

One of the last four surviving veterans of the First World War has died

William Stone September 1918 - 12 January 2009

He also served in the Second World War

Obituaries published in The Times of London

Air Chief Marshal Sir Neil Wheeler, GCB, CBE, DSO, DFC and Bar, AFC 8 July 1917 - 9 January 2009

Wartime photo-reconnaissance and shipping-strike pilot and Controller Aircraft MoD Procurement Executive 1973-75

Sir Russell Wood, KCVO, VRD 16 May 1922 - 15 December 2008

Wartime naval aviator who became Deputy Treasurer to the Queen.

Commander the Rev Lord Sandford, DSC 22 December 1920 - 13 January 2009

From Royal Navy officer to clergymen and Minister in Heath government and conservationist

Major General Nigel Gribbon OBE 6 February 1917 - 9 January 2009

Born during a Zeppelin raid on London, helped pacify Iraq after attempted coup in 1941, rose to become Assistant Chief of Staff (Intelligence) at SHAPE

Rear Admiral Edward Gueritz CB, OBE, DSC and Bar, 8 September 1919 - 21 December 2008

D Day beachmaster, who rose to Commandant Joint Warfare Establishment, later becoming RUSI director and question setter for Mastermind on BBC TV

Colonel D. D. Smiley, LVO, OBE, MC and Bar, 11 April 1916 - 8 January 2009

Officer in Royal Horse Guards who won two MCs for his wartime missions with the SOE in occupied Albania

Vice Admiral Sir David Clutterbuck, KBE, CB, 25 January 1913 - 13 December 2008

Deputy Supreme Allied Commander Atlantic 1966-68

Air Vice Marshal Alexander Maisner AFC, CB, CBE 26 July 1921 - 21 December 2008

Fought in Warsaw, imprisoned by Soviets, flew with the RAF, later Director of the Industry and Parliament Trust

Brigadier Samuel Janikoun OBE 12 March 1913 - 15 December 2008

Army doctor and artificial limbs specialist

Major General Michael Hicks CB, OBE 2 June 1928 - 27 December 2008

Coldstream Guards commander on "Bloody Sunday" in Northern Ireland

Air Commodore Peter Brothers CBE, DSO, DFC and Bar 30 September 1917 - 18 December 2008

Battle of Britain fighter pilot and post war commander