More than 300 commercial farmers, wives, sons and daughters were killed on their farms during the ‘Bush War’. They are honoured in this first section which covers from 1964 to 1979.

Farmers that died while away from their farms on military service are included with details of where they fell.

The first victim was Pieter Oberholzer of Melsetter when driving home one evening in July 1964, then Babs and Johannes Viljoen of Gadzema were shot in their farm house in May 1966. Deaths resumed again in 1973 of between five and seven farmers each year, until the rate escalated from 1976.

Mr R. Abbot, Odzi, 10/04/78.
Major Ernest Charles ‘Doomps/Damps’ Addams (aged 45), Hull Farm, Odzi, a Major in Territorial Service as OC ‘A’ Company, 4RR, was seconded to HQ 2 Bde and was serving with 1RAR in Madziwa TTL when Mabonzo, sniping from a tree, hit him in the stomach. Mabonzo was killed in the contact with ZANLA but Damps died after casevac to Bindura Hospital, 14/08/74. S Lunderstedt
Mr L. Ashby, Mzingwane, 07/07/76.
Mr Jack Ashworth, Killridge Farm, Umtali, when returning from Umtali late that afternoon, the Datsun pick-up drove into a 10 member ZANLA ambush and was hit by RPG rocket and small arms fire. Jack and his wife, Evelyn, died instantly but their daughter, Ivy, who was in the back was wounded. 18/01/78. S Lunderstedt
Mrs Evelyn Ashworth, Killridge Farm, Umtali. 18/01/78
Mrs K. Backe-Hansen, Matetsi, 09/09/76.
Mr D. C. Bagnall, Headlands, 14/03/78.
Mr Donald Arthur Baker (aged 58). Had survived being shot down as bomber pilot over the sea in 1941 then was POW. Farmed in Virginia, Macheke, but died from wounds from a landmine blast during a follow-up on Police Reserve duty on Far Vista Farm, Mtoko, 18/08/79. S Lunderstedt
Mr Alexander ‘Alex’ Barclay (aged 39), manager of northern section, Liebigs Ranch, Gwanda/West Nicholson, gunned down in targeted ambush 4km from his homestead by large ZANLA gang while driving a Land Rover and accompanied by a consultant who was
And two sons

Mr Solomon Hertzog "Sok" and "Sokkie" Barnard (aged 49), Honeykloof Farm, Cashel, ambushed in his Isuzu truck with his neighbour Jo pie Coomans, about 6kms from their homes on a steep hill and both died instantly. Survived by his wife Daph ne and family. 06/12/77. A Barnard and S Lunderstedt

Mr Ronald A. Barton, Melsetter, 06/04/77.

Mr David Patrick Bashford (aged 30), Karoi. Gwebi graduate, Course 17. Field Reservist, Police Reserve, BSAP killed on active service in a vehicle accident when a Land Rover struck a pantechnicon, 24/12/76.

Mr Peter Scott Bassett (aged 50), about to retire from Valhalla Farm, Rusape, he was ambushed on a neighbouring farm by a sniper as his routine had been monitored, 19/08/79. S Lunderstedt

Mr Arnold Bathurst (aged 34), Karoi, Field Reservist, Police Reserve, BSAP killed on active service in a vehicle accident when a Land Rover struck a pantechnicon, 24/12/76.

Mr C. P. Beale, Nyamandhlovu, 27/06/79.

Mr Arthur C. Beamish, Horseshoe Block, Sipolilo, murdered on his farm, 02/11/78.

Mr Raymond W. Beamish, Sipolilo, brother of Arthur who pre-deceased him, was attending an Army course in Gwelo when deployed to a commotion at Gokwe Phumo re Vanhu where he was shot, 20/07/79.

Mr J. A. Bennett, Shamva, 23/12/78.

Mrs M. Bennett, Shamva, 23/12/78.

Minor Bennett, Shamva, 23/12/78.

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Mr Basil Gibbon Beverley (aged 68), Faversham Ranch, Chiredzi, after an overnight rocket and small arms fire attack on his homestead, Basil followed some ZANLA he had sighted early the next morning. He was killed instantly in gunfire when he walked into an ambush. His foreman, dip attendant and both domestic workers were viciously murdered. 26/12/1979. S Lunderstedt

Mr Piet J. Bezuidenhout, Bunabni Ranch, Nuanetsi, 14/02/78.

Mr Willie Bezuidenhout, Chipinga. “Oom Willie” was ambushed and killed when delivering milk to Chipinga, 20/12/78.

Mr Albany Charles ‘Charlie’ Bickle, Nyamandhlovu, was killed in a vehicle accident on the Bulawayo/Victoria Falls Road, 08/12/1977.

Mr Kevin Howard Bicknell, farmer from Selous, during National Service with RAR, Kevin was shot and killed with another three on the rifle range by a soldier who fired on them when their rifles were stripped for cleaning, 10/04/78.

Mr I. D. Black, Odzi, 17/05/78.

Mr Dennis Doughty Bleasdale, working for Wattle Company, was killed with his wife when they detonated a landmine on their farm in Penhalonga at 07:00 on 21/10/79.

Mrs Patricia Bleasdale with Dennis on their farm in Penhalonga, 21/10/79.

Mr H. Blignaut, Doma, 20/04/78.

Mr J. Blignaut, Ayrshire, 17/06/77.

Mr O. Bordini, Shamva, 31/07/78.

Mrs Elizabeth Fenna Johanna 'Beb' Botha (aged 41) of ‘Goeie Hoop’, Chipinga was killed by a landmine on the farm access road. Three daughters from a previous marriage were also killed – Marianne Irene Johanna Habling (14) and Bertie Louise Marina ‘Loubertie’ Habing (10) both instantly and Yvonne ‘Vonnie’ Habling (16) survived for 15 days. 06/06/78. Shirley Wicksted (16) survived but both her legs were amputated and Mr Louis Botha was relatively unscathed.

Mr Jochgan Frederick Botha (aged 55), employed at RNTC sawmills was shot as a passenger on his way home after work in a Tribal Trust Land 60 km from Victoria Falls by a lone gunman standing behind a tree, 26/07/1976. P Lunderstedt

Mrs S. Bother, Somabula, 18/07/79

Mr Peter Bouwer, killed by a ZIPRA gang on his farm in Tengwe leaving behind a wife and two sons, 13/07/78. S Lunderstedt

Mr B. Brakenridge, Gadzema, 06/01/78.

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Mr B. Brakenridge (son, 15), Gadzema, 06/01/78.
Mrs S. Brakenridge (senior), Gadzema, 06/01/78.
Mr C. Brent, Marula, 20/10/78.
Mr P. J. D. Breytenbach, Headlands, 25/06/79
Mr Michael Brooke-Mee, Gwelo. Shot and killed by three CTs dressed in denims that saw him outside when they were robbing Ascot Beerhall. Pte John Joule, 10 RR, was then shot in his car. 30/03/79.
Mr L. L. Brooks, Mount Darwin, 19/03/79.
Mr Matthew Charles Thomas ‘Matt’ Brooks (aged 23). Gwebi graduate, Course 24. Field Reservist, PATU, BSAP, killed on active service whilst trying to apprehend an absconding suspect, Rutenga, 05/06/77.
Mr Tan Rowland Brown (aged 34), Sipolilo, died from wounds sustained in action on call up with the Police Reserve, 28/03/79.
Mr A. P. Burger, Matetsi, 12/06/77.
Mr D. Burton, Lonely District, 25/05/78.

