



Ramsgate Remembers



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Remembrance Day
***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.***

From "For the Fallen" by Laurence Binyon



Message from the Mayor of Ramsgate

On behalf of the people of Ramsgate, I would like to pay tribute to all those who have served their nation, fought for freedom and peace, and the many who lost their lives.

Volunteers or conscripts, fighting shoulder-to-shoulder alongside troops of all races, colours, and religions with great distinction. These soldiers, sailors and airmen, whose massive contribution must live on in our memories.

As we remember those who fought during the two World Wars and those involved in the conflicts worldwide since 1945, let us all work towards a more peaceful world, where humankind can live together.

Lest We Forget.

*The Worshipful the Mayor of Ramsgate
Councillor Raushan Ara
On behalf of the people of Ramsgate*

Messages for Remembrance

Kim Hobbs

04 NOV 2020

We are forever indebted to those that lost their lives. Though they don't live to tell their story, we shall forever take their story forward and let generations know of the bravery they showed.

They gave their lives, let us take some time to remember the sacrifices made by our Armed Forces and give them the respect they deserve on Remembrance Day.

Richard Goffin--Lecar

04 NOV 2020

On this day, we remember those who served their countries in time of war, and those who lost their lives. As well as those who served in the military, there were those who served in a civilian capacity. The fire crews, the police and ambulance crews, the factory workers, the farmers, even the office workers. They all "did their bit". In addition to these, there were the many thousands of commonwealth subjects who served, both in and out of uniform. Thank you - all of you! I would also like to thank the mayor of Ramsgate, Cllr. Raushan Ara, for starting this book of Remembrance.

I would also like to mention those who fought in the occupied nations resistance forces. Heroes one and all. Thank you!

Mandy Shonk

05 NOV 2020

In the morning and the going down of the sun at 11am on the 11th day 11th month. we will remember .ware your poppy with pride .The past Mayor & Mayoress T L Shonk

David Green

06 NOV 2020

Respects to my fathers and grandfathers generations, we owe them so much. Respect also to those that keep us safe today.

Karen Constantine

06 NOV 2020

Thank you Mayor Raushan Ara for organising this virtual book of remembrance. We must remember and respect those that made such heartbreaking sacrifice for us all. That we might enjoy freedom. We must respect the millions of ordinary people who lost their lives, dragged into war's that were not of their making. Let us not forget those still suffering many years after from mental and physical health issues'. The cities destroyed. Lives to be rebuilt. The generations lost, the families that suffered, those who died too young. Remembrance is important.

Jacqueline Coppock

06 NOV 2020

As a former Town Mayor I reflect on the many men and women who gathered together at St George's church to lay wreaths and remember their friends and colleagues. I can still remember the faces of some of them who I met about the town. They stood to attention in all kinds of weather. The youngsters from different groups paying homage to their seniors all played a part too.

I feel honoured to have played my part in the history of Ramsgate and remember those who gave their lives for our Country.

Ralph Hoult

06 NOV 2020

Having served in the RAF for a 12 year engagement, my thoughts often go to all those who have served and suffered and I believe it is so important to keep our thoughts to those who we have lost and all throughout the World that gave up their lives to help other.

This year especially when we cannot meet up we need to remember. Hopefully next year we get back to normal and get together in memory of those tragic times.

Helen Crittenden

06 NOV 2020

In memory of all those who served, in particular those who lost their lives while serving and those who came home but whose lives would never be the same again through the physical and psychological suffering they endured.

In memory too of my grandfather, the men of the BEF he served with, the heroes of the little ships who helped bring them home, and the role the people of Kent (and Ramsgate) played when the men arrived back on our shores.

Messages for Remembrance

Anne-Marie Nixey

08 NOV 2020

My thoughts, with you all today, and every day. Thank you. x

Shirley Appleby

08 NOV 2020

At this time of Remembrance, every year, as Scouts, we join people worldwide to unite and bow our heads to give thanks for those who have fought for our freedom. This year will be no different. We may not gather in crowds but we will all individually take time to remember all those who gave their lives for our freedom. We would also like to pay tribute to the armed forces animals that gave service and sacrificed their lives. In our time of crisis, they tried their hardest to help and do their part.

Our thoughts are with the Service people and Service animals who we have lost and those who remain in service today, their families and freinds.

6th Ramsgate Royal Harbour Sea Scouts

Marion Pearce

08 NOV 2020

In memory of all those who have served and made the ultimate sacrifice and for all those who are serving in the forces or civilian services or those who are public citizens and are striving to make a better peaceful life for the many in this present time and the future. From Miss Ramsgate and her Town Court and all of the Committee members of the Miss Ramsgate Organisation.

