

A large quilt made of many small, colorful squares, each featuring a name and dates, representing a memorial for soldiers. The quilt is displayed in a room with wooden floors and walls. The squares are arranged in a grid pattern, and each square has a unique design, often including a small illustration or symbol related to the soldier's life or service. The colors of the squares vary, creating a vibrant and diverse visual effect. The quilt is a testament to the lives of the soldiers it commemorates, providing a tangible and emotional connection to their stories.



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FOREWORD

Through Remembering, We Build Bridges is SEFF's 6th Memorial Quilt Project unifying victims from across the West Tyrone and North West Region on one piece of fabric.

Contained within the Quilt are approx. 70 patches which capture the special people being remembered; lives that mattered to their families, friends, former colleagues and the broader community.

Those remembered were within the security services whether military or police and there are also many civilians remembered; the commonality all share is their innocence which transcends politics and denominational religion.

SEFF's concern is for all innocents who have been murdered/killed and/or victimised through terrorism and other Troubles related criminal violence. Remembrance and respect for loss and suffering has the potential to assist the process of building and recovery.

The Memorial Quilt produced and this associated booklet illustrate the depravity of terrorism, the depths to which terrorist stooped in the pursuance of their so-called political objectives.

This Project makes a visual and powerful symbolic statement that terrorism is prepared to extinguish the lives of anyone within humanity who it contends stands in the way of its' warped ideology.

The symbols depicted on the patches aim to say something of the individuals' life, what mattered most to them as seen through the eyes of their surviving family and/or former colleagues.

This Memorial Quilt humanises those being remembered, it recognises the diverse aspects to their life; featuring employment, hobbies, their cultural interests and commitment to their faith as well as to family.

Thanking those who made it happen

I would like to acknowledge the following individuals who have worked tirelessly in ensuring this Project could be delivered under my direction as Director of Services.

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But most importantly the SEFF quilt makers (in West Tyrone through the Newtownstewart office and in Fermanagh via SEFF's CORE Quilting team in Lisnaskea), who under the direction of Yvonne Rodgers and Sonia Johnston have once again delivered a special piece of work, the Project was a labour of love for all those involved.

The wonderful centrepiece denotes the geography of families included covering; Castlederg, Strabane and Derry/Londonderry and surrounding hinterlands.

Yours,

Kenny Donaldson

SEFF

(Director of Services)

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Rank	Name of Deceased	Date of Murder / Death
Private	Winston Donnell	09 / 08 / 1971
Sergeant	Kenneth Smyth	10 / 12 / 1971
Senator	John Barnhill	12 / 12 / 1971
Constable	David Montgomery	27 / 01 / 1972
Private	Edward Megahey	09 / 06 / 1972
Baby	Alan Jack	19 / 07 / 1972
Civilian	Kathryn Eakin	31 / 07 / 1972
Civilian	Jim McClelland	31 / 07 / 1972
Civilian	Joseph 'Joe' McCloskey	31 / 07 / 1972
Civilian	Elizabeth McElhinney	31 / 07 / 1972
Civilian	David Miller	31 / 07 / 1972
Civilian	William Temple	31 / 07 / 1972
Civilian	Rose McLaughlin	03 / 08 / 1972
Civilian	Joseph 'Joe' Connolly	08 / 08 / 1972
Civilian	Artie Hone	12 / 08 / 1972
Sapper	Telford Edward Dean Stuart	02 / 10 / 1972
Private	William John Bogle	05 / 12 / 1972
Private	George Ellis Hamilton	20 / 12 / 1972
Private	Robert Jameson	17 / 01 / 1974
Reserve Constable	William Baggley	29 / 01 / 1974
Civilian	Ann Ogilby	24 / 07 / 1974
Civilian	Winston Cross	11 / 11 / 1974
Reserve Constable	Linda Baggley	02 / 06 / 1976
Corporal	William Derek Kidd	18 / 11 / 1976
Constable	William David Brown	13 / 03 / 1977

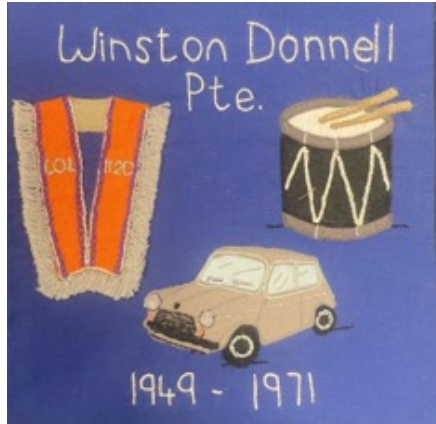
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Constable	Kenneth Norman Lynch	02 / 06 / 1977
Corporal	William James McKee	14 / 04 / 1978
Reserve Constable	Jacob Rankin	04 / 07 / 1978
Lance Corporal	Brian Russell	28 / 09 / 1978
Private	John James Graham	25 / 04 / 1979
Ex UDR	James Fowler	16 / 12 / 1979
Civilian	Roy Alexander Hamilton	14 / 05 / 1980
Private	William John Clarke	03 / 08 / 1980
Civilian	Joan Pollock	27 / 12 / 1980
Civilian	Joanne Mathers	07 / 04 / 1981
Constable	Andrew Alfred Woods	02 / 08 / 1981
Lance Corporal	John McKeegan	19 / 11 / 1981
Lieutenant	James Leslie Hamilton	27 / 04 / 1982
Private	Thomas George (Tom) Cunningham	12 / 05 / 1982
Detective Constable	Reggie (David) Reeves	11 / 06 / 1982
Private	Hugh Alexander 'Lexie' Cummings	15 / 06 / 1982
Private	Ronald Roulston (Ronnie) Alexander	13 / 07 / 1983
Corporal	Thomas (Tommy) Harron	13 / 07 / 1983
Private	Oswell (Ossie) Neely	13 / 07 / 1983
Private	John Roxborough	13 / 07 / 1983
Corporal	Ronald David (Ronnie) Finlay	23 / 08 / 1983
Private	Robert Gregory Elliott	02 / 01 / 1984
Lance Corporal	Thomas Alexander Loughlin	02 / 03 / 1984
Corporal	Heather Catherine Jean Kerrigan	14 / 07 / 1984
Private	Norman McKinley	14 / 07 / 1984

Rank	Name of Deceased	Date of Murder / Death
Lance Corporal	John James Hamilton	23 / 12 / 1984
Lance Corporal	James Douglas 'Dougie' McElhinney	24 / 02 / 1985
Civilian	Kurt König	21 / 11 / 1985
Private	William Victor Foster	15 / 01 / 1986
Private	William Charles Pollock	08 / 04 / 1986
Lance Corporal	Michael Darcy	04 / 06 / 1988
Reserve Constable	William James Monteith	21 / 11 / 1988
Constable	Stephen Montgomery	28 / 01 / 1989
Reserve Constable	David John Black	29 / 06 / 1989
Private	Olven Kilpatrick	09 / 01 / 1990
Civilian	Andrew Bogle	18 / 08 / 1990
Private	David Morris Pollock	20 / 10 / 1990
Civilian	Ian Joseph Sproule	13 / 04 / 1991
Corporal	Ronnie Finlay	15 / 08 / 1991
Lance Corporal	Kenneth Alexander Newell	27 / 11 / 1991
Civilian	Annie Mary Bogle	18 / 10 / 1993
Civilian	John Burns	30 / 10 / 1993
Constable	Gregory Taylor	01 / 06 / 1997
Civilian	James Barker	15 / 08 / 1998
Civilian	Alan Radford	15 / 08 / 1998
Civilian	Gary Moore	06 / 12 / 2000
Ex UDR	David Caldwell	01 / 08 / 2002
Private	Adrian Loughlin	17 / 06 / 2004
Constable	Ronan Kerr	02 / 04 / 2011

PRIVATE WINSTON DONNELL

SERVICE NUMBER: 24124033

27TH JULY 1949 – 9TH AUGUST 1971



Winston Donnell late of Hillhead Road, Urney, County Tyrone. Winston was a member of 6th County Tyrone Battalion of the Ulster Defence Regiment.

Winston was born on 27th July 1949 and was murdered on 9th August 1971, he was the first member of the UDR to be murdered on duty.

On 9th August 1971 internment was introduced in Northern Ireland, that same day Winston's patrol was called out and his check point was put on the edge of Clady near the Donegal Border. That night as dusk began to fall a taxi drove towards the

patrol from Clady but it turned at the entrance to a nearby farm. A short time later a car approached from the same direction with the back window out and turned at the same place. This time the car started to reverse and Winston and another member, who were covering their comrades, saw what was happening. Winston jumped into the middle of the road to stop them but was fired on by a Thompson sub machine gun. As a result of multiple injuries, he died almost instantly.

Winston showed great courage that night and ultimately sacrificed his own life to save his comrades, one of

whom was his own brother. Winston's funeral took place on Friday 13 August 1971 at Urney Presbyterian Church with full military honours. At his inquest in Strabane Court on 7th April 1972 an Open Verdict was recorded.

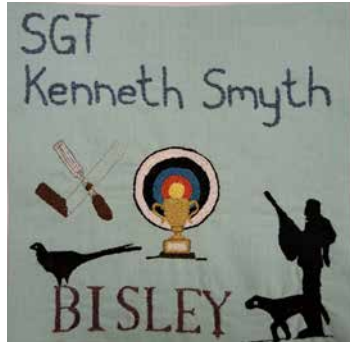
Winston was a member of Urney Presbyterian Church and his family put a memorial plaque in the church. In Leckpatrick Parish Church there is also a memorial plaque with Winston's name on it. The members of Tullywhisker LOL No 1120 dedicated a memorial plaque to all their members who were murdered and Winston's name is included. Winston was also a very keen member of the Tullywhisker Border Guards Pipe Band.

Winston, was a family man, he was a community man and he was someone who wasn't prepared to stand by and allow the Country he loved to be torn apart by terrorism and civil strife.

SERGEANT KENNETH SMYTH

SERVICE NUMBER: 24208915

24TH NOVEMBER 1943 – 10TH DECEMBER 1971



Kenneth was a hard working soul who only ever wanted to contribute to his fellowman whether that meant helping with some practical task or donning the uniform of the Ulster Defence Regiment and contributing to securing their safety along the Border.

He wanted to develop the building contracting business which he ran, hoping to expand and make a success of it. Kenneth was an innocent, loving and gentle person whose standards and principles drove him to be the man he was.

On 14th September 1971 Kenneth got married and was looking forward to building a life together and hoping to start a family with his new wife but that was not to be.

On 10th December 1971 Kenneth was murdered on the Strabane / Donegal border as he was going to work when he stopped to pick up a colleague. He was shot because he was a Protestant serving in the UDR and living on the Border beside the Republican village of Claudy just outside Strabane. Kenneth's work colleague who had recently retired from the UDR was also killed at the scene.

Kenneth and Winston Donnell were best friends, Winston was murdered on 9th August 1971 and Kenneth a mere 4 months later. Amongst Kenneth's interests and hobbies were hunting and shooting, Kenneth represented the UDR at Bisley and he also won several woodwork trophies and accolades.

SENATOR JOHN ECCLES NIXON BARNHILL

CIVILIAN –

SENATOR IN THE PARLIAMENT OF NORTHERN IRELAND

11TH APRIL 1905 – 12TH DECEMBER 1971



John was educated at Prior School, Lifford, Co. Donegal, and Campbell College, Belfast. On leaving Campbell College, Barnhill began a business career with the agricultural machinery firm known as William Thompson & Co. Ltd and became managing director.

Coming from a farming background he also served for many years as honorary treasurer of the North-West of Ireland Agricultural Society.

John Barnhill was a member of the Ulster Unionist Party and was elected

to the Senate in the Parliament of Northern Ireland in 1962.

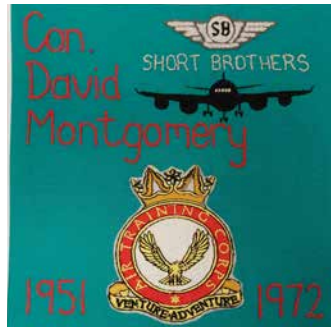
Senator Barnhill was murdered on 12th December 1971 in a bomb attack which also destroyed his home, his wife was also there but had been ordered out of the home and reached her neighbours when the bomb went off. The Official IRA claimed responsibility.

John was a member of the Loyal Orange Lodge 251 and Royal Black Preceptory 91 as well as Mitchelbourne Club Apprentice Boys.

CONSTABLE DAVID MONTGOMERY

SERVICE NUMBER: 9808

8TH JUNE 1951 – 27TH JANUARY 1972



David Montgomery was from Cregagh East Belfast and had joined the RUC in 1970, David was aged just 20 years and single at the point he was murdered.

David was a Constable and was murdered alongside his colleague Sgt. Peter Gilgunn whose family originate from County Fermanagh as they drove along the Creggan road in Londonderry. During the attack, another police officer was wounded and 2 other colleagues escaped injury.

The RUC band were in attendance at David's funeral as it passed through the city centre in Belfast on 29th

January 1972. David had been due for a transfer from Londonderry but had been allowed to stay on until June when he planned to marry a 19-year-old local girl, and begin their lives together.

David and Peter were the first two police officers to be murdered in Londonderry during the Troubles, sadly there would be many others murdered in the years that followed.

According to an RUC spokesman, the two officers did not have a chance to return fire. The driver of the car managed to accelerate to the RUC station despite his car being hit 17 times.

