

ANTINGHAM WAR MEMORIAL



ANTINGHAM ROLL OF HONOUR

1914 – 1918

Leslie Frederick St John DAVIES, MC

Leslie Frederick St John Davies was born on 23 June 1893 at Antingham Rectory, the son of the Revd Arthur Charles and Mrs Ellen Augusta Davies. He was educated at Gresham's School. He joined the Norfolk Regiment at the outbreak of war and subsequently joined the Machine Gun Corps. He was awarded the Military Cross and was Mentioned in Despatches. He rose to become a Major commanding the 20th Squadron, Machine Gun Corps (Cavalry). He died of malaria at Aleppo, Syria on 10 November 1918 aged 25 and was buried on the morning of the Armistice. It appears he refused to seek treatment until it was too late. He was originally buried in Aleppo Protestant Cemetery and subsequently moved to Beirut War Cemetery.

Walter Edward EMPSON

Walter Edward Empson was born in Bradfield in 1892, son of Walter and Emma Empson. The family subsequently moved to Southrepps Road, Antingham. He enlisted in Norwich into the 7th Battalion, The Buffs (East Kent Regiment) (Private 10864). He died of wounds on Saturday 2 November 1918. He is buried in Terlincthun British Cemetery, Wimille, France.

George Ralph WHITWOOD

George Ralph Whitwood was born in Antingham on 15 May 1890, son of Jeremiah and Mary Ann Whitwood and the youngest of 15 children. They lived in Letter Box Cottages, Antingham. He enlisted in Chelmsford into the 1st Battalion, the Norfolk Regiment (Private 22329). He was killed in action during the capture of Oppy Wood, near Arras, on Thursday 28 June 1917. He is buried in Roclincourt Military Cemetery, Pas de Calais, France. He was the first man from Antingham to die in the First World War.

Ronald Walter WHITWOOD

Ronald Walter Whitwood was born on 10 April 1894, the son of Henry and Sarah Whitwood of The Hill, Antingham. He enlisted in Norwich into the Norfolk Regiment and subsequently became a Rifleman in the 8th (City of London) Battalion, London Regiment (Post Office Rifles) of the Rifle Brigade. He died of wounds on Friday 26 July 1918, aged 24. He is buried in Delville Wood Cemetery, Longueval, France.

1939 – 1945

Eric William GOTTS

Eric William Gotts was born in Antingham on 28 August 1918, the son of William Edward and Gertrude Gotts. His parents moved to Suffield after he enlisted into the Royal Marines. He enlisted into 40 Commando, Royal Marines (Marine PO/X 2274). He was killed in action on 19 August 1942 during the Dieppe Raid. He is buried in Dieppe Canadian War Cemetery, Hautot-sur-Mer, France.

Eric Wilfred GREEN

Eric Wilfred Green enlisted into the 5th Battalion, the Royal Norfolk Regiment. He died on Saturday 14 April 1945, aged 25, whilst a Japanese Prisoner of War. He is buried in Kranji War Cemetery, Singapore. He left a widow, Gladys Mildred Green.