Compton Chamberlayne War Graves Cemetery, Wiltshire, England



Lest We Forget

World War 1



P.W. AMOORE SERVED AS

2675 PRIVATE

P. W. HAYWOOD

58TH BN. AUSTRALIAN INF.

3RD FEBRUARY, 1917 Age 40

HIS OWN HE NEVER CAN FORSAKE

NOR LEAVE ALONE

Philip Walter Rendell AMOORE

Philip Walter Rendell Amoore was born in Ballarat, Victoria in 1875 to parents Albert Hastings Amoore & Harriet Amoore (nee Rendell).

Philip Walter Rendell Amoore married Ellen Margaret Scougall on 3rd October, 1901 at Clifton Hill, Melbourne, Victoria. They had 3 children: Rita Maie Amoore (born 1902); Kathleen Phyllis Amoore (born 1904) & Leonard Rendell Amoore (born 1906).

The 1903 Australian Electoral Roll for the division of Bourke, subdivision of Essendon, Victoria listed Philip Amoore, gardener & his wife Margaret Ellen Amoore, home duties, both living at 130(?) Tennyson St, Essendon.

The 1909 Australian Electoral Roll for the division of Maribyrnong, subdivision of Essendon, Victoria listed Philip Amoore, gardener & his wife Margaret Ellen Amoore, home duties, both living at 5 Willow Street, Essendon.

<u>Victorian Police Gazette – July 3, 1913</u>:

PHILIP WALTER RENDEL AMOORE is charged, on warrant, with deserting his wife, Margaret Ellen Amoore, 5 Willow-street, Essendon, at Essendon, on the 26th inst. Description:- Victorian, gardener, 37 years of age, 5 feet or 6 inches high, slight build, fair complexion, fair moustache; wore a dark striped tweed suit and brown soft-felt hat. 27th June, 1913.

Philip Walter Rendell Amoore was a 41 year old, married, Station Hand (Boundary Rider) from Carlton, Victoria when he enlisted on 22nd June, 1916 with the Australian Imperial Force. He enlisted under the name of Philip Walter <u>Haywood</u>, with a service number of 2675 & his religion was Church of England. His next of kin was listed as his wife – Mrs Olive Haywood of 34 Barry Street, Carlton, Victoria.

Private Philip Walter <u>Haywood</u> was posted to 5th Reinforcements of 58th Battalion on 6th July, 1916.

Private Philip Walter <u>Haywood</u> was admitted to 5th Australian General Hospital on 30th July, 1916 with Influenza. (no other details).

Private Philip Walter <u>Haywood</u> was transferred to 5th Reinforcements of 58th Battalion at Broadmeadows on 7th August, 1916.

Private Philip Walter <u>Haywood</u> embarked from Melbourne HMAT *Nestor (A71)* on 2nd October, 1916 with the 58th Infantry Battalion, 6th Reinforcements & disembarked at Plymouth, England on 16th November, 1916.

Reinforcements were only given basic training in Australia. Training was completed in training units in England. These were located in the Salisbury Plain area in the county of Wiltshire.

Private <u>Haywood</u> was admitted to the Military Hospital at Fovant, Wiltshire on 8th December, 1916 with Bronchitis. He was discharged on 15th January, 1917. The Hospital Admissions form reads "*Recurring. Residence in warm dry climate advised.*"

Private Haywood was admitted to the Military Hospital at Fovant, Wiltshire on 30th January, 1917 with Pneumonia.

Private Philip Walter <u>Haywood</u> died at the Military Hospital at Fovant, Wiltshire, England at 1.15 p.m. on 3rd February, 1917 of pneumonia.

A death for a Philip W <u>Haywood</u>, aged 42, was registered in the March quarter, 1917 in the district of Wilton, Wiltshire. (Fovant was a parish in the district of Wilton).

Private Philip Walter <u>Haywood</u> was buried in Compton Chamberlayne War Graves Cemetery, Wiltshire, England on 7th February, 1917 - Front Row, Grave Plot # 3.