PRIVATE EDWARD ANDREW (TED) MEGAHEY

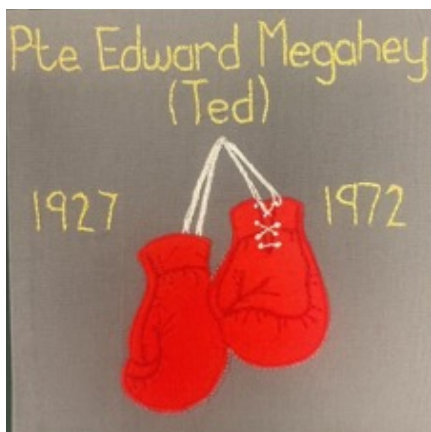
SERVICE NUMBER: 24244611

13TH MAY 1927 – 9TH JUNE 1972



Edward Megahey (known as Ted) was a part time soldier in the UDR and was murdered on 9th June 1972 whilst travelling as a front seat passenger in a convoy of UDR Land Rovers travelling on Buncrana Road, Londonderry.

Ted had a great love for the outdoors, he loved animals especially Alsatian dogs and enjoyed working on his father's farm where he lived in Drumquin. He also worked as a panel beater and was a member of Omagh Rugby Club.



He was a member of the Orange Order, Royal Black Institution and the Apprentice Boys of Derry. In his time he was also an amateur boxer hence the boxing gloves depicted on his patch within the quilt.

Ted was buried in Lower Langfield Parish Church, Drumquin where he was an active member. Prior to his death Ted had helped along with another man in the preparation of a new graveyard at the Church – he was the first person to be buried there.

BABY ALAN JACK

CIVILIAN

19TH FEBRUARY 1972 – 19TH JULY 1972 (5 MONTHS OLD)



Alan Jack was the youngest victim of the 'Troubles' he was only 5 months old when he was murdered as a consequence of a Provisional IRA car bomb exploding in Strabane.

Alan's mother was pushing the baby in a pram along with her other son (Robert) who was 4 years old, a piece of glass just missed her and went into the pram, she was thrown forward by the blast and her other son was thrown to the ground.

Alan's mother was from Cork, she and her husband had met in London and were moving back to County Tyrone when the incident happened.



Alan's father was a native of Ballymagorry, Alan's body was laid to rest at St. Patrick's Church of Ireland, Leckpatrick.

Unfortunately there are no photographs of Alan as a baby and so this is why an image of his family grave stone has been included within the booklet.

Alan's mother and father moved to Cork after the bomb, they went on to have three more children, Kieran, William and Caroline. Both parents are now deceased.

KATHRYN EAKIN

CIVILIAN

11TH JANUARY 1964 - 31ST JULY 1972



Kathryn Eakin was one of two children to parents, Merle and Billy Eakin, Kathryn had an older brother called Mark whom she was very close to. The family owned the shop at the Crossroads in Claudy and that is where they lived on the Main Street in the town.

Kathryn was a bit of a tom boy, she loved animals and loved being on her bicycle. She would tag along with her brother Mark and his friends on fishing trips even though they didn't want her. Sometimes she'd go next door to a neighbours house where a woman they called Granny Duffy lived and she'd spend hours helping her bake scones and pancakes. That was her idea of a great day.

In July 1972 Mark and Kathryn had got their school holidays, the family had a caravan in Castlerock, they

went up there at the start of July but since their parents had the shop they couldn't stay up there during the week, they would only get a few days away at a time. Family friends also had a caravan on the site and they said Mark and Kathryn could stay with them initially only for a few days but they ended up staying the whole month of July and they had a ball.

On Sunday 30th July it was time to go home and they headed back to Claudy and arrived back early on Monday 31st July where they set about some chores in the shop, at around 10.15am Mark was brushing the yard and Kathryn was told to clean the windows of the shop. It was while she was doing this that the first bomb went off and threw her to the ground she was taken to hospital but died a short time after she arrived, there was nothing they could do for her.

JIM MCCLELLAND

CIVILIAN

1907 - 31ST JULY 1972



Jim McClelland was born in 1907, he was the first child of the then newly married Thomas and Fanny McClelland, and although named Thomas James after his father and his father's father, was always known as Jim. There would be eight more children, three girls and five boys.

The family lived on Thomas' farm in Brackfield, and Jim worked with his father both on the farm and in his butchery business delivering and selling their own meat in the Claudy area.

They also grew and sold vegetables, and that was where Jim's heart

really lay. He enjoyed working the land; and loved the beauty and peace of the countryside.

The family home was close to Cumber Presbyterian Church where they worshipped, and the church was very much at the centre of his life.

Jim was a devout man with a deep love of God and the Bible. He loved singing in church, especially his favourite hymn, 'What a friend we have in Jesus', and he also enjoyed the different social activities the church ran, especially the bowling club.

Jim was a member of the Apprentice Boys of Derry, belonging to the Claudy Branch Club; and a lifelong Orangeman in his local lodge, Killybegs True Blues LOL 621.

The 12th of July was the highlight of his year, and he loved putting on the bowler hat and all the regalia as well as the parade itself.

Although hard-working, Jim was notoriously hard to get out of bed in the morning with one exception – the Twelfth!

During the 1960s, Jim's life took a dramatic change when the family's land was divested to facilitate the building of the then new A6 road.

He and his father moved to Ervey, where Jim took delight in planting trees all round their new home.

Ironically, this house has also recently been lost to the new dual carriageway. Following the death of his father in 1968, Jim married Mary Laird, a widow who had lived with them as their housekeeper, and became step-father to Mary's daughter Elizabeth who adored him, and supported us in our fight for justice right up to her death in 2007.

Following the move to Ervey, Jim

also had to find new work, and he became a roadman in Claudy. He was responsible for caring for the look of the village and keeping it clean, and he took great pride in his work.

He was well-known round the village, and enjoyed meeting people from all walks of life and having a wee chat and some craic.

On the day of the Claudy bombs, Jim was just a few weeks from retirement and would have been looking forward to life at an easier pace.

As he worked that morning, it would have seemed a very normal day until that first bomb went off outside McElhinney's on the Main Street. When the second bomb was discovered just further down Main Street, along with everyone else, Jim was moved away down to Church Street – unwittingly towards the car outside the Beaufort Hotel containing the third bomb.

Along with David Miller and William Temple, he was killed instantly when the bomb exploded. At 65, Jim was the eldest victim of the Claudy bombs.

JOSEPH 'JOE' MCCLOSKEY

CIVILIAN

22ND SEPTEMBER 1932 – 31ST JULY 1972



Joe McCloskey worked in DuPont, having previously worked in England for a time and also on a bread run.

Joe, as he was known to friends and family, was cruelly taken in the Claudy Bombing. He was only 39. It was his day off from work and he had popped into the village from his home just outside Claudy. It was in this home where, with his wife Sheila, he was raising his young family. A family of 7, with the eldest only 11 years old at the time of his untimely death.



All his family were left with were memories of the great fun he was. His kindness and generosity were often spoke of too as people from the town of Claudy reminisced about him with fondness.

Joe's real passion was football and did he take his football seriously. He played for his local club through all ages along with his brothers who were also involved in the club. He loved football so much that when his first child was born, he was in Croke Park at the all Ireland final.

ELIZABETH (LIZZIE) MCELHINNEY

CIVILIAN

12TH JUNE 1913 – 31ST JULY 1972



Elizabeth McElhinney was one of five siblings born and reared on Gorse Road, approximately three miles from Claudy village. Commonly known as 'Lizzie', she had one sister Annie (Quinn) living in Achill Island and three brothers; John, Tom and Joe.

Lizzie was married to Eddie McElhinney, a prominent business man in Claudy village, and they had no children.

Elizabeth McElhinney; a modern day Florence Nightingale is how Lizzie might be fondly remembered within

the confines of Claudy Village. A "lady" by all accounts and a private individual, who having trained as a nurse in England, brought that same professionalism and caring nature to all those she attended.

"Always helpful", "very kind", full of wisdom", "a generous, selfless individual", are some of the words echoed about the character and charisma of this local lady.

In her earlier years, Lizzie worked as a Sister in Altnagelvin Hospital and was renowned as a strict lady who commanded respect and

had exacting standards. Often stories were cited about ‘Sister McElhinney’: ” When you heard the click of those heels coming, the nurses would run to straighten the bed covers and make sure everything was in its place”.

That same professionalism and attention to detail was reiterated by the employees of McElhinney’s pub and shop when Lizzie helped out in her husband’s business in her later years.

She punctually provided 10 o’clock tea and dinner at 12.30, daily, for the shop workers. At the same time, she would often enquire as to their well being and offered advice and home made remedies to those she felt were in need of it.

Her kindness and unwavering dedication endured long after her nursing career on the wards.

Lizzie was the ‘go-to’ person in the village in times of sickness and it was often recalled if Lizzie was

spotted running down the street “some poor critter was in need.”

That sunny July morning was a fateful day when Lizzie’s life, along with eight others, was so tragically and needlessly stolen from her.

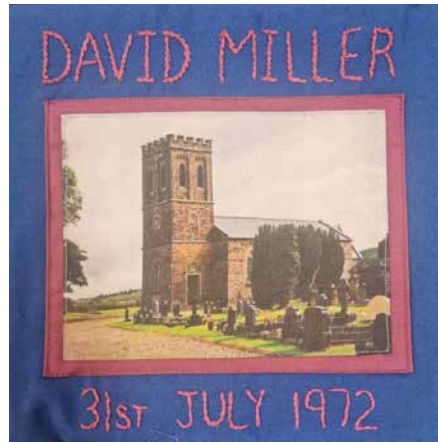
It was Monday morning and the workers had arrived on their tea break when the bell rang for the petrol pumps. Typically, Lizzie jumped to her feet to attend the pumps and let the staff enjoy their break.

In a split second, and in the selfless act of giving, her life was decimated and destroyed, leaving a family in mourning and a community robbed of a devout carer. Her death was a great loss to one and all.

DAVID MILLER

CIVILIAN

2ND OCTOBER 1911 - 31ST JULY 1972



David was from the town of Claudy, he was a Council Worker but was also the Sexton in his local Church (Comber Lower, Killaloo Church of Ireland). He was very involved in all aspects of Church and dedicated his life to it, he also helped the Canon with his duties. This is the reason why the Church was chosen to represent David within his patch on the Quilt.

David was married to Annie Miller and they had 3 children, Jean, Derek and Gordon. James is remembered as a great family man and was someone

who adored his Grandchildren (some of whom he never got to meet due to his untimely death).

A friend to all that knew him, he was always ready to offer a helping hand to those in need. His mild, unassuming nature shone through in every situation.

Davy had various jobs throughout his life. He had been a member of the 'ROC', the Royal Observation Core, and served as a B Special before working for Derry city council in his later years.

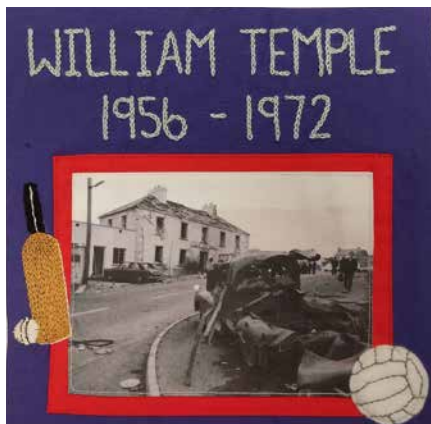
He loved singing, and, as well as being a member of his church choir, he was known to give a rendering of well-known songs in Eakin's Bar and in the Beaufort Hotel. Two of his favourites were 'Amazing grace' and 'Along the Faughan side'. His interest in music led him to become the 'Big Drummer' in Tullintrain pipe band.

David was murdered when the third bomb exploded as he helped to move the dying and injured to what they thought was safety.

WILLIAM 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.

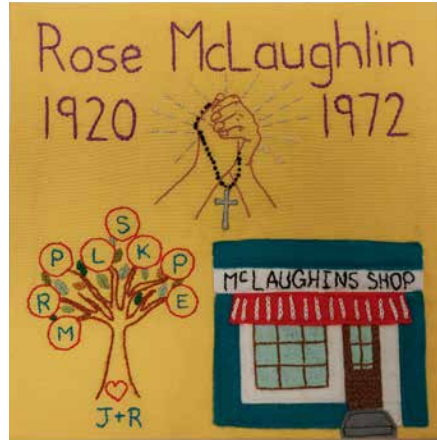
'To us you were someone special,
Someone kind and true,

You will never be forgotten, For we
thought the world of you.'

ROSE MCLAUGHLIN

CIVILIAN

16TH JULY 1920 – 3RD AUGUST 1972



Rose McLaughlin was born in Munigh, she was one of nine children. In her early years she went to work in Learmount Castle as an auxillary nurse. She met her husband and they were married in 1950. In those days people didn't move far from where they were born, and she could see her home from the street where she now lived.

Rose went on to have eight children – four boys and four girls with little age gap between them. Three of her youngest sons were altar boys

and this made her very proud.

In 1963 Rose and her husband had a chance to buy a local business in the village of Claudy. For our family this was about to be a huge change in our lives. During the next 9 years they both worked extremely hard.

At the time it was unusual for a woman to look for a bank loan. Rose wanted a better life for her family and worked very hard to succeed. Her plan was to buy another shop in another location. Being successful in the shop gave her the confidence

to look at other ventures. She was a brilliant businesswoman.

In the early days Rose's husband stayed at home as the children were all very young, aged from 3 to 12. In the early days of the café one of her sons Mick would have travelled with Rose to Claudy as he was attending secondary school and he would have worked with her after school.

On Monday 31 July 1972 the McLaughlin's lives changed forever when the bomb went off outside the shop. On the Sunday night the family has been out at a dance, so the children were having a lie in, when the bomb went off, they hurriedly got dressed and ran to the shop. All 8 children witnessed the carnage on the streets of Claudy on that day as they ran to the cafe to check on our mother, images which never disappear from memory no matter the number of years which pass.

