate interventions in the form of services provided.

In recent years the organisation has sought to progress a number of Projects which provide the Innocent Victims and Survivors of Terrorism with opportunities to remember and to also be acknowledged for the traumatic events that they have endured.

SEFF's Book and DVD Project 'I'll Never Forget' (which captures over 60 individual Victim & Survivor reflections/experiences) the South Fermanagh Border Trail, our Youth DVD study plus our Short Stories/Poetry Project offers a variety of different means to remember the sacrifices people have made at the hands of Terrorism.

These Projects also facilitate wider society to acknowledge the hurt and suffering caused to those directly affected.

The Quilt Project is a special Project because it directly involved the surviving families of those individuals murdered at the hands of Terrorism who are connected to the SEFF Network.

The title of the Quilt aptly describes how the Innocent Victims and Survivors of Terrorism view those who made the supreme sacrifice. 'Your Legacy Lives On' is a statement which means that even though people have been murdered and are no longer with us that their contribution to building a better community will not be forgotten nor will their memory be extinguished. They will continue to be cherished and loved.

It is the case that a number of families did not come forward over the duration of the Project and we have not gone ahead and included Quilt patches without the consent of individual families. The Quilt has however been developed in a way whereby additional patches may be added at a future point should other families come forward wanting to have their loved one reflected within the Quilt.

It was felt that in providing a short booklet which detailed information on the Quilt and background information on those remembered that this would prove a more interactive way for others to more fully understand the reasoning behind the various Quilt patches.

The book also seeks to personalise the Quilt and to give the reader a sense of the human person behind the name on the individual Quilt patch.

I am no expert in sewing or embroidery but I do believe that the Quilt produced is a marvellous piece of work which very much illustrates the love and respect for which those depicted are remembered and also cherished.

I wish to place on record SEFF's thanks to all those families who came forward and participated in the Project. I would also thank all those who facilitated the actual making of the Quilt - to Florence Creighton and Sonia Johnston we say a very big thank you. I also want to record our gratitude to our staff at SEFF who worked in partnership with the families and those constructing the Quilt to the stage where it could be completed and officially dedicated in a special faith and community-based event by Canon Robert Riddle.

I am confident that those remembered on the Quilt will be having a wee smile to themselves at some of the symbols included and the love behind their origins.

Finally I would want to record our thanks to the funders, The Victims and Survivors Service who are responsible for administering Victims/ Survivor monies on behalf of the Office of First and Deputy First Minister. Their investment in this Project is very much acknowledged and appreciated.

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In June 2014 a further 12 patches were added and the Memorial Quilt was re-dedicated by Revd Alan Irwin (whose own father and uncle were murdered by PIRA) SEFF is delighted that further families wanted to have their loved one(s) included on the Quilt.

Four key SEFF volunteers were involved in assisting Sonia Johnston with the new patches. To Pam Morrison, Betty Beacom, Edna Simpson and Valerie Brown we say a special thank you and acknowledgement also goes to Gertie Graham who also developed a number of the patches on behalf of families represented.

Then in March 2015 a further 11 patches were added and the Memorial Quilt was once again re-dedicated. This time Revd Alastair Donaldson performed the role. The new patches added demonstrates the growing base of SEFF's membership with innocent victims from Great Britain, the Republic of Ireland and Mainland Europe all remembered.

We say a special word of thanks to Mabel Black and Maureen North who along with the four Volunteers previously referenced assisted Project Facilitator Sonia Johnston in completing the new patches.

SEFF's Memorial Quilt is a piece of living history and dignified remembrance. It has been and will continue to be, a key talking point for visitors who come to SEFF. Many have remarked upon not only its' beauty but also the powerful messages conveyed through the individual and personalised patches which are further defined within the accompanying booklet.

'Their Legacy lives on' in the hearts of those who knew them best and in the minds of others who believe that their sacrifice was not in vain.

Those represented on this Memorial Quilt were people who upheld and stood for law and order with many possessing a deep Christian faith.

SEFF is privileged to have secured the trust of so many families who expressed their wish that a patch be added to remember their loved one.

SEFF is committed to developing further opportunities where the themes of 'remembrance and thanksgiving' can be advanced and delivered in respect of those whose lives were taken through acts of terrorism.

Yours,

## Eric Brown

#### (Chairman)

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# **THE JOURNEY OF THE QUILT ....**

t was in September 2012 That into SEFF's records I had to delve To see who was murdered round about here Plus SEFF members & friends from far and near In the library at Drumhaw I had a look To see if I could find a quilting book I found at least three or four Which I brought down to SEFF's door

Over them Joy & I did gloat Till we found one of a boat It was checked with triangular sails 'This will do if all else fails'

'Tree of life' photos were shown to us Names on a leaf – no other fuss We decided to call ours the 'River of Life' To depict our survival of the strife

But on that first Thursday night Some did not think that was quite right So we all got together and devised a plan A square in memory of each man

Shortly after I soon saw What Valerie did on paper draw So into her car I had to hop To be driven to a local craft shop I just stood in complete awe At all the colours that we saw We decided then to take the lot And were so pleased with all we got.

On Tuesday morning one class started And from the material I was parted Everyone took such great care To cut out a perfect square

Many cried that they could not sew So I told them to have a go Their square soon changed from rags to riches As they perfected the various stitches

Some said they had not a clue About what they actually had to do I encouraged them all to think Of what with their loved one they could link We got such stories about the boys Also the women and their ploys So they cut out a 9 inch square And embroidered it with great care We had another class on Thursday night They all had a similar plight But when at last I got them started They were all so happy when they departed

Finally there came the day When the quilt was on its way Black material was spread out And onto it the squares were mount

Many times they were moved around Until the right place for them was found Around the photo of the Memorial stone Which was in the centre all alone

I crocheted lots of poppies in bright red Which around this image they were spread Then the forces badges – there were three Were placed on top for all to see

Kenny Donaldson SEFF's Director Was the quilts Chief Inspector It was his brains we called upon For the heading, 'Your legacy lives on...'.

