

**Arnos Vale Cemetery,  
Bristol, England  
War Graves**



*Lest We Forget*

**World War 1**



**3687 PRIVATE**

**S. L. JENKINS**

**11TH BN. AUSTRALIAN INF.**

**9TH AUGUST, 1916**

## Stanley Llewellyn JENKINS

Stanley Llewellyn Jenkins was born at Highworth, Wiltshire, England on 19th October, 1878 to parents John Samuel Jenkins & Annie Jenkins (nee Williams). He was baptised on 5th January, 1879 at Highworth, Wiltshire, England.

The 1881 England Census recorded Stanley L. Jenkins as a 2 year old, living with his family at Eastrop School house, Highworth, Wiltshire, England. His parents were listed as John S. Jenkins (Schoolmaster, aged 34, born Llandaff, Glam.) & Annie Jenkins (aged 32, born Montypool, Mon). Stanley was one of eight sons listed on this Census (all born Highworth, Wiltshire) – Thomas William Jenkins (Scholar, aged 9), Albert E. Jenkins (Scholar, aged 8), Arthur J. Jenkins (Scholar, aged 7), Harry R. Jenkins (Scholar, aged 5), Walter P. Jenkins (Scholar, aged 4), Frank Louis Jenkins (Scholar, aged 3) then Stanley & Reginald Norman Jenkins (aged 7 months). Also listed was Mary Williams – sister-in-law of John S. Jenkins (No profession, aged 27, born Pontypool, Mon.); Edwin Phillips – Boarder (Pupil Teacher, aged 16, born Machen, Mon.) & Ellen Reade (General Servant, aged 14, born Watchfield, Berks).

The 1891 England Census recorded Stanley L. Jenkins as a 12 year old Scholar, living with his family at Faringdon Road, Highworth, Wiltshire, England. His father was listed as John S. Jenkins - widower (Schoolmaster, aged 44). Stanley was one of four children listed on this Census – Harry R. Jenkins (Scholar, aged 15) then Stanley, Reg. Norman Jenkins (Scholar, aged 10) & Ethel A. G. Jenkins (age d6, born Highworth, Wiltshire).

Stanley Llewellyn Jenkins was a 35 year old, single, Farmer from Manjimup, Western Australia when he enlisted at Black Boy Hill, Western Australia on 16th August, 1915 with the Australian Imperial Force (A.I.F.). His service number was 3687 & his religion was Church of England. His next of kin was listed as his sister – Mrs E. Gard, care of C. Gara, Solicitor, Devonport, England (parents deceased). Stanley Jenkins stated on his Attestation Papers that he had served for 3 years with Volunteer Artillery, Kong Hong.

Private Stanley Llewellyn Jenkins was posted to 21st Depot on 7th August, 1915 for recruit training. He was transferred to 11th Reinforcements of 11th Battalion on 28th October, 1915. He was transferred to 12th Reinforcements of 11th Battalion on 1st November, 1915 & promoted to Corporal.

Corporal Stanley Llewellyn Jenkins embarked from Fremantle, Western Australia on RMS *Mongolia* on 22nd November, 1915 with the 11th Infantry Battalion, 12th Reinforcements.

Corporal Stanley Llewellyn Jenkins was written up for a Crime on 29th January, 1916 – Absent from Garrison Camp at Zeitoun from 7 am to 8.30 pm. He forfeited 1 days' pay.

Corporal Stanley Llewellyn Jenkins joined 11th Battalion at Habieta on 2nd March, 1916 & was posted to "D" Company. He reverted to the rank of Private on joining his Battalion.

Private Stanley Llewellyn Jenkins embarked from Alexandria on 29th March, 1916 on H.M.T. *Corsican* & disembarked at Marseilles, France on 5th April, 1916.

Private Stanley Llewellyn Jenkins was wounded in action in France between 22 – 25th July, 1916. He was admitted to 1st Field Ambulance on 23rd July, 1916 with G.S.W. (gunshot wound/s) to leg. Private Jenkins was transferred & admitted to 3rd Casualty Clearing Station on 23rd July, 1916 then transferred to Ambulance Train. He was admitted to 6th General Hospital at Rouen, France on 24th July, 1916. Private Jenkins was invalided to England from Havre on Hospital Ship *Gloucester Castle* on 26th July, 1916.

### 11th Battalion

The 11th Battalion was among the first infantry units raised for the AIF during the First World War. It was the first battalion recruited in Western Australia, and with the 9th, 10th and 12th Battalions it formed the 3rd Brigade.

