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| SEFF's Memorial Quilt |
“*Your Legacy lives on...*”

| FOREWORD |

It 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 and 'other Troubles related violence' in ensuring that their individual needs are addressed and appropriate interventions in the form of services are provided.

In recent years the organisation has sought to progress a number of Projects which provide opportunities for those murdered to be remembered and for their families to be acknowledged for the traumatic events that they have endured.

SEFF's Book and DVD Projects 'I'll Never Forget' and 'For God and Ulster' - the vow of those who reject violence (each Project captures over 60 individual victim and survivor reflections/experiences) the South East Fermanagh, West Fermanagh, and North/Mid Fermanagh and Clogher Valley Border Trails, our Youth DVD study; 'The Past cannot be the Future,' plus our Short Stories/Poetry Project each honour the sacrifices people have made at the hands of Terrorism and 'other Troubles related violence.'

The Memorial 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. I wish to recognise all those families who came forward and participated in the Project through its' different phases.

The title of the Memorial Quilt aptly describes how the innocent victims and survivors of terrorism and 'other Troubles related violence' 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.

The associated book 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 were and are held.

The first phase of the Project was completed in April 2013 and was officially dedicated in a special faith and community-based event by Canon Robert Riddle. We recognise the sterling efforts of Florence Creighton and Sonia Johnston in working with families to produce upwards on 40 Quilt patches.

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)

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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.

Finally in October 2015 some adjustments were made to the Quilt to better enable the telling of the story and its' symmetrical look, a further few patches were added representing 6 families.

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.

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.

The organisation extends its' gratitude to those Staff who worked in partnership with the families and those constructing the Quilt.

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.

Yours,

Eric Brown

(Chairman)

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| **Special Constable David Johnston** |

1st November 1933 - 27th April 1961

David 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

Frank 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

Thomas 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

William 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

Affectionately 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

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

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

Tommy 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

Emily 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

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

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

Robert, 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.

| **Lt. Colonel G.W. Saunderson** |

Service Number: 327725

10th January 1916 - 10th April 1974

George 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 as 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

Eva 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 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

Gordon 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.

| **Douglas Deering** |**Civilian****1st December 1924 - 12th May 1977**

Douglas 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.

| **Corporal William James McKee** |**Service Number: 24208318****29th January 1917 – 14th April 1978**

James 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.

| **Sergeant John Bell (Jock) Eaglesham** |

Service Number: 23205846

3rd October 1919 - 7th February 1978

On 7th February 1978 PIRA terrorists murdered Jock who was aged 58 years at the time.

Jock was a part-time member of The Ulster Defence Regiment but was murdered when performing his employment as a postman delivering post to a Primary School in Rock village located outside Pomeroy, Dungannon.

The terrorists murdered Jock before he had a chance to draw his personal protection weapon.

Jock was a committed family man and was viewed as a dedicated soldier who took the role of 'protector of the community' very seriously.

The morning after the brutal murder of Jock the Provisional IRA placed a bomb under UDR member William Gordon's car in Maghera murdering him along with his 11 year old daughter Lesley and just nine days later the Provisional IRA callously murdered twelve civilians and injured dozens more in the La Mon Hotel massacre.

Within Jock's patch is the insignia for the UDR to represent his service along with the insignia's for the Royal British Legion and St. John's Ambulance - two organisation's whom he was a proud member.

| **Private Alan Reginald Ferguson** |

Service Number: 24308449

19th March 1956 – 25th June 1978

Alan 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.

| Sylvia Crowe |



Civilian

11th August 1946 - 17th July 1979

Sylvia Crowe was aged just 32 years old at the time of her murder, she died when PIRA triggered a bomb packed into milk cans on a pig trailer at a roadside close to a bus stop where several civilians were standing. The intended target was a UDR Land Rover which was blown off the road.

However it is clear that those who detonated the bomb were quite willing to also sacrifice the lives of civilians.

Sylvia was linked with the Faith Mission organisation and worked in Faith Mission Bookshops in both Belfast and Lurgan, she was visiting her family in Rosslea at the time of the incident. Her mother was injured along with another young woman, her brother and four UDR soldiers, the most severely affected being Grant Weir who sustained serious physical and mental injuries.

| Corporal Herbert George Kernaghan |



Service Number: 24199563

2nd November 1942 - 15th October 1979

Herbie 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

Fred was born at Kilcarm, 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

Hilary 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

James 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

Max 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.

| **Corporal Aubrey Abercrombie** |

Service Number: 24205868

8th April 1932 - 5th February 1980

Aubrey Abercrombie was from Florencecourt and was a member of the local Flute Band where he played the drum. Aubrey worked for the Milk Marketing Board driving a milk tanker, he was also a part time member of the Ulster Defence Regiment and he had a 56 acre farm close to Kinawley where he looked after his livestock.

It was on Aubrey's farm that he was murdered, his body was found slumped over the steering wheel of his tractor where he had been shot by PIRA on a remote part of his farm not far from the Cavan border.