Mr Neill Carmichael Campbell (aged 33), Marandellas, was shot during an ambush in the abdomen and died nearly two weeks later in Andrew Fleming Hospital, 23/05/76.
Mr Colin Andrew Capell (aged 42), Shamva, was killed by friendly fire between two Police Reserve sticks deployed in the Shamva area, 09/03/77. KOAS.
Mr David Ashton Carshalton (aged 26), Gazaland. Gwebi graduate, Course 22. National Service Trooper, Troop Bravo, Greys Scouts, was killed in action as lead scout in an ambush in Gona-re-Zhou, 27/08/76.
Mr Michael John ‘Mike’ Chance, Bindura, was killed by ‘friendly fire’ when RLI fireforce was deployed in heavy bush near Mtoko, 15/05/79.
Mr Colin Chapman, Estate Manager, Tilbury Estate, Melsetter. Section Leader, Police Reserve was deployed to observe a store which was expected to be hit by ZANLA. Tragically another stick was sent to the same location at night and Colin was killed in the ‘friendly fire’, 22/05/77.
Miss Kathleen “Kathy” Chesworth (aged 19), Figtree, 14/08/77.
Mr Ebenhauser Bernadus ‘Eben’ Claasen (aged 32), Odzi, was on horseback following tracks next to the fast flowing Odzi River having been called out by the Police to help with stock theft investigations. His body was found three days later and he had died from a heart attack. 29/09/77.
Mr M. D. Cleave, Juliasdale, 01/05/79.
Mr C. M. Cloete, Filabusi, 31/10/76.
Mrs M. Cloete, Filabusi, 31/10/76.
Mr Pieter Jacobus Cloete (aged 27), Centenary. Gwebi graduate, Course 23. Field Reservist, Police Reserve, BSAP, killed from wounds received in action. 8/8/78.
Mr Vincent John Conlon (aged 20), Mazoe, died in an ambush with BSAP at Wedza, 11/01/79.
Mr Douglas Joh ‘Doug’ or ‘Mukamba’ Cookson, Centenary, was killed in series of five firefights by 1 Commando, RLI in Chibara Hills, Mt Darwin. The pub has been named ‘The 28th’ in honour of this day when four, including a National Parks tracker, were lost. 28/02/77.
Mr Jopie Fourie Coomans, leasing Ruwaka Farm, Cashel, ambushed with his neighbour Sok Barnard in Sok’s Isuzu truck about 6kms from their homes on a steep hill and both farmers died instantly. 06/12/77.
Mr Douglas Llewellyn Courtney (aged 38), Mrewa, was killed on service in Mtoko serving with Police Reserve, 06/04/78.
Mr Bernard Couve, Shamva, 06/06/73.
Mr G. Crane, Goromonzi, 19/03/79.
Mr Kenneth Cremer (aged 51), manager of Zona Tea Estate, Tanganda Tea Company, Chipinga, died after collapsing when on service with Police Reserve, 18/08/78.
Mr William Peter ‘Pete’ Cremer (aged 31), Bindura, was killed in an ambush while on
Mr D. I. Crombie, Macheke, 08/08/78.
Mr Paul Elliott Crouch (aged 25), Windsor Farm, Ayrshire. Gwebi graduate, Course 23. Field Reservist, PATU, BSAP, killed in action in a vehicle ambush on Dave Chadwick's farm 'Manyangau' near Karoi. 17/12/76.
Mr Arthur Cumming, Matetsi, 05/11/76.
Mrs S. A. Cumming, Norton, 07/01/78.
Miss S. C. Cumming (15), Norton, 07/01/78.

Mr Cecil James "Jimmy" Davies (a week before his 78th birthday). Owner of farms near Umtali, he was told late one afternoon that a cow was ill on "Burma Estates" in Vumba. On investigating, he was ambushed in the parking area of the homestead by a ZANLA gang where he died. Busy, his wife, gave the alarm on the AgricAlert when the home was attacked but the attackers had fled before the reactionary stick from Burma Valley arrived, 20/08/78. S Lunderstedt

Mr S. Llewellyn Jack Davies (aged 64), shot at 19h00 while having dinner with his wife on Sotani Ranch, 26 km from Lupane, Gwaai Valley, 26/07/76.
Mr Bruce Davison (aged 23), a mechanic renting a house on Dagbreek Farm, Inyazura died from gunshot wounds from a vehicle ambush at Mazarabani, Centenary while on call up with OPA, 4th Battalion, Rhodesia Regiment. 23/04/73.
Mr David R. de Courpelay, Macheke/Virginia, was killed by 'friendly fire' after a navigation error by two 4RR sticks, 04/06/78.
Mr A. de Nadai, Mayo, 21/08/78.

Mr Bradley J. "Brad" Dean, forester in charge of Tarka Estate, Melsetter. A New Zealander, married to an Australian. He went with Claude Delaney on a motor cycle from the estate to a business centre in Ngorima TTL to buy some beers and both were ambushed by a ZANLA gang just inside Glencoe Forest on their return. 30/09/77. S Lunderstedt

Mr Claude A. Delaney, living with his wife Anne and son Tommy on Glencoe Estate and worked on Tarka Estate, Melsetter. A descendant of the Melsetter pioneer family Delaney and had previously worked in the Tsetse Department. He went with Brad Dean on a motor cycle from the estate to a business centre in Ngorima TTL to buy some beers and both were ambushed by a ZANLA gang just inside Glencoe Forest on their return. 30/09/77. S Lunderstedt

Mr Douglas McFadzean Dodd (aged 31), Ayrshire, was killed in an ambush with PATU in the Mtoroshanga area, 06/04/77.
Mr John Sinclair Donald (aged 26), from Glenburn Farm, Vumba, was killed in 'Friendly Fire' by Bright Lights at the homestead on Makore Farm on the Burma Valley fringes, 26/04/76.

Mr Stephen Michael Camph 'Steve' Donnelly, La Pieta Farm, Karoi, was killed during an external with SAS in the Chimoio area, Mozambique by 'friendly fire' from a Vampire air strike, 21/06/78.
Miss Jenny Douglass, killed with sawmill operator Eugene Swanepole in Melsetter, 22/08/78.

Mr Herman Carel du Plessis, Landsdowne Farm, Chipinga, was delivering milk in the morning to the DMB when he was ambushed. 28/01/79. S Lunderstedt

Mrs Francina M. du Toit, lived on Amatula Farm and was a nursing sister in the clinic in the village, Gutu, gunned down in an ambush, 23/07/78.

Mr Denzil William Scott 'Billy' Dunn, Shamva. Gwebi graduate, Course 27. Shot and killed on the farm he was managing when he stopped to help a woman being held hostage, 13/09/77.

