

# *CHIPPENHAM ROLL OF HONOUR*

## *1939-1945*



*May their names be remembered always*

Listed below is a short biography of those brave souls who gave their lives for their country and have a connection to Chippenham

**GALE, REGINALD PERCY** - Lance Corporal T/168267 - 90 Armoured Brigade Company, Royal Army Service Corps - died 8th June 1944 - age 26 - son of Percy and Elsie Gale of Chippenham; husband of Doris Olive Gale of Chippenham - Buried at Hermanville War Cemetery, Calvados, France - Grave/Memorial Reference - 1. D. 22. - Commemorated on the Chippenham Town War Memorial, Market Place, Chippenham

**GILBERT, LESLIE** - Company Quartermaster Sergeant 5770186 - 4th Battalion Royal Norfolk Regiment - died 3rd December 1947 - age 38 - son of Clement Edgar and Clara Emma Gilbert; husband of Kathleen Rosetta Gilbert of Chippenham; Prisoner of War held by the Japanese and released 2nd September 1945 - Buried at Chippenham (St. Paul) Churchyard, Chippenham - Grave/Memorial Reference - S. E. Part - Commemorated in the Memorial Book, St. Paul's Church, Chippenham

**GORDON, HAROLD** - Sergeant (Observer) 747861 - 58 Squadron, Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve - died 3rd March 1941 - age 23 - son of Mr. and Mrs. H. Gordon of Chippenham - Buried at

Hardenhuish (St. Nicholas) Churchyard, Hardenhuish, Wiltshire - Grave/Memorial Reference - East Section Grave 50.

**GOUGH, SIDNEY IVOR** - Private 5573777 - 2/4th Battalion King's Own Yorkshire Light Infantry - died 2nd March 1943 - age 27 - son of Frederick and Elizabeth Maud Gough of Chippenham - Buried at Medjez-El-Bab War Cemetery, Tunisia - Grave/Memorial Reference - 15. E. 2. - Commemorated on the Chippenham Town War Memorial, Market Place, Chippenham

**GREGORY, HENRY FRANK** - Private 5571122 - 8th Battalion Worcestershire Regiment - died 28th to 29th May 1940 - age 21 - son of Albert John and stepson of Clara Jane Gregory of Chippenham - Commemorated on the Dunkirk Memorial, Nord, France - Grave/Memorial Reference - Column 58

**GREY, JAMES WILLIAM** - Electrical Artificer 2nd Class C/MX46477 - Royal Navy - H.M. Submarine Narwhal vessel lost after sailing from Blyth - died 1st August 1940 - age 39 - son of Joseph William and Ada Grey of Chippenham - Commemorated on the Chatham Naval War Memorial, Chatham, Kent - Grave/Memorial Reference - 39. 1. - Commemorated on The Chippenham Secondary School Memorial, Hardenhuish School, Chippenham

**GRIEVES, STEWART** - served 1939-1945 - Commemorated on The Chippenham Secondary School Memorial, Hardenhuish School, Chippenham (There is no defining criteria to identify this casualty in the Commonwealth War Grave Commission Registers)

**HANCOCK, LEONARD JACK** - Trooper 5630905 - 45th Regiment Reconnaissance Corps, Royal Armoured Corps - died 26th March 1944 - age 21 - son of Charles Stanley and Ethel Maud Hancock of Chippenham - Buried at Taukkyan War Cemetery, Myanmar - Grave/Memorial Reference - 13. A. 10.

**HARFORD, RICHARD JESSE** - Staff Sergeant 7586341 - Royal Army Ordnance Corps - died 19th September 1942 - age 29 - son of Richard Jesse and Beatrice Lucy Harford; husband of Florence Vera Harford of Chippenham - Buried at Imphal War Cemetery, Manipur, India - Grave/Memorial Reference - 7. C. 23. - Commemorated on the Chippenham Town War Memorial, Market Place, Chippenham; Commemorated in the Memorial Book, St. Paul's Church, Chippenham

**HART, FREDERICK ALFRED CHARLES** - Gunner 14377989 - 63 Battery, 20 Light Anti-Aircraft Regiment, Royal Artillery - died 17th June 1945 - age 37 - son of William John and Lottie Hart; husband of Florence Amy Hart of Chippenham - Buried at Hamburg Cemetery, Hamburg, Germany - Grave/Memorial Reference - 3A. D. 10. - Commemorated on the Chippenham Town War Memorial, Market Place, Chippenham

