**Kenneth (Ken) Hill**

**28th August 1973**

SEFF remembers Kenneth (Ken) Hill who was murdered on 28th August 1973 by Provisional IRA terrorists.

Ken came from a family of 13 children, 4 boys and 9 girls. He worked at the Ministry of Agriculture in Loughgall and loved the outdoor life, he had only been a Private in the UDR for 6 months when the Provisional IRA lured him to his death to clear a bomb scare at a housing estate in Armagh.

His hobbies included writing poetry (see below a poem written by Ken in 1972, the year before his murder) he also enjoyed music, he tried to teach himself how to play the guitar, one of his favourite musicians was Bob Dylan.

Ken was only 24 years old at the time of his murder; he had previously served for two and a half years in the RAF.

The Poem: Black and White

The night is black, the day is light

As far apart as black and white

The world is good the world is bad

The world is full of good and bad

Some are rich, some are starving,

Some are gay and some are sad

A craft speeds out through space and lands upon the moon,

While in the jungle clearing a young man dies too soon

While in Africa discrimination tries to quell a whole nation,

In Israel an angry peace is set which warlords watch,

And watching yet don’t hear the distant plea of all humanity.

Ken Hill, 1972 (murdered on 28th August 1973)

Ken is remembered on SEFF’s Memorial Quilt, A Patchwork of Innocents. SEFF’s thoughts and prayers are with the Hill family, today and every day.