

DRAIN, A., Pioneer, R.E.

He joined in April 1917, and in the same year was drafted to France, and transferred to the 9th Rifle Brigade. He was in action on the Somme and at Armentières, and other places until, owing to ill-health, he was invalided home. He was discharged in January 1918, and holds the General Service and Victory Medals.

24, Alloa Road, Deptford, S.E.8. Z3591

DRAIN, J. R., Gunner, R.G.A.

He volunteered in April 1915, and was drafted to the Western Front in the following year. He was in action on the Somme and at Arras, and also took part in the Retreat and Advance of 1918. He was demobilised in August 1919, and holds the General Service and Victory Medals.

118, Drummond Road, Rotherhithe, S.E.16. TZ3592

DRAKE, E., A.B., Royal Navy.

Joining in January 1916, he was shortly afterwards posted to H.M.S. "Rovenska," in which ship he was engaged on patrol and escort duties in the Mediterranean and other waters, until the cessation of hostilities. After rendering very valuable services, he was demobilised in January 1919, holding the General Service and Victory Medals.

7, Prospect Street, Rotherhithe, S.E.16. TZ3598

DRAKE, F., Gunner, R.G.A.

Volunteering in October 1914, he was retained for a time on duties of an important nature in England. Proceeding to France in 1916, he took part in severe fighting on the Somme, at Vimy Ridge, and in many other notable engagements until hostilities ceased. Returning home he was demobilised in April 1919, holding the General Service and Victory Medals.

3, Mary Ann Buildings, Deptford, S.E.8. Z3595

DRAKE, G. R., Corporal, R.A.M.C.

He had previously served for thirteen years in the Middlesex Regiment, six of which had been spent in India, and volunteering at the outbreak of war at the age of forty-five, was engaged in instructing and training recruits in Stretcher, Squad, and Company drill. He was not able to obtain a transfer overseas on account of his age, but rendered very valuable services until his demobilisation, which took place in February 1919. He holds the Queen's and King's South African Medals (with eight bars), having fought throughout the South African campaign.

57, Parfitt Road, Rotherhithe, S.E.16. TZ3599B TZ3600B

DRAKE, H., Rifleman, 21st London Regt. (1st Surrey Rifles.)

He volunteered in October 1914, and after a course of training proceeded to France. There he served in many parts of the line, and took part in the Battles of Ypres, Neuve Chapelle, Hill 60, and Loos. He gave his life for King and Country at Vimy Ridge on May 23rd, 1916, and was entitled to the 1914-15 Star, and the General Service and Victory Medals.

"A valiant Soldier, with undaunted heart he breasted life's last hill."

39, Hall Road, Peckham, S.E.15. Z3594A

DRAKE, H. G., Private, Lancashire Fusiliers.

Joining in September 1916, he proceeded in the following year to France, and during his service in that theatre of war fought in many notable engagements. Amongst others, he was in action at the Battles of Ypres, the Somme and Cambrai, and was wounded in the Retreat of 1918. After receiving treatment at the Base Hospital he rejoined his unit and took part in the subsequent Allied Advance. Demobilised in September 1919, he holds the General Service and Victory Medals.

392, Southwark Park Road, Rotherhithe, S.E.16. Z3597

DRAKE, J., Driver, R.F.A.

Joining in June 1915, he embarked in the following year for France, and whilst there was actively engaged in much heavy fighting. He was in action at the Battles of Ypres, the Somme, Arras, Beaumont-Hamel, and many others, including those in the Retreat and Advance of 1918. Returning home in 1919, he was demobilised in March of that year, and holds the General Service and Victory Medals.

72, Marigold Street, Rotherhithe, S.E.16. Z3593

DRAKE, J., Private, R.A.S.C.

Volunteering in September 1915, he was drafted to France later in that year, and served at Dunkirk, where he was engaged in loading and unloading ships, and in transporting supplies and ammunition to the forward areas. In 1918, owing to defective vision, he was invalided to England, and after undergoing medical treatment was in the same year discharged unfit for further military service. He holds the 1914-15 Star, and the General Service and Victory Medals.

39, Hall Road, Peckham, S.E.15. Z3594B

DRAKE, J. E., A.B., Royal Navy.

Joining in January 1917, he was posted to H.M.Y. "Beryl," which vessel was engaged with the Yacht Patrol off the Irish Coast. His ship was also engaged on convoy duties and rendered very valuable services throughout the course of the war. Demobilised in January 1919, he holds the General Service and Victory Medals.

22, Abbeyfield Road, Rotherhithe, S.E.16. Z3596

DRAKE, P., Cpl., 21st London Regt. (1st Surrey Rifles).