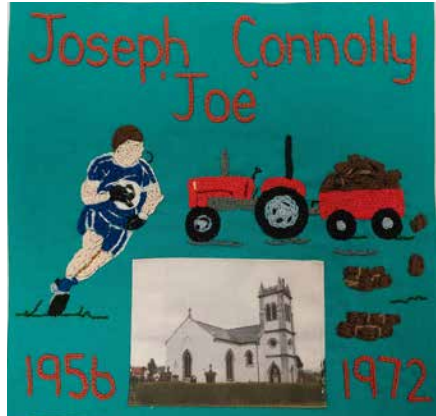
Rosemary one of Rose's daughters

recalled visiting her mum in hospital and gave her rosary beads, she felt a slight movement when she spoke to her, Rose survived for three days but sadly passed away on the Thursday morning.

JOSEPH 'JOE' CONNOLLY

CIVILIAN

2ND SEPTEMBER 1956 – 8TH AUGUST 1972



Joseph (Joe) was the youngest of a family of seven – four boys and three girls. Their parents were Frank and Lena Connolly, and they lived in the family home in Claudy Brae, about one mile outside the village.

Joe was a great young fellow, who could have talked to the Queen. He didn't speak or say anything until he was four, but he could talk to anyone once he started.

He went to Claudy every evening for cigarettes for his daddy, and for a game of football before going

back up to the house. He was back at nine o'clock every evening – not five past nine, but nine o'clock on the button, every night. You could have depended on Joe with your life.

During the spring and summer months, he worked weekends with a local farmer. He also helped his dad about the fields.

Joseph was a happy and light-hearted young boy of 15 years. He was a very innocent and kind-hearted young boy. He was lightly made up and small in stature, but

he was a very witty boy. He was very jolly, and he made everyone around him laugh.

Joseph treated everyone with respect and would not pass you without saying hello. In Claudy, then as now, everybody would have known everybody, and everybody would have known and liked Joe.

He was looking forward to commencing work in the local factory. He missed out on so much because his life was taken away from him. He was just beginning the next stage of his life.

On 31st July 1972 Joe had an appointment with an employment officer in Claudy but on leaving for his appointment that morning, Joseph would never be back home again due to the bomb.

His injuries were so severe that he made no recovery for the better. Joseph died on the 8th of August, 1972.

ARTIE HONE

CIVILIAN

1ST AUGUST 1934 – 12TH AUGUST 1972



Arthur (Artie) Hone was married on the 10th of August, 1964 and came to live in Claudy. His wife Ann was 20 years old and he was 28. They got on well and were happy. Ann started up a hairdressing salon in Claudy on the 1st of September and Artie worked for 'Betterware' and later for 'Refuge Insurance Co'.

Their son Paul was born on the 4th of June, 1966 and daughter Michelle was born on the 5th of September 1969, the delight they had in their children made up for the hard work required.

Artie was a talented musician. He

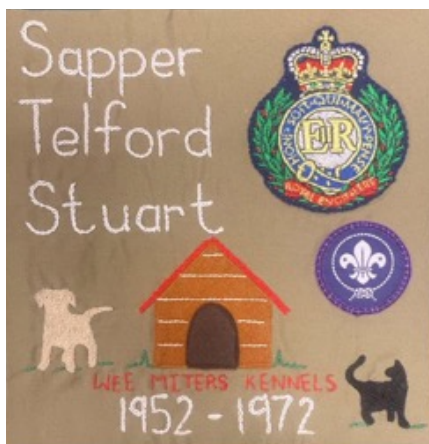
played the violin, bass guitar and double bass, and passed all his music exams up to senior level. He played in a local dance band and was very popular, playing at local concerts etcetera. He was very lively and full of fun. He enjoyed playing games with his children Paul and Michelle.

On Monday the 31st of July, 1972 Artie had went into Claudy to phone the office where he worked and he would not return home as he was caught up in the bomb blasts, he was taken to Altnagelvin Hospital but the outcome didn't look good and he died on 12th August 1972.

SAPPER TELFORD EDWARD DEAN STUART

SERVICE NUMBER: 24196268

7TH MARCH 1952 – 2ND OCTOBER 1972



Telford was the third eldest child in a family of eight. He got the nickname 'Miter' in the family because as a toddler when he was learning to speak he couldn't pronounce the word 'Mister' properly.

While still at school Telford started his own kennels for dogs and cats taking care of them when their owners went on holiday. He even had an advert in the Strabane Weekly, 'Wee Miter's Kennels'. He also rented premises in a yard nearby to fatten pigs for market.

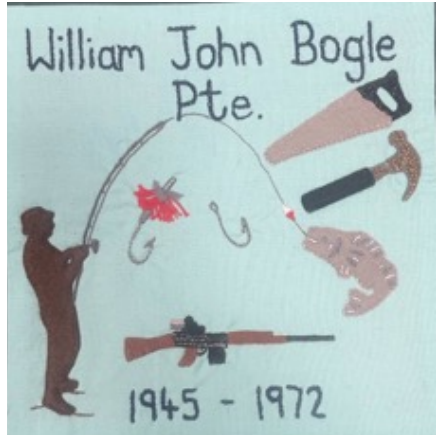
Telford liked working with his father on DIY jobs around the house but especially enjoyed carpentry.

While serving his time as an apprentice with a local plumber he joined the army, the Royal Engineers. At first he was stationed in Germany but was then moved to Belfast. As he was from Northern Ireland he was told he did not have to go but he volunteered not only to but also for undercover work.

PRIVATE WILLIAM JOHN BOGLE

SERVICE NUMBER: 24205437

2ND JANUARY 1945 – 5TH DECEMBER 1972




William John Bogle “Wille” was first and foremost a family man. As a father of 3 young sons, what he enjoyed most was spending time with them and his wife Sandra. As a person, he was bright, intelligent yet modest and caring. He was good with his hands, skillful in the art of carpentry and when time permitted, he enjoyed playing darts or using his skill and attention to detail in the making of flies for another one of his pastimes, fly-fishing.

Willie would spend time relaxing by the riverside trying out the flies that he had just made to see how successful they would be in landing

a catch. It didn't matter if he secured trout or salmon, albeit the latter would have put up much more of a fight and made the experience somewhat more entertaining. Even during this down time Willie was rarely left in peace. He was shot at whilst out fishing; escaping his would be assassins by diving into the river.

Willie was considered to be a 'legitimate' target by virtue of the fact that he was a part-time soldier in the 6th battalion of the Ulster Defence Regiment. This meant that for him, his life was at risk every hour of every day, there was no



such thing as off time in the true sense of its meaning. Willie was murdered whilst off duty with his wife and 3 young sons. Sandra was in the local post office shop when Willie realized there was a threat on his life. To draw fire away from his 3 sons, he exited the car they were in and was shot in the back as he sought to seek cover in the shop adjacent to his vehicle.

His actions speak volumes about the nature of man he was, more so than any words can do justice. He left a void that was impossible to fill; he is missed and loved every day by those that he left behind.

PRIVATE GEORGE ELLIS HAMILTON

SERVICE NUMBER: 24205329

17TH OCTOBER 1942 - 20TH DECEMBER 1972



George Ellis Hamilton (known as Ellis) was from Kildoag near Claudy in County Londonderry, he was a private in the UDR, he was 28 years old and was married to Margaret, they had one daughter, Jacqueline who was 4 years old at the time of Ellis's murder.

Ellis worked as an electrician for a company in Londonderry; he also served as a part time soldier on the UDR. He was in his civilian job, at the time he was murdered, when an IRA sniper hit him with a single shot in the back.

A loyal member of the Orange and Black institutions Ellis held them in great esteem; he regularly attended meetings and enjoyed all the parades. Ellis was also a keen fisherman and was a dedicated husband and father.

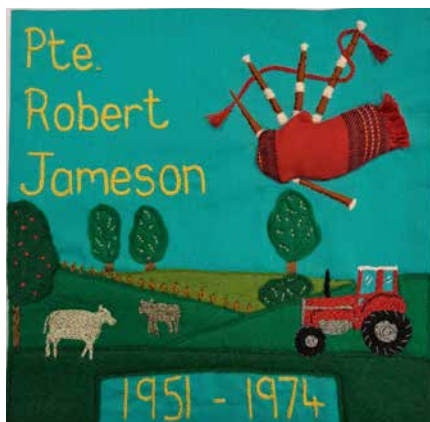
Ellis' sister-in-law Mary Hamilton was also directly impacted by the campaign of terrorism when suffering injury as a result of the Claudy bomb, also in 1972, a mere 5 months earlier.

'Too good in life to be forgotten in death'

PRIVATE ROBERT JAMESON

SERVICE NUMBER:

18TH DECEMBER 1951 – 17TH JANUARY 1974



Robert Jameson was one of six sons born to his parents who lived on a family farm near Trillick, County Tyrone. Robert had a good interest in the farm where they kept pedigree Herefords and dairy livestock. He was a keen member of the Young Farmers Club and enjoyed socialising with others. He was also a member of Trillick Pipe Band and upon his death had only recently joined the Orange Order.

Robert was a mechanic by trade and worked in the Ulster Bus Garage in Omagh, he was also a part time

member of the UDR.

On 17th January 1974 Robert was coming home from his days work when he got off the Ulster Bus just outside Trillick when he was shot by Provisional IRA terrorists, he was only 22 years old.

RESERVE CONSTABLE WILLIAM RAYMOND (BILL) BAGGLEY

SERVICE NUMBER: R3023

29TH NOVEMBER 1931 – 29TH JANUARY 1974



William Baggley (known as Bill) was born in 1931, he was married with three children and worked as a civil servant in Ebrington Barracks while also serving part time as a member of the Royal Ulster Constabulary.

Bill's interests included snooker, it was a sport that he loved to play, he also enjoyed wood work and car maintenance.

Upon returning to the police station

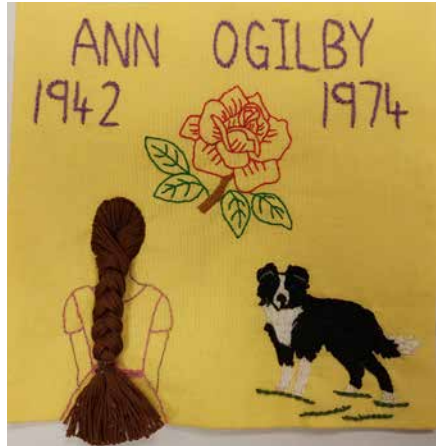
in Spencer Road, Londonderry on 29th January 1974 Bill and another colleague were shot at on Dungiven Road by Provisional IRA terrorists. Bill died shortly after the attack, he was 42 years old.

Within the patch on the memorial quilt is an image depicting the snooker that he loved to play and also a Royal Navy Emblem as he had been a Chief Petty Officer within the Royal Navy for 22 years.

ANN OGILBY

CIVILIAN

30TH JUNE 1942 – 24TH JULY 1974



Ann was a single mother aged 32 years who had four children at the point when she was murdered.

Ann had moved to Belfast from Sion Mills, County Tyrone. She was one of 13 children. Described as a “very attractive girl with dark-brown silky hair and blue eyes”, and a slender figure.

Ann’s murder became known as the “Romper Room murder”, took place in Sandy Row, South Belfast. It was said to have been a punishment killing, carried out by members of

the Sandy Row women’s Ulster Defence Association (UDA).

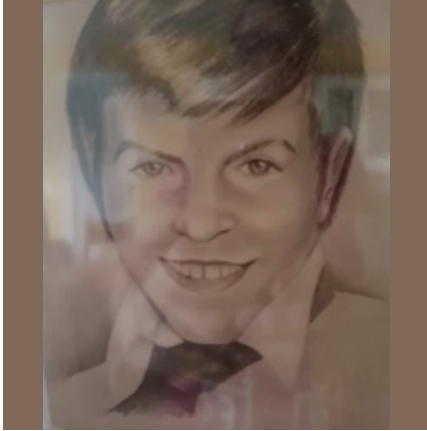
Ann’s 6-year-old daughter (Sharleen) was being held nearby whilst her Mum was being battered to death.

Ann was a good mother and tried her best to provide for her children and family, she was well liked and enjoyed being social, her murder and the depravity of those responsible (also women) was particularly shocking.

WINSTON CROSS

CIVILIAN

21ST MAY 1956 – 11TH NOVEMBER 1974



Winston Cross was aged just 18-years-old and was a member of the Army Cadet Force and had been working at Ebrington Barracks as a painter, before he successfully applied to become a member of the Army with a start date on Remembrance Day, November 11th, 1974.

Instead, he and his friend, Bert Slater were both murdered after they had gone out drinking in Donegal to celebrate Winston's successful application to the Army. They had been missing for three days before

being found on Sheriff's Mountain. They had suffered horrific torture before being shot dead and their bodies dumped.

His late mother Blanche emotively said: "Winston was no hard man, he was no one's hero, there are no murals in the city with his face on it. He was just an ordinary, decent wee fella who became another one of Northern Ireland's forgotten victims."

Winston was cherished by his family; he was particularly close to his mother.

RESERVE CONSTABLE LINDA BAGGLEY

SERVICE NUMBER: PWR925

19TH FEBRUARY 1957 – 2ND JUNE 1976



Linda was a 19-year-old Protestant, who was single, and a sales assistant in Long's Supermarket, Londonderry while also being a Reserve RUC police officer, she was from Blackburn Crescent in Londonderry's Waterside area.

Linda was on police patrol on 23 May 1976 in Londonderry's Waterside area when she was injured in a Provisional IRA gun attack, she had been shot in the neck and the back and later died in hospital on 2nd June 1976, she was an unarmed police officer. She had been accompanied by Constable Ken Sheehan and in a cruel twist of

fate Constable Sheehan who was also shot that night later returned to work only to be murdered by the Provisional IRA on Good Friday, 8th April 1977.