Mr Brian L. T. Eastwick, Gwebi graduate, Course 12. Centenary, 17/8/79
Mr Simon Richard Edridge (aged 26), award winning tobacco producer on Makombe Farm, Wedza, was killed in action when serving with Police Field Reserve in Wedza, 11/09/79.
Mr Sid Eggersglusz, Mutala Ranch, Sinoia, 9/10/1979.
Mrs Verna Eggersglusz, Mutala Ranch, Sinoia, 9/10/1979
Mr I. J. Eksteen, Inyazura, 11/01/79.
Mrs J. M. Eksteen, Inyazura, 11/01/79.
Mr T. H. Elton, Cashel, 19/05/78.
Mrs Annette Margaret Evans “Ann”, farmer’s wife, killed by a landmine on Ironmine Hill Road, Tokwe, when travelling with Mrs Mary Hill. The domestic worker, Samuel, also died. 01/11/79.

Mr Peter Hendrick J. Fairbanks, was killed in the Chipinga area when serving with RAR, 2/9/78.
Mr Fabio Giovanni Falzoi, Karoi, was killed in an external operation with RLI in an engagement with the Zambian Army in Zambia, 12/6/78.
Mr Gerrard Leon Farge (aged 49), joint French national, farming on the Mozambique border at Chipinga. Gerrard went to check water supply lines at the Customs and Immigration buildings on adjacent land when he detonated a booby trap that had been set up by the Rhodesian military and died instantaneously. 24/10/76.

Mr H. Franken, Selukwe, 17/07/78.

Mr Dennis R. Campbell Greef, Hungerford Farm, Plumtree, gunned down in ambush, 15/05/77.
Mrs Marjorie Alison Greef, Plumtree, ambush, 15/05/77.
Mr Theo Greyvenstein, Mayo, farm attack, 16/09/76.
Mr Flip A. Grobler, Matopos South, 17/06/78.
Mrs A. E. Grobler, Matopos South, 17/06/78.
Mr Peter John Gunn (aged 45), married to Ethel Margaret “Peggy” née Parsons and father to Allan, Stuart and Susan, a Police Reserve Air Wing pilot, Peter was ambushed early one morning by two combined ZANLA gangs when on his way to the wheat on “Struan”, No 2, Middle Sabi, on his motorcycle. Peter drew his pistol but died in a hail of gunfire. 05/10/78. S Lunderstedt

Miss Bertie Louise Marina ‘Loubertie’ Habi (aged 10), ‘Goeie Hoop’, Chipinga, landmine on farm access road, 06/06/76. Her mother, Mrs Elizabeth ‘Beb’ Botha and two sisters also died.

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Miss Marianne Irene Johanna Habing (aged 14), ‘Goeie Hoop’, Chipinga, landmine on farm access road, 06/06/76. Her mother, Mrs Elizabeth ‘Beb’ Botha and two sisters also died.

Miss Yvonne ‘Vonnie’ Habing, (aged 16), ‘Goeie Hoop’, Chipinga, landmine on farm access road, 21/06/76. Her mother, Mrs Elizabeth ‘Beb’ Botha and two sisters died on the scene on 06/06/76.

Mrs Rosemarie Adele Hacking née Gifford, Wild Park, Odzi, detonated a boosted landmine when returning to the farm and died instantly. Her brother Ken had been shot on his farm in Chipinga and killed in 1978. 08/01/79.

Mr Peter Leonard Hanson (aged 31), manager of Charleswood Estates was stick leader in a Police Reserve patrol following tracks of about seven ZANLA in the Chimanimani mountains. After a contact, a wounded CT sniped PR Hanson, Holstenburg and Hunt before he in turn was captured by reinforcements, Melsetter. Peter schooled at Plumtree. 20/10/77.

Mr Eric J. Hards, Shamva, 10/4/78.

Mr T. Hartley, Headlands, 8/7/79

Mr H. T. J. Hastings, Shamva, 11/3/77.

Mrs M. H. Hastings, Shamva, 11/3/77.

Master Johan Hattingh (aged 13), Watchfield Farm, Glendale, homestead attack. His older brother fired back to repel the night attack but Johan had died. One CT was found that killed himself because he had been severely wounded. 30/04/78.

Mr John Travis Henry, farming on Glenview, 5km out of Chipinga. John was returning to Chipinga where he was staying with his family after attending to the cattle on the farm when he was ambushed and killed. 31/12/77. S Lunderstedt

Mr Andries Daniel Herbst (aged 39), Karoi, died of a heart attack while on patrol with PATU, 27/10/1977.

Mr Albert Allan Hess (aged 20), Karoi, was killed in an ambush in the Umfuli TTL, Lomagundi on National Service with attachment to Special Branch, 25/5/78.

Mr Allan Michael Hill, Wedza, was killed when the vehicle he was travelling in with 2nd Battalion, Rhodesia Regiment, detonated a boosted landmine, 26/6/77.

Mr John R. Hill, Tokwe, veteran from WWII serving with Royal Navy in the Mediterranean then in the Far East. Shot and murdered on his farm, 11/12/78.

Mrs M. Hofmeyr, Fort Victoria, 06/07/79.

Mr Kenneth F. ‘Ken’ Hogg, farm manager for Hugh Ballance. He was riding a motor cycle between Tablelands Extension and Quagga Kloof farms when he was ambushed by a ZANLA gang. He had recently completed two weeks ground coverage in Inyazura. 19/06/79 S Lunderstedt

Mr Harald Holstenburg (aged 40), Melsetter, forester at Charter and married, was in a Police Reserve patrol following tracks of about seven ZANLA in the Chimanimani mountains. After a contact, a wounded CT sniped PR Hanson, Holstenburg and Hunt before he in turn was captured by reinforcements, Melsetter, 20/10/77.

Mr Jannie Albert Holtzhausen, was killed by an anti-personnel mine when laying mines near the Mozambique border, 01/08/79.

Mrs A. C. Horton, Nyamandlovu, 29/08/77.

Mr W. Houston, Inyanga, 14/3/79.

Mr Peter William Hovell (aged 36), Mazoe, was killed as Section Leader of Police Reserve in an ambush in the Mazoe area, 13/1/79.

Mr A. V. Howe, Umvukwes, 24/6/75.

Mr John E. Hudson-Beck, farmer and Internal Affairs, Melsetter, was killed by a landmine detonation near Melsetter, 12/8/76.

Mr Robin Stanley ‘Rob’ Hughes, 18/10/73. Gwebi graduate, Course 11. Territorial officer, Selous Scouts, was killed in cross-fire during a pseudo op and contact with ZANLA, Centenary, aged 33 years.

Mr T. Hulley, Tengwe, 23/2/79.

Mr Robin Charles Hunt (aged 26), forester at Charter and married to Mary Lynn, was in a Police Reserve patrol following tracks of about seven ZANLA in the Chimanimani mountains. After a contact, a wounded CT sniped PR Hanson, Holstenburg and Hunt.
before he in turn was captured by reinforcements, Melsetter, 20/10/77.

