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Prior to 1905, the burial of Grayshott residents had taken place in both Shottermill and Bramshott, although the majority were in Headley Churchyard, a horse and cart provided by local tradesmen being used as a hearse between Grayshott and Headley.

Following on from her gift of the land on which St. Luke's Church was built, Miss Catherine l'Anson gave the land for the Churchyard in 1905 and it was dedicated by the Bishop of Dorking, deputising for the Bishop of Winchester, in June of that year. Nearly all of the shops in the village were closed for the afternoon on a perfect summer day. The petition for consecration was presented to the Bishop by Mr. Whitaker, the Vicar's Churchwarden, and the service commenced in the Church *"and forever set apart from all profane and common uses to be the resting place of the dead until the glorious resurrection of the last day"*. A procession, headed by the churchwardens in academic robes and bearing staves of office, with the Bishop, clergy, choir and congregation, proceeded around the grounds, stopping at the south wall where the service continued before returning into the church. During his address, the Bishop pleaded "for more reverence through our modern life in England", perhaps a plea which could be justly repeated today. Following the service, many of those assembled accepted an invitation for tea in the Vicarage garden.

Certain rules had been established regarding burials: Legal hours for funerals were between 10.00am and 6.00pm.during April through September and between 10.00am and 3.00pm October through March, two clear days of notice had to be given to the vicar. No monument or inscription was allowed without the permission of the vicar. No burials were to take place on the south side of the church. No artificial flowers were to be placed on the grave. All persons dying in the village were entitled to be buried there, but representatives could not claim a particular place, although every effort would be made to meet their wishes. Under the Burial Laws Amendment Act (1880), 48hours notice had to be given "that it is intended that such deceased person shall be buried within the churchyard without the performance of the service for the burial of the dead according to the rites of the Church of England. The burial may take place at the option of the person responsible, either without any religious service or with such Christian and orderly religious service at the grave, as that person shall think fit".

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Arrangements had been made with Mr. Bridger, Stonemason of Haslemere, who had undertaken to provide "a plain square stone with cross, initials and date engraved upon it , at a cost of 4s.6p.(22.5p).

In October 1905, a bicycle shed, to accommodate no less than 12 cycles, was built by the churchwardens, to be opened before each service until the bell stopped, at which time it would be locked until the end of the service.

The first registered burial in the churchyard was that of William George Johnson, aged six months, the service being conducted by R. S. Kirkham, a Wesleyan Minister, on 8th August 1908. A second burial took place on the same day, that of Beatrice Ethel Wenger, also aged six months, this service being conducted by the incumbent Reverend Jeakes. Currently, excluding some 400 interments following cremation, over 1500 burials have taken place. The first recorded interment of ashes was on 18th March 1908, being those of Samuel Marshall Bulley who lived at West Wing, Westdown, Hindhead. There were four burials in 1905, six in 1906 and a total of eighty-nine by the end of 1912. The cost of digging a 6ft. deep grave in 1921 was published as being 15 shillings plus five shillings to turf over, a double grave 18 shillings and a treble grave 30 shillings. During the incumbency of the Rev. E. Garth Ireland from 1927 until 1942, the Guild of God's Acre was formed to maintain and beautify the Churchyard, although this cost has subsequently been covered by funds provided by the Parish Council.

Grayshott Residents - Buried in St. Luke's Churchyard

Note: Dates shown relate to either date of death or date of funeral

Within the Churchyard are the graves of many notable people, not only of those of members of the families who played a major role in the development of Grayshott Parish, but also of others who are known on a much wider basis. Much has already been written about many of them but there follows a brief note on a number of those which may be of interest locally. Edward l'Anson Snr. 5th July 1811 - 30th January 1888

Edward l'Anson died in 1888 prior to burials in Grayshott and is buried at All Saints, Headley. However, mention is made of him here as the l'Anson family has had such an influential effect on the establishment of the village of Grayshott.

Edward l'Anson was born in London and moved to Grayshott in 1861 when he purchased seventy-five acres of land known as Grayshott Park Estate and situated on the south side of Headley Road, between Ruffit Lane and Grayshott House. There he built *Heather Lodge*, which was used for distribution of mail prior to the establishment of a Post Office in the village. After his death the house was sold and renamed *The Court* by its new owner, Mr. Vertue, a major contributor to the establishment of the Catholic church. The Court then became the *Convent of the Cenacle*. Edward was an Architect and was President of the R.I.B.A. 1886-1888 whose works included the Royal Exchange, City of London offices, St. Bartholomew's Hospital and the Corn Exchange. He was also Master of the Merchant Taylor's Company, Charterhouse.

