

# SWINGFIELD



Swingfield men who fell are commemorated on the Lych Gate of St Peter`s Church



The Great War  
1914- 1919

### ATKINS W

**Private G/9807 William ATKINS. 6<sup>th</sup> Battalion, The Buffs (East Kent Regiment).** Died 4<sup>th</sup> August 1916 aged 25 years. Born Elham. Enlisted Folkestone. Resided Swingfield. Son of Thomas and Charlotte Atkins of Smallden Cottage, Wooton, Canterbury, Kent. Commemorated on the Thiepval Memorial, Somme, France. Panel reference - Face 5D.

### HOBBS R

**Bombadier 358471 Richard HOBBS. 170<sup>th</sup> Siege Battery, Royal Garrison Artillery (Kent R.G.A. Territorial Force).** Died 1<sup>st</sup> November 1918 aged 36 years. Born Swingfield. Enlisted Dover. Son of Richard and Mary Hobbs of Selsted, Dover, Kent. Husband of Annie Hobbs of 15 Stanhope Road, Dover. Buried Vendegies Cross Roads British Cemetery, Bermerain, Nord, France. Grave reference - B5.

### PALMER C.R.D

**Chief Stoker 299617 C.R.D. PALMER. H.M.S "Russell". Royal Navy.** Died 27<sup>th</sup> April 1916. Buried Malta (Capuccini) Naval Cemetery. Grave reference - Protestant grave 311.

H.M.S. Russell was mined off Malta. The whole crew of 100 perished.

### PARKER W

**Private G/787 William PARKER. 2<sup>nd</sup> Battalion, The Buffs (East Kent Regiment).** Died 3<sup>rd</sup> May 1915. Born Swingfield. Enlisted Canterbury. Resided Denton, Canterbury. Commemorated on the Ypres (Menin Gate) Memorial, Ieper, Belgium.

### PARKER G

**Private G/24368 George PARKER. 2<sup>nd</sup> Battalion, Royal Fusiliers (City of London Regiment).** Died 12<sup>th</sup> February 1917 aged 22 years. Born Swingfield. Enlisted Dover. Resided Canterbury. Buried Son of Richard and Eliza Ann Parker of The Green, Denton, Canterbury, Kent. Grove Town Cemetery, Meaulte, Somme, France. Grave reference - III.B.31.

### SAUNDERS G

**Walter G SAUNDERS - possibly Private W.G. SAUNDERS. Royal Warwickshire Regiment** commemorated on the Folkestone Civic Memorial, Folkestone, Kent. No trace of this man has been found.

SEATH T.W

**Lance Corporal L/9783 Thomas William SEATH. "C" Company, 2<sup>nd</sup> Battalion, The Buffs (East Kent Regiment).** Died 28<sup>th</sup> September 1915 aged 29 years. Born and resided Swingfield. Enlisted Dover. Son of Mrs H.G. Seath of Dover, Kent. Commemorated on the Loos Memorial, Pas de Calais. France.

## Second World War 1939 - 1945

DEAN K.A

**Sergeant (Observer) 903312 Kenneth Albert DEAN. Whitley Bomber MH-J (Z6803), 51 Squadron. Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve.** Died 6<sup>th</sup> August 1941 aged 24 years. Son of Harry Wood Dean and Alice Mary Dean of Hawkinge, Kent. Husband of Betty Dean. Buried Liege (St Walburge) Communal Cemetery, Belgium. Grave reference - 3.

Kenneth is also commemorated on the Folkestone Civic Memorial. The Harvey Grammar School, Folkestone and in St John's church, Folkestone.

HEMINGWAY J.C

**Aircraftman 1<sup>st</sup> Class 3031421 John Charles HEMINGWAY. Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve. 620 Squadron.** Died 5<sup>th</sup> June 1946. Son of Charles Richard Hemingway and Violet Ethel Hemingway of Hawkinge, Kent. Buried Heliopolis War Cemetery, Egypt. Grave reference - 4.E.32.

HOLNESS W.H

**Lance Sergeant 6287477 Wallace Henry HOLNESS. 1<sup>st</sup> Battalion, The Buffs (Royal East Kent Regiment).** Died 7<sup>th</sup> January 1942. Born Canterbury. Resided Kent. Buried Halfaya Sollum War Cemetery, Egypt. Grave reference - 7.C.4.

Wallace was a professional soldier.

MEADES R.M

**Reginald Middleton MEADES. Civilian (Killed by Enemy Action).** Died 12<sup>th</sup> August 1940 aged 40 years. Husband of Rose Isabel Meades of Brickfield Cottages, Swingfield, near Blackmill, Bekesbourne, Kent.