

**Hatfield Road Cemetery,
St. Albans, Hertfordshire, England**

War Graves



Lest We Forget

World War 1



7784 PRIVATE

A. H. POOLE

12TH BN. AUSTRALIAN INF.

22ND MAY, 1918 Age 44

Arthur Henry POOLE

Arthur George Poole was born at Deloraine, Tasmania on 8th June, 1870 to parents John & Mary Ann Poole (nee Bennett). John Poole was recorded on the Birth Register as a Publican.

18670 BIRTHS in the DISTRICT of <i>Deloraine</i>							
When born.	Name, if any.	Sex.	Name and Surname of Father.	Name and Maiden Surname of Mother.	Rank or Profession of Father.	Signature, Description, and Residence of Informant.	When Registered
<i>30th May</i>	<i>Elizabeth, Alice Lisle</i>	<i>Girl</i>	<i>Job Hunter,</i>	<i>Ann Maria Hunter,</i> <i>Formerly</i> <i>Birchall</i>	<i>Carpenter</i>	<i>Martha Anne Hunter,</i> <i>Sister</i> <i>Deloraine</i>	<i>1st July</i>
<i>8th June</i>	<i>Arthur George Poole</i>	<i>Boy</i>	<i>John Poole</i>	<i>Mary Ann Poole</i> <i>Formerly</i> <i>Bennett</i>	<i>Publican</i>	<i>John Poole</i> <i>Father</i> <i>Deloraine</i>	<i>1st July</i>

Mary Ann Poole died on 7th April, 1873 at Deloraine, Tasmania, aged 22.

Arthur Poole attended Horton College, Ross, Tasmania.

Arthur Henry Poole married Eva Frances Rockliff on 31st March, 1897 at Sassafras Baptist Church, Latrobe / Mersey, Tasmania. They had the following children – John Francis Clifford Poole (born 1897); Arthur Clarence Poole (born 1899); Edna Poole (born 1900); Eric Poole (born 1903) & Reginald Thornton Poole (born 1910).

Arthur Henry Poole was a 44 year old, married (with 2 children), Farmer from Somerset, Tasmania when he enlisted on 13th June, 1917 at Burnie, Tasmania with the Australian Imperial Force (A.I.F.). His religion was Church of England & his next of kin was listed as his wife – Mrs E. Poole, Somerset, Tasmania. Arthur Poole stated on his Attestation Papers that he had previously been rejected as unfit for His Majesty's Service due to a Hernia.

Private Arthur Henry Poole, Service number 7784, embarked from Melbourne, Victoria on HMAT *Themistocles* (A32) on 4th August, 1917 with the 12th Infantry Battalion, 26th Reinforcements, He was admitted to Ship's Hospital on 10th September, 1917 & discharged on 16th September, 1917 suffering from Anaemia (Influenza was recorded but crossed out). Private Poole disembarked at Glasgow, Scotland on 2nd October, 1917.

Reinforcements were only given basic training in Australia. Training was completed in training units in England. Some of these were located in the Salisbury Plain & surrounding areas in the county of Wiltshire.

Private Arthur Henry Poole was marched in to 3rd Training Battalion, Durrington, Wiltshire on 3rd October, 1917 from Australia.

Private Arthur Henry Poole reported sick on 26th October, 1917 to Sutton Veny Hospital, Wiltshire with C.S.M. (Cerebro Spinal Meningitis). He was admitted to Sutton Veny Military Hospital on 27th October, 1917 with Cerebro Spinal Fever (Note: Hospital recorded on Admissions form is Salisbury Isolation. The date of discharge was not recorded on Casualty Form – Active Service, however the Hospital Admissions form recorded he was discharged / transferred on 28th April, 1918).

Private Arthur Henry Poole was marched out from 3rd Training Battalion on 7th November, 1917 & marched in to 1st Training Battalion on 8th November, 1917.

