

BROUGHTON WAR MEMORIAL WORLD WAR II

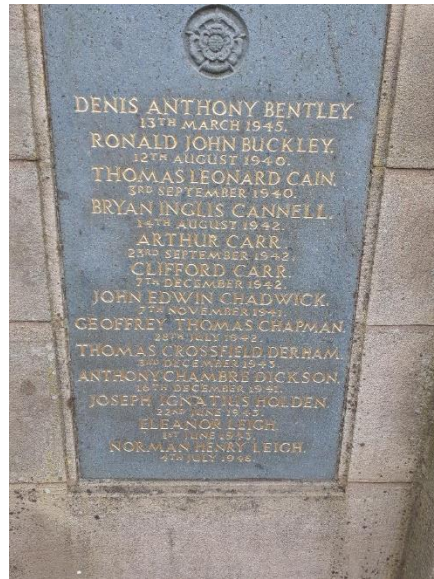
On the 7th May 1945 at 02.41 at SHAEF HQ in Reims the leader of the Flensburg Government of Germany Karl Donitz surrendered. The surrender agreement was modified and finally signed on the 8th May to the Allied forces. This followed the suicide of Adolf Hitler in Berlin on the 30th April 1945.

The 8th May became known as **VE day** or **Victory in Europe** day and this year (2020) 75 years on it has been designated a bank holiday (replacing May day)

On the 15th August 1945 representatives of the Japanese Emperor Hirohito surrender to the allies and the surrender document was signed by the Japanese on the 2nd September 1945. On the 6th & 9th of August 1945 the US air force dropped atomic bombs on Hiroshima & Nagasaki which led to this surrender.

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The following record of the people (including a woman) of Broughton remembered on the Village War memorials has been researched from documents held in various archives. Any inaccuracies are the result of not being able to check source documents in this time of lockdown, Corrections are welcomed.



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Village War Memorial, Garstang Road				
Name	Dates of Birth	Date of death <small>(some are corrected from CWG records)</small>	Rank / Regiment / Honours	Notes
Denis Anthony Bentley	19 th April 1923	15 th March 1945	Corporal: CH/X 107221 Royal Marines HMS Lanka	<p>Probate record: 36 South Drive, Broughton. "Widow" (no record of marriage) Elizabeth Mary Singleton</p> <p>CWG: Son of Thomas & Elizabeth Bentley (Dawson/BMD) of Broughton age 21 Colombo (Liveramentu) Cemetery</p> <p>ADM/104 Piece 107 died of acute Poliomyelitis spinal in the RM Hospital, Colombo</p> <p>ADM 104 Piece 127 rank Act Cpl (ty)</p>
Ronald John Buckley	7 th September 1921	12 th August 1940	Sergeant 987980 RAF Volunteer Reserve 83 rd Squadron	<p>CWG: Runnymede memorial, Eaglefield Green, part 2 panel 12: age 19 son of John & Laura Buckley (Sim BND) of Broughton</p> <p>1939 register: living 12 Broadway with parents working at Leyland paint and varnish as a clerk</p>
Thomas Leonard Cain	11 th June 1920	3 rd September 1940	Aircraftman 2 nd class RAF Volunteer Reserve	<p>Find a grave/CWG: All Saints, Yatesbury, Wiltshire, age 20 son of Thomas William Keig & Annie Cain of Fulwood,</p> <p>1939 register: living with parents at 14th Windsor Drive occupation given as unemployed shoe salesman</p>

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Bryan Inglis Cannell	2 nd quarter 1920	14 th August 1942	1 st Radio Officer Merchant Navy SS Arabistan (London) 161217 Kings Commendation for Brave Conduct	UK shipping roll of honour: age 22 born in Radcliffe/Wigan, Find a grave: Tower Hamlets memorial, London panel 9 CWG: age 22 son of Walter Reah & Jane Susanna Cannell (Barnard BND) of Chelsea Merchant seaman record cards: Horsell, Garstang Road, Broughton next of kin father, Probate: to father "bank manager"
Arthur Carr	Abt 1916	23 rd September 1942	Flight Sergeant RAF 531901	CWG: Alexandria (Hadra) war memorial Cemetery EG 6 Age 27 Son of Arthur & Elizabeth Carr of Houghton Probate: Arthur Carr of Beesley Farm, of Houghton to Luke Carr farmer.
Clifford Carr	Abt 1912	7 th December 1942	Flight Sergeant RAF Volunteer Reserve 1378971 102 squadron	CWG: Runnymede memorial, Eaglefield Green, part 3 panel 3 Son of Norman & Sarah Carr, husband of Annie Carr, (Dougall m 1940) Newcastle upon Tyne, Age 30
John Edwin Chadwick	30 th July 1922	7/8 th November 1941	Sergeant pilot 7 th Squadron Royal Air Force volunteer reserve 1009519	CWG: Reichswold Field War cemetery, Germany 11.B.11son of Samuel Edwin & Ethel Elaine Burnett (Walmsley) Chadwick of Woodside Park, Barnet, Middlesex NA: POW records WO/416/61/289 (Capture/death) 1939 register: Crosby, Lancashire father travelling Pharmacist. Note: father was in the RAF in WW1 BMD: 3 rd quarter 1922, mother Walmsley, Preston. Parents' marriage 4 th quarter 1921. Father & Mother born and lived in Fulwood, grandparents living at 7 Blackbull Lane.

