



We mark the passing of those who have served this country. Contributions from comrades and families welcome. Contact curator

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ANSELL Maj Gen Nicholas George Pickton Ansell CB OBE 17 August 1937 - 18 Feb 24 5th Royal Inniskilling Dragoon Guards Libya Cyprus Germany c/o 20th Armoured Bgde Director Royal Armoured Corps

ARTHUR Lt Gen Sir(John) Norman Stewart Arthur KCB, CVO 6 March 1931- 18 Dec 2023 Royal Scots Greys Libya c/o Royal Scots Dragoon Guards N Ireland MiD c/o 7th Armoured Brigade BAOR MoD Intelligence c/o 3rd Armoured Divn GOC Scotland Rome Olympics 3 day event . Later Director Edinburgh Military Tattoo

BANTING Warrant Officer Peter Banting 15 April 1923 - 27 March 2024 Volunteered for aircrew. Illness during advanced pilot training. Reassigned as bomb aimer (and reserve pilot). Nov 44 75 Sqn. Raids over Germany. 7 (Pathfinder) Sqn Op Manna Op Exodus Retrained for service against Japan but war ended. Later Imperial War Grace Commission

BAX Cdr Alan Bax died 18 Feb 24 aged 93

BELL Wing Cdr John Richard Bell MBE, DFC Legion d'Honneur 25 March 1923 -18 March 2024. Last know wartime aircrew 617 Sqn "Dambusters" At least 50 operations over North West Europe. Home Guard. Volunteered for RAF at 18. observer/air gunner/bomb aimer. Hamburg, Leipzig, Battle of Berlin (8 raids) Op Taxable (dropping "windows" on D-Day) Dropped Tallboy

on Saumur railway tunnel, V2 and V3 sites Pas de Calais, U boat pens Brest. Later instructor. Post war photographic interpreter inc Korean War .. President 617 Squadron Association

BLOGG Betty Millicent Blogg (nee Everard) died 18 Jan 2024 aged 101 WAAF radar operator

BRAXTON Peter Braxton RN did 30 Jan 24 aged 93

BRUDENELL-BRUCE (later 8th Marquess of Allensbury) 31 March 1926 - 12 May 2024  
Emergency commission Royal Horse Guards BAOR. 10 years in Reserves

BURKE Air Cdre John Joseph Burke died 18 May 24 aged 94

CANNING Gp Capt Peter F Canning died 17 April 24

CARINE Rear Adm James Carine died 27 Feb 24 aged 89

CARTER Denis Carter 1921 - 2024 gunner 8th Army Western Desert, wounded Monte Cassino  
(Author : The sky is burning)

CARTLEDGE Christopher Reginald Cartledge DSC 1942 Fleet Air Arm died 21 Jan 2024 aged 100  
1842 SQn 1944 Attacked Tirpitz from HMS Formidable (Corsairs), 1945 kamikaze attack Pacific. Plane hit, ditched in ocean.

CHARTERIS Lt Col John Anthony Charteris MBE, MC 4 Sept 1940 - 23 Dec 23 Royal Scots  
(Lothian Regt) Libya, Aden Army Air Corps Yemen, Borneo, Balmoral, SIS Hong Kong N Ireland  
(MC) Cdt Otterburn. Later planted 10,000 trees

CULLENS Lt Col David Kernoham Cullens died 22 Jan 24 RAEC

CUNNINGHAM Captain Robert K H Cunningham died 1 April 24

DAY Air Chief Marshal Sir John Romney Day KCB OBE 15 July 1947 - 9 Feb 24 Fixed wing pilot converted to helicopters. 72 Sqn 18 Sqn RAF Gutersloh . N Ireland c/o RAF Odiham c/o No 1 Gp. Mull of Kintyre enquiry. C in C Strike Command Op Veritas DCDS(Commitments) Op Telic

FARQUHAR Captain Ian Walter Farquhar 11 December 1945 - 6 March 2024 Queen's Own Hussars Germany, Middle East, Far East

FAWCUS Maj Gen Graham Ben Fawcus CB died 21 May 24 aged 86

FIELDING SMITH Lt Cdr David Fielding Smith MBE 20 December 1947 - 3 March 2024 RN aeronautical apprentice. Commissioned aged 29. 824 Sqn Falklands 2 Sea King helicopters on task 7 weeks. Op Keyhole. HMS Ark Royal fitting out at Swan Hunter

