

HISTORY

Remembrance Day - November 11th

Joseph Lister, VC

Joseph Lister was a local man who had been forced into the army (conscripted) due to the war

He was a sergeant in the First World War (1914 - 1918) and was awarded the Victoria Cross, Britains highest award for bravery.

On the 9th October 1917, when just 30 years old, he risked his life under heavy machine gun fire to save his comrades. Lister attacked and forced around 100 German soldiers to surrender, killing 2 soldiers in the process.

After the war he lived in Stockport until he died in 1963 at the age of 76.



The Victoria Cross

Joseph Listers headstone



Bravery on the battlefield

What does VC mean after Joseph Listers name?

What is the last word on his headstone?

Who do you think named the Victoria Cross?