

**St. George's Churchyard,
Fovant, Wiltshire
War Graves**



Lest We Forget

World War 1



8566 GUNNER

F. H. C. CARTER

AUST. FIELD ARTILLERY

9TH FEBRUARY, 1919 Age 24

He Dared, He Endure

He Died For Us

Greater Love Hath No Man

Frederick Harry Cecil CARTER

Frederick Harrie Cecil Carter was born in mid-1894 at Mornington Junction, Victoria to parents Charles Herbert & Sarah Mildred Carter (nee Square).

Frederick Carter attended University College, Malvern, Victoria.

Frederick Harry Cecil Carter was a 21 year old, single, Clerk from 73 Union Street, Malvern, Melbourne, Victoria when he enlisted on 20th September, 1915 with the Australian Imperial Force (A.I.F.). His service number was 8566 & his religion was Presbyterian. His next of kin was listed as his father – Mr Charles H. Carter, of 73 Union Street, Malvern, Melbourne, Victoria. Frederick Carter stated on his Attestation Papers that he had served 1 year with Senior Cadets & 4 years with 19th Battery, 7th Field Artillery Citizen Forces, as Bombardier.

Gunner Frederick Carter was posted to 16th Battery, 6th F.A.B. (Field Artillery Brigade) at Essendon on 27th September, 1915. He was transferred to 17th Battery, Field Artillery on 16th October, 1915.

Gunner Frederick Henry Cecil Carter (*name as per Nominal/Embarkation Roll*) embarked from Melbourne on HMAT *Persic* (A34) on 22nd November, 1915 with the 6th Field Artillery Brigade, 17th Battery & disembarked at Suez on 21st December, 1915.

Gunner Frederick Carter proceeded to join B.E.F. (British Expeditionary Force) from Alexandria on 17th March, 1916 & disembarked at Marseilles, France on 23rd March, 1916.

Gunner Frederick Carter was sent to Hospital sick on 2nd January, 1917. He was admitted to 36th Casualty Clearing Station with Influenza & transferred to 1st ANZAC M.D.S. (Main Dressing Station). Gunner Carter was transferred & admitted to 1st General Hospital at Etretat, France on 4th January, 1917. Gunner Carter embarked for England from Havre, France on Hospital Ship *Dunluce Castle* on 18th January, 1917.

Gunner Frederick Carter was admitted to 3rd Australian General Hospital at Brighton, England on 19th January, 1917 suffering from Influenza. He was discharged to furlough from 1st March, 1917 to 16th March, 1917 & was then to report to Wareham.

Gunner Frederick Carter was admitted to 1st Australian Dermatological Hospital, Bulford, Wiltshire with V.D. on 21st March, 1917. He had contracted the disease from a prostitute in London around 9th March, 1917. He was discharged on 7th May, 1917. Gunner Carter's symptoms reappeared on 9th May, 1917 but he was treated in Camp for 2 days.

Gunner Frederick Carter was admitted to 16th Field Ambulance on 17th May, 1917 & transferred to Bulford where he was re-admitted to 1st Australian Dermatological Hospital, Bulford, Wiltshire with V.D on 18th May, 1917 & discharged on 4th July, 1917.

Gunner Frederick Carter was marched in to No. 4 Command Depot, Wareham from Bulford on 4th July, 1917.

Gunner Frederick Carter was marched in to R.B.A.A. (Reserve Brigade Australian Artillery) Larkhill, Wiltshire from No. 4 Command Depot, Wareham on 9th July, 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.

Gunner Frederick Carter proceeded overseas from Larkhill to France via Southampton on 8th August, 1917. He was marched in to A.G.B.D. (Australian General Base Depot) at Rouelles, France on 9th August, 1917. He was marched out to 6th Australian Field Artillery Brigade on 12th August, 1917.

Gunner Frederick Carter rejoined his Brigade from Hospital on 14th August, 1917.

Gunner Frederick Carter was sent to Hospital sick on 2nd January, 1918. He was admitted to 7th Australian Field Ambulance on 2nd January, 1918 – P.U.O. (Pyrexia (fever) of unknown origin). Gunner Carter was transferred to 1st Australian Casualty Clearing Station in France on 10th January, 1918 & discharged to duty on 25th January, 1918. He rejoined his Brigade on 25th January, 1918.

