

Durrington War Graves

World War 1



Lest We Forget



6756 PRIVATE

V. W. HINDHAUGH

5TH BN. AUSTRALIAN INF.

18th FEBRUARY, 1917 Age 19

Father In Thy Gracious Keeping

Leave We Now Our Loved One Sleeping

*Commonwealth War Graves Headstone for Pte V. Hindhaugh is located in
Grave Plot # 202 of Durrington War Graves Cemetery*

Victor William HINDHAUGH

Victor William Hindhaugh was born at St. Helens, Victoria in 1897 to parents William and Jane Hindhaugh.

Victor William Hindhaugh was an 18 year old Grazier & Stockman when he enlisted with the 9th Battalion of the Australian Army (A.I.F.) on 28th July, 1915. His service number was 1389 & his religion was Church of England. His next of kin was listed as his father – Mr W. Hindhaugh of Yambuk, Victoria.

Pte Hindhaugh was discharged prior to embarkation due to family reasons on 18th April, 1916, after serving 281 days.

Victor William Hindhaugh was a 19 year old, Grazier from Yambuk, Victoria when he re-enlisted on 15th September, 1916 with the 5th Infantry Battalion, 22nd Reinforcements of the Australian Army (A.I.F.). His service number was 6756. His next of kin was listed as his father – Mr W. Hindhaugh of Yambuk, Victoria. Consent was given by both parents for Victor Hindhaugh to enlist for active service abroad as he was under 21 years.

Pte Victor William Hindhaugh embarked from Melbourne on HMAT *Ulysses (A38)* on 25th October, 1916 & disembarked at Plymouth, England on 28th December, 1916.

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 Victor William Hindhaugh was sent to Fargo Military Hospital – sick on 10th February, 1917 & admitted on 11th February, 1917.

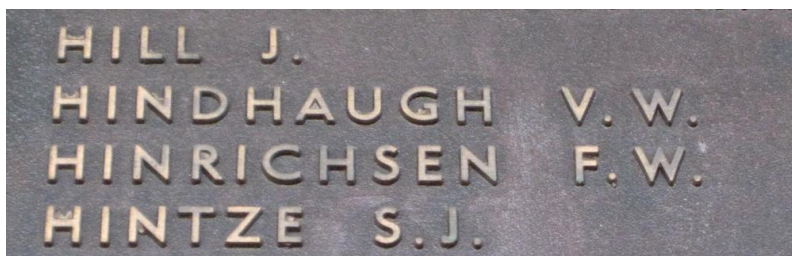
Private Victor William Hindhaugh died on 18th February, 1917 at Fargo Military Hospital, Wiltshire from Pneumonia.

A death for Victor W. Hindhaugh, aged 20, was registered in the March quarter, 1917 in the district of Amesbury, Wiltshire.

Private Victor William Hindhaugh was buried on 20th February, 1917 at Durrington Cemetery, Wiltshire – Plot number 202 and has a Commonwealth War Graves Commission headstone.

Pte Victor William Hindhaugh 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 Pte Hindhaugh's father – Mr W. Hindhaugh (both sent December, 1921)

Private V. W. Hindhaugh is commemorated in the Hall of Memory Commemorative Area at the Australian War Memorial, Canberra, Australia on Panel 44.



(Photos by Cathy Sedgwick)



Roll Of Honour WW1 Australian War Memorial Canberra, Australia

V. Hindhaugh is also remembered on the Port Fairy War Memorial, Victoria, along with his two brothers that also died in World War 1 - R. Hindhaugh & J. W. Hindhaugh.



Port Fairy War Memorial (Photos courtesy of [Carol's War Memorial Photos](#))

The Commonwealth War Graves Commission lists Private Victor Hindhaugh – service number 6756 as being 19 years old & served with 5th Battalion Australian Infantry. He was the son of William and Jane Hindhaugh of James Street, Port Fairy, Victoria. Born at St. Helens, Victoria.

(90 pages of Pte Victor William Hindhaugh'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*





Pte Victor William Hindhaugh



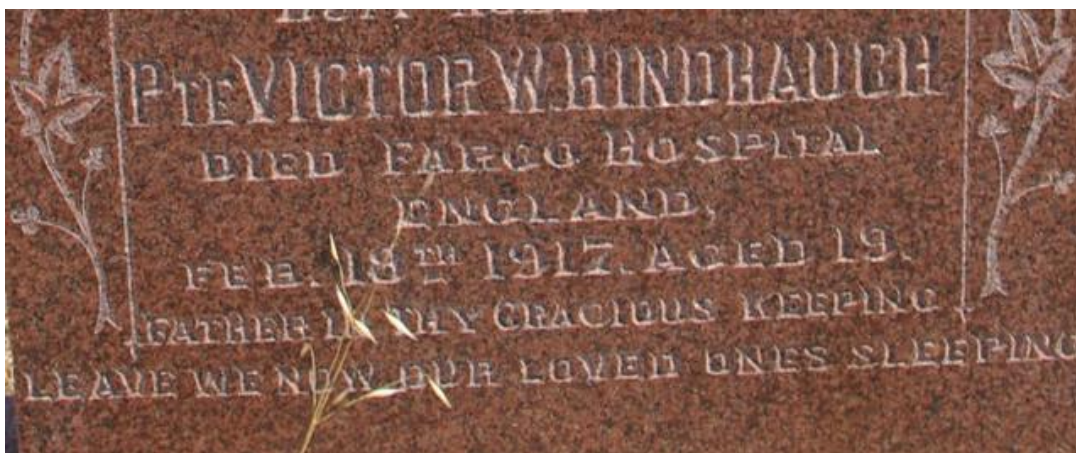
Pte Victor William Hindhaugh (left) & Pte Donald Thomas Gibbons (right)