All the logos had to be shown This quilt had now really grown Finally the heading on it was placed So off to Sonia it was raced

She will now sew all in place Before we put it in a case Then it will be launched in style When many will come from many a mile.

By Florence Creighton

# | Special Constable David Johnston |



## 1st November 1933 - 27th April 1961

avid joined the Ulster Special Constabulary (USC) at the young age of 18 years. He served in the USC for most of his life and joined the RUC in 1957.

David was a husband and father before his death in 1961. He was also a member of Newtownbutler Orange Lodge.

During his life David worked in the Sawmills at Crom Estate as well as being a farmer.

The USC Crest on the quilt represents the time he served in the Constabulary and the commitment he gave to serving his Country and the Community.

# | Private Frank W.R.P. Veitch |



## Service Number: 24199582

## 14th November 1948 - 3rd September 1971



rank joined the UDR when it was formed in 1970. He was a single man at the time of his murder and was aged a mere 23 years.

The symbol chosen for the quilt was a Badminton Racket as Frank was a keen player. Among many other interests he enjoyed music and was a member of Kinawlay Accordion Band until it folded. He also enjoyed dancing and was a member of the Grand Orange Lodge Of Ireland.

Among his employment roles Frank worked with the Water Drainage Service and was a part-time farmer.

## Private Thomas J. Fletcher



## Service Number: 24205388

## 25th October 1928 - 1st March 1972

homas J. Fletcher, known as Johnny was a part time soldier on the UDR, he also worked diligently on his farm as well as working in the forestry. Johnny had a keen interest in shooting particularly foxes and rabbits; this is why the picture depicted on his patch was chosen.

Johnny played a lot of darts which was of particular significance because he was left handed; he would play regularly in the local hall in Garrison. He was also a member of Garrison Orange Lodge.

Johnny was married 3 years before he was murdered at the age of 43.

# | William Watson Temple |



#### Civilian

## 8th July 1956 - 31st July 1972

illiam Temple was only 16-years-old when he was murdered in the Claudy Bomb. Once William left school he got his first job in Leckpatrick Co-op working in the bottling plant, occasionally he would go out on the lorry to deliver the milk.

On the day of the bomb William wasn't meant to be out on the lorry but someone hadn't turned up to their shift and when asked William volunteered to go. The milk lorry was parked in the middle of the town as it normally would and when walking around to deliver the milk William walked straight into the bomb and died just outside the Beaufort Hotel.

William's other interests were mainly sport; he was into all types of sport but in particular cricket and fishing. William went to Earl's Gift Primary School in Donemana and Strabane Secondary School.

'To us you were someone special, Someone kind and true, You will never be forgotten, For we thought the world of you.'

# Lance Corporal William Henry (Harry) Creighton



## Service Number: 24199860

## 22nd April 1944 - 7th August 1972



ffectionately known as Harry, he was a member of the UDR and worked in Enniskillen Library from the day he left school.

He joined the UDR to earn extra cash as he was due to get married on the 16th of September 1972. Harry was shot on the 7th of August 1972. Just a month after Harry's murder his brother Basil died of cancer.

Harry became a statistic by being the 500th victim of the 'Troubles.' A set of bag pipes has been chosen for his patch as he was a member of a Pipe Band for many years.

# | William Herbert Trotter |



## Civilian

28th July 1915 - 28th August 1972



and Eleanor. illiam was a farmer who was married to Margaret and had two daughters, Evelyn

William died along with his dog as the result of a booby trap bomb in a field on his farm. It went off as he went to check on his cattle.

As a born-again Christian, William converted to Christ at a Gospel Mission in Drumully, the Cross and the Bible were central to his life.

He attended prayer meetings and supported overseas missionaries. The fish (ichthus) is one of the earliest Christian symbols and so this is why it appears on William's patch on the Quilt.

William's wife, Madge, was the organist in Clones Church of Ireland hence the treble clef. The two butterflies represent his two daughters and the families love for nature.

# | Private Thomas Robert (Tommy) Bullock |



## Service Number: 24205385

6th April 1917 - 21st September 1972



ommy inherited a farm at Killynick, Derrylin in 1946 following the death of his Uncle.

Tommy took pride in keeping the land tidy and well maintained, when it came to cutting the hedges he would arrive at the site on his motorcycle with the necessary equipment. At one stage he owned a motorcycle with a side car as depicted in his patch on the Quilt.

For 27 years Tommy was the Worshipful Master of Maguiresbridge L.O.L. 1524. He served on the USC for 15 years and then joined the 4th Battalion of the UDR. He loved to read and always had books around him.

# | Emily Bullock |



## (Wife of Tommy Bullock)

5th May 1920 - 21st September 1972



mily went everywhere on her bicycle whether that be; Belturbet, Derrylin, local shops or general visiting.

Tommy and Emily were courting for many years and after her mother's death they went over to her sister Elizabeth in Southport and got married.

When Tommy was due back from duty Emily would sit with the dog and a gun at a landing window as she feared he would be killed on his way coming into the avenue. She always said he would be shot over her dead body which chillingly and cruelly came to pass on that fateful September evening.

# | Private John Robert (Robin) Bell |



Service Number: 24205646

16th November 1950 - 22nd October 1972



obin was the eldest child of Olive and Sidney Bell. He had one brother and four

When he left school he attended agricultural college in Strabane, before returning home to the family farm. After serving in the 'B' Specials he joined the UDR at its formation in 1970. He died as a result of an IRA ambush while going to milk the cows on a Sunday morning; he was only 21 years old.

He was a Boy Scout Leader in Newtownbutler and a regular attender at Galloon Parish Church. The Friesian cow and digger on the Memorial Quilt represent his love of dairy farming and digger work he carried out for local farmers.