FIENNES Nathaniel Thomas Allen Twiselton-Wykeham-Fiennes Later Lord Saye and Sele 22 Sept 1920 - 20 Jan 24 Royal Warwickshire Regt 8th Bn Rifle Brigade D-Day +6 Op Market Garden. MiD twice. Bergen-Belsen. Later restored Broughton Castle Longest serving member of MCC

FOWLER Keith John Fowler OA19 Nov 1920 - 30 Nov 23 2/3 Machine Gun Bn. Syria. Indonesia Singapore Burma "Death Railway" Reconciled by Japanese youth 2015

FYFE Captain (Robin) Robert James Fyfe MBE 18 June 1939 - 27 March 24 Kings Own Borderers British Cameroons, Cyprus, Northern Ireland. SAS South Arabia and East Aden Protectorate

GARNONS-WILLIAMS Captain Richard Lawrence (Dick) Garnons-Williams RN died 17 April 24 aged 98

GOWER Rear Adm John Howard James Gower CB OBE 28 July 1960 - 12 Feb 24 HMS Tireless, Perisher, HMS Turbulent, C/O HMS Unicorn c/o HMS Trafalgar AD nuclear deterrent Asst Naval Attache Washington ACDS (NCB)

GLOVER Peter Bernard Glover RAF 25 Sept 1945 - 12 March 2024 Hercules pilot

GRIFFITHS Rear Admiral Guy Richmond Griffiths AO, DSC, DSO Royal Australian Navy. Last known wartime crew member of battlecruiser HMS Repulse sunk 3 days after Pearl Harbour (with HMS Prince of Wales) Hunted for Bismark. Posted to HMAS Shropshire. Battle of Leyte Gulf, Battle of Lingayen Gulf (DSO) Japanese surrender Tokyo Bay. 2 tours Korean War. Vietnam War

HELY HUTCHINSON Lt Cdr Christopher Hely Hutchinson died 11 Jan 24 aged 92

HENSON Lt Thomas John Broke Henson MC 2 Sept 1931 - 11 Jan 24 National Service Royal Norfolk Regt Korea Imjin River

HODGKINSON Fusilier George Arthur Hodgkinson DCM 3 January 1934 - 11 Jan 24 East Surrey Regt Libya Royal Fusiliers Korea The Hook (aged 18) radio operator took command of platoon when all other NCOs wounded or killed. Ammunition exhausted. wounded lost eye, over-run, captured, exchanged DCM for "heroic stand" above and beyond Later reservist

HOLBROOK Lt Col (QM) (William) John Holbrook MBE 28 Dec 1932- 22 April 24 1st Bn Coldstream Guards. Cyprus. Sues. BAOR. Kenya. British Guyana. Purbright Commissioned after serving as RSM. Commandant York Garrison

JENNINGS Private Jack Jennings 10 March 1923 - 19 January 2024. 1st Bn Cambridgeshire Regt, Defence of Singapore February 1942. Shipped to Thailand. In 1945 dug mass graves for prisoners. Believed one of last survivors of Burma Death Railway. Later author Prisoner without a crime.

JOHNSON Lt Ronald Johnson died Jan 24 aged 102 Glider Pilot Regt Op Market Garden Horsa pilot Hit by sniper Oflag IX-A. Escaped, evaded capture for 7 days, reached American lines. Later Regular officer for 6 years

JOHNSTONE Vice Adm Sir Clive Charles Carruthers Johnstone KBE CB 6 Sept 1963- 12 May 24 aged 60 President, Royal British Legion HMS Shetland HNS Nurton 1st Lt RY Britannia final commission N Ireland, Hong Kong. C/o HMS Iron Duke off Kosovo. C/o HMS Bulwark Op Highbrow. PSO to CDS. FOST. ACNS (Policy) MARCOM Senior maritime advisor NATO

KENNEDY Lt Col Alastair Kennedy died 1 April 24 aged 85

KITSON General Sir Frank Edward Kitson GBE, KCB, MC and Bar, CBE (for gallantry) 15 Dec 1926 - 2 Jan 24 Rifle Brigade Kenya, Malaysia; Cyprus - Cdr 1st Bn Royal Green Jackets Cdr 39th Infantry Brigade N Ireland; Cyprus; Cdr 2nd Armoured Divn Germany; Cdt Staff College; C in C UK Land Forces. Military author inc Low Intensity Operations