He married Catherine Blakeway in June 1842 and they had five daughters and two sons. Their eldest daughter Mary, married David dePury and their daughter Berthe, married Alexander Ingham Whitaker. Catherine l'Anson died in 1866 and in 1876 Edward married Caroline Shepherd. (*see memorial plaques - Jack Shepherd below*).

Edward l'Anson gave land to the Parish on which the new National School was built in 1871 and was the School Correspondent (Inspector) and Treasurer for many years. Edward Blakeway l'Anson, 28th June 1843 - 10th November 1912

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Edward l'Anson Jnr., the son of Edward referred to above, took his mother's maiden name as his middle name, as did all of his siblings and like his father, became an architect and eventually took over his father's business in London. He was a prominent figure in the early development of the village and was a member of the committee set up to raise funds for the building of St. Luke's Church. He gave his services free as Honorary Architect of the church, and was also responsible for the addition of the spire to the original building, in 1910. He and his family were also major contributors to church funds for the building and fitting out of the church. In 1901, Edward inaugurated the l'Anson Cup Competition for Cricket which is still competed for by Grayshott and surrounding villages today. Edward, who had never married, was buried in St. Luke's Churchyard on 15th December 1912, his address at the time of his death being given as 3 Argyle Street, London. Miss Catherine B. l'Anson 6th October 1847 - 2nd June 1916

Daughter of Edward l'Anson Snr. who founded Grayshott National School in 1871, Catherine l'Anson was a major contributor to village life in the early years and very active in the formation of a number of its institutions. She was devoted to the welfare of the village, particularly to the children. Catherine largely managed and financed the school in its early years and visited regularly, acting as the school's Attendance Officer. She was a Parish Councillor and served on Alton Rural District Council. Catherine l'Anson gave the land on which St. Luke's Church is built and laid the foundation stone on 3rd September 1898, she also ran the Sunday School for many years. In 1914 she gave the two and a half acres of land known as Phillips Green to the parish in memory of her brother Phillip l'Anson, although the conveyance only took effect after her death. Catherine l'Anson, so well known throughout the area, was always recognisable as she was seen walking around the village, dressed in a long black coat and black velvet bonnet, carrying an umbrella. Alexander Ingham Whitaker 1857 - 3rd September 1933

Alexander Ingham Whitaker was born in Palermo, Sicily, around 1858 and is known to have been at boarding school in England in 1871. He came to Grayshott in 1884 when his father Joseph bought *Grayshott Hall*. Alexander largely rebuilt the Hall in 1886. In 1895 he married Berthe dePury, granddaughter of Edward l'Anson, and he and his wife, were generous benefactors to the development of the village over many years. Among other things, he gave three acres of land to the village between 1902 and 1920, originally for use as allotments but later used as playing fields, and in 1919 a ten-acre field, which is the current playing field in Headley Road.

He served on the first Parish Council of Headley, which included Grayshott, for a number of years from 1884 (as chairman from 1902 until 1908) and he was also a Trustee of the Village Hall, which opened in 1902.

Alexander Whitaker moved away from Grayshott in 1928 and died in Belgium in 1933 although his address at the time of his death is given as London. Dr. Arnold Lyndon 1861 - 18th November 1946

Dr. Lyndon moved to Grayshott with his wife Charlotte in the mid 1890's and lived at *Windwhistle House*. As a major benefactor to the village, he had a large impact in the development of the village in its early years. Together with his wife, Dr Lyndon ran the hospital based in the *Convent of the Cenacle* from 1914 until 1918, he being the Medical Superintendent and his wife Lady Superintendent. The Order of the British Empire was conferred on Dr. Lyndon in May 1920. Mrs Charlotte Lyndon 1866 - 5th October 1936

Extremely active in village life, Charlotte Lyndon was one of the originators of the scheme which led to opening of the *Fox & Pelican* under the national temperance Peoples Refreshment House Association and was chairman of the Grayshott & District Refreshment House Association. She served on Headley Parish Council (which included Grayshott) from 1899 until 1901 and also on Alton Rural District Council. She was Clerk to the Grayshott Parish Council from 1902 until 1928 and chairman until her death in 1936. Charlotte Lyndon was also a Justice of the Peace on Alton Board of Guardians, Headley Division.