# | Constable Robert (Bobby) Keys |



## Service Number: 10195

## 10th May 1917 - 28th November 1972



obert, affectionately known as Bobby, lived on a farm at Bannaghmore, Kesh with his wife Lillian and six children.

Bobby had been a member of the USC since the 1930's and on the 26th April 1969 joined the RUC and was stationed at Belleek RUC Station. It was here he was murdered on the 28th November 1972 at 9.25am when a RPG Grenade penetrated the station. He died instantly.

The symbol chosen for the quilt patch is that of a fisherman as Bobby very much enjoyed going fishing. He was also a member of the Orange Order.

# | Geraldine O'Reilly |



## Civilian

## 3rd April 1957 - 28th December 1972



eraldine O'Reilly was a student at St. Bricin's Vocational school, Belturbet, County Cavan, she lived at Staghall, Belturbet.

She was murdered aged 15 years in a planted car bomb explosion when standing in a local chip shop on 28th December 1972. Her brother Anthony was with her and sustained life changing injuries.

The symbol of a book was chosen as Geraldine's goal in life was to become a teacher, her excellent Inter Cert results showed that she was on the way to achieving this.

The dancing pumps represent her keen interest in Irish dancing; she attended the local Irish dance classes.

Geraldine was well liked among her peers and she was the youngest of a family of eight.

# | Patrick Stanley |



## Civilian

## 31st March 1956 - 28th December 1972

atrick Stanley was a helper on a lorry, he was from Clara, County Offaly and was making a phone call to his parents from the public phone box (which was outside the Post Office in Belturbet) when the bomb went off. He was aged 16 years.

Patrick was a member of his local GAA club in Clara and had a keen interest in Gaelic football. He also enjoyed a game of Hurley which is symbolised on the Memorial Quilt by the crossed Hurley sticks.

Patrick was the eldest of a family of 10.

# Lt. Colonel G.W. Saunderson



#### Service Number: 327725

10th January 1916 - 10th April 1974

**G** eorge Walter Saunderson was born in Belfast on 10th January 1916, his father moved the family to his grandfather's farm in Churchill Co. Fermanagh in the early 1920's. George married an English girl, Margaret Telford in 1941, they had two girls and five boys.

He had a long involvement with the military and was a keen fisherman and wildfowler around and on Lough Erne. His interest in Irish history was great and he could tell lots of stories of the many battles/skirmishes around Fermanagh during the past centuries. He also researched his family's ancestry and would have liked to publish a small booklet in his retirement.

George was a paratrooper in the Second World War, starting out a fusilier in 1935 and finishing the War as a Lieutenant.

At the end of the Second World War he went to college and became a school teacher, living in Teemore for the rest of his life, still a part time soldier. He composed some poetry and yarns about the locals whilst still enjoying some time for oil painting and working his garden.

At the time of his murder George had retired from the 4th Battalion UDR a year previously making the rank of Lt. Colonel. George was still working as Principal of the Earl of Erne Primary School when murdered by IRA terrorists on that terrible day, 10th April 1974.

# F/Private. Eva Martin |



#### Service Number: F448012

#### 17th February 1946 - 2nd May 1974

va Martin, daughter of the late Louis and Sadie Beacom, Lisbellaw. She met and married the now late Richard Martin, she was one of nine siblings. Her early education saw her attend Enniskillen Collegiate Grammar School and Trinity College Dublin where she not only developed a love for languages but also a strong interest in fashion. On completion of her studies Eva took up employment as Head of Modern Languages at Fivemiletown High School.

Whilst teaching Eva joined the UDR and was stationed at The Deanery, Clogher where her husband was also stationed. It was here that Eva was killed during a mortar attack on the barracks.

# Reserve Constable Samuel John Clarke



#### Service Number: R742

#### 13th January 1922 - 25th November 1975

/Constable Clarke was 53 when he died. He lived at Castlecaulfield, near R Dungannon, with his wife and three children aged 15, 13 and 10 years old.

Sam served with the army during WWII.

He joined the RUC Reserve in 1972 and was wounded in the leg in an ambush attack on the Dungannon – Ballygawley road in January, 1973.

He was a member of the Howard Memorial Pipe Band for whom he played Drum Major hence the symbol on the Quilt.

At Samuel's funeral, a lone piper of the band played as the coffin was borne from the church. Drummers' Call was then played by 8 members as the coffin was lowered.

# | Ex. Special Constable Gordon Liddle |



## Service Number: F/10384

## 27th October 1945 - 17th July 1976



ordon was a postman and served in the Ulster Special Constabulary from October 1963 until it was disbanded in May 1970.

At the time of his murder Gordon was 30 years old, he was married to Hazel and they had an 8 month old son, Cyril. They lived in a bungalow next to the family farm at Drumgole, just off the main Lisnaskea to Newtownbutler Road.

The post van was chosen as the symbol for the Quilt as Gordon worked for Royal Mail at the time of his murder.

# | Sergeant Martin Eamon Walsh |



## Service Number: 24060262 (Royal Army Ordnance Corps)

22nd August 1948 - 9th January 1977

artin grew up in Wales; he joined the Royal Army Ordnance Corps as a bomb disposal expert. Martin was married to Eve and they had two children, Karen (aged 4 years) and Andrew (aged 2 years), they lived in Hereford.

Martin was a massive ABBA fan and also had a love for cars, especially Volkwagens' and the 'Herbie' beetle; this explains what is symbolised on his patch on the Memorial Quilt. The leek represents his love of his home country, Wales.

It was on 9th January 1977 that Martin was murdered when an IRA bomb detonated near Newtownbutler, it was an anti-handling bomb and was the first of its' type. He was reaching into the milk churn attempting to dismantle the bomb when it exploded. He is much loved and missed by his family.

# | Douglas Deering |



## Civilian

## 1st December 1924 - 12th May 1977

ouglas was a well-liked and respected businessman in Rosslea; he succeeded his father in the family business, selling groceries, petrol and farm supplies. He served the community and was a Justice of the Peace.

