

**Stourbridge Cemetery,  
Stourbridge, West Midlands, England  
War Graves**



*Lest We Forget*

**World War 1**



**1878 CORPORAL**

**G. W. ALLEN**

**27TH BN. AUSTRALIAN INF.**

**17TH SEPTEMBER, 1918 Age 26**

*His Duty Done*

## Gillen Whitford ALLEN

Gillen Whitford Allen was born at Hawker, South Australia on 31st May, 1893 to parents William and Janet Allen (nee McInnes).

Gillen Whitford Allen was a 23 year old, single, Labourer from Maitland, Yorke's Peninsula, South Australia when he enlisted at Keswick, South Australia on 19th May, 1915 with the Australian Imperial Force (A.I.F.). His service number was 1878 & his religion was Church of England. His next of kin was listed as his mother – Mrs Janet Allen, Maitland, Yorke's Peninsula, South Australia.

Private Gillen Whitford Allen was posted to "F" Company, Base Infantry on 19th May, 1915 for recruit training. He was transferred to 3rd Reinforcements of 27th Battalion on 16th June, 1915.

Private Gillen Whitford Allen embarked from Adelaide, South Australia on RMS *Morea* on 26th August, 1915 with the 7th Infantry Brigade, 27th Infantry Battalion, 3rd Reinforcements.

Private Gillen Whitford Allen was taken on strength of 27th Battalion on 12th January, 1916 at Tel-el-Kebir.

Private Gillen Whitford Allen was written up for Disobedience of Orders on 7th March, 1916 at Ismailia – "*Falling out of the ranks without permission.*" He was awarded 3 days Field Punishment No. 2.

Private Gillen Whitford Allen proceeded from Alexandria on 16th March, 1916 to join B.E.F. (British Expeditionary Force) & disembarked at Marseilles, France on 21st March, 1916.

Private Gillen Whitford Allen was wounded in France on 22nd May, 1916. He was admitted to 6th Field Ambulance on 23rd May, 1916 with gunshot wound to left Shoulder. He was transferred & admitted to 8th Casualty Clearing Station on 23rd May, 1916 then transferred & admitted the same day to 26th General Hospital at Etaples, France with G.S.W. (gunshot wound/s) to Back. Private Allen was transferred on 17th June, 1916 to No. 6 Convalescent Depot at Boulogne, France & discharged to Base Depot on 20th June, 1916.

### 27th Battalion

The 27th Battalion was raised in South Australia in March 1915, from recruits previously earmarked for the 24th Battalion, a large number of whom hailed from the suburbs of Adelaide.....

After another stint in Egypt, the 7th Brigade proceeded to France as part of the 2nd Australian Division. The 27th Battalion entered the front-line trenches for the first time on 7 April 1916 and took part in its first major battle at Pozieres between 28 July and 5 August.....

*(Extract of Battalion information from the Australian War Memorial)*

### War Diary – 27th Battalion

*Rue Marle ARMENTIERS:*

16 – 23 May, 1916

*Period of rest win Billets with 4 hours parade each day. During this period a Raiding Party was picked & trained and a spot chosen for the Raid. Capt Patterson was appointed O/C/ Raiding Party.*

*(Extract of War Diary from the Australian War Memorial)*

Mrs J. Allen, Maitland, Yorkes' Peninsula, South Australia, mother of Corporal Gillen Whitford Allen, was advised by Base Records on 8th June, 1916 that her son had been wounded.

Private Gillen Whitford Allen was posted to 2nd Divisional Base Depot at Etaples, France on 20th June, 1916. He proceeded from 2nd Divisional Base Depot on 15th July, 1916 & rejoined his Battalion in France on 16th July, 1916.

Private Gillen Whitford Allen was granted English Leave from 29th December, 1916 & returned from Leave on 14th January, 1917.

Private Gillen Whitford Allen was appointed as Lance Corporal on 1st January, 1917.

Lance Corporal Gillen Whitford Allen was promoted to Corporal on 4th March, 1917, vice 524 Temporary Sergeant W. Clarke promoted.

