

# Commemoration for the Lives of the Braidwood and District ANZACS

*"We will remember them well"*

## A CALL FROM THE DARDANELLES



ROLL OF HONOUR

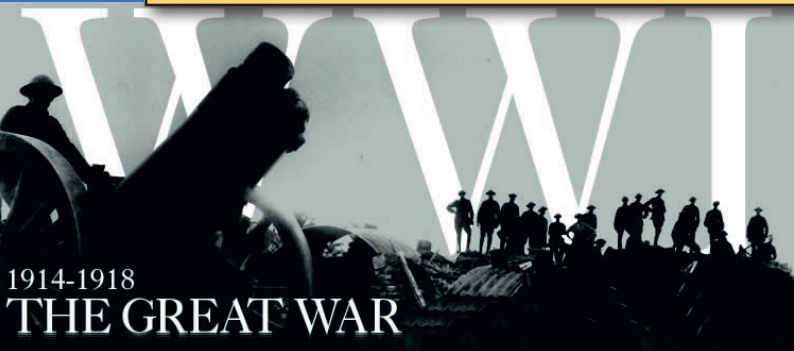
SEIDEL, Alfred George

Service Number: 1276A

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.



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 **Alfred George Seidel**, 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.

**Alfred George Seidel** 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

## ALFRED GEORGE SEIDEL

**Service Number:** 1276A

**Rank:** Private

**Unit:** 19th Australian Infantry Battalion

**Service:** Australian Army

**Conflict:** First World War, 1914-1918

**Date of death:** 20 September 1917

**Place of death:** Belgium

**Place of association:** Braidwood, Australia

**Cemetery or memorial details:** Menin Gate Memorial,  
Ypres, Flanders, Belgium

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

**Location on the Roll of Honour:** Alfred George Seidel's name is located at **panel 89** in the Commemorative Area at the Australian War Memorial

## 19<sup>th</sup> Australian Infantry Battalion

The 19th Battalion was raised at Liverpool in New South Wales in March 1915 as part of the 5th Brigade. Some of the 19th's original recruits had already served with the Australian Naval and Military Expeditionary Force (AN&MEF) in the operations to capture German New Guinea in 1914. The 19th left Australia in late June, trained in Egypt from late July until mid-August, and on 21 August landed at Anzac Cove.

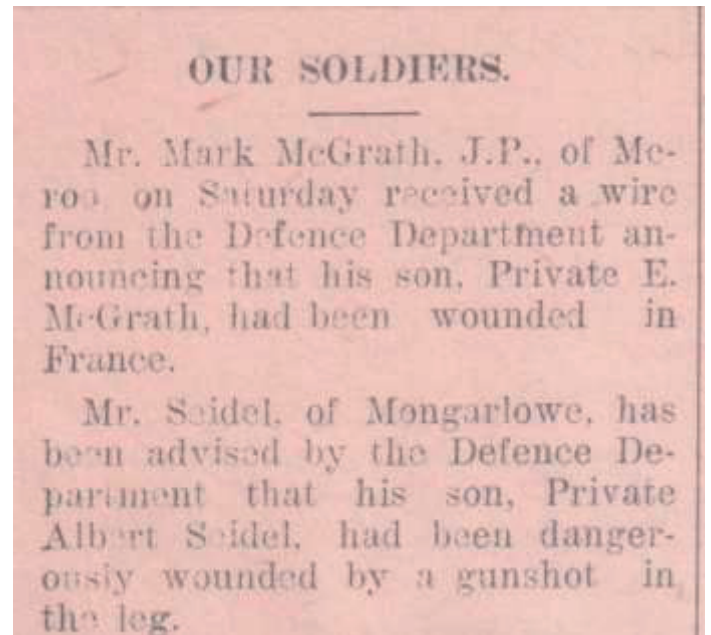
At Gallipoli the Battalion participated in the last action of the August Offensive - the attack on Hill 60 - before settling into defensive routine in the trenches. From mid-September, until its withdrawal from the peninsula on the night of 19 December, the 19th Battalion was responsible for the defence of Pope's Hill.

After further training in Egypt, the 19th Battalion proceeded to France. It took part in its first major offensive around Pozières between late July and the end of August 1916. After a spell in a quieter sector of the front in Belgium, the 2nd Division, which included the 5th Brigade, came south again in October. The 19th Battalion attacked near Flers between 14 and 16 November, in conditions that Charles Bean described as the worst ever encountered by the AIF.