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Geoffrey Thomas Chapman	Abt 1917	28 th July 1942	Pilot Officer RAF Volunteer Reserve 129144	CWG: Fleetwood Borough Cemetery section H C of E grave 25. Son of James Arthur & Emile Chapman, husband of Marjorie Chapman of Fulwood, Preston. Age 25
Thomas Crossfield Derham	18 th April 1910	3 rd December 1943	Gunner Royal Artillery 1146385	CWG: Casino War Cemetery XXE15 son of Dr Thomas Crossfield Derham & Edith Hanson Derham. Husband of Margaret Irene Derham (Smith married 1941 in Battersea) of 33 Wix Street, Clapham Common London. Age 33 Originally buried as unknown then "details from disc artillery badge on FSC cap found in grave. RA flashes found in wallet also signet ring engraved "T.C.D." " Other: Father doctor of 1/1 Albert Terrace, Garstang Road, Preston. One of 5 children with a twin brother William Heaton Derham
Anthony Chambre Dickson	10 th August 1916	16 th December 1941	Captain 88 th Field Regiment of the Royal Artillery 70152	CWG: Taiping War Cemetery, Perak, Malaysia 3 A 10 cross with inscription. Age 25 son of Alfred Eric & Kathleen Dickson. Husband of Olga Mary Dickson (Worthington) of Preston Lancashire 1939 register: Regular army living with parents at Broughton Park, father solicitor. Other: married Olga at Broughton church in 1941
Joseph Ignatius Holden	3 rd quarter 1922	22 nd June 1943	Private AC2 84 th squadron RAF (VR) 1063408	CWG: Ambon War Cemetery part 1 Indonesia POW . Son of Richard & Mary (Worden) Holden of Fulwood, Probate: Richard Ignatius Holden died 22 nd June 1943 of Woodplumpton Lodge, Woodplumpton. Father Richard a retired PO chief superintendent

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Eleanor Leigh	12 th August 1911	1 st June 1943	Junior Commander ATS	<p>CWG: buried St Cuthbert's Church, Lytham age 31 parents William & Eleanor A M Leigh(Myers) of Grey Gables, Barton</p> <p>1939 register: Resident at the Infantry Training Centre for the East Lancashire Regiment at Lytham St Anne's, pre-war occupation is listed as unpaid domestic duties</p> <p>Probate: Listed as aged 31 a spinster died at Lea Lodge, Lea probate to Catherine S Cowburn (widow) her older sister</p>
Norman Henry Leigh	3 rd quarter 1922	4 th July 1946	Leading Aircraftman 1491710 RAF Volunteer reserve	<p>CWG: Preston Cemetery, New Hall lane Section K.K. c/e grave 288 son of Henry & Jane Ellen Leigh of Broughton, Preston</p> <p>Probate: to Jane Leigh wife of Henry of 12 Queens Avenue, Fulwood, died at home</p> <p>BMD: 3rd quarter of 1922 mother Stratham</p>
Terence Anthony Lendrum	4 th quarter 1919 in Cardiff	15 th to 19 th November 1940	Ordinary Signalman C/JX 185141 MV Apapa Royal Navy	<p>CWG: Lost at sea and remembered on the Chatham Naval Memorial, Kent 31.1, Aged 21 son of William B & Agnes G (McLean) of Broughton.</p> <p>Probate: To his father a commercial traveller of Adastra, Lightfoot Lane, Broughton</p> <p>Mentioned in despatches</p>
James Mason	Abt 1919	16 th July 1944	Private 156875 1 st Royal Norfolk Regiment	<p>CWG: age 25 Buried at Rayville War Cemetery, Calvados, France, 111 E 21 Son of William & Catherine Mason o Broughton</p>

