**William Trotter**

**28th August 1972**

SEFF remembers William Trotter who was murdered on 28th August 1972.

William was a Protestant civilian and was 57 years old when he was murdered. He was a committed farmer and was killed when he triggered a booby-trap bomb on his farm near Newtownbutler. His body was discovered by a neighbour who heard the explosion while out searching for traces of shooting which had been heard earlier. His dog lay dead beside him.

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

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

He attended prayer meetings and supported overseas missions. The fish (ichthus) is one of the earliest Christian symbols and is included on William's individual patch on SEFF's Memorial Quilt.

William's wife Margaret (Madge) was the organist in Clones Church of Ireland - hence the treble clef on the Quilt patch and the two butterflies represent his two daughters and the families love for nature.

SEFF's thoughts and prayers are with the Trotter family each and every day.