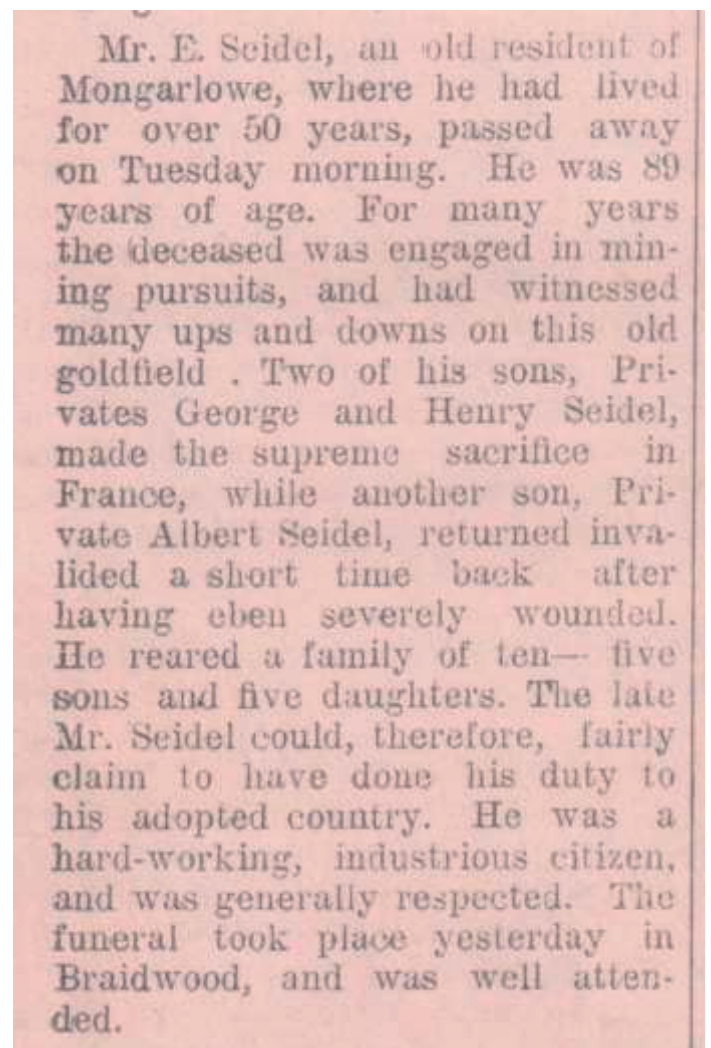
*In 1917, the 19th was involved in the follow-up of German forces after their retreat to the Hindenburg Line, and was one of four battalions to defeat a counter-stroke by a German force, almost five times as strong, at Lagincourt. The Battalion took part in three major battles before the year was out, second Bullecourt (3-4 May) in France, and Menin Road (20-22 September) and Poelcappelle (9-10 October) in Belgium.*

The spring of 1918 brought a major German offensive that the 19th Battalion helped to stop. For his actions during the fighting around Hangard Wood on 7 April, Lieutenant Percy Storkey was awarded the Victoria Cross. With this last desperate offensive defeated, the 19th participated in the battles that pushed the German Army ever closer to defeat: Amiens on 8 August, the legendary attack on Mont St Quentin on 31 August, and the forcing of the Beurevoir Line around Montbrehain on 3 October. Montbrehain was the battalion's last battle. The casualties of 1918, combined with long-term leave for 1914 enlistees, and dwindling new enlistments had sapped the strength of the AIF. On 10 October 1918 the

19th Battalion was disbanded to reinforce other battalions in the brigade.



1916: *The Braidwood Dispatch* reporting the wounding of Alfred George Seidel.



1918: *The Braidwood Dispatch* reporting the passing of Alfred George Seidel's Father.