Together with Dr. Lyndon, Mrs. Lyndon left a number of legacies to the village and bequeathed two cottages in Beech Hanger to the Parish. She was described as "a shy woman who carried out many acts of generosity by stealth".

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Charlotte Lyndon died suddenly in 1936 whilst on holiday in Shrewsbury. Edward Unwin V.C. Royal Navy 17th March 1864 - 19th April 1950

Edward Unwin was born at Fawley, Hythe, Hampshire and lived in Southsea from 1903 until 1912. It is believed that he moved to Grayshott in the 1920's and lived at Ling Cottage, Crossways Road, together with his wife Evelyn Agnes Carew Unwin. Captain Unwin was awarded the Victoria Cross in recognition of his bravery during the landings on V. Beach at Cape Hellas, Gallipoli on 25th April 1915 during the First World War. At the time, he was in command of H.M.S. River Clyde, which was originally a collier steamer, and which was manned by volunteers from Unwin's own ship, H.M.S. Hussar. The Clyde was carrying some 2,000 troops, which were to be landed on V. Beach under the Captain's command. Observing that lighters that were to form a bridge to shore had drifted, Captain Unwin left the ship under murderous fire to attempt to get them back in position. He worked on until forced to return to the Clyde due to suffering the effects of cold and immersion.. After treatment he returned and completed the task, later being treated for three abrasions caused by enemy fire. He then left the Clyde again to rescue wounded men lying in shallow water near the beach.

Edward's wife Evelyn died on 26th August 1948, aged 81yrs and is also buried in St. Luke's churchyard. Mrs. Hannah Robinson 1836 - 18th November 1929

Hannah Robinson, known locally as "Granny" Robinson, was born in the district in 1836. She married a son of John and Maria Moore of Purchase Farm, Whitmoor Vale, where the census shows her to be living in 1871. She had two children by her marriage, Archie, born 1868 and Mary Ann. Hannah was then widowed and later married her second husband, Henry Robinson, and together they ran a shop at Mount Cottage, Headley Road. Mount Cottage was later bought by Mr. Edward l'Anson Snr.

Hannah and Henry also had two children, Peter who married Annie Houlin and Ruth who was to marry Horace Harmer, who later took over the building firm Chapman, Lowry & Puttick.

In about 1881/2, Hannah and Henry established the first shop in what is now the village of Grayshott, in Crossways Road, which Hannah continued to run after the death of her husband. This was initially a general store, selling many items attractive to villagers of all ages and later, in 1887, the shop became the first Post Office in the village, designated a sub-office of Petersfield. However, Henry's tenure as sub-Postmaster did not last long and in 1892, Henry Robinson was sacked, allegedly due to the misbehaviour of Peter and Ruth on the Telegraph System. The building in which the shop was established remains today, currently occupied by Pilgrims Property Rental business.

Henry Robinson died 26th January 1905 at the age of 69yrs.

Hannah Robinson's son, Peter George, who died in June 1957 at the age of eighty-one, is buried in the same plot as his mother. John Grover 1835 - 3rd October 1913

John Grover was a London builder whose work had included the building of New Scotland Yard, 1888/90, and buildings in Chelsea. He purchased land in Tower Road Hindhead in the late 19th century and built a house there named Heather Bank. He later provided a permanent centre for Congregational worship. In 1895 he commenced the building of Hindhead Hall and in 1901 added a Church and Manse. In the early part of the 20th century, he provided a Free Church at both Hammer and Beacon Hill. All of the buildings were described as being built in the "XIVth. century domestic" manner and, it is believed, were designed by the renowned architect Norman Shaw.

John Grover was known as the greatest benefactor to the Congregational Church in the area.

His wife Sarah, who died in December 1913 aged 85yrs. is also buried in the same plot. Samuel Marshall Bulley 1851 -

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18th March 1908

Samuel Marshall Bulley who lived in the West Wing, Westdown, Hindhead, was a well known figure in the area and a great friend of the village. He was chairman of the Trustees of the Village Institute during its formative years and his keen love of music was shown in his vast amount of work for the Choral Society. Together with Miss James, he was responsible for the building of The Hostel at Bramshott Chase.

As recorded above, the ashes of Samuel Bulley were the first to be interred in St. Luke's Churchyard. Annie Margaret Bulley died on 14th October 1947 aged 95yrs.

