

Commemoration for the Lives of the Braidwood and District ANZACS

"We will remember them well"

A CALL FROM THE DARDANELLES



ROLL OF HONOUR

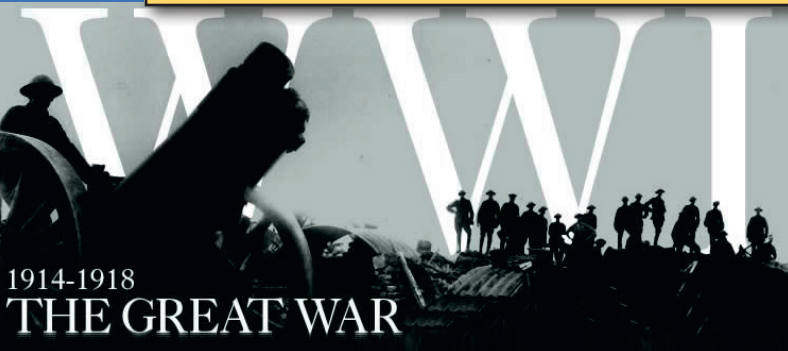
LUPTON, Spencer

Service Number: 3857

Rank: Private

*"Coo-ee-
Wont YOU
come?"*

From 1914 - 1918, 465 volunteers from Braidwood and the District
joined the Australian Imperial Force in World War I.
88 lost their lives, never to return home. This is their story.



1914-1918
THE GREAT WAR

100
YEARS OF
ANZAC

THE SPIRIT
LIVES
2014 - 2018

Introduction

This year, 2015, marks the centenary of the start of the Gallipoli campaign and Australia's involvement as a nation in the greatest and most terrible conflict ever seen to that time. Australians joined their Armed Forces in large numbers. Their motives were as varied as their upbringings, from a need to save the Empire, of which Australia was an integral part, to the desire to have a great adventure.

Braidwood and district were no exception. Over the four years from 1914 to 1918, from a population of about 5000, 465 men and women from what is now the 2622 postcode area – including Braidwood, Majors Creek, Araluen, Mongarlowe, Nerriga, Ballalaba and Jembaicumbene joined the Navy or Army. Of these 377 returned to Australia. Sadly, 88 lost their lives.

A varying amount of their history is recorded in the Australian War Memorial. Some of their names, but not all, are recorded on local memorials. More is recorded in limited local histories and newspapers, not readily available to the general public; and the people who lived with and knew these distant relatives are also passing on.

The Braidwood RSL Sub Branch has collected all the information available from the Australian War Memorial and local sources, including the Braidwood Museum. Families, still resident in the district, have added their family knowledge and their precious memorabilia.

This booklet is the available story of **Spencer Lupton**, one of the 88 Braidwood volunteers who did not return from World War I. It contains his details as recorded in the World War I Roll of Honour, his Enlistment Papers, Field Service records, any Casualty notification, correspondence relating to his death, details of decorations won, any available photos, and, in some instances, family correspondence or recollections.

Spencer Lupton died for his country, for you and for me. Please pause a moment to remember him.

Lest We Forget.

WORLD WAR I

World War I lasted four years, from 4 August 1914 until 11 November 1918. It began after the assassination of the heir to the Austrian throne. The axis powers were Germany and Austria. Russia and France were the initial allies. When Germany invaded Belgium, Britain entered the war on the side of Russia and France.

The war was in Europe, the Western Front was in France and Belgium. The Eastern Front was Russia and Austria-Hungary. Africa was another front because of colonial possessions on that continent, and after Turkey entered the war on 1 November 1914, the Middle East became another theatre of war.

Australians generally thought of themselves as an integral part of the British Empire and the Australian Army and Navy were part of the Imperial Forces. In 1914, Australia's Prime Minister, Andrew Fisher, immediately promised Australian support for Britain 'to the last man and the last shilling.' The Australian population was less than five million. 324,000 Australians served overseas. 61,720 lost their lives. 155,000 were wounded. 4,044 became prisoners of war (397 died while captive).