Corporal Gillen Whitford Allen was appointed Temporary Sergeant from 10th October, 1917 in Belgium & reverted to the rank of Corporal on 21st November, 1917, vice 2259 Sergeant J. Lugg rejoined Battalion.

Corporal Gillen Whitford Allen was on Leave to Paris from 9th December, 1917 & rejoined from Leave on 19th December, 1917.

Corporal Gillen Whitford Allen proceeded to 6th Training Battalion on 1st January, 1918 for duty & was placed on the Supernumerary List. He was marched in to 6th Training Battalion at Fovant, Wiltshire, England from France on 7th January, 1918.

Corporal Gillen Whitford Allen was admitted to 1st Australian Dermatological Hospital, Bulford, Wiltshire, England on 17th January, 1918 with V.D. He was discharged on 23rd April, 1918 – total V.D. period 97 days.

Corporal Gillen Whitford Allen was re-admitted to 1st Australian Dermatological Hospital, Bulford, Wiltshire on 23rd April, 1918 with Cystitis. He was transferred to 1st Australian Auxiliary Hospital, Harefield, Middlesex, England on 11th May, 1918 & discharged to No. 3 Command Depot at Hurdcott on 15th May, 1918.

Corporal Gillen Whitford Allen was attached for duty with Permanent Cadre of 5th Training Battalion at Tidworth, Wiltshire on 25th April, 1918 (under new establishment).

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.

Corporal Gillen Whitford Allen was marched in to No. 3 Command Depot at Hurdcott, Wiltshire, England on 15th May, 1918 from 1st Australian Auxiliary Hospital, Harefield. He was marched out to 2nd Training Brigade at Fovant on 8th June, 1918.

Corporal Gillen Whitford Allen was marched in to 5th Training Battalion on 8th June, 1918.

William Allen, father of Gillen Whitford Allen, died on 26th June, 1918 at Fullarton, South Australia.

Corporal Gillen Whitford Allen was transferred back to 27th Battalion from permanent Cadre of 5th Training Battalion on 30th June, 1918 & proceeded Overseas. He proceeded overseas to France via Folkestone on 1st July, 1918 & was marched in to Australian Infantry Base Depot at Havre, France on 3rd July, 1918. Corporal Allen proceeded from A.I.B.D. on 5th July, 1918 & rejoined 27<sup>th</sup> Battalion in France on 6th July, 1918.

Corporal Gillen Whitford Allen was promoted to Temporary Sergeant from 3rd August, 1918, vice 1954 Sergeant C. H. D. Meier to 5th Training Battalion on 2nd August, 1918.

Temporary Sergeant Gillen Whitford Allen was wounded in action (2nd occasion) on 2nd September, 1918. He was admitted to 8th Australian Field Ambulance on 2nd September, 1918 with G.S.W. (gunshot wound/s) to Abdomen. He reverted to the rank of Corporal from 2nd September, 1918 on evacuation. Corporal Allen was admitted to 53rd Casualty Clearing Station on 4th September, 1918 then transferred to Ambulance Train on 6th September, 1918. He was admitted to 12th General Hospital at Rouen, France on 7th September, 1918 then invalided wounded to England on Hospital Ship on 9th September, 1918.

### **27th Battalion**

...The 27th Battalion entered the front-line trenches for the first time on 7 April 1916 and took part in its first major battle at Pozieres between 28 July and 5 August. After a spell in a quieter sector of the front in Belgium, the 2nd Division returned to the south in October. The 27th Battalion took part in two attacks to the east of Flers in the Somme Valley, both of which floundered in the mud.

Although it participated in minor attacks during the German withdrawal to the Hindenburg Line in early 1917, the 27th Battalion did not carry out a major attack again until 20 September 1917. On this occasion, it was part of the 2nd Division's first wave at the battle of Menin Road. Victory here was followed up with the capture of Broodseinde Ridge on 4 October, in which the 27th Battalion also played a role.