Base Records advised Mrs E. Poole, Somerset, Tasmania, on 22nd November, 1917 that Private A. H. Poole had been admitted on 27th October, 1917 to Sutton Veny Hospital, suffering from Cerebro Spinal Fever.

A Hospital Admissions form (separate form with no other admissions) recorded that Private Arthur H. Poole was admitted to Military Hospital, Sutton Veny, Wiltshire on 27th April, 1918 with Internal Hydrocephalus Lepto ____itis. "Patient has complete incontinence of urine. Thinks he is in Australia. Cannot tell month or day of week. Pupils react to light & distance. No inequality. Knee jerks exaggerated. R. Ankle – clonus" He was discharged / transferred on 3rd May, 1918. (Note: this admission is not recorded on Casualty Form – Active Service) (The combined Hospital admissions form

recorded that Private Poole was admitted to Military Hospital at Sutton Veny on 28th April, 1918 with Delusional Insanity from Salisbury Isolation Hospital)

TABLE II.—Only for admissions to Hospital or to the Sick List in case of Warrant Officers treated in quarters.

Name of Hospital	Admitted to Hospital			Discharged from Hospital			Disease	Number of days in Hospital	Remarks bearing on the cause, nature, or treatment of the case, likely to be of interest or of future use. In cases of syphilis, admissions and re-admissions to hospital will be shown. The subsequent progress, including particulars of treatment out of hospital, transfers, &c., will be given in the special syphilis case sheet.	Signature of Medical Officer
	Day	Month	Year	Day	Month	Year				
Military Hospital Sutton Veny Wilt.	27	April	1918	3	May	1918	Internal Hydrocephalus Left-hemipar. etc.	6	Patient has complete incontinence of urine Thrush in throat. Cannot lift month or day of week. Pupils not light distance. No inequality. Knee-jerk exaggerated. Pankle clonus. (Fulminating history vide attached Report.)	C. W. Braxton Capt. R. Jones S. J. Medical Division

Private Arthur Henry Poole was admitted to County of Middlesex War Hospital, Napsbury, England on 21st May, 1918 – N.Y.D. (not yet determined) & was reported as dangerously ill. (The Hospital Admissions form recorded he was admitted on 3rd May, 1918 to The County of Middlesex War Hospital with Internal Hydrocephalus from Military Hospital, Sutton Veny) The remarks recorded “Increasing mental dulness (?): bed-ridden & having to be looked after in every way. Occasional attacks of vomiting. Progressive enfeeblement mentally & physically.”

Name of Hospital.	Admitted to Hospital.			Discharged from Hospital.			Disease.	Number of days in Hospital.
	Day.	Month.	Year.	Day.	Month.	Year.		
TRANSPORT A 32 THE MISTOCLES	10	9	17	10	SEP	1917	Influenza Anæmia	7
Salisbury Isolation	27	10	17	28	4	18	S.C.S.F.	184
MILITARY HOSPITAL BUTTON VENY.	28	4	18	3	5	18	Delusional Insanity	6
THE COUNTY OF MIDDLESEX WAR HOSPITAL NAPSBUARY, ST. MARY'S	3	5	18	22	5	18	Internal Hydrocephalus	20

12th Battalion

The 12th Battalion was among the first infantry units raised for the AIF during the First World War. Half of the battalion was recruited in Tasmania, a quarter was recruited in South Australia, and a quarter from Western Australia. With the 9th, 10th and 11th Battalions it formed the 3rd Brigade.....

(Extract of Battalion information from the Australian War Memorial)

Private Arthur Henry Poole died at 12.55 pm on 22nd May, 1918 at County of Middlesex War Hospital, Napsbury, St. Albans, England from 1. Cerebro Spinal Meningitis 2. Chronic Internal Hydroceph abscess (cause of death determined after a Post Mortem).

A death for Arthur H. Poole, aged 44, was registered in the June quarter, 1918 in the district of St. Albans, Hertfordshire, England.