Felix Bulley, the son of Samuel and Annie, died on 5th May 1909 aged 32yrs. Fielding Hay Bickersteth Ottley 1877 - July 1958 Edith Ottley (Wife of Fielding Ottley) 1864 - February 1953

Canon Fielding Ottley came to Grayshott in 1942 and was the Vicar of Grayshott Parish Church until his death in 1958. Prior to his arrival he had been a Six Preacher of Canterbury Cathedral. He was very popular in the village and well known for his "Biblical studies" sermons at the Sunday morning service. According to his daughter Rosemary, he always timed his visits to parishioners so to be able to have a chat and a cup of tea. Lady Louise Conan Doyle 1857 - 4th July 1906 Kingsley Conan Doyle 1893 - 1st November 1918

Louise Conan Doyle (nee Hawkins) first came to the area in 1897 due to health reasons. She had married the author Arthur Conan Doyle in 1885 whilst he was still a practicing physician.

When she was diagnosed as suffering from tuberculosis, the Conan Doyles first moved to Switzerland but this turned out to be unsuitable. However, Arthur had heard about the area of Hindhead and its clean and healthy air from the novelist Grant Allen, who lived at Moorcroft in Hindhead. Conan Doyle decided to return to England and chose a site above Nutcombe Valley and there had a house built which was to be named Undershaw. They lived in the Moorlands Hotel whilst the building was completed and moved into the house in October 1898. Whilst there, among other things, Conan Doyle founded the Undershaw Rifle Club and Football Club and took part in many local activities, he was among one of the first motorists in the area. Lady Conan Doyle supported him in all of his activities until she died on 4th July 1906. Her son Kingsley, who was a Captain in the Hampshire Regiment and died, from wounds, in the St. Thomas Hospital, London at the age of 25yrs, is also buried in St. Luke's Churchyard.

Arthur Conan Doyle had been Knighted in 1902.

The mother of Arthur Conan Doyle, Mary Josephine, who had lived in West Grinstead, Sussex and died in January 1921 at the age of 83yrs., is also buried in St. Luke's churchyard. Sir Frank Noyce - K.C.S.I. C.B.E. 1878 - 11th October 1948 Enid Isabel Noyce (nee Kirkus)

Sir Frank, the son of Alfred Noyce of Salisbury, entered the Civil Service in 1902 to become Under Secretary Governor of the Indian Revenue and Agriculture Dept., followed by a number of other senior positions within the Civil Service in India. He received the C.B.E.(civil) in 1919, C.S.I. in 1924 and was knighted in 1929.

Sir Frank and Lady Enid, who lived at Grayshott House, were the parents of Wilfred Noyce, the mountaineer and a member of staff at Charterhouse, who became a member of the successful team that conquered Everest in 1953.

Sir Frank was a Churchwarden at St. Luke's for a number of years from 1940 until his death in 1948. John Oakshott Robinson 1870 - 29th November 1932 Ada Minnie Robinson 1874 - 17th January 1941

John Oakshott Robinson was born in 1870 and one of nine children of James and Jane Robinson of South Shields. After

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John's marriage, the family moved to Madras, India around the turn of the century when John joined his Uncle's company. At the age of forty-three John was to become the Chairman of the company, one of Asia's largest trading companies at that time, trading in retailing, hotels, catering, the motor industry and other industries.

He returned to England on his retirement and is recorded as living at Bramley Croft, Tower Road, Hindhead from 1920 until his death in 1932. It was subsequently reported that a Memorial Service was held in Madras later that year, attended by representatives of every phase of public activity in Madras and at which Canon Edwards referred to his "unbounding charity".

His eldest daughter, Esther, was married to Stanley Edwards at St. Luke's Church, Grayshott on 13th September 1926 and John's wedding gift to them was a house called Grayshott in Madras. (Full details of the family and its links with Grayshott are shown on our website article "Grayshott" in India.) Oliver Chapman 1861 - 1st November 1933

Oliver Chapman was a member of a local family in Grayshott and was originally Superintendent of Joinery at the Contracting Company owned by his father, Mr. E.H. Chapman. The company was later to become the builders Chapman Lowry & Puttick.

In 1901 he became the sub-Postmaster at Grayshott Post Office following the demise of his brother Walter, who was sub-postmaster for nine years until he was charged with the murder of his wife Emily at the property on 29th July 1901.