Like most AIF battalions, the 27th fought to turn back the German spring offensive in April 1918, and later in the year participated in a string of offensive battles as Germany was pushed ever closer to defeat. It attacked around Morlancourt on the night of 10 June; acted in a supporting role during the battle of Hamel on 4 July; and was in the first wave at the battle of Amiens on 8 August. On 8 August, the battalion captured 9 artillery pieces, 25 machine guns and over 200 prisoners.

The Battalion's last actions of the war were fought as part of the effort to break through the Beaurevoir Line in the first week of October 1918, but it was not disbanded until 4 June 1919.

*(Extract of Battalion information from the Australian War Memorial)*

### War Diary – 27th Battalion

*2 September, 1918:*

*Fine day. The Bn will carry out an attack upon the enemy positions extending from Operation Order attached as Appendix No. 1 Order No 220. Copy No.3. Narrative covering the attack by Mjr P. C. Raper temporarily Commanding 27th A.I.Bn attached appendix No.2.*

*The Battalion, after their successful attack, consolidated immediately & were disposed as follows Support, Bn H.Q.'s in SUNKEN RD I.5.d.15.25 to I.11.a.95.70 with 2 MGs. Remainder of Bn HQs in BRUNN TRENCH I.11.a.3.7. The front Line Coys under the command of Capt Hosking, also 2 Platoons of the 28th A.I. Battalion were disposed as follows C.30.a.6.0 to I.12.a.75.80. Flanks were SUSSEX REG on left, & 25th A.I.Bn on right.*

*(Extract of War Diary from the Australian War Memorial)*

Corporal Gillen Whitford Allen was admitted to 1st Southern General Hospital – Stourbridge Section, Birmingham, England on 10th September, 1918 with G.S.W. (gunshot wound/s) (Bullet) to Abdomen. The Hospital Admissions for recorded – penetrating wound of thorax, lung & liver.

Mrs J. Allen, Maitland, Yorke's Peninsula, South Australia, mother of Corporal Gillen Whitford Allen, was advised by Base Records on 17th September, 1918 that Corporal G. W Allen had been wounded.

Corporal Gillen Whitford Allen died at 5.50 am on 17th September, 1918 at 1st Southern General Hospital – Stourbridge Section, England from wounds received in action – G.S.W. Abdomen. The Hospital Admissions for recorded that he died of Septicaemia.

A death for Gillen W. Allen, aged 26, was registered in the September quarter, 1918 in the district of Stourbridge, Worcestershire, England.

Corporal Gillen Whitford Allen was buried at 3 pm on 20th September, 1918 in Stourbridge Cemetery, Stourbridge, West Midlands, England – Plot number C. 338 and has a Commonwealth War Graves Commission headstone. From the burial report of Corporal Allen - *Coffin was good polished Elm. The deceased soldier was accorded a Military funeral, Firing Party, Bugler and Pallbearers being in attendance. The coffin was draped with the "Union Jack" and surmounted by two beautiful wreaths sent by Patients of C.1 Ward and the Nursing Staff of C. 1 Ward. Chaplain the Rev, Simms officiated at the graveside. Sisters W. E Watson & Newson, and Nurse Dodd of the 1st Southern General Hospital attended the funeral. Administrative Headquarters, A.I.F. London were represented at the funeral.*

Gillen Whitford Allen, Ophir Street, Goodwood Park, South Australia, requested in his Will dated 19th July, 1915 that all his real and personal estate be bequeathed to his mother – Janet Allen of Maitland & she was also appointed as sole executrix.

T. S. O'Halloran, Solicitor, Adelaide, South Australia, wrote to Base Records on 13th November, 1918 requesting the Certificate of record of Death of late No. 1878 Sergeant G. W. Allen, 27th Battalion.

Base Records forwarded the Certificate of record of Death of late No. 1878 Sergeant G. W. Allen, 27th Battalion to T. A. O'Halloran, Esq., Solicitor on 2nd December, 1918.

Corporal Gillen Whitford Allen was entitled to 1914/15 Star, British War Medal & the Victory Medal. A Memorial Scroll & Memorial Plaque were also sent to Corporal Allen's widowed mother – Mrs J. Allen, as the closest next-of-kin. (Scroll sent September, 1921 & Plaque sent November, 1922).