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Samuel Myerscough	2 nd quarter 1919	20 th November 1943	Craftsman7623503 18 th Ordnance Division Workshops. Royal Electrical & Mechanical Engineers	CWG: Kanchanburi War Cemetery, Thailand 4.C.58 POW age 24 son of John & Margaret Myerscough (Berry) of Broughton Probate: aged 24 of 3 Whittingham Lane, Broughton estate to John Myerscough retired blacksmith
Charles Naylor	3 rd Quarter 1940	19 th June 1940	Sergeant 518907 9 th squadron RAF	CWG: Remembered on the Runnymede Memorial, Eaglefield Green, and Panel 17 age 20 son of Charles & Mildred (Innes) of Fulwood. 1939 register: parents living at Aruba, Brookside Road, Fulwood, father a commercial traveller
Norman Parkinson	17 th May 1917	2 nd October 1942	Private 3859455 2 nd Battalion The Loyal Regiment (North Lancashire)	CWG: Yokohama War Cemetery, Japan British section F.D.9 age 25 POW son of Harold & Evelyn Parkinson (Walker) of Broughton 1939 register: Living with parents at 15 Garstang Road, Fulwood. Working as a commercial salesman in small ware alongside his sister and father, employing a servant.
Donald Robertson	5 th May 1906	6 th August 1944	Lieutenant Colonel 120761 7 th battalion Seaforth Highlanders	CWG: Bayeux War Cemetery, Normandy age 38 son of Duncan John & Margaret Kier Robertson of Orkney and husband of Joan L Robertson of Broughton, Preston Probate: Duncan Robertson of Grantit House, Orkney to Joan Leigh Robertson (Toulin) 1939 register: Brooklands, Broughton assistant manager of daily newspaper, living with wife and manager of paper.

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George Nevil Sutton	2 nd quarter 1919	3 rd May 1943	Flying officer 125815 540 Squadron RAF (volunteer reserve)	CWG: Runnymede Memorial, Eaglefield Green, Panel 129 age 24 son of George Newton & Elizabeth G Sutton of Fulwood Lancashire
George Telford Stevenson	6 th December 1919	16 th October 1943	Lance Bombardier 910785 88 th Field Regiment Royal Artillery	CWG: Chungkai War Grave, Thailand 9.B.4 POW age 24 son of Percy Telford & Amanda (McAvoy) Stevenson and husband of Margaret Mary Maddock of Fulwood. BMD: married September 1941
William Wallbank		10 th July 1944		? wrong death date
John Walmsley	Abt 1912	13 th June 1944	1127932 RAF Volunteer Reserve 179 squadron	CWG: Runnymede memorial, Eaglefield Green, I Panel 215 age 33 husband of Kathleen Walmsley of Fulwood. Probate: To Kathleen (his daughter) & Sarah Walmsley (his wife) widows of 23 Yewlands Avenue, Broughton
John Nelson Wilkinson	Abt 1919	18 th July 1945	Bombardier 88 th Field regiment of the Royal Artillery 870012	CWG: Kanchanabin War Cemetery, Thailand 26.D.76 Age 26 POW Probate: To widow Elizabeth Christine Wilkinson of 204 Blackpool Road, Lea died at Prechvab Manoi
Henry Wrennall	3 rd quarter 1915	15 th October 1940	Leading Stoker Royal Navy C/KX 83894	CWG: Chatham War Memorial Part 7.38. on or about 19 th October 1940 HM Submarine "Rainbow "Age 24 son of Joseph & Isabell Wrennall Probate: Henry Wrennall of 12 Hawkshurst Avenue, Broughton son of Joseph & Isabell Wrennall BMD: 3 rd Quarter 1915 mother Wilson

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Ferryhalgh War Memorial				
(Peter) Kevin Heller	April 1923	10 th April 1944	Petty/Pilot Officer 133364 Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve	CWG: Runnymede memorial, Eaglefield Green Panel 211 Age 20 son of Frederick & Mary Philomena Heller of Fulwood 1939 Register: living at Fulwood Lodge, Longsands Lane with parents and 3 siblings, "father sausage casing manufacturer" BMD: April 1923 mother Kilroe
Denis (Anthony) Bentley	19 th April 1923	16 th March 1945	Acting Corporal, CH/X107221 Royal Marines	CWG: Colombo (Liveramentu) cemetery, Sri Lanka 2.B.11 Age 21 HMS Lanka son of Thomas & Elizabeth Mary Bentley of Broughton Army & Navy BMD: Died on board RM Hospital Ship of Spinal Polio Myelitis Probate: Denis Anthony Bentley of 36 South Drive, Broughton to (mother) Elizabeth Mary (Singleton) Bentley widow.
James Mason	Abt 1919	18 th July 1944	Private, 1567875 1 st Battalion Royal Norfolk Regiment	CWG: Ronville War Cemetery Calvados, France 111.E.21 Son of Thomas & Catherine Mary Mason of Broughton, Lancashire 1939 register: Parents are living at Church Farm, Broughton his father is a farmer and his brother a milkman