The first Australian troops were sent to Egypt in 1915. The ANZACS – Australian and New Zealand Army Corps – were engaged in battle on the Gallipoli Peninsula against the Turks to control the Dardanelles' and open the way to Eastern Europe with their fateful landing on 25 April 1915.

The ANZACS were evacuated on 19-20 December 1915. The Gallipoli campaign resulted in the deaths of 7,600 Australians and the wounding of 19,000. Despite the defeat, the legend attached to the heroism, comradeship and valour of the soldiers remain a source of Australian pride and national identity.



ROLL OF HONOUR

SPENCER LUPTON

Service Number: 3857

Rank: Private

Unit: 1st Australian Pioneer Battalion

Service: Australian Army

Conflict: First World War, 1914-1918

Date of death: 18 November 1916

Place of death: France

Cause of death: Died of wounds

Age at death: 20

Place of association: Braidwood, Australia

Cemetery or memorial details: Heilly Station Cemetery,
Mericourt-L'Abbe, Picardie, France

Source: AWM145 Roll of Honour cards, 1914-1918 War,
Army

Location on the Roll of Honour: Spencer Lupton's
name is located at **panel 171** in the Commemorative Area
at the Australian War Memorial



SPENCER LUPTON #3857

Recruiting August 1915

Messrs. A. Ritchie, R. Sharpe, S. Lupton, G. Callan (Ballalaba), G. A. Batty, M. Kain, E. Rogers, a gathering of friends at H. J. Stephens of Manar to farewell Len Taylor, Allan Stephens and Robert Bopping, Messrs. T. O'Brien jun., R.A. Crandell, T. Keyte, Gordon Fisher and A. Watt jun.

The districts all had farewell get togethers for the departing recruits and a small gift with local dignitaries there to do the honours and the local band playing as the bus left for Goulburn with the new recruits off to fight, in countries far different to the country they represent and learned to be proud of being an "Aussie", and the respect other countries have of them as soldiers. Braidwood Letters from the Front, by Rosslyn Maddrell.

"THE LAST POST."

On Wednesday last the Rev. Father Vaughan received a telegram from the Defence authorities in Melbourne that Private Spencer Lupton, son of Mr. and Mrs. T. Lupton, of Braidwood, had died from wounds on the 18th November, and requesting him to break the sad news to his parents. Private Lupton was with the A.I.F. in France. He was only 20 years of age, and as fine a stamp of young man as one could possibly wish to see. He enlisted in September of last year. Being then under age, it was necessary to obtain the consent of his parents, which was given in view of the deceased's earnest desire to take part in the war. He sailed for England in January last, and had been at the front about six months. Letters were received from him as late as this week, and when they were written he was in the best of health and spirits. Prior to enlisting he was an apprentice to Mr. J. Stoyles, blacksmith, of this town. The deepest sympathy is felt for the bereaved parents and family. The only consolation that can be offered to them in their sad bereavement is that "Spen." died in the defence of the Empire and the civilised world.