AUSTRALIAN WAR MEMORIAL

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*Australian recruiting poster depicting a wounded soldier standing triumphantly on a battlefield. In the background are battleships, plumes of smoke indicating their involvement in the battle. The 'Hill' in the title may refer to the battle of Hill 60, August 1915. The fighting for Hill 60 (a low rise in the foothills on the north-western end of ANZAC) together with supporting offensive against the W Hills represented the last major Allied offensive operation on the Peninsula. Conceived as an attempt to consolidate the narrow strip of foreshore connecting British forces at Suvla and established positions at ANZAC. The first unsuccessful attempt to seize Hill 60 on 21 August was hastily planned and poorly arranged; a further attack on 27 August was the prelude for 3 days of intense fighting during which objectives were taken, lost and retaken. British, New Zealand and Australian units (18th Battalion, 9th and 10th Light Horse and composite group from Monash's 4th Brigade) failed to secure the crest, and the costly attacks were called off on 29 August as a tenuous junction had been attained with the Suvla forces. The battle of Hill 60 is often overlooked and rarely examined in detail. It was not a victory that yielded seven Victoria Crosses like Lone Pine, nor has it been accorded the noble tragedy status of the loss of the 3rd Light Horse Brigade at the Nek. It was, however, some of the most fought over real estate on the ANZAC-Suvla front and was the last offensive action of the campaign.*

*This poster is one of a number of recruiting posters designed by Weston, who, with Blamire Young, had vitalised poster art throughout Australia particularly with their Art Nouveau designs between 1896-1914.*



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MILITARY FORCES.

# AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE.

## Attestation Paper of Persons Enlisted for Service Abroad.

No. *1276*

Name

*SEIDEL ALFRED GEORGE*

*F Coy 55th Batt.*

Unit

*M/11798*

Joined on

*30/4/16*

### Questions to be put to the Person Enlisting before Attestation.

1. What is your name?
2. In or near what Parish or Town were you born?
3. Are you a natural born British Subject or a Naturalized British Subject? (N.B.—If the latter, papers to be shown.)
4. What is your age?
5. What is your trade or calling?
6. Are you, or have you been, an apprentice? If so, where, to whom, and for what period?
7. Are you married?
8. Who is your next of kin? (Address to be stated)
9. Have you ever been convicted by the Civil Power?
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?
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
12. Have you stated the whole, if any, of your previous service?
13. Have you ever been rejected as unfit for His Majesty's Service? If so, on what grounds?
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?
15. Are you prepared to undergo inoculation against small-pox and enteric fever?

*Seidel Alfred George*

In the Parish of *Mouze* in or near the Town of *Mouze* of the County of *Warrants*

*Natural Born*

*23 years 8 months*

*Bookkeeper*

*No*

*No*

*E. SEIDEL* (Father)

*NO MORGARLOWIE BRADKOP. N.S. WALES*

*No*

*No*

*No*

*Yes*

*Yes*

*Yes*

I 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 wife and children

Date

*30/4/16*

*Alfred Seidel*

Signature of person enlisted.

\*This clause to be amended 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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1276 P.M.  
~~M/11798~~

Statement of Service of No. ~~A/11798~~ Name Seidel, Alfred George

Unit in which served.	Promotions, Reductions, Casualties, &c.	Period of service in each rank.		Remarks.
		From—	To—	
"F" Coy. 55 <sup>th</sup> Batt.	Pte	30.4.16	5/5/16	Transferred to Rushford Camp
Mortar Battery.	Embarked "Ceramic" Sydney	3/7/16	7-10-16	Transf to Menangle Park Camp. B. R. 8708
	Disembarked Plymouth	21-11-16		
	M. Pl. to Parkhouse from Aust Eng.		22.11.16	E. 118709 No 1 5/117
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	Adm to V.D. Hosh.	At Sea.	3. 11. 16	Pl. 12/877E 10/44 S. 6 41
	19 <sup>th</sup> Bn from 2 <sup>nd</sup> 3 <sup>rd</sup> 4 <sup>th</sup> 5 <sup>th</sup> 6 <sup>th</sup> 7 <sup>th</sup> 8 <sup>th</sup> 9 <sup>th</sup> 10 <sup>th</sup> 11 <sup>th</sup> 12 <sup>th</sup> 13 <sup>th</sup> 14 <sup>th</sup> 15 <sup>th</sup> 16 <sup>th</sup> 17 <sup>th</sup> 18 <sup>th</sup> 19 <sup>th</sup> 20 <sup>th</sup> 21 <sup>st</sup> 22 <sup>nd</sup> 23 <sup>rd</sup> 24 <sup>th</sup> 25 <sup>th</sup> 26 <sup>th</sup> 27 <sup>th</sup> 28 <sup>th</sup> 29 <sup>th</sup> 30 <sup>th</sup> 31 <sup>st</sup>	Engld.	6.2.17	10/13/1789E 12/147 E. 119620
1 <sup>st</sup> L.J.M. Bdy order.	19 <sup>th</sup> Bn Pte. M/in Aust. V.D. No. 3 camp. 1 <sup>st</sup> house from O/Sear.		22.11.16	Pl. 11/80E 5. 1. 17. E.R. 8729.
	19 <sup>th</sup> Bn TAKEN ON STRENGTH from 2nd L.J.M.B		6/2/17	P2 27/2840E 10/4/17
	Pte M/in Conv. Ing. Coy. from No 3 Bde Hpl. Parkhouse	1 <sup>st</sup> house	31.3.17	E 29/ E 21/17.
	Pte Adm. 1 <sup>st</sup> S. D. H. Balford. V.D. Balford.		16.3.17	E 56/3969 E 17/5/17
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	Pte Marched on to Conv Ing Depot. 1 <sup>st</sup> house from 1 <sup>st</sup> Bde. Hosh		31/3/17	P2 28/ 3048/3018E 30.6.17/31/4/17