Mr Henry John Hurley, Centenary, died on active service with 1st Battalion, Rhodesia Regiment, 21/12/77.

Mr Dennis B. Hutchinson, Lalapanzi, farmer murdered at home, 29/12/78.

Mrs Diana I. Hutchinson, Lalapanzi, farmer’s wife murdered at home, 29/12/78.

Master Barry Hutchinson (6 yrs), Lalapanzi, murdered at home, 29/12/78.

Master Vaughn Hutchinson (3 yrs), Lalapanzi, murdered at home, 29/12/78.

Mr D. C. James, Gwelo, 27/4/76.

Mr J. M. Jeffreys, Marandellas, 7/7/79

Mr Les M. Jellicoe, Chaona Farm, Centenary, 04/02/73.

Mr Leslie M. ‘Les’ Jellicoe (aged 48), Centenary, pilot with Police Reserve Air Wing, nephew of Les Jellicoe (above), 09/07/78.

Master I. Johnson, Umvukwes, rocket attack, 26/12/77.

Mr J. D. Jordaan, Odzi, 17/9/79.

Mr A. Joubert, Wedza, 30/3/73.

Mr G. D. Joubert, Ayrshire, 22/12/78.

Mr Basil John Stuart Kearns, Hinston Estates, Bindura, Gwebi College graduate, was ambushed on 15th April 1979 when driving to translate for the 1979 elections and died a few weeks later from the head wound on 17th April, 1979.

Mr P. Kenchington, Mid-Sabi, 3/2/79.

Mr R. D. Kennedy, Mzingwani, 7/5/79

Mrs I. Kleynhans, Centenary, 24/1/73.

Mr Peter James Osborne Knight, Doma, was killed in a contact in the Lomagundi area on service with Police Reserve, 17/5/75.

Mr T. F. Koen, Centenary, 2/2/78.

Mr Deryck Percy Lamb DFC (aged 58), Diepfontein Farm, Tandaai, near Cashel, abducted with his tractor driver, 11/09/79. The driver was returned from Mozambique after the December ceasefire and Deryck’s body was located.

Mr Mark Harold Langeman (aged 25), forester from Melsetter, Lieutenant on call-up with 4RR, was killed while skirmishing back from Operation “Parking Ticket” in Mozambique, 22/12/77.

Mr Simon le Vieux, Chiredzi, died from wounds received in action with the RLI, 7/2/78.

Mr P. Lentner, Shamva, 18/02/79.

Mr Russell John ‘Russ’ Liebermann (aged 20), Marandellas, was killed in a vehicle ambush between Nyamaropa and Ruangwe on attachment with Special Branch, 04/06/78.

Mr J. H. C. Liddle, Bindura, 01/10/78.

Mrs M. E. G. Liebenberg, Shangani, 11/04/79.

Mr Warwick Powys Lilford (aged 27), Karoi. Gwebi graduate, Course 21. Field Reservist, Police Reserve, BSAP, died on active service from injuries sustained in a vehicle accident on 24/12/76 north of Karoi. 09/01/77.

Mrs Caroline Rosalie Luckraft, Odzani, was killed in the morning while she was on her own by a ZANLA gang. 01/11/1979.

Mr Ian Derrick Walter MacGiles (aged 31), worked for Forestry Commission and had his own farm ‘Hi Henge’ in Penhalonga. He was killed during a night attack by a ZANLA gang on his homestead, Ian left a wife, a son and an unborn daughter, 21/07/79.

Mr Duncan Hope McKay, Melsetter, was killed in an ambush in Mutema TTL in the Chipinga District while on Ground Coverage, 02/01/77.

Mr Derek Guy MacKenzie, Shamva, was killed in a contact in Makoni TTL serving with the RLI, 01/02/77.

Mrs Lorna May McFedden (aged 66), known as “Doony” Evans, a bedridden widow was killed by ZIPRA when defenceless and alone on the smallholding at Coldridge Siding 10
km from the Botswana border, Plumtree, 07/09/76.
Miss S. G. McRoberts, Shamva, 11/03/77.
Mr Michael 'Mike' Males, Selous, murdered, 10/10/79.
Mr T. Margarson, Gwelo, 15/11/78.
Mr Henry May, Vumba farmer, 24/08/79. Steve Lunderstedt.
Mr Frank J. Mee, former cattle manager on Nuanetsi Ranch and was gunned down in his retirement with his wife by a ZANLA gang in his home, Inyanga North, 26/10/76.
Mrs Maureen A. Mee, shot and killed with her husband in their home by a ZANLA gang, Inyanga North, 26/10/76.
Mr H. M. Meyer, Plumtree, 29/09/78.
Mrs E. L. Meyer, Plumtree, 29/09/78.
Mr D. Moorcroft, Bindura, 15/12/78.
Mr Solly Moritz, Gatooma, gunned down in ambush, 05/12/79
Mr K. Mrowic, Que Que, 25/05/78.
Mr Gordon Ian Murdoch (aged 31), Selous, was killed by a gunshot wound when ambushed after detonating a landmine in the Shabani area with the Police Reserve, 18/06/77.
Mr Douglas Sydney 'Dougie' Muir, Mount Darwin, was killed in a contact while with RLI in Enterprise, 13/05/78.
Mr G. J. Muller, Centenary, 25/12/78.
Mr Helgard Muller (aged 65), Rusape farmer married to Memory was ambushed by a ZANLA gang on the gravel road near Headlands when he was driving to load tobacco at the railway station. 28/09/79
Mr James Firman Murphy (aged 35). Gwebi student, Course 15. Section Leader, PR, BSAP, killed in action in a vehicle landmine incident in the Mhondoro area, 28/02/79.
Mr G. J. Myburgh, Mayo, 26/01/77.

Mr P. S. Naude, Centenary, 21/10/76.
Mr S. P. Naude, Somabula, 17/10/76.
Mr Frans Jacobus Albert Nel, Tengwe, was killed in an external operation with the SAS in Chimoio, Mozambique, 23/11/77.
Mr Pieter Jacobus 'Piet' Nel (aged 21), farming and on National Service with 6 (Indep) Company, RAR, he had survived a contact but later when examining an unexploded RPG rocket it detonated and he was killed, 16/06/79.
Mr Albert Charles 'Butch' Newman, Melsetter, died in Andrew Fleming Hospital, Salisbury, from shrapnel wounds in a contact at Muti-Usina-Zita Sale Pens, Buhera district with 4th Battalion, Rhodesia Regiment, 15/10/76.
Mrs Magdalena Even Pyott 'Yvonne' Nicholls, in the Chipinga region, 17/03/78. Born in Beira, Mocambique and was educated at Queen Elizabeth II High School. Married to Colin, they were travelling from Esperance Coffee Estate (where Colin was the manager) near Mt Selinda to join the early morning convoy at the Chipinga Post Office which would then travel to Umtali. Approximately 400 metres from the tar road that goes into Chipinga the vehicle detonated a landmine. Yvonne was killed instantly while Colin was transported by helicopter to the Umtali Hospital with multiple injuries including a broken spine. 17/03/78.
Mr J. D. Nicholson, Nyamandhlovu, 25/05/78.
Mr Michael 'Mike' Nielsen, Karoi, died with Paul Crouch, also PATU, from gunshot wounds in a vehicle ambush on Dave Chadwick's farm 'Manyangau', near Karoi, 17/12/76.
Mr C. Don Northcroft, Shamva, former RRAF wings, 20/12/77.