The Red Cross Wounded & Missing file for Private Philip Walter Amoore (Walter Haywood) has a letter from A. G. Roberts, 2716, 58th Battalion, No. 1 Command Depot, Sutton Veny, which reads: "Haywood, P. W. 2675. He came over in the 6th Reinforcements of the 58th Battn., and landed in November 1919 – He came to Hurdcott where I was, and I saw a good deal of him – The on December 4th he went on Disembarkation leave with Jocky Davison (of the Transport of 58th Battn.) and during the four days leave he got sick in London, pneumonia I believe it was, and he was in Fovant Hospital afterwards and died there. Pte E. Miles No. 7, Camp Hurdcott (War Babies) was at the funeral. (Miles was D Company 58th Battn). He was buried at Hurdcott and a cross put up. In Civil life, he was a clerk at Footscray – Victoria and he had been married twice and had a grown up family by his first wife – He was 40 or more and a delicate chap."

A letter to the Army Pay Master from Mrs Olive Haywood, dated 27th February, 1917 states that "Pte P W Haywood and I were not married although we lived together for four years and would never have separated only he was afraid that he would be forced to go to the front so he went at his own free will".

Olive Kate Haywood, defacto wife of Private Haywood/Amoore 2675 was granted £2 War pension per fortnight from 9/4/1917. Ellen Margaret Amoore, widow of Private Haywood/Amoore was also granted £2 War pension per fortnight from 9/4/1917. Rita Maie Amoore, daughter, was granted £1 per fortnight War pension, Kathleen P. Amoore, daughter, was granted 15/- per fortnight War pension & Leonard Rendell Amoore, son, was granted 10/- per fortnight War pension. Mrs Harriet M. Amoore, mother of Private Haywood/Amoore, claim for a War pension was rejected as dependence was unproven & her claim was withdrawn.

On 18th June, 1918, at Victoria Barracks, Melbourne – Ellen Margaret Amoore, of 5 Willow St, Essendon, Victoria, signed a Statutory Declaration that she was "the wife of the soldier who enlisted as no 2675 Pte Philip Walter Haywood & that his correct name is Philip Walter Amoore. I am not acquainted with Mrs Olive Haywood who is shown on the soldier's attestation papers as next-of-kin. I desire that his name be amended on the records and my name shown as next-of-kin".

On 28th June, 1918 Officer in Charge of Base Records informed A.I.F. Headquarters in London that "documentary evidence has now been producedthe above named soldier enlisted under an assumed name, his correct name being Philip Walter Amoore & that his wife Ellen Margaret Amoore of Essendon is his next-of-kin". An Army internal letter dated 12th April, 1921 confirms that "pensions have been granted to Mrs E. M. Amoore as deceased's widow & to three children in her care."

A letter to the Army, dated February 17th, 1919 from Harriet M. Amoore – deceased soldier's mother- requests that the name on her son's grave be altered. She states he enlisted under the name Haywood but she is "*very anxious to have the name altered to his own*" – P. W. Amoore.

An internal Army letter, dated 29th April, 1919 confirmed that the records were being amended in order that the true baptismal name of Philip Walter Amoore may be substituted for the assumed name of Philip Walter Haywood. Instructions had been given for a new cross to be erected showing the deceased soldier's correct name.

A letter dated 27th April, 1921, between Army Headquarters states that "Mrs E. M. Amoore, the widow of the late No. 2675 P. W. (Haywood) Amoore, will apply for the medals." "The de facto wife is untraceable".

Private P. W .Haywood was entitled to British War Medal only as he did not enter a Theatre of War. A Memorial Scroll (November, 1921) & Memorial Plaque (in the name Philip Walter Haywood) were sent to the Administrator of Estate of E. M. Amoore (deceased wife of deceased soldier) to be given to Leonard Amoore, son - (January, 1923).

The Commonwealth War Graves Commission lists Private Philip Walter Amoore – service number 2675, aged 41, of 58th Battalion, Australian Infantry. (Served as HAYWOOD). He was the son of Albert Hastings Amoore and Harriet Amoore; husband of E. M. Amoore, of 5 Willow St., Essendon.

Private P. W. Amoore (served as Private <u>Haywood</u>) is commemorated in the Hall of Memory Commemorative Area at the Australian War Memorial, Canberra, Australia on Panel 165.