LACHLAN Major Edward (Ted) Lachlan RA died 11th Feb 24 aged 90

LANE Major Michael Patrick "Bronco" Lane MM, BEM 22 July 1945 - 22 March 24 7th (Parachute) Regt RHA. SAS. Aden, Dhohar, N Ireland. Lost fingers on Everest. Adviser Iran hostage siege, Falklands, Bosnia 23 SAS

LAYBOURNE Captain James Laybourne RN died 21 June 24 aged 90

MACKAY Lt Col David Luxmoore Mackay died 24 April 2024 aged 91

MACLELLAN Maj Gen Andrew Patrick Withy MacLellan CBE, CVO, MBE 29 November 1925 - 19 April 24 aged 98 Coldstream Guards . Palestine, Egypt, Germany MA to CDS c/o 1st Bn Coldstreams (Arctic warfare) c/o 8th Infantry Bgde Londonderry Bloody Sunday Op Motorman CoS HQ London District Pres Regular Commissions Board. Later keeper of the Jewel House, Tower of London

MACPHERSON Cdre Martin Douglas MacPherson RN OBE died 16 June 24 aged 78

NEALE Lt Col John Jarvis Neale died 29 April 24 aged 89

NELSON Sqn Ldr Timothy Nelson died 28 May 24 aged 88

OEHLERS Maj Gen Gordon Richard Oehlers CB died 28 Feb 24 aged 90

ORANGE-BROOMHEAD Captain Richard Orange-Broomhead Royal Engineers died 19 June 24 aged 96

PARSONS Flt Lt Cecil Edgar Robertson 'Boz' Parsons DFC 12 September 1918 - 1 Feb 24 Australian. Volunteered for RAF 1939. 35 Sqn (Halifaxes) 5 opns 58 Sqn (Whitleys) 25 opns.MiD twice First 1000 bomber raid Cologne Australia 24 Sqn RAAF (Liberators) 20 opns inc special forces drops (DFC)

PEASE Captain Nigel Crighton Pease died 30 Dec 23 aged 89

PRENTIS Cdr Christopher David Prentis DSC RN died 19 Feb 2024 aged 91

PYE Brigadier Hugo William Kellow Pye OBE died 30 May 24 aged 86 Royal Lancers

ROBERTS Derek Robrts 4 March 1925 - 13 February 2024 48 RM CDO Signaller Normandy D+3 Op Infatuate Batttle of the Scheldt 117 RM Infantry Brigade Kiel. Gibraltar. Many years later discovered he'd a broken bone in neck before leaving UK

ROBERTSON Lt Col Struan Robertson did 22 April 2024 aged 87

ROBINSON Captain Graham David Brice Robinson died 23 March 24 aged 79

RORKE Patricia Rorke (later Johnston) 28 October 1923- 9 December 23 WAAC, junior intelligence officer Special Liason Unit Delhi (with Bletchley Park) Also listing names of British dead or wounded

ROSE Brig Ian Martin Rose died 25 Feb 24 aged 96

SADLER Major (Willis) Michael Sadler MC, MM Legion d'Honneur 22 Feb 1920 - 4 Jan 23. Last survivor of Long Range Desert Group and original SAS member. According to a personal obituary published on LinkedIn: "Sadler was unique, an expert navigator whose skill and temperament formed the bond between L Detachment SAS and the LRDG. Without him the SAS would have struggled to survive during their early days. He was able to put them on top of airfields in N Africa, hundreds, sometimes thousands of miles beyond enemy lines, in the dark and dead of night." Tamet and Sidi Haneishi raids (MM) Invasion of Sicily and Italy. In 1942 as a Sgt he joined the SAS, commissioned in the field (although Stirling never completed the paperwork, causing Sadler to be arrested for impersonating an officer) and joined the intelligence section for the invasion of France. Parachuted into Loiret Dept with Paddy Mayne Aug 44 (MC) Later MI6, explorer

STEPHENS Lt Cdr Philip George Stephens died 13 Feb 24 aged 97

STEWART Sir (James) Moray Stewart KCB died 30 Dec 23 aged 85. Former 2nd PUS, MoD. Later Vice President, Eurodefense UK