The TRUMPET CALLS



AUSTRALIAN WAR MEMORIAL

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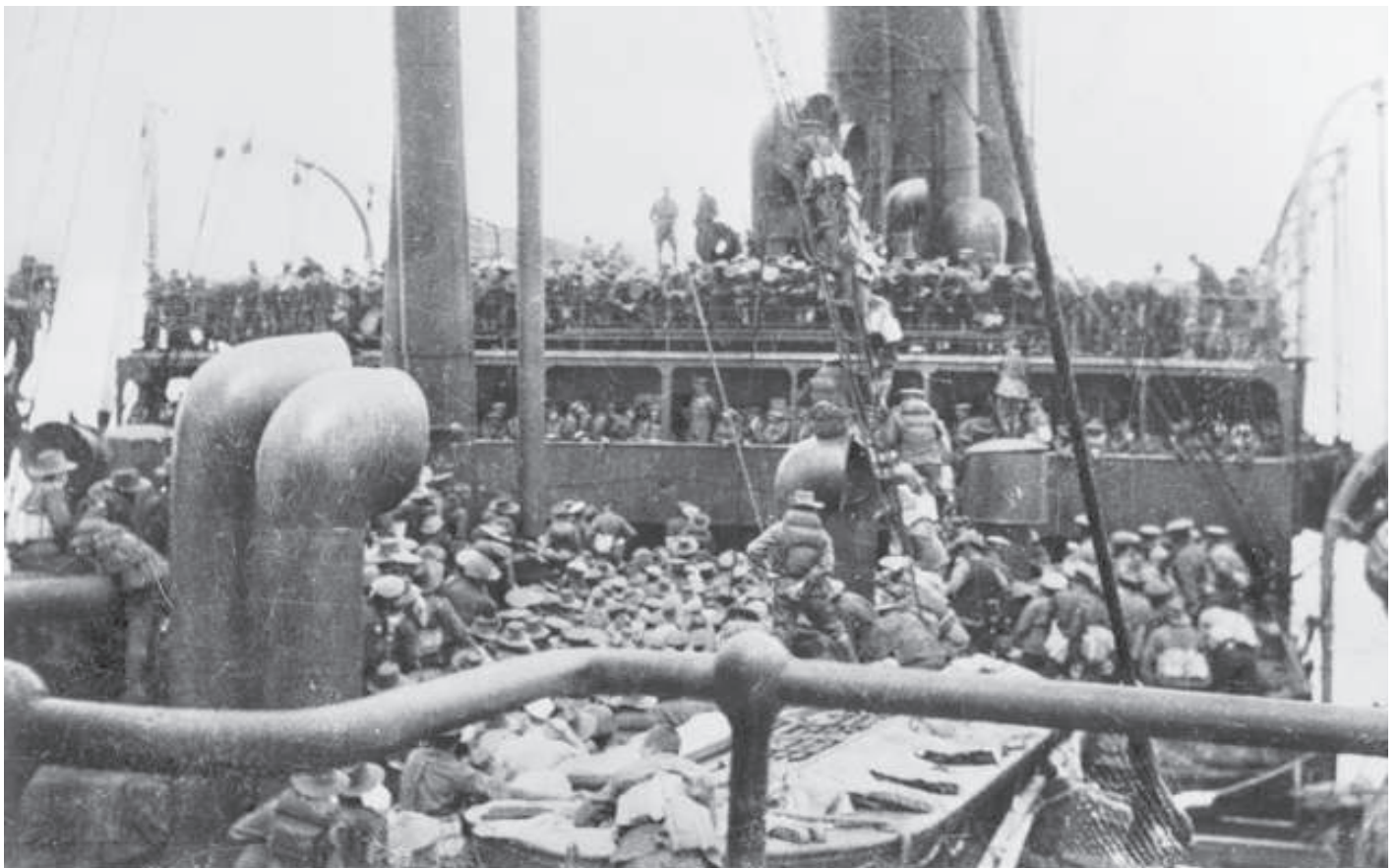
A soldier sounds his bugle for assistance on the front line while civilians listen in the background. Norman Lindsay (1879-1970) was a painter, draughtsman, illustrator, cartoonist, printmaker, writer and sculptor. He joined the Sydney 'Bulletin' magazine as a staff artist, 1901-09, 1910-23 and 1932-58. During the First World War he produced jingoistic cartoons and pro-conscription posters. Although this poster was not part of the series done for the Australian government, the similarity to 'The last call' suggests that it was also drawn and distributed in 1918.



AUSTRALIAN WAR MEMORIAL

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At Sea: Men participating in a game of 'Crown and Anchor' on board HMAT Medic, this is a fast game in which any number of players play against a banker, three special dice are used, each marked with a crown, anchor, heart, spade, diamond and club, on which the players bet.



AUSTRALIAN WAR MEMORIAL

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30 March 1916: 1st Anzac Headquarters and troops of the 1st Australian Division crowd the decks aboard the transport HMT Transylvania. General Sir William Riddell Birdwood (centre, top) is addressing the troops. They were leaving Egypt for the Western Front via Marseilles. Spencer Lupton was aboard this transport ship bound for Marseilles.

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MILITARY FORCES.

AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE.

12th, Rifs, 2nd, Bn.