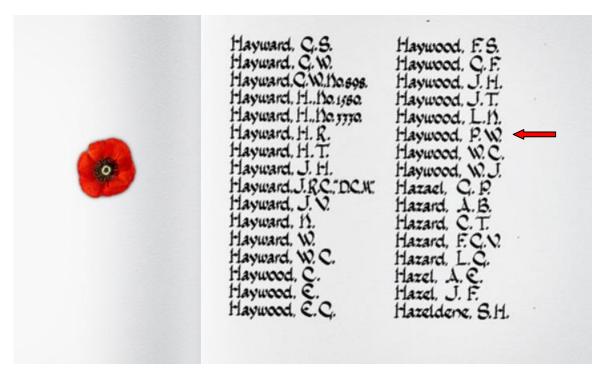


(Photos by Cathy Sedgwick)



Roll Of Honour WW1 Australian War Memorial Canberra, Australia

P. W. <u>Haywood</u> is remembered in the Book of Remembrance at the Shrine of Remembrance, Melbourne, Victoria.





(75 pages of Private <u>Haywood</u>'s Service records are available for On Line viewing at National Archives of Australia website & 24 pages are available under the name "<u>Amoore</u>").

Information obtained from the Australian War Memorial (Roll of Honour, First World War Embarkation Roll, Red Cross Wounded & Missing) & National Archives

Newspaper Articles

DIED ON SERVICE

Amoore – Died 3rd February, 1917 on active service, at Fovant Military Hospital, Phillip Walter, the beloved son of Hastings and Harriet Amoore, Ascotvale; affectionate brother of Harry, Frank, Jack, Joseph, Mrs Garmonsway, Mrs Fraser, Violet Amoore, husband of Ellen Amoore; father of Rita, Kathllen, Lennie; loved nephew of Mrs Robertson, Ararat.

At rest

(The Argus, Melbourne Victoria- Sat 3 March, 1917) & (The Age, Melbourne Victoria- Sat 3 March, 1917) &

(The Australasian, Melbourne Victoria- Sat 10 March, 1917)

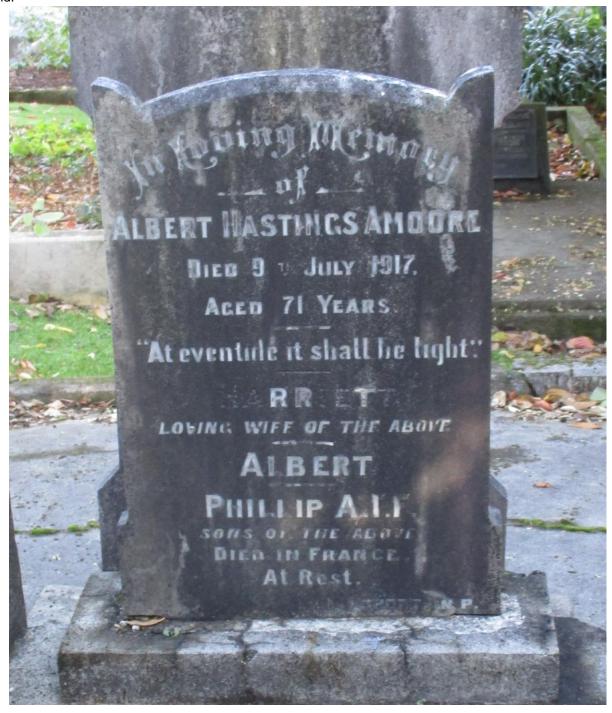
AMOORE – On the 3rd February, at the Military Hospital, Salisbury Plain, England, Private P. W. R. Amoore, the beloved second son of Albert and Harriet Amoore, Melbourne, and husband of Ellen Margaret Amoore. – Inserted by his brother Harry.

(The Advertiser, Adelaide South Australia - Sat d March, 1917)

Private Phillip Walter Amoore, son of Mr Hastings Amoore, of Ascot Vale, husband of Mrs Ellen Amoore, of Willow street, Essendon, and brother of Mr Frank Amoore, the well-known tenor, is announced to have died on 3rd February at Fovant Military Hospital.