I have examined the above details and find them correct in every respect.  
19<sup>th</sup> Bn **KILLED IN ACTION.** France 20.9.17  
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SEE COPY A.F. BIOS ENCLOSED

Also with file  
for C.O. 55<sup>th</sup> Batt.



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# AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE.

No. 1276<sup>R</sup>

Rank Pte

Name SEIDEL A.G.

Unit 19<sup>th</sup> Bn

Casualty \* Killed in Action

1918

1918 dated 11/10/17

LIST.

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"WHERE THE AUSTRALIANS REST."  
Pamphlet sent to M. E. Seidel on 3.5.21

DATE

A.F. B. 103 Received

PURPORT.

A.F. B. 2090A Received,

REF. NO.

29/10/17  
24 10 17

M.O. 2 ADVISED, KILLED IN ACTION, 20/9/17

COPY MADE FOR WAR PENSIONS

Mr. A. B. Brown asking for effects.

Sr. SEIDEL HE 27976

CONFIRMATION RECEIVED OF

Cable No. C.I.B.K. 1909 made 9/10/17

\* 14 10 17

Court of Inquiry proceedings received - B. R. M. 25/10

NO PERSONAL EFFECTS IN KIT - Serial No. 23/256

Circular B.R.M. 46, 1088 & 1089 let re C aves despatched 19.12.1917

BRITISH WAR MEDAL to Comdt 2nd M.D.B.R.M. 03/08 240

WAR VICTORY INDEX





Original  
Duplicate

# Application to Enlist in the Australian Imperial Force

To the Recruiting Officer

(OFFICIAL STAMP)

at Mittagong

I, Alfred George Seidel  
hereby offer myself for Enlistment in the Australian Imperial Force for Active Service  
Abroad, and undertake to enlist in the manner prescribed, if I am accepted by the  
Military Authorities, within one month from date hereof.

POSTAL ADDRESS  
Mongarlowe  
via Braidwood

Signature Alfred George Seidel  
Occupation Blacksmith  
Date 29<sup>th</sup> Apr. 1916

(For Identification purposes the above space should be filled in personally by the Applicant.)

## CONSENT OF PARENTS OR GUARDIANS (For Persons under 21 years of Age)

I HEREBY CERTIFY that I approve of the above application, and consent to the  
enlistment of my <sup>SON</sup> <sub>ward</sub> for Active Service Abroad.

Statement regarding Death or Absence of  
either or both Parents.

Father's Signature \_\_\_\_\_  
Mother's Signature \_\_\_\_\_  
or  
Guardian's Signature \_\_\_\_\_

## PERSONAL PARTICULARS

Age— 23 yrs. 8 mos. Height— 5 ft. 6 ins Chest Measurement (fully  
expanded)—  
Married. Widower. Single. 36 inches

## PRELIMINARY MEDICAL EXAMINATION

Decision of Medical Authority  FIT for Active Service  
 UNFIT, for the following reasons:—

Place At Home

Date 29/4/16

F. J. Shat.  
Signature of Medical Authority

I Concur

Place Goulburn

Date 30/4/16

W. A. Burhill Capt  
Signature of M.O. at Central Recruiting Depot

## CERTIFICATE OF RECRUITING OFFICER

I CERTIFY that I have this day provisionally  Accepted  Rejected this applicant for enlistment  
in the Australian Imperial Force.