Base Records wrote to Mrs J. Allen, Antrill Avenue, Hilton, South Australia, mother of the late Corporal Gillen Whitford Allen, on 19th June, 1924 with the following: *"I am receipt of a communication from Mr L. M. Instone, 26 Lea Rd, Wolverhampton, England (formerly a member of the Australian Imperial Force), who on Anzac Day last visited the grave of your son, the late No. 1878 Corporal G. W. Allen, 27th Battalion, and other Australian soldiers buried in the Stourbridge Cemetery. No doubt this action will be much appreciated by you and it is thought you may desire to personally communicate with him."*

Mrs J. Allen, Antrill Avenue, Hilton, South Australia was sent the following letter on 4th June, 1925 by Base Records: *"You will doubtless be interested to learn that in the occasion of the recent Anzac Day pilgrimage to the graves of Australian soldiers buried in the United Kingdom, the cemetery at Stourbridge, Worcestershire, wherein the remains of your son, the late No. 1878 Cpl. G. W. Allen, 27th Battalion, and other members of the Force are interred was again visited by Mr L. M. Instone, of "Elmdene", Woodfield Avenue, Penn. Wolverhampton, England. The thanks of the Department have been conveyed to Mr Instone for this further evidence of his continued interest in and attention to the graves of our fallen soldiers, and it is thought you may desire to personally express your appreciation of his kindness."*

The Returned Sailors' and Soldiers' Imperial League of Australia (Toowoomba Sub-branch) wrote to Base Records on 25th November, 1939 requesting information as to whether a man named Pat Clarke served in the 27th Battalion with a Regiment number of 1878.

Base Records replied on 6th December, 1939 stating that *"according to the records Regimental Number 1878 of 27th Battalion, A.I.F., was allotted to Corporal Gillen Whitford Allen, who is reported to have died of wounds on 17.9.1918."*

The Returned Sailors' and Soldiers' Imperial League of Australia (Toowoomba Sub-branch) wrote to Base Records on 18th January, 1940:

*"Re 1878 Corporal Gillen Whitford Allen 27th Btn. "Pat Clarke"*

*As I have reason to believe that the above mentioned Corporal G. W. Allen is still living under the name of Pat Clarke I would appreciate it if you would supply the following particulars:- Is anyone receiving a pension in respect of Corporal Allen, place or date of enlistment, age and any distinguishing marks?"*

Base Records replied to the Returned Sailors' and Soldiers' Imperial League of Australia (Toowoomba Sub-branch) on 24th January, 1940 stating that according to the records the late No. 1878 Corporal G. W. Allen, 27th Battalion, A.I.F., enlisted at Keswick, South Australia on 19th May, 1915. The personal description was also listed along with 2 vaccination marks on left arm. Base Records also advised that no information was available at their office regarding the payment of any war pension in favour of the deceased's relatives.

The Commonwealth War Graves Commission lists Corporal Gillen Whitford Allen – service number 1878, aged 26, of 27th Battalion, Australian Infantry. He was the son of William and Janet Allen, of Moonta, South Australia.

Corporal G. W. Gillen is commemorated on the Roll of Honour, located in the Hall of Memory Commemorative Area at the Australian War Memorial, Canberra, Australia on Panel 109.



*Roll Of Honour WW1 Australian War Memorial Canberra, Australia*

G. W. Allen is remembered on the National Soldiers Memorial in Adelaide. The Adelaide National War Memorial commemorates those from South Australia that served in the First World War. The names of those that died are listed inside the Memorial, which is located on the corner of North Terrace & Kintore Avenue, Adelaide.



**National War Memorial – Adelaide** (Photos by Bilby)

G. W. Allen is remembered on the Unley City Honour Roll, located in Town Hall, Unley Road & Oxford Terrace, Unley, South Australia.



