

Remembered in Bradford Cathedral 1914–1918

The tablet was created in 1922 to commemorate those connected to Bradford Parish Church and its associated organisations who made the supreme sacrifice. 64 names were included, just initials and surnames with no distinction by status or rank. Each one is valued and remembered equally. Some remain anonymous but the majority can be traced using birth, baptism, marriage, census, military and newspaper records and directories. Some are identified because their address was near the Cathedral or close relatives were baptised/married in the church. The majority died and were buried a long way from home and family. In some cases, a body may not have been recovered.

- 7 families lost 2 sons.
- 2 men may have been cousins.
- 2 had a child born after their death.
- 3 were grandsons of naturalised German immigrants who had settled in Bradford and had businesses near the parish church.
- 3 men were sailors, 2 were airman and 54 were soldiers, 5 unidentified
- 2 do not appear to be related but must have enlisted at the same time because they have consecutive service numbers in the same unit.

- 4 died at the start of the Somme offensive, 2 were Bradford Pals.
- Their ages at date of death ranged from 18 to 41 years.

The names are in the order listed on the tablet.

Edgar Asling was born in 1895 in Halifax, son of Edward Asling and Clara Riley. By 1911 he was living on Heap Lane and was working as a doffer in a worsted mill. He served as a private no. 10842 in the Duke of Wellington's West Riding regiment and died on 7th May 1915, aged 20. He is remembered/buried in the BAILLEUL communal cemetery extension.

Godfrey Harold Averdieck was born in 1884 in Bradford, son of George Herman Averdieck and Emma Wechmar. His grandfather Herman Averdieck was a naturalised British citizen born in Hamburg, Germany. He came first to Manchester and then settled in Bradford. The business traded as Kessler and Co. Ltd at 64 Vicar Lane. In 1911 Godfrey was a wool merchant living in Harrogate. He served as a 2nd Lieutenant in 16th Kings Royal Rifle Corps

and died on 11th March 1916 aged 31. He is remembered/buried in the CAMBRINI churchyard extension.

His brother **George Gerald Averdieck** was born in Manningham on 27th July 1888. He married Mabel Fawcett at St Margaret's Ilkley on 26th June 1915 and was also a wool merchant living in Harrogate. He served as a lieutenant and later captain in the 10th Rifle Brigade and died on 14th September 1916 aged 28 in Manchester Military Hospital. He is buried/remembered at St Peter's Rawdon where his grandparents had lived.

James Allcock Ballard was born 1887 in Stapenhill, Staffordshire. His parents were James Hudston Ballard and Ann(ie) Allcock. He was a motor body maker living at 64 Leamington Street, Manningham. He served as a corporal no. M2/265937 in 5th MT company Royal Army Service Corps. It is recorded that he died of heat stroke on 11th June 1919 aged 32 and he is buried/remembered at Kipling Memorial 3, Tehran War cemetery.

George Arthur Beaumont was born on 3rd December 1891 at Priestman Street, the son of William Beaumont and Mary Barraclough. He was baptised at Bradford Parish Church on 7th August 1892 and spent some time as a

chorister. He married Amy Ann Smith at the same church on 24th April 1915 and they lived at Upper Mossar Street. He served in the 6th Kings Own Yorkshire Light Infantry, no 14529. He was wounded on 1st July 1916 but returned to service and died on 9th April 1917 aged 25 years. He is buried/remembered at TILLOY British Cemetery, Tilloy Les Mofflaine.

Harry Pearson Bedell was born in Carlisle in 1899. His parents were George Terry Bedell, who had been baptised at Bradford Parish Church, and Isabella(?) Pearson and the family later lived on Barkerend Road. Harry served as private no. 53063 in the 6th Lincolnshire regiment. He died on 6th November 1918 aged 18 or 19 years and is buried/remembered in TOURNAI communal cemetery, Belgium.

(Joseph Harry) Henry Biddles was born on 31st March 1895 and baptised at St Augustine's, son of Henry Biddles and Florence May Hammond who had married at Bradford Parish Church on 29th September 1894. He later lived on Ripon Street and worked as a worsted spinner and then for the Midland Railway company. He served as a private no 306600 in the 2/7th Duke of Wellington's West Riding regiment and died on 3rd May 1917 aged 22. He is remembered/buried at ARRAS.