Attestation Paper of Persons Enlisted for Service Abroad.

No. 3857
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Name LUPTON, Spencer
Unit 12th REINFS, 2nd BATTN
Joined on 19/8/15

Questions to be put to the Person Enlisting before Attestation.

1. What is your Name? 1. Spencer, Lupton
2. In or near what Parish or Town were you born? 2. In the Parish of in or
near the Town of Bradwood
in the County of N.S.W.
3. Are you a natural born British Subject or a Naturalized British Subject? (N.B.—If the latter, papers to be shown.) 3. Natural born
4. What is your age? 4. 21 3/12
5. What is your trade or calling? 5. Bookbinder
6. Are you, or have you been, an Apprentice? If so, where, to whom, and for what period? 6. J. Stagle Bradwood 2 1/2 yrs
7. Are you married? 7. No
8. Who is your next of kin? (Address to be stated) 8. (Father) Thomas J. Lupton
Bradwood N.S.W.
9. Have you ever been convicted by the Civil Power? 9. No
10. Have you ever been discharged from any part of His Majesty's Forces, with Ignominy, or as Incurable and Worthless, or on account of Conviction of Felony, or of a Sentence of Penal Servitude, or have you been dismissed with Disgrace from the Navy? 10. No
11. Do you now belong to, or have you ever served in, His Majesty's Army, the Marines, the Militia, the Militia Reserve, the Territorial Force, Royal Navy, or Colonial Forces? If so, state which, and if not now serving, state cause of discharge 11. 43rd Inf CMF
12. Have you stated the whole, if any, of your previous service? 12. Yes
13. Have you ever been rejected as unfit for His Majesty's Service? If so, on what grounds? 13. No
14. Do you understand that no Separation Allowance will be issued in respect of your service beyond an amount which together with Pay would reach eight shillings per day 14. Yes
15. Are you prepared to undergo inoculation against smallpox and enteric fever? 15. Yes

I, Spencer, Lupton do solemnly declare that the above answers made by me to the above questions are true, and I am willing and hereby voluntarily agree to serve in the Military Forces of the Commonwealth of Australia within or beyond the limits of the Commonwealth.

*And I further agree to allot not less than two-fifths of the pay payable to me from time to time during my service for the support of my wife three-fifths

Date 27/8/15 wife and children

Signature of person enlisted.

*This clause to be cancelled where necessary and should be struck out in the case of unmarried men or widowers without children under 18 years of age.

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Transferred to

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AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE.

No. 385

Rank Private Name L. UPTON S.

Unit 1st Pioneer Bn.

Casualty 18-11-16 Died Wounds. 36th Co. 6th Station C.I.M.E. 7587/2114 10th Ind. 25-11-16

DATE	A.F. B.103 Received	PERMITS	A.F. B.1030A Received	REP. NO.
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98.11.6	M.O. 2 ADVISED, DIED OF WOUNDS. 18/11/16			
20 11 16	COPY MADE FOR WAR PENSIONS <i>Alpha Branch asking of labor identical with Enquiry</i>			8712

6-8-14	CONFIRMATION RECEIVED OF Cable No. <i>21/11/14</i> PERSONAL EFFECTS EX- <i>thermostocks</i> NO PERSONAL EFFECTS IN KIT. D.R.M. No. <i>411141</i> <i>Retained to the P.O.V. 2 of 10. 11/686</i> <i>for D.R.M. 40/1368 & Box of 100 Graves despatched 5/7/20</i>			
8/1/20	PHOTOGRAPHS OF DEATH <i>in duplicate</i>			



BRITISH WAR MEDAL to Comd. *2nd* M.D.R.F.M. 557443

"WHERE THE AUSTRALIANS REST."
Pamphlet sent to *Mr. J. Lupton on 27.10.21*

WAR HISTORY INDEX

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No. *3217*
Receipt
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FIELD SERVICE.

REPORT of Death of a Soldier to be forwarded to the War Office with the least possible delay after receipt of notification of death on Army Form B. 213 or Army Form A. 34 or from other official documentary sources.

