

Commemoration for the Lives of the Braidwood and District ANZACS

"We will remember them well"

A CALL FROM THE DARDANELLES



ROLL OF HONOUR

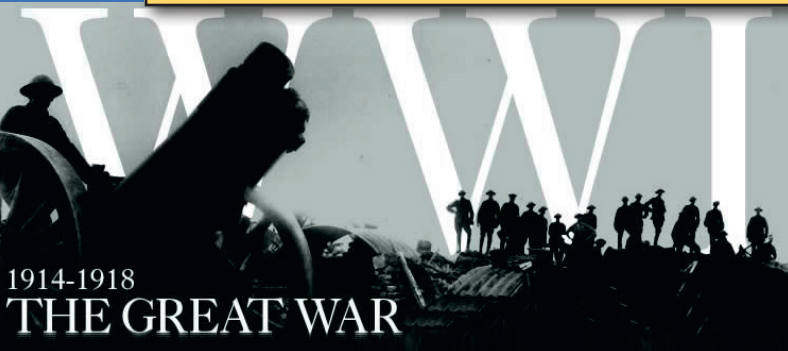
SHARPE, Reginald

Service Number: 3930

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 **Reginald Sharpe**, 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.

Reginald Sharpe 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

REGINALD SHARPE

Service Number: 3930

Rank: Private

Unit: 2nd Australian Infantry Battalion

Service: Australian Army

Conflict: First World War, 1914-1918

Date of death: 25 August 1918

Place of death: France

Cause of death: Died of wounds

Place of association: Braidwood, Australia

Cemetery or memorial details: Ste Marie Cemetery,
Le Havre, Haute-Normandie, France

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

Location on the Roll of Honour: Reginald Sharpe's
name is located at **panel 34** in the Commemorative Area
at the Australian War Memorial

2nd Australian Infantry Battalion



Colour Patch 2nd Battalion

The 2nd Battalion was among the first infantry units raised for the AIF during the First World War. Like the 1st, 3rd and 4th Battalions it was recruited from New South Wales and, together with these battalions, formed the 1st Brigade.

The battalion was raised within a fortnight of the declaration of war in August 1914 and embarked just two months later. After a brief stop in Albany, Western Australia, the battalion proceeded to Egypt, arriving on 2 December. The battalion took part in the ANZAC landing on 25 April 1915 as part of the second and third waves, and was led by Lieutenant Colonel G. F. Braund, who was killed in action nine days later. On 6 August, the 1st Brigade led the charge at Lone Pine. Among the dead was the commander of the 2nd Battalion, Lieutenant Colonel R. Scobie, killed during a Turkish counter-attack. The battalion served at ANZAC until the evacuation in December 1915.

After the withdrawal from Gallipoli, the battalion returned to Egypt. In March 1916, it sailed for France and the Western Front. From then until 1918 the battalion took part in operations against the German Army, principally in the Somme Valley in France and around Ypres in Belgium. The battalion's first major action in France was at Pozieres in the Somme valley in July 1916. Later the battalion fought at Ypres, in Flanders, before returning to the Somme for winter.

In early 1917 the German Army withdrew to the formidable defences of the Hindenburg Line. As the 2nd Battalion advanced towards these defences in April 1917, Private T. J. Kenny attacked several enemy machine gun positions with grenades, earning the 2nd Battalion's only Victoria Cross. The battalion spent much of the rest of 1917 fighting in increasingly horrendous conditions around Ypres.

In 1918 the battalion returned to the Somme valley and helped to stop the German spring offensive in March and April. The battalion subsequently participated in the Allies' own offensive, launched to the east of Amiens on 8 August 1918. This advance by British and Empire troops was the greatest success in a single day on the Western Front, one that German General Erich Ludendorff described as "the black day of the German Army in this war".

The battalion continued operations until late September. At 11 am on 11 November, 1918, the guns fell silent. The November armistice was followed by the peace treaty of Versailles signed on 28 June 1919.

Between November 1918 and May 1919 the men of the 2nd Battalion returned to Australia for demobilisation and discharge.