Oliver was also the church organist and choirmaster at St. Luke's Church for nearly forty years.

He was Overseer of the Poor from 1895 until 1901 and a member of the first Parish Council for Headley (including Grayshott) from 1894 until 1901. Described as an eccentric character always dressed in a black coat and tails, which flapped as he was cycling around the parish. Harold Oliver Chapman 1883 - 10th February 1954

Harold Oliver Chapman was the son of Oliver and married (Sarah) Annie Symonds, who had arrived in Grayshott from Cheshire in 1892, in St. Luke's Church on 12th January 1910. Annie was an assistant at Grayshott Post Office at the time of Flora Thompson and a witness at the murder trial of Walter Chapman.

Annie died 29th June 1969 aged 90yrs and is also buried in the churchyard. Lady Jessie Eliza Brickwood. Born 13th November 1864 - Died 17th April 1917

Lady Jessie Brickwood was born Jessie Eliza Cooper in 1878 and was the second wife of John Brickwood whom she married on 30th September 1893. For their honeymoon they travelled from Southampton, on the liner Paris, to the United States where they entered through Ellis Island Immigration on 14th October 1893. John and Jessie had two children, Arthur who was born on 1st. November 1896 and died during the First World War as a 2nd Lieutenant on 15th April 1915, (see "Memorial Plaques" below) and Rupert, born 18th February 1900, who was to become 2nd. Baronet Brickwood, Sir Rupert Redvers Brickwood, who died 29th April 1974.

Together with his brother Arthur, John had inherited his father's Brewery business Brickwoods of Portsmouth, in 1874, which grew to become one of the largest brewery businesses in the area. He was a great friend of doctor and author Arthur Conan Doyle, of Sherlock Holmes fame, and through him became interested in Portsmouth Football Club. He then led a syndicate to buy land in Portsmouth, (possibly but by no means certain the current ground of Fratton Park), which the club moved to in 1898.

John Brickwood received a knighthood in 1904 and was made Baronet Brickwood of Portsmouth in 1927. In 1906, Sir John and Lady Jessie contributed £25,000 for the building of a chapel at the new King Edward V11 Sanatorium in Midhurst, for which Lady Jessie had "worked and donated" a large altar cloth, and where they met the King and Queen,

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Edward and Alexander, at the opening.

Sir John married for a third time and died in February 1932, his ashes were scattered in the sea at Spithead in the Solent. At the time of her death, Lady Brickwood was living at Nutcombe Down, Hindhead. Lady Agatha Russell Born 1853 - 23rd April 1933

Agatha Russell was the daughter of Earl Russell by his second marriage and grand-daughter of the 6th Duke of Bedford. The Earl, as Lord John Russell, was Prime Minister & First Lord of the Treasury from 1846 until 1852 and 1865 until 1866. Agatha was an aunt of Bertrand Russell, the mathematician and philosopher. Edith Margaret Jackson 1863 - 16th October 1907

One of the Churchyards most distinguishing marks, the large Churchyard Cross standing twenty feet high in the Churchyard to the east of the church, is dedicated to Edith Margaret Jackson, who is buried nearby. The memorial was erected by her uncle, Frederick Jackson, who lived at Tarn Moor, the property that was totally destroyed by fire on 19th. February 1907, one of the earliest fires attended by the then newly formed Grayshott and Hindhead Fire Brigade. Frederick Jackson was buried in the churchyard on 26th January 1915, aged 82yrs and his sister Charlotte on 9th January 1918 aged 78yrs. Miss Mary Julia James. 1831 - 15th November 1910

Miss James, who lived at Westdown was another major benefactor of the village. She was on the original committee which organised the appeal for funds to build St. Luke's and also gave a generous donation to the fund. She was well known in the area for organising the annual Chamber Music concerts held in the Village Hall. Miss James, together with a Mr. & Mrs. Bulley, was also responsible for the building of The Hostel (later known as Mount Alvernia and currently as Shannon Court) at Bramshott Chase, to provide periods of rest and relaxation for people in the professions, including, actors, musicians and teachers. Miss James also made a gift of cottages, known as Whitmore Vale Cottages, to the Parish. In 1908, "Miss James Walk" on the edge of Nutcombe Valley, Hindhead, was given to the public and dedicated to her memory. Sir Geoffrey Charles Frescheville Ramsden 1893 to 22nd February 1990

A descendent of Baronet Pennington--Ramsden of Byram, a baronetcy created in 1689, Sir Geoffrey was the son of Colonel Herbert Frescheville Ramsden C.B.E. who had married the Hon. Edwyna Susan Elizabeth Twistleton Wykcham Fiennes, daughter of the 17th Baronet of Saye and Sele.