**Unley City Honour Roll** (Photo from VWMA)

G. W. Allen is remembered on the Unley Memorial Arch, located in Memorial Gardens, Unley Road & Thomas Street, Unley, South Australia.



Unley Memorial Arch (Photos from Monument Australia)



G. Allen is remembered on the Goodwood Anglican Church War Memorial, located at 153 Goodwood Road, Goodwood, South Australia.



**Goodwood Anglican Church War Memorial** (Photos from Monument Australia)

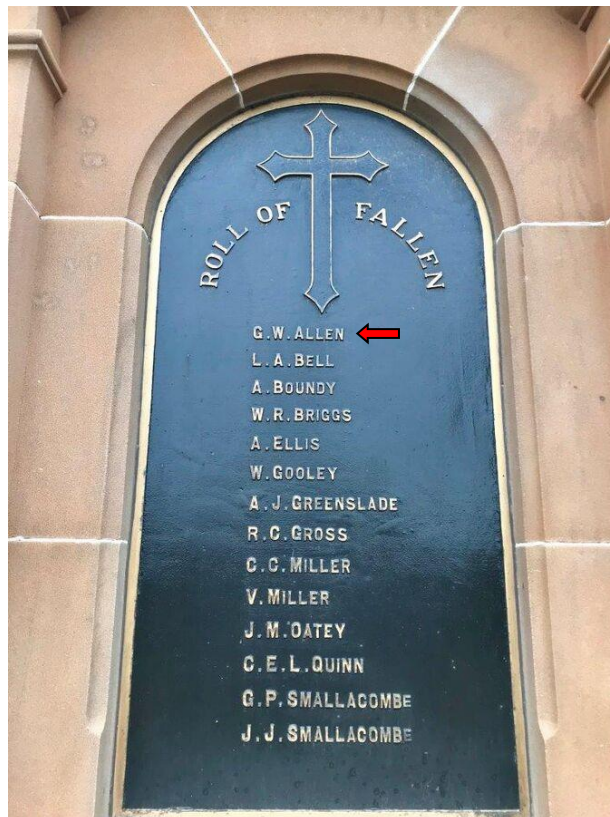




G. W. Allen is remembered on the Maitland War Memorial, located at Robert Street & Rogers Terrace, Maitland, South Australia.



**Maitland War Memorial** (Photos from Monument Australia – Stephen Warren)



Gillen Whitford Allen is remembered on St. John's Anglican Church Memorial Plaque, Elizabeth Street, Maitland, South Australia



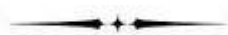
**St. John's Anglican Church Memorial Plaque, Maitland, South Australia**

*(Photos from VWMA)*

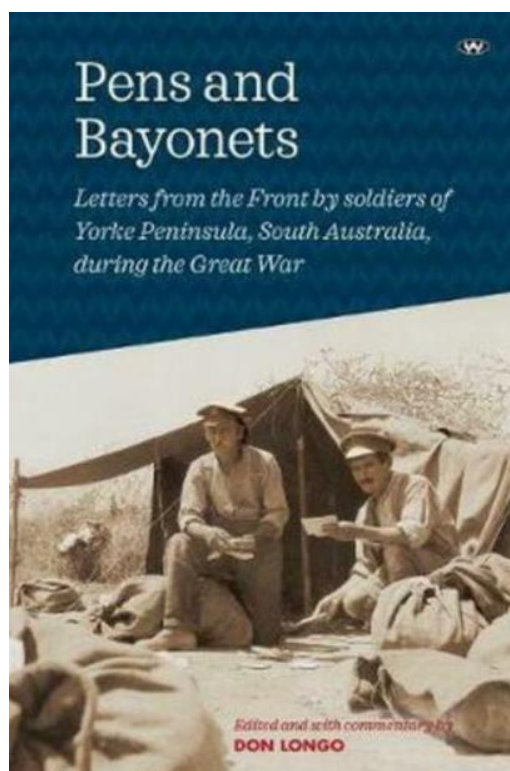


(100 pages of Corporal Gillen Whitford Allen's Service records are available for On Line viewing at National Archives of Australia website).

