This photograph is only one of hundreds on site to which the following example applies.

In this photograph, taken in 1931 of members of the British Legion Club there are 24 people, the only one I can name is James Coyle, 6th from the left standing. Do you have a copy of this photograph and can you name anyone, or do you see your father, grandfather, great or great grandfather here.



If you can name anyone on this photograph or on any other on this site, please let me know.

Please read on to see how important your naming of even only one person can be.....

In this photograph there are 24 people, if their average age is 48, they were born in 1883, taking a generation as 25 years and an average family of 3......

In 1908 each would have 3 children

In 1933 each would have 9 grandchildren

In 1958 each would have 27 great grandchildren

In 1983 each would have 81 great great grandchildren

In 2008 each would have 243 great great great grandchildren

If we assume that everyone born since 1958 is still alive then each person on this photograph could have 351 living descendents. Multiplied by 24 this means that it is theoretically possible that 8424 people are alive today who are directly descended from these people.



Of course this figure assumes that no descendant of any of these people married a descendant of another.

8424 people, who with your help could see the face of their great, great great or great great great grandparent and as the name would now be permanently attached to the face, the number of people who would eventually benefit from your information would be immense.

In the same vein if you have a photograph of an elderly ancestor taken in the early 1900s, and say this person was born in the 1830s, using the figures above you could be one of over 3000 descendants.

Please take this opportunity to keep your ancestors alive in the memories and family trees of their descendants.