

IN MEMORY OF THE FOOTBALLERS
OF THE EVERTON CLUBS
OF ENGLAND AND CHILE
WHO GAVE THEIR LIVES IN
WORLD WAR 1 AND WORLD WAR 2



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IN GRATEFUL REMEMBRANCE

Evertonians take pride in supporting one another as well our team. One group, however, has been overlooked. They are the brave footballers with Everton affiliations who made the ultimate sacrifice during the two world wars.

Consequently, David France, John Rowlands, John Shearon and Paul Wharton of the EFC Heritage Society scrutinised the available military archives for two years to identify the seven men associated with the Everton clubs of England and Chile who lost their lives in two World Wars. Many of the names are unfamiliar. As footballers, some were international stars, others were youngsters with immense potential. As servicemen, they gave their lives fighting for our freedom.

While we owe a debt to these fallen heroes that we can never repay, we can honour their sacrifice. With the cooperation of the Everton Football Club and Everton de Viña del Mar, a plaque has been erected at Goodison Park and another is destined for Estadio Sausalito in 2011. These memorials will allow the supporters in both countries to pay their respects to the Fallen Evertonians who lost their lives during military service.

EN RECUERDO AGRADECIDO

Los evertonianos tenemos la necesidad y el orgullo en apoyarnos el uno con el otro como nuestros equipos. Un grupo, sin embargo, ha sido olvidado. Son los valientes futbolistas ligados a ambos Everton, que hicieron su último sacrificio durante las dos guerras mundiales.

En consecuencia, David France, John Rowlands, John Shearon y Paul Wharton de la Sociedad del Patrimonio de Everton analizaron los archivos militares disponibles durante dos años para identificar a los siete hombres asociados con los clubes Everton de Inglaterra y Chile que perdieron la vida en dos guerras mundiales y en suelo extranjero. Con muchos de los nombres no estamos familiarizados. Como futbolistas, algunos fueron estrellas internacionales, otros eran jóvenes con enorme potencial. Como soldados, dieron su vida en tierras ajenas defendiendo su bandera.

Tenemos una deuda con estos héroes caídos que nunca podremos pagar. Pero podemos honrar su sacrificio y memoria con dos placas conmemorativas. Con la cooperación del Everton Football Club y de Everton de Viña del Mar, se ha erigido una placa en Goodison Park y la otra está destinada para el Estadio Sausalito en Viña. Estos memoriales les permitirán a los partidarios en Inglaterra y en Chile presentar su respeto a los evertonianos caídos que perdieron la vida en el servicio militar.

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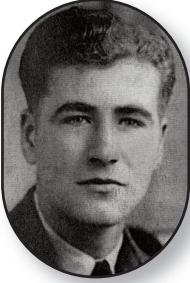
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Brian Atkins never actually made a first-team appearance for Everton but he came extremely close. While on the club's books, Atkins had joined the RAF Volunteer Reserve shortly after the outbreak of World War 2. The talented amateur progressed through the youth teams and was selected to make his senior debut during the week that he was posted overseas. Atkins served as a gunner with RAF Field Squadron 2788 which was part of the Allied 5th Army in Italy. He was killed while on duty near Portella in 1944.

Age 22 years

FRANK EVERARD BOUNDY MC

Lieutenant
King's Regiment (Liverpool)



Frank Boundy was born in Kenwyn St George, near Truro. He moved to Chile when his father accepted work with Balfour Williamson & Co in Valparaiso. Boundy was one of the founder members of the Everton Football Club in Valparaiso and also the club's first president. Shortly after war was declared, he, along with hundreds of other young men from the British community, sailed home to volunteer for military service during World War 1. Boundy joined the Scots Guards as a private and later applied for a commission. He took the rank of 2nd Lieutenant in the 17th Battalion of the King's Regiment (Liverpool) and went on to win the Military Cross before he died on the Somme.

Age 21 years

MALCOLM GOULDING FRASER

Second Lieutenant
Cameronians (Scottish Rifles)

Born in Edinburgh, Malcolm Fraser moved to Chile with his family as a youngster and was one of the founder members of the Everton Football Club established in Valparaiso in 1909. Fraser played in that club's very first fixture and was a key member of the team until he returned to the United Kingdom to attend university. He was in the old country when war broke out and received a commission as 2nd Lieutenant in the 3rd Battalion of the Scottish Rifles. Fraser died on the first day of the battle of the Somme, 1 July 1916.



Age 20 years

THOMAS GRACIE

Corporal
Royal Scots

Tom Gracie travelled with the Scotland team to play against England at Goodison in 1911. Although the Morton forward was not capped, he signed for Everton immediately after the game. Gracie made 19 appearances before moving to Liverpool and then on to Heart of Midlothian, where he was the Scottish League's joint top scorer in the 1914/15 season. Gracie and his Hearts team-mates enlisted in the 16th Royal Scots on mass in 1914. They were the first to be called the footballers' battalion. In March 1915, Gracie was diagnosed with leukemia. He died six months later.



Age 26 years

LEIGH RICHMOND ROOSE MM

Lance-Corporal
Royal Fusiliers



Without question, Leigh Roose was the most charismatic footballer of his era. A natural entertainer, the Wales star was responsible for rewriting the goalkeeping rulebook with his adventurous and unorthodox approach. He played for Everton in the 1904/05 campaign and failed narrowly to capture the League and FA Cup double. Roose was killed on the Western Front in 1917. His body was never found. He was awarded the Military Medal. His citation included the words: 'Roose continued to throw bombs until his arm gave out and then, joining the covering party, used his rifle with great effect.'

Age 38 years

WILLIAM SUMNER

Pilot Officer
Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve



Bill Sumner was a teenage right-winger with rich potential destined for the big time. After making only 5 first-team outings in wartime competitions, he placed his football ambitions to one side and volunteered to join the RAF. Sumner earned his wings in Canada before being serving in India. Subsequently, he flew Lockheed Hudson aircraft ferrying military across the sub-continent. Sumner lost his life in a flying accident at Trichinopoly in 1944 and is buried in Madras Cemetery.

Age 21 years

WILFRED TOMAN
Lance-Corporal
King's Regiment (Liverpool)



Wilfred Toman was signed from Burnley around the turn of the twentieth century. The centre-forward netted 10 times in his 29 appearances during his Everton career which was punctuated by a short spell at Southampton. There he played alongside former-Evertonians Edgar Chadwick, Alf Milward and George Molyneux and captured the Southern League title. Some 10 years after finally leaving Goodison, the former England amateur international enlisted in the King's Regiment (Liverpool). He was killed on the Western Front in 1917.

Age 33 years



THE ODE
by Laurence Binyon

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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