Mr Pieter Johannes Andries 'Andrew' Oberholzer (47), working for Silverstreams Wattle Company, Melsetter, was returning home after dropping two children at school in Umtali. At 18:00 near the Skyline Junction rocks had blocked the road which he tried to clear. He was stabbed 17 times by a gang of at least four and died trying to drive away. The arrival of another vehicle saved the lives of his wife and one daughter in the car. 04/07/64.

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Mr **C. Ogilvy**, Shamva, 13/09/77.
Mr **Charles Hugh Olivey**, Gwebi graduate, Course 21. Killed by landmine when reversing after inspecting damage to homestead in Melsetter. 15/05/78.
Mr **F. J. Oosthuizen**, Gwelo, 26/09/78.
Mr **Johannes Eric ‘Hans’ Oostindien**, Macheke, was killed in action with Police Reserve, 15/08/79.

Mrs **W. Palmer**, Mrewa/Mtoko, 19/10/76.
Mr **J. F. B. Payn**, Matopos South, 21/09/78.
Mr **Norbet George ‘Norm’ Payne** (aged 37), Bindura, was killed in an ambush with Pete Cremer while with PATU in Bindura area, 26/01/77.
Mrs **F. I. Pearson**, Selukwe, 28/12/78.

Mr **F. Pitcher**, Bindura, 14/06/76.
Mr **Piet Potgieter**, Doma, 09/07/78.
Mr **Frik Pretorius**, Nuanetsi, 18/04/78.
Mr **Norman Hedley Egerton Prince**, Tengwe, was killed while with Police Reserve in the Urungwe area, 23/03/78.
Mr **K. Prinsloo**, Chiredzi, 16/04/77.
Mr **Salie Prinsloo** (aged 70s), Gutu, 1978.

Mr **R. W. G. Puckrin**, Insiza, 30/10/78.
Mr **Peter Purcell-Gilpin**, Headlands, 04/03/79.
Mr **A. Purcell-Gilpin**, Headlands, 04/03/79.

**Mr William E. ‘Bill’ Read**, Kanyemba Estate, Gatooma, 15/01/78.
Mr **W. A. Reinsford**, Nyamandhlovu, 10/08/79
Mr **Andries Joubert Reynke** (aged 35), Chipinga, died in an accidental shooting while with the Police Reserve, 08/03/78.
Mr **Pete J. Richards**, Liebigs Ranch, Gwanda, was killed by a rocket attack, 27/11/78.
Mr **E. A. Richardson**, Belingwe, 24/03/77.
Mr **A. J. Ritson**, Selukwe, 06/08/77.
Mr **John Lyster Roberts** (aged 52), Sheba Forest Estate, Penhalonga/Odzani. ZANLA terrorists had cut through the security fence around his farm house and he was mown down in gunfire as he was about to enter home at sunset. They fled when his wife opened fire. 22/04/78.

**Mr Arthur Robertson** (aged 37), Gwelo East, was killed by ‘friendly fire’ while with Police Reserve, 21/08/77.
Mr **Charles Albert Rosenfels**, Kezi. Gwebi graduate, Course 8. Field Reservist killed in action by a landmine. 24/04/79
Mr **Desmond ‘Chappie’ Rosenfels**, Marula, Territorial officer, BCR (Post), killed in action, 14 Troop, 3 commando, 1st Battalion, RLI while attempting to help a wounded trooper in Manica Province, Mocambique. 08/02/79

Mr **Ian ‘Ike’ Rosenfels**, Marula, Natal University graduate 1974, farmer and Trooper, Selous Scouts, in a follow up after a farm attack, 29/03/78.
Mr **Christopher Maynard Alan Ross** (aged 37), farmer at Juliasdale, ambushed by a ZANLA gang on his farm. Mourned by his wife and three children. 13/10/79 S Lunderstedt

Mr **Paul Rouse** (aged 29), was killed from gunshot wounds in a follow-up with PATU on Nieuveld Farm, Centenary, 18/02/74.
Mr **N. J. Royston**, Karoi, 18/02/78.
Mrs **Evelyn Marion Rushmore** (aged 70), Daughter of 1933 Prime Minister. George Mitchell, and wife of Edward who was in hospital at the time. ZIPRA entered the homestead that evening when she was alone and killed her. Spring Grange Ranch, Nyamandhlovu, 06/09/77.

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Mr M. O. A. Scott, Gwelo, 07/02/79.
Mr Lawrence R. 'Larry' Shakespeare, Karoi, was uninjured after the 45 that he was driving with 2nd Battalion, Rhodesia Regiment, hit a landmine but he sustained serious burns after the Hippo hit another landmine as he was caught in the safety belt and died a few days later, 23/08/77.

Mr Robert Leslie Smallman (aged 26), Melsetter, Course 23 at Gwebi College, was returning home after PATU duties when he was ambushed on Charleswood Estate, 11/09/78.

Mr Japie Smit, Beatrice, 30/01/79.
Mrs C. Smit, Beatrice, 30/01/79.
Master A. Smit, aged 2 years, Somabula, 18/07/79

Mr R. M. Smith, Inyanga, 22/07/76.

Mr Petrus Casper Stephanus "Piet" Snyders, District Estates Manager for the Rhodesian Wattle Company in the Vumba, had dropped off "Bugs 4" PATU stick and was ambushed by Frelimo when turning around at the end of the road. Armour piercing rounds had been used by the machine gunner and Piet was seriously wounded. The out of control vehicle went down the side of the mountain and stopped against a tree stump. Reinforcements came under fire and the casevac helicopter had to land elsewhere when it was fired at with missles. Piet was flown to Grand Reef but died on the fixed wing aircraft before he reached Salisbury. His passenger, PATU member George Walsh had been wounded but survived. 09/10/75.

Mr J. Souter, Nuanetsi, 23/01/79.

Mr Trevor John Speight, Umvukwes, Gwebi graduate, Course 24. Corporal, B Company, was killed with 1st Battalion, Rhodesia Regiment, 18/07/79

Mr David Michael Stacey (aged 50), Karoi, died from wounds received in action in the Mukwichi Tribal Trust Land, Ufungwe district while serving with Police Reserve, 09/03/73.

Mr Adrian Stander, Nuanetsi, ambush, 22/02/78.

Mr Hennie Stander, Benjani Ranch, Nuanetsi, ambush, 05/08/78.

Mr A. Stander, Beit Bridge, 15/08/78.

Mr Johnny U. Stanley, Tengwe, 05/04/78.

Mr S. J. 'Ben' Stander, Beitbridge, ambush, 19/06/79

Infant son Grant P. Starling, Dimitra Farm, Mtepatepa, ambush, 30/3/79.

