Southampton Old Cemetery, Hampshire, England War Graves



World War 1



1690/A PRIVATE

C. H. HINTON

25TH BN. AUSTRALIAN INF. 15TH NOVEMBER, 1915

Charles Harold HINTON

Charles Harold Hinton was born at Southampton, Hampshire, England on 15th November, 1888 to parents Charles & Lydia Hinton.

The 1891 England Census recorded Charles Hinton as a 2 year old, living with his family at 61 Graham Rd, Southampton, Hampshire, England. His parents were listed as Charles Hinton (General labourer, aged 29, born Lambeth, London) & Lydia Hinton (aged 24, born Southampton). Charles' younger sister was also listed – May Eveline Hinton (aged 11 months, born Southampton). Charles Hinton senior's mother in law was also listed – Emma Hinton (Nurse, widow, aged 66).

The 1901 England Census recorded Charles H. Hinton as a 12 year old, living with his family at 31 John Street, Southampton, Hampshire, England. His parents were listed as Charles Hinton (Labourer, aged 39) & Lydia R. Hinton (aged 36). Charles (jnr) was the eldest of seven children listed on this Census (all born Southampton, Hampshire) – Charles then May E. Hinton (aged 10), Thomas I. Hinton (aged 8), Ernest E. Hinton (aged 7), Stella L. Hinton (aged 4), Alma G. Hinton (aged 3) & Elsie I. Hinton (aged 1).

The 1911 England Census recorded Charles Hinton as a 22 year old Labourer, living with his family at 31 Johnston Street, Southampton, which was a 5 roomed dwelling. His parents were listed as Charles Hinton (Dock Labourer, aged 49) & Lydia Hinton (aged 45). Charles & Lydia Hinton had been married for 24 years & had 10 children – all still living. Charles (jnr) was the eldest of nine children listed on this Census – Charles then Thomas (Labourer, aged 18), Earnest (Labourer, aged 17), Stella (Apprentice Dressmaker, aged 14), Alma (At School, aged 13), Elsie (At School, aged 11), Arthur (At School, aged 9), Bertie (At School, aged 6) & Doris (aged 4).

Charles Harold Hinton was a 20 year old (age as per Embarkation Roll), single, Cellarman when he enlisted in Brisbane, Queensland on 31st May, 1915 with the Australian Imperial Force (A.I.F.). His service number was 1690 & his religion was Church of England. His next of kin was listed as his father – Mr Charles Harold Hinton, 31 Johnson Street, Southampton, England.

Private Charles Harold Hinton was posted to 2nd Reinforcements of 25th Battalion on 31st May, 1915 for recruit training.

Private Charles Harold Hinton embarked from Sydney, New South Wales on HMAT *Shropshire (A9)* on 20th August, 1915 with the 7th Infantry Brigade, 25th Infantry Battalion, 2nd Reinforcements.

Private Charles Harold Hinton was taken on strength of 25th Battalion at Gallipoli on 12th October, 1915.

Private Charles Harold Hinton was wounded at Gallipoli on 13th October, 1915 with a bullet wound to head. He was sent to 7th Field Ambulance on 13th October, 1915 then transferred the same day to 16th Casualty Clearing Station with a "Bomb wound head." Private Hinton was transferred to Hospital Ship Valdivia at Gallipoli Peninsula on 15th October, 1915 with G.S.W. (gunshot wound/s) to head

Private Charles Harold Hinton embarked from Mudros on 21st October, 1915 on Hospital Ship Aquitania for England.

25th Battalion

The 25th Battalion was raised at Enoggera in Queensland in March 1915 as part of the 7th Brigade. Although predominantly composed of men recruited in Queensland, the battalion also included a small contingent of men from Darwin. The battalion left Australia in early July, trained in Egypt during August, and by early September was manning trenches at Gallipoli.

At Gallipoli the 7th Brigade reinforced the depleted New Zealand and Australian Division. The 25th Battalion, however, had a relatively quiet time because the last major Allied offensive had been launched, and turned back, in the previous month. It left the peninsular on 18 December 1915....

