

# THE MORRISTON AND DISTRICT SECOND WORLD WAR MEMORIAL

There are several physical memorials for some of those from Morriston who died in service during the Second World War. They include the Morriston Park War Memorial<sup>1</sup>, the War Memorial Hall<sup>2</sup> and St David's Church<sup>3</sup>. Each of the memorials has limited inclusivity and together list only a minority of those with a connection to Morriston and District who died in service during that conflict.

Following Remembrance Day 2025 a search begun to find and commemorate on the day and month of their death all those who had fallen. The aim being to complete and post the research on the Facebook platform of the Morriston History Group<sup>4</sup> by Remembrance Day 2026.

As the search progressed it became apparent that the potential number of those with a valid connection<sup>5</sup> for inclusion in this commemoration far exceeded those who had been listed on existing memorials. Also, the Facebook postings, which included military and personal details of those commemorated, would have limited visibility during and after twelve months from being posted. A comment contributor<sup>6</sup> to the early postings suggested a new way of commemorating the fallen and this "virtual memorial", which is a work in progress, is the first step in creating a Morriston and District Second World War Memorial.

The Memorial will be built up month by month during 2026 starting with the list of those already commemorated on the Morriston History Group's Facebook platform as at 31<sup>st</sup> March 2026.

The memorial contains a panel with the names in alphabetical order of all those who are commemorated. It is followed by personal and military biographical information that has been found for each of those listed, with photographs where available<sup>7</sup>.

It should be noted that this is a work in progress.

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Morriston History Group Facebook Member

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**AT THE GOING DOWN OF THE SUN AND IN  
THE MORNING WE WILL REMEMBER THEM**

\*As at 31 March 2026

## Caithness R.

First Name(s)	Ronald
Rank	Sailor
Service No.	N/A
Service	Merchant Navy
Unit	SS Empire Tiger
Date of Death	27 February 1941
Manner	Lost at Sea
Born	Morrison
Age	22
Parents' Names	Herbert and Hannah
Wife's Name	-
Address	7 Cwmbath Road
Occupation	Sailor
Buried	No known grave
Memorial	Tower Hill Memorial (Panel 46)

Ronald was aboard SS Empire Tiger on route from Halifax, Canada to the Clyde, Glasgow with a general cargo. The ship foundered thirty miles south of Iceland. A distress call was transmitted and another reported that all lifeboats had been washed away. Nothing more was heard and one hundred and twenty-three on board were lost, including Ronald.



### Davies N.V.

First Name(s)	Norman Vurdun
Rank	Able Seaman
Service No.	C/X 19349A
Service	Royal Navy Reserve
Unit	HMS Pembroke
Date of Death	11 January 1944
Manner	Medical Operation
Born	Not known
Age	27
Parents' Names	David and Annabelle
Wife's Name	-
Address	Parc Llewellyn
Occupation	Royal Mail Steam Packet Co.
Buried	Gillingham Woodlands Cemetery, Naval Reservation. Grave 1563.
Memorial	St David's Church War Memorial

HMS Pembroke was a shore-based establishment for training sailors. It was also the name for the Royal Naval Barracks at Chatham. Norman Vurdun died during surgery in the Royal Naval Hospital in Chatham.

## Davies F.

First Name(s)	Frank
Rank	Winchman
Service No.	N/A
Service	Merchant Navy
Unit	THV Georges de Joly
Date of Death	20 March 1941
Manner	Killed by enemy bombing
Age	32
Born	Morrleston
Parents' Names	David Thomas and Catherine Jane
Wife's Name	Jane
Address	58 Woodfield Street
Occupation	Worked for Trinity House
Buried	Danygraig Cemetery (Sec B, Grave 666.)
Memorial	Plymouth Civilian War Dead and the Swansea Register of civilian war deaths due to enemy operations.