Gunner Frederick Carter was on leave to UK from 25th September, 1918 & rejoined his Brigade from leave on 13th October, 1918.

Gunner Frederick Carter was sent sick to Hospital on 19th October, 1918. He was admitted to 41st Casualty Clearing Station in France with Bronchitis on 20th October, 1918. Gunner Carter was transferred to 6th General Hospital at Rouen, France on 22nd October, 1918. He was transferred to England on Hospital Ship on 25th October, 1918.

Gunner Frederick Carter was admitted to 2nd Southern General Hospital (Foye House Hospital, Leigh Woods) at Bristol, England on 26th October, 1918 with influenza (slight). He was transferred to 3rd Auxiliary Hospital on 27th November, 1918 & discharged on 28th November, 1918. Gunner Carter was granted furlo from 28th November, 1918 until 12th December, 1918 & was to report to No. 4 Command Depot.

Gunner Frederick Carter was marched in to No. 4 Command Depot from Admin. Headquarters on 12th December, 1918.

Gunner Frederick Harry Cecil Carter was admitted to Military Hospital, Fovant, Wiltshire on 14th January, 1919 with Influenza & Emphysema. He was reported as seriously ill on 15th January, 1919.

Gunner Frederick Harry Cecil Carter died at 14.45 hrs on 9th February, 1919 at Military Hospital, Fovant, Wiltshire, England from Broncho Pneumonia (following Influenza & Emphysema)

A death for Frederick H. C. Carter, aged 24, was registered in the March quarter, 1919 in the district of Wilton, Wiltshire, England.

Gunner Frederick Harry Cecil Carter was buried on 13th February, 1919 in St George's Churchyard, Fovant, Wiltshire, England – Plot number I. H. 6. and has a Commonwealth War Graves Commission headstone. From the burial report of Gunner Carter - *Coffin was Elm with brass mountings. Deceased was buried with full Military Honors. The coffin draped with the Australian flag being conveyed to the graveside on a Gun-carriage preceded by a Firing Party from No. 4 Australian Command Depot, Hurdcott. Six Australians supported the Pall. The "Last Post" was sounded and volleys fired over the grave. A number of N.C.O.'s and men followed the remains and were present at the graveside ceremony. Headquarters A.I.F. Depots in United Kingdom were represented at the funeral.*

Relatives in attendance at the funeral – Brother – Pte L. W. A. Carter, 11th Battalion & Uncle – Lieut. F. J. Carter, 21 Longridge Road, South Kensington, London.

Gunner Frederick H. C. Carter was entitled to 1914/15 Star, British War Medal & the Victory Medal. A Memorial Scroll & Memorial Plaque were also sent to Gunner Carter's father – Mr C. H. Carter as the closest next-of-kin. (Scroll sent November, 1921 & Plaque sent November, 1922).

The Commonwealth War Graves Commission lists Gunner Frederick Harry Cecil Carter – service number 8566, aged 24, of 6th A.F.A. Bde., Australian Field Artillery. He was the son of Charles Herbert and Sarah Mildred Carter, of 7 Kooyong Road, Armadale, Victoria. Born at Malvern, Victoria.

Gunner F. H. C. Carter is commemorated on the Roll of Honour, located in the Hall of Memory Commemorative Area at the Australian War Memorial, Canberra, Australia on Panel 14.





Roll Of Honour WW1 Australian War Memorial Canberra, Australia

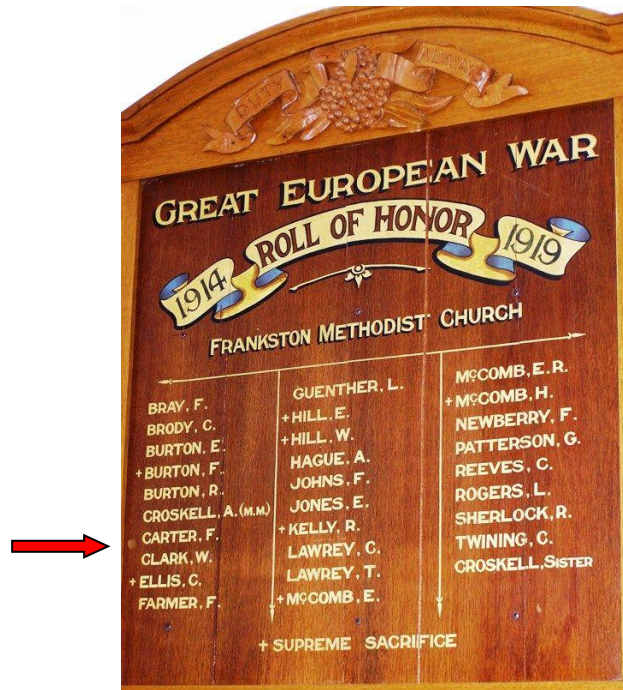
(Photos Cathy Sedgwick)