Sir Geoffrey was a Captain in the 1st. Battalion Royal Sussex Regiment during the first world war and later joined the Civil Service. He married Margaret Lovell Robinson, a daughter of the Reverend John Robinson, in 1930. He was awarded the C.E.I. in 1942, and is recorded as working in India in 1944. Sir Geoffrey received his Knighthood in 1947 and retired from the Civil Service in 1948.

Sir Geoffrey Ramsden died at the age of ninety-six at a nursing home in Hindhead, his wife, Lady Ramsden, having died in 1976 while they were living at Fynescourt in Boundary Road. Sir Edward Acton 1865 - 21st November 1945

Sir Edward was the son of Henry Morrell Acton. He entered the Bar Inner Temples in 1891 and was a Judge on the County Court Circuit in 1917. He entered the High Court of Justice and was made a Knight in 1920. He had married Enid Nina Tulloch in 1903 and was living at The Hatch in Churt at the time of his death. Commonwealth War Graves

Within the Churchyard there are ten official Commonwealth War Graves as follows:-

Private E. Larby

Royal Sussex Regiment	Died 7th November 1919	
Lieut. G.W. Halstead M.M.	R.A.F	Died 31st January 1919
Private A. Levett	Hampshire Regiment	Died 12th November 1918
Driver A.E. Fullick	Royal Field Artillery	Died 6th January 1919
Private J.H. Cook	Queens Royal Regiment	Died 14th April 1941

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Private G.H. Harris	King's Shropshire Light Infantry	Died 9th January 1916
Capt. K. Conan Doyle	Hampshire Regiment	Died 1st November 1918
Lieut. A. C. Brickwood	York & Lancaster Regiment	Died 15th April 1915
Sgt. D. A. Parham	R.A.F.V.R	Died 21st July 1944
Private W. S. Street	Queens Royal West Surrey	Died 18th December 1919

B. l'Anson	Edward l'Anson Snr	Catherine B. l'Anson	Edward
Lyndon	Alex. Ingham Whitaker	Dr. Lyndon	Charlotte
Symonds	Capt. Ed. Unwin V.C.	Rev. Fielding Ottley	Annie

Memorial Plaques

Within St. Luke's Church and in addition to the dedicated windows which are described in the publication *The Dawn of a New Century*, there are a number of Memorial Plaques:- Flight Commander James Montague Edward Shepherd R.F.C.

Known as 'Jack', James Shepherd was born on 2nd. December 1895, the son of Montague James Shepherd and Theresa Cazabon, and Grandson of Mrs. Caroline l'Anson by her first marriage to James Lawrence Shepherd.

Following the death of both of his parents, Jack moved to Headley to live with his uncle Edward Shepherd, who was Land Steward to Alexander Ingham Whitaker, owner of the Wishanger Estate and the husband of Edward l'Anson's grand-daughter Berthe de Pury.

In the Will of Caroline l'Anson written in 1915, Jack is described as being a 2nd Lieutenant in the 15th Battalion of the Rifle Brigade but sometime later he transferred to the Royal Flying Corp. He was shot down over Bixchoote, France in 1917 aged 21Yrs. James George Ward, Headmaster Grayshott National School 1893-1913

James Ward was appointed Headmaster of Grayshott National School in April 1893 and lived in Fircroft, a large house adjoining the school grounds and at that time owned by the l'Anson family. He continued as Headmaster until his resignation in 1913. Known locally as Podgy he was a strict disciplinarian but was described as being a 'very good schoolmaster and a first class woodworker and gardener'. James Ward was born on 31st October 1860 and died 25th September 1939. Commander Arthur Cole Lowry R.N.

There are two memorials to Commander Lowry in St Luke's Church.