His brother **Walter Biddles** was born on 19th October 1897 at Chatham Street and was also baptised at St Augustine's and worked for the Midland Railway company. He served as a lance corporal no. 175782 in the Queen's own Yorkshire Dragoons cycle regiment. He died on 21st October 1918 aged 21 and is buried/remembered at KORTRIJK communal cemetery, Belgium.

Edwin Harland Bower was born in Morecambe in 1897, son of Henry Emerson Bower and Ada Stockton. The family later lived at St Andrew's Place and Edwin was educated at Bradford Grammar School and Sandhurst. He served as lieutenant no. 90129 in the Yorks and Lancaster regiment and died on 21st March 1918 aged 20 or 21 and is remembered/buried at ARRAS. An earlier newspaper report records that he had been gassed in May 1917.

William Edward Broadbent was born in 1887. His parents were George Broadbent and Sarah Elizabeth Brown and he married Mary Bradley at St Mary's East Parade on 12 January 1907. They had a son Horace Broadbent born on 24th January 1908 and baptised at Bradford Parish Church. A second son George T Broadbent was born in 1917. The family lived at Wapping Road and then in 1911 he is alone at 119 Garnett Street, Leeds Road. William was a dyer's labourer and served as a lance corporal no.

240288 (previously 1762) in 1/6th Prince of Wales Own West Yorkshire regiment. He died on 24th April 1918 aged 30 and is buried/remembered at OOSTTAVERNE wood cemetery Belgium. His father had been baptised and married at Bradford Parish Church, and also a brother married.

Rowland Holbrey Brown/e (spelling varies) was born on 27th November 1893, son of Robert Brown and Martha Mitchell, and baptised at Bradford Parish Church on 27th December 1893. The family lived at 45 Butler Street and Rowland worked as a stuff(wool) warehouseman. He served as a private no. 533440 in the 15th London Regiment and died in Egypt on 27th December 1917 aged 24.

Thomas Bryant was born in 1895. His parents were Stephen Bryant, a shoemaker, and Mary Hudson. Several of their other children were baptised and married at Bradford Parish Church. In 1911 Thomas was a tape sewer in a worsted mill and lived at 34 Valley Road. He served as a private no. 241414 in the 6th Prince of Wales Own West Yorkshire regiment and died on 1st December 1917 aged 22 years. He is buried/remembered at AMIENS, St Pierre. (Image used with permission of Fiona Allen)



Thomas Bryant

Harry Clarkson was born in 1894, son of John Clarkson and Christiana/Chrissy Simpson who had married at Bradford Parish Church on 4th February 1888. Some of his siblings were baptised and married at Bradford Parish Church. He lived at 8 Hillside Villas, worked as an office clerk and then served as a gunner/acting bombardier no. 26597 in the Royal Field Artillery. He died on 27th June 1917 aged 23 and is buried/remembered at La Targette British Cemetery, Neuville–St. Vaast.

Willie Metcalf(e) Dinsdale was born on 1st July 1893. His birth name was Metcalfe. There are two baptisms recorded at Bradford Parish Church, one the day after his birth and again one month later. His mother was Mary Ellen Metcalfe and no father is listed. No explanation is given but it is possible that the first occasion was just a short prayer at the family home if the infant was not expected to survive, sometimes called a private baptism, and then full baptism in church at the later date. Mary Ellen Metcalfe married Tom Dinsdale in 1895 at Bradford Parish Church and Willie used the name Dinsdale. In 1911 he was a grocer's assistant of 111 Ventnor St. He served as a private no. 18/446 in 18th Prince of Wales Own West Yorkshire regiment and died on 1st July 1916, the start of the Battle of the Somme and also his 23rd birthday. He is buried/remembered at PUISIEUX, Queens Cemetery.

Ralph Dinsdale was born 1894, son of Alfred Dinsdale and Mary Elizabeth Rowe who had been married in Bradford Parish Church. Ralph was the nephew of the above Tom Dinsdale and attended Sunday school and Lads Brigade at Bradford Parish Church. The family lived at 213 Wapping Rd and Ralph worked as a hoist attendant in a spinning mill. He served as a stretcher bearer no. 242147 (previously 18339) in the 2/5th (previously 11th) Duke of Wellington's West Riding regiment and died on 30th March 1918 aged 24 years. He is buried/remembered at ARRAS, France.