Reginald Sharpe's Cross at the St. Marie Cemetery, Le Havre,



REGINALD SHARPE #3930

*Private Reg Sharpe writing to his mother
July 16th "Somewhere in France."*

*I am now in the trenches, I am doing my bit,
and it is just like hell at times.*

*They gave us a great greeting when we were
coming to the trenches, but they only got a
couple of our boys. I tell you it put a funny
feeling in me, I was thinking of you all at home,
but as soon as I got to the firing line I was
alright. It is very cold here, but I have plenty of
warm clothes. Sitting in my dug-out the other
evening when they called out for Private
Sharpe to come out. I got a great shock to find
it was Charlie, so we had a great old talk. He is
going to get me into his company as soon as
he can, so that will do me. There was a bosker
air fight this morning, three of them came down
– two Germans and one of ours. It was pretty
to watch they came right over our lines. I
suppose you have seen by the papers about
the Russians, they are just starting to fight
now.*

*Mrs M. Sharpe, Ryrie Street Braidwood
received the following letter from Colonel
Sherbon:*

*It is with sincere regret I have to inform you
that your son, No. 3930, Private Reginald
Sharpe, 2nd Battalion, A.I.F., is officially
reported to the 2nd General Hospital, on 25th
August, 1918.*

*I am directed to convey to you the deep regret
and sympathy of their Majesties the King and
Queen and the Commonwealth Government in
the loss that you and the army have sustained
by the death of this soldier.*



*Correspondence shared by the Sharpe Family
with The Braidwood Dispatch and published in
Braidwood Letters from the Front, by Roslyn
Maddrell*

Certified Copy
85/10/21

AUSTRALIAN



MILITARY FORCES.

AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE.

Attestation Paper of Persons Enlisted for Service Abroad.

No. 3930

Name *SHARPE Reginald*
Unit *12TH REINFES, 2ND BATTN*
Joined on *19. 8. 15*

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 Incurrible 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 smallpox and enteric fever?

PAY BOOK NO.
20438

1. *Reginald Sharpe*
2. In the Parish of in or near the Town of *Braidwood* in the County of *Cumberland*
3. *Natural Born*
4. *19^{3/10} Years*
5. *Labourer*
6. *No*
7. *No*
8. *Mother Mrs Mary Sharpe
Kyrle St Braidwood NSW*
9. *No*
10. *No*
11. *No*
12. *Yes*
13. *No*
14. *Yes*
15. *Yes*

I, *Reginald Sharpe* 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* wife and children

Date *27. 8. 15*

Reginald Sharpe
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.

Transferred to

AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE.

No. 3930

Rank Private Name SHARPE R.

Unit 2nd Battalion

LIST.

Casualty

Trench Fever.

Mild Adm. 14.10.17 to Queen Mary's B.

W.P.M.P. 568... 1.269 Q. dated London 23.10.17

Co. Whalley.

Died 25/8/18 G.S.W. left arm, neck, back at 2nd Gen Hosp.

212 2795 (2245) dated London 27/8/18 Resolved B. R. 30.8.18



DATE.

PURPORT.

REF. NO.

NOV 16 1917
AUG 31 1918
7.9.18
7 DEC 1918
19. 2. 19
17. 6. 19

N. O. K. Advised *Trench Fever*

M. G. 2 ADVISED, DIED OF WOUNDS.

25. 8. 18

COPY MADE FOR WAR PENSIONS

"WILL" COPY FROM A.I.F. H-O^{rs} FILED B. R. M. *27/210 Location*

C. M. Form 7 Returned to Unit *40 43C. W.P.*

PERSONAL EFFECTS EX. *"Jardina"*

Circular B.R.M. 46, 1968 & Booklet re Graves despatched *5.1.20 H.P. 24 10. 21*

30/1/20

PHOTOGRAPH OF GRAVE *in duplicate* TRANSMITTED TO NEXT OF KIN. B. R. M. No. *47/1494*

9. 20

Proceedings of Court Martial filed in Military Secretary's Department was Numbered 14247. W.P.

21. 10. 21

BRITISH WAR MEDAL to Comdt. *2nd* M.D.B.R.M. 58/1448

"WHERE THE AUSTRALIANS REST."
Pensions sent to *Mr. R. Sharpe* on *27.10.21*

WAR HISTORY INDEX

(SERVICE AND CASUALTY FORM Part II).

Regiment or Corps **18th S Inf. Bn. A.I.F.** Regimental Number **3930**
 *Substantive Rank **Pte** Surname **SHARPE** Christian Names **Reginald**
 *Acting Rank _____
 (* To be entered in pencil in the free alteration.)

