

JOHN DOOGAN, VC



Buried at Shorncliffe Military Cemetery.

Private John Doogan (1853-1940) Victoria Cross. 1st Dragoon Guards. Born in Aughrim, County Galway, Ireland.

"On January 28, 1881, at the Battle of Laing's Nek, South Africa, during a charge of mounted men, Major Brownlow's horse was shot out from under him, leaving him stranded in the middle of the Boers. The private witnessed this and, though he was severely wounded himself, he rode out to the major and insisted that he take his horse. In the process, he was wounded again. For his act of bravery he was awarded the Victoria Cross".

Doogan's Victoria Cross is on display at the Queen's Dragoon Guards Regimental Museum in Cardiff Castle, Wales.

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