Henry Dobson was born in 1896. His parents Thomas Hyde Dobson and Mary Temple Dixon had married in Bradford Parish Church on 11th February 1895. Henry married Alice Birch at St John's Bowling on 1st August 1915. Twins were born on 20th December 1915, Nellie Dobson and Thomas H Dobson, but Thomas died soon after birth. They lived at 9 Heath Terrace and Henry was a warehouseman. He served as a rifleman no. 267803 in the Prince of Wales Own West Yorkshire regiment, died on 9th October 1917 aged 21 years and is buried/remembered at TYNE COT cemetery.

George Farrar was born on 6th February 1897 son of George Farrar and Eliza Ann Cox. The family lived at 134 George Street and George junior was a worsted cap

doffer. He served as a private no. 493731 in the Labour Corps and died in the UK on 15th October 1918 aged 21 years.

His brother **Thomas Farrar** was born on 15th August 1892 and was baptised at Bradford Parish Church on 2nd October 1892. He worked as a warehouseman and served as a private no. 3307 in the 1/6th Prince of Wales Own West Yorkshire regiment. He died on 1st or 2nd July 1916 aged 23 at the beginning of the Battle of the Somme and is buried/remembered on the THIEPVAL memorial.

Bernard Fred Foster was born in 1900. His parents were John Foster and Frances Uttley. His widowed mother had remarried in Bradford Parish Church in 1909. The family lived on North Wing. Bernard served as a private no. 64102 in 1st Prince of Wales Own West Yorkshire regiment and died on 17th September 1918 aged 18 years. He is buried/remembered at VIS-en-ARTOIS.

Ernest Foster was born on 14th March 1897 and baptised at Bradford Parish Church on 7th April 1897, son of William Foster and Faith Barraclough. They lived at 72

Wellington Street, Stott Hill and Ernest was a woollen roving piler. He served as an able seaman in the Royal Naval Volunteer Reserve aboard SS Clan Morrison. He died on 31st October 1918 aged 21 and is remembered on the CHATHAM Naval Memorial.

Harold Foster was born in 1894, son of Richard Morland Foster and Adela Maud Huntley. The family lived on Barkerend Road and later on Finsbury Drive, Bolton Villas. He worked as a warehouseman and then served as an acting sergeant no. 1744 in the 6th Prince of Wales Own West Yorkshire regiment. He died on 19th November 1915 aged 21 years and is remembered/ buried at YPRES Menin Gate.

His brother **Philip Foster** was born in 1896. In 1911 he was attending school. He served as a lance corporal no. 13067 in the 20th Royal Fusiliers London regiment and died on 21st October 1916 aged 20 years. He is remembered/buried at the THIEPVAL memorial.

William Boileau Hargreaves was born on 8th May 1887 and baptised at Bradford Parish Church, where his parents had previously been married, on 4th September 1880. He was son of Walter Hargreaves, a policeman, and Harriet Boileau Wickens. He married Teresa Whelan in 1906 and

they lived at 174 Ripon Street and later 52 Mulberry Street, Otley Road. They had 3 children, Charles born 1908, Winifrede born 1910 and Cecelia born 1914. William worked as an attendant at the Hippodrome picture house on Barkerend Road. He served as a private no. 32675 in the 25th Royal Fusiliers London regiment and died in Africa in February 1917 aged 29. He is remembered/buried in MOROGORO cemetery, Tanzania. The cause of death may have been dysentery.

Ephraim Marshall Harrison was born in 1891, son of William Harrison and Dinah Marshall who had married at Bradford Parish Church in 1874. Ephraim married Violetta Clough at Bradford Parish Church on 16th August 1913. One child, Arthur W Harrison, was born in 1914. They lived at North Brook Place, Bolton Rd and he worked as a sawyer. He served as a private no. 133 in the Prince of Wales Own West Yorkshire regiment and died on 18th April 1918 aged 26. He is remembered/buried at GONNEHEM.

Barton Horace Hodgson was born in 1896. His parents were John Hodgson and Sarah E Mathers. The family lived on Priestley Street near Captain Street and Barton worked as a doffer. He served as a private no. 300066 in the Duke of Wellington's West Riding regiment and died on 21st November 1917 aged 21. He is buried/remembered

at the CAMBRAI Memorial. A brother and sister were baptised at Bradford Parish Church.