Place Goulburn

Date 30/4/16

Signature [Signature]  
Recruiting Officer

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**Casualty Form - Active Service.**

19th Battalion, A.I.F.  
 1st Lt. FRANK WALKER, R.A.M.C.

Rank Private Surname WALKER Christian Name Alfred George  
 Religion ..... Age on Enlistment ..... years ..... months  
 Enlisted (a) 10-11-16 Terms of Service (d) 4 yrs. Service reckons from (a) .....  
 Date of promotion to present rank ..... Date of appointment to lance rank .....  
 Extended { ..... } Re-engaged { ..... } Qualification (b) .....  
 or Corps Trade and rate .....  
 Occupation ..... Signature of Officer .....

Report		Record of promotions, reductions, transfers, casualties, etc. during active service, as reported on Army Form B. 103, Army Form A. 20, or in other official documents. The authority to be quoted in each case.	Place of Casualty	Date of Casualty	Remarks Taken from Army Form B. 103, Army Form A. 20, or other official documents.
Date	From whom received				
	G.C. Troops	A.49. "Cosmic" Embarked ...	Sydney	7-10-16	WB8705.
1-11-16	10th F.II. H.M.C.	Disembarked Plymouth 21-11-16			
	"Cosmic" A40.	Adm. to V.D. Hosp. 3-11-16 Disc. Ship's Hosp. V.D. (2 days 'At Sea 4-11-16)			B041, DC128- AR1392/59. DC 638-18/9/17
17-11-16	B213, Parkhouse	Marched in from O/sds	England	22-11-16	SP 8720. DC 12-5/1/17.
1-1-17	G.C. Aux. G.I.s	Offence, Andover. Out of bounds. AWARD. 14 days CH by Capt. G. G. Sech. 31-12-16.	do	29-12-16	SP 8088. MR 7483. DC 108-31/3/17
1-2-17	do	Transfd. from 2nd Hqs. A.L. T.M.B. to 19th Bn.	do	3-2-17	B213, BR0880. DC 138-12/4/17
5-2-17	5th Tnc. Bn.	Taken on strength of 19th Bn. from 2nd L.T.M.B.	Hollington	5-2-17	B213, BR0880. DC 288-18/4/17
16-3-17	1st A.D.H.	Admitted V.D. Tfg. to Parkhouse ex 1st Adm.	Bulford	16-3-17	DC 258-18/5/17
30-7-17	A.I.E. Hqs.	Disc. ex Parkhouse Hosp. VD. Marched in from No. 1. Sdc.	England	31-3-17	44/455/29. DC 28-12/7/17 B213, LR1584.
1-4-17	Conv. Tnc. Coy.	Hosp. Parkhouse	Parkhouse	31-3-17	DC 288-21/4/17

(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 given.  
 (b) Signal, Shooting Smith, etc.  
 W. 6127-32883 10000 7/17 (2048) C. F. & S. Ltd. Form B. 103 1/1948. I.P.T.O.

Report		Record of promotions, reductions, transfers, casualties, etc. during active service, as reported on Army Form B. 103, Army Form A. 20, or in other official documents. The authority to be quoted in each case.	Place of Casualty	Date of Casualty	Remarks Taken from Army Form B. 103, Army Form A. 20, or other official documents.
Date	From whom received				
3-5-17	Conv. Ing. Coy. No. 1. Camp.	Marched out to 5th Training Battalion, Hollington	Parkhouse	3-5-17	B213, LR1774.
2-6-17	5th Tnc. Bn	Proceeded O/sds to France ex Hollington	S'hampton	29-5-17	B213, LR3281. DC 405-2/5/17.
6-6-17	2nd A.D.S.D.	Marched in ex England	Levre	30-5-17	AX. 8502.
13-6-17	G.C. 19th Bn	Taken on strength	France	29-6-17	B213, BR 25. DC 14-5/5/17.
19-9-17	do	KILLED IN ACTION	Belgium	20-9-17	B213, BR 34. DC 81/7193. VL489-4/10/17.

