

Farington Garden Memorial Transcript

IN MEMORY OF THE FARINGTON MEN
WHO GAVE THEIR LIVES IN THE GREAT WAR 1914-1918

Column 1

ALLISON, Norman Sergeant 680220 served with the 288th Brigade Royal Field Artillery and was killed in action on 11.10.17 age 23.

He was the son of Thomas and Alice Allison of 6 Mill Street.

BANNISTER, Fred Private 12005 served with the 19th Bn. Manchester Regiment and was killed in action on 1.7.16 age 35.

He was a cotton weaver and eldest son of John and Elizabeth Bannister.

BESLEY, Richard Corporal 200189 served with the 1st/4th Loyal North Lancashire Regiment and was killed in action on 31.7.17 age 20.

He was the eldest son of John and Elizabeth Beesley. His home was at 3 Bridge Cottages and he worked at Farington Mill.

BELL, Richard Private 93084 served with the 12th King's (Liverpool) Regiment and died of his wounds at home - 3 Ashley Terrace Stanifield Lane - on 19.8.19, age 20. He was the eldest son of Joseph and Mary Bell and worked at Farington Cotton Mill.

BENNETT, Henry Lance Corporal 33093 served with the 1st Bn. Warwickshire Regiment and died of his wounds on 27.4.18, age nearly 35.

He lived on Fowler Lane Farington.

BENNETT, John Lance Corporal 6185 served with the 1st Bn. Loyal North Lancashire Regiment and was killed in action on 23.10.14 age 33.

His home was 3 Mill Street. John, an employee at the Rubber Works in Leyland, was married with 2 children.

BOLTON, Fred Private 18125 served with the 12th Bn. King's (Liverpool) Regiment and was killed in action as a result of a gas attack on 1.9.16, age 18. He enlisted age 16. His home was at 86 Mill Street and he worked at Farington Cotton Mill.

BROWN, Benjamin Private 2517 served with the 1st/8th Bn. Manchester Regiment and was killed in action in Gallipoli 4.6.15, age 27

Husband of Elizabeth, he lived at 28 Mill Street. He was employed as a waterproof garment maker in Manchester.

BROWN, Robert Private 28708 served with the 20th Bn. Lancashire Fusiliers and was killed in action on 23.10.17, age 19.

He was a son of Henry and Ann Brown and was born in Farington, but living in Lostock Hall in 1911.

CANK, Thomas (Bert) Gunner 116532 served with 'B' Batter, 188th Brigade Royal Horse Artillery and Royal Field Artillery and was killed in action 24.1.17, age 20. He was the only son of John and Louise Cank of 'The Hollies' Farington.

CARLTON, William Private 37401. Initially he served with the Lancashire Fusiliers, but was later transferred to the 18th (Labour) Bn. Cheshire Regiment, and died of his wounds on 4.5.17, age 24. He lived at 37 East Street with his wife Ellen.

CATTERALL, Fred Lance Corporal 26779 served with the 1st Shropshire Light Infantry and was killed in action on 12.1.17, age 23.

He was a son of James and Ellen Catterall and was born in Farington, but living in Nelson in 1911.

CLITHEROE, John Private 204001 served with the 3rd/5th Bn. Liverpool Regiment (a training battalion), and died of his wounds in the U.K. on 2.5.16, age 52. He was a regular in the army with 18 years' service. John and his wife Martha lived at 9 School Street.

DOOLAN, James Private 24648 served with the 10th Bn. Loyal North Lancashire Regiment, and was killed in action on 3.7.17, age 28.

He married Jane early in 1914 and lived at 1 Tanners Row Croston Road, and worked in the cotton mill.

DURHAM, Frederick Private 24306 served with the 10th Loyal North Lancashire Regiment and was killed in action on 9.10.17, age 19.

He was born in Farington but lived at Lostock View, Lostock Hall, and worked at Lostock Mill.

DURHAM, William Private 22663 served with the 10th Loyal North Lancashire Regiment and died of his wounds on 12.4.17, age 21.

He was an older brother (one of twins) of Frederick Durham above. He also worked at Lostock Mill.

FERNLEY, Ernest Private 6447 served with the 20th Hussars, 2nd Division, Household Cavalry and was killed in action on 23.3.18, age 24. His home was at 14 Spring Gardens (Stanifield Lane), and he worked as a Railway Clerk.

FINCH, James Private 3541 served with the 1st Bn. Loyal North Lancashire Regiment and was killed in action on 25.9.15, age 34.

A married man with five children, who had fought in the Boer War, He lived at 8 School Street.