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Wally Page 30000 218 G.W.P. Co. 1944

(1) Dates	(2) From whom received	(3) Authority of Part II, of Orders	(4) Record of promotions, appointments, reductions, casualties, transfers, postings, &c. All acting as well as substantive, positions to be entered, for method of entry of which see A.C.I. 18th of 1917. Corps and unit to which transferred and posted to be accurately named.	(5) Place of locality	(6) Date of promotion, reduction, suspension, dismissal, &c.	(7) Remarks and initials and rank of an officer
4/4/16	C.O. Troop	"	"	Alex.	29/3/16	
		"	Transylvania	Disembarked at	Marseilles	4/4/16
24/5/16	1st A.D.B. Depot.	"	Proc. to join Unit	Staples	24/5/16	
26/5/16	C.O. Bn. B.213	"	T.O.S. 2nd Bn.	France	25/5/16	DO32/4854
21/7/16	C.O.A.A.S.C.	"	Attached to AASC for duty	"	19/7/16	DO50/6917
29/12/16	"	"	Rejoined Bn.	"	22/12/16	
9/2/17	C.O. 2nd Bn.	"	Detached for duty with No.	"		
18/7/17	2nd Coy. A.S.C.	"	2 Coy. A.S.C. Corps	"	6/2/17	DO62/5600
11/8/17	"	"	To U.K. on furlough	"	21/7/17	
		"	Rejoined 2nd Coy. A.S.C.	"		
		"	from furlough	"	4/8/17	
8/9/17	C.O. 2nd Bn.	"	Rejd. Bn. from 2nd Coy. AASC	"	2/9/17	DO62/5646
18/10/17	"	"	To Hp. sick	Field	5/10/17	DO69/6460
6/10/17	No. 65 Fld. Amb.	"	H.Y.D. Pyresia adm.	"	"	
8/10/17	X1 C.O. 8th.	"	"	"	8/10/17	
10/10/17	No. 14 S.H.	"	"	Boulogne	10/10/17	
14/10/17	EB "St. Andrew"	"	Trench Fever. Emb. for Eng.	France	14/10/17	DO69/6485
	Queen Mary's Mil. B.	"	Adm. Trench Fever sgt.	Eng.	"	DO89/9592E
23/11/17	"	"	OFFENCE: W.L. Whalley 16/11/17	"		
		"	(1) Being in Lytton Road about 8-5 pm	"	16/11/17	
		"	without a pass (2) Not being in possession of an identity disc. AWARD: Forfeits 2 days pay by Mjt.	"		DO98/8223E
		"	R.C. Rodgers 18/11/17.	"		
		"	Adm. Furlough 23/11/17 to 7/12/17 Eng.	"	23/11/17	
		"	& Rep. to "ep. S. Veny.	"		

NAA: B2455: SHARPE REGINALD

9/12/17.

20/2/18. D.C.M. Proceedings. D.C.M. held at S. Veny 18/1/18
 CHARGE: S. Veny 7/12/17 A.S.C. at S. Veny from 7/12/17
 until 1/1/18 PLEADING: Guilty FINDING: guilty SENTENCE:
 to undergo detn. for 50 days 18/1/18 CONFIRMATION: I confirm
 the finding & sentence of the court but remit 10 days of the
 detention by Brig. Gen. C.H. Foote C.M.G. D.A. & S.M.G. A.I.F. Depots
 in U.K. PERIOD UNDER CHARGE 16 days Tot. forf. 26/1/18 DO16/751E
 82 days pay (Arrested 1/1/18. C.R. 4304/6/11.
 2/2/18. No. 1 Com. Dep. M/O to Lewes Detn. Bks. Eng. 2/2/18