He was married to Olive and they had three children, Heather, Rosalind and Arnold.

It was in his shop on the 12th May 1977 that he was murdered.

Douglas had a strong Christian faith and was much involved in his church and Rosslea Sunday School.

# Constable Samuel Derek Davison



#### Service Number: F/11116

10th September 1952 - 2nd June 1977

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erek was born in Milford, Co. Donegal in 1952. In 1960 the family came to Enniskillen.

Derek was educated at Enniskillen Model Primary School and Enniskillen High School before going to the Technical College. He was fond of all sports, particularly motorcycle racing.

His first job after leaving school was with Slack & Parr Engineering. He joined the RUC in 1972 determined to do his part for Ulster.

In September 1975, Constable Davison married a Fermanagh girl, Audrey Shaw, they had no children. Derek was also a member of the Apprentice Boys in Enniskillen.

# | Corporal William James McKee |



## Service Number: 24208318

## 29th January 1917 - 14th April 1978



ames McKee joined the UDR part time on 7th May 1970, he was also a school bus driver for many years.

James was a widower and had one daughter, Rosemary at the time of his murder.

The symbol used for the Quilt is of a School Bus, this is of particular importance as when carrying out a School meals delivery he was ambushed and shot dead.

James was a very good gardener and he was also a member of the Orange and Black Institutions.

# | Private Alan Reginald Ferguson |



Service Number: 24308449

19th March 1956 - 25th June 1978



lan was a son of Loftus and Betty Ferguson, he was the middle child and had two brothers Ronald and Robin.

When he left school Alan attended the Agricultural College as he was keen to work on the family farm at Tonagh, Derrygonnelly.

He joined the UDR on 4th September 1973 and was shot dead during an ambush at Scribbagh, Garrison.

The tractor on the Quilt represents Alan's love of farming.

Alan was a member of the Loyal Orange Lodge (LOL 559). A few days before he was murdered he took part in the unfurling of a new banner for the Lodge, a photograph from the event appeared in the Newspaper the same week as the piece on his funeral.

# Sergeant Robert Maughan |



## Service Number: 24174530 (9/12 Lancers)

## 7th July 1948 - 6th May 1979

R obert was a Sergeant, working in intelligence in the 9/12 Lancers, he was originally from Northumberland. Robert had a brother and a sister; he was 30 years of age when he was murdered by the IRA alongside Detective-Constable Norman Prue outside Holy Cross Church in Lisnaskea.

Robert, fondly known as 'George' had a much loved pet, a dog called 'Buster'. He had asked a local man would he look after the dog if anything ever happened to him, little did he know what his fate would hold. This is why the dog is depicted within the patch along with the regimental crest of the 9/12 lancers.

# Terence McKeever



## Civilian

#### 20th May 1956 - 16th June 1979

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erence McKeever was a 30 year old Electrical Contractor who was murdered on 16th June 1986 by P.I.R.A. "for carrying out work for the security forces".

He had a great work ethic and lived for his family and the family business. The electric sign (lightning bolt) on the quilt signifies this. Terence was also a keen follower of motor racing and football and was truly someone who would never harm another human being. Instead he would often go out of his way to help others.

Terence was struck down in the prime of his life and left behind a young wife to whom he had recently wed prior to his murder.

Greatly loved and greatly missed.

# | Corporal Herbert George Kernaghan |



## Service Number: 24199563

#### 2nd November 1942 - 15th October 1979

erbie was married to Sylvia, at the time of his murder they had 3 children, Deborah (aged 10), Gary (aged 8) and Gordon (aged 6). His fourth child, a son was born on the 29th October 1979, two weeks after his murder; he was called Herbert after his father.

He joined the UDR upon its' formation in 1970. His main employment was with Armstrong and Taylor, a fruit and vegetable wholesaler. It was while making a delivery to a Roman Catholic School in Rosslea that he was murdered by the IRA.

A dart board was chosen as his Quilt symbol as it was his favourite past time and he was a member of many teams. He was also a member of Ballindarragh Orange Lodge and played the accordion in Ballindarragh Accordion Band.

# | Corporal Frederick Houston Irwin |



## Service Number: 24205445

18th April 1936 - 30th October 1979

red was born at Kilcalm, Beragh and was married to Margaret Sproule, they had five children. He lived at Moy and attended Moy Parish Church. A former member of the B Specials, he joined the part time UDR on the 20th March 1970, attached to 8th UDR Dungannon. He was a member of Cloughfin LOL 1277 and Cloughfin RBP 58 and at one time a piper in the Lodge band.

He worked for the local Council in Dungannon and it was while he was driving to his place of work along the Oaks Road in Dungannon that terrorists gunned him down.

# | F/Private Hilary Graham |



## Service Number: F0448469

## 30th May 1952 - 15th November 1979



ilary attended the Moat Primary School from where she went on to Lisnaskea High School.

Soon after leaving the High School she started work in the spinning department of the Sir Richard Arkwright Factory (where SEFF is now housed). She became a member of their Tug-Of-War Ladies' Team.

Hilary was a member of the Maguiresbridge Women's LOL and joined the part time UDR on 27th March 1974.

The dove with an olive branch was chosen for the Quilt to represent Hilary's peaceful, caring and loving nature.

# James Fowler (Ex UDR)



## Civilian

#### Service Number: 24191828

#### 23rd May 1938 - 16th December 1979

ames Fowler, then aged 40 years was murdered by PIRA on 16th December 1979. James was operating a mobile fish and chip van when he was assassinated by PIRA terrorists. James had been a member of the Ulster Defence Regiment but had been off the Regiment for two years prior to his death.

Originally from Newtownstewart James and his wife Helen (who is now deceased) had four children; Stanley, Elaine, Dorothy and Caroline. Stanley aged just 13 years old was with his Dad at the time he was murdered.

The symbol on the Quilt reflects James' skills as a swimmer in which he saved the lives of two people. James was regarded as a good, family man whose murder left a huge void in the lives of many.