F. Carter is remembered on the Frankston Honour Roll which is located at Frankston RSL, 183 Cranbourne Road, Frankston, Victoria.



Frankston Honour Roll (Photo from Monument Australia – Sandra Brown)

F. Carter is remembered on the Frankston Methodist Church Honour Roll, located in Frankston Uniting Church, 16-18 High Street, Frankston, Victoria.



Frankston Methodist Church Honour Roll (Photo from Monument Australia – Sandra Brown)

F. H. Carter is remembered on the Avenue of Honour Monument, Nepean Highway, Frankston, Victoria. An avenue of trees was planted in July, 1918 to commemorate those who served in World War One. In the 1960's due to road widening, the trees were removed and a memorial was erected at the northern and southern ends of the avenue.

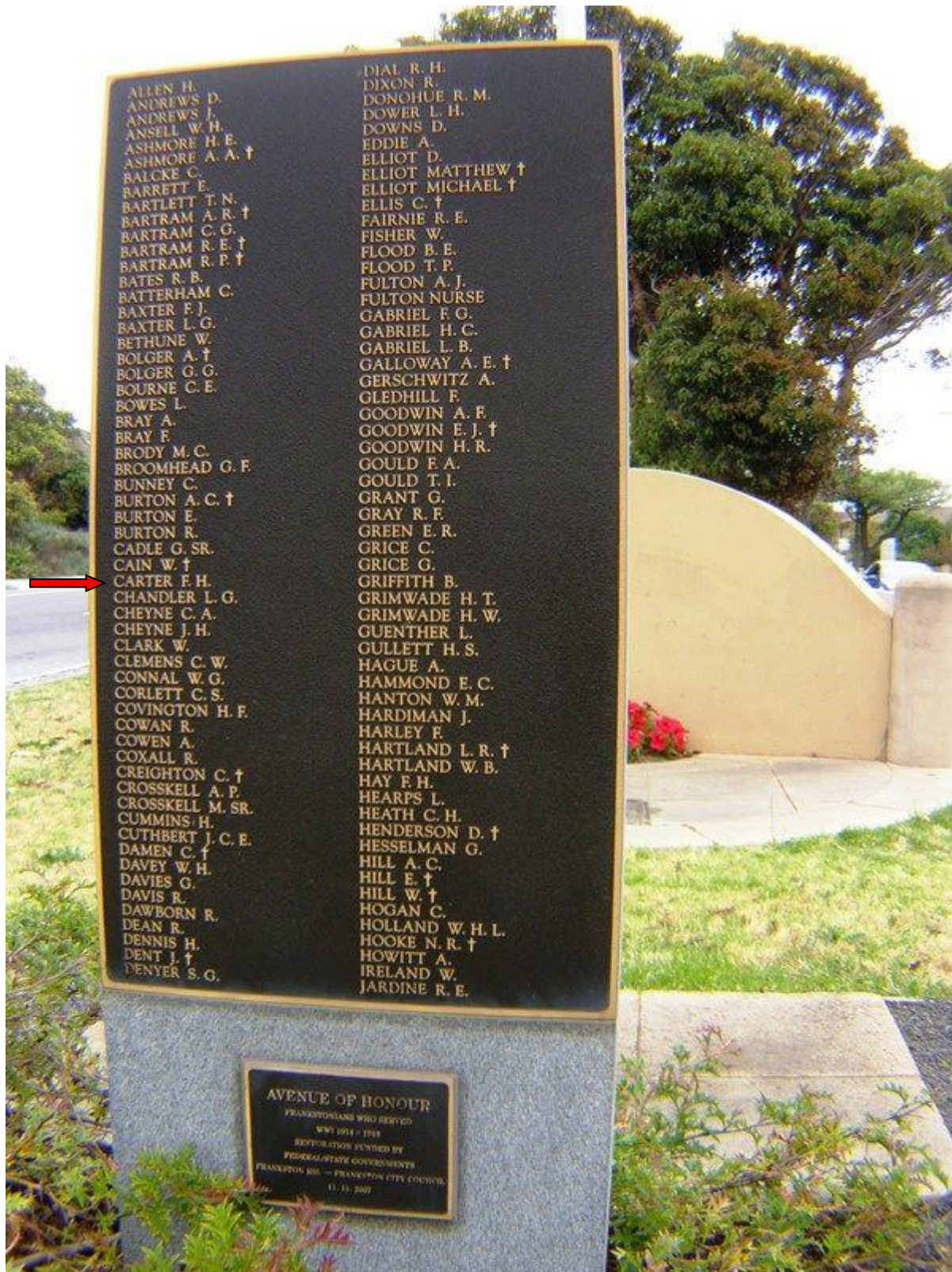




Avenue of Honour Monument, Frankston (Photos from Monument Australia – Sandra Brown)

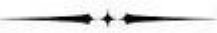


(Named plaques on garden border)



(64 pages of Gunner Frederick Harry Cecil Carter'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

VICTORIAN CASUALTIES

Casualty List No. 450

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F. H. C. Carter, Malvern

(*The Argus*, Melbourne, Victoria – 7 December, 1918)

DIED ON SERVICE

CARTER – ON the 9th February, at Fovant Camp Military Hospital, England, of pneumonia, three years and seven months' service, Gunner Fred Harrie Cecil Carter (Boy), 6th A.F.A.B., dearly loved youngest son Mr and Mrs C. H. Carter, Pine grove, Malvern, late of Frankston, dearly loved brother of Linnell (on active Service), Bessie, Dora, Stella, Florence, Glorie, loved grandson of Sarah Square and late Wm. Square, Adelaide, aged 24 years.

CARTER – ON the 9th February, at Fovant Military Hospital, Salisbury, England, Gunner F. H. C. Carter, of Pine grove, Malvern. (Inserted by his chum Staff-Sergeant Allwright, A.A.M.C., England)