GILLETT, Charles Private 330 served with the 1st/4th Loyal North Lancashire Regiment and was killed in action on 28.6.18, age 22.

He enlisted 3.8.14 and his home was at 2 Bridge Cottages, and was employed at Farington Cotton Mill.

GILLETT, Henry (Harry) Private 18134 served with the 12th King's (Liverpool) Regiment and was killed in action on 16.9.16, age 20, barely three months after his brother Charles (above). He enlisted on 5.9.14 - a '@Kitchener' recruit. He worked at Farington Cotton Mill.

HARRISON, William Private 15123 served with the 24th Manchester Regiment and died of his wounds on 6.6.17, age 21.

He was a cotton worker, so of Thomas and Caroline Harrison of 5 Mill Street, Farington.

HATTON, Andrew Lance Corporal 201207 served with the 2nd/4th Bn. Loyal North Lancashire Regiment and was killed in action on 26.10.17, age 20. He was a grocery lad, son of widow Sarah Hatton, of 2 East Street.

HAYDOCK, Thomas Winder Private 3041 served with the Royal Marines Deal/3041(S), with the R.M. Medical Unit R.N. Division, and died of his wounds on 16.3.18 after being invalided home from Gallipoli, age 30. His home was at 34 East Street.

HEWITT, Charles Private 6180 served with the 1st Bn. East Lancashire Regiment and was killed in action on 19.4.17, age 37.

He was a labourer and lived at 37 Croston Road with his wife Elizabeth.

HEYES, Harry Company Sergeant Major 7250 served with the 12th Bn. Scots Guards and died of his wounds on 24.2.17, age 26.

He was awarded THE DISTINGUISHED CONDUCT MEDAL for "gallantry in the Field in the face of the enemy" in August 1915. (The DCM is second only to the Victoria Cross in prestige). He lived at Preston Road, Farington.

HEYWOOD, Robert Private K18607 served with the 12th Bn. King's (Liverpool) Regiment and was killed in action on 7.10.16, age 24.

His home was at 54 Mill Street and he worked at Leyland Rubber Works. He enlisted 4.9.14 - another "Kitchener" recruit.

HIGHAM, Thomas Private 57162 served with the 1st/7th Manchester Regiment and was killed in action on 27.9.18, age 19.

He was a son of William Higham of 'The Cottage' Farington.

HOLMES, Robert Corporal 38137 served with the Lancashire Fusiliers, and died of his wounds on 29.3.19, at home, age 24.

His home was at 4 Spring Gardens (Stanifield Lane) and was employed as an 'over-looker' at Farington Cotton Mill. Robert was the last soldier to be invalided to Cuerden Hall Auxillary Hospital.

Column 2

HULL, George Thompson Sergeant 21522 served with the 19th Bn. King's (Liverpool) Regiment and died after surgery on 6.6.15, age 29, just two months after his marriage to Hilda. Their home was in Farington and George was employed as a Clerk with LCC.

HULL, Joseph Gunner 131202 served with the Royal Garrison Artillery, Anti-Aircraft Depot, and was found dead in Leeds on 1.1.17, age 19.

He was a son of Thomas and Elizabeth Hull, of 3 Rose Street. Joseph worked as a 'coiler' at Leyland Rubber Works.

KELLETT, William Private 3438 served with the 1st/4th Bn. Loyal North Lancashire Regiment (Territorial Force) and died of his wounds on 23.6.15, age 20, just 12 days after arriving in France. His home was at Farington Moss, and he was a keen musician.

LANCASTER, Thomas Private 18608 served with the 12th Bn. King's (Liverpool) Regiment and was killed in action on 7.10.16, age 24.

He was a self-employed decorator and plumber working with his father. Their home was at 35 Mill Street.

LAWRENSON, Fred Lance Sergeant 200970 served with the 2nd/4th Bn. Loyal North Lancashire Regiment (Territorial Force) and died of his wounds on 28.10.17, age 19. He was born in Farington.

LEYLAND, William Corporal 12630 served with the 6th Bn. Loyal North Lancashire Regiment and died of his wounds on 1.11.15 at Gallipoli, age 19. He was born in Farington Moss, but was living in Ashton, Preston when war broke out, William worked as a weaver.

MARSDEN, Humphrey Miller 2nd Lieutenant 201954 served with the 7th Bn. Duke of Wellington's Regiment and was killed in action on 11.10.18, age 25. He was a son of Thomas and Anne Marsden of 'Church Villa' Croston Road, and he worked as a Bank Clerk.

