Frampton - Record of those on War Memorial and those with a Frampton connection.

<u> 1914 - 1918</u>

Alfred Boothby, 45147, Rifelman, King's Royal Rifle Corps, posted to 16th Bn., London Regiment (Queen's Westminster Rifles),, formerly 7TH T.R. Bn, 41275, East Yorks Regt. Son of Thomas and Elizabeth Boothby, of Frampton West, Boston, Lincs. Killed in action 13th October 1918, aged 19, interred Naves Communal Cemetery Extension, Nord, France.

Horace Brown, Private 260073. 2/6th Battalion, North Staffordshire Regiment, formerly 203626 Lincolnshire Regiment. Killed in action 21st March 1918, aged 19 years. Son of Thomas and Mary Elizabeth Brown of Kirton Holme, Lincs. Born Kirton Holme, enlisted Spalding and resident Boston, Lincs. Commemorated Arras Memorial. Bay 7 and 8.

John Edward Burnett, Corporal 7353. 1st Battalion, Lincolnshire Regiment. Killed in action 12th November 1914, aged 26 years. Husband of Janie Burnett of High Street, Stockbridge, Hants. Born Frampton, enlisted Boston, Lincs and resident Stockbridge, Hants. Commemorated Ypres (Menin Gate) Memorial. Panel 21.

Albert Edge, Private 632. 8th Battalion, Lincolnshire Regiment. Killed in action 20th April 1917. Born Bunbury, Cheshire, enlisted Boston, Lincs and resident Bunbury, Cheshire. Commemorated Arras Memorial. Bay 3 and 4.

Johyn William Elsey, Private 39485. 1st Battalion, Essex Regiment, formerly T/260873 Army Service Corps. Died of wounds 23rd December 1917, aged 19 years. Son of J W and R Elsey of London Road, Frampton, Lincs. Born Frampton (as CWGC) or Kirton (as SDGW and which unspecified), enlisted Bourne and resident Boston, Lincs. *nterred* Etaples Military Cemetery. XXXI.E.29.

Albert Grooby, Private 6161. 1st Battalion, Lincolnshire Regiment. Died 4th December 1918, aged 34 years. Husband of Edith M Grooby of West End, Frampton, Lincs. Born Kirton (which unspecified) and enlisted Boston, Lincs. Interred Hamburg Cemetery. I.D.16.

William Hezzell, Gunner 133909. 237th Siege Battery, Royal Garrison Artillery. Killed in action 10th May 1918. Born Ashby, enlisted Bourne and resident Frampton, Lincs. Interred Chocques Military Cemetery. IV.A.16.

Ernest James Howell, Rifleman C/6554. 18th Battalion, King's Royal Rifle Corps. Killed in action 21st September 1917, aged 27 years. Son of William and Anna Howell of Frampton, Lincs. Born Frampton, Lincs, enlisted Litchfield, Staffs and resident Frampton, Lincs. Commemorated Tyne Cot Memorial. Panel 115 to 119 and 162A and 163A.

American couple in pilgrimage to Boston

Boston

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A COUPLE from America have made a pilgrimage to our Boston to return a bronze memorial plaque (Death Penny) and citation in memory of a Frampton Rifleman killed during the First World War.

George and PJ Rowland, originally from UK shores, made the discovery in an Illinois antique shop.

The memorial is for Rifleman Ernest James Howell, of the King's Royal Rifles, who was killed in action - shot by a German sniper on September 20, 1917.

Mr and Mrs Rowland presented the plaque to Frampton Vicar, the Rev Charles Sowden, during a Sunday morning service at St Mary's Church.

They also laid a wreath at the nearby Frampton War Memorial, which bears the name of Ernest Howell. His name also appears on the church Roll of Honour.

After buying the item, the couple contacted Frampton church via its website editor John Marshall.

Mr Marshall said: "The plaque and citation is a reminder of the sacrifice of Rifleman Howell and so many who gave their lives in the Great War. It is a remarkable tribute to him that retired couple George and PJ Rowland were determined to make the trip from the USA in order that it should have a place of honour in Frampton. It was a moving experience when they presented the plaque. It will now be on permanent display in the church."

Church member and local historian Joan Deane carried out some research but was unable to trace any living relatives of William and Anna Howell - parents of Rifleman Howell - who would have been the original owners of the plaque.

She did, however, discover the death report of Rifleman Howell in a 1917 copy of The Lincolnshire Standard.

In it a letter to his parents from Rifleman Howell's officer read: "It may be some slight consolation to you to know that he died gallantly whilst doing his duty.

"After Captain Henderson was wounded your son became my batman and I cannot tell you how much I personally feel his loss. He was a great favourite both among his officers and men, and very popular throughout the whole battalion.

"On behalf of the officers and men of C Company I wish to offer you our deepest sympathy in your great loss."

Personal details are drawn from the Commonwealth War Graves Commission (CWGC) and the reference ' Soldiers Died in the Great War 1914 – 1919, Army Roll of Honour 1939 – 45 with additional material from Memorial Inscriptions, Bomber Command Losses by W. R. Chorley, Etc as applicable

Charles Lowe, Private 14705. 9th Battalion, Leicestershire Regiment. Killed in action 14th July 1916, aged 29 years. Son of Mrs M A Palmer of London Road, Frampton, Lincs. Born Stetford (?), Lincs and enlisted Oakham, Rutland. Commemorated Thiepval Memorial. Pier and Face 2C and 3A.