Aubrey was married to Sadie and they had four boys. He joined the UDR at its formation in 1970, at the time of his murder he had served almost 10 years.

He often would have said to family that he would give it up when he had served for 10 years but unfortunately that was not to be the case.

| **A/Constable Winston Howe** |

Service Number: 10193

27th March 1944 - 11th February 1980

Winston 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

Joe 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** |

Retired

Service Number: 24199892

11th November 1918 - 17th April 1980

Victor 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

Affectionately 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

Ernest 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 Mullicavan Lodge, he also played in Mullicavan Band.

| **Lance Corporal Thomas Ronald Graham** |

Service Number: 24188874

15th September 1942 - 5th June 1981

Ronald 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

Alfie 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

After 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

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

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** |

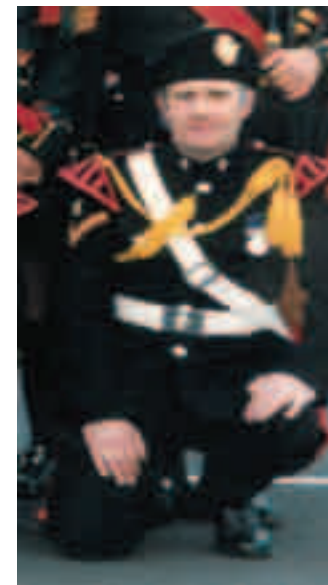
Service Number: 10880

28th February 1948 - 28th October 1983

John was married to Anne with whom he had three children David, Carolyn and 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

Thomas 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

Ronnie 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.

| **Mary Travers** |

Civilian

26th February 1961 - 8th April 1984

Mary Travers was called home to God suddenly as she walked home from mass on the 8th April 1984 when an IRA gunman took her life, attempted to take her Mum's life and another gunman shot her Dad, Tom, six times, he survived.

Mary was born on the 26th February 1961 and was viewed by her family and friends as being great fun, she was the second eldest in a family of 6 children and was for 8 years the only girl in a household of boys until her youngest sibling came along, Ann. Mary had always wanted a sister and her Mum and Dad were delighted that at last on the 1st May 1969 she had one.

Her imagination was fantastic and as the family grew up, Mary was central to making up games such as "cooking" in the dark, dressing her brothers and sister up, playing school and on a Sunday after mass the coffee table would become an altar, digestive biscuits holy communion and we would play "Mass".

Mary was incredibly talented and gifted in so many ways but most fascinating of all was her musical ear; she was a proficient player the concert harp and piano. She was a member of the Ulster Youth Orchestra.

Mary was a kind, thoughtful, funny, considerate, private, intelligent and gifted sister and daughter. She is missed very day by those who had the privilege of knowing her best. The family are certain that she will be bringing as much joy in heaven as she did on earth.

Mary is remembered within a patch which appropriately contains an image of a Concert harp.

| Colour Sergeant Ivan Ernest Hillen |



Service Number: 24205962

13th July 1938 - 12th May 1984

Ivan 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.

| F/Corporal Heather Catherine Jean Kerrigan |



Service Number: F0450446

20th May 1964 - 14th July 1984

Heather 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

James (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

Hugh 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.

| **William Heenan** |

Civilian

17th December 1933 - 20th May 1985

William James Heenan was born on the 17th December 1933 and was brought up in the townland of Legananny at the foot of Slieve Croob in one of the most rural parts of Co Down. William was an only child and worked in a number of manual jobs until he secured employment in the DOE Roads Service. In the late 1950s he enlisted in the ranks of the Ulster Special Constabulary and served with them until they were disbanded in 1970.

He married Eva Perry in 1971 and their only child Sammy was born in 1972. William was an enthusiastic member of all the Loyal Orders and was a staunch Unionist. He was a founder member of Legananny Accordion Band and seldom missed a parade. Today it is one of the largest Accordion Bands in the country with over 50 members; this is why the drum is depicted within William's patch on the memorial quilt.

William suffered a devastating blow when his mother died in 1981 and four months later his wife Eva died suddenly in 1982 with a Brain Haemorrhage aged only 43 years old. He was dedicated to his only son Sammy and adapted to all the roles required to raise a child and run a home whilst continuing to work in the Roads Service.

On the 3rd May 1985 at 7.10am in the morning William went out to feed his small number of hens before work. As he approached the top yard a gunman was waiting in an outside toilet. The gunman approached him from behind, forced him to his knees and shot him twice in the back of the head at point blank range. The gunman dragged William by his feet to conceal the body at the side of a barn. The lone gunman made his escape in William's car.

The shots wakened his son 12 year old Sammy who witnessed the gunman drive off. As Sammy approached the yard he witnessed blood and followed the trail where he found his Father's body.

