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The origins of the term Tommy is widely disputed, the most common interpretation is that the term comes from Tommy Atkins, which is slang for a common soldier in the British Army. The term Tommy was established during the nineteenth century, but is particularly associated WW1. Legend has it that German soldiers would call out to "Tommy" across no man's land if they wanted to speak to a British soldier.

Established in 1919, RBLI were helping and supporting many wounded, injured and sick ex-Forces personnel returning from WW1.

Tommy represents where we began in 1919 supporting mainly Tommies returning from WW1, while commemorating those who have died since, and helps to look after veterans of today.



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