Frank was one of the Trinity House Lighthouse and Buoyage service crew from Swansea that had gone to Plymouth to take over the French vessel MV Georges de Joly of the French lighthouse and buoyage service (Ministère de Travaux Publics' Service des Phares et Balises). The Georges de Joly had been brought to the UK after the fall of France. She was being refitted in Plymouth Dockyard. It was the night of the Plymouth Blitz and when the bombing begun there were several near misses and incendiary bombs had to be rolled clear from the deck. Frank was wounded and taken off board to a First Aid Post in Princess Square in Plymouth. During the night the First Aid Post was hit by a bomb and Frank was killed. Frank has two entries in the Commonwealth War Graves Commission's database, one as a serving winchman with Trinity House and the other as a civilian killed by enemy action.



### Davies W.H

First Name(s)	William Howell (“Howi”)
Rank	Gunner
Service No.	955742
Service	Royal Artillery
Unit	455 Independent Light Anti-Aircraft Battery
Date of Death	13 March 1943
Manner	Killed in Action
Age	23
Born	Not Known
Parents’ Names	William and Elizabeth
Wife’s Name	-
Address	12 Springfield Street
Occupation	-
Buried	Kirkee War Cemetery, India (1.G.8)
Memorial	-

Howi had been reported as missing on 19 August 1942 but that was revised to killed in action on 13<sup>th</sup> March 1943. He was serving in India, but where his Battery was deployed at the time of death is unclear.

### Evans D.T.

First Name(s)	David Trevor
Rank	Private
Service No.	3967205
Service	Army
Unit	Welsh Regiment 2/5 <sup>th</sup> Battalion
Date of Death	17 February 1940
Manner	Illness
Born	Morrison
Age	24
Parents’ Names	Trevor and Agnes
Wife’s Name	-
Address	Penlan, Pentrepoeth Road
Occupation	Articled Architect/Surveyor
Buried	Morrison Cemetery (Sec. A. Grave 211)
Memorial	St David’s Church War Memorial and Morrison War Memorial Book of Remembrance.

David Trevor had been a Swansea Grammar School student. He contracted an illness while serving on home duties with his battalion and died suddenly and was given a Military Burial in Morrison Cemetery. David Trevor was the first from Morrison to die in service during the war.



### Evans J.G.

First Name(s)	John Gower
Rank	Flight Sergeant
Service No.	59128330
Service	RAF
Unit	55 Squadron
Date of Death	23 February 1945
Manner	Killed in Action
Age	22
Born	Not known
Parents' Names	Joshua and Elizabeth ("Lizzie")
Wife's Name	-
Address	1 Llanllienwen Road
Occupation	-
Buried	No known grave
Memorial	Malta Memorial ( Panel 18, Col. 2) and Dynevor School Memorial.

John Gower's Douglas Boston V BZ630, usually had been deployed on day bombing from its base in Falconara, 103 miles east of Florence. The raid that day however would be done at night with a 77% moon. After a bombing attack on Sarcile, the crew were due to "recce" Pordenone, Treviso and Vicenza. They failed to return.

### Evans J.I.

First Name(s)	John Ivor
Rank	Civilian
Service No.	N/A
Service	N/A
Unit	N/A
Date of Death	17 January 1941
Manner	Killed by enemy
Age	37
Born	Morrison
Parents' Names	Evan and Catherine
Living at	38 Lan Street
Wife's Name	Mabel Elizabeth
Address	63 Windmill Street
Occupation	Travelling draper
Buried	Mynyddbach Chapel
Memorial	The Civilian War Dead Roll of Honour 1939-1945 in St George's Chapel; Westminster Abbey and Swansea's Register of Civilian Deaths Due to War Operations

John Ivor , his wife and son John Ambrose(7) and daughter Gwynfa Rees (10) were all killed by enemy bombing and found the next morning and taken to the mortuary in Wycliff Hall Clarence Street , Swansea.