TANTUM Sir Geoffrey Alan Tantum OBE 12 November 1940 - 22 February 2024 Intelligence Corps, 3 Cdo Brigade Borneo attached SBS. Joined MI6, studied Arabic. Kuwait, Aden, Amman, Jordan Controller, Middle East. Later personal adviser to King of Bahrain

TEMPLER Maj Gen James Templer CB OBE 8 January 1936 - 14 Dec 23 Aged 6 interned by Japanese, evacuated via HK, interned Philippines. Royal Artillery BAOR Royal Horse Artillery Tokyo Olympics Borneo Gurkhas 3 Divn N Ireland Cdr RA 2 Divn HQ UK Land Forces led tri-service "Concepts" staff MoD

TRAHAN Nicola (Nicole) Pauline Marie Trahan MBE Croix de Guerre (with palms) Medaille de la Reconnaissance Francaise SOE courier codename "Teddy" 21 December 1926 - 18 Jan 24 Began parachute training aged 16. Late 43 landed by Lysander nr Valencay ("Wrestler" area). Extracted in time for 17th birthday. Parachuted into France 3 times. Post D Day sabotage and offensive actions Later SSAFA health visitor Germany, Belgium, Hong Kong In 2017 awarded "wings" by SAS

TRISTRAM EVE Colonel Peter Tristram Eve died 30 Dec 23 aged 93 Royal Green Jackets

TYDEMAN Major John David Tydeman died 13 June 24

TYLER Lt Cdr Alan Tyler 2 April 1934 - 16 Oct 23 HMS Ajax navigating officer's assistant aged 17 - bombarding Libyan border. HMS Hasty Malta, Mediterranean convoys escort. HMS Revenge Eastern Fleet (midshipman) MTBs North Sea. HMS Chevron Med, Palestine. HMS Plym destroyed at Monte Bello first UK atomic test (Op Hurricane) HMS Birmingham Far East. Admiralty Russian section Naval Intelligence

VICKERS Lt General Sir Richard Maurice Hilton Vickers KCB, CBE, OBE 21 August 1928 - 6 Feb 2023 Royal Tank Regt Sword of Honour, King's Medal at Sandhurst Korean War. Adjutant 2RTR BAOR. ADC to HM Queen. CoS &th Armoured Brigade. 4RTR Borneo. C/O newly

formed Blues and Royals c/o 11 Armoured Brigade c/o 4th Armoured Divn, Commandant Sandhurst. DG Army Training. Late DG Winston Churchill Memorial Trust. Gentleman Usher to HMQ 86-98

VOUTE Captain Peter Voute RN CBE 14 December 1938- 21 Feb 24 RNAS helicopter pilot 845 SQn. HMS Albion Indonesia HMS Crofton 707 Sqn - taught (now King) Charles to fly helicopters C/o RNAS Culdrose. C/O HMS Dido. Mod Defence Policy Staff (Falklands) C/O 6th Frigate Sqn. Naval Attache Spain. Director of PR

WALTER Major David Finlayson Wylie Hill Walter died 27 Feb 24 aged 90

WARD Cdr Nigel David 'Sharkey' Ward DFC AFC 22 Sept 1943 - 17 May 24 Naval pilot MoD Dev and prodn Sea Harrier .Sea Vixen. Phantom 892 NAS HMS Ark Royal. Won Top Gun 1979 Cdr 801 NAS Falklands 60 missions 3 victories.

WAUGHMAN Flt Lt Russell "Rusty" Reay Waughman DFC, AFC, Legion d'Honneur MiD 19 Jan 1923 - Dec 14 2023 101 (Special Duties) Sqn. Lancasters electronic counter measures Ruhr, Berlin, Nuremburg (RAF's worst night) 30 missions Sqn lost 1176 men in war. Later instructor-examiner Transport Command. Berlin airlift

WILLS Major M T N (Tom) Wills 20 March 24 aged 83 Coldstream Guards

WING Air Cdre Laurie Wing MBE died 15 April 24

WOODFORD Captain Brian Vincent Woodford RN CBE died 12 Jan 24 aged 87

WYKEHAM Lt Col Peter John Wykeham died 1 Feb 24 aged 80

YERBURGH Lt Col John Rochfort Yerburgh died 3 Feb 24 aged 92

YOUNGER Captain Sir David Younger KCVO died 14 June 24 aged 85