Private Arthur Henry Poole was buried at 2.30 pm on 24th May, 1918 in Hatfield Road Cemetery, St. Albans, Hertfordshire, England in Grave Number 5. This is now recorded by the CWGC as Plot number Mil. C. 5. and he now has a Commonwealth War Graves Commission headstone.

From the burial report of Private Arthur Henry Poole - *Coffin was Elm polished brass fittings. The deceased soldier was accorded a Military funeral. The coffin was draped with the Union Jack and conveyed to the Cemetery on a Gun Carriage. Firing Party, Pallbearers and Bugler were supplied by the A.I.F. London. Administrative Headquarters, A.I.F. London were represented at the funeral. The Rev. Dr Chadwick conducted the service.*

Private Arthur Henry Poole was entitled to British War Medal only as he had not entered a Theatre of War. A Memorial Scroll & Memorial Plaque were also sent to Private Poole's widow – Mrs E. Poole, as the closest next-of-kin. (Scroll sent July, 1921 & Plaque sent November, 1922).

The Commonwealth War Graves Commission lists Private Arthur Henry Poole – service number 7784, aged 44, of 12th Battalion, Australian Infantry. No family details are listed.

Private A. H. Poole is commemorated on the Roll of Honour, located in the Hall of Memory Commemorative Area at the Australian War Memorial, Canberra, Australia on Panel 67.



Roll Of Honour WW1 Australian War Memorial Canberra, Australia

A. H. Poole is remembered on the Deloraine District Honour Roll, located in Deloraine Ex-Services Club



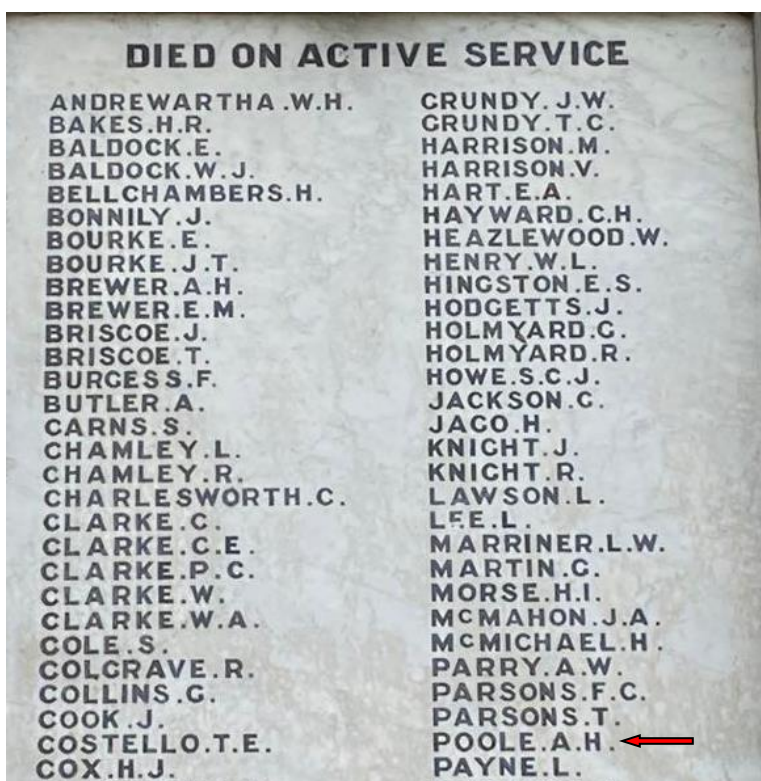
Deloraine District Honour Roll (Photo from AWM Places of Pride – Arthur Garland)



A. H. Poole is remembered on Deloraine War Memorial, located on Emu Bay Road, Deloraine, Tasmania.



Deloraine War Memorial (Photo courtesy of Jenni Blake)



A. H. Poole is remembered on St. Mark's Anglican Church Honour Board, East Westbury Place, Deloraine, Tasmania.



St. Mark's Anglican Church Honour Board (Photos from AWM Places of Pride – Arthur Garland)



A. H. Poole is remembered on St. Hilda's School Honour Board which may have been relocated from the defunct St. Hilda's School at Deloraine. The board is located in St. Mark's Anglican Church Honour Board, East Westbury Place, Deloraine, Tasmania.