(*The Argus*, Melbourne, Victoria – 22 February, 1919)

ROLL OF HONOUR

CASUALTY LIST NO. 461

DIED OTHER CAUSES

F. H. C. CARTER, Malvern, 9/2/19, illness (P.R. ill)

(*The Weekly Times*, Melbourne, Victoria – 22 March, 1919)

IN MEMORIAM

On Active Service

CARTER – IN memory of our dearly loved son and brother, Gunner Frederic H. C. Carter, 6th A.F.A., who died of pneumonia at Fovant Military Hospital, Salisbury Plain, England, on February 9, 1919.

“Whom we have loved long since and lost awhile.”

CARTER – A loving tribute to the memory of our dear friend, Fred., who died at Fovant Camp Military Hospital, England on the 9th February, 1919.

Though death divides, fond memory clings,

-(Inserted by Mrs Bauld and family, Malvern.)

(*The Argus*, Melbourne, Victoria – 9 February, 1920)

IN MEMORIAM

On Active Service

CARTER – In memory of Gunner F. H. C. Carter (Fred), 6th A.F.A.B., our well beloved son and brother, who died at Fovant, England, February 9th, 1919, after 4 years and 7 months active service.

He dared for us; he endured for us; and he died for us; greater love hath no man than this.

-(Inserted by all at Fovant, Kooyong road, Armadale).

CARTER – A loving tribute to the memory of our dear friend, Fred, who died at Fovant Camp Military Hospital, England on the 9th February, 1919.

“What happy hours we once enjoyed,
How sweet their memory still.”

-(Inserted by Mrs Bauld and family, Malvern.)

(*The Argus*, Melbourne, Victoria – 9 February, 1921)

IN MEMORIAM

On Active Service

CARTER – In memory of Gunner F. H. C. Carter (Fred), who died at Fovant Military Hospital, England, February 9, 1919, the much-loved younger son of Mr and Mrs C. H. Carter, Kooyong road, Armadale, loved brother of Linnell, Bessie, Theodore, Estelle, Florence, Glorie, and grandson of the late Mr and Mrs Square, formerly of Adelaide. (Adelaide papers please copy).

