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Unveiling Ceremony: 26 August 2017: Mayo Peace Park, Castlebar,

Co Mayo:

On the 22 June 2017, following completion of loan in Germany, the Bremen-Farge Memorial Plaque which commemorates 5 Irish Born British Merchant Seamen who lost their lives in the Bremen-Farge Work Concentration Camp during world war two, and who had refused to workfrei for Nazi Germany, was donated to the Mayo Peace Park & Garden of Remembrance, Lannagh Road, Castlebar, County Mayo, by the Irish Seamen's Relatives Association (1939-46) where it was unveiled on Saturday 26 August 2017 at 14.30hrs, by a relative of the O'Hara



The family of Radio Officer Gerald O'Hara RIP:



Commander Ron Howko U.S. Legion, Stephen McLaughlin, Captain Donal Buckley, Commandant Stephen Mac Eoin, Mayor Martin McLoughlin, Padraic O'Hara, Rev Fr John Kneifsey, Ernie Sweeney, Kevin McNally, Michael Feeney.

family in honour of their Father, Grandfather, Radio Officer Gerald O'Hara, SS Devon and his shipmates who lost their lives in Farge during WW2.

The Bremen-Farge Memorial Plaque was originally located at the front of our memorial plinth in the Merchant Navy Convoy Section of the National Memorial Arboretum, Alrewas, Staffs, England

http://www.irishseamensrelativesassociation.co

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In 2015 it was relocated to Bremen, and its final resting place in 2017 is County Mayo. Many thanks to Michael Feeney MBE and his committee for their efforts which enabled this plaque to be permanently located in the dignified surroundings of the Mayo Peace Park, Garden of Remembrance.

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