His brother **Uttley Hodgson** was born in 1894 and was baptised at Bradford Parish Church on 7th March 1910. His profession was hairdresser. He served as a gunner no. 785827 in the Royal Field Artillery and died on 18th August 1917 aged 23. He is buried/remembered in MENDINGHEM military cemetery.

Harold Holt was born on 16th February 1886 and baptised at Bradford Parish Church on 14th March 1886. His parents were Thomas Holt and Mary Helena Powell. He served as an acting sergeant no. 6496 in the 18th Hussars and died on 13th May 1915 aged 29. He is buried/remembered at YPRES Menin Gate.

His brother **John Leonard Holt** was born on 26th February 1899 and baptised at Bradford Parish Church on 23rd April 1899. The family lived at 123 Tennyson Place. He served as a 2nd lieutenant in the 88th Royal Flying Corps and died on 16th March 1918 aged 19. He is buried/remembered at SANT-SOUPLET British Cemetery, Nord Pas de Calais.

Albert Horsfall was born in 1887. His parents were Thomas Henry Horsfall and Annie Rowlands. He married

Lucy Townsend at Bradford Parish Church on 22nd December 1912. He worked as a warehouseman and they lived at 304 Moorside Road, Eccleshill. A daughter Lilian was born on 31st January 1915. Albert served as private no 205558 in the 1/7th Duke of Wellington's West Riding regiment. He died on 15th October 1918 aged 31 and is buried/remembered at BUCQUOY Rd FICHEUX. His widow remarried at Eastbrook Hall in 1923 to Harold Irving.

John (William) Illingworth was born in 1893. His parents Thomas Padget Illingworth and Hannah Dunn(w)ell had married at Bradford Parish Church on 13th March 1880. John married Annie Blakey at Holy Trinity, Bradford, on 1st December 1915. He worked as a warehouseman and lived at 115 Ventnor Street. He served as no. 32413 in the Yorks and Lancs regiment, died on 25th September 1918 aged 25 and is buried/remembered at BRIE department de la Somme, Picardie.

N Ingham (Charles Norman) was born in 1899, the only child of William Charles Ingham and Florence Kershaw of 819 Bolton Road. He worked as a clerk before serving as a private no. 53676 in the 1/5th Prince of Wales Own West Yorkshire regiment. He died on 12th October 1918 aged 19 and is buried/remembered in the Wellington Cemetery, Rieux-En-Cambresis.

Harry/Henry Keeler was born on 19th August 1896 and baptised at Bradford Parish Church on 20th September 1896, son of John T Keeler and Emily Perkins. They lived at King Charles Street, Otley Road, and Harry worked in a worsted mill. He served as a private no. G/52485 in the 2nd Middlesex regiment and died on 28th February 1918 aged 21 and he is buried/remembered at POELCAPELLE British Cemetery, Flanders.

Harry Kendall was born at Queensbury in 1894, son of Joseph Henry Kendall and Sarah Fawthrop. He moved to Wordsworth Street, Barkerend, and worked as a mechanic and woolcomber. He married Ada Slingsby at Christ Church Windhill on 6th February 1915 and served as a drummer no. 18/634 in the 18th Prince of Wales Own West Yorkshire regiment. He died on 1st July 1916, the start of the Battle of the Somme, aged 22 and is remembered/buried at the THIEPVAL memorial.

Willie Kershaw was born in 1887. His parents were Abraham Kershaw and Emma Susannah Hayward. He was a dyer's traveller living at 6 Coleridge Place. He served as a private no. 10140 in the 2nd Honourable Artillery Company and died on 9th October 1917 aged 30. He is buried/remembered at the TYNECOT MEMORIAL, ZONNEBEKE, WEST FLANDERS. His sister was married at Bradford Parish Church in 1919.

Frank Christopher (Chris) Kinge was born in Sutton Coldfield in 1895, son of Charles Kinge and Emma Maiden. In Bradford he lived at 127 Boldshay View, Tennyson Place and worked as a solicitor's clerk. He served as a gunner/sergeant no. 780092 in the Royal Field Artillery (territorial) regiment and died on 18th March 1918 aged 23. He is buried/remembered at the Belgian Battery Corner Cemetery, YPRES.