### Evans P.

First Name(s)	Peter
Rank	Not known
Service No.	Not known
Service	Not known
Unit	Not known
Date of Death	Not known
Manner	Not known
Born	Not known
Age	Not known
Parents' Names	Not known
Wife's Name	Not known
Address	Not known
Occupation	Not known
Buried	Not known
Memorial	St David's Church War Memorial

### Frohwein W.D.

First Name(s)	William Desmond
Rank	Stoker First Class
Service No.	P/KX 602587
Service	Royal Navy
Unit	HMS Capel
Date of Death	26 December 1944
Manner	Killed in Action
Age	19
Born	Not known
Parents' Names	William and Edith
Wife's Name	-
Address	2 Pentremalwed Road
Occupation	None
Buried	No known grave
Memorial	Portsmouth Naval Memoria ( Panel 85 Col.3) and Morriston War Memorial Hall Book of Remembrance.

HMS Capel was sunk near Cherbourg on the afternoon of Boxing Day 1944 by a torpedo from U Boat 486. Seventy-six of the crew were killed including William Desmond.



## Harris R.J.

First Name(s)	Raymond John
Rank	Gunner
Service No.	1811608
Service	Royal Artillery
Unit	12 Battery 6 HAA Regiment
Date of Death	1 March 1942
Manner	Killed in Action
Age	22
Born	Morrison
Parents' Names	Maria
Wife's Name	-
Address	Nixon Terrace
Occupation	Cold roller in tin works
Buried	No known grave
Memorial	Singapore Memorial (Col. 20)

Raymond John's Battery were defending an airfield in Kalidjati on the island of Java. His Battery had no field guns; all were previously lost getting to Java from Sumatra, so they were in an infantry role. During the night a strong Japanese force surprised, overcame and destroyed his Battery. Any survivors were taken as prisoners of war and would end up working on the Burmah Railway. Raymond John was reported as missing. It was not until March 1946 that his mother was informed officially that Raymond John was presumed killed in action at the Kalidjati airfield.

### Jeremiah J.O.T

First Name(s)	John Owen Thomas
Rank	Voluntary Air Raid Warden
Service No.	-
Service	ARP
Unit	-
Date of Death	20 February 1941
Manner	Killed by Enemy Bomb
Age	41
Born	Morrison
Parents' Names	John Owen and Margaret
Lived at	Welcome to Town Public House
Wife's Name	Annie Hilda
Address	10 Tydraw Place
Occupation	Dock Labourer
Buried	Danygraig Cemetery
Memorial	The Civilian War Dead Roll of Honour 1939-1945 in St George's Chapel; Westminster Abbey and Swansea's Register of Civilian Deaths Due to War Operations

John Owen was killed by bomb blast while on duty at 41 Llanerch Road, Bonymaen during the second night of the Swansea "Three Nights Blitz". His body was found in the early hours of the following morning, and taken to the mortuary at Wycliff Hall, Clarence Street, Swansea.

## John H.

First Name(s)	Howell
Rank	Sergeant
Service No.	1656081
Service	RAF Bomber Command
Unit	514 Squadron
Date of Death	22 March 1944
Manner	Killed in Action
Born	Swansea
Age	22
Parents' Names	David Hopkin and Margaret Ellen
Wife's Name	Sarah Ann <sup>24</sup>
Address	44 Trewyddfa Road
Occupation	-
Buried	Emmen Nieuw Dordrecht General Cemetery Plot 8. Row B. Joint grave 24.
Memorial	Morrison War Memorial Hall Book of Remembrance

Howell took off from his base in RAF Waterbeach, Cambridgeshire as rear gunner on a raid on Frankfurt in Avro Lancaster Mk11, LL-284, A2-B. The plane was shot down by a night fighter over Zwartemeer near Kamerlingswijk. Only two of the crew survived but they were captured. He would have preferred to have been a navigator and was in training.



### Jones D.D.

First Name(s)	David Daniel
Rank	Flight Sergeant
Service No.	1404591
Service	RAF Bomber Command
Unit	530 Squadron
Date of Death	1 January 1944
Manner	Killed in Action
Age	31
Born	Llangyfelach
Parents' Names	David John and Cordelia
Wife's Name	Nancy
Address	Heol Ddu
Occupation	-
Buried	No known grave
Memorial	Runnymede War Memorial (Panel 275)

David Daniel was the flight engineer aboard Lancaster PB894 on a sortie to lay mines in the Baltic Sea near Kattegat. During the early hours of New Year's day his plane went missing near the coast of North Demark and was lost without trace.