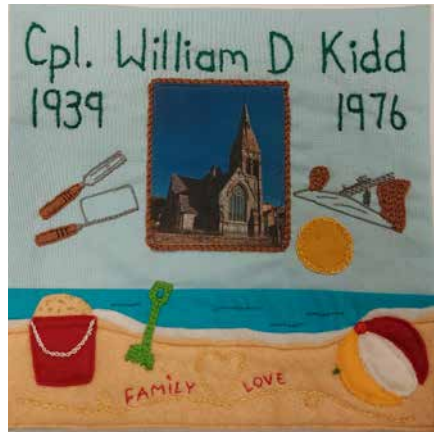
Her father, William Baggley, who was also a police officer was murdered close to the same spot two years earlier. Linda was the first female police officer to be murdered in the 'Troubles.'

Linda loved sports, she was a keen badminton player and played for the school team. She also loved pop music and dancing was another favourite pastime.

CORPORAL WILLIAM DEREK KIDD

SERVICE NUMBER: 24205552


22ND APRIL 1939 – 18TH NOVEMBER 1976



Derek was born on 22nd April 1939 at Tullyard, Strabane. He was the oldest son of William and Annie Kidd and had one sister and three brothers. Derek attend John Perry School and Christ Church, Bowling Green, Strabane. On leaving school he worked for J.A. Gamble Building Contractor as an apprentice joiner. Following closure of the building contractor he went to work for J.T. Robinson Building Contractor until he was murdered on 18th November 1976. He loved working with wood

and got satisfaction from building and making things. He was hands on when helping his younger brothers in their homes and when he was married he also built his own home in Glen Road beside his mother and father.

Derek was married to Mary (nee Neely) and they had two boys, Richard and Trevor and then to Derek's overwhelming delight they welcomed a daughter called Sharon. His children were aged 10 years, 8 years and 5 years when Derek was murdered.



A member of the 'B' Specials and later the UDR which Derek joined in 1970, he was passionate about his little country and was doing his bit for peace. His family worried about him and knew the risks involved in being a UDR soldier 24 hours a day. Thankfully his father was spared his death but his elderly mother was heartbroken and never fully recovered, this was the second son she lost, the first was due to a building accident.

Derek was a hard working, kind, generous and loving person who loved his family dearly.

CONSTABLE WILLIAM DAVID BROWN

SERVICE NUMBER: 12386

12TH MAY 1958 – 13TH MARCH 1977



William joined the RUC cadets on leaving Castlederg High School. He enjoyed every day of his time in the cadets and passed out of the Enniskillen depot in November 1976. He initially served in Tennant Street, Belfast before being transferred to Lisnaskea.

On Sunday 13th March 1977 he was tasked to carry out a mobile patrol with two colleagues when they were ambushed by three Provisional IRA gunmen. William despite mortal wounds drove the car out of the danger area, this action undoubtedly saved the lives of his two colleagues and

he was subsequently awarded a Posthumous Queen's Gallantry medal.

No one has ever been charged for his murder. He was the 100th RUC victim of terrorists, two months before his 19th birthday.

William's interests involved Rugby and he enjoyed pipe bands – these are the symbols depicted within his patch on the quilt.

William was a very happy go lucky fellow always singing and in good form, he would certainly have had a long and successful career as a policeman.

CONSTABLE KENNETH NORMAN LYNCH

SERVICE NUMBER: 12414

16TH MAY 1955 – 2ND JUNE 1977



Kenneth Norman Lynch or Ken as he was known (1955-1977) had just turned 22 when he was brutally murdered by a three man active service unit of the Provisional IRA on 2nd June 1977. The two RUC officers travelling with him in an unmarked RUC patrol car in the Ardoe area of East Tyrone were also killed. He had only served as a full time constable in Cookstown for a little over eight months, although he had previously service in the RUC Reserve in Strabane.

Ken was the youngest of three

sons and had a younger sister. He was born in Donemana, County Tyrone, Ken attended Castlemellon Public Elementary School, Strabane County Secondary School and Strabane Technical College. He worked in Kelly's Supermarket in Londonderry and then in Du Pont. He was in Donemana Scoot Troop and enjoyed many Scout camps. He also joined the newly formed Donemana Flute Band. Ken was an avid Manchester United supporter and attended several matches in Old Trafford.

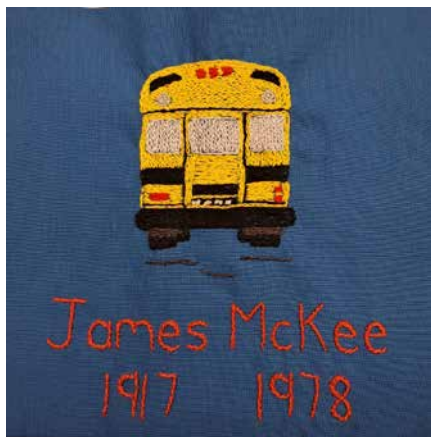
Ken had a lively personality, he enjoyed life to the full and made many friends, no doubt he would have had a good career in the RUC. As a family we have been deprived of a loving brother who was not married and therefore had no children. His nephews and nieces and now his great nephews and nieces have been deprived of the joy of knowing their uncle / great uncle.

Our parents never saw justice for their youngest son, and this continues to aggrieve his two brothers and his sister to this day. Like most victim families, justice has been denied to us and it seems there is no desire to bring known terrorist criminals before the courts. However, we know that one day justice will be done when Jesus Christ will return as judge.

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.

RESERVE CONSTABLE JACOB RANKIN

SERVICE NUMBER: R8150

18TH NOVEMBER 1940 – 4TH JULY 1978



Jacob, 37 years old was married with three young children. He was born and grew up in the Castlederg area where he joined the UDR based at Rockwood and later joined the RUC Reserve stationed at Castlederg Police Station.

During his spare time Jacob was a builder and also had a small farm at his farm where he looked after his cattle.

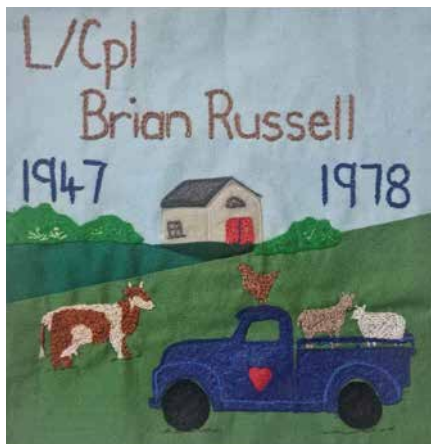
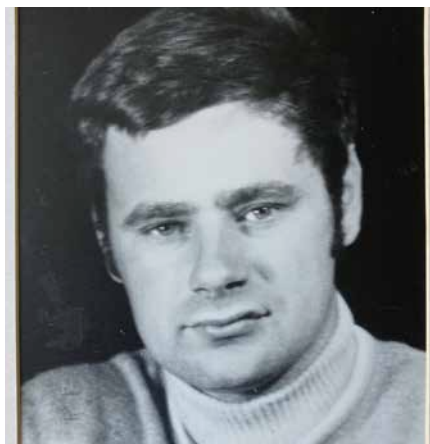
The night before Jacob was murdered he had bought the children a pony.

Jacob was shot on 4th July 1978 outside Castlederg Police Station whilst walking to the shop across the road, Jacob was taken to Omagh County Hospital where he later died of his injuries.

LANCE CORPORAL BRIAN RUSSELL

SERVICE NUMBER: 24216680

10TH MAY 1947 – 28TH SEPTEMBER 1978



Brian was born on 10th May 1947 and grew up in Sion Mills as a member of a farming family. He joined the UDR part time and was based at Burndennett, Strabane. Brian got a full time job as a Civilian Searcher in Londonderry and subsequently had to give up his post with the UDR.

It was while he was working with the Civilian Search Unit that he was shot through the head by a sniper in Londonderry on 28th September 1978. He was rushed to Altnagelvin Hospital but died a short time later.

The Provisional IRA claimed Brian was shot by mistake.

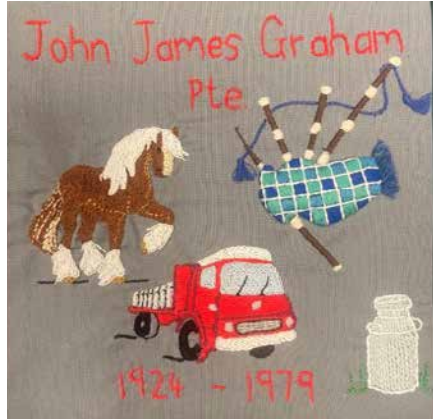
At the time of Brian's death he had a 3 year old son called Andrew and two weeks after his murder his daughter Catherine was born.

Brian was a kind, fun loving person who is missed greatly by his family and friends.

PRIVATE JOHN JAMES GRAHAM

SERVICE NUMBER: 24208584

19TH MARCH 1924 – 25TH APRIL 1979



John was born in 1924 at Skeogue near Trillick. He was the only boy in a family of eight children. John married Madeline Flood in 1950 and they had 5 children together. After selling the farm the family moved to Omagh to live in 1953. John ran a business in Omagh town for a number of years, 'Kirkpatrick's News' which was a paper shop, he was also a milk man collecting milk from farms in the local the area.

John had joined the Ulster Home Guard at the young age of 18, he was then a member of the Ulster Special Constabulary and thereafter became a part time member of the

Ulster Defence Regiment.

Coming from a farming family he had an interest in agriculture and was a member of Tyrone Farming Society, he helped to organise the agricultural horse classes at Omagh Show.

John enjoyed being involved in his local community and church, he was on the Select Vestry of Cappagh Parish Church as well as being a member of Omagh True Blues LOL 937 and the Pipe Band. He was also in Blacksessiagh RBP 1065.

On the morning of the 25th April

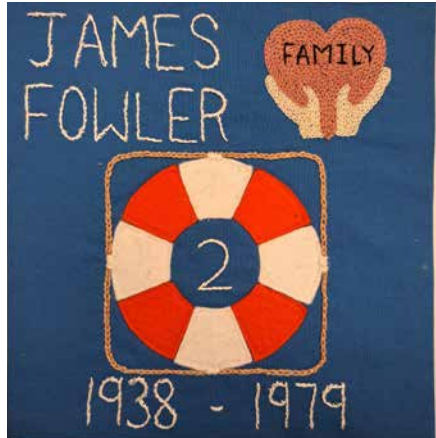
1979 as he was making his daily milk collection round the Provisional IRA way laid his lorry on a narrow country road at Garvallah near Seskinore. The terrorists were lying in wait behind a hedge on a high bank and in a hail of gunfire he was fatally wounded as he tried to get out and take cover behind the lorry.

John was a loving husband and father and would have done anybody a good turn irrespective of religion. He died a brave man and served his country with honour. A plaque erected by 'F' Coy 6 UDR was dedicated in his memory by Dr Robin Eames in Cappagh Parish Church in 1980 and was unveiled by his son Robert.

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 Provisional IRA 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

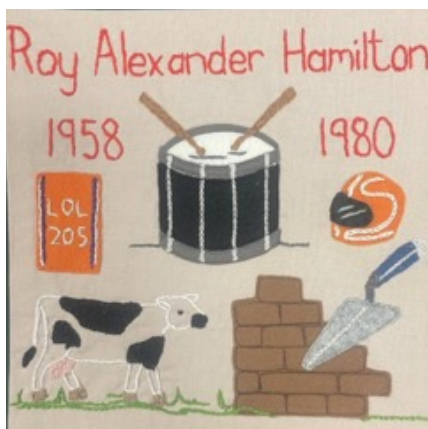
was murdered.

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.

ROY ALEXANDER HAMILTON

CIVILIAN

4TH APRIL 1958 – 14TH MAY 1980



Roy Hamilton aged 22, was a bricklayer from Douglas Bridge, County Tyrone. He was shot while working at a building site at Ballymagroarty near the Donegal border by gunmen who are believed to have belonged to a republican group.

Witnesses said he was shot by two of the three gunmen as he turned to run. He was rushed to Altnagelvin Hospital in Londonderry but was dead on arrival. Police said he was not connected with the security forces and it was reported at the inquest that the reason for the

shooting remained a mystery. It is possible that the gunmen believed he was a member of the security forces.

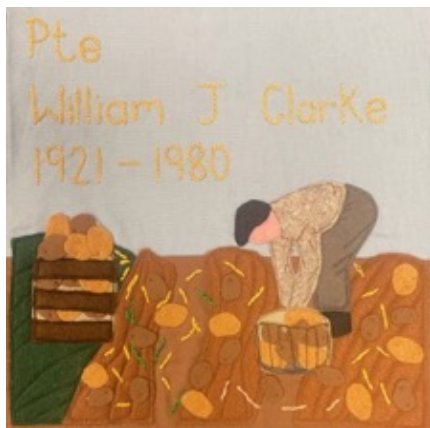
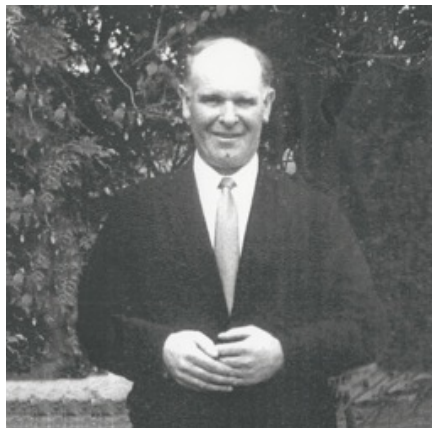
Roy was the eldest of a family of three brothers and two sisters. He was part of a travelling work squad employed by an Omagh based construction firm, which was on a Housing Executive development at the time of the shooting.

Roy was a member of Johnston's Purple Heroes LOL 205, he was also a keen drummer and enjoyed farming and motorbikes.

