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LOWER HALSTOW



Roll of Honour

The Great War 1914 - 1919

Harry Beanland was a Leading Stoker and was killed in HMS Aboukir when she was sunk on 22/9/1914. He is remembered on the Chatham Royal Naval Memorial.

Herbert Arthur Brooks died of wounds on 22/9/1918. He was serving with the 1st Battalion London Regiment. He is buried in Moeuvres Communal Cemetery Extension. He had previously served in The Buffs and Royal Fusiliers.ⁱ

William Henry Clark was killed in action as a Lance Corporal on 15/7/1917 whilst serving with the 1st Battalion of The Buffs. At the time the Battalion was in trenches near Mazingarbe. He is buried at Philosophe British Cemetery. He had joined the Royal East Kent Mounted Rifles in June 1915 and transferred to the Machine Gun Corps in August 1916. He transferred to the Buffs in December 1916 at Etaples. He is also remembered on the Upchurch Memorial.

Samuel Crane was killed in action serving with the 5th Battalion Dorsetshire Regiment on 11/1/1917.

Leonard Davis died of wounds on 20/10/1918. He was serving with the 1st Battalion Devonshire Regiment and had previously served with the Queen's (Royal West Surrey) Regiment and the Lincolnshire Regiment. He is buried in Caudry British Cemetery.

Walter Charles Finch was a Stoker and was killed in HMS P26 when she was sunk by a mine on 10/4/1917. He is remembered on the Chatham Royal Naval Memorial.

James Gilbert was killed in action at Arras on 3/5/1917 whilst serving with the 8th Battalion East Surrey Regiment. He is remembered on the Arras Memorial.

Frederick Blewitt was killed in action at Arras on 3/5/1917 whilst serving with the 7th Battalion The Buffs. He is remembered on the Arras Memorial.

Alfred Henry King was with the 20th Battalion Royal Fusiliers when he was killed on 16/4/1917 during an attack on the Hindenburg Line. He is buried at Heninel – Croisilles Road Cemetery. He had previously served with the Army Service Corps

Alfred Ottoway was serving with the 6th Battalion Buffs when he was killed on 3/7/1918 whilst they were withdrawing near Senlis. He is buried at Harponville Communal Cemetery.

William Pawsey was killed in action on 5/8/1917 whilst his unit (1/5th Battalion Sherwood Foresters) was being relieved on 5/8/1917 near Cite St Elie. He is buried at Philosophe British Cemetery.

Henry Reed was killed in action at Hill 60 on 18/4/1915 with the 1st Battalion Queens Own Royal West Kent Regiment. He is remembered on the Menin Gate.

Samuel Shiveral was an early casualty. He was killed in action on 14/10/1914 whilst serving with the 1st Battalion Royal Irish Fusiliers. He is buried at Meteren Military Cemetery.

Thomas Sifleet died of wounds on 8/12/1917 and is buried at Grevillers Cemetery. He was with the 1st Battalion Buffs and had previously served with the East Surrey Regiment.

Edward James Smith was with the 6th Battalion Queens Own Royal West Kent Regiment when he died of wounds on 11/10/1916. He is buried at Heilly Station Cemetery.