# | Abayomi (Max) Olorunda |



#### Civilian

## 27th July 1941 - 17th January 1980

ax Olorunda was an accountant; at the time of his death he was completing his chartered accountancy qualification. His dream was to have his name on the door of his own practice. He was close to achieving this. Max was from Lagos, Nigeria and came to the UK to study at Newcastle University. On graduating he took up a post in Belfast.

Max loved Northern Ireland and had many friends. He met Gabrielle Olorunda, originally from Strabane and they later married and went on to have a family of three daughters.

Max was a lover of animals, he was an armchair philosopher and condemned violence of any kind, he was a man of peace.

Max was travelling home from an audit in January 1980 when two IRA men boarded his train carriage. The men had a bomb which detonated prematurely and Max lost his life. There was nothing left of Max and his family have an empty grave. This is why the Memorial Quilt is so important.

## | A/Constable Winston Howe |



#### Service Number: 10193

## 27th March 1944 - 11th February 1980

inston was a mobilised Constable in the USC from February 1966 - February 1967 and April 1969 - April 1970. He then served on the RUC Reserve from May 1970 through to his murder in February 1980. On his certificate of service it states that his general conduct during service was exemplary.

Winston was married with 2 children. As well as being on the RUC Reserve he worked on his farm at Killyliffer, Rosslea.

Shortly before he was murdered he had bought a donkey which stayed with the cattle on the farm, Winston loved this donkey which had just foaled before his untimely death.

He was a drummer with Knox Pipe Band and was a member of Knox L.O.L. 1841 and Lackey R.B.P. 785.

# | Constable Joseph (Joe) Rose |



## Service Number: 12501

## 4th July 1959 - 11th February 1980

oe came from Dundonald on the outskirts of East Belfast; he was a mere 21 years of age when he was murdered by an IRA bomb. He was one of two policemen who lost their lives in the same incident, the other man being Constable Winston Howe.

Fishing was a favourite pastime of Joe's and this is why a fisherman is depicted within Joe's patch on the Memorial Quilt. Joe loved Fermanagh and its' Lakelands as it was a prime region for fishing.

Joe was engaged to be married at the time of his death.

# | Private Robert Victor Morrow |



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Service Number: 24199892

#### 11th November 1918 - 17th April 1980

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ictor was married to Martha Forde in 1946 and together they had two sons, Roy and Norman.

Victor was a member of the B Specials and joined the UDR in 1970; he had only retired from service a short while before he was shot dead, 200 yards from his home in April 1980.

A member of Feaugh Loyal Orange Lodge (LOL 1320) and Newtownbutler Royal Black Preceptory (RBP), Victor also worked for Johnston's Grocery Shop as a van driver and spent 16 years working in the Sir Richard Arkwright factory.

# | Private William Richard (Richie) Latimer |



#### Service Number: 24199770

# 6th February 1942 - 7th June 1980

ffectionately known as Richie he was married with two children, a 12 year old boy and a nine year old girl.

He joined the UDR in 1970 and was a member until he was murdered. He also owned a hardware shop on the Main Street of Newtownbutler. It was here that Richie was murdered at around 1pm on the 7th June 1980 while working in his shop.

Richie enjoyed playing Badminton as it was a good way to relax. He was also a member of the Orange Lodge in Wattlebridge.

# **Reserve Constable Ernest Thomas Henry Johnston**



Service Number: 375

## 24th May 1946 - 23rd September 1980

rnest worked his father's farm once he left school and joined the RUC Reserve in 1973. He was shot dead at his home at 11:00pm on 23rd September 1980 when returning from duty at Rosslea Police Station.

Ernest was married with two sons, Brian aged five and Mark aged three at the time of his death. The symbol chosen for the Quilt is three leaves to represent the loving wife and two sons he left behind.

Ernest was a member of the Orange Order and was the Secretary of Mullycavan Lodge, he also played in Mullycavan Band.

# | Lance Corporal Thomas Ronald Graham |



## Service Number: 24188874

## 15th September 1942 - 5th June 1981



**R** onald was married and had two children Noreen, 13 years old, and Ronald, 12 years old, at the time when he was murdered.

He worked in the Sir Richard Arkwright Factory for many years, he was a member of the Tug of War team and enjoyed this immensely. He also worked part time in William Birney's shop delivering groceries. It was while out on a shop delivery that the IRA ambushed Ronnie and he met his death.

Ronnie was also a member of the Apprentice Boys Brookeborough. The drum on Ronald's patch symbolises the drum that he played in Colebrooke Pipe Band.

# | Constable Andrew Alfie Woods |



## Service Number: 10144

## 2nd August 1931 - 2nd August 1981

Ifie was married to Mary, with whom he had six children, three boys and three girls. He also had three brothers and three sisters with whom he was very close.

He joined the RUC in 1969, before this Alfie worked for the water board. He also had a small farm which he worked.

Alfie was a keen fisherman and shortly before he was married he went to the Isle of Man for a short fishing trip. He enjoyed this hobby but rarely had time for it, this is the reason for the fishing symbols on the Quilt.

Alfie was also an Orangeman. He was murdered on his 50th birthday.

# | Private Cecil Graham |



## Service Number: 24308360

## 29th September 1949 - 11th November 1981



fter completing his education Cecil secured a role in The Sir Richard Arkwright Factory. He was a member of the Health & Safety Committee and also took part in Sports & Social activities, being a member of the Firm's tug-of-war team.

He was a member of the Apprentice Boys of Derry and Mitchelburne Club (Brookeborough Branch) His portrait along with his brothers Ronnie and Jimmy (who were on separate occasions also murdered by IRA terrorists) appear on the Graham Memorial Banner.