### Jones H.D.

First Name(s)	Howard Dennis
Rank	Flight Sergeant
Service No.	1431674
Service	RAF Volunteer Reserve
Unit	408(RCAF)(Goose) Squadron
Date of Death	21 January 1944
Manner	Killed in Action
Born	Morrison
Age	22
Parents' Names	Philip and Mary Anne
Wife's Name	-
Address	Kennilworth, Vicarage Road
Occupation	-
Buried	No known grave
Memorial	Runnymede War Memorial (Panel 219) and St David's Church War Memorial

Howard Dennis was the flight engineer aboard Lancaster DS790 EQ-B which departed RAF Lynton on Ouse on a raid on Magdeburg Germany. His plane was shot down by a night fighter near Zehdenick, Jerichow. Although three of the crew survived Howard Dennis was missing presumed killed.



### Jones J.E. DFM

First Name(s)	John Elias
Rank	Flight Sergeant
Service No.	551817
Service	RAF
Unit	207 Squadron
Date of Death	9 January 1942
Manner	Kille in Action
Born	Not known
Age	21
Parents' Names	Ernest and Jessie May
Wife's Name	-
Address	Granville House, Slate Street
Occupation	-
Buried	No known grave
Memorial	Runnymede War Memorial( (Panel 75)

John Elias was the Wireless Operator aboard Manchester L7322 which took off from RAF Bottesford to attack the German Warships Scharnhorst and Gneisenau which were in port in Brest, France. The weather and visibility on route was poor, and the flight was not heard from again and did not return to Bottesford. The aircraft was later found in Crozon, Finisterre. There were no survivors.

### Lewis A.J.

First Name(s)	Albert John (Bertie)
Rank	Gunner
Service No.	14265379
Service	Royal Artillery
Unit	20 <sup>th</sup> Light Anti-Aircraft Regiment
Date of Death	31 January 1944
Manner	Died of Wounds
Age	27
Born	Not known
Parents' Names	John and Dinah Catherine
Wife's Name	Ellen Mary
Address	Rose Cottage , Clydach Road
Occupation	Tinplate worker, Midland and Tircanol works
Buried	Bruges General Cemetery ( Plot 63. Row 5. Grave 5.
Memorial	St David's Church War Memorial and Morriston War Memorial Book of Remembrance.

Bertie sustained severe head wounds during fighting in the South Scheldt in Belgium. His role in his unit was driver-mechanic. He was ex pupil of Pentrepoeth School and was in the school choir under Ivor Sims. He had a baby daughter who he had not seen.

### Lewis W.E.

First Name(s)	William Edgar
Rank	Private
Service No.	D/15388
Service	Army
Unit	12 <sup>th</sup> Battalion Royal Warwickshire Regiment
Date of Death	30 <sup>th</sup> December 1941
Manner	Died from injuries
Age	43
Parents' Names	John Elias and Mary Elizabeth
Wife's Name	Janet
Address	51 Tirpenry Street
Occupation	Worked at Rees and Kirby
Buried	Morrison Cemetery (Sec. D. Grave 185)
Memorial	-

William Edgar sustained injuries while carrying out home garrison duties on 21<sup>st</sup> November. The Battalion had been formed in 1940 of ex-service men (age 35-50) and performed home garrison and lines of communication tasks.

### Mogford F.H.

First Name(s)	Frederick Harold
Rank	Sergeant Bombardier
Service No.	4196562
Service	Royal Artillery
Unit	110 Light Anti-Aircraft Regiment
Date of Death	17 January 1946
Manner	Road Accident
Age	26
Born	Morrison
Parents' Names	Harold and Rose
Wife's Name	Maud
Address	21 Heol Tirdu
Occupation	Lorry Driver
Buried	Celles War Cemetery, Germany (3.A.4)
Memorial	St David's Church War Memorial

Frederick Harold was serving in the Army of Occupation in post war Germany. He was three weeks away from leaving the Army.

