

## Stewkley Lads Fallen in the Great War

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### Description

An accidental discovery that as many as twelve men from Stewkley who died in the First World War were not commemorated on the village war memorial has led to Stewkley Local History Group's first publication, "**Stewkley Lads Fallen in the Great War.**" Solving the mystery of the missing men, including two winners of the Military Medal, became a history project for the group, which has resulted in the production of a book about all the men from the village who went to war and did not return.

Written by group member John Sheldon and supported by other group members, this 96 page A5 book brings together for the first time the biographies of these "Stewkley Lads" in chronological order of their deaths, who paid the ultimate sacrifice in Belgium, France, the Middle East and elsewhere during the Great War. It is based on information on the Stewkley Village War Memorials, family memories, specialist websites and research at the archives of the local regiments (the Oxford and Buckinghamshire Light Infantry, the Buckinghamshire Battalions, the Royal Bucks Hussars), and at County Hall.

With a foreword by Air Vice Marshal Dusty Saunders CBE, a resident of Stewkley and Chairman of the village British Legion Branch and lavishly illustrated, the book gives a unique insight into one of the most traumatic periods of change in the history of the village: "*With a casualty rate of nearly 25%, scarcely a family or individual in Stewkley would have been left untouched by the mounting scale of tragedy from the loss of a loved one.....*"

*(Please Note: This is NOT a Buckinghamshire Family History Society publication. The Society is making it available in the shop as part of its service to local organisation and historians. The publication will be despatched by the publisher, The Stewkley Local History Society.)*

### Reviews

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from Karen Houck on 1/11/2012

I purchased this book because of my personal interest in Charles Allder. But having read the whole book, I would like to thank Mr Sheldon because it bought many people to life for me. It also provoked much thought and discussion in our house about the experiences that the young men he writes about must have gone through. Well worth the small charge

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