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Remembering Local Heroes



The 2018 Centenary Remembrance Service at Goodison Park

This time last year, as we were remembering the centenary of the 1918 Armistice Day, the EFC Heritage page was penned by Tony Wainwright, who reflected on the 13,000 men from this city who gave their lives for their country. Tony, a member of the EFC Heritage Society, was awarded the British Empire Medal in the New Year's Honours List of 2019, for 'his services to the Liverpool Pals Memorial', which now stands proudly at Lime Street station. Yet his work was still not finished and in September 2019 a website dedicated to the memory of the Liverpool Pals went live (liverpoolpals.com). This was an immense undertaking by the lifelong Blue, who, with his team of researchers, have made the records of the Pals available to the public.

Among those who perished was Frank Everard Boundy. Born in Kenwyn St George, near Truro, Boundy 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 was also the club's first president. Shortly after war was declared, he, along with many other young men from the British community, sailed home to volunteer for military service during World War One. 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, The King's (Liverpool) Regiment, and went on to win the Military Cross before he died at the Somme on 30 July 1916 aged just 21. He is buried in Guillemont Road Cemetery, France.

Of course, we remember all men and women from all wars, and in the case of our former players, research has so far revealed there to have been eleven men who were lost in the First World War and five in the Second. A further nine from the Everton Club



Frank Boundy.

of Auckland, plus two from CD Everton (Chile) were also lost. All are remembered in the booklet produced by the EFC Heritage Society - 'The Fallen of Everton Football Club', which is available from St Luke's Church on matchdays or as a free download from the society website.

EFC Heritage Society will again lead an Armistice commemoration of the sacrifices made, at 11am on Monday 11th November by the Park End stand.