St. Hilda's School Roll of Honour (Photo from AWM Places of Pride – Arthur Garland)

A. H. Poole is remembered on the Table Cape Municipality Roll of Honour, located in Wynyard RSL Club, 9 Goldie Street, Wynyard, Tasmania.



Table Cape Municipality Roll of Honour (Photo from AWM Places of Pride – Arthur Garland)

A. H. Poole is remembered on Wynyard Cenotaph/War Memorial, located in Gutteridge Gardens, Park Street, Wynyard, Tasmania.



Wynyard Cenotaph/War Memorial (Photo from AWM Places of Pride – Arthur Garland)

A. Poole is remembered on the Wynyard District Honour Roll, located in Wynyard Council Chambers, 21 Saunders Street, Waratah – Wynyard, Tasmania.



Wynyard - Waratah Council Chambers

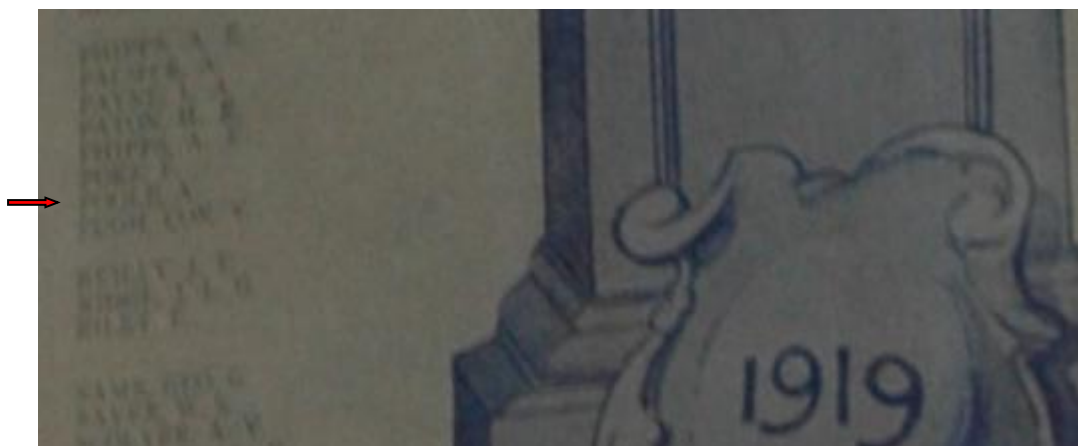


Wynyard District Honour Roll (Photo from AWM Places of Pride – Arthur Garland)

A. Poole is remembered on Table Cape Municipality Roll of Honour, located in Wynyard RSL Club, 9 Goldie Street, Wynyard, Tasmania. A copy is also located in Boat Harbour Primary School, 17386 Bass Highway, Boat Harbour, Tasmania.



Table Cape Municipality Roll of Honour (Photo from AWM Places of Pride – Arthur Garland)



A. Poole is remembered on the Elliott Roll of Honour Board located in the Elliott Memorial Hall, Murchison Highway, Tasmania.



Elliott Roll of Honour (Photo from AWM Places of Pride – Arthur Garland)

Arthur Henry Poole is remembered on the Wall of Remembrance, at the War Memorial, Cecilia Street, St. Helens, Tasmania. The Wall of Remembrance commemorates those from Tasmania who died in service or were killed in action in World War One.