PRIVATE WILLIAM JOHN CLARKE

SERVICE NUMBER: 24216983

12TH JUNE 1921 – 3RD AUGUST 1980



William John Clarke was born on 12th June 1921, the second child and oldest boy in a family of eight, and part of a farming family who lived near the village of Killen, Castlederg. Like most families in the 1920s and 30s, money was in short supply but his childhood was happy and carefree surrounded by his brothers and sisters. The Clarke cottage was famous as a gathering point for the musicians of the area and the regular ceili evenings brought most of the people from the

surrounding areas to the cottage. Probably because of this childhood experience he retained a lifelong passion for music and dance.

William married Elizabeth Sproule when he was 19 years old and started his own family. Bill found work in the Nestle factory in Victoria Bridge and worked there until it closed in 1970. By then Bill and Lily had 4 children, Stanley, Olive, Norman and Derek. The family moved to live in the town of Castlederg and Bill joined the Ulster Defence Regiment - but all

the while Bill supplemented the growing family's needs by planting potatoes and rearing livestock in the small holding he had at his former home in Killen. Bill not only produced enough food for his own family but was generous with the surplus he grew, giving it to friends and extended family.

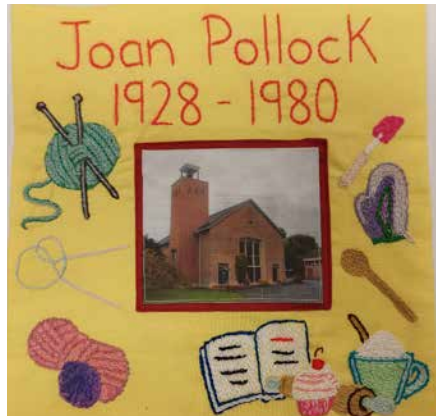
On Sunday, 3rd August 1980, Bill set out to deliver potatoes to a friend who lived in Pettigo - a town on the border between the North and South of Ireland. Although Bill was well aware of the guerilla tactics the IRA employed in using the border as an escape route after an attack in Northern Ireland, he had no hesitation in travelling along that route since he considered the people who lived there to be his friends and neighbours of many years and that he had nothing to fear from them. Tragically, Bill's faith and trust was misplaced and on his way to Pettigo, in the townland of Gortinessy, his car was ambushed

and 3 IRA gunmen riddled the car with high velocity bullets. It is almost certain that Bill died instantly since the State Pathologist estimated that Bill had been struck by at least 22 bullets.

HEATHER JOAN POLLOCK

CIVILIAN

13TH APRIL 1928 – 27TH DECEMBER 1980



Joan Pollock was married with one daughter and was a canteen assistant from Strabane. On 9th December 1980 Joan was shot when the Provisional IRA opened fire on three RUC Officers, she was taken to Altnagelvin Hospital where she underwent a number of operations but unfortunately she died 3 weeks later on 27th December 1980. Joan had been hit by a single shot which damaged her spinal cord.

Joan Pollock was a kind and loving

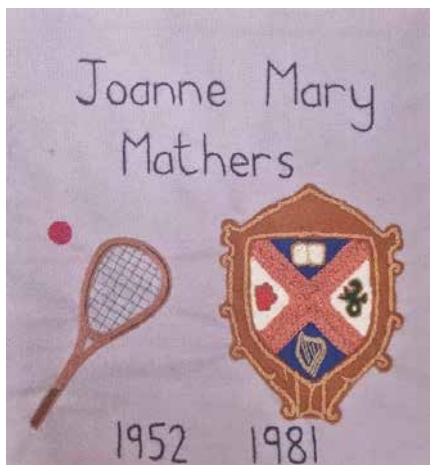
person, she loved her home and was always content to be at home. She was a great knitter, making things for new babies and she was a fabulous baker too.

She was a good woman who didn't deserve what happened to her. She was cheated out of life, she would've loved to have been a granny to her grandchildren and what happened to her was very unfair.

JOANNE MATHERS

CIVILIAN

3RD JULY 1951 – 7TH APRIL 1981



Joanne Mathers (nee Johnston) was born in Letterkenny, County Donegal in 1951. She was one of two children and her parents owned a builder's merchants. After her father died unexpectedly in the early 1960s the family moved to Londonderry.

Joanne attended Londonderry High School and later Queen's University, Belfast. She obtained a first class honours degree in the Department of Social Studies in 1972. Her dissertation on attitudes

to thrift and work in two housing estates in Londonderry won her the Montgomery Medal which is now treasured by her only son.

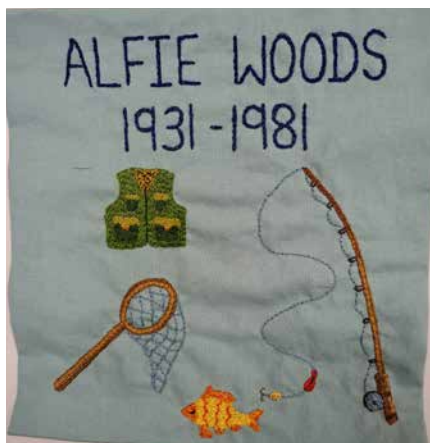
After qualifying as a teacher, Joanne studied to become a Chartered Town Planner and took up employment in the Londonderry Planning Office in the Department of Environment where she worked for seven years. She married Lowry Mathers in 1973 and six years later they had a son, Shane.

Joanne had several interests but at the forefront she enjoyed playing squash and going on holidays. In April 1981 she became a census enumerator out of her sense of public duty. It was while carrying out this role she was targeted and murdered in the Waterside area of Londonderry by the Provisional IRA. Tragically she died at the young age of 29 denying her future when she had so much left to offer both her family and society as a whole.

CONSTABLE ANDREW ALFRED 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.

LANCE CORPORAL JOHN MCKEEGAN

SERVICE NUMBER: 24216624

8TH MAY 1941 - 19TH NOVEMBER 1981



John was married with three children, 2 girls and 1 boy. He worked at Ballintine's Timber Yard in Strabane as a delivery driver, he also served on the UDR.

It was while John was out on a delivery in Strabane that he was murdered. A delivery order which was placed by a girl in her 20's was later found out to be a bogus and John had been set up. It turned out the house had been taken over by the IRA some hours earlier and when John went to the door of the house to make the delivery he was

shot, he subsequently died in the ambulance on the way to hospital.

John had a number of hobbies and interests, he was very talented and played both the pipes and the drums in Donemana Pipe Band, this is why the pipes and drums were chosen for John's patch on the Quilt.

John was also a member of all the loyal orders, the Orange Lodge, the Apprentice Boys of Derry and the Royal Black Preceptory.

LIEUTENANT JAMES LESLIE HAMILTON

SERVICE NUMBER: 506286

12TH NOVEMBER 1945 – 27TH APRIL 1982



Leslie was married to Ruby and together they had two sons, Stephen and Trevor. Leslie was a breadman and worked for Sunblest bakery. He also joined the UDR in 1969 and enjoyed his time serving up until his murder.

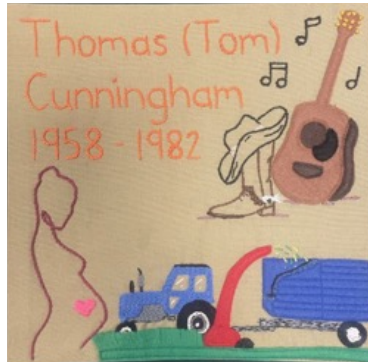
On 27th April 1982 Leslie was out delivering bread to Long's Supermarket, Woodburn, Londonderry when he was brutally murdered by the Provisional IRA, aged only 36 years.

Leslie was a member of all the Loyal Orders and was treasurer of Dunnalong Church. He also enjoyed cricket and was a family man.

THOMAS GEORGE (TOM) CUNNINGHAM (EX UDR)

SERVICE NUMBER: 24482448

8TH NOVEMBER 1958 – 12TH MAY 1982



Tom was a very happy go lucky man and never for a second did he fear that he would be killed in the way he was. On 12th May 1982 Tom was with another man retiling a bathroom in a disabled man's Housing Executive House when two men followed him in from the trailer and shot him dead in the bathroom. He had left the UDR the previous July when he got this job.

Tom had been married for almost four years when he was murdered by the Provisional IRA. His wife, Mary was 20 weeks pregnant with their first baby and Tom was very excited about becoming a father.

The night before he was killed Mary had started to knit her first matinee coat for the baby and forgot about the stew she had put in the oven for the dinner the next day so it was slightly burnt.

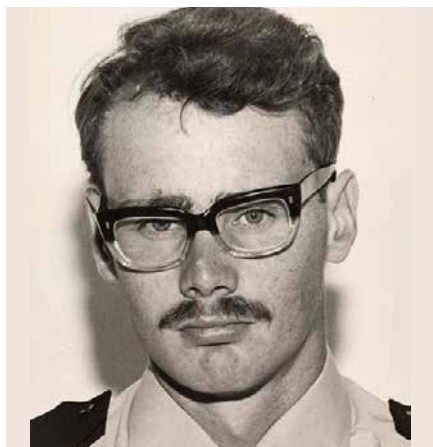
When Mary was leaving for work the next day she kissed Tom goodbye and told him to heat the stew slowly because it had got a bit burnt the night before to which he replied 'what's new' these were the last words said to each other.

Tom loved to help out on a friends farm locally and he loved silage time. He also loved country and western music.

DETECTIVE CONSTABLE REGGIE (DAVID) REEVES

SERVICE NUMBER: 12952

28TH APRIL 1958 – 11TH JUNE 1982



David Reeves was a 24-year-old Protestant, single and an RUC GC police officer and was from Station Road in Portstewart who was murdered by Provisional IRA terrorists.

David was murdered by a booby-trap bomb as he was carrying out a search in Derry/Londonderry's Shantallow area. The bomb had been hidden among what was thought to be a consignment of

stolen televisions and radios.

The goods had been found earlier by an army search. An army dog handler had been sent to search for explosives but the dog failed to find any traces of any explosives. It was then the RUC took control of the investigation.

David and two colleagues were inspecting the electrical equipment and David then picked up the television, there was a sizzling noise

and he knew it was a bomb, he tried to get out, his last words were to shout to the guy behind him to get out. He was injured as was another colleague but both survived. David saved his colleague's life.

David was a real extrovert and although only 24-years-old, he smoked a pipe. He was very popular, very well thought of. He enjoyed family time and had a close connection with his brother Colin, they played snooker and golf and did things brothers would do together.

David's funeral was led by the RUC band from his home to Agherton Cemetery where RUC GC colleagues from Derry/Londonderry carried his coffin.

David's brother Colin followed his dream and also became a police officer himself. However, within a few years of joining the RUC GC Colin was injured in a Provisional IRA bomb attack outside Girdwood Barracks in north Belfast, but did survive and went on to serve in Derry/Londonderry where David had been murdered.

PRIVATE HUGH ALEXANDER 'LEXIE' CUMMINGS

SERVICE NUMBER: 24421809

10TH NOVEMBER 1942 – 15TH JUNE 1982



Hugh Cummings or Lexie as he was widely known was 39 years old when he was murdered by Provisional IRA terrorists.

Lexie also worked in a drapery store in Strabane, County Tyrone. On 15th June 1982 in broad daylight while Lexie was going on his lunch break he was shot by gunmen as he got into his mini, he had no opportunity to defend himself.

Lexie was in the Loyal Orange Order and was also involved with

his local Boys Brigade which is why these images are depicted within his patch on the quilt.

PRIVATE RONALD (RONNIE) ROULSTON ALEXANDER

SERVICE NUMBER: 24612128

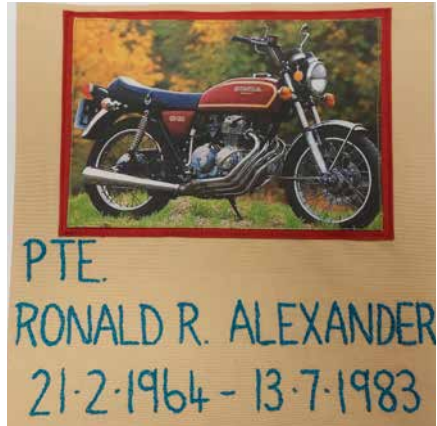
21ST FEBRUARY 1964 - 13TH JULY 1983



Ronald Roulston Alexander (known as Ronnie) was born on 21st February 1964; he served as a full time member of the UDR and was from Gillygooley near Omagh.

Ronnie was only 19 years old when he was murdered; he was one of four soldiers murdered in a 1000lb landmine blast on the Ballygawley Road as they were in their army Land Rover in transit to Ballykinler.

Ronnie enjoyed socialising, he was an outgoing young man and was very sociable. He also had a great



interest in motorbikes and had his own Honda 400 FOUR which he loved; this same motorbike was chosen to be used on Ronnie's patch on the Quilt.

You went away so suddenly

We did not get to say goodbye

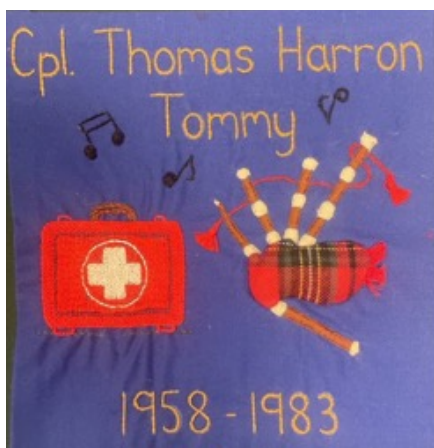
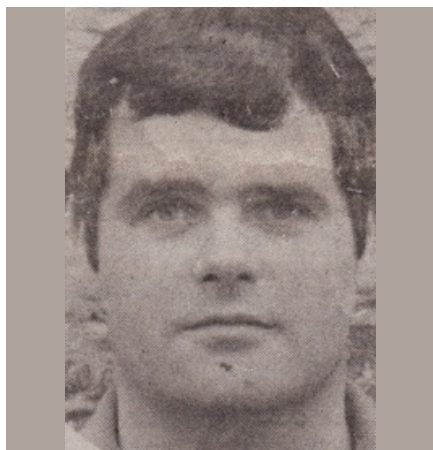
But as a family can never be
parted,

Precious memories of you will
never die!