(1) Dates	(2) From whom received	(3) Authority of Part II, of Orders	(4) Record of promotions, appointments, reductions, casualties, transfers, postings, &c. All acting as well as substantive, positions to be entered, for method of entry of which see A.C.I. 18th of 1917. Corps and unit to which transferred and posted to be accurately named.	(5) Place of locality	(6) Date of promotion, reduction, suspension, dismissal, &c.	(7) Remarks and initials and rank of an officer
3/2/18.	Nom. Roll. A.I.F. Detn. Adm. A.I.F. Detn. Bks.	"	"	Eng.	2/2/18	DO11/505E
	Bks. Lewes.	"	"	"		
12/2/18	Lewes Detn. Bks.	"	Disch. to O.T.B. from Detn. Bks.	"	12/2/18	
13/2/18	O/s Tng. Bde.	"	M/I from No. 1 Com. Dep. ex	"	13/2/18	
		"	Lewes Detn.	"		
13/3/18	Admin. Hdqrs. A.I.F. London.	"	Ref. DO. 16/751E. 25/2/18 which reads D.C.M. held at S. Veny on 18/1/18 Sentence to Undergo detention for 40 days 18/1/18 The unexpired portion of the above sentence (5 days) is remitted as from 21/2/18. Under Kings Regulations Paras. 622 & 623.	"		DO21E
21/2/18	O/s Tng. Bde. Longbridge Deverill.	"	Proc. o/s to France via	Southampton	21/2/18	DO17/ E
22/2/18	Aust. I.B.D.	"	M/I from Eng.	Havre	22/2/18	
23/2/18	"	"	Proc. to Unit	"	23/2/18	
2/3/18	C.O. 2nd Bn.	"	Rejoined Bn. from sick	Field	26/2/18	DO13/1166
20/7/18	"	"	To Hp. sick	France	12/7/18	DO41/4437a
19/7/18	D.A.C. 3rd Echelon	"	W3428 States (Dis Shldr R) Accidentally Injured	Field	"	DO42/4543
12/7/18	3 A.F. Amb.	"	Disloc. R. Shldr. (Acc.) Adm. To C. C. S.	France	"	
	2nd Aust. C.C.S.	"	Disloc. R. Shldr. (Acc.) adm	"	"	
14/7/18	7 Sty. Hp.	"	"	Boulogne	14/7/18	DO39/4261
23/7/18	"	"	To Con. Depot.	"	23/7/18	
23/7/18	40 Con. Depot	"	sdm Result	"		

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(SERVICE AND CASUALTY FORM Part II).

Regiment or Corps **2 Inf. Bn. A.I.F.** Regimental Number **3930**
 *Substantive Rank **Pte.** Surname **SHARPE** Christian Name **Reginald**
 *Acting Rank _____
 (* To be entered in pencil in suitable situations.)

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10 Report		11 Authority of Part II, of Orders	12 Record of promotion, appointments, reductions, classification, transfers, postings, etc. All acting as well as substantive appointments to be shown, the method of entry of which see A.I.F. Form 1007. Corps and unit in which transferred must precede the appropriate column.	13 Place of casualty	14 Date of promotion, reduction, transfer, casualty, etc.	15 Remarks and initials and serial of an officer
Date	From whom received					
26/7/18	10 Con Depot		Dis to B/Ds	Essault	26/7/18	D042/4530
29/7/18	A.I.B.D.		M/I from Hp.	Havre	29/7/18	
31/7/18	"		Proc. to Unit	"	31/7/18	
10/8/18	C.O. 2nd Bn.		Rejoined from sick.	France	4/8/18	D047/4919
21/8/18	"		Wounded in action	"	23/8/18	
23/8/18	3rd Aust. F. Amb.		BWL/Arm, Neck, L/Wrist, Back and L/Elbow, adm. & tfd. to CCS adm	"	"	
24/8/18	No. 41 G.C.S.		GSW Neck Mult Wds.	Havre	25/8/18	D/050/5248
25/8/18	No. 2 Gen. Hp.		" died of Wounds received in Action	"	"	VL817 D/051/5486
28/8/18	Rev. J.R. Smith attach. Havre		Buried St. Marie Cemetery 62 Div. Plot 5 Row B. Grave 6.	"	28/8/18	A.T. 25084
(Sgd.) D.R. CROGGS, Capt. for Officer I/s Records.						
Australian Section 3rd Echelon G.H.Q. B.L.F. 24 Sep. 1918.						
30/11/18.						

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Australian Imperial Force.



A.I.F. KIT STORE,
110, GREYHOUND ROAD,
HAMMERSMITH,
LONDON, W. 6.

Inventory of Effects of - 3930 Sharpe R. 2nd Batt'n A.I.F.

