

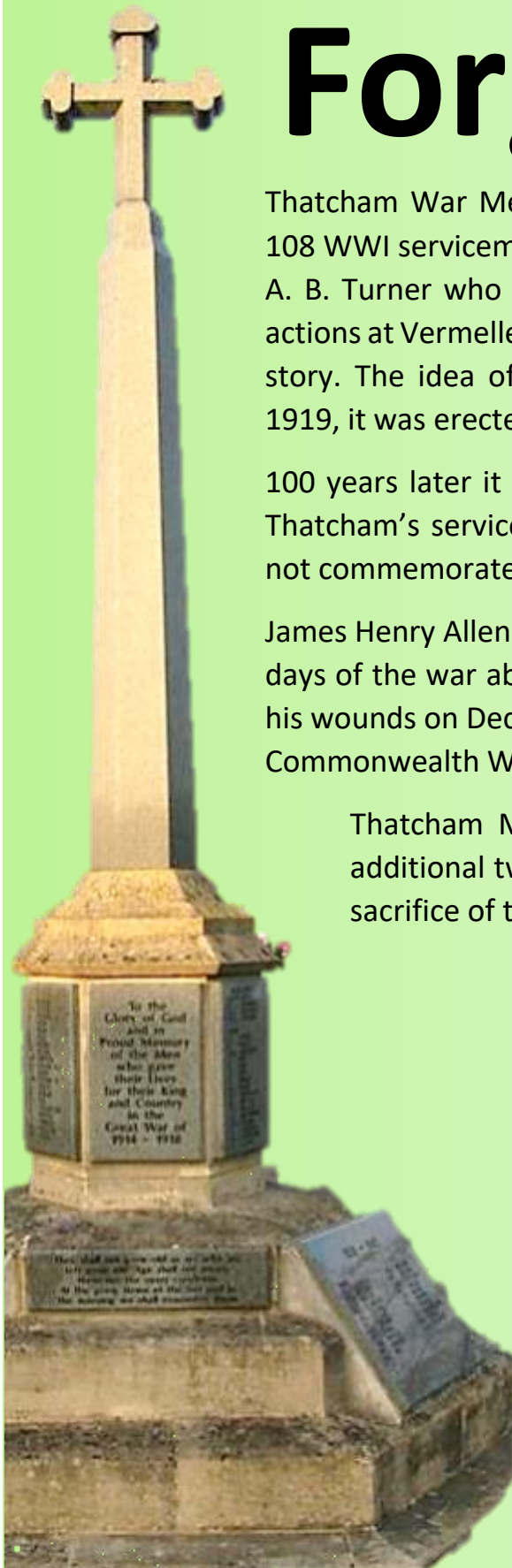
# Remembering the Forgotten Few

Thatcham War Memorial commemorates the lives of 108 WWI servicemen; the most well-known of these is A. B. Turner who was awarded the Victoria Cross for actions at Vermelles; however, this is not the end of the story. The idea of a parish memorial came about in 1919, it was erected soon after and unveiled in 1920.

100 years later it has come to light that a handful of Thatcham's service personnel who lost their lives are not commemorated on the war memorial.

James Henry Allen served in the Royal Navy and was wounded in the very last days of the war aboard HMS Kildorrey, he returned home but succumbed to his wounds on December 6<sup>th</sup> 1918 and is buried in Thatcham Cemetery with a Commonwealth War Grave. He is not recognised on the war memorial.

Thatcham Memorial Foundation has raised over £1500 to place an additional two plaques on the existing memorial to commemorate the sacrifice of these forgotten servicemen.



## Unveiling Ceremony

**Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> November 2018**

Muster 10:30am

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