Harold Kitson was born in 1887 in Eastbourne and his parents were William Kitson and Sarah Ann Shaw. He served as a 2nd lieutenant in the 5th Yorkshire regiment and married Mary Eleanor Curtis at Bradford Parish Church on 16th February 1918. He died on 21st October 1918 aged 30 and is buried/remembered at BRILLON communal cemetery, France.

Wilfred Leadbeater was born in Settle in 1893, son of Charles Leadbeater and Mary Elizabeth Ann Gibbon. In 1901 and 1911 he was recorded as living in Barnsley and he worked as an iron moulder's apprentice. He served as a gunner no. 22008 in the Royal Field Artillery and died on 28th July 1916, aged 23. His residence was given as 17

Worthington Street, Otley Road and he is buried/remembered at Vlamertinghe Military Cemetery.

Sam Lister was born in 1888 in Hunslet, son of John Lister and Mary Hannah Dilworth. He married Mary Elizabeth Worth at Bradford Parish Church on 4th May 1907. In 1911 he worked as a cotton bleacher in a dye house and they lived at Gale Street, Princeville. There were no children. He served as a lance corporal no. 15200 in the 10th Duke of Wellington's West Riding regiment. He died on 10th July 1916 and is buried/remembered at the THIEPVAL memorial. His age was recorded as 30 but he may have been aged 28. His widow died in 1918.

John Theodore Cameron Margetts was born on 16th February 1892 in Toynton, Lincolnshire. His parents were Reverend William John Margetts and Clara Charlotte Cameron. In 1901 and 1911 his father was vicar of St John's Baildon and Cameron enlisted in Bradford but by 1915 the family had moved to Beckford, near Tewkesbury in Gloucestershire. Cameron worked as an insurance clerk for Scottish Widows at 21 Bridge Street. He served as a private/lance corporal no. 2220 in the 1/6th Prince of Wales Own West Yorkshire regiment and died on 11th December 1915 age 23. He is buried/remembered at HOSPITAL FARM Cemetery, West Flanders.

John Leonard Metcalfe was born in 1876 son of John Metcalfe and Catherine Broadbent, both from Bingley, and he married Louisa Oates on 5th March 1904 at Shipley St Paul. They lived on Airedale College Road and then at 120 Harrogate Street with their daughter, Kathleen, born 10th September 1904 and baptised at Bradford Parish Church. John Leonard was a woolcomber's cashier then served as a private no. 204116 in the 1/4th Duke of Wellington's West Rising regiment and died on 11th April 1918 aged 41. He is buried/remembered at La KREULE military cemetery, HAZEBROUCK.

F Morgan may be **Fred Morgan** born 18th May 1880 and baptised at Christ Church, Bradford., son of Thomas Morgan and Elizabeth Smith. In 1901 the family lived on Orchard Street, near Hillside Villas. Fred married Adelaide Clinton, sometimes known as Ada, on 15th December 1900 at St Andrew's Bradford and in 1901 they are at 7 Butler Street. Fred was a blacksmith's striker. Their first child William was born on 3rd August 1901 and baptised at Bradford Parish Church. A second son Jack

was born in 1904. In 1907 Fred travelled from Liverpool to Boston USA on the Cymric and his family followed on the Saxonia. In 1910 Fred was working as an insurance agent in Massachusetts and a daughter Eleanor/Helena had been born there in 1909. Fred served as a private no. 5077 in the 1/6th Prince of Wales Own West Yorkshire regiment, where his experience as a blacksmith must have been useful. He died on 15th July 1916 aged 36 and is buried/remembered in Forceville Communal Cemetery extension.

There is also **Frederick Morgan** who was born in Middlesex in 1887, son of Daniel Morgan and Mary Miller. In 1901 the family lived on Sun Street and in 1911 at 163 Exeter Street when Frederick is described as a wool sorter. Two younger siblings were baptised at Bradford Parish Church. Frederick served as a private no. 306520 in the Duke of Wellington's West Riding regiment, died on 3rd May 1917 aged 29 and is remembered/buried at ARRASS.

Charles Morrell was born on 12th April 1897 and baptised at Bradford Parish Church on 5th May 1897. His parents were Onra Arthur Morrell and Alice Gibbons and Charles was a mill worker living at Fulbert Street, Otley Rd. He served as a lance corporal in the 9th Prince of Wales Own West Yorkshire regiment and died on 25th September

1917 aged 20. He is buried/remembered at the TYNECOT MEMORIAL, ZONNEBEKE, WEST FLANDERS.