CORPORAL THOMAS (TOMMY) HARRON

SERVICE NUMBER: 24377959

20TH FEBRUARY 1958 - 13TH JULY 1983



Thomas (Tommy) Harron was born in 1958, he was a full time member of the Ulster Defence Regiment and lived in Sion Mills with his wife Anne and their only child, Laura who was two and a half years old when Tommy was murdered.

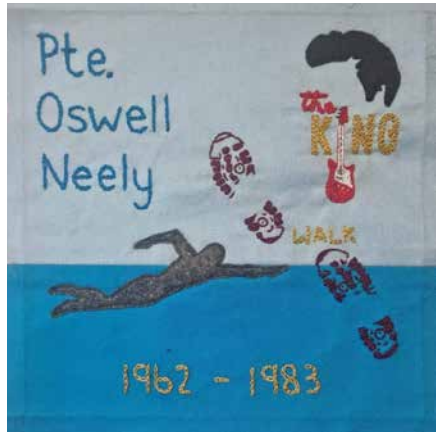
Tommy was a member of the Loyal Orange Lodge and was also in Whitehouse Band where he was a keen and talented piper. In his spare also like to play football and he was a trained First Aider.

Corporal Tommy Harron was only 25 years old when he was murdered. On 13th July 1983 the army Land Rover he was travelling in was the last of five vehicles that were in convoy making their way from Omagh to Ballykinler as part of a training exercise. Tommy was murdered alongside 3 other colleagues who were travelling along with him that day.

PRIVATE OSWELL (OSSIE) NEELY

SERVICE NUMBER: 24524784

28TH DECEMBER 1962 - 13TH JULY 1983



Oswell (Ossie) Neely was 20 years old and married with one child when he was murdered on the Ballygawley Road when a landmine exploded under the UDR Land Rover he and three others were travelling in.

Ossie had a great love for swimming, he would regularly go to his local swimming pool so much so that family members recall how he often had cold sores due to constant exposure to the chlorine in the pool.

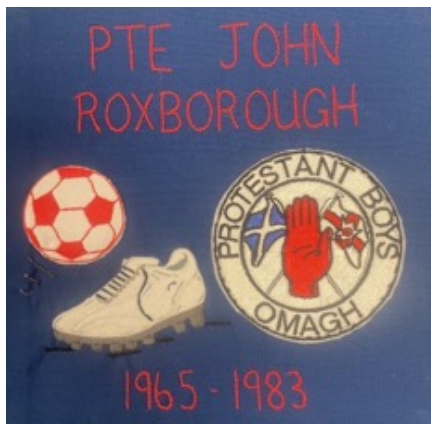
This is why an image to depict swimming was chosen for Ossie's patch on the Memorial Quilt.

Ossie along with his colleagues are remembered faithfully each year as families and others gather on the Ballygawley road to two Memorials erected to remember four innocents who had the courage to put a uniform on their back in an attempt to serve the community and protect that community against the scourges of terrorism.

PRIVATE JOHN ROXBOROUGH

SERVICE NUMBER: 24635023

7TH SEPTEMBER 1965 - 13TH JULY 1983



John Roxborough was a full time member of the UDR from Drumquin, County Tyrone, he was coming 18 years old when was murdered in a Landmine explosion on the main road between Ballygawley and Omagh. He was one of four soldiers murdered in the attack, carried out on 13th July 1983.

As John was so young when he was murdered he didn't have the chance to live his life but he had a keen interest in football and regularly played the sport as a hobby.

He was also a devoted member of

Omagh Protestant Boy's Flute Band; he was committed and frequently attended practices and parades. John played the flute and his family fondly remember him in his uniform going out to the different events.

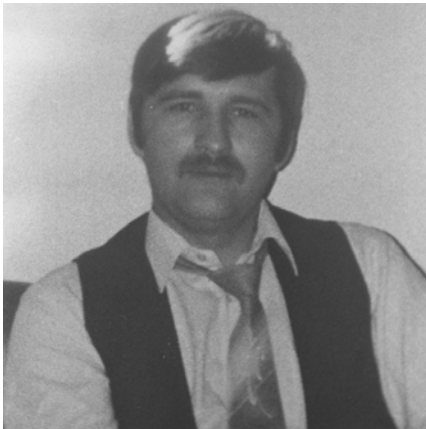
In recent times the Band dedicated a new standard which bears the name of John along with three others, all connected with the Band and who were murdered as a consequence of PIRA terrorism.

The Band's insignia (from the time of John's membership of the band) and a football with football boots has been place on his patch on the Memorial Quilt.

CORPORAL RONALD DAVID (RONNIE) FINLAY

SERVICE NUMBER: 24205187

6TH DECEMBER 1950 – 23RD AUGUST 1983



Cpl Ronald David (Ronnie) Finlay was murdered on 23rd August 1983 by Provisional IRA terrorists.

Ronnie was a part-time UDR member holding the rank of Corporal; he was also a factory worker at the Adria knitwear factory in Strabane and worked hard assuming the role of main breadwinner within the Finlay family

Ronnie was married to Elizabeth and they had three children. At the point he was murdered, Diane was aged 9, Roy aged 7 and Jason aged just 9-months-old.

Ronnie was just 32-years-old when the Provisional IRA saw fit to assassinate him while he was driving through the main gate of the factory. A gunman, riding pillion on a motorcycle, carried out the shooting.

A management spokesman for Adria knitwear said: "Ronnie was a well-liked and popular worker and many of the staff still cannot believe he is dead. He had worked here since 1966 and like many others; he had become almost a part of the furniture". Ronnie was very popular with his colleagues and there was a significant sense of

shock and loss within his workplace.

Ronnie joined the Tyrone battalion of the UDR when it was formed and he knew the risks involved. But he tried not to let those risks affect the lives of his family.

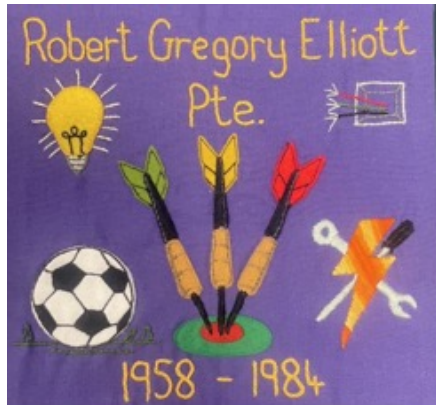
Ronnie was a family man dedicated to his wife and their three children, where they lived in Sion Mills. Ronnie was originally from Victoria Bridge, County Tyrone.

Ronnie's funeral was organised by his Company Sergeant Major who was one of his own brothers, Ronnie was one of five brothers serving within the UDR CGC.

PRIVATE ROBERT GREGORY (GREG) ELLIOTT

SERVICE NUMBER: 24421444

22ND JANUARY 1958 – 2ND JANUARY 1984



Robert Gregory (Greg) Elliott was born in 1958, he was a self employed electrician by trade but also served as a soldier on the UDR. He enjoyed life and watching sports such as darts and football was one of his favourite pastimes.

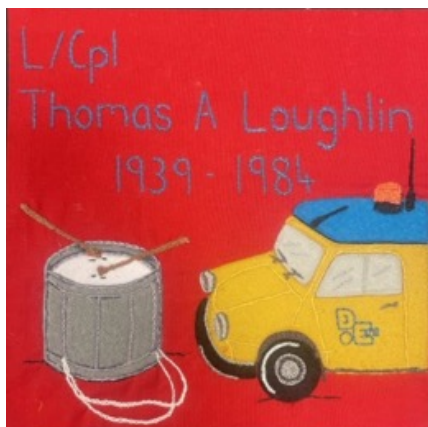
The items within Greg's patch on the memorial quilt are linked to his work as an electrician and favourite pastimes.

On 2nd January 1984 Greg was murdered outside the bungalow where he lived with his elderly mother. He had just got into his work van when it was showered with bullets by Provisional IRA gunmen, he died at the scene on a very cold and snowy night.

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 but he also worked for the Rivers Agency in Omagh as his Civilian job.

Thomas devoted all his time to his family, always putting them first in his life.

The symbol on the Quilt is a side drum as Thomas was a talented

drummer in the UDR Band, also depicted is his work van which he drove for the Department of the Environment.

Thomas was killed when a Provisional IRA bomb exploded underneath his work van outside his home in Castlederg.

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 (WLOL 202) in Castlederg. She also worked part time in a bar in the town.

Heather was killed in a Provisional IRA landmine explosion on the Corgary Road, Castlederg whilst

on a UDR Foot Patrol, Norman McKinley was killed in the same attack and Heather's brother David was also injured.

The symbol on the Quilt is a Greenfinch, this was the term used to describe female soldiers within the UDR. Also included is an Orange Collarette with WLOL 202.

PRIVATE NORMAN JOHNSON MCKINLEY

SERVICE NUMBER: 24244325

2ND JULY 1953 – 14TH JULY 1984



Norman was born on 2nd July 1953 he was a part time member of the UDR but he also worked for Harper Building Contractors as a joiner. He was a keen musician, playing the side drum in the UDR band and also playing the guitar. Norman was a member of two bands known as 3+1 and Denver. He would come home from work and get ready to go and play at a venue which could have been anywhere in Tyrone.

When it came to the Summer Norman always looked forward to going on holidays usually to either

Blackpool or the Isle of Man.

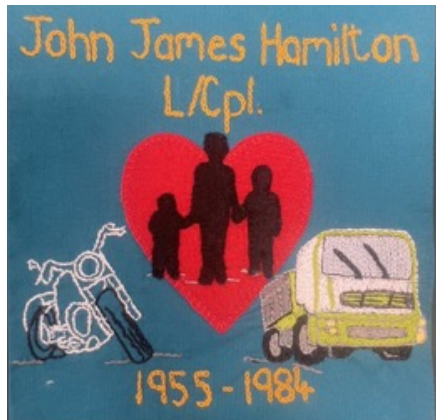
Norman was killed while out on patrol when a Provisional IRA landmine exploded near Castlederg, Heather Kerrigan was also killed in this incident.

Norman was well thought of by all who knew him.

LANCE CORPORAL JOHN JAMES (JACKIE) HAMILTON

SERVICE NUMBER: 24308485

1ST AUGUST 1955 – 23RD DECEMBER 1984



John James Hamilton (known as Jackie) was married with three children, he was a farm labourer and also drove a lorry for GTS Transport while also serving on the UDR.

Amongst Jackie's interests were stock cars and motorbikes, he also loved fixing at cars and motorbikes and could often be found in the garage working at some engine. He drove an old stock car, he enjoyed the excitement of it all.

Jackie was a great family man, every night before going to bed

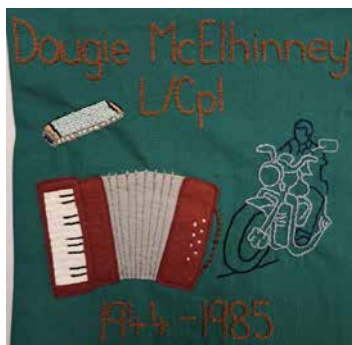
he would ring his mother to make sure she was ok. He also loved spending time with his family and enjoyed family gatherings. He would often take his children out for a spin in the car, no matter where he was going he would have a car load with him.

Jackie was ambushed by the Provisional IRA when he was driving out of Hillview Park in Castlederg – he survived the attack but died four years later of epilepsy. The coroner said his death was attributed to the attack he had suffered previously.

LANCE CORPORAL JAMES DOUGLAS 'DOUGIE' MCELHINNEY

SERVICE NUMBER: 23946490

31ST OCTOBER 1944 – 24TH FEBRUARY 1985



Douglas McElhinney was 42-year-old, married to Evelyne and had four children. Douglas was a former Lance-Corporal in the UDR. He had been a Part Time soldier who was employed on full time duties prior to leaving the Regiment in 1978. He was shot outside a friend's house in Londonderry's Glen Estate.

Douglas was the 41st UDR Veteran to be murdered/killed and one of 67 former UDR soldiers to be murdered/killed over the years of the terrorist campaign.

He had taken a friend home to

Glenvale Road and was getting into his car shortly after 10:00pm as a car pulled up alongside him. He was shot and murdered by INLA terrorists.

Douglas was from Bann Drive in Londonderry's Waterside area. He joined the UDR Regiment in 1970 and had resigned six years before he was murdered.

The INLA claimed that Douglas was an undercover agent. However, the RUC GC said he had no connections with the security forces after his resignation from the UDR.

KURT KÖNIG

CIVILIAN

21ST APRIL 1947 – 21ST NOVEMBER 1985



Kurt originated from Germany but met and married a girl from the Creggan, Derry/Londonderry, together they had five children.

Kurt worked very hard to support his family, he was a caterer at Strand Road barracks up until about a few months before his murder.

On 21st November 1985 Kurt was ambushed by Provisional IRA gunmen at his home in Gleneagles Estate, Londonderry. His wife and children heard the shots as the gunmen ran from a neighbours house and opened fire at close

range when Kurt was about to start his car. The gunmen had held the neighbours hostage during the night as they awaited their target to emerge in the morning, they then escaped in their car.

Kurt's hobbies included playing golf and boating hence the images within his patch along with the German flag which signifies his origins.