.... In March 1916, the battalion sailed for France and the Western Front. From then until 1918, the battalion took part in bloody trench warfare. Its first major action in France was at Pozieres in the Somme valley in July. After Pozieres, the battalion manned trenches near Ypres in Flanders before returning to the Somme valley for winter.

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

## War Diary – 11th Battalion

### *July 22 – Firing Line*

*Capt. A. H. Macfarlane O/C “A” Coy was killed during the early morning.*

*Copy of Battalion orders from first offensive against POZIERES is attached*

*Narrative of the operations embracing the whole time Battalion was in the firing line (19th -25th July) is attached.*

*Extract from Appendix F – Operations at Pozieres from 19th to 25th July 1916 of 11th Battalion, A.I.F.:*

*... A sniper who had taken up position on an old ambulance wagon obtained several of our men until he was located.*

*On night of 25/26th July we were relieved at midnight by the 19th Battalion.*

*Our casualties during the operation were:-*

	<i>Killed</i>	<i>Wounded</i>	<i>Missing</i>
<i>Officers</i>	<i>6</i>	<i>11</i>	<i>1</i>
<i>Other Ranks</i>	<i>62</i>	<i>358</i>	<i>91</i>

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(Extract of War Diary from the Australian War Memorial)

Private Stanley Llewellyn Jenkins was admitted to the Beaufort War Hospital, Bristol, England on 27th July, 1916. The Hospital Admissions form recorded the following: *“Through wounds lower third, incomplete fracture, verified by X.R. Simply shrapnel bullet hole through tibia, tube inserted through, much cellulitis. Free incisions, continuous saline irrigation, improvement for 3 days & then rapidly became worse locally & generally. Amputation through knee. Death from cardiac failure 8 hours later.”*

Private Stanley Llewellyn Jenkins died on 9th August, 1916 at Beaufort War Hospital, Bristol, England from wounds received in action in France – G.S.W. to leg, Cellulitis & Cardiac Failure.

A death for Stanley L. Jenkins, aged 36, was registered in the September quarter, 1916 in the district of Bristol, Gloucestershire, England.

Private Stanley Llewellyn Jenkins was buried in Arnos Vale Cemetery, Bristol, Gloucestershire, England. His name is remembered on the CWGC Screen Wall & he has a flat Memorial Stone. Cemetery/Memorial reference Screen Wall 3.735.

Private Stanley Llewellyn Jenkins requested in his Will that in the event of his death, the whole of his property and effects to be given to Mrs Margaret Fullarton Randall, Bridge House, Donnelly River, via Margemah, West Australia.

Base Records wrote to Mrs M. F. Randall, Bridge House, Donnelly River, Western Australia in June, 1920 & again in September, 1920, as no reply had previously been received, enquiring if the parents of the late Private S. L. Jenkins were alive & if not the names of any brothers (stating the eldest) or any sister older than Mrs Ethel Gard. The information was required in order to finalise the affairs of the late soldier. [Note: The “Deceased Soldiers Estates Act 1918” stated that the War Medals & Mementoes of a deceased soldier were to be handed in the following order of relationship – Widow, eldest surviving son, eldest surviving daughter, father, mother, eldest surviving brother, eldest surviving sister etc. ]

Mrs M. F. Randall replied to Base Records in September, 1920 stating that the parents of the late Private Stanley Llewellyn Jenkins were both dead & he had one sister – “Mrs Ethel Gard, Twinham Stoke, Devon, England.”

Mrs M. F. Randall had previously written to Base Records in December, 1916 asking them to find out about Private S. L. Jenkins No. 3687 personal things & to forward them to her. She stated in the letter “*His brother Capt. Norman Jenkins sent me his ring but all other thing had been sent to Melbourne when he enquired about Aug 10th. I may add that he made his Will leaving me everything.*”

Private Stanley Llewellyn Jenkins was entitled to 1914/15 Star, British War Medal & the Victory Medal. A Memorial Scroll & Memorial Plaque were also sent to Private Jenkins’ sister - Mrs E. Gard, as the closest next-of-kin. (Scroll & Plaque issued in England in February, 1922).

The Commonwealth War Graves Commission lists Private S. L. Jenkins – service number 3687, of 11th Battalion, Australian Infantry. No family details are listed.

S. L. Jenkins is remembered on the Western Australia State War Memorial which is located at the top of Kings Park and Botanic Garden escarpment, ANZAC Bluff, Fraser Avenue, Perth, Western Australia. The memorial was developed around an 18 metre tall obelisk as the principal feature, which is almost a replica of the Australian Imperial Force Memorials erected in France and Belgium.