He joined the part time UDR in July 1973. On the 9th November 1981 he was ambushed by IRA terrorists, whilst off duty visiting his wife and five week old son. He was hit sixteen times by bullets from an Armalite rifle and died two days later in Hospital on Armistice Day, 11th November 1981. The Poppy was chosen as his Quilt symbol in remembrance of Cecil and the significance of the date of his death.

# | Corporal Albert Beacom |



#### Service Number: 24199548

#### 13th September 1937 - 17th November 1981

lbert was a UDR Corporal, he joined the UDR in the early 1970s.

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He was a dairy farmer and did the majority of his farm work with a Fordson blue tractor of which he was very proud, this gives the significance to the symbol chosen for the Quilt Project.

Albert played a Cornet in Maguiresbridge Silver Band. He was also a very keen Badminton player.

# Constable John Robert Nelson Hallawell



#### Service Number: 10880

## 28th February 1948 - 28th October 1983



ohn was married to Anne with whom he had three children David, Carolyn and J Jonathan.

John joined the RUC as a Constable in 1971. He also worked in both the Taylor Woods and Standards Telephones and Cables (STC) factories - before joining the RUC.

John had many hobbies and interests including football, badminton, cars, music and other sports.

# Lance Corporal Thomas Alexander Loughlin



## Service Number: 23205963

## 30th March 1939 - 2nd March 1984



homas was married with five daughters with the youngest, Wendy, being only three months old at the time of his death.

Thomas joined the UDR on 24th of November 1970. He also worked for the Rivers Agency in Omagh as his Civilian work.

Thomas devoted all his time (when not working) to his mother, Annie and his family.

The symbol on the Quilt is a side drum as Thomas was a drummer in the UDR Band.

# | Private Ronald Funston |



## Service Number: 24308709

## 4th December 1955 - 13th March 1984

onnie had left the UDR almost eight years at the time of his murder, he had only served on the UDR for three years. He was single at the time of his death and lived at home with his parents and younger sister. He was the main provider for the family, running the farm and having a secondary job on another farm.

He was not a member of any other organisation, his life centred around the farm, and his family but he was an avid Manchester United supporter.

Ronnie was murdered whilst he was on a tractor, using the rear loader to feed the cattle. It was evident that he had been heavily targeted, as the terrorists who murdered him knew exactly where he would be at that time of the morning. Ronnie's mother heard the shooting, she ran down and saw him dying on the tractor. She also saw the two murderers running up the field, cheering after the completion of their evil deed; she never recovered from the experience.

# | Colour Sergeant Ivan Ernest Hillen |



## Service Number: 24205962

13th July 1938 - 12th May 1984

van served as a part time soldier on the 6th (Co. Tyrone) Battalion of the UDR from its formation, he was a keen pig and dairy farmer on his border farm at Lismore near Augher, it is here where he was murdered on 12th May 1984. Ivan had gone out to check his livestock in the morning time and when opening the door to the piggery unit he was shot a number of times at close range.

Ivan's interests aside from farming were air gun shooting and he was also a member of Lisgenny LOL 323. Ivan was married with a 12 year old son (Rodney) at the time of his murder.

# | Corporal Thomas Henry Agar |



## Service Number: 24402310

## 5th February 1949 - 18th May 1984



homas Agar was born in Stanley, County Durham and joined the 1st Battalion Royal Regiment of Fusiliers in 1975.

Thomas then aged (35), Robert Huggins (29) and Peter Gallimore (27), all off duty at the time were murdered by a Provisional Irish Republican Army booby trap bomb attached to their car, outside the Lakeland Forum Leisure Centre, Enniskillen. [Gallimore died on 18 October 1984.]

At the time of his murder, Thomas had served within the Regiment for nine years and had intended to sign up for a further period of service.

Thomas was Rugby daft and played for the Regimental Rugby team and many other teams. He was also a keen fisherman which is depicted on his Quilt patch along with the badge of his Regiment. Thomas loved almost all sports and was a devoted and loving husband and father.

Thomas left behind wife Sheila and 8 year-old son Craig.

# F/Corporal Heather Catherine Jean Kerrigan



## Service Number: F0450446

## 20th May 1964 - 14th July 1984

eather was single and came from a family of eight with one sister and six brothers. She was brought up one mile from the Donegal Border by her mother and father, Jim and Isabel Kerrigan.

Heather was a member of the Woman's Orange Lodge in Castlederg. She also worked part time in a bar in the town.

Heather was killed in a landmine explosion on the Corgary Road, Castlederg whilst on a UDR Foot Patrol.

The symbol on the Quilt is a Greenfinch. This was the term to describe female soldiers within the UDR.

# | Private James Albert Graham BEM |



## Service Number: 24074947

## 13th November 1945 - 1st February 1985



ames (commonly known as Jimmy) was married to Lily with two children. Sharon was aged 15 and Thomas 11 at the time of their father's murder.

Jimmy competed in local tug of war teams including both the Sir Richard Arkwright Factory and UDR teams.

He was a School Bus driver and was murdered in Derrylin while on a bus run for the local school.

James was in the Orange Order, he was a member of the Apprentice Boys and Fivemiletown British Legion.

# | Sergeant Hugh McCormac |



Service Number: 9020

4th August 1944 - 3rd March 1985



ugh was married to his wife Anne with whom he had three children, a daughter called Elaine and two sons David and Darren.

Hugh was outgoing and loved both fishing and golf. He was very musical being a member of the RUC Male Voice Choir, Fermanagh Choral Society and also the choir at St. Gabriel's Monastery at the Graan. This is the reason why music notes were chosen for the Quilt.

Hugh was murdered in front of his wife and three children on his way into morning Mass at St. Gabriel's Monastery on the 3rd March 1985.

# | Constable George Gilliland |



#### Service Number: 10642

## 31st July 1951 - 7th December 1985

**G** eorge Gilliland was born on 31st July 1951 and was murdered on 7th December 1985 at Ballygawley Police Station, aged 34 years. He was the son of William and Elizabeth Gilliland from Tempo. George was married to Iris Gilliland and they had three children Joanne (aged 11), Craig (aged 8) and Gillian (aged 4) at the time of his murder.