Norman Muller was born on 4th January 1886, son of George Herbert Muller and Josephine Wadsworth, and baptised at Manningham, St Luke. His grandfather John George Muller was born in Frankfurt, Germany but had become a British subject. Norman worked as a salesman of cotton, silk and worsted yarns living at 28 Park Grove, Manningham (Frizinghall). The family business was at 2 Commercial Street, as Canal Road left Forster Square. He married Doris Spencer Jennings of Cononley Hall near Keighley, in 1915 and served as a captain in the 6th Prince of Wales Own West Yorkshire regiment. He died on 28th July 1918 aged 32 and is buried/remembered at CHAMBRECY British Cemetery, France, and also on the Cononley war memorial. His wife outlived him by more than 50 years. They may have had a daughter Josephine born in 1917.

Charles Neal/Neale (most records are Neale) was born in Leeds in 1887, son of Betsy Neale who later married James William Shinkins. In 1911 the family lived in Doncaster and Charles was an excavator working with his step-father. He served as a private no. 306752 in the 2/7th Duke of Wellington's West Riding regiment. When

he died on 3rd May 1917 aged 29 the family lived at 139 Bolton Road and he is buried/remembered at ARRASS.

Sydney Newbould was born on 18th February 1890, son of Edward Newbould and Annie Caroline Jeffrey and baptised at the Methodist chapel on Otley Road. The family lived on Otley Road, then Beech Grove Undercliffe before moving to Manningham. Sydney was a warehouseman and married Emily Worship at Bradford Parish Church on 31st July 1915. Emily had previously been baptised in the same church. A son Jack was born in 1916. Sydney served as a lance corporal no. 26189 in the 10th Prince of Wales Own West Yorkshire regiment and died on 24th September 1918 aged 28. He is buried/remembered at THILLOY, BEAULENCOURT cemetery.

Albert Newby was born in Bowling in 1884, son of James Newby and Anne Mary Garforth. He married Ada Kelley at Bradford Parish Church on 7th November 1905. In 1911 he was a labourer and they, with their 2 children, Alice born 1896 and James born 1898, were living with Ada's parents at 178 Bolton Road. Albert served as a private no.

11350 in the 8th Duke of Wellington's West Riding regiment and died on 21st August 1915 in Egypt aged 31. He is buried/remembered in Cairo.

Walter Osbaldeston was born on 8th February 1898 and baptised at St Chrysostom, Bradford. His parents were Walter Osbaldeston senior, who had been baptised at Bradford Parish Church, and Edith Emma Jones, who were married at Bradford Parish Church on 29th November 1890. The family lived at Coleman Street and Walter junior was a millhand in a spinning mill. He served as a private no. 203960 in the 2/6th Prince of Wales Own West Yorkshire regiment and died on 20th November 1917 aged 19. He is buried/remembered at CAMBRAI LOUVERVAL cemetery.

Charles(Charlie) Palmer was born in 1895. His parents Harry Palmer and Davinia Burgess had married at Bradford Pariah Church on 27th December 1889 and his eldest sister married there in 1910. In 1901 the family lived at 8 Lizard Street in Bowling. By 1911 they had moved to 153 Caledonia Street and Charles was working as a doffer in a woollen spinning mill. His mother was

born in Scotland so that may be the reason he served as a private no. 242277 in the 1/5th Seaforth Highlanders. He died on 27th July 1918 aged 22 or 23 and is buried/remembered at TERLINCTHUN British Cemetery WIMILE.

Thomas Pickles was born on 15th June 1887, son of John Thomas Pickles and Clara Carr who had married at Bradford Parish Church on 4th October 1886. An older brother was baptised and a sister married there. They lived on Maperton Street, Barkerend Road, then later on Exeter Street, Otley Road. Thomas was a cabinet maker and married Margaret Ann Devitt at St Mary's East Parade on 11th September 1911. They had 2 daughters Clara born in 1913, and Mary born in 1917. He served as a corporal no. C/998 in the 16th King's Royal Rifle Corps, died on 10th June 1918 and is buried/remembered at Tourcoing (Pont-Neuville) Communal Cemetery.

