Thomas Agar 18th May 1984

SEFF remembers Thomas Henry Agar, 35-years-old, married to Sheila with one child (Craig) and a soldier with the Royal Regiment of Fusiliers holding the rank of Corporal, whose Anniversary falls today. Cpl Agar was murdered by PIRA terrorists 36 years ago on 18th May 1984.

Thomas Agar is depicted on SEFF's Quilt and the family are members of the organisation.

SEFF also remembers Robert Huggins, 29-years-old, married with 3 children and a soldier with the Royal Regiment of Fusiliers holding the rank of Lance-Corporal.

Both soldiers were murdered as a consequence of an IRA device that had been left under their car near the Enniskillen Leisure Centre. LCPL. Peter Gallimore died on 18th October and was the 3rd soldier that had been injured in the explosion.

The 3 soldiers were all based at Ballykelly and were taking part in an annual Sealink Classic angling competition. They had finished their fishing and returned to their car at 5:30PM and as the car moved, the bomb exploded.

The roof of the car was blown some 50 yards by the explosion. A Sun newspaper angling correspondent was about 100 yards from the explosion and saw the explosion. He said: "when I reached the car park I could only stand there stunned. One man was sprawling on the ground with his clothes on fire and another was lying motionless in a pool of blood. People were screaming and running in all directions".

CPL. Agar was from Jarrow in the north east of England. LCPL. Huggins was from Gorton near Manchester.

Son Craig reflects on his thoughts concerning his Dad's murder and the lack Justice and Truth.

In his quest for the truth Craig wrote on a number of occasions to the former Chief Constable Matt Baggott, demanding answers over his father’s murder.

“Dad was out-going, a good soldier, dedicated to his work. He was on his sixth tour when he was killed."

“My mother never remarried, she never found anyone. It destroyed what we had as a family. We were going to move to Canada when dad retired and start a new life there.

“Mum had a breakdown for about four to six years after dad died. I witnessed some horrible things as a child -- she was just on a different planet and it made me grow up fast.”

“I don’t think for a second that there will be any convictions now over my dad’s death, but I want the truth. But I’m still no further forward.

“Those living across the water feel very much removed from the whole investigation process over here because of the distance,”

Thomas is pictured below in Royal Company (third from the left). Also attached is a picture of Cpl Agar's patch on SEFF's Memorial Quilt, Cpl Agar was a keen fisherman, he also played a lot of rugby.

SEFF continues to provide Advocacy-based support to the families.

SEFF's thoughts and prayers are with the Agar, Gallimore and Huggins families this day and every day.