Mr Christoffel Andreas 'Chris' Steyn (aged 43), Umtali Boys High and Potchefstroom College. Ambushed by a gang of 15 when he was driving a tractor to harvest cattle feed on his farm at Cashel, he passed away on way to hospital. 04/04/78. Steve Lunderstedt

Mr F. C. Steyn, Cashel, 18/12/78.

Mr Pieter Willem "Piet" Steyn, Odzi, 13/02/79.

Mr Maxwell Stockil, Liebigs Ranch, Nuanetsi, landmine, 13/12/79.

Mr Ronald Vaughan Stockil-Gill (aged 21), Marandellas, was drowned when the vehicle he was driving overturned over a low bridge across the flooding Ruya River, Mt Darwin with RLI. His ankle was trapped. 27/10/74.

Mr J. Stopforth, Gwelo East, 23/09/77.

Mr Jan Nicholas Strydom, Headlands, 09/03/78.

Mr J. Strydom, Inyanga, 02/02/79.

Mr Grantly Swartz, Southdown Tea Estate, Chipinge, 12/04/78.

Mr Roy Allan Swemmer (aged 19), Macheke/Virginia, was killed in a contact in Buhera TTL while serving in uniform BSAP, 03/06/78.

Mr Eugene Swanepoel, sawmill operator Melsetter, 22/08/78.

Mr James K. G. "Jim" Syme (aged 74), bought Deybrook Farm, Melsetter in the early 1950s having spent twenty years in Ghana from UK. He and Helen died after ZANLA entered the property and set fire to the thatched roof of the rambling farmhouse after tying them up, 13/09/78.

Mrs Helen A. Syme née Drought, Melsetter, 13/09/78 (as above).

Mr Ivan Charles Taylor (30), abducted from Chipinge 1978, died in Mozambique in 1979.
Mr James Frazer 'Jamie' Thomson (35), Karoi district, was killed on service with PATU by an accidental detonation near Sinoia, 19/12/79.
Master C. C. Tilley, Mashonaland South, 11/01/78.
Miss C. C. Tilley, Mashonaland South, 03/09/78.
Mr Cyril C. Tompson, Bubani Ranch, Nuanetsi, ambush, 14/02/78.
Mr Arthur Stockwell Topham. Gwebi graduate, Course 23. Sergeant, RhACR, killed in action when a Ferret detonated a landmine in the Chipinga area. 07/11/78.
Mrs V. E. Trinder, Nyamandhlovu, 03/09/79.
Mrs H. Turner, Gazaland, 09/01/79.
Miss S. Turner, Gazaland, 09/01/79.

Mr Ozias Peter Valentine (aged 42), Melsetter, died with another five RDR soldiers from gunshot wounds when they were attacked in Kanyemba, Sipolilo, 12/08/76.
Mr M. A. van Aard, Macheke/Virginia, 30/01/78.
Mr S. P. van Blerk, Headlands, 26/05/78.
Mrs G. van Blerk, Headlands, 26/05/78.
Miss L. van Blerk, Headlands, 26/05/78.
Mr Sakkie 'Hans' van der Merwe, Nuanetsi, ambush, 15/02/79.
Mr J. J. F. van Maarseveen, Cashel, 04/12/77.
Miss Madelaine A. van Reenen (aged 15) died so tragically on that Friday. She was the daughter of Shelagh Gertrude van Reenen and sister of John and Phyllis. The family farmed in the Mayo region and Madeleine was a boarder at the Marandellas High School. On that fateful day the van Reenen family were returning from Marandellas having inspected a new farm when they were ambushed by a ZANLA gang on the Mayo/Macheke road. Madeleine died instantly. 15/09/78.
Mr J. J. F. van Vuuren, Matopos South, 22/05/76.
Mr M. J. van Vuuren, Matopos South, 22/05/76.
Mr Ray C. Vassard, manager of Bon Espoir, Chipinga, killed by a landmine on the bridge at Clearwater, 12/05/79.
Mr B. Vermeulen, Headlands, 11/01/78.
Mr Johannes Hendrick Viljoen (39), Shot when he opened the door on Nevada Farm, Gadzema, 16/05/66. Originally from Umtali. Rhodesia Herald
Mrs Johanna 'Babs' Viljoen (36) née van Zyl, Gadzema, 16/05/66. Shot in the home but two children were unharmed. Rhodesia Herald
Mr Ken D. Viljoen was returning to Crystal Creek farm on the Chipinga-Melsetter Road close to Silverstreams with his wife, Anne, when they were ambushed two kilometres from home. The homestead was set alight and this alerted neighbours to their plight but they had already died. Melsetter, 01/10/77.
Mrs E. Anne Viljoen was returning to Crystal Creek farm on the Chipinga-Melsetter Road close to Silverstreams with her husband, Ken, when they were ambushed two kilometres from home. Melsetter, 01/10/77.
Mr Delville Joseph 'Del' Vincent (aged 44), farming in Centenary, was killed while with PATU during a contact in the Centenary district on tracks near Charmwood Farm, 03/04/73.
Mr Ephraim August 'Effie' Volker (aged 44), Rudolfer Farm, Arcturus, was killed while with PATU when he detonated a landmine when on a motorcycle in the Enterprise district, 03/08/79.
Mr J. I. S. Vorster, Melsetter, 23/01/78.

Mr Guy Victor Walton. Retired Colonel from WWII was growing blueberries for Dairibord yoghurt on Stronacharvie Farm, Melsetter, when he was killed by a ZANLA attack. 04/10/1978. S Lunderstedt
Mr D. Ward, Mazoe, 23/06/78.
Mrs S. Watkins, Nuanetsi, 29/12/79.
Mr Gregory John West (aged 19), Gazaland, was killed by gunshot from a contact serving with 3rd Battalion, Rhodesia Regiment, 12/11/76.
Mr E. Ronnie T. White, Gatooma, ambushed 05/12/79 and died 6/1/1980.
Mr John Barry Whitfield, Gwebi graduate, Course 27. Trooper, Selous Scouts killed in action in vehicle ambush in Nyajena TTL while uplifting the family member of an abducted highly decorated serving member. 05/02/78
Mrs C. J. Willers, Gazaland, 10/06/78.
Niss L. Wilger, Nyamandhlovu, 03/09/78.
Master M. Wilger, Nyamandhlovu, 03/09/78.
Mr Benjamin Huntsman ‘Hunty’ Williams (aged 34), farmer, Portwe Estate, Inyati, died after his arm near the shoulder was injured by an RPG rocket blast in a vehicle ambush with Police Reserve north of Lupane, 03/08/78.
Ms Catharina Jantina Williams (aged 46), farming with her husband in Chipinga, was murdered on her way for duty as a Woman Police Reservist, 10/06/78.
Mr Russell S. Williams, Inyanga, was assisting a PATU stick on a follow-up when he was killed in a contact just inside Wankie National Park at the main entrance, 17/01/78.
Mr Nigel Willis (aged 18), Shamva, was killed in an ambush while on an external operation in Mozambique, 14/02/74.