Albert Priestley was born in 1896 and baptised at Holy Trinity, Idle. His parents Abraham Priestley and Amanda Moore had married at Bradford Parish Church in 1883 and later lived at 36 Kerr Street, Laisterdyke. Albert served as an able seaman no. Z/8554 in the Royal Naval Volunteer Reserve and died on 27th August 1918 aged 22. He is buried/remembered at BAGNEUX British Cemetery, GEZAINCOURT.

Horace Priestley was born in 1897, only child of Alfred Priestley and Annie, possibly Annie Firth. The family lived at 4 Birklea, West Bowling but Alfred had been baptised at Bradford Parish Church in 1871. Horace served as an air mechanic 2nd class in the 17th squadron of the Royal Air Force. He died on 1st November 1918 aged 21 and is buried/remembered at SOFIA war cemetery.

John Ratcliffe was born on 3rd February 1895 and baptised on 3rd April 1895 at Bradford Parish Church where his parents Samuel Ratcliffe and Clara Horsefield had been married. They lived at 64 Butler Street and John worked as a warper. He served as a lance corporal in the 16th King's Royal Rifle Corps and was given the number C/997 so he must have enlisted at the same time as Thomas Pickles (see above). John died on 13th April 1918 aged 23 and is buried/remembered at the PLOEGSTEERT Memorial.

Harry Rodwell was born on 1st February 1892. His parents Robert Rodwell and Jane Kelley had been married at Bradford Parish Church on 7th September 1889 but Harry was baptised at St Chrysostom, Bradford, on 13th March 1892. The family lived at 31 North Brook Place, Bolton Road, and in 1911 Harry was an apprentice plumber. He served as an acting corporal no. 27294 (previously 18/549) in the 11th East Lancashire regiment and died on

1st July 1916, the start of the Battle of the Somme, aged 24. He is remembered/buried at PUISIEUX, Queen's cemetery.

Harry Roe was born on 19th February 1894 and baptised at St Augustine's on 25th March 1894. Harry was the fifth of six children of William Roe and Mary Ann Lawson who had moved to Bradford from Lincolnshire. The family lived at 178 Maperton Road and in 1911 Harry was working in the pattern room of a cloth warehouse. He served as a private no. 16/1236 in the 15/17th Prince of Wales Own West Yorkshire regiment and died on 27th March 1918 aged 24. He is buried/remembered on the ARRAS memorial. His youngest brother was married at Bradford Parish Church in 1920.

Herbert Shinkins was born in Leeds in 1895. His parents were James William Shinkins and Betsy Neale, and he was half-brother to Charles Neale (see above). In 1911 he was working as an excavator for the railways with his father in Doncaster but the family then moved to 139 Bolton Road. Herbert served as a sapper no. 476325 in the 146 troop convoy Royal Engineers and married Margaret Baker at Bradford, St Chrysostom on 9th February 1918 and the birth of a son James is recorded soon afterwards in 1918. Herbert died just over 6 months later on 14th August 1918 and is buried/remembered at DAOURS Communal

Cemetery, extension. Next of kin was listed as his mother and his widow remarried to Harry Dobson in 1920.

E F Smith not identified

W Spenceley not identified

Lewis Spenceley was son of Frederick Marsh Spenceley and Eliza Clayton. He was born on 30th January 1882 and baptised at Bradford Parish Church on 5th August 1888 with a younger brother when the family lived on Peckover Street. In 1901 they had moved to Tennyson Place, Otley Road. In 1911 he lived at 70 Lister Avenue with an older sister and younger brother and was working as an assistant for a worsted cloth manufacturer. Lewis served as a private no. 3/11581 in the 9th Duke of Wellington's West Riding regiment and died on 28th November 1917 aged 35. He is buried/remembered at the BOULOGNE EASTERN cemetery.

There was an older brother named Walter Spenceley born in 1874 but there is no record that he served and he was still living at the time of the 1939 register.

W Taylor not identified

Willie Tidswell was born in 1896. His parents Alfred Tidswell and Sarah Ann Myers had married at Bradford Parish Church on 18th May 1895. The family lived on Frederick Street and in 1911 Willie was a worsted spinner. Willie served as a private no. 5980 in the 1/5th Duke of Wellington's own West Riding regiment. He was presumed dead on 3rd September 1916 aged 20 and is remembered at the CONNAUGHT cemetery, THIEPVAL.