Victor William Hindhaugh's older brothers:

** Private (Pte) John Wilfred Jacob Hindhaugh, 1906, 24th Battalion, a farm labourer, of Yambuk, Victoria, enlisted on 23 June 1915 and embarked from Melbourne aboard HMAT *Anchises* on 26 August, 1915 for Gallipoli where he was taken on strength on 12 October, 1915. Pte Hindhaugh was hospitalised with pneumonia on 12 October, 1915 and evacuated to Malta where he died of the illness on 30 October, 1915. He was aged 23 years and is buried in Pieta Military Cemetery, Malta – Grave No. A. XVII. 2.

**Corporal Russell George Hindhaugh, 200, of the 8th Light Horse Regiment, was killed in action at Gallipoli on 7 August, 1915. He is remembered on Panel 5 of Lone Pine Memorial, Turkey.

Pte Victor William Hindhaugh is also remembered on his family's headstone in Yambuk Cemetery, Victoria.



(Photos with thanks to [Carol's Headstone Photographs](#))



Newspaper Reports

DEATHS - ON ACTIVE SERVICE

HINDHAUGH - Killed in action, at Anzac, on August 7, 1915, Corporal Russell George Hindhaugh, 8th Light Horse second son of Mr and Mrs W Hindhaugh, "Reedsdale," Yambuk. Aged 29 years.

Also, on October 30, Private John Wilfred Jacob (Jack), third son of Mr and Mrs W Hindhaugh, "Reedsdale," Yambuk, of pneumonia. 3rd Reinforcements, 24th Battalion, Aged 23 years.

"Thy will be Done."

(*Port Fairy Gazette*, Victoria – Thursday 4 November, 1915)

DEATH

HINDHAUGH. On 18th February, 1917, at Fargo Military Hospital, Private Victor William Hindhaugh, fifth son of Mr and Mrs Hindhaugh, of "Reedsdale," Yambuk. Aged 19 years 7 months.

"Father, in Thy gracious keeping,
Leave we now our loved one sleeping."

(*Port Fairy Gazette*, Victoria – Monday 26 February, 1917)

AUSTRALIANS IN WAR – 276th CASUALTY LIST

DIED OF ILLNESS

Pte V. W. Hindhaugh, Yambuk

(*Hamilton Spectator*, Victoria – Saturday 3 March, 1917)

IN MEMORIAM

HINDHAUGH - In loving memory of Pte. Victor W. Hindhaugh, 5th Battalion, who died at Fargo Military Hospital, England, on February 18, 1917; of his brothers, Cpl. Russell G. Hindhaugh, 8th Light Horse, killed in action at Walker's Ridge, August 7, 1915, and Pte. John W. E. Hindhaugh, 24th Battalion, died of wounds at Malta, October 29, 1915.

(- Violet A. Hindhaugh)

(*The Argus*, Melbourne, Victoria – Monday 18 February, 1918)

IN MEMORIAM

HINDHAUGH - In loving memory of Private John W. J. Hindhaugh, 24th Battalion, 6th Infantry Brigade, died of wounds at Floriana Hospital, Malta, 30th October, 1915; Corporal Russell G. Hindhaugh, 8th Light Horse Regiment, killed in action at Walker's Ridge, Gallipoli, August 7, 1915; also Private Victor W. Hindhaugh, who died at Fargo Military Hospital, on 18th February, 1917.

Father, in Thy gracious keeping
Leave we now our loved ones sleeping.

("Reedsdale," St. Helens.)

(*The Argus*, Melbourne, Victoria – Friday 31 October, 1919)

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 Durrington War Graves 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)

A letter from Base Records, dated 16th July, 1921, to Mr W. Hindhaugh advises that a letter from the Defence Dept. concerning an inscription on the headstone of the late Pte V. W. Hindhaugh had not been answered & non-receipt of a reply within 21 days would have to be accepted as indicating that no further action was to be taken.

Pte V. W. Hindhaugh does have a personal inscription on his headstone.

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Durrington Cemetery, Wiltshire (Photo by Dave Healing 2013)

Photo of Pte V. W. Hindhaugh's Headstone at Durrington Cemetery, Wiltshire.



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