

## HEROES OF WORLD WAR I

Of the many thousands who were rewarded for their bravery and heroism in this war, 628 were singled out for the highest award, the Victoria Cross. Of these nine were Cumbrians born and bred, whilst two more, born elsewhere had become residents of Cumbria by the time of the war.

The entries on list below each have a link to the citation for the award and a further link to more of the story of that individual.

<a href="#">Abraham Acton</a> , Whitehaven	1914
<a href="#">James G Smith</a> , Workington	1914
<a href="#">Harry Christian</a> , Pennington	1915
<a href="#">Edward Boyle</a> , Carlisle	1915
<a href="#">William Forshaw</a> , Barrow	1915
<a href="#">Thomas F Mayson</a> , Silecroft	1917
<a href="#">Robert M Beatham</a> , Glassonby	1918
<a href="#">James Hewitson</a> , Coniston	1918
<a href="#">Edward Benn Smith</a> , Maryport	1918
<a href="#">Joseph Collin</a> , Jarrow/Carlisle	1918
<a href="#">Theodore Hardy</a> , Exeter/Hutton Roof	1918