(Extract of Battalion information from the Australian War Memorial)

Private Charles Harold Hinton was admitted to Royal Victoria Hospital, Netley, Southampton, England on 27th October, 1915 with G.S.W. (gunshot wound/s) to Head. The Hospital Admissions form recorded:

"Wounded about 13.10.15. Dardenelles. ...On admission Cerebral hernia over upper end R. Rolandic area. Complete L. hemiplegia. Mental condition good. Eyes normal.

28.10.15 Became lethargic. Decompression performed. No pus found.

4.11.15 Mental condition worse. Optic ___ present. Decompressed again. A drop or two of pus found ___ cerebrally. Seems better.

5.11.15 Paralysis. _____

11.11.15 Lumbar puncture. CSF removed.

15.11.15 Unconscious. Died."



Royal Victoria Hospital, Netley

Private Charles Harold Hinton died on 15th November, 1915 at Royal Victoria Hospital, Netley, Southampton, England from wounds received in action at Gallipoli – gunshot wound to the head. The Post Mortem notes read: "Purulent leptomeningitis over R frontal lobe, extending towards R. orbit. No cerebral abscess found."

A death for Charles H. Hinton, aged 27, was registered in the December quarter, 1915 in the district of South Stoneham, Hampshire, England.

Private Charles Harold Hinton was buried in Southampton Old Cemetery, Hampshire, England – Plot number 192 F. 36. and has a Commonwealth War Graves Commission headstone. Details of the burial of Private Charles Harold Hinton sent to Officer Commanding Intermediate Base, Australian Imperial Force, Cairo, Egypt – "The deceased was buried in Southampton Cemetery and the number of the grave is 192.F.36. The Reverend N. H. Peacey, M.A. Church of England, Curate of Holy Trinity, Southampton, officiated at the interment."

Mrs Lydia Hinton, 31 Johnson St., Kingsland, Southampton, England, mother of the late Charles Harold Hinton, wrote to Camp Headquarters, Enoggera, 1st Military District, Australia on 3rd December, 1915 (received at Camp headquarters on 17th January, 1916) stating that her son Private C. H. Hinton, No. 1690 of the "25th Australians died at the Royal Victoria Hospital on Nov 15th, 1915 being informly my late son to write to you as I was given to understand by him before his death what was due to him I was to receive his personal effects also which he possessed of at the time he fell wounded namely an opal gold ring and private money in his belt his Army pay book I

must leave to you as he remembered he had is book if it is not troubling you to much may I ask you to forward on to me as soon as possible and any things concerning my late sons affairs I feel sure you will be kind enough to inform me with may I ask if any compension is due to me for the loss of my son believe me to be yours truly his Mother. I may mension in my letter my son pass away on his birthday the 15th of Nov 1915 which brought his age 27 years."

A War Pension was granted to Lydia Rebel Hinton, of 31 Johnson St., Kingsland, Southampton, England, mother of the late <u>Charlton</u> Harold Hinton, in the sum of £52 per annum commencing on 28th December, 1915 & to be reviewed on 3rd January, 1917.

Private Charles Harold Hinton was entitled to 1914/15 Star, British War Medal & the Victory Medal. A Memorial Scroll & Memorial Plaque were also sent to Private Hinton's father – Mr C. H. Hinton, as the closest next-of-kin. (Scroll & Plaque issued in England June, 1922).

The Commonwealth War Graves Commission lists Private C. H. Hinton – service number 1690, of 25th Battalion, Australian Infantry. No family details are listed.

Private C. H. Hinton is commemorated on the Roll of Honour, located in the Hall of Memory Commemorative Area at the Australian War Memorial, Canberra, Australia on Panel 104.