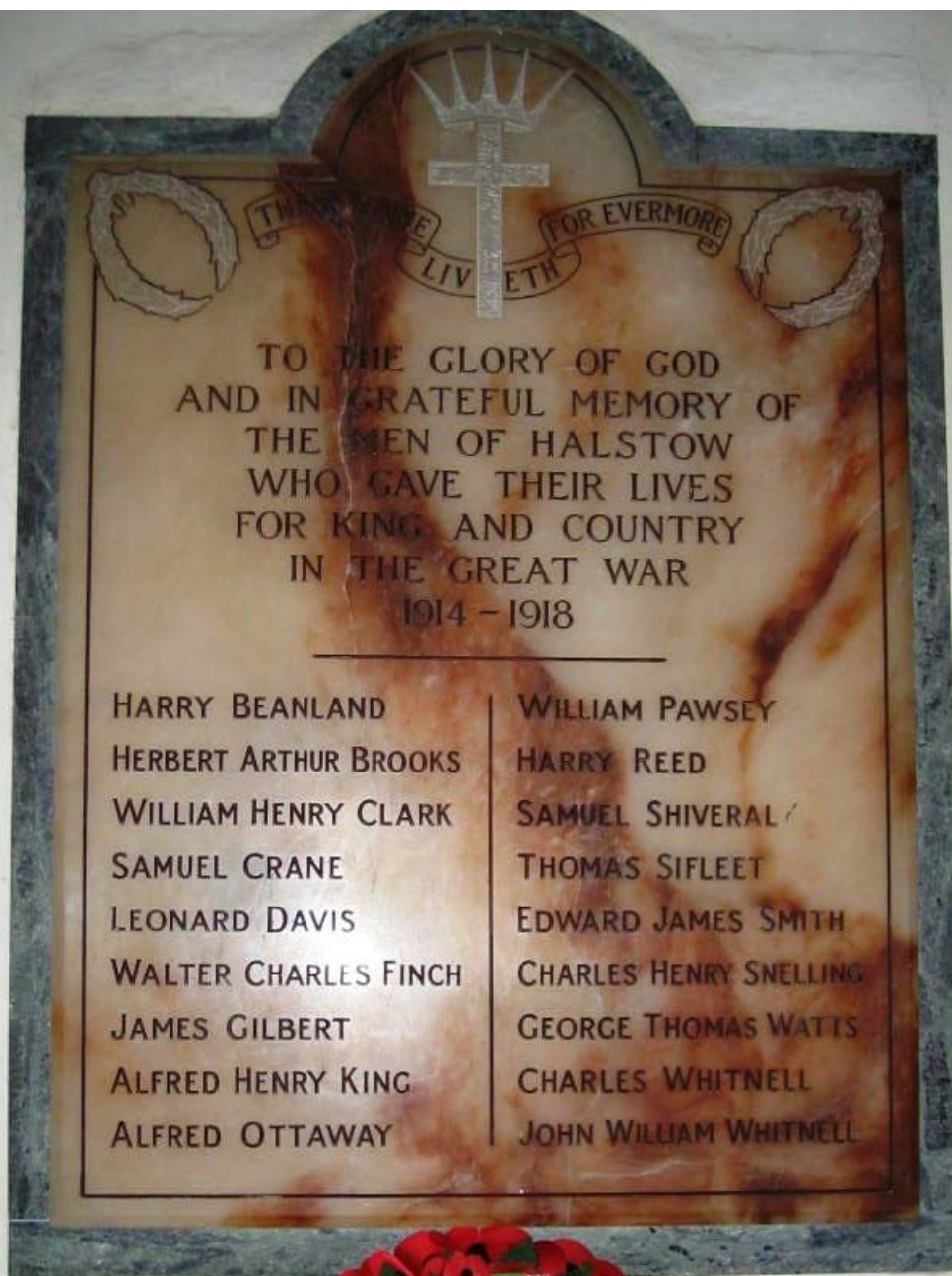
Charles Henry Snelling was with the 7th Battalion Leinsters when he was killed during a heavy bombardment on 1/2/1917. He is buried at Pond Farm Cemetery.

George Thomas Watts was a skilled civilian dockyard worker. He was killed when HMS Princess Irene exploded off Sheerness on 27/5/1917. He is remembered on the Royal Naval Memorial at Chatham.

Charles Whitnell was a Gunner with the Royal Garrison Artillery when he was killed in action on 21/3/1918. He is buried in Red Cross Corner Cemetery.

John William Whitnell was killed on 11/7/1917 during preparations for the attack on Pilkem Ridge. He was serving with the 4th Battalion Grenadier Guards and is buried at Canada Farm Cemetery.





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FOR EVERMORE

TO THE GLORY OF GOD
AND IN GRATEFUL MEMORY OF
THE MEN OF HALSTOW
WHO GAVE THEIR LIVES
FOR KING AND COUNTRY
IN THE GREAT WAR
1914 - 1918

HARRY BEANLAND	WILLIAM PAWSEY
HERBERT ARTHUR BROOKS	HARRY REED
WILLIAM HENRY CLARK	SAMUEL SHIVERAL
SAMUEL CRANE	THOMAS SIFLEET
LEONARD DAVIS	EDWARD JAMES SMITH
WALTER CHARLES FINCH	CHARLES HENRY SNELLING
JAMES GILBERT	GEORGE THOMAS WATTS
ALFRED HENRY KING	CHARLES WHITNELL
ALFRED OTTAWAY	JOHN WILLIAM WHITNELL



LET EVERYTHING THAT HATH BREATH PRAISE THE LORD.
TO THE GLORY OF GOD
AND IN PROUD MEMORY OF THE MEN OF LOWER HALSTOW
WHO GAVE THEIR LIVES IN THE SECOND WORLD WAR
1939 - 1945

JAMES WILLIAM CARLTON
JAMES ALBAN COTTON
REGINALD CHARLES FEVER
THOMAS WILLIAM GODMON
HORACE MERCER
JOHN ALBERT PACKHAM

THIS ORGAN WAS DEDICATED BY
GEOFFREY FRANCIS, LORD ARCHBISHOP OF CANTERBURY,
ON LOW SUNDAY, 4TH APRIL 1948.

GERALD STEVENS | Churchwardens.
JOHN SOUTH

GEOFFREY KEABLE, Vicar



Someone has placed the WW2 tribute in a very stupid and awkward position!



