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.