Lewis William Vickers was born 22nd August 1876 in Huddersfield, son of Herbert Upton Vickers and Emma Jane Flint. Lewis moved to Bradford and worked as a textile goods buyer. He married Kate Evelyn Parkinson at Bradford Parish Church on 6th June 1913 and they lived in Gilstead near Bingley with their 2 daughters, Margaret E Vickers, born 1914, and Joan M. Vickers, born 1915. He served as a gunner no. 83339 in the 22nd Royal Garrison Artillery and died on 29th September 1917 aged 41 and is buried/remembered at YPRES, BUFF RD cemetery.

George Arthur Walker was born in 1898, son of Henry Johnson Walker and Jane Ann Binks. His father was a stone mason who moved the family from Scarborough to Bradford and they lived on Wapping Road. By 1911 his mother had been widowed and George was a hoist attendant in a worsted mill. He served as a private no. 11555 in the 8th Duke of Wellington's West Riding regiment and died

on 30th September 1916 aged 18. He is buried/remembered at REGINA TRENCH CEMETERY, GRANDCOURT.

Arthur Waddington, son of John Brook Waddington and Esther Bell was born on 11th February 1891. His parents had married at Bradford Parish Church on 11th February 1882 but Arthur was baptised at All Saints, Horton. In 1901 and 1911 the family lived at 181 Garnett Street and Arthur worked as a machine wool comb maker. Before he married Doris Mary Bolton at St. Mary's Laisterdyke on 25th May 1912 banns were also read at Bradford Parish Church. They had 2 children, John A Waddington born in 1914 and Nancy L Waddington born after Arthur's death in 1916. Arthur served as a private no. 4234 in the 1/6th Prince of Wales Own West Yorkshire regiment. He died on 7th August 1916 aged 25 and is buried/remembered at AUTHUILE Military Cemetery, Somme. (Image used with permission of Keith Waddington)



Arthur Waddington

Herbert Wilkinson was born on 9th June 1888 and baptized at Christ Church Bradford on 11th July 1888. His parents David Wilkinson and Mary Ann Newton had married at Bradford Parish Church on 14th August 1887. In 1891 the family were on Addison Street, Bowling, and in 1901 and 1911 they lived at Oliver Street, Bowling. Herbert enlisted in the Navy in 1907 so he is not found in the 1911 census. He is thought to have drowned on 19th April 1917 aged 28 while serving as an able-seaman no. J/10484 aboard HMS King Alfred/Bombala. Next of kin was listed as his mother. He is remembered on the CHATAM Naval Memorial.

George Allan W(h)itham was born in 1881, in Caistor, Lincolnshire, son of Charles Whitham, a bricklayer, and Annie Johnson. He worked as joiner and married Mary Richardson on 29th September 1906 at St Luke's Eccleshill. In 1911 they are living at 44 Mount Avenue, Eccleshill with their daughters Elsie born 1907 and Louie born 1909. A third daughter Norah was born in 1915. His parents also moved to Eccleshill, living on The Bank and later at 58 King Street. He served as a private no. 36725 in the 6th East Yorkshire regiment, previously no. 32997 in the Northumberland Fusiliers. He died on 6th April 1918 aged 36 and is buried/remembered at HOUCHIN cemetery, Pas de Calais.

Arthur Calvert Wormald was born on 21st July 1886. His mother was Sarah Wormald and at his baptism on 6th October 1887 at Holy Trinity Bradford no father's name is listed. Arthur married May Pountney at Bradford Parish Church on 31st August 1907, giving his father's name as William, who may have been Sarah's earlier husband. In 1911 they lived at 571 Killinghall Road with their daughter Doris Calvert Wormald born 1909. Arthur's profession was a board and case maker. A son Albert Calvert Wormald was born on 28th November 1911. Arthur served as a private no. 203485/7366 in the 5th reserve Prince of Wales Own, West Yorkshire regiment and died in Bradford on 24th April 1917 aged 30. He is buried/remembered in Undercliffe cemetery, area 30, grave K375. May gave birth to another child whom she named Arthur Calvert Wormald on 30th September 1917, after her husband's death.

A Wright not identified.

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They shall grow not old, as we that
are left grow old;

Age shall not weary them, nor the
years condemn.

At the going down of the sun and in
the morning,
we will remember them.

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