REGIMENT } 1ST. AUSTRALIAN DIVISIONAL Squadron,
or } PIONEER BATTALION, A.I.F. Troop, Battery }
CORPS } (late 12th. Reinforcements, Company }
End. Infantry Battalion, A.I.F.) }

Regt. No. 3857 Rank PRIVATE

Name LUPTON, S. T.

Date 18TH. NOVEMBER 1916.
Died { Place NO. 36 CASUALTY CLEARING STATION, IN THE FIELD, FRANCE.
Cause of Death* DIED OF WOUNDS RECEIVED IN ACTION.
Nature and Date of Report DEATH REPORT DATED 9TH. NOVEMBER 1916.

By whom made OFFICER COMMANDING NO. 36 CASUALTY CLEARING STATION.

*Specially state if killed in action, or died from wounds received in action, or from illness due to field conditions or to fatigue, privation or exposure while on military duty, or from injury while on military duty.

Place BENT ALBERT 1/40,000. J.13. D.7.5.
Burial { Date 18TH. NOVEMBER 1916.
By whom reported OFFICER COMMANDING NO. 36 CASUALTY CLEARING STATION.

State whether he leaves a will or not { (a) in Pay Book (Army Book 54) NOT YET TO HAND.
(b) in Small Book (if at Base) ---
(c) as a separate document ---

All private documents and effects received from the front or hospital, as well as the Pay Book, should be examined, and if any will is found it should be at once forwarded to the War Office.

Any information received as to verbal expressions by a deceased soldier of his wishes as to the disposal of his estate should be reported to the War Office as soon as possible.

A duplicate of this Report is to be sent to the Fixed Centre Paymaster at Home, or to the D.F.A.G., Indian Expeditionary Force, or Field Disbursing Officer, as the case may require, together with the deceased's Pay Book (after withdrawal of any will from the latter). If the deceased's Small Book is at the Base, it should be forwarded to the War Office with this Report.

Signature of Officer in charge }
of Section Adjutant-General's }
Office at the Base }
ROUEN. FRANCE.

[Signature] LIEUTENANT,
OFFICER IN CHARGE RECORDS.

Station and Date 4TH. DECEMBER 1916.

ANZAC SECTION, 3RD. ECHELON, G.H.Q. B.E.F.

LUPTON	Spencer	3857	2nd Bn. 12/R
Surname	Other Names	Regimental No.	Unit.
PURPORT.			AUTHORITY.
Emb. at Sydney on H.M.A.S. A7 "Medic" 30.12.15			
Pte.			
Proceeded to reinforcement 1st Pmr. Btn. ex 1st Aust. Divl. Base Etaples.			BEFO 35/3-16
7.11.16 Wounded in Action "In the field" S.W. Arm MN			BEFO 38/2-16
11.6.16 Trans. from 12th Rfts. 2nd Btn. and taken on str. 1st Aust. Divl. Pmr. Btn. MN			BEFO 10/3-16
18.11.16 Died of wounds received in Action at No. 36 Cas. Clg. Stn. "In the field" AR			BEFO 39/7-16
1.8.16 CRIME When on Active Service A.W.L.			
3.8.16 AWARD 14 days F.P. No. 2 Total Forfeiture 16 days pay AR			BEFO 46/3-16

National Archives of Australia

NAA: B2455, LUPTON SPENCER

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Army Form B. 103.

Casualty Form—Active Service.

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1ST. AUSTRALIAN DIVISIONAL PIONEER BATTALION, A.I.F.
Regiment or Corps 12th. Rfts. 2nd. Inf. Battalion, A.I.F.