Volunteering in August 1914, he proceeded overseas in January of the following year. During his service on the Western Front, he fought in many notable battles, including those of Neuve Chapelle, Hill 60, Ypres, Loos, the Somme and was wounded four times. After his fourth wound he was invalided to England, and underwent medical treatment at Scaford and Fishponds Hospital, Bristol, being eventually discharged as unfit for further service in June 1918. He holds the 1914-15 Star, and the General Service and Victory Medals.

39, Hall Road, Peckham, S.E.15. Z3591C

DRAKE, W. G. (M.M.), Private, Royal Berkshire Regt. and Rifleman, 1/8th Hampshire Regt.

Volunteering in August 1914, he embarked early in the following year for France, and took part in the Battle of Loos. He was invalided home in February 1916, owing to ill-health, and on recovery proceeded to Egypt, where he served with distinction in the Battles of Gaza and other actions during the British Advance through Palestine. He was awarded the Military Medal for conspicuous gallantry, and devotion to duty in the Field in safely delivering important Despatches under heavy shell-fire. He also holds the 1914-15 Star, and the General Service and Victory Medals, and was demobilised after returning to England in September 1919.

47, Parfitt Road, Rotherhithe, S.E.16. Z3599A Z3600A

DRANE, C. H., Private, Royal Sussex Regiment.

He joined in May 1918, and was retained at various stations on important duties with his unit. He did good work, but was not successful in securing his transfer to a theatre of war before the close of hostilities. However, in March 1919 he proceeded to Germany and joined the Army of Occupation at Cologne and Bonn. He returned to England in the following August, and was engaged on special work at Ripon and Cannon Chase, until his demobilisation in February 1920.

44, Burchell Road, Peckham, S.E.15. Z3601

DRAPER, H., Gunner, R.F.A.

Volunteering in October 1914, he was drafted in July of the following year to the Western Front, and took part in the heavy fighting on the Somme, at Armentières and Ploegsteert Wood. In February 1917 he was badly gassed and invalided home, and after receiving medical treatment was stationed at the anti-Aircraft Station, Isle of Wight, until his demobilisation in February 1919. He holds the 1914-15 Star, and the General Service and Victory Medals.

9, Bengeworth Road, Camberwell, S.E.5. Z3602

DRAY, J. F., Pte., 2nd Q.O. (Royal West Kent Regt.)

He enlisted in October 1911, and when war broke out was serving in India. Later he proceeded to Mesopotamia, and served under General Townshend in operations in the Middle East, and was in Kut when it was besieged by the Turks. He was unhappily killed in action on May 2nd, 1916, and was entitled to the 1914-15 Star, and the General Service and Victory Medals.

"He died the noblest death a man may die."

34, Heston Street, Deptford, S.E.8. Z1118A

Z1119A. Z1120A

DRAY, P., Private, Middlesex Regiment.

Joining in March 1916, he completed his training and served at various stations on important duties with his unit. Owing to medical unfitness he was not able to obtain a transfer overseas, before the cessation of hostilities, but nevertheless rendered valuable services. He was demobilised in February 1919.

34, Heston Street, Deptford, S.E.8. Z1118C

Z1119C. Z1120C

DRAY, S. J., Rifleman, K.R.R.C.

He volunteered in February 1915, and early in the following year crossed to France, where he took part in fierce fighting on the Somme, at Passchendaele, and was wounded. He was invalided home, and on recovery returned to the Western Front, and after taking part in further operations was unfortunately killed in action at Ypres on March 12th, 1918. He was entitled to the General Service and Victory Medals.

"His memory is cherished with pride."

34, Heston Street, Deptford, S.E.8. Z1118B

Z1119B. Z1120B

DRAYSON, A. A., Air Mechanic, R.A.F. (late R.N.A.S.)

He joined in June 1916, and was engaged with his Squadron at various aerodromes in England. In November 1917, he was drafted to France, and served at Dunkirk and other places on important duties which demanded a high degree of technical skill. He returned to England in January 1918, and two months later proceeded to Mudros, where he was employed on special work until 1919. He was demobilised in May of that year, and holds the General Service and Victory Medals.

109, Chadwick Road, Peckham, S.E.15. Z3603

DREW, A. R., Bombardier, R.F.A.

He volunteered in May 1915, and after his training was engaged as an Instructor of recruits for the New Armies. He did very good work, but owing to medical unfitness was not able to obtain a transfer overseas, and in consequence was invalided out of the Army in April 1916.

50, Lugard Road, Peckham, S.E.15. Z3606