Name of memorial: Brooke Cross

Place: St. Brigid's Church,

Address and map reference: Main Street, Castleknock, Dublin 15. Map reference: O 089 371.

Position: West wall of north aisle.

Description and dimensions: Wooden cross in glazed frame. On the cross are original metal labels and at the foot is a brass plaque with the inscription. Height appx 100cms, width appx 60cms. At the top of the frame is a carving of the badge of the Irish Guards.

Recorded by: Michael Pegum, 4 November, 2007.

Text:

On the cross, labels reading:

G.R.U.*

LT. G. BROOKE

On the plaque below:

TO THE GLORY OF GOD AND IN MEMORY OF GEORGE BROOKE, LIEUTENANT, IRISH GUARDS,

ELDEST SON OF SIR GEORGE BROOKE, 1ST BARONET OF SUMMERTON. BORN 10TH JUNE 1877.

DIED 7TH OCTOBER 1914 OF WOUNDS RECEIVED AT THE BATTLE OF THE AISNE.

THIS CROSS WAS USED TO MARK TEMPORARILY HIS GRAVE IN THE GUARDS CORNER OF THE CEMETERY AT SOUPIR.

GLORIA FINIS.

*Grave Registration Unit

Mentions in books:

1. The Bond of Sacrifice.

A biographical record of British (Army) officers who fell in the Great War, August 1914 - June 1915 (two vols.) Photographs of most of those named.

Clutterbuck, L. A. with Dooner, W. T. and Denison, C. A. Reprint available from <u>www.naval-military-press.com</u>.

2. De Ruvigny's Roll of Honour (5 volumes + index)

"A biographical record of members of his Majesty's naval and military forces who fell in the Great War 1914 – 1918. Its 1,400+ pages contain the biographies of well over 25,000 men of the army, navy and air force who gave their lives, nearly 7,000 of the entries being accompanied by a photograph."

Reprint available from www.naval-military-press.com

3. Our Heroes

"Photographs with biographical notes of Officers of Irish Regiments and of Irish Officers of British Regiments who have fallen in action or who have been mentioned for good conduct, from August, 1914 to July, 1916." Dublin, Irish Life, 1916. (reprint available from www.naval-military-press.com).

Also includes photos and biographical details of some other ranks (not officers) who died or were decorated.