Regimental No. 3857 Rank Private Name LUPTON, S.T.
Enlisted (a) 19.8.15. Terms of Service (a) Service reckons from (a) 19.8.15.
Date of promotion } Date of appointment } Numerical position on }
to present rank } to lance rank } roll of N.C.Os. }
Extended Re-engaged Qualification (b)

Report	Record of promotions, reductions, transfers, casualties, etc., during active service, as reported on Army Form B. 213, Army Form A. 36, or in other official documents. The authority to be quoted in each case.	Place	Date	Remarks taken from Army Form B. 213, Army Form A. 36, or other official documents.
4.4.16. C.C. Tps. "Transylvania"	Proceeded to join B.E.F.	ALEXANDRIA	29.3.16.	AP 694.
do. do.	Disembarked at	MARSEILLES	4.4.16.	AP 694.
8.6.16. 1st. Aust. D.B. Depot.	Proceeded to reinforce No. 1 Pioneer Battalion	ETAPLES	8.6.16.	AD 70. DO. 35/8256.
16.6.16. G.O. 1st. Pioneer Bn.	Taken on strength from 12th. Rfts. 2nd. Battalion	IN THE FIELD FRANCE	11.6.16.	B213. AQ 603. D.O. 10/1909.
10.11.16. do.	To Hospital SHELL WOUND ARM.	do.	7.11.16.	B213. AQ 10325 VL. 143 - 20.11.16. D.O. 38/5079.
11.11.16. 1st. Anzac M.D.S.	Admitted SW. LEG & ABDOMEN Tfd. to Cas. Clg. Stn.	do.	7.11.16.	A36. AK 452/32.
18.11.16. No. 36 C.C. Stn. A36.	Admitted GSW. ABDOMEN & LEGS.	do.	do.	AK 452/48. HK 550/2.

(a) In the case of a man who has re-engaged for, or enlisted into Section D, Army Reserve, particulars of such re-engagement or enlistment will be entered.
(b) e.g., Signaller, Shoosmith, etc., etc., also special qualifications in technical Corps duties.

I.P.T.O.

9th March 1917.

Dear Sir,

With reference to the report of the regrettable loss of your son, the late No. 3857 Private S.T.Lupton, 1st Pioneer (late 2nd) Battalion, I am now in receipt of advice which shows that he died at No. 36 Casualty Clearing Station, In the Field, France, on the 18th November 1916, of wounds received in action, and was buried in Locality shown as Sheet Albert 1/40,000 J.13.D.7.5

These additional details are furnished by direction, it being the policy of the Department to forward all information received in connection with deaths of members of the Australian Imperial Force.

Yours faithfully,

Mr T.J.Lypton,
Braidwood,
N. S. W.

Major.
Officer i/c Base Records.

IWD.

AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE.

KIT STORE.



110, GREYHOUND ROAD,
FULHAM, LONDON.

Telephone—HAWKERSWITH 1876.

—S.W.—
W.6.

Inventory of Effects of— The Late 3857 Pte Lupton.S.T. 1st Pnr Btn A.I.F.

Forwarded to— FATHER.
Mr T.J.Lypton,
Braidwood,
N.S.W.

Effects.

3rd Echelon)
No. 7017)

Souvenir cap, Rosary, 2 Identity discs,
2 Devotional books, Note book, Wallet,
Cards, Letters, Photos.

No. of Package d/s. 9047

Checked by

3857 Died of wounds

N.S. 54215

(7614)

"The Cashiers Office"
Of Mark Foy Rd.
Liverpool St.

Sydney.
Nov 30th 16.



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Senator Pearce.
Victoria Barracks.
Melbourne.



Dear Sir.

Would you kindly let me know at your earliest convenience if No 3854 Private Spens Lupton, who left Sydney with the 12th Reinforcement, of the 2nd Battalion & who is now in the 1st Pioneers. My Aunt received word that 3856 Private Lupton died of wounds on the 18th of November, & we would be greatly obliged if you would kindly let us know if there has been a mistake in the number & if it should be No 3854. or if it is 3856 & is some one else
Thanking you in anticipation

BR

Mr Shore

4/12

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yours faithfully
Noyrea Brouke

In Memory of

Private

Spencer Lupton

3857, 1st, Australian Pioneers who died on 18 November 1916 Age 20

Son of Thomas Joseph and Louisa Whiles Lupton. Native of Braidwood, New South Wales.

Remembered with Honour

Heilly Station Cemetery, Mericourt-L'abbe



Commemorated in perpetuity by
the Commonwealth War Graves Commission



Australian War Memorial ARTV00850
 Australian First World War recruitment poster. It frames part of a speech given by British General Sir Ian Hamilton at Tenedos, May 1st. 1915.