Forwarded to - The Secretary, Defence Department, Melbourne.
 N.O.A. Mother:- Mrs Mary Sharpe, Rylie Street, Braidwood, N.S.W.
 Will lodged with:- Mrs M. Sharpe, 38 Robert Street, Ashfield, Sydney, New South Wales.

SARDINIA

Effects received from the field (3/6/25) 16.9.18.
1 Parcel (sealed) containing:-

- 1 Metal cigarette case (damaged), 1 Purse, 1 Religious medallion, 1 Coin, 1 wallet, Cards, 1 Letter, 1 Photo.

D/S. 42643

No. of Package
National Archives of Australia

Checked by
NAA: B2455, SHARPE REGINALD

Reference No 98361

Bradwood

1-4-19

Sir

Your letter of March 22nd
to hand, re No 3930 Private Reginald
Sharpe 2nd Battalion,
As there has been no probate or
letters of administration taken
out I would be glad if you
will pass all my deceased sons
affairs on to the Pay Master
Victoria Barracks Paddington
N.S.W. as quoted in your letter
to me.

I being a widow and was ~~the~~
dependent on my son Private
R. Sharpe, on those few meset-
-sin to deceased Soldier Thanking
you in anticipation

M. Sharpe
Myrie Street
Bradwood
N.S.W.

I am yours
Faithfully
Mary Sharpe

DECEASED
SECTION

8 1919

RECEIVED

MG

9th May, 1919.

DESPATCHED

Dear Madam,

I have to acknowledge receipt of your letter of the 3rd instant and to state there is no record of the Will of your son, the late No. 3930 Private R. Sharpe, 2nd Battalion, having been received at this office, other than a statement made by the late soldier that -

"... Will lodged with Mrs. H. Sharpe, 38 Robert Street, Ashfield, Sydney, N.S.W."

and as you are apparently identical with that person, it will be necessary for you to furnish me with a Statutory Declaration to the effect that the Will is not in your possession, neither do you know of the whereabouts of such document, before any action can be taken for the disposal of the effects, now to hand.

Mrs M. Sharpe,
Ryrie Street,
Braidwood, N.S.W.

Yours faithfully,

Major,
Officer i/c Base Records.

38 Robert St
Ashfield
E/6/19

RECEIVED
JUN 6 1919

I hereby state that I do not hold the will of the
late No 3930 Private R. Sharpe, either now or at
any other time, I was not even aware that
he had left a will. Alice Matilda Sharpe

signed before me
at Ashfield

June 3 1919

A. W. Jones J.P.



N. S. W.

BRAIDWOOD. 20-5-19

Major J. M. Bean
Dear Sir,

I beg to acknowledge the receipt of
your letter of the 9th inst, re ^{late} Private R. Sharpe, 2nd
Battalion, No 3950.

I am his mother & reside in Braidwood, the W^{ife}
R. Sharpe, 38 Robert St. Ashfield, County N. S. W., is his
Aunt. I communicate frequently with her. She
informs me the deceased left no will at his place,
I have not it in my possession, neither do I know
the whereabouts of any such document.

Will you kindly send me a proper form to
make a statutory declaration to this effect?
Yr Obedt^{ly}

Yours faithfully
Mary Sharpe

DECEASED
SECTION
MAY 23 1919
RECEIVED



In Memory of
Private
Reginald Sharpe

3930, 2nd Bn., Australian Infantry, A.I.F. who died on 25 August 1918

Remembered with Honour
Ste. Marie Cemetery, Le Havre



Commemorated in perpetuity by
the Commonwealth War Graves Commission



Pound Keepers Cottage, Ryrie Street, Braidwood, belonging to William Sharpe, formerly a convict assigned to Dr. Wilson. (Photo: Braidwood Dear Braidwood, by Netta Ellis).

Reginald Sharpe's grandfather was William Sharpe, a convict assigned to Dr. Braidwood Wilson, the founder of Braidwood. When William Sharpe received his 'ticket of leave', he became the Pound-Keeper and he built the first brick cottage in Braidwood, in Ryrie Street. Still known as the Pound-Keeper's cottage today. William Sharpe was a painter by trade and first painted many of the major buildings in Braidwood. He died in Braidwood on 2nd January 1900, aged 90. Reginald's father, John Thomas Sharpe, was born in Braidwood in 1862 and Reginald's mother was Mary Burke, they were married in 1885. Reginald was their fifth child. (By David Cargill).

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
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