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## **GREETINGS ON BADAJOZ DAY**

### **OBITUARIES**

It is with regret that we inform you that 14189210 Pte Harold James MANNING of Allenton, Derby died on 31 March 2018. Jim was called up to the General Service Corps and after training was posted to the 1st Battalion The Sherwood Foresters during World War 2 and in March 1948 transferred to the Army Air Corps (Parachute Regiment where he served with 7 Para (Light Infantry). Details regarding the funeral will be promulgated when they become available.

### **001 8th FORESTERS NORWAY 1940 AND POW LUNCHTIME TALK TUESDAY 5 JUNE 2018**

At 1130 hrs on Tuesday 5 June at Perkins Carriage Hall in Plumtree ( NG12 5NA) Commander (Retd) Steve Foster RN will be giving a talk to publicise his book about his father Sgt Fred Foster of the 8th Foresters. The latter was captured in Norway in 1940 and made a daring escape

from his PoW camp. The talk will be on both sides of a lunch which will be included in the admission price of £30. Profits will go to a local dementia charity. Anyone wishing to attend is asked to inform John Cotterill on 07733 458971 or [john.cotterill@btinternet.com](mailto:john.cotterill@btinternet.com) by Tuesday 29 May. He will collate names and pass them on to the organisers.

## **002 MAYOR OF WORCESTER LECTURE 24 APRIL 2018**

Every year Worcester Civic Society arranges a guest speaker for the Mayor's Lecture in support of their chosen charities as every Mayor of Worcester selects several charities they wish to support and help raise money for.

Entry to the lecture is free and open to everyone, voluntary donations to the Mayor's chosen charities would be most welcome. This year's guest speaker is Lieutenant Colonel Mark Jackson OBE who has extensive military knowledge and experience. During his lecture entitled "Your Regiment" Mark will talk about the Worcestershire Regiment, its forebears and successors, covering some notable episodes in its history and their impact. The talk will be illuminated by images of items and events and also show sites and parts of Worcester today that illustrate the relationship between the City and its Regiment from 1694 to the present day.

The lecture will take place in the Guildhall, Worcester City Centre at 7.30pm on Tuesday 24th April 2018. Be sure to put the date in your diary so as not to miss this most interesting talk! Further details may be found at:

<http://www.worcestercivicsociety.org.uk/mayors-lecture/>

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