Front Inscription

Tasmania's World War One Roll of Honour, 1914 - 1918

The names of 3165 soldiers, sailors and airmen who were Tasmanian by birth or residence and died from their service in WW1 are commemorated on these walls. Their names appear alphabetically, grouped by the year of death. These men served with Australian, New Zealand and British units.

"What these men did nothing can alter now. The good and the bad, the greatness and the smallness of their story will stand. Whatever of glory it contains nothing now can lessen. It rises, as it will always rise, above the mists of ages, a monument to great hearted men; and for their nation, a possession forever. "



Wall of Remembrance, St. Helens, Tasmania (Photo from Places of Pride – Henry Moulds)

ANZAC	8871	Pte	Owen	Herbert Edward R	14.03.1918	23	12th Inf Bn	Newtown	
	8847	Pte	Owen	Archie Walter	23.07.1918	21	12th Inf Bn	Newtown	
	2008	Sapr	Pace	John Shadrack	10.04.1918	28	5th Div Sig Engr	Hobart	
	7794	Pte	Page	William Frederick	08.08.1918	28	16th Inf Bn	Beaconsfield	
ANZAC		Capt	Palfreyman	Audubon Eric	23.05.1918	26	27 Sqn RFC	West Hobart	
ANZAC	(1939)	Lt	Palloer	Arthur John	05.11.1918	24	4 Sqn AFC	Goulds Country	
	2084	Pte	Palmer	Allred	22.04.1918	28	40th Inf Bn	Burnie	
	3620	Pte	Parker	William Gordon	09.04.1918	24	15th Inf Bn	Latrobe	
	97	Dvr	Parissons	James Sydney J	11.08.1918	23	40th Inf Bn	Gleneilg	
	50131	Pte	Parsons	Sydney C	05.09.1917	19	2nd Pioneer Bn	Hobart	
	8601	Pte	Paton	Herman Eric	28.06.1918	26	12th Inf Bn	Latrobe	
	(474)	Lt	Payne MC	Lancelot Joseph W	30.05.1918	21	25th Inf Bn	West Devonport	
ANZAC	3204	Pte	Peachey	John Edward	03.03.1918	28	59th Inf Bn	Waratah	
ANZAC	4831	Gnr	Peacock	Jack Ernest	23.06.1918	22	112 How Bty FA	Hobart	
ANZAC	4576	Gnr	Pearce	George Robert	20.11.1918	28	4 LTrenchMtrBty	Queenstown	
ANZAC	11860	Pte	Pearson	John Graham	25.08.1918	31	3rd Fd Amb Coy	Gormanston	
ANZAC	1232	Pte	Peart	Wilfred Ernest	12.11.1918	20	4th Pioneer Bn	Waratah	ANZAC
	476	Pte	Peck	Cyril Sydney	28.10.1918	20	40th Inf Bn	St Leonards	(4)
ANZAC	3376	Pte	Peebles	Andrew Henderson	28.03.1918	25	40th Inf Bn	Preston	73
	4351	Pte	Pelham	Frederick Henry	23.08.1918	23	12th Inf Bn	Hobart	31
ANZAC	2222	Pte	Perkins MM	Herbert George	13.08.1918	37	45th Inf Bn	Launceston	73
ANZAC	22312	Dvr	Petford	Harry Augustus	22.10.1918	20	7th Fd Arty Bde	Newtown	78
	7063	Pte	Pfau	William John	23.08.1918	20	12th Inf Bn	Sheffield	73
ANZAC	7817	Pte	Philpott	John V George	24.08.1918	20	40th Inf Bn	Upper Liffey	28
	7065	Pte	Picher	George	18.09.1918	29	12th Inf Bn	Hobart	40
ANZAC	7316	Pte	Pinel	Philip John	28.03.1918	25	47th Inf Bn	Launceston	85
ANZAC	5185	Pte	Pinkerton	Robert	24.04.1918	27	52nd Inf Bn	Lindisfarne	48
ANZAC	7528	L/Cpl	Piper	Edward	25.08.1918	30	40th Inf Bn	Wesley Vale	48