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



Gillen Whitford Allen is included in the book "Pens and Bayonets – Letters from Front by soldiers of Yorke Peninsula, South Australia, during the Great War" by Don Longo.



### **1878 Gillen Whitford ALLEN**



*Early life:* Born at Hawker, SA, on 31 May 1893; *Occupation:* Labourer at Maitland; *Enlistment:* At Keswick, on 19 May 1915, 27th Battalion, 3rd Reinforcement, as Private; *Age:* 23; *Embarkation:* On the *Morea*, 26 August 1916, from Adelaide.

*At the front:* Allen arrived at Marseilles on 21 March 1916. He had no sooner arrived at the front than he suffered a gunshot wound to the back and shoulder on 22 May and was taken to Étapes for treatment. In 1917 he alternated between France and England, with some periods in hospital. He was on the Somme in July 1918 and took part in the decisive Hundred Days Offensive where he suffered a severe gunshot wound to the abdomen on 2 September. Treated at Rouen and taken to England, he died on the 17th at Stourbridge hospital where he was accorded a military funeral.<sup>77</sup>



**Corporal Gillen Whitford Allen**



### **Newspaper Notices**

#### **THE ROLL OF HONOUR**

#### **BIOGRAPHICAL PARTICULARS**

#### **PRIVATE G. W. ALLEN**

Mr and Mrs Allen, of Maitland, have received word from the military authorities that their son, Private Gillen W. Allen, has been wounded in France. At the time of enlisting he resided with his brother at Goodwood Park.

*(The Advertiser, Adelaide, South Australia – 10 June, 1916)*

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#### **177th CASUALTY LIST**

#### **SOUTH AUSTRALIA**

#### **WOUNDED**

Pte G. W. Allen, Yorke's Peninsula

*(Saturday Mail, South Australia – 17 June, 1916)*

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## Adelaide Municipal Tramway Trust Employees on Active Service



G. W. Allen.

(*Critic*, Adelaide, South Australia – 27 December, 1916)

## THE AUSTRALIANS

### BIOGRAPHICAL

#### LATE CPL G. W. ALLEN

Mrs Allen, of Maitland, has received news of the death, in France, on September 17, of her son, Cpl. G. W. Allen, as the result of wounds. He had been previously twice wounded. The deceased left South Australia on September 26, 1916, and went to Egypt before being transferred to France with the first Australians in May, 1917. Shortly before his death he returned to the firing line after six months in England at an instruction class. He was 26 years of age.

(*The Register*, Adelaide, South Australia – 30 September, 1918) & (*Observer*, Adelaide, South Australia – 5 October, 1918)

### DIED ON ACTIVE SERVICE

ALLEN – In loving memory of Corporal Gill Allen, 27th Battalion, died of wounds in France, September 17. He has fought the good fight.

Ever remembered by his loving friends, Olive Jury and Myrtle Holt, Richmond.

(*The Express and Telegraph*, Adelaide, South Australia – 1 October, 1918)

## DIED ON ACTIVE SERVICE

ALLEN – 1878, Corporal Gillen W. Allen, 27th Battalion, died of wounds in France, 17th September, beloved youngest son of the late William Allen and Mrs Allen Hawker, late of Maitland, aged 25 years. Over three years on active service. His duty done.

(*Chronicle*, Adelaide, South Australia – 5 October, 1918)

## THE ROLL OF HONOUR

### AUSTRALIAN SOLDIERS

#### DIED FOR THEIR COUNTRY

Sergeant G. W. ALLEN, who died of wounds on September 7, was the youngest son of Mrs Allen and the late Mr William Allen, of Maitland. He enlisted in May, 1915, and left in the following August. He was wounded in 1916, and after six weeks in hospital, returned to his battalion. He won his stripes on the field. He had a bright and happy disposition and a large circle of friends. At the time of enlisting he was employed by the Tramways Trust, and lived with his bother at Ophir-street, Goodwood Park. Another brother is on active service.