**HAWKINS, ENID** - Civilian - died 26th April 1942 at 29 The Paragon, Bath - daughter of Mr. & Mrs. Wilfred Collett of 8 Mont Pleasant, Chippenham; formerly of Giddea Hall; wife of Petty Officer, Edward Hawkins, Royal Navy; employed by Dr. Mary Middlemas as a housekeeper - Buried at St. Margaret's Churchyard, Yatton Keynell

**HAWKINS, GERALD FRANCIS** - Able Seaman D/JX348746 - Royal Navy - H.M.S. Kite (vessel lost whilst on Russian convoy protection duties) - died 21st August 1944 - age 20 - son of Joseph Franks and Sarah Ellen Hawkins of Chippenham - Commemorated on the Plymouth Naval Memorial, Plymouth Hoe, Plymouth, Devon - Grave/Memorial Reference - Panel 86. Column 2. - Commemorated on The Chippenham Secondary School Memorial, Hardenhuish School, Chippenham

**HEDGES, KENNETH** - Trooper 7947001 - The Royal Scots Greys (2nd Dragoons) Royal Armoured Corps - died 17th April 1945 - age 23 - Buried at Becklingen War Cemetery, Soltau, Niedersachsen, Germany - Grave/Memorial Reference - 2. G. 2. - Commemorated on the Chippenham Town War Memorial, Market Place, Chippenham; Commemorated in the Memorial Book, St. Paul's Church, Chippenham (This is the only Kenneth listed in the Commonwealth War Graves Commission Registers)

**HEYNES, THOMAS DAVID** - Major 39280 - Royal Engineers - died 28th May 1943 - age 36 - son of Raphael David and Ethel Mary Heynes; husband of Catherine May Heynes of Chippenham - Buried at Delhi War Cemetery, India - Grave/Memorial Reference - 2. E. 3. - Commemorated on the Chippenham Town War Memorial, Market Place, Chippenham

**HIBBERD, WILFRED REGINALD GEORGE** - Driver T/193900 - 41 Motor Coach Company, Royal Army Service Corps - died between 2nd & 3rd January 1941 of fumes from a stove in his tent - age 26 - son of William John and Frances Matilda Hibberd of Chippenham; husband of Constance Caroline Hibberd of Chippenham - Buried at Hardenhuish (St. Nicholas) Churchyard, Hardenhuish - Grave/Memorial Reference - East Section, Grave 43. - Commemorated on the Chippenham Town War Memorial, Market Place, Chippenham

**HILL, STANLEY GEORGE** - Civilian - died 12th February 1945 - son of Councillor E. A. Hill of Clift Avenue, Chippenham; employed as a civil servant in North Borneo and was interred as a prisoner of war at Kuching Camp before being moved to Jesselton Jail where he died. - Buried in Borneo

**HOLMES, KENNETH JAMES (DFC)** - Pilot Officer (Pilot) 44600 - Royal Air Force - died 18th June 1941 - age 26 - son of Joseph and Annie May Holmes; husband of Mary Holmes of Chippenham - Buried at Chippenham (London Road) Cemetery, Chippenham - Grave/Memorial Reference - Cons. Sec. Grave 1251. - Commemorated on the Chippenham Town War Memorial, Market Place, Chippenham

**HUGHES, MICHAEL** - served 1939-1945 - Commemorated on The Chippenham Secondary School Memorial, Hardenhuish School, Chippenham (There is no defining criteria to identify this casualty in the Commonwealth War Grave Commission Registers)

**HUNT, LESLIE** - Trooper 7889665 - 4th Battalion Royal Tank Regiment, Royal Armoured Corps - died 24th June 1940 - age 21 - son of Frank and Agnes Hunt of Chippenham - Buried at Bradenstoke (St. Mary) Churchyard, Bradenstoke - Grave/Memorial Reference - None recorded

**HUNT, VIOLET MAY** - Civilian - died 26th April 1942 at St. Martin's Hospital, Bath after being injured the day before - age 50 - born in Calne; resident of 8 Stanley Road, Oldfield Park, Bath, Somerset; daughter of Margaret Ann and the late John Thomas Hunt of 13 Springfield Buildings, Chippenham; employed by Pearl Assurance Co. - Commemorated in the Bath County Borough Section of the Civilian War Dead Register, Westminster Abbey, London

**HURLOCK, ALBERT EDWARD** - Able Seaman D/SSX27585 - Royal Navy - H. M. Submarine Olympus on voyage from Malta to Gibraltar - died 8th May 1942 - age 21 - son of James and Mary E. Hurlock of Chippenham, Wiltshire - Commemorated on the Plymouth Naval Memorial, Plymouth Hoe, Plymouth, Devon - Grave/Memorial Reference - Panel 65. Column 2.