	3594	Pte	Pitman	Tasman Henry	29.09.1918	37	40th Inf Bn	Hobart	75
	1119	Pte	Podmore	William George	06.08.1918	23	3 LHMGMG Sect	Hobart	ANZAC
	1552A	Dvr	Poke	Frank Tasman	15.08.1918	22	5 DivFdArtyColum	Elliot	1
	7784	Pte	Poole	Arthur Henry	22.05.1918	44	12th Inf Bn	Burnie	7
	1821	CSM	Powell MM	Edward John	02.09.1918	33	26th Inf Bn	Perth	ANZAC
	2886	Pte	Pratchett	Frederick William	28.03.1918	30	40th Inf Bn	Queenstown	2
	3555	Pte	Pregnall	Sydney George	02.09.1918	33	40th Inf Bn	Deep Bay	4
	917	Pte	Pritchard	Philip Noel	16.08.1918	28	Provost Corps	St Leonards	9
	265	Pte	Pulford	Charles Lewis	09.09.1918	28	12th Inf Bn	Ross	ANZAC
	47483	Pte	Pullen	Vivian Roy	05.08.1918	24	NZEF WIB	Tas Native	(4)
	2235	Pte	Pye	Henry	24.04.1918	24	52nd Inf Bn	Hobart	ANZAC
	983	Pte	Quin	James Levi	13.08.1918	21	40th Inf Bn	Glamorgan	3
ANZAC	2131	Pte	Quinn	Harold Roy	29.03.1918	20	40th Inf Bn	Lottah	3
	3154	Pte	Radford	Rubin Cameron	28.03.1918	17	40th Inf Bn	Northdown	3
	6237	Pte	Ratcliff	Percy Allan	11.08.1918	25	12th Inf Bn	Barrington	8
	428	Pte	Ratcliffe	John Tasman	26.09.1918	35	4th MG Coy	Hobart	5
	7790	Pte	Rathbone	Percy Rigaud	14.04.1918	20	40th Inf Bn	Granton	6
	8508	Pte	Reardon	Robert Lambert	05.05.1918	22	12th Inf Bn	Glensorchy	6
	2724	Sgt	Reed	Darrell Gordon	07.10.1918	27	47th Inf Bn	Claremont	ANZAC
	6357	Pte	Reed	Ernest Henry	23.04.1918	20	12th Inf Bn	Kentish	2
ANZAC	(82)	2nd Lt	Reid	Francis Walter	24.04.1918	41	54th Inf Bn	Hobart	7
	8048	Pte	Reilly	John Thomas	24.08.1918	20	12th Inf Bn	Upper Calder	2
	1131	Pte	Reinmuth	Ernest William H	07.02.1918	41	2nd Mob Vet Coy	Penguin	3
	3126	Cpl	Reycraft	William Cahert	08.08.1918	32	48th Inf Bn	Beaconsfield	3
	1871	Pte	Rhodes	Alexander Walter	30.06.1918	24	40th Inf Bn	Kettering	3
	730	L/Cpl	Richards	George Frederick	28.03.1918	27	40th Inf Bn	Ulverstone	3
	1984	Sgt	Richards MM	Alfred Henry	18.07.1918	23	40th Inf Bn	Wilnot	3
	8052	Pte	Richardson	Mark William	23.08.1918	19	12th Inf Bn	Salwater River	3
	8842	Bmdr	Richardson	Sydney Fairbrass	01.09.1918	33	4th Fd Arty Bde	Newtown	3
ANZAC	917	L/Cpl	Richardson	Edward Isaac	10.11.1918	29	40th Inf Bn	Campbelltown	3
	1558	Pte	Ridgway	John	23.04.1918	32	12th Inf Bn	North Lyell	ANZAC
	3894	L/Cpl	Ridler	Ernest Harold	10.06.1918	24	25th Inf Bn	Dunaliy	3
	4516	Pte	Roberts	Robert Hugh	28.04.1918	21	52nd Inf Bn	St Leonards	3
	5780	Pte	Roberts	Robert Reid	28.09.1918	21	3rd MG Coy	Hobart	3
	6274	Dvr	Roberts	Norman Charles	28.09.1918	28	9th Fd Amb Coy	Paratiah	3
	2810	Pte	Robertson	John Mathew Charles	16.08.1918	20	46th Inf Bn	Launceston	3
	1149	Sgt	Rocher	Thomas Trinder	25.08.1918	43	1st Miners Corps	Rosevale	3
	7225	Pte	Rockill	Adya Charles H	05.04.1918	23	47th Inf Bn	Gawler	3
	887	Pte	Rockill	Ambrose Walter	18.09.1918	27	4th MG Coy	West Devonport	3