### Morris R. D.

First Name(s)	Royston Delmare
Rank	Flight Sergeant
Service No.	103412
Service	RAF Bomber Command
Unit	115 Squadron
Date of Death	22 November 1942
Manner	Killed in action
Age	22
Born	Morrison
Parents' Names	Thomas John and Mary
Wife's Name	-
Address	171 Chemical Road
Occupation	Labourer in Mond Works, Clydach
Buried	Chalandry Church Yard, France (Grave 5)
Memorial	-

Royston Delamere was the Rear Gunner aboard Vickers Wellington 111 BK206 which left RAF East Witham in clear skies and full moon for a bombing raid over Stuttgart, but the plane failed to return having crashed near Chalandry in France. There was only one survivor, the rest of the crew including Royston Delamer perished.

### Parry J.R.

First Name(s)	John Rowland
Rank	Sapper
Service No.	2859850
Service	Army
Unit	Royal Engineers
Date of Death	16 January 1943
Manner	Accident
Age	21
Born	Morrison
Parents' Names	John and Winifred Elizabeth
Wife's Name	Margaretta
Address	13 Strawberry Place
Occupation	Riveter at Rees and Kirby
Buried	Morrison Cemetery (Sec C. Grave 411)
Memorial	St David's Church War Memorial



### Rees E.T.

First Name(s)	Edgar Thomas
Rank	Gunner
Service No.	3965112
Service	Royal Artillery
Unit	14th Light Anti-Aircraft Regiment
Date of Death	17 December 1944
Manner	Killed in Action
Born	Not known
Age	27
Parents' Names	David and Sarah
Wife's Name	Iris Maud
Address	114 Glantawe Street
Occupation	Worker in Worcester Tin Plate Works
Buried	Forli War Cemetery , Italy (1, C, 23.)
Memorial	-

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Edgar Thomas was engaged in the Italian Campaign north of the Gothic Line of Defence.

### Strawbridge J.A.

First Name(s)	John Arthur
Rank	Private
Service No.	3967961
Service	Army
Unit	Welsh Regiment 4 <sup>th</sup> Battalion
Date of Death	& January 1945
Manner	Killed in Action
Born	Not known
Age	25
Parents' Names	George Henry and Elizabeth
Wife's Name	-
Address	32 Trewyddfa Common
Occupation	Worked at Rees and Kirby
Buried	Hotton War Cemetery, Belgium (II. A. 12)
Memorial	-

John Arthur's battalion were positioned in Menil in the Ardenne, just west of Bastogne and became engaged in the "Battle of the Bulge"- the final enemy counter offensive of the war. On the extreme western edge of the "Bulge", they were facing the 60th Panzergrenadier Regiment of the 116th Panzer Division and attacked them successfully but with many casualties including John Arthur.

### Thomas D.F.

First Name(s)	Donald Francis
Rank	Sergeant
Service No.	1317370
Service	RAF Coastal Command
Unit	621 Squadron
Date of Death	4 January 1944
Manner	Killed in Action
Born	Not known
Age	21
Parents' Names	-
Wife's Name	-
Address	56 Clyndu Street
Occupation	Worked at Cwmfellin and Dyffryn Works
Buried	No known grave
Memorial	Alamein Memorial, Egypt. (Col.280)

Donald Francis flew out of his base at RAF Khormaksar in Aden on a Vickers Wellington XIII aircraft. His duties included reconnaissance and submarine patrols. He had just taken over wireless operator duties when the aircraft experienced engine trouble and the pilot had to ditch the plane into the Gulf of Aden. Sinking was swift but Donald Francis stuck to his post sending out SOS distress signals. He went down with the aircraft, and the other members of the crew took to a lifeboat. Because of Donald Francis' sacrifice they were saved because a warship had picked up his transmission and came to their rescue. Posthumously Donald Francis was mentioned in despatches for his actions.