**HUXTER, DILYS BESSIE** - Civilian - died 16th November 1940 at 29 Alford Road, London, Middlesex - age 34 - daughter of Walter Longshaw of 17 Audley Road, Chippenham; wife of Percy William Charles Huxter of 29 Alford Road, London, Middlesex; died with her husband and two children, Micahel and Peter Huxter - Commemorated in the Wandsworth Metropolitan Borough Section of The Civilian War Dead Register, Westminster Abbey, London - Commemorated on the Courland Grove Baptist Chapel Memorial, Clapham, London.

**JACQUIER, JOHN FRANCIS** - Sub Lieutenant - Royal Naval Volunteer Reserve - H.M.S. Partridge - vessel was lost in the Western Mediterranean - died 18th December 1942 - son of Mrs. E. G. Jacquier of Chippenham - Commemorated on The Chatham Naval Memorial, Chatham, Kent - Grave/Memorial Reference - 66. 1.

**JAMES, ROBIN ANTHONY VIVIAN** - Ordinary Telegraphist P/JX245700 - Royal Navy - H.M.S. Avenger - vessel was lost West of the Straits of Gibraltar - died 15th November 1942 - age 19 - son of Robin G. and Amy L. James of Corsham - Commemorated on the Portsmouth Naval Memorial, The

Esplanade, Southsea, Portsmouth, Hampshire - Grave/Memorial Reference - Panel 67. Column1. - Commemorated on The Chippenham Secondary School Memorial, Hardenhuish School, Chippenham

**JANSEN, VINCENT DOMINICUS JOSEPHUS** - Leading Aircraftman (U/T Pilot) 1149978 - Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve - Died 1st September 1941 - Age 19 - Born in the Hague, Netherlands on 3rd September 1920 - Buried at Chippenham (London Road) Cemetery, Chippenham - Grave/Memorial Reference - Sec. 1. Row H. Grave 10.

**JOHANSEN, ALFRED** - Private 13000234 - Pioneer Corps - Died 30th May 1941 - Buried at Chippenham (London Road) Cemetery, Chippenham - Grave/Memorial Reference - Cons. Sec. grave 1233.

**JOHNSON, JAMES RUSSELL (AFC)** - Squadron Leader/Pilot 41586 - Empire Central Flying School, Royal Air Force - Died 23rd April 1945 - Age 29 - Son of Arthur Henry Russell and Lola Evelyn Johnson; Husband of Margaret Johnson of Hoole, Cheshire - Buried at Chippenham (London Road) Cemetery, Chippenham - Grave/Memorial Reference - Sec. 1. Row G. Grave 9.

**JONES, HARVEY REGINALD BRAY** - Able Seaman P/JX339771 - H. M. M. T. B., Royal Navy - died 16th March 1944 - age 21 - son of Percy Reginald and Ivy Rebecca Jones of Chippenham; Commemorated on the Portsmouth Naval Memorial, Southsea Common, Southsea, Portsmouth, Hampshire - Grave/Memorial Reference: Panel 82, Column 3. - Commemorated on the Chippenham Town War Memorial, Market Place, Chippenham; Commemorated in the Memorial Book, St. Paul's Church, Chippenham; Commemorated on The Chippenham Secondary School Memorial, Hardenhuish School, Chippenham

**JONES, VICTOR EDWIN COLLETT** - Aircraftman 2nd Class 1414113 - Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve - died 27th January 1942 - age 20 - son of Edwin Collett and Florence Helen Jones of Chippenham - Buried at Chippenham (London Road) Cemetery, Chippenham - Grave/Memorial Reference - Cons. Sec. Grave 759. - Commemorated on the Chippenham Town War Memorial, Market Place, Chippenham

**JONES, WILLIAM FREDERICK** - Flight Sergeant 650318 - 460 Squadron, Royal Air Force - Died 9th April 1943 - Son of Edwin Collet and Florence Helen Jones of Chippenham - Commemorated on the Runnymede Memorial, Englefield Green, Egham, Surrey - Grave/Memorial Reference - Panel 137. - Commemorated on the Chippenham Town War Memorial, Market Place, Chippenham - Commemorated on The Chippenham Secondary School Memorial, Hardenhuish School, Chippenham