George joined the R.U.C tug-o-war team when stationed in Ballygawley and won many championships along with his team, travelling to England, Scotland and Wales to take part in these events. Another great love of his was Golf which he spent most of his free time playing, again winning many prizes of which he was very proud.

# | Detective Constable Derek George Breen |



## Service Number: 14031

## 9th November 1956 - 11th February 1986

D erek joined the RUC on the 30th October 1979 as a Detective Constable. He was married with one 8 month old daughter, Sarah at the time of his death on 11th February 1986.

Derek was close to community activities and regularly helped out with scout groups and church related events.

A rugby ball was chosen for his Quilt symbol as Derek was a keen sportsman, he played for both Enniskillen 1st's and for one of the RUC teams.

# | Private Thomas James Irwin |



## Service Number: 24489184

## 31st July 1933 - 26th March 1986

homas was born at Kilcalm Beragh, and was married to Anne Love, they had five children, one of whom died 3 years prior to him being murdered. He lived at Sixmilecross and was a keen gardener in his spare time. He was a member of the Select Vestry of Sixmilecross Parish Church and a former People's Churchwarden. Thomas was also a member of Cloughfin LOL 1277 and was caretaker of the Orange Hall for over 12 years.

Thomas worked with the DOE as a sewage linesman and it was while at his place of work at Mountfield Treatment Works that he was gunned down by IRA terrorists. Thomas joined the part time UDR on 22nd June 1979, he was attached to 6th UDR, stationed in Omagh.

# A/Constable John William McVitty



## Service Number: 10202

4th December 1939 - 8th July 1986

J ohn served on the Ulster Special Constabulary before transferring over to the RUC on 1st May 1970. He was married with three children at the time of his death, they were Rosalind (aged 14), Gary (aged 12) and Gillian (aged 9).

Gary was with John when he was murdered while they worked on a farm at Drumady, near Rosslea, they had been cutting rushes when the murderers approached.

The tractor symbol chosen for the Quilt represents John's love for farming.

# | R/Constable Noble Irvine (Ivan) Crawford |



## Service Number: R6412

## 9th November 1937 - 9th January 1987



van served on the B Specials and the UDR before he joined the RUC Reserve in 1973. He also worked as a mechanic with British Telecom and the Post Office.

Ivan was married to Ida and they had three sons; Rodney, Harold and Roy. He was murdered while on duty carrying out a foot patrol through Enniskillen when terrorist's detonated an explosive device via remote control from the Crow's Nest, the device had been placed in a litter bin.

A Masonic symbol was chosen for the Quilt as Ivan was deeply involved in Masonic matters across Northern Ireland. He also had a great interest in playing Scottish Traditional Jimmy Shand style music with a three row Shand Morino Accordion. Ivan enjoyed holidaying in Scotland with his wife and family, he built his own caravanette camper van in which he took years of enjoyment.

# | Corporal T. J. (Jim) Oldman |



## Service Number: 24199894

## 29th December 1947 - 3rd April 1987

J ames, fondly known as Jim, served from the young age of 16 years old, firstly on the B Specials and then he joined the UDR at its formation in 1970 and was in fact one of its longest serving members.

Jim also worked in Jones' Hardware Shop in Market Street, Ederney. It was while Jim was arriving to work that terrorists opened fire on his car. Jim had been giving a lift to his 12 year old cousin, Caroline Bratton, who was going to meet her school bus. The gunmen ordered the girl out of the car before they opened fire.

Jim was a single man who lived with his widowed mother at their home outside Ederney. He was also a member of Glassmullagh Orange Lodge and Colaghty Parish Church where he served on the Vestry; he enjoyed reading and had a great interest in football.

# | Wesley and Bertha Armstrong |



esley and Bertha both died at the Enniskillen Remembrance Poppy Day Bomb on Sunday 8th November 1987, they were cruelly taken by the bomb planted by the IRA.

The pair were married on 4th August 1954 and they had a family of five children Stella, Pamela, Trevor, Moyna and Julian.

Wesley and Bertha were family people, they would regularly take their grandchildren for a drive or a walk and they loved to spend time with their family.

They are still missed greatly, even over 25 years on.

# |Bertha Armstrong|

Civilian

## 15th February 1932 - 8th November 1987



ertha worked part time in the evenings in the canteen of Unipork in Enniskillen.

The symbol of cakes was chosen for Bertha as she loved baking and cooking. If she knew anyone was coming there were cakes and tray bakes to be made.

That Sunday, 8th November 1987 she had the roast in the oven, potatoes and vegetables peeled and Eves Pudding sitting waiting for the custard to be made.

Her family and grandchildren were her main interest.

# Wesley Armstrong |

## Retired

## 17th August 1925 - 8th November 1987

esley worked for Customs & Excise most of his life and then in later years he joined the team in BT. He served in the part time RUC Reserve in the 1970's.

The symbol of music was chosen for Wesley as he loved music and singing, he sung in the choir and played the trumpet, cornet and the organ. He also sung solos at possibly 30 weddings.

He was a Sunday School Superintendent, Circuit Steward, he loved his church and anything to do with God.

# Sergeant Samuel Gault |



Retired

## Service Number: 7951

## 18th July 1938 - 8th November 1987

amuel was born in Larne and was one of three children. After School Samuel served his time as an apprentice electrician before joining the RUC in 1958, he served in Co. Armagh and Belfast before moving to Fermanagh where he spent the bulk of his career including 18 years as a Sergeant. He had only retired 18 months before he was murdered.

Samuel died in the 1987 Remembrance Sunday bomb along with 11 other innocent people. The RUC symbol was chosen for the Quilt as Samuel was proud to have served in the RUC and wore the uniform with pride.

Married to Gladys (nee Clarke) the pair had two children, Keith and Stephen. Before his death Samuel was an active member of the British Red Cross, he also belonged to the Masonic and the Orange Order.