(Sgd) F. T. LUKIN  
 Lieutenant,  
 Officer i/c. Records.

ANZAC SECTION, 3rd Echelon, B.R.Q.  
 BRITISH Expeditionary Force.  
 October 1917.



FIELD SERVICE.

Army Form B. 2090A.

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. 36, or from other official documentary sources.

REGIMENT OR CORPS } 19th Battalion, A.I.F. Squadron, Troop, }  
 Battery or Company }

Regimental No. 1276A Rank Private

Surname SEIDEL Christian Names Alfred George

Died { Date 20th September 1917 Place Belgium  
 Cause of Death\* KILLED IN ACTION

Nature and Date of Report Army Form B.213 dated 29th September 1917

By whom made Commanding Officer, 19th Battalion, A.I.F.

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

Burial { Place Particulars not yet to hand Date ----  
 By whom reported ----

State whether he leaves (a) in Pay Book (Army Book) Will not received (b) in Small Book (if at Base) ----  
 a Will or not (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.

ANZAC SECTION, 3rd Echelon, G.H.Q.

Station and Date } British Expeditionary Force, ANZAC Section 14th October 1917. Adjutant-General's Office at the Base } Lieut., Officer i/c. Records.

(1332) Wt. 5710/31745 400,000 8/16 JFW (E328) Forms/B2090A/2

D.T.

No. 1276A,

-----Private Alfred George Seidel,  
 19th Battalion,  
 Australian Imperial Force.

mxmxm was killed in action, -----

mm in Belgium, 20th September, 17.

Cable No. C.I.B.L.  
 1909, from the Commandant, A.I.F. Headquarters, dated London,  
 11th October, 1917, confirmed by Mail from the Commandant, A.I.F.  
 Headquarters, dated London, 15th October, 1917, and Army Form B. 2090A.-----

10th September, 18.

for

Captain,









Russel Street  
 Woonona  
 Bulli  
 N. S. Wales.  
 25. 4. 1918

Dear Sir.

could you give me any  
 information concerning No. 1276 Bomber  
 Sgt. Grenadier Agaseidel. Whether he  
 is still abroad. or returned to Australia  
 or if he is still alive or any information  
 concerning him I would be very glad  
 to receive I remain Yours Faithfully

Mrs. E. B. Smith



for Kellyman  
 29/4

to trace  
 Agaseidel  
 (Bomber)  
 Success his  
 the man Amel

1. Full name, number, rank, and unit of Member of Forces in respect of whose death or incapacity pension was claimed.
2. Full name and address of person for whom pension was claimed.
3. Relationship of such person to Member
4. Result of Claim
5. Name and address of Trustee (if any)

Seidel, Alfred Geo., 1276a, Pte., 19th Bn.

Seidel, Ellen, 238 Elizabeth St., Sydney.

Mother

Pension of 21 p.f. granted from 16/12/17, in add to pensions already granted of 25/8 p.f. in respect of Albert Wm. Seidel and 17/8 p.f. in respect of Henry W. Seidel. (See D/S 475).

Statement No. 586

State of New South Wales

MAR 20 1918

STRAWBERRY HILL



In Memory of

Private

# Alfred George Seidel

1276, 19th Bn., Australian Infantry, A.I.F. who died on 20 September 1917

Remembered with Honour  
Ypres (Menin Gate) Memorial



Commemorated in perpetuity by  
the Commonwealth War Graves Commission





*Allie Day, 5<sup>th</sup> April 1910, Wallace Street Braidwood.*

*Braidwood people started a Circle Fund that was augmented to help the Belgian people during their fight against the Hun, the German forces invading Belgium in 1914-15. Braidwood raised money in auctions of livestock, Balls etc. The fund raising contributed eighteen hundred pounds to War Funds. On Allie Day a Queen competition was held, finishing with a sports day held at the recreation ground, and in the evening a Ball at the Braidwood Literary Institute, where the Queen was crowned, the winner being Miss Helen Hassall, Mrs L. Chapman and Miss M. Madigan runners up, a wonderful fund raising event, seven hundred pounds in total. (Photo and details from Braidwood Letters from the Front, by Roslyn Maddrell.)*

## **Acknowledgements**

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