PRIVATE WILLIAM VICTOR FOSTER

SERVICE NUMBER: 24668406

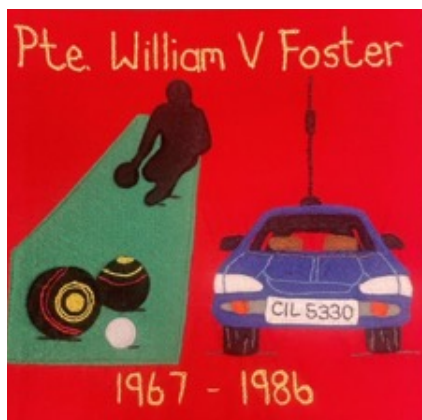
7TH JUNE 1967 – 15TH JANUARY 1986



Victor was only 18 years old when he was murdered by the Provisional IRA while he was returning from a bowling match along with his parents and girlfriend on 15th January 1986. He was due to get married in August of that year.

Victor thoroughly enjoyed life, he had friends from both sides of the community which was demonstrated at his funeral.

Victor was a part time member of the UDR but he also worked as a labourer for Muldoon Brothers.



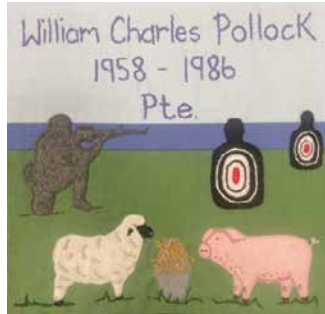
As well as being a keen bowler he was also an accomplished drummer and was proud to be a member of Whitehouse Pipe Band. He also enjoyed CB radios and cars as depicted within the patch on the quilt.

Victor was very much loved by those who knew him and as the eldest child in a family of five children he was idolised by his younger brother and sisters. The hole that was left has never fully healed.

PRIVATE WILLIAM CHARLES POLLOCK

SERVICE NUMBER: 24489015

4TH JUNE 1958 – 8TH APRIL 1986



William worked on his family's farm near Killen, Castlederg, he enjoyed farming and worked long hours, his main interests were sheep and pigs.

As well as farming William served as a part time soldier in 'B' Company 6th Battalion UDR. William enjoyed shooting and was a member of the UDR shooting team, even representing the UDR in England and winning numerous trophies and medals over the years. After William's murder some of this shooting team mates came to his home with a trophy he had won only a few days previous.

William and Margaret (his wife of only 6 months) had just moved into their new home at Ganvaughan, four miles outside Castlederg, near the Donegal border just a month before the attack

that took his life.

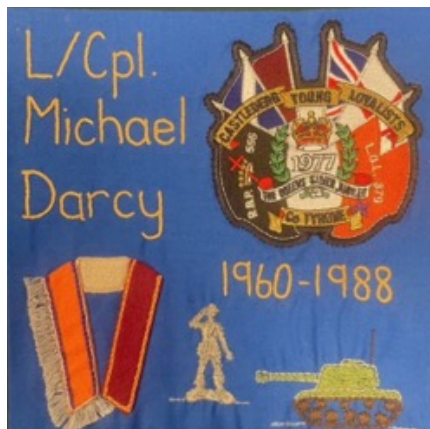
On 8th April 1986 William was with his parents at his new home, they were collecting a trailer for use on the family farm, his father had offered to attach the trailer to the car in which his mother was sitting but William said he would do it. Unknown to him a bomb had been attached to the trailer some time previously by Provisional IRA terrorists. The device exploded as William lifted the trailer causing him to suffer serious injuries. One of William's brothers was working in a nearby field and rushed to the scene but he could only comfort his brother as he lay dying. William died at the scene before medical help arrived.

No justice has ever been received for William's murder.

LANCE CORPORAL MICHAEL DARCY

SERVICE NUMBER: 24482809

1960 - 4TH JUNE 1988



Michael Darcy had served in the UDR for ten years. He had just returned to his home in the Dergview estate after taking part in a band parade with Castlederg Young Loyalists when he was shot in the back by a Provisional IRA terrorist. Michael had no chance to defend himself and died instantly. His widowed mother found his body slumped at the steering wheel of his car, the engine still running.

Michael was a member of the Grand Orange Lodge as well as the

Apprentice Boys. He also enjoyed collecting miniature soldiers, tanks and military memorabilia which is why these symbols were chosen for his patch.

RESERVE CONSTABLE WILLIAM JAMES MONTEITH

SERVICE NUMBER: 24205223 (UDR) R6852 (RUC)

14TH FEBRUARY 1929 – 21ST NOVEMBER 1988



William James Monteith was born on 14th February 1929 the youngest of nine children from a farming family living at Lisnacloon on the Killeter side of Castlederg.

He married Emily Clarke from Aughnahoo, Killen on 7th November 1950 and together they started a family, they had five children, Robert, Mary, Harry, Cathy and Anne. The family lived at Ganvaughan Road, Castlederg later renamed Laghel Road.

William found work at S.J. Loughlin's

Contractors in Castlederg and was a member of the Ulster Special Constabulary.

Amongst William's hobbies were bee keeping where friends and neighbours would call throughout the summer to get honey. William supplied honey to the local chemist to assist in the production of medicine.

William was a member of the Ulster Defence Regiment and during his service reached the rank of Corporal.

On 1st October 1976 William along with his son Harry and his nephew joined the Royal Ulster Constabulary Full Time Reserve.

William was the worshipful master of Lisliard Purple Heroes LOL 1488 and a member of Killen Star of Bethlehem RBP 682.

On Monday 21st November 1988 William and his nephew were performing security duty in the town centre of Castlederg when a cowardly Provisional IRA terrorist walked up and shot him twice in the chest, the second shot ricocheted off a bone exiting his neck and rupturing a blood vessel. William bled to death where he fell and his nephew was injured by a second terrorist.

This was the second tragedy to affect the family as William's brother in law William Clarke was murdered by the Provisional IRA in Pettigo, County Donegal on 3rd August 1980.

CONSTABLE STEPHEN MONTGOMERY

SERVICE NUMBER: 14588

25TH JULY 1962 – 28TH JANUARY 1989



Stephen Montgomery was originally from Belfast when he joined the RUC he was stationed in Fivemiletown for a period where he met his wife, Valerie. They got engaged in 1982 and married in 1985. They made their home in Omagh even though Stephen was from Belfast he enjoyed living the more country lifestyle away from the city's hustle and bustle.

Stephen was a very loving husband and a wonderful father to Julie who he adored. He was delighted when on 19th January 1989 we got the great news we were expecting our second child. Sadly this was nine days before he was brutally murdered by the

Provisional IRA in Sion Mills on 28th January 1989, his son Stephen was born on the 2nd September 1989.

Arsenal Football Club was Stephen's favourite football team. He also enjoyed watching American Football on his days off and supported the team Washington Redskins. We enjoyed travelling which we did as often as his time off would allow us.

Stephen would be very proud of his two wonderful children, Julie who has inherited his love of travelling and Stephen who has inherited his love of football.

Stephen is loved and sorely missed every day since his murder in 1989.

RESERVE CONSTABLE DAVID JOHN BLACK

SERVICE NUMBER: 3946

27TH FEBRUARY 1955 – 27TH JUNE 1989



David was a full-time RUC reservist and died when a Provisional IRA booby-trap bomb exploded under his car, shortly after he had left his home at Ballyheather Road, Strabane. He died approximately 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. Provisional 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.

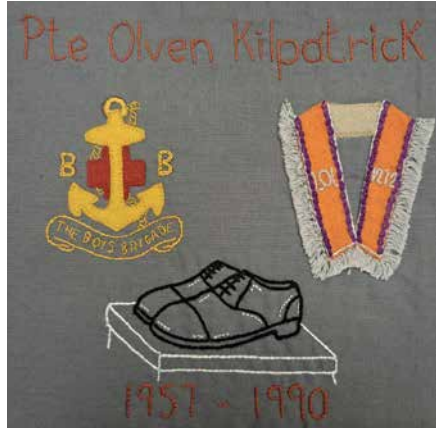
David had a keen interest in farming, he kept some cows, sheep and chickens. He also thoroughly enjoyed a homemade Apple Pie – this is what is portrayed within the patch.

David was viewed as a dedicated and courageous member of the constabulary as well as a committed family man and trusted friend.

PRIVATE OLVEN KILPATRICK

SERVICE NUMBER: 24377366

16TH JUNE 1957 – 9TH JANUARY 1990



Olven joined the UDR as he always had an interest in the military since his Dad had been in the army. At one stage he had a notion of joining the military police but his height was a problem so he joined the UDR instead.

He worked in a local shoe shop namely Tweedy Atcheson's which was a well established business in Castlederg at the time. A few years prior to his murder he went into partnership with another local businessman and fulfilled a lifetime ambition of opening his own

business.

Olven got married in 1981 and had two girls who at the time of his murder were only 6 and 7 years old.

Olven was a dedicated Church member and was an officer in 2nd Castlederg Boys Brigade. He was also a member of Killen LOL 1272 and in earlier years he was a Drum major in Killen Pipe Band.

Ironically at the time of his murder he was buying a new house and had started the process of leaving the UDR.

Olven was murdered on 9th January 1990 when two Provisional IRA gunmen entered his shoe shop and shot him as it approached closing time. They then left a bomb in a shoe box which exploded some 30 minutes later.

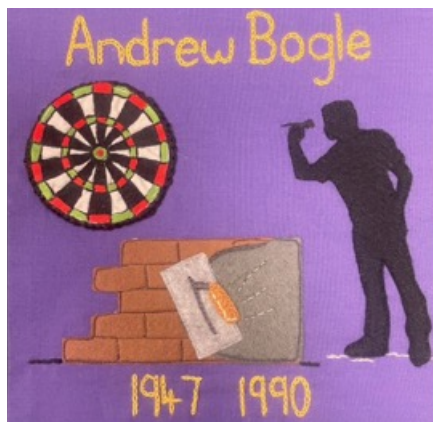
As well as his wife and children his mum and sister also lived in the town of Castlederg and understandably his murder had a life changing effect on all.

Sadly as in so many cases in Northern Ireland and most definitely in this area no one has been held accountable for Olven's murder.

ANDREW BOGLE

CIVILIAN

19TH SEPTEMBER 1947 – 18TH AUGUST 1990



Andrew (known as Andy) was a very quiet, modest man who loved his daughter Claire and son Clive very much.

Andy was a builder and a plasterer by trade, he was a hard working man until his health stopped him from working when he was diagnosed with leukaemia. He had had treatment and was in remission when he was started to work part time to help a neighbour with some digger work. On the 18th August 1990 he was going to start his days work when stepped on a plank of wood getting into the digger and a bomb exploded, he

was killed instantly.

Provisional IRA terrorists had planted a bomb in the piece of timber the night before, they said they targeted the firm because they did work for the security forces.

Andy's hobbies including playing darts and pool. Andy will never be forgotten by his family.

DAVID MORRIS POLLOCK (EX UDR)

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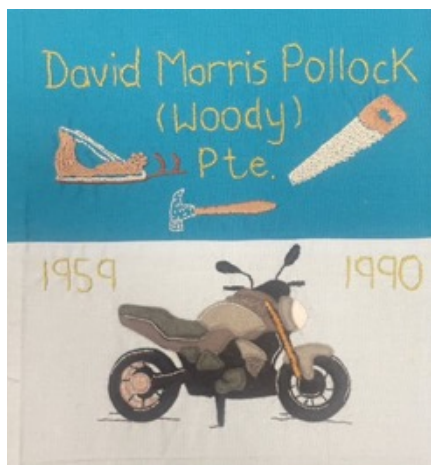
24TH OCTOBER 1959 – 20TH OCTOBER 1990



David was affectionately known as 'Woody' because of his interest in carpentry, he also worked for Leckpatrick Co op in Artigarvan. Woody was always cheerful and lived life to the full.

David had a great interest in shooting and fishing and was part of a local club. He also loved cars and motorbikes.

Whenever something at home needed fixed he was always ready to assist even though his methods



may not have been conventional.

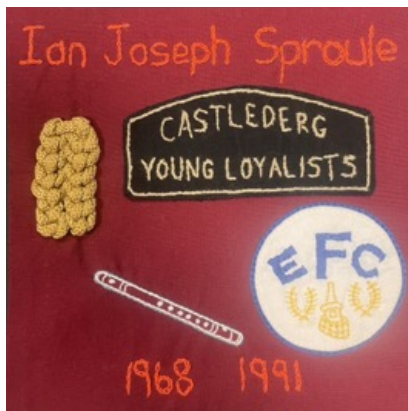
On 20th October 1990 David was driving along the Melmount Road, Strabane on his way to Newtownstewart to see his girlfriend when he was shot by a Provisional IRA sniper.

A much loved member of the family and sorely missed by all who knew him.

IAN JOSEPH SPROULE

CIVILIAN

16TH SEPTEMBER 1968 – 13TH APRIL 1991



Ian was a joiner by trade, he had worked in England for a time and when he came home he worked alongside his father.

Ian was a member of Castlederg Young Loyalist Flute Band where he played the flute, he loved the music and the social side of the band. Before Ian was cruelly murdered he was learning to play the guitar. He loved going to concerts and festivals.

Ian's nickname was 'Cracker', this was because he was full of fun and always smiling and happy. Ian was a good hearted young lad, he was especially good to his mum, he

would take her shopping, make her tea etc. Once when he returned from England he brought her back a fur coat, the family used to call her the 'Queen' when she wore it.

Ian was very close to his bother John they ran about together and went on nights out, they had a great time and life was good for everybody until the Provisional IRA assisted by the Garda planned and carried out the sectarian murder of another young innocent man living near the border.

The search for truth and justice for Ian continues and will not stop until it is delivered.