## Tucker P.

First Name(s)	Phyllis
Rank	Aircraftwoman 2 <sup>nd</sup> Class
Service No.	2076023
Service	RAF Maintenance Command
Unit	32 Maintenance
Date of Death	7 December 1942
Manner	Accident
Age	19
Born	Morrison
Parents' Names	Albert and Ada
Wife's Name	-
Address	120 Clyndu Street
Occupation	Grocer's assistant
Buried	Morrison Cemetery ( Sec. E, Grave 258.)
Memorial	St David's Church War Memorial

Phyllis was serving at her base in RAF St Athan when she died in a car accident at nearby Boverton during a blackout.



### Walke W.A.

First Name(s)	William Arthur (Billie)
Rank	Sergeant
Service No.	1338105
Service	RAF Bomber Command
Unit	49 Squadron
Date of Death	2 December 1943
Manner	Killed in Action
Age	22
Born	Llangyfelach
Parents' Names	Thomas Charles and Elizabeth Anne
Wife's Name	Joan
Address	Old Parsonage, Llangyfelach
Occupation	Apprentice joiner
Buried	Berlin 1939-45 War Cemetery (4.K.24.)
Memorial	-

During a bombing raid over Berlin, Billie's Lancaster was shot down by an enemy fighter when over target



### Walkley T.A.

First Name(s)	Thomas Aines
Rank	Stoker 2 <sup>nd</sup> Class
Service No.	D/KX112364
Service	Royal Navy
Unit	HMS Price of Wales
Date of Death	13 December 1941
Manner	Died of wounds
Age	26
Born	Not known
Parents' Names	-
Wife's Name	Margaret
Address	Maesygelynen Road
Occupation	-
Buried	Kranji War Cemetery, Singapore. (35.E.19)
Memorial	-

On 10 December 1941 Thomas Aines survived the sinking of HMS Price of Wales by Japanese bombers in the South China Sea by abandoning ship, but he was to die of his injuries three days later.

## Watkins W.

First Name(s)	William
Rank	Lieutenant
Service No.	306120
Service	Army
Unit	The Loyals ( North Lancashire) Regiment, 1 <sup>st</sup> Battalion
Date of Death	18 February 1944
Manner	Killed in Action
Age	Not known
Born	Talybont
Parents' Names	Daniel and Ellen
Wife's Name	-
Address	67 Sway Road
Occupation	Army ( India, Palestine, Aden)
Buried	Anzio War Cemetery Italy. (I, P, 12)
Memorial	-

William had evacuated from Dunkirk though his bother, David, did not make it out. He served in Africa. His battalion had landed at the Anzio Beaches and had moved up to face the counter attacking German forces including The Leher Regiment and the 1<sup>st</sup> Panzer Grenadiers and had halted a breakthrough but with high casualties. An extract from the Regimental History recounts "A patrol from D Company was then sent to find out whether the farmhouse (Todhunter Lodge) was still occupied by the enemy, **but its commander, Lieutenant W. Watkins, was killed by a sniper**"

William's Service Medals



## Williams B.

First Name(s)	Brynmor
Rank	Leading Aircraftman
Service No.	611643
Service	RAF
Unit	22 Squadron
Date of Death	8 March 1940
Manner	Accident
Age	Not known
Born	Not known
Parents' Names	William and Mary
Wife's Name	-
Address	Cwmrhydyceirw
Occupation	Not known
Buried	No known grave
Memorial	Runnymede Memorial (Panel 23)

Brynmor's squadron was converting from the bi plane Vickers Vildebeest to Bristol Beaumonts for submarine patrol and mine dropping duties. His plane spun into the sea off Chichester harbour as he entered the slip stream of another Beaumont whilst both were on training flights near Thornley Island, the Squadron's base. Brynmor was reported to be first from Morriston to die in action during the war.