(The Essendon Gazette and Keilor, Bulla and Broadmeadows Reporter, Moonee Ponds, Victoria – 29 March, 1917) & (Flemington Spectator, Victoria – 29 March, 1917)

Philip Amoore is remembered on his father's headstone in Te Henui Cemetery, New Plymouth, Taranaki, New Zealand.



Amoore Headstone in New Zealand (*Photo by theosmum – Find a Grave*)

ALBERT

PHILIP A.I.F.

Sons Of The Above

Died In France

At Rest

Commonwealth War Graves Commission Headstones

The Defence Department, in 1920/21, contacted the next of kin of the deceased World War 1 soldiers to see if they wanted to include a personal inscription on the permanent headstone at Compton Chamberlayne Cemetery. Space was reserved for 66 letters only (with the space between any two words to be counted as an additional letter) & the rate per letter was around 3 ½ d (subject to fluctuation).

The expense in connection for the erection of permanent headstones over the graves of fallen soldiers was borne by the Australian Government.

(Information obtained from letters sent to next of kin in 1921)

Private P. W. <u>Haywood</u>/Amoore does have a personal inscription on his headstone.

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Compton Chamberlayne War Graves Cemetery, Wiltshire, England

Compton Chamberlayne War Graves Cemetery contains 34 Commonwealth War Graves all from World War 1. Of these 28 are of Australian Soldiers.



(Photo courtesy of Andrew Stacey)





Left & right of Cemetery with central Plinth (Photos courtesy of Andrew Stacey 2012)



Photo taken from back of Cemetery looking towards the Entrance (Photo courtesy of Andrew Stacey)

Photo of Private P. W. Haywood / Amoore's Commonwealth War Graves Commission Headstone at Compton Chamberlayne War Graves Cemetery, Wiltshire, England.



(Photo courtesy of Andrew Stacey)



(Photo taken c March, 1919)

Graves of Australian soldiers in the cemetery at Compton-Chamberlyne, each marked by a cross.

Back row, left to right: 55821 Private (Pte) Alfred Alwin Dreckow, 32nd Battalion (Bn), died 19 October 1918; 3712 Pte Thomas Cass, 10th Bn, died 17 August 1918; 3764 Pte William Joseph Arnold, 31st Bn, died 2 July 1918; Captain Roy Allan Sillar, Australian Army Medical Corps, died 30 June 1918; 1993A Pte Sydney Ross, 18th Bn, died 31 May 1918.

Front row: 1666 Sergeant Percy Robert Knowles, 9th Australian Light TM Battery, died 30 January 1918; 1995 Pte Thomas James Skipper, 51st Bn, died Fovant Military Hospital 7 January 1918; 687 Pte John Thomas Wehrmann, 32nd Bn, died 3 November 1917; 3462 Pte William Joseph Park, 60th Bn, died 23rd September 1917; 1725 Pte William Ernest Riley, 60th Bn, died 22 May 1917.



Compton Chamberlayne War Graves (Photo from CWGC)

Compton Chamberlayne War Grave Locations



British Soldier



Irish Soldier



Australian Soldier

| | Front Row | Grave | | Middle Row | Grave | | Back Row | Grave |
|----------|-----------|-------|-------------|------------|-------|------------|----------|-------|
| | Public | 1 | | Oliver | 1 | | | 1 |
| | Public | 2 | | Knowles | 2 | | Public | 2 |
| | Haywood | 3 | | Skipper | 3 | | Turner | 3 |
| ** · · | Gilbert | 4 | ≥ € | Wehrmann | 4 | *** | Evans | 4 |
| ₩ | Le Tisser | 5 | ₩ | Park | 5 | | Dreckow | 5 |
| | Jones | 6 | ₩ | Riley | 6 | | Cass | 6 |
| ** | Cook | 7 | | Turnbull | 7 | | Arnold | 7 |
| ** | Pairman | 8 | | White | 8 | | Sillar | 8 |
| * . | | 9 | | Howard | 9 | | Ross | 9 |
| | Norris | 10 | | Tull | 10 | | Finn | 10 |
| | Lintott | 11 | | Snell | 11 | | McCarthy | 11 |
| | Redman | 12 | ₩ | Ferrow | 12 | | Trengove | 12 |
| | Public | | * * | Public | | * * | | 13 |
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