The memorial plaque states that he was born in September 1864 and died on 3rd December 1903 and has an inscription " went overboard eight times to the rescue of drowning men and saved nine lives". He received four bravery awards for rescues of men from the sea, including the highest, the Stanhope Gold Medal. He also received the Albert

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Medal from Queen Victoria. Commander Lowry was the son of General Robert William Lowry C.B. who died on June 8th 1905 and to whom there is also a memorial plaque. Commander Lowry had lived in the village for several years until his death in 1903 and is buried in Bramshott Churchyard. He was a neighbour of Agnes Weston, who founded the Royal Sailors' Rests Homes and following his death, parishioners of Grayshott donated the cost of providing one of the "cabins" in the Portsmouth Rest Home, in his memory.

A second memorial is carved on the chancel rail as "Commander Arthur Cole Lowry R.N.-- H.M.S. Victory-- Greater love hath no man" It is noted that the chancel rail and screen was a gift from the brothers of Commander Lowry, Colonel and Mr. C. E. Lowry. Mr Lowry was a member of the building firm Chapman Lowry and Puttick during the building of the church in 1898/99 and to whom a window is dedicated in the North Aisle. The reference to H.M.S. Victory is in relation to a piece of wood "being worked in" to the south side of the rail. All of the work was carried out by Grayshott men except for the carving, which was done by a Miss Johnson who lived at Churtwynd, Hindhead. 2nd Lieutenant Arthur Cyril Brickwood 1st Battalion York & Lancaster Regiment

Arthur Brickwood was the son of Sir James and Lady Brickwood (see above). He died from injuries on 15th April 1915 at No. 7 Stationary Hospital, Boulogne, having been in the trenches seven times at the age of 18yrs. He was buried in St. Luke's churchyard on 21st April 1915. Captain Harold Whitaker 2nd Battalion Rifle Brigade

A relative of Alexander Ingham Whitaker, Captain Whitaker died near Laventie, France on 1st December 1914 at the age of 29yrs. Edward Blakeway l'Anson M.A. St. John's Cambridge 1843-1912

Edward Blakeway l'Anson was an Architect by profession and step-son of Caroline l'Anson For many years was head of the l'Anson Property Trusts until his death in November 1912. He was the Honorary Architect of St. Luke's Church Grayshott and also the Founder of the l'Anson Cricket Cup competition in 1901. Additional details of his life are given in part one above. Ernest Churchill Holmes Durham 29th December 1868-8th July 1938 Benjamin Lucas Judkins Died 2nd April 1902 & Elizabeth Judkins Died 28th December 1900 in Rome Cecil Wray -- Church Warden 1915-1929 Vincent Sydney Woods 1856-1939 & Alice Margaret Woods 1870-1966 William Robert Strange 1856-1932

Resident in Grayshott for many years, William Strange had been a priest, serving in Bristol and Holford. War Memorials

In addition to the individual Memorial Plaques in St. Luke's, there is a Memorial Tablet, which was dedicated on 17th July 1921, for the thirty residents of the Parish who gave their lives during the First World War. There is also a Roll of Honour to all of the men and women of Grayshott Parish who served in the Second World War, a total of **253** residents, with a notation against the names of the nineteen who gave their lives.

1914 - 1919 Memorial

Roll of Honour 1939 - 1945

Schedule of Graves of those recorded above		Name	Section
Plan Ref.	Register No.		
	Edward l'Anson Snr.	----- All Saints Church Headley-----	
86	Edward Blakeway l'Anson	3	31E
149	Miss Catherine B. l'Anson	3	30E
	Emma Blakeway l'Anson	3	29E

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438	Alexander Ingham Whitaker	3	35E	
400	Dr. Arnold Lyndon	2	13I	
460	Mrs. Charlotte Lyndon	2	13I	
680	Edward Unwin V.C.	1	0G	
765	Hannah Robinson	5	0LL	
340	John Grover	2	8B	95
	Samuel Marshall Bulley	2	C12	
25	Annie Bulley	2	C12	701
	Felix Bulley	2	C12	40
	James George Ward	5	014LL	
148	Fielding Hay Ottley	1	7J	
167	Lady Conan Doyle	2	22D	
9	Kingsley Conan Doyle	2	23D	
191	Sir Frank Noyce	2	22G	
724	John Oakshott Robinson	3	290	
385	Oliver Chapman	6	1502	
406	Harold Chapman	6	1502	
2/45	Dame Jessie Brickwood	2	25A	
166	Arthur Cyril Brickwood	2	25A	
126	Lady Agatha Russell	1	06D	
392	Edith Mary Jackson	5	HH00	
15	Frederick Jackson	5	HH02	
118	Miss James	2	C12	56
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