Remembering those who died during WWI and WWII



The War Memorial, fixed to Spondon Library, lists 103 Spondon men who lost their lives, only 17 men are buried in Spondon Cemetery. They are among the 1.3 million men and women of the Commonwealth who died during the two World Wars.



Before WWI, marked graves were rare and little was recorded officially. Sir Fabian Ware believed this should change. He was too old to fight and became the commander of a mobile Red Cross Unit. Concerned that the final resting place of those who died would be lost forever, his unit began recording all the graves they could find. By 1915, their work was given recognition by the War Office and became the Directorate of Graves Registration and Enquires. This led to

the formation of the Imperial War Graves Commission, now the Commonwealth War Graves Commission.

There were three founding principles:

- 1. Each of the Commonwealth dead should be commemorated by name on a headstone or memorial. (In 1918 559,000 dead were registered as having no known grave);
- 2. Headstones and memorials should be permanent;
- 3. Headstones should be uniform with no distinction for rank or status.

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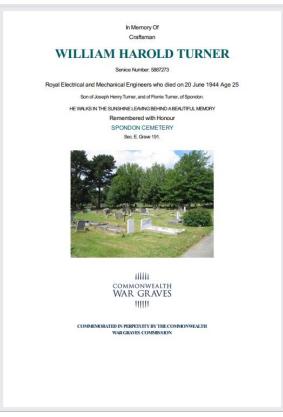
The decision was made to have non-repatriation of those who died. The majority of the 185,00 service personnel buried in the UK died at home in military hospitals, others died through training accidents, air raids or killed in action in the air or sea in costal water.

Seventeen men are buried in Spondon Cemetery

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Name, Rank & Service No.	Unit, Regiment, Country of Service	Date of Death	Commemorated at		EDWARD IEFFS	M.T.		SPONDON	
FRANK STEPHEN ASHBY Driver Service Number: 110098	Royal Army Service Corps United Kingdom	Died 12 January 1947 27 years old	SPONDON CEMETERY Grave 1129. United Kingdom	More details ↓ Save to My list	Private Service Number: M/270928	Army Service Corps United Kingdom	Died 04 December 1916	830. (U). United Kingdom	More details
C CAMM Bugler Service Number: 10117	Depot King's Own Yorkshire Light Infantry United Kingdom	Died 01 April 1917 26 years old	SPONDON CEMETERY 483. (CE). United Kingdom	More details	JOHN GEORGE LAWSON Air Mechanic 2nd Class Service Number: FX.737218	H.M.S. Gosling Royal Navy United Kingdom	Died 02 June 1945 18 years old	SPONDON CEMETERY Sec. E. Grave 239. United Kingdom	More details كا Save to My list
ALBERT LLEWELYN COPPING Engine Room Artificer 4th Class Service Number: C/MX97810	Royal Navy United Kingdom	Died 12 February 1946 29 years old	SPONDON CEMETERY Grave 1025. United Kingdom	More details	FRANK LITTLE Sergeant Service Number: 751534	40 Sqdn. Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve United Kingdom	Died 30 August 1940 30 years old	SPONDON CEMETERY Sec. E. Grave 304. United Kingdom	More details
GRANVILLE TREVOR CORDON Warrant Officer Service Number: 1581673	254 Sqdn. Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve United Kingdom	Died 26 April 1946 22 years old	SPONDON CEMETERY Sec. E. Grave 93. United Kingdom	More details ✓ Save to My list	WILLIAM HENRY MARTIN Aircraftman 1st Class Service Number: 852819	Royal Air Force (Auxiliary Air Force) United Kingdom	Died 07 April 1943 41 years old	SPONDON CEMETERY Sec. E. Grave 167. United Kingdom	More details
DONALD DUNLOP Serjeant Service Number: 7889401	1st Derbyshire Yeomanry Royal Armoured Corps United Kingdom	Died 09 July 1941 25 years old	SPONDON CEMETERY Sec. E. Grave 165. United Kingdom	More details	ERNEST McCARTHY Serjeant Service Number: 7889339	East Yorkshire Regiment United Kingdom	Died 17 January 1942 23 years old	SPONDON CEMETERY Sec. E. Grave 606.	More details
ARTHUR SIDNEY HANCOCKS	1st Derbyshire Yeomanry	Died 04 September 1941 22 years old	SPONDON CEMETERY Sec. E. Grave 68. United Kingdom	More details	Service (valider, 7003555			United Kingdom	Save to My list
Trooper Service Number: 7895449	Royal Armoured Corps United Kingdom			(♣) Save to My list	KENNETH DENNIS PRITCHETT Artificer Electrical 5th Class	H.M.S. Fencer Royal Navy	Died 16 July 1947	SPONDON CEMETERY Grave 868.	More details
WILLIAM MAWREY HARVEY Sergeant Service Number: 1582500	Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve United Kingdom	Died 04 May 1944	SPONDON CEMETERY Sec. E. Grave 214. United Kingdom	More details	Service Number: C/MX. 118018	United Kingdom	22 years old	United Kingdom	Save to My list
				راب Save to My list	FREDERICK WILLIAM FRANCIS TENNISON	16 Bomb Disposal Coy.		SPONDON CEMETERY	More details
J HATTON Private Service Number: 69257	11th Bn. Royal Welsh Fusiliers United Kingdom	Died 25 November 1918 37 years old	SPONDON CEMETERY 600. (CE). United Kingdom	More details	Sapper Service Number: 1890829	Royal Engineers United Kingdom	Died 26 April 1943	Sec. E. Grave 189. United Kingdom	Save to My list
			SPONDON CEMETERY 838. (U). United Kingdom	- Jave to my lat	WILLIAM HAROLD TURNER Craftsman Service Number: 5887273	Royal Electrical and Mechanical Engineers United Kingdom	Died 20 June 1944 25 years old	SPONDON CEMETERY	More details
ARTHUR JOHN JEFFS Lance Corporal Service Number: 24676	South Wales Borderers United Kingdom	Died 09 February 1916 20 years old		More details				Sec. E. Grave 191. United Kingdom	J Save to My list

William Turner is buried in Spondon Cemetery. The inscription at the base of the headstone was chosen by his next of kin.



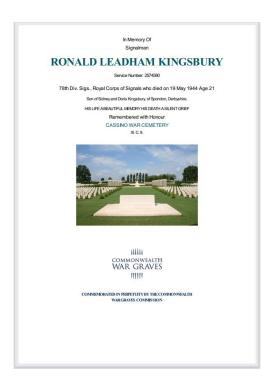




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Ronald Leadham Kingsbury is buried overseas at Cassino War Cemetery.





Details of those commemorated can be found on the Commonwealth War Graves Commission www.cwgc.org. There is an increasing amount of information on the website. As can be seen above it is possible to print a commemorative certificate, which includes any personal inscription selected by the family.

During the Summer there are tours of the cemeteries, including Nottingham Road Cemetery where there are 194 WWI graves, 146 WWII graves, 3 MOD graves and two soldier's graves looked after by the CWGC. Organisations are also able to book in person and virtual talks about the work of the CWGC.