(*The Advertiser*, Adelaide, South Australia – 5 October, 1918) & (*Chronicle*, Adelaide, South Australia – 12 October, 1918)

## HEROES OF THE GREAT WAR: THEY GAVE THEIR LIVES FOR KING AND COUNTRY



(*Chronicle*, Adelaide, South Australia – 5 October, 1918)

## AUSTRALIANS IN ACTION

### 437th Casualty List

SOUTH AUSTRALIA

DIED OF WOUNDS

Sergeant Gillen Whitford Allen, Maitland, September 17.

(*Barrier Miner*, Broken Hill, NSW – 28 October, 1918)

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## HEROES OF THE GREAT WAR

ALLEN – In loving memory of my dear brother, Sergeant Gill Allen (1878), 27th Battalion, died of wounds on September 17, 1918, at Birmingham.

Your loved ones now who miss you here

Will always hold your memory dear.

-Inserted by his loving brother Peter, A.I.F.

ALLEN – In loving memory of our dear son and brother, Sergeant G. W. (Gill) Allen, who died in England, September 17, 1918, of wounds received in France.

Greater love hath no man than this –

That he lay down his life for his friends.

-Inserted by his loving mother, brothers and sisters.

ALLEN – In loving memory of our dear friend, Gill Allen, who died of wounds, September 17, 1918. His duty nobly done. Ever remembered by his friends Olive Jury and Myrtle Holt, Richmond.

(*The Advertiser*, Adelaide, South Australia – 17 September, 1919)

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Sgt G. W. Allen is remembered on a Headstone with his father in West Terrace Cemetery, 161 West Terrace. Adelaide, South Australia.





**Allen Family Headstones** (Photos from Find a Grave – A Family Member)







Left side:

*In Loving Memory  
Of  
WILLIAM  
Beloved Husband Of  
JANET ALLEN  
Died June 26TH 1918  
Aged 6\_ Years*

Right Side:

*Also  
SGT G. W. ALLEN  
No. 1878 27th Batt.  
Who Died in England of*

***Wounds received in France***

***Sep 17TH 1918***

***Aged 25 Years***

***Youngest son of***

***WILLIAM ALLEN***

*Greater Love Hath*

*No Man Than This.*

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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)*

Corporal G. W. Allen does have a personal inscription on his headstone.

*His Duty Done*

## Stourbridge Cemetery, Stourbridge, West Midlands, England

The cemetery contains 47 Commonwealth burials of the 1914-18 war, (including those of 13 Australian soldiers, near which a Cenotaph is placed); and a War Cross is erected on the main roadway close to the entrance. The 1st Southern General Hospital had a Section in the Stourbridge Infirmary.

Most of the First World War burials are scattered but 17 form a small plot. The cemetery also contains 20 scattered burials of the Second World War and 1 Non World War burial here. *(Information from CWGC)*



*(Photo by cookie – Find a Grave)*



**Australian Plot** *(Photo courtesy of Margaret Carter)*

## Stourbridge Cemetery Overseas Soldiers Sarcophagus

Adjacent to the Plot where the 13 Australian WW1 War Graves are located sits a Sarcophagus Memorial (listed by CWGC above as a Cenotaph) which reads:

*"In Grateful Memory Of Our Comrades From  
Overseas Who Died In The Stourbridge Military  
Hospital During The Great War 1914-19."*

The names of the 13 Australians are listed on the Plaque along with a Soldier from Canadian Contingent & 2 Soldiers from U.S.A.



## Stourbridge Cemetery Overseas Soldiers Sarcophagus/Memorial

*(Photos courtesy of Peter Bennett)*





Arrow showing the Plot where Australian WW1 War Graves are located (Photo courtesy of Margaret Carter)



Stourbridge Cemetery showing Australian WW1 War Graves (Photo courtesy of Margaret Carter)

Photo of Corporal G. W. Allen's Commonwealth War Graves Commission Headstone in Stourbridge Cemetery, Stourbridge, West Midlands, England.



*(Photo courtesy of Peter Bennett – Private Collection)*



**Australian Plot** (*Photo courtesy of Margaret Carter*)