Commercial farmers and families killed on their farms after 1980 (by date):

Mr Gerald William “Bill” Adams (aged 68) died tragically on 4th August 1980. He was manager of Stamford farm, approximately 9 kms from Salisbury and very close to Charles Prince airport (formerly Mount Hampden).
Gerald was born in Northamptonshire, England in December 1912, to William Adams and Jessie Adams (née Cullis). His father William was a well-known cricketer, having represented Northamptonshire and England.
In April 1949 Gerald, his wife, and two year old daughter sailed from Southampton, England, on the “Stirling Castle”, and arrived in Port Elizabeth.
Bill Dawson wrote on Adams’ murder:
“I was on the neighbouring farm (Rainham) at the time and had just put myself back to bed with a blinding hangover when wild shooting started. There was a small rifle range near the house and at first I thought the shooting was from there, but soon realised something other was going on. On the night before, Edgar Tekere was a guest at a party on Stamford farm given by the new owner, Mr. Machapisa. Some Guard Force personnel stationed at the farm went to the back door to ask for beer (or some more beer, as I suspect) but weren’t given any. Later they fired some shots over the house to show their displeasure. Tekere, thinking himself under attack, leopard crawled into the bush. The following day he returned with some soldiers to teach the guard force a lesson. ‘Bill’ Adams, who was living in a manager’s house on the farm ran into the house when the shooting started, to raise the alarm on the Agric Alert radio but was shot dead at close quarters.”
Edgar Tekere, ranked third in the ZANU PF hierarchy and the Minister of Manpower, was charged with his murder. Despite the evidence, Tekere escaped by invoking the laws

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introduced by the former Rhodesia Government in regard to homeland security. Tekere was found not guilty by a majority of 2 to 1. The Judge President, John Pittman, found Tekere guilty, while appointed assessors - magistrates Greenland and Nemapare - found Tekere not guilty based on the fact that Tekere had acted on the belief that he was suppressing a terrorist threat. Their two votes over-ruled that of the Judge President. S Lunderstedt

Mr Lorry James, Arcturus, 1980.
Mr Louis Volker, Arcturus, 1980.
Mr Michael ‘Mick’ Williams, Sessombi Ranch, Kwe Kwe, 30/12/80
Mr John Patrick Franklin (aged 36), Mutare, was killed on his farm Greater Sisal, March 1981. The Farmer, 30 March, 1981.
Mr Philip (Helen's grandson, aged 20), Victoria East, Gunned down in home invasion, 1981. The Farmer, 30 March, 1981
Mr Geoff Staunton, beaten to death, 1981.
Mr Brian Dawe (aged 40), Mvaami Farm, Chinhoyi. Gwebi graduate (Course 14) and former CSC employee. Three assailants armed with AK47s were let into the house by the domestic worker and Brian was cut down in a burst of fire from the leader in his lounge. 26th April, 1982.
Mr David Charles Stirling, Makando Farm, Falls Road, gunned down in ambush, 9th July, 1982.
Mr Phil Ellman-Brown, Nyamandhlovu, August 1982.
Mr Harold Hilton-Barber, Hilton Ranch, Filabusi, shot with a pistol, 1982.
Mr Benjy Williams (aged 71), Turk Mine. abduction and murder. 31/12/82.
Mr David Bilang (24), Turk Mine. abducted with his grandfather Benjy Williams and murdered 31/12/82.
Mr David Walters (26), Umgusa Ranch, Nyamandhlovu. Gunned down in ambush. 31/12/82
Master Sean Walters, Umgusa Ranch, Nyamandhlovu. Gunned down in ambush. 31/12/82.
Master Michael Walters, Umgusa Ranch, Nyamandhlovu. Gunned down in ambush. 31/12/82.
Mr John Hearne (aged 18), Umgusa Ranch, Nyamandhlovu. Gunned down in ambush. 31/12/82
Mr Gerrit Malan, Rusape, shot and killed on his farm and his wife was wounded, March 1983.
Senator Paul Savage, Macaulay’s Farm, Gwanda, Gunned down on the verandah, 03/04/83.
Miss Colleen Savage (daughter), Macaulay’s Farm, Gwanda, Gunned down on the verandah, 03/04/83.
Ms Sandra Bennett (aged 38) visiting from UK, Macaulay’s Farm, Gwanda, Gunned down on the verandah, 03/04/83.
Mr Barry Brooke, Glendale, Farm attack, 28/5/1983. The Farmer
Mrs Diana Brooke, Glendale, Farm attack, 28/5/1983. The Farmer
Mr Ian Brebner (aged 39), Luchabi Ranch, Figtree, was killed by a group of eight attackers and four spent cartridges were found at the scene, 13/6/1983. Destructive Engagement
Mr Joe Phillip van Vuuren, Matabeleland, 5/11/1983.
Mr Trevor Smith, Figtree, 1983.
Mr Charles ‘Charlie’ Loxton (mid-50s), Damara Farm, Kezi, Farm attack, 23/12/1983. Norman Stockton, ORAFs 30th December 2013.
Mrs Rosemary ‘Rosie’ Loxton, Damara Farm, Kezi, Farm attack, after raising the
Miss Julie Loxton (aged 20), Damara Farm, Kezi, Farm attack, 23/12/1983. Norman Stockton, ORAFs 30th December 2013.  
Mr Tony Loxton, Damara Farm, Kezi, Charlie’s brother rushed to their aid from Kezi Police Station but was shot as he approached the house, 23/12/1983. Norman Stockton, ORAFs 30th December 2013.  
Dr Peter Gradwell, Plumtree, 28/12/1983.  
Niece (15) and friend (9), Plumtree, 28/12/1983.  
Mr Jack Ehlers, Nyamandhlovu. Shot while fleeing from ambush. 23/10/1985.  
Mr Ehler’s foreman, Nyamandhlovu, 23/10/1985.  
Mr Dahlia Gasporini, bayonetted when visiting a neighbour, Nyamandhlovu.  
Mr Mark Sommer (aged 31), Nyathi, shot by six gunmen and struck with an axe in an attack on his ranch, 23/12/85.  
Mr Hector Argyle (40), ambushed in his Land Rover, Shangani, 21/1/1986.  
Mr Allan Dicks (70), Somabula. Club invasion. 9/5/1987.  
Mr Tys Lourens (43), Somabula. Club invasion. 9/5/1987.  
Mr Roy Dabbs, Gweru, 19/5/1987.  
Mr Andrew William “Andy” MacDonald, Figtree/Marula, 18/8/1987.  
Mrs Nettie MacDonald, Figtree/Marula, 18/8/1987.  
Mr John Norvall, Nyandhlovu, ambushed by six dissidents when he stopped at a a river crossing about to buy cattle from a black neighbour, 26/8/1987.  
Mr Brian Hubbard, Gwanda, September-October, 1987.  
Mr Dick Bawden, Turk Mine.  
Mr Stratford, Umguza.  
Mrs Stratford, Umguza.  
Granddaughters Taverners, Umguza.  
Mr Dando, Shangani.  