Wall of Remembrance, St. Helens, Tasmania

According to the Tasmanian War Memorials Database completed by Fred Thornton (1996) - A. H. Poole is remembered on the Burnie RSL Club Honour Roll for Emu Bay Municipality. He is also remembered on the Emu Bay Honour Roll which was located in the Burnie Council Chambers – it is different to that located in Burnie RSL.

(45 pages of Private Arthur Henry Poole'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) & National Archives

Newspaper Notices

Roll of Honour

Casualty List – No. 374

Tasmanian Casualties

HOSPITAL CASES

Pte ARTHUR HY. POOLE, Somerset, ill

(Examiner, Launceston, Tasmania – 24 December, 1917)

DEATHS

POOLE – On May 22, 1918, at Middlesex War Hospital, Private Arthur H. Poole, of Cam Road, of meningitis.

(The North Western Advocate and the Emu Bay Times, Tasmania – 30 May, 1918)

ROLL OF HONOUR

AUSTRALIAN CASUALTIES

408TH LIST RELEASED

DIED – OTHER CAUSES

Pte A. H. Poole, Somerset – Illness 22/5/18

(Zeehan and Dundas Herald, Tasmania – 14 June, 1918)

DEATHS

POOLE – Passed peacefully away on January 13, 1940 at a private hospital, Launceston, Eva Frances, loved widow of the late Arthur Henry Poole, of Somerset, and loving mother of Jack, Lance (deceased), Edna (Mrs Winspear), Eric and Reg. Aged 63 years. Funeral notice will be in "Examiner" Monday – C. T. Finney, Funeral Director.

(Saturday Evening Express, Launceston, Tasmania – 13 January, 1940)

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 A. H. Poole has a Commonwealth War Graves Commission headstone but does not have an inscription.

Hatfield Road Cemetery, St. Albans, Hertfordshire, England

During the First World War, the County of Middlesex War Hospital was established in, what was then called, the Middlesex Mental Hospital at Napsbury, near St. Albans, and from 1914 to March 1915 the city of St. Albans was the Headquarters of the 47th London Division.

The Second World War saw the Hill End Hospital, St. Albans, taken over by the Military authorities, and service war burials were carried out from this hospital.

There are 147 First World War burials in Hatfield Road Cemetery, 93 of them forming a war graves plot. Some of the 79 Second World War graves form a separate plot. The rest of the graves are scattered throughout the cemetery.

(Information from CWGC)



Entrance to Hatfield Road Cemetery, St. Albans *(Photo from Find a Grave - julia&keld)*



Cross of Sacrifice (Photo from CWGC)



War Graves in Hatfield Road Cemetery, St. Albans (Photo from CWGC)

Photo of Private A. H. Poole's Commonwealth War Graves Commission Headstone in Hatfield Road Cemetery, St. Albans, Hertfordshire, England.



(Photo from Find a Grave – Julia&keld)



War Graves in Hatfield Road Cemetery, St. Albans *(Photo from CWGC)*