## Williams I

First Name(s)	Islwyn
Rank	Sergeant
Service No.	3967091
Service	Army
Unit	Welsh Regiment 1 <sup>st</sup> Battalion
Date of Death	28 February 1942
Manner	Killed in Action
Age	26
Born	Not known
Parents' Names	-
Wife's Name	Sybil
Address	3 Tan-y-Lan Terrace
Occupation	Branch manager of a Multiple Sore
Buried	No known grave
Memorial	Alamein Memorial, Egypt. (Col 63)

Islwyn was engaged in heavy fighting in the Benghazi Port region when he was killed. His Battalion successfully resisting an enemy advance.

## Williams R.

First Name(s)	Rhys
Rank	Flight Sergeant
Service No.	113756
Service	RAF Volunteer Reserve
Unit	150 Squadron
Date of Death	23 January 1944
Manner	Killed in action
Age	Not known
Born	Llangyfelach
Parents' Names	Thomas and Margaret Ellen
Wife's Name	-
Address	Cwmrhydyceirw
Occupation	-
Buried	No known grave
Memorial	Malta Memorial (Panel 15, Col 2) and the Morryston War Memorial Hall Book of Remembrance,

Rhys was Flight Engineer and Bomber on Wellington LN515 when it took off on a bombing raid on an aircraft factory at Msrivor in Northwest Yugoslavia. There were severe icing conditions reported by other aircraft and the Wellington failed to return. Post war investigation reported that the missing crew had no known grave.

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First Name(s)	
Rank	
Service No.	
Service	
Unit	
Date of Death	
Manner	
Born	
Age	
Parents' Names	
Wife's Name	
Address	
Occupation	
Buried	
Memorial	

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First Name(s)	
Rank	
Service No.	
Service	
Unit	
Date of Death	
Manner	
Born	
Age	
Parents' Names	
Wife's Name	
Address	
Occupation	
Buried	
Memorial	

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Notes:

1. The War Memorial in Morrision Park was built in 1928 and unveiled and dedicated to the fallen of The First World War on 15<sup>th</sup> November 1928. On 24<sup>th</sup> April 1949 it was rededicated to include those who had died in service in The Second World War. However, unlike for those in the First World War, no names of those who died were listed on the memorial.
2. The Morrision War Memorial Hall was built and opened in 1962, and a War Memorial Book of Remembrance was introduced to list the names of those had fallen in both world wars.
3. St David's unveiled and dedicated a Memorial Plaque to The Second World War fallen in 1955. Also at the same time new bells were installed in the Church to the memory of those who had died in service.
4. The Morrision History Group was formed in February 2013 and uses the Facebook social media platform for Group communication and discussion. It undertakes presentations on local history topics.
5. A valid connection for inclusion in the Memorial is based on:

**(i) The defined geographical area of Morrision and District.** As well as Morrision, it includes Park Llewellyn, Trewyddfa/ Graig, Clase, Mynyddbach, Heol Ddu and Llangyfelach, Pant-lasau, Cwmrhydyceirw, Ynysforgan and Ynystawe ( but not Plasmarl, Treboeth, Clydach, Llansamlet or Bonymaen).

**(ii) - At least one of birth, lived in, and familial links to Morrision before and during the war.**

**(iii) Service in armed forces and other national services during the war and includes** Armed Services- Army, Royal Artillery, Royal Navy, or RAF or Merchant Navy, Other national service roles include the Home Guard, National Fire Service, Air Raid Precautions. Or as a civilian killed by enemy operations.

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- 7 Sources of biographical and military information include:
  - England and Wales Census Collection
  - 1939 Register of England and Wales
  - UK Army Roll of Honour 1939-45
  - UK WW2 Army Casualty Lists 1939-45
  - UK World War II Index to Allied Airman Roll of Honour, 1939-1945
  - Commonwealth War Graves Commission
  - Wikipedia: Regimental or Battalion Histories

- Aircrew Remembered
- Swansea Family History
- Find a Grave Memorials
- Newspapers.com by Ancestry -South Wales Evening Post and Herald of Wales
- Morryston Memorial Hall Book of Remembrance
- St David's Church War Memorial

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