Missionaries were targetted by dissidents with 16 deaths documented at Umzingwane on two farms early on 26th November, 1987. All victims had been hacked to death.  
Those killed at the Olive Tree Farm were Jerry Keightley (40), and his wife Marian Keightley (39), their daughters Gay Deborah (16) and Glynis (14), and their 18-month-old son, Barnabas. Another Zimbabwean, Penelope Sarah Lovett (28), and two Americans, David Emerson (35), of Osakis, Minn., and Karen Sharon Iversdahl (32), who was reported to be from Montana, were also killed.  
Those killed at the New Adam Farm were David Marais (35), a South African; his wife, Katherine Marais (34), and their son, Ethan (4). Also killed were Robert Hill (38), and his wife, Gaynor (27), and their 6-week-old-old son, Benjamin; Hazel Russell (46), and Jean Campbell, a Briton. Laura Russell (13) escaped.  

Commercial farmers who died post 2000 - or who were victims - from Farm Invasions, theft or for motives unknown:  

Mr David Stevens (aged 49), Murehwa South, Saturday, 15th April, 2000. His accused slayer was Douglas Chitekuteku who passed away in Macheke in May 2016. He allegedly was part of the ZANU PF vigilante groups that left at least 31 dead and thousands of opposition members homeless.  
Mr Martin Geoffery Olds (aged 43), Bubi-Umguza, Gwebi graduate, Course 28, was subjected to a concerted attack while the area around the farm house was cordoned off. 18th April, 2000.
Mr Allan Stewart Dunn, Seke, 7th May 2000.
Mr John Weeks (aged 65), Seke, 14th May 2000.
Mr Tony Oates, Zvimba North, shot and killed, 31st May 2000.
Mr Willem Botha. Seke. 23rd July 2000.
Mr Henry Swan Elsworth (aged 70), Kwekwe, murdered in ambush, 12th December, 2000.
Mrs Gloria Olds (aged 68), Bubi-Umguza. Mother of Martin Olds. 4th March, 2001.
Mr Terrence 'Terry' Ford (aged 55), Mhondoro, battered and shot, 18th March, 2002.
Mr Thomas ‘Tom’ Bayley (aged 88), Danbery Park, Mount Hamden, was killed during a siege, 1st May 2002.
Mr Charles T. T. Anderson* (aged 44), Glendale/Mazowe, shot and killed, 2nd June, 2002.
Mr Phillip ‘Phil’ Laing (aged 51), Australian accountant for Eastern Highlands Plantations, Honde Valley, was killed - possibly by poisoning - and seven staff were abducted, 19th December 2003.
Mr Pieter Silverton, January 2004.
Mr Ole Sunde (aged 66), Banket. 6th February, 2005.
Mr Donald ‘Don’ Stewart (aged 68), Norton. 26th November 2005.
Mr Phillip Tenant, 1st April 2006.
Mr Mike Campbell (aged 79), Chegutu, "falanga" torture on 29th June, 2008. Died on 6th April 2011 without recovering.
Mrs Mary Austen (aged 74), Kwekwe, November 2008.
Mr Bob Vaughan-Evans (late 70s), Gweru, assault during home invasion, 3rd July 2009.
Mr Ray van Rensburg (aged 76), Gweru, 15th July 2009.
Mrs Sophie Hart (aged 75), Kadoma. strangulated, 29th August 2009.
Mr Kobus Joubert (aged 67), Chegutu, murdered by CIO, 26th October, 2010.
Mr Lourens Abrams Korsten, assaulted 31st December 2010, died 28th February 2011.
Mr Colin Zietsman, Mvurwi, tortured, 2nd September, 2011.
Mr Keith Nicholson, Banket. shot and killed, 14th September, 2011.
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The group gained entry through the security boom at Mazvikadei Dam under false pretences. They then proceeded to the house of local garage owner Mr Tim Morgan where they again gained access to the house on the pretence of wanting to visit one of the gardeners employed by the Morgans. They then tied up all the staff and ransacked the house but could not find any money.

When Mr and Mrs Morgan returned in the evening they were ambushed and tied up. They then took Mr Morgan back to his garage in his Toyota twincab. At this stage Mrs Morgan was able to alert neighbours in the village, Messrs Henry Allam, Keith Nicolson and other unnamed persons who followed the stolen vehicle in which the kidnapped garage owner was being driven away in.

They followed it down the Raffingora Road for some distance but once the occupants of the vehicle noticed they were being followed they stopped and turned the vehicle around to shine the lights onto the vehicle following them. They then fired many rounds at the vehicle forcing it off the road and forced the occupants to take cover. There was an ensuing gun battle as the occupants of the other vehicle also fired back. The time was now 9.30 pm.

Three of the group then ran into the bush away from the vehicle so Keith Nicolson, thinking that everyone had run from the vehicle, rushed forward to release the hostage, Mr Morgan. However, he was immediately shot dead by a fourth attacker who was still in the vehicle, and who subsequently ran away. Mr Morgan managed to flee the vehicle uninjured and the vehicle was abandoned and henceforth recovered.

The armed gang was believed to have subsequently been collected and driven away in another vehicle, the registration details of which are known but no one has been
apprehended.  
Mr Bobby Ervine, Guruve. Assaulted on 12nd October 2011, passed away in hospital 8th April 2012.

* The man who shot and killed Charles Anderson four years previously was sentenced to death by the Zimbabwe High Court in 2006. 31 year old Munetsi Kadzinga was given the death sentence by high court Judge Bharat Patel after he was convicted of the 2002 murder. The South African Mail and Guardian newspaper reports that Kadzinga claimed in court that he had been told to carry out attacks on white farmers by senior government officials, including Minister John Nkomo, who ran the Home Affairs ministry at the time. But the judge dismissed the claims and said there were no extenuating circumstances in the case.

"About 18 white farmers were killed in violent takeovers of their land while almost all of the country's 620,000 permanent and seasonal farm-workers were driven away from their homes" John Worsley-Worswick, the late head of Justice for Agriculture, a Harare-based lobby group, said. Together with dependents, those workers accounted for two million people, he said.

**Extortion and targeted attacks:**

A new wave of intimidation replaced the farm invasions and theft. Five murders were committed in the past four years within a 40 km radius as farmers are expected to pay large amounts of extortion money to political authorities.

The tragic and very brutal murder of Malcolm Francis and his daughter, Catherine, on a farm to the north of the country highlights the fragile nature of life without the rule of law. They were attacked in the evening of 10th May, 2014 in Guruve when walking the dogs. They survived from axe wounds for several days before succumbing in hospital.

A farm manger in Triangle was found dead with a deep cut on his neck, a day after paying his workers their wages. Adolph Willem Botha (aged 69) of Mpapa Farm in Triangle was probably killed on Friday 6th May, 2016 as blood was noticed on the veranda by a domestic worker at 6:00 a.m. on Saturday so summoned help. A blood stained machete, bare blood stained foot prints, his open wallet and cell phone were found inside. Police suspect robbery was a motive but no arrests have been made.

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