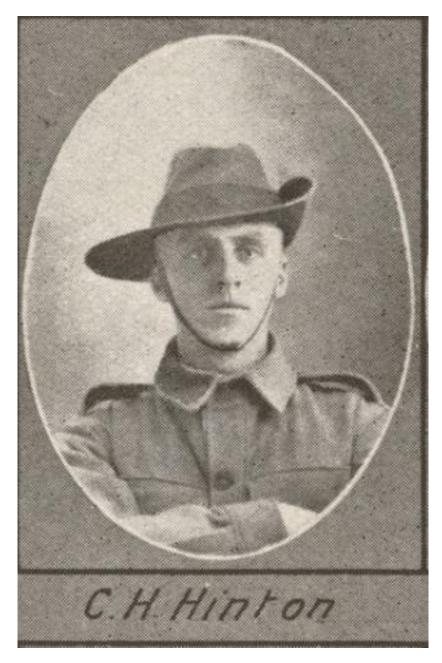


Roll Of Honour WW1 Australian War Memorial Canberra, Australia

(49 pages of Private Charles Harold Hinton's Service records are available for On Line viewing at National Archives of Australia website).

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





(The Queenslander Pictorial – 31 July, 1915)

Newspaper Notices

REINFORCEMENTS 15th, 25th, 26th BATTALIONS





(The Queenslander, Brisbane, Queensland – 31 July, 1915)

THE ROLL OF HONOUR

The 108th and 109th lists of Australia casualties at the Dardanelles were issued from the Censor's office last evening, and contained the following information:-

QUEENSLAND

WOUNDED

Pte C. H. Hinton, 25th Btn, (2nd Rfts), England

(The Brisbane Courier, Queensland – 13 November, 1915)

The Roll of Honour

AUSTRALIAN CASUALTIES

118th LIST

QUEENSLAND

DIED OF WOUNDS

Pte C. H. Hinton, 25th Btn., 2nd Rfts., England, 15/11/15 (previously reported wounded)

(The Queenslander, Brisbane, Queensland – 11 December, 1915)

The Roll of Honour

QUEENSLAND CASUALTIES AT THE FRONT





PTE. C. H. HINTON (25th Btn., 2nd Rfts.), Wounded.

(The Queenslander, Brisbane, Queensland – 11 December, 1915)

ROLL OF HONOUR

HINTON – On the 15th November, 1915, at Netley Hospital, England, in his 24th year, Private Charles Harold Hinton (England), 2nd Reinforcements, 25th Battalion, of wounds received at the Dardanelles.

(The Brisbane Courier, Queensland – 15 December, 1915) & (The Queenslander, Brisbane, Queensland – 15 December, 1915)

ROLL OF HONOUR

HINTON – In loving memory of Private Charles Harold Hinton, 2nd Reinforcements 25th Battalion, A.I.F., who died of wounds on the 15th November, 1915, in Netley Hospital, England.

For king and country he did his best;

God grant his soul eternal rest.

Inserted by his loving friend, Eileen.

(The Brisbane Courier, Queensland – 15 November, 1916) & (The Queenslander, Brisbane, Queensland – 25 November, 1916)

ROLL OF HONOUR

HINTON – In loving memory of Private Charles Harold Hinton, 2nd Reinforcements 25th Battalion, A.I.F., died of wounds, Netley Hospital, England, 15th November, 1915.

Inserted by E. Murphy

(The Brisbane Courier, Queensland - 16 November, 1917) & (The Queenslander, Brisbane, Queensland - 24 November, 1917)

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. 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 Charles Harold Hinton does not have an inscription on his Commonwealth War Graves Commission headstone.

Southampton Old Cemetery, Hampshire, England

This cemetery, on the Common, belongs to the Corporation. It was made in 1846 under Act of Parliament, and it now covers 27 acres. It contains 104 scattered Commonwealth war graves of the 1914-18 War, a plot of 21 1914-18 War Belgians and 15 Commonwealth war graves of the 1939-45 War.

(Information from CWGC)



Southampton Old Cemetery (Photos from Find a Grave – Julia&keld)





Cross of Sacrifice (Photo above – Friends of Southampton Old Cemetery; below CWGC)



Photo of Private C. H. Hinton's Commonwealth War Graves Commission Headstone in Southampton Old Cemetery, Hampshire, England.



(Photos from Find a Grave – Julia&keld)