Acknowledgements

Everybody responded enthusiastically to the idea of capturing the information about Braidwood's 88 World War I veterans who lost their lives. The Braidwood RSL Sub Branch is most grateful for the support they received in carrying out this task and would like to acknowledge those of whom we are aware: Karen, Chris and Renee Nelson, Roslyn Maddrell, Karen Shea, Jill Clarke, Rod McClure, Ben and Meaghan Frohling, Diane McGrath, Us On Mondays Quilting Group, Len Mutton & Co and local shopkeepers for their World War I window displays.

Thank you to the students and teachers of Braidwood Central School and St. Bedes School who have embraced these soldiers and have honoured their memories on Anzac Day 2015.

The Braidwood RSL Sub Branch raised a good proportion of the funds for the cost of producing these booklets. The efforts of the members of the sub branch involved are very much appreciated. This money was augmented by welcome funding from the Federal Government through the ANZAC Centenary Local Grants Program and the Braidwood Community Bank.

To all those who helped in any way, many thanks. Your efforts have ensured we remember these Braidwood and District Veterans well.

Back Cover: Peace Day, 11th November 1918, Wallace Street, Braidwood.

"Wild day in Braidwood: When Braidwood woke up on Tuesday morning to find the 'glad tidings of great joy' awaiting it that Germany had signed the armistice and the frightful carnage of the past four years or so had come to an end it simply went mad with delight. No other words could adequately describe the excitement that followed." "Braidwood Letters from the Front" by Roslyn Maddrell.

ROLL OF HONOUR

Alley, Clair Underwood
Archer, Fred
Backhouse, Victor John
Barnett, Frederick George
Barry, Charles Louis
Beatty, Walter Cusack
Bell, John Henry Edward
Black, George Scott
Bruce, Thomas Fraser
Byrne, Cecil John
Callan, William Henry
Catlin, Robert Henry
Clarke, Lester Thomas
Cook, Thomas John
Crandell, Christopher George
Cregan, Clarence Theodore Augustus
Cullen, Henry Thomas
Davis, John Henry
Davis, Oscar Raymond Stanley
Dawson, Edric Athol
Dayball, Arthur Joseph
Dempsey, Charles Frederick
Dempsey, Charles
Dowell, Frederick Robert
Feeney, William
Fisher, Osborne
Flack, John Foster
Garnett, Henry James
Geelan, Robert Michael
Gosling, Fred
Gough, James
Green, Francis Henry
Healy, Myrtle James
Howard, John Alexander
Huggett, William
Hunt, Frederick William
Hunt, John
Hush, Percy Alfred
Hush, Thomas
Hush, Austin Septimus
Innes, Henry George
Kelly, Herbert Albert
Kemp, Leslie Smith
Keyte, Robert
Knight, Charles Oliver
Lee, Thomas James
Lennon, James
Lupton, Spencer
Lynch, James Joseph
Matthews, Francis
McCool, Francis Leslie Neil
McDonald, Alexander Joseph
McLean, Donald
McRae, Finley Arnold
Meade, Arthur Stuart
Merton, Thomas David
Montgomery, Stanley
Moore, William
Newberry, Alwyn (Alwin) Horace James
O'Brien, Thomas Daniel
O'Reilly, John
Pooley, Edward
Rex, Horace Joseph
Riley, Frank
Roberts, Frederick Bede
Robinson, William James
Rodgers, Albert
Seidel, Alfred George
Seidel, Henry Edward
Sharpe, George Lyle
Sharpe, Reginald
Sherman, Edgar Robert
Sherman, Percy Frederick
Simmons, George
Smith (Greenwood), George
Spicer, William Henry
Steele, Alexander Norman
Stein, Daniel Godfrey
Stewart, David Walter
Styles, Reginald Lucian
Torpy, Patrick Edward
Torpy, Thomas Patrick
Walker, William Albert
Watt, James
Watt, Oscar Harold McClure
White, Alister
Whitelaw, Thomas Philip
Wilson, Samuel Charles

Lest We Forget