(*The Argus*, Melbourne, Victoria – 11 February, 1922)

IN MEMORIAM

On Active Service

CARTER – In memory of Gunner Frederic Harrie Carter, who died at Fovant Military Hospital, England, on February 9, 1919, after 4 ½ years of active service, younger son of Mr and Mrs C. H. Carter, brother of Linnell, Bessie, Theodora, Stella, Florence, Glorie, also loved grandson of the late Mrs Square.

So dearly loved, so deeply mourned,
And with the morn those angel faces smile,
Which we have loved and lost awhile.

(*The Argus*, Melbourne, Victoria – 10 February, 1923)

IN MEMORIAM

On Active Service

CARTER – In loving memory of our loved son and brother, Gunner F. H. C. Carter (Boy), who died at Fovant Military Hospital, England on the 9th February, 1919.

Whom we have loved long since and lost awhile.

-(Tourah, Kooyong road, Armadale)

(*The Argus*, Melbourne, Victoria – 9 February, 1924)

IN MEMORIAM

On Active Service

CARTER – In loving memory of our loved son and brother, Gunner F. H. Carter, 6th A.F.A., who died at Fovant, February 9, 1919, after four and a half years' service.

Whom we have loved long since and lost awhile.

-(Lourak, Kooyong road, Armadale)

(*The Argus*, Melbourne, Victoria – 9 February, 1925)

IN MEMORIAM

On Active Service

CARTER – In ever loving memory of our loved son and brother, Gunner F. H. C. Carter, who died at Fovant, Salisbury, February 9, 1919.

(*The Argus*, Melbourne, Victoria – 9 February, 1929)

IN MEMORIAM

On Active Service

CARTER – In loving memory of our dear son and brother, Gunner F. H. C. Carter (Boy), who died at Fovant Military Hospital, England on the 9th February, 1919, the dear son of the late C. H. Carter, who died on the 2nd July, 1928.

And with the morn of those angel faces smile,

Whom we have loved long since and lost awhile.

-(Tourah, Kooyong road, Armadale)

(*The Argus*, Melbourne, Victoria – 8 February, 1936)

IN MEMORIAM

Roll of Honour - On Active Service

CARTER – In loving memory of our dear son and brother, Gunner F. H. C. Carter (Boy), 6th Field Artillery Brigade, who died at Fovant Military Hospital, England February 9, 1919, loved younger son of the late C. H. Carter.

-(From all at Tourah, Kooyong road, Armadale)

(*The Argus*, Melbourne, Victoria – 8 February, 1936)

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)

Gunner F. H. C. Carter does have a personal inscription on his headstone.

He Dared, He Endure, He Died For Us

Greater Love Hath No Man

St George's Churchyard, Fovant, Wiltshire, England

There was a 600 bed hutted military hospital at Fovant during the First World War, and the concentration of Australian depots and training camps in the area is reflected in the 63 First World War burials in this churchyard. The war graves form two groups, one west of the church and the other at the east end. There is also one burial of the Second World War. There are 44 War Graves belonging to those who served with the Australian Imperial Force in World War 1.

(Information from CWGC)



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(Photo c 1919)



St George's Churchyard, Fovant – War Graves at front (*Churchyard photos courtesy of Andrew Stacey*)

Photo of Gunner F. H. C. Carter's Commonwealth War Graves Commission Headstone in St George's Churchyard, Fovant, Wiltshire, England. A private headstone is also located in front of CWGC Headstone.



(Photo courtesy of Richard Avery – 2022)



Private Headstone of Frederick H. C. Carter (Photo courtesy of Richard Avery – 2022)

<p><i>In</i></p> <p><i>Ever Loving</i></p> <p><i>Remembrance of</i></p> <p><i>Our Dearly Loved</i></p> <p><i>Son & Brother</i></p> <p><i>FREDERICK H C</i></p> <p><i>CARTER</i></p> <p><i>_ Boy_</i></p>	<p><i>Younger Son of</i></p> <p><i>Charles Herbert</i></p> <p><i>And Mildred</i></p> <p><i>Carter</i></p> <p><i>Of</i></p> <p><i>Tourah, Armadale</i></p> <p><i>Victoria, Australia</i></p> <p><i>Mizpah</i></p>
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St George's Churchyard, Fovant – War Graves at rear (*Churchyard photos courtesy of Andrew Stacey*)



Cross of Sacrifice (*Photo courtesy of Andrew Stacey*)