

BROTHERS IN ARMS

John Evans died of his wounds in France in April 1916 - only 11 months after his 29 year old younger brother had suffered the same fate.

The 32 year old from Higher Wych volunteered in 1915 but **James Evans** had enlisted in 1905 and was sent to the Western Front at the outbreak of war. He died in May 1915.

Another five pairs of brothers are named on the Malpas War Memorial.

Joseph Stevenson (21)
was killed in action in
France in October 1915
while Edward
Stevenson (33) died in
Egypt in October 1917

from malaria. Bøth were born in Oldcastle.

Thomas Boycott (22) was killed in action in France in the first month of the Battle of the Somme in July 1916.

George Boycott (20), drowned in September 1919 while bathing in the Pembroke docks. They were born when William and Elizabeth Boycott lived in Old Hall Street.

Jack Glover served two years in France before he died, aged 26, in the final days of the Battle of the Somme in October 1916. And 24 year old George Glover, who had gone to the Western Front in 1914, was killed in action in Belgium in May 1918.

Their parents lived in Cuddington Heath.

Another mother who outlived two of her sons was Mary Williamson of High Street. Richard Williamson (26), having survived the Gallipoli campaign, was killed in action in Iraq days before Christmas 1916. His younger brother, 22 year old George Williamson, was killed in action in Greece in September 1918.

Both sons of John and Elizabeth Fleet of Church Street are listed among the Malpas dead. **Edgar Fleet** (23) was killed in April 1917 and, 25 year old **Wilfred Fleet**, died in May 1920. He is buried in Malpas Cemetery.

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