Reginald Lowe, Private 70384. 16th Battalion, Royal Welsh Fusiliers, formerly 101558 Royal Engineers. Died of wounds home 2nd May 1918. Son of Ada Smith of Frampton West, Lincs. Born Lincoln and enlisted Hitchin (possibly Hitchin, Herts?), Lincs. Interred Frampton (St Mary and St Michael) Churchyard.

Wilfred Redshaw, Private 45381. 4th Battalion, North Staffordshire Regiment. Died 2nd May 1918, aged 19 years. Son of Mr and Mrs D Redshaw of Frampton West, Lincs. Born Frampton West, enlisted Spalding and resident Frampton West, Lincs. Interred Boulogne Eastern Cemetery. IX.B.27.

John Smalley, Private 26183. 8th Battalion, Leicestershire Regiment. Died of wounds 27th March 1917, aged 21 years. Son of Ada Smith of Frampton West, Lincs. Born Nocton and enlisted Boston, Lincs. Buried Bethune Town Cemetery. VI.C.40.

George Arnold Traves, Private 14893. 3rd Battalion, Lincolnshire Regiment. Died home 20th February 1915, aged 17 years. Born Sydney, Australia and enlisted Boston, Lincs. Buried Frampton (St Mary and St Michael) Churchyard

George Edward Vine, Lance Corporal 203504. 4th Battalion, King's Own Yorkshire Light Infantry, formerly 4042 Northumberland Fusiliers. Died of wounds 10th October 1917, aged 25 years. Son of John Henry and Harriet Vine of Lees Farm, Algarkirk, Lincs. Born Frampton and enlisted Boston, Lincs. Buried Nine Elms British Cemetery. III.C.2.

Ednett Watson, Private 35248. 7th Battalion, King's Own Yorkshire Light Infantry, formerly 4543 Durham Light Infantry. Killed in action 7th October 1916, aged 32 years. Son of Francis and Elizabeth Watson of Kirton in Holland, Lincs. Enlisted Boston, Lincs. Commemorated Thiepval Memorial. Pier and Face 11C and 12A.

William Francis Watson, Private 305158. 5th Battalion, Tank Corps. Died 17th July 1919, aged 31 years. Son of F and E Watson of College Farm, Frampton Marsh, Lincs. Buried Frampton (St Mary and St Michael) Churchyard.

John Henry Woods, Private 75710. 4th Battalion, Northumberland Fusiliers. Died 25th September 1918. Born Kirton (which unspecified) and enlisted Spalding, Lincs. **urdied** Glageon Communal Cemetery Extension. II.J.3.

<u> 1939 - 1945</u>

Cyril Stow, Flight Sergeant (Wireless Operator/Air Gunner) 549630, Royal Air Force. Died 17th December 1941. Interred Terrington St Clement Churchyard..

Known Frampton connection - NOT on memorials

Herbert Brinkley, Corporal 10795. 8th Battalion, Lincolnshire Regiment. Died of wounds 24th April 1917. Born Frampton, enlisted Lincoln and resident Kirton (which unspecified), Lincs. Interred Cabaret-Rouge British Cemetery, Souchez. XV.L.8.

William Arthur Brinkley, Private 27262. 2nd Battalion, Lincolnshire Regiment. Killed in action 18th September 1918, aged 33 years. Son of Robert and Elizabeth Brinkley, husband of Alice Brinkley of 57 Cecil Street, Grantham, Lincs. Born Frampton, enlisted Lincoln and resident Kirton (which unspecified), Lincs. Interred Gouzeaucourt New British Cemetery. II.H.18.

Arthur Crunkhorn, Private 17899. 2nd Battalion, Suffolk Regiment. Killed in action 18th June 1917. Husband of Mary Duggan (formerly Crunkhorn) of Great Shell Farm, Prickwillow, Cambs. Born Frampton, Lincs and enlisted Ely, Cambs. Commemorated Arras Memorial. Bay 4.

Harry Crunkhorn. Also recorded as Crunkhurn in CWGC. Driver T/439034. 2nd Reserve M T Company, Army Service Corps, formerly Royal Field Artillery. Died home 5th November 1918, aged 25 years. Son of James William and Eliza Crunkhorn of Pilleys Lane, Skirbeck, Lincs. Born Frampton, enlisted Bourne and resident Boston, Lincs. Interred Boston Cemetery. G.280.

Charles Dunham, Gunner 161824, 308th Siege Battery, Royal Garrison Artillery. Killed in action 4th November 1917. Born Frampton Marsh, enlisted Boston and resident Kirton in Holland. Interred Menin Road South Military Cemetery. III.H.26.

Albert Horrey, Private 21740. 8th Battalion, Lincolnshire Regiment. Killed in action 15th October 1916, aged 23 years. Son of John and Emma Rebecca Horrey of 23 Dickinson Terrace, Skirbeck, Lincs. Born Frampton, enlisted Boston and resident Skirbeck, Lincs. Interred Vermelles British Cemetery. V.F.7.

John Williams, Private 4132. 4th Battalion, Lincolnshire Regiment. Died of wounds 24th November 1915. Born Frampton and enlisted Boston, Lincs. Interred Merville Communal Cemetery. IV.N.4.