Marion Pearce

08 NOV 2020

Remembering all those who served in times past and present and have made sacrifices to ensure a better life for those in the future. From all the Committee of the Ramsgate Town Carnival association.

Steve Roberts

08 NOV 2020

Remembering my Dad, George Roberts (Fleet Air Arm), my Dad in law Ivor Buckle (RAF) and my uncles, Stan Walford (REME), Reg James (RAF) and Harry, Arthur, Ted and Jack Roberts (all Merchant Navy). Also Jack Roberts, my grandfather (ex HMS Kent, WWI). Miraculously they all survived conflict and major physical harm. Sadly, all now gone. Remembering also, Royal Marine Thomas Curry, who died, aged 21, in Afghanistan.

Diana da Costa

09 NOV 2020

On behalf of the **Ramsgate Montefiore Heritage**, we remember those who gave their lives in two World Wars. In particular, we remember those citizens of Ramsgate who died fighting for their country, many of whom have been laid to rest in Ramsgate. We also remember the Ramsgate civilian casualties in the two World Wars when Ramsgate played its part in the defence of the realm. In WWI Ramsgate was the most bombed seaside town and suffered one of the worst assaults in WWII's Battle of Britain.

Chairman Gerald Tripp

Hon. Treasurer Cllr. Rosalind Binks

Hon. Secretary Diana da Costa

Elizabeth Anderson

09 NOV 2020

For those who gave their lives, so we could live ours. We will remember them.

The Officers and Members of the Royal Temple Yacht Club

Vic Vizer

09 NOV 2020

Thank you will never be enough.

Messages for Remembrance

Beryl Harrison

09 NOV 2020

On behalf of everyone I would like to say well done and thank you for the time and hard work you put in to making the display.

I spent some time with Beryl this morning and she told me some of the stories behind the design and the names displayed. A wonderful lady, very talented and very knowledgeable.

Tracey Bullock on behalf of Beryl Harrison



Tracey Bullock

09 NOV 2020

We shall never forget the sacrifice made by so many. Thank you so much.

Coral Sebag-Montefiore

10 NOV 2020

Thank you for your courage you will always be remembered fondly.

Patricia Moore

11 NOV 2020

I remember with gratitude all who died for us in wars and conflicts. My own family had three generations in the same Regiment ,DWR, from Dunkirk to the Hook Korea, Aden, UN peacekeeping in Cyprus, six tours of NI and iraq. They all came safely home, not unmarked but home. We know how lucky we were . I thank from the bottom of my heart the fallen

Lest We Forget

Becky Wing

11 NOV 2020

Cllr Becky Wing of Central Harbour

This poem was written by Lieutenant Colonel John McCrae a Canadian Physician who like so many perished in battle on January 28th 1918. I post this in memory of all those we have lost and who have been affected by war and conflict. We must keep them all in our hearts and minds and maintain our hope that one day the world will finally be at peace.

In Flanders fields the poppies blow between the crosses, row on row, That mark our place; and in the sky the larks, still bravely singing, fly scarce heard amid the guns below. We are the Dead. Short days ago we lived, felt dawn, saw sunset glow, loved and were loved, and now we lie in Flanders fields. Take up our quarrel with the foe: To you from failing hands we throw the torch; be yours to hold it high. If ye break faith with us who die we shall not sleep, though poppies grow In Flanders fields.

Messages for Remembrance

Ronald Blay

11 NOV 2020

One hundred years after. Mother! Mother! Can you hear my cry come to see me before I die I remember how you stroked my brow; how I wish you were here now My rifle now lays by my side and I grip it tight as very soon it will mark where I lay under six feet of foreign clay, How full of joy we were when we left old England's shore singing and laughing ready to go, to clear a foreign land of our common foe, Not so easy was it done when we met the German Hun machine guns rattled we fell like corn when whistles sounded this early morn. In one hundred years will they tell how in a foreign field we fell, still remember what we did , count the crosses and learn that war has no victors we all lose. The last post sounds once more its mournful notes Touch our hearts remember them for ever. Those who have died in all the wars cannot remind us of their forgotten deeds we must not forget them remember please. Ronald Blay.

Malcolm Wilkinson

12 NOV 2020

Malcolm G Wilkinson. Ramsgate Town Sergeant.

My father served in the Royal Navy for 18 years. He joined before the war started, His ship was torpedoed on two separate occasions. I also joined the Royal Navy and served 22 years and went into the merchant navy.

When the call went out, they came from all parts of the World and all walks of life. They fought for freedom and paid the ultimate price. We shall remember them.



