

## **War Memorials**

The war memorials within Mansfield District Council's environs are found in many places, not just cemeteries. Information pertaining to our War Memorials and others within Nottinghamshire can be found by visiting

[www.nottinghamshire.gov.uk/rollofhonour](http://www.nottinghamshire.gov.uk/rollofhonour)

[www.mansfields-heroes.org.uk/roll-of-honour](http://www.mansfields-heroes.org.uk/roll-of-honour)

[www.wv1-yorkshires.org.uk/html-files/mansfield-woodhouse.htm](http://www.wv1-yorkshires.org.uk/html-files/mansfield-woodhouse.htm)

[www.inmemories.com/RollOfHonour/MansfieldWoodhouse.htm](http://www.inmemories.com/RollOfHonour/MansfieldWoodhouse.htm)

[www.warmemorialsonline.org.uk](http://www.warmemorialsonline.org.uk)

The [United Kingdom National Inventory of War Memorials](#) is currently working at cataloguing all War Memorials in the UK and has information about many of those within Nottinghamshire. As a Local Authority, we encourage owners of War Memorials and members of the public to check the inventory and submit information to complete the relevant record so that information is preserved for posterity.

Maintenance of War Memorials is the responsibility of their owners. Expert advice and some grants are available from the [War Memorials Trust](#).



Cross of Sacrifice, Nottingham Road Cemetery, Mansfield

## **War Graves**

[The Commonwealth War Graves Commission](#) commemorates the 1,700,000 men and women of the Commonwealth forces who died in the two world wars. Many cemeteries and churchyards in the United Kingdom, including those maintained and managed by Mansfield District Council, contain war graves.

[War Graves Photographic Project](#) makes available photographs of war graves and memorials from all over the world including the United Kingdom.

The [Ministry of Defence](#) offers military funerals for personnel who die in service. Military headstones are similar but not identical in style to war graves.

In some circumstances it may be possible to have a Commonwealth War Graves headstone erected on a family owned grave.

## **Commemoration**

On 4<sup>th</sup> August 2014, to commemorate the start of WWI a small ceremony was held in Mansfield Cemetery by the Royal British Legion and small crosses bearing poppies were placed on all war graves from the 1914 – 1918 war. A memorial plaque was placed in front of the Cross of Sacrifice and poppy wreaths placed.

A memorial tree and plaque was erected at Warsop Cemetery and poppy seeds scattered.

Memorial plaques will also be erected in due course at Mansfield Woodhouse and Pleasley Hill Cemeteries.

The inscription on the plaque in all cemeteries reads:-

“In commemoration of all who gave the ultimate sacrifice  
Buried and remembered within this cemetery.”

It was our hope that not only would the memorial plaque commemorate those that served in the armed forces but also those who died in fulfilling other duties associated with the war e.g. airwardens, home guard etc.