MARSDEN, William (Willie) Lance Corporal 24659 served with the 9th Loyal North Lancashire Regiment and was killed in action on 10.8.17, age 19. He lived at Farington Corn Mill where he worked as a miller with his father and brothers. Willie was a cousin of Humphrey above.

MEYLER, William Ernest Sergeant 24811 served with the 10th Bn. Lancashire Fusiliers and died of his wounds in action on 3.2.17, age 20.

He was the husband of Annie Meyler of 'The Hollies' Farington Moss.

MILLER, Matthew Private 13032 served with the 1st Bn. 2nd Brigade Scots Guards and was killed in action on 17.9.17, age 22.

He was a son of Robert and Betty Miller of Boundary Street.

MURRAY, Frederick Private 62351 served with the 1st Bn. Loyal North Lancashire Regiment and was killed in action on 26.11.16, age 19.

His home was on Croston Road.

OXENDALE, Robert Rifleman S/27853 served with the 16th Bn. Rifle Brigade (The Prince Consort's Own), and was killed in action on 22.6.17, age 20. His home was at 6 East Street, and he was an employee at Leyland Rubber Works.

POTTER, Thomas Private 3202 served with the 1st/4th Loyal North Lancashire Regiment (Territorial Force) and was killed in action on 21.7.17, age 28. A married man with a young son. His home was at 5 Ashley Terrace (now 9 Stanifield Lane).

ROBERTSON, John Private M2/134574 served with the Army Service Corps and died of his wounds at home on 7.11.18, age 28.

He was the husband of Jenny Hartley of 4 Bashall's Wood Road Farington.

SANDERSON, Thomas Private 10126 served with the 2nd Bn. Scots Guards and died of his wounds on 20.12.16, age 21.

He was born in Farington, son of Thomas and Rachael Sanderson. Thomas was employed as a Railway Clerk.

SHAW, Henry Private 12420 served with the 2nd Bn. East Lancashire Regiment and was killed in action on 5.6.16, age 36.

He was the husband of Elizabeth Shaw of 3 East View Farington.

SIMPSON, Alfred Private 242968 served with the 1st/5th Bn. Loyal North Lancashire Regiment and was killed in action on 31.7.17, age 19. He was born in Farington but was living in Turton, Bolton when war broke out.

SWALES, Joseph Gunner 136153 served with the Royal Field Artillery and was killed in action on 29.7.17 when a gas shell burst in front of him and he could not get his gas mask on quickly enough. He was 27 years old, and his home was at 21 Mill Street.

TATTERSALL, James Lance Corporal 13308 served with the 8th Bn. Loyal North Lancashire Regiment and was killed in action on 10.7.16, age 23. Son of John and Mary Tattersall, He lived at Farington, and was employed as an engine cleaner at Lostock Hall.

WADGE, George Private 9873 served with the 3rd Bn. Royal Fusiliers (City of London Regiment) and was killed in action on 24.5.15, age 28 when he was "caught in the first gas attack". The Wadge family home was at 15 East Street.

WEAVER, George Henry Private 28789 initially served with the 1st/4th Bn. Loyal North Lancashire Regiment (Territorial Force) and was later transferred to the 9th Bn. Cheshire Regiment, and was killed in action on 27.3.18, age 27.

He was born in Farington and was living in Clayton le Woods in 1911.

WIGGANS, William Private 18135 served with the 13th Bn. King's (Liverpool) Regiment and was killed in action 28.3.18, age 26.

He and his wife Mary Ann lived at 7 Spring Gardens, Farington. William worked as a Dyer at Stanning's Bleach Works in Leyland.

WILDMAN, James Acting Bombardier 118615 served with 'A' Battery, 104th Brigade Royal Field Artillery and died of his wounds on 30.7.17, age 26. A widower, he lived at East Street with his parents and family, and worked at Farington Cotton Mill.

WINSTANLEY, William Private 111882 served with the 20th Bn. Lancashire Fusiliers, Labour Corps. And was killed in action on 2.9.17, age 23. When he enlisted in December 1915 he was just 5 ft. tall, and was initially in 1st Birkenhead Bantam Regiment.

He lived in Fairfield Street and worked at Leyland Rubber Works.

WOODS, James Private 34799 served with the 2nd Bn. Royal Scots Fusiliers and was killed in action on 23.4.17, age 22.

He lived in Farington and worked at Cuerden Cotton Mill.

YATES, William Private 35292 served with the Labour Corps and died at home of his wounds on 12.1.18, age 48. William had previously served with the Border Regiment. He was born in Farington and in 1911 he was living in Darwen.