CPL FINLAY RMA

SERVICE NUMBER: 24205282

1ST NOVEMBER 1943 – 15TH AUGUST 1991



Ronald (Ronnie) Finlay was a former Corporal in the Ulster Defence Regiment, he left the Regiment in 1988 having served part time for 18 years and 8 months. He was from Castlederg and was married to Kathleen, together they had two sons, Bryan aged (10 years) and Andrew aged (3 years).

On Thursday the 15 th August 1991 Ronnie's wife and sons witnessed every detail of his murder by Irish Republican terrorists. He was gunned down as he got of their car at his place of work.

Ronnie's wife Kathleen speaks

about the attack, "I was so very aware of the real threat to our lives and that of our two boys as we were forced to watch in horror. Even as I knelt by Ronnie as he lay on the ground, there was rapid automatic gun fire, I still have shrapnel in my leg to this day. The terrorists, there were three of them also shot out the tyres in our car with the result I had to walk three quarters of a mile to raise the alarm, carrying Andrew and pulling Bryan by the hand with me. Bryan was hysterical."

"In spite of the pain and suffering I attempted to put our lives together

again and find some sort of purpose in my/our continuing existence, it was not easy and still isn't. It would be very difficult for those who "look on" to imagine a more psychologically devastating event than that which we experienced."

Ronnie was a Christian and dedicated family man, an Orangeman, a faithful member of Derg Parish Church and was serving as Rector's Church Warden at the time of his death.

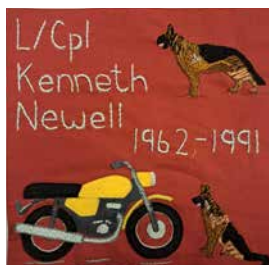
His Captain in the Ulster Defence Regiment described him as a 'model Part-Time Soldier, someone who fitted and wore his uniform with pride and who always took great pride in what he was doing'.

Even in the darkest of hours we are reminded to stop and look up to God. I lift up my eyes to the hills. Where does my help come from? My help comes from the LORD, the maker of heaven and earth. Psalm 121.

LANCE CORPORAL KENNETH (KEN) ALEXANDER NEWELL

SERVICE NUMBER: 24489789

01ST JUNE 1962 - 27TH NOVEMBER 1991



Kenneth (Ken) Newell was born and grew up in Omagh and lived there all of his young life. His parents were Ernest and Mary Newell and he had a sister named Georgina. Ken was an adventurous youth and loved to play games and socialise with his close friends in the Hospital Road area. Ken married Joyce Armstrong and they set up home together in Omagh.

He enjoyed motorbikes and was a member of the Omagh Young Loyalists Flute Band. Ken had two Alsatian dogs which he enjoyed spending time with.

Ken joined the UDR in the early 1980's. He was a fulltime member of 6th UDR based at St Lucia Barracks in Omagh but also occasionally carried out deliveries for Omagh drinks company Cantrell and Cochrane.

On 27th November 1991 Ken was abducted at Cullaville, South Armagh while he was offloading soft drinks from a lorry at Concession Road. His helper was also abducted and whilst released continues to be deeply impacted by the horrors of that experience. The Provisional IRA apparently did not realise he was also a member of the UDR. Ken was shot and was found around 10:00am lying at a roadside verge between Crossmaglen and Cullyhanna.

Ken's funeral took place at St Columba's Church of Ireland in Omagh. He had a full military funeral with his comrades acting as pallbearers and providing a guard of honour. Ken was buried following internment at Greenhill Cemetery in Omagh.

ANNIE MARY BOGLE

CIVILIAN

7TH OCTOBER 1919 – 18TH OCTOBER 1993



Annie Bogle had a very kind disposition. She spent much of her life living with her brother

Willie in County Down and County Antrim following the murder of her only son, William John Bogle.

Before the murder of her son, Annie would have carried out her normal day today routine on the farm in Aughaloney by helping Willie milk the cows, before baking for them both and then returning to assist Willie on other farm related duties.

Following the murder of her only son, she took great pleasure in visiting her grandsons at

weekends and during the holidays,

she had a warmth and kind nature that brought much

joy during this time. Her grandsons took great delight in visiting both Annie and Willie on

the weekends they weren't returning home. When Willie retired, there was the

opportunity to spend much more time with her grandsons when Annie returned to Aughaloney for good. Her grandsons visited regularly to help out on Willie's modest farm, enjoying the company of a very loving and kind granny and great uncle.

However, the good times were not to last. Following the death of her brother, Annie

moved to Castlederg and during her time residing in the Derg Fold, a bomb detonated in

close proximity, causing Annie to suffer a heart attack at the age of 74.

She had what could only be described as a heart wrenching life after losing her son in such a despicable way, only to suffer at the hands of terrorists some 21 years later. Annie now rests with her only son, two beautiful hearts re-united and at peace.

JOHN BURNS

CIVILIAN

29TH SEPTEMBER 1939 – 30TH OCTOBER 1993



John Burns was married, aged 54 years with three teenage children aged 14, 16 and 19 years, John was one of eight innocents murdered within the Rising Sun Bar, Greysteel by UDA/UFF terrorists.

The attack occurred on 30th October 1993 when gunmen entered the bar and chillingly uttered the words 'trick or treat' before spraying gunfire.

John was a former member of the UDR, there was also a retired Commander of the B-Specials murdered of a Protestant background and there were six Roman Catholic civilians also

murdered.

Many others were also injured including John's wife Ellie who was critical in hospital for quite some time, she has been in and out of hospital over the years, having 174 operations to help her to recover as much as possible physically; but the mental scars remain.

John and the wider Burns family were originally from Greysteel but because the family home was often under attack at marching season due to the Burns family being Protestant, the family were required to move frequently. The main move was to Eglinton which was a very

mixed community.

Every Saturday night, John and Ellie went out to the Rising Sun bar at Greysteel for a drink with their friends. It was said to be the only time that the couple drank or socialised; it was their escape for a few hours a week.

On the day of John's funeral, the local High School did a guard of honour at the end of St. Canices.

Four UDA/UFF terrorists - Stephen Irwin, Torrens Knight, Geoffrey Deeney and Brian McNeill - were sentenced to life imprisonment for the massacre but were released as part of the terms of The Belfast Agreement.

The terrorists claimed Greysteel was in retaliation for the Shankill bomb which occurred just a week earlier claiming the lives of nine Protestants.

CONSTABLE GREGORY TAYLOR

SERVICE NUMBER: 11777

30TH JUNE 1955 – 1ST JUNE 1997



Gregory was from Omagh originally and his wife Kate was from Newtownstewart, together they had 3 children, a daughter and two sons.

In his early years when he lived in Omagh Gregory enjoyed playing tennis but when he moved to Ballymoney he enjoyed playing golf and was very much into the masonic lodge.

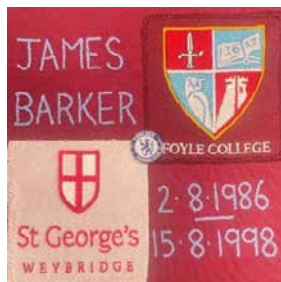
Gregory joined the RUC in 1975 but on 1st June 1997 while Greg was

off duty he was kicked to death by a loyalist mob outside a pub in Ballymoney.

JAMES BARKER

CIVILIAN

2ND AUGUST 1986 - 15TH AUGUST 1998



James Barker was a 12 year old schoolboy from Ballintrae, Buncrana in County Donegal.

The family had moved from England to Buncrana in 1997 in order to get a better quality of life but only the following year James was to be taken from them in a heinous act of terrorism committed by RIRA terrorists - an attack which threatened to tear apart the Town of Omagh.

29 innocents were murdered as well as unborn twins with scores of others physically and psychologically injured. James was a goalkeeper for his local school and was due to go to secondary school in September.

James suffered severe head injuries in the bomb, and died shortly afterwards in hospital. His family waited 3 hours for confirmation of the news. He was buried in a joint service

with his friends, Oran Doherty and Sean McLaughlin, in Buncrana.

His Mum Donna-Marie painfully recalls: "To see him lying there with half of his head gone and those beautiful green eyes looking out at me as if he was waiting for me was devastating. I never realised how green his eyes were. That image will stay with me for the rest of my life".

The images on the quilt depict James' life in Education but also his deep love of sport and particularly football. Prior to his murder he had a Republic of Ireland football shirt, an item he cherished.

No-one has ever been held criminally responsible for the Omagh bomb however a landmark ruling was made in recent years within the civil courts holding accountable members of the Real IRA.

ALAN RADFORD

CIVILIAN

10TH SEPTEMBER 1981 – 15TH AUGUST 1998



Alan Radford was aged just 16 years when he was murdered alongside 28 others plus unborn twins on Omagh main street on Saturday 15th August 1998 by Real IRA terrorists.

At the point of his murder Alan was a pupil at Omagh High School and was due to start training as a chef the following month.

Alan was dedicated to being there for his Mum as well as helping out anyone else he could. On that fateful day he was in Town helping his mother do the weekly shopping.

Alan was particularly close with his siblings and to Claire given their closeness in age, she regarded him as not only her brother but also her best friend, her world and protector as she was his.

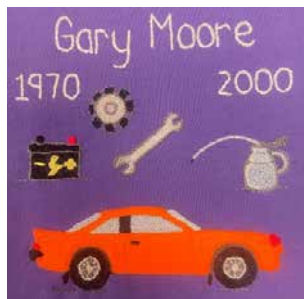
Alan was viewed as being great fun and loved to live life to its' fullest, his laugh was said to be infectious.

Alan's brother Paul spent time helping some of the bomb victims at the hospital, oblivious to the fact that Alan was amongst those to have been murdered.

GARY MOORE

CIVILIAN

12TH OCTOBER 1970 – 6TH DECEMBER 2000



Gary was just 30-years-old and was cohabiting with two children (Shannon and Aaron), who was a builder and lived in Limavady but was originally from Dungiven. Gary was working in a house in Newtownabbey's Monkstown estate for the Housing Executive when he was shot by the UDA/UFF.

Fifteen minutes after the shooting of Gary, the UDA shot and seriously wounded a Roman Catholic taxi driver on the Oldpark Road. The attacks appeared to be orchestrated in retaliation for the killing of Trevor Kell by republican terrorists.

In the aftermath of the attack, Gary's mother said: "At least Gary died with a clean heart and a clean soul, which he (the killer) has not. I hope to God that he is got and that he rots in hell.

God forgive me for saying that. Gary never did anybody any harm".

"My son had no involvement with any organisation - he was another innocent victim. If we are going to have peace here, we have to know the truth about all of this - I believe someone knows who killed my son and I would appeal to anyone who does to pass that on".

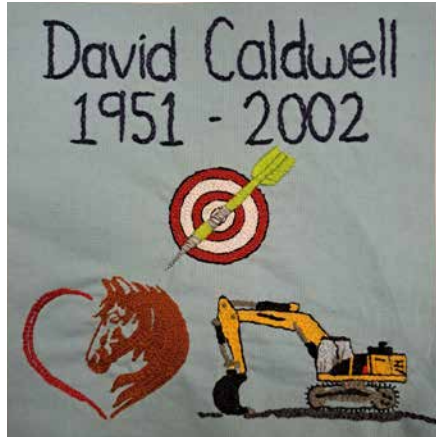
During Requiem Mass at St Patrick's Church in Dungiven, Fr McCluskey said Gary's family had been devastated by shock and grief at the depth of such cruel inhumanity which had robbed them of him.

Fr McCluskey also sent condolences to the family of Trevor Kell; a Protestant taxi driver shot dead in Belfast a few days previously.

DAVID CALDWELL

EX UDR

18TH JULY 1951 – 1ST AUGUST 2002



David was a 51-year-old Protestant civilian, cohabiting with 4 children and a construction worker who was fatally injured when he picked up a booby trapped lunchbox that exploded.

At 7:30am he arrived at work at Caw Territorial Army base in Londonderry's Waterside area. The base had been closed for several months for refurbishment.

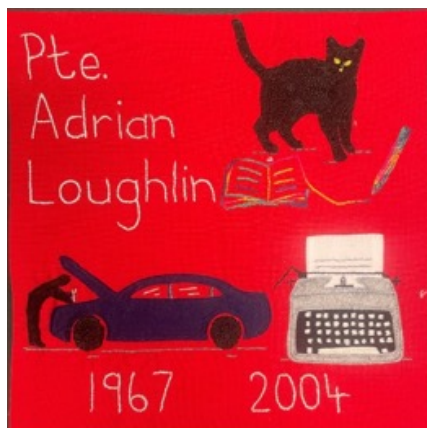
The real IRA had cut through a perimeter wire at Rockport Park and left the lunchbox in a Portacabin that was used by construction workers.

David was taken to Altnagelvin Hospital and shortly after 9:00am he passed away. David and his family lived in Eglinton. His partner of 19 years arrived at Altnagelvin Hospital just before he died.

PRIVATE ADRIAN LOUGHLIN

SERVICE NUMBER: 24668775

30TH JULY 1967 – 17TH JUNE 2004



Adrian was a part time member of the UDR up until an incident which occurred in 1993. Adrian had drove to his work from home and returned for lunch at 12.30pm on 4th August 1993. He was going to get petrol and had his girlfriend with him when the bomb which was planted under his car fell off as he was driving the car. Adrian thought it was the exhaust pipe off the car and got out to run back and lift it from the road only to find the device, although he survived he was never the same man again.

Adrian was diagnosed with PTSD and was attending therapy with

a Doctor in Omagh, he was doing well but unfortunately on 17th June 2004 he died only 36 years old. The coroner put his death down as being PTSD related.

As well as being in the UDR Adrian also worked in car body repairs and in his spare time he enjoyed creative writing on an old typewriter he had, he also enjoyed TV quiz shows and music. He had a pet cat and also supported Tottenham Hotspurs.

CONSTABLE RONAN 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.



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