The South Down command of the PIRA claimed responsibility falsely stating their victim was in the RUC Reserve.

| **Constable George Gilliland** |

Service Number: 10642

31st July 1951 - 7th December 1985

George 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.

| **Private John Francis Early** |

Service Number: 24530206

8th April 1963 - 3rd February 1986

John Early was aged 22 years old when he was murdered. John was from Sylvan Hill in Lisnaskea and was killed while on foot patrol by an IRA landmine explosion on the Belcoo to Garrison road, he died instantly. When the bomb exploded John was struck by a fragment of shrapnel which caused a fatal head wound.

John joined the part time UDR in May 1984; he had just become a full time soldier and served just 18 months before he was murdered. He was one of only a few Roman Catholic UDR members within the Lisnaskea area. John had a keen interest in soldiering and was viewed as a courageous young man who wanted to play his part in protecting the community.

John was laid to rest at Holy Cross Roman Catholic Church in Lisnaskea.

| **Detective Constable Derek George Breen** |

Service Number: 14031

9th November 1956 - 11th February 1986

Derek 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

Thomas 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.

| **Terence McKeever** |

Civilian

20th May 1956 - 16th June 1986

Terence 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.

| A/Constable John William McVitty |



Service Number: 10202

4th December 1939 - 8th July 1986

John 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

Ivan 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 a 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

James, 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 |



Wesley 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**

Bertha 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**

Wesley 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**

Samuel 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 |



William 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

Flowers 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

The 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

Alberta 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 Ian; 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

Jillian 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.

| Reserve Constable David Black |



Service Number: 3946

27th February 1955 - 27th June 1989

David was a full-time RUC reservist and died after an IRA booby-trap bomb exploded under his car, shortly after he had left his home at Ballyheather Road, Strabane, he died 25 minutes later in an Ambulance on the way to Altnagelvin Hospital.

David was 34 years old and was married with one child at the time of his murder.

IRA terrorist John Hugh Brady was jailed for life for the murder. When sentenced, he laughed and shouted, 'I have no regrets.' The convicted man's mother was given a suspended sentence for withholding evidence.

Reserve Constable Black's widow (Kathleen) is also a Niece of Alberta Quinton who was murdered in The Poppy Day bombing, Enniskillen in 1987.

David's patch on the Quilt depicts his Service in The Royal Ulster Constabulary, he was viewed as a dedicated and courageous member of the constabulary as well as a committed family man and trusted friend.

| Ex. Reserve Constable Thomas Edward Cullen Stephenson |



Service Number: R6428

17th April 1927 - 21st January 1991

Known 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.

| Reserve Constable Douglas Carrothers |



Service Number: R9708 / 24280014

6th November 1949 - 17th May 1991

Douglas 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.

| Constable Stephen Paul Carroll |



Service Number: 17516

4th November 1960 - 9th March 2009

Stephen (affectionately known as Steve by his widow Kate) was born in Epping Forest in 1960. He joined the army and eventually moved to Northern Ireland where he joined the RUC (and subsequently the PSNI), he had served for almost 25 years before his murder and was nearing retirement.

Stephen was on duty and almost at the end of a 12 hour shift when he was sent to a call-out in Lismore Manor, Craigavon where a dissident Republican terrorist was lying in wait.

His widow Kate was left heartbroken. After the incident she said, 'A good husband has been taken away from me, and my life has been destroyed and what for? A piece of land that my husband is only going to get six feet of'.

Stephen was murdered just 48 hours after two young soldiers (Sappers Patrick Azimkar and Mark Quinsey) were murdered at Massareene Barracks, Antrim by RIRA terrorists.

Stephen was a keen sportsman; he enjoyed all types of sport but was particularly good at athletics which is why the long jump is depicted within his patch on SEFF's Memorial Quilt.

A Foundation in memory of Stephen Carroll was launched at Stormont in 2013. One of its' main aims is to promote the efforts of young people in helping to bring lasting peace to Northern Ireland. Stephen's widow Kate is a key driver in the work of the charity.

| **Constable Ronan Padraig Kerr** |

Service Number: 23536

4th March 1986 - 2nd April 2011

Ronan was a serving Police Officer within the PSNI, he was murdered by a booby trap car bomb which was planted outside his home in Killyclogher near Omagh on 2nd April 2011.

Ronan had a great interest in Gaelic football; he was a member of Beragh Red Knights and followed Tyrone at County level.

Ronan also loved cars, he sold his beloved silver Nissan 320z when he joined the police but he had a model of it in his room. These interests are depicted within Ronan's patch included on SEFF's Memorial Quilt.

Ronan was also considered to be outgoing and someone who enjoyed life; he had a busy and varied social life.

At Ronan's funeral were gathered people from across the community, political and civic leaders alike as well as large numbers others from all backgrounds, who came from near and far.

Ronan is mourned by his Mum Nuala and siblings Cahir, Dairinne and Aaron.

| **Prison Officer David John Black** |

5th August 1960 - 1st November 2012

David joined the Northern Ireland Prison Service in August 1982. He enjoyed playing bowls for Kildress Parish Church and more recently with Molesworth 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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