# | William and Agnes Mullan |



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illiam and Agnes died together at the Poppy Day Bomb at the Cenotaph in Enniskillen on 8th November 1987.

They regularly attended the Remembrance Service there but 1987 was a special day as they went to watch their grandson Adam Mullan lay the wreath for the Model Primary School Enniskillen. Sadly the bomb exploded just as the Act of Remembrance was starting.

William and Agnes were married in 1943 after meeting in Enniskillen where they both went to work. They had four children: James, Margaret, Joan and Ruth. They had six grandchildren: Neil, Adam, Andrea, Ryan, Jamie and Lindsay.

# | Agnes Mullan |

#### Civilian

## 3rd July 1913 - 8th November 1987



lowers included on Agnes's patch indicate her love of flowers and in particular arranging flowers in the Church.

The Burning Bush is a symbol of the Presbyterian Church which indicates how a considerable amount of her spare time was devoted to the Church. Along with her husband she was a committed Christian, she sang in the Church choir and was very involved with the Presbyterian Women's Association. Agnes helped with catering in the Church and these skills were also put to great use as a homemaker, symbolised by the cupcakes. Her home was open to all; she was renowned for her baking.

# | William Mullan |

## Civilian

## 25th August 1914- 8th November 1987

he pestle and mortar were chosen to symbolise William's profession as a chemist. He ran his own business in Enniskillen, working up until the time of his death caring for all the members of the community.

The Bible signifies his involvement in the Scots Church Enniskillen where he was Sunday School Superintendent for 30 years and an Elder for 28 years.

The flowers show his love of gardening where he spent his leisure time along with his wife.

# | Alberta Quinton |



#### Civilian

## 9th February 1915 - 8th November 1987

A lberta was a full time nursing sister whilst bringing up four children; she was very active in Garvary church and with the wider family circle, being one of 11 children. When retired she took up an interest in bowls.

The church depicted on the Quilt was from a drawing by her son lan; it encapsulates the two most important things in her life, faith and family. The RAF wings represent other important aspects of her life, her nursing, and her war service. She served as one of Princess Mary's RAF nurses during the war in North Africa, Yugoslavia and Italy.

Alberta was cruelly murdered in the Enniskillen Poppy Day Bomb on Sunday 8th November 1987.

# | Miss Jillian Johnston |



# Civilian 17th April 1966 - 18th March 1988

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illian was born in 1966 into a loving home; she had three sisters and two brothers.

While growing up Jillian attended Muckross Church of Ireland every Sunday where she played the recorded music for the service, she was also a member of the Girls Brigade. This gives significance to the Church which appears on her patch on the Quilt.

At the time of her death Jillian was working as a chemist assistant. She was shot dead at her home at Leggs near Belleek. There were over twenty bullets in her body.

This year marks the 26th anniversary of her death. No one has ever been charged for her murder.

# Heidi Hazell



#### Civilian

## 24th September 1962 - 7th September 1989

eidi was born in the then West Germany and married a British Solider stationed in Н the country. Her surviving family describe her as; a kind, loving and caring person who always sought justice, fairness, harmony, and peace for all others around her. She is said to have had the most beautiful blue eyes and the friendliest smile.

It was on 7th September 1989 when Heidi was sitting in the family car at her home that she was approached by a member of PIRA in British Army battle dress, the terrorist opened fire shooting her over a dozen times before escaping in a getaway vehicle which was driven by another person.

The image on Heidi's patch on the Memorial Quilt is of the 'Angel of Peace.' The Angel to seek justice may be her profession now...

# Ex. Reserve Constable Thomas Edward Cullen Stephenson



## Service Number: R6428

## 17th April 1927 - 21st January 1991



nown as Cullen he was married to Anne on 14th February 1950, they had four children, three girls and a boy; Jean, Gertie, Yvonne and Edwin.

Cullen worked in Fivemiletown Creamery from 1952 until his death. He was a Grading Officer and then was a Supervisor over the milk department. He also served on the B Specials and subsequently was a Constable in the RUC for many years.

With an enthusiasm for sports, Cullen had a particular interest in boxing, football and tug of war. Other interests included farming, gardening, music and dancing, in fact he won prizes for old time dancing when he was younger.



## Service Number: R9708 / 24280014

6th November 1949 - 17th May 1991

D ouglas Carrothers (known as Dougie) was already serving part time in the UDR when he got married in 1976. He continued to serve up until he joined the part-time RUC Reserve in May 1980, his main employment was with RJN Creighton in Lisbellaw.

Dougie was immensely proud of his family of two sons, Andrew and Derek, and his daughter Angela. He was a Christian and his main interests were his family and his Church. For the Memorial Quilt a fish was chosen as it is a symbol of Christianity. Dougie was a man of great integrity and humility.

In January 1991 a neighbour of the Carrothers' family Cullen Stephenson was murdered by the IRA. As a result of this callous murder the Carrothers' family had to leave their family home in Brookeborough and were moved to Lisbellaw. On Friday 17th May 1991 Dougie was murdered by the IRA in an under-car booby trap bomb outside the front door of the family's new home.

# Prison Officer David Black



## 5th August 1960 - 1st November 2012

avid joined the Northern Ireland Prison Service in August 1982. He enjoyed playing bowls for Kildress Parish Church and more recently with Molesworh Church. He was a member of Montober Orange Lodge and had drummed in Montober Flute Band for over 35 years. He was an active member of Masonic Orders Royal Arch Chapter 396 and Cookstown Preceptory 470. He was also the esteemed Treasurer in Unity Lodge 396 for several years.

Before his murder David had recently inherited the family farm at "Blackhill" and was looking forward to the challenges of learning new skills following his imminent retirement. David was married to Yvonne and they had two children Kyle and Kyra. He encouraged his children in all aspects of their lives including education, sport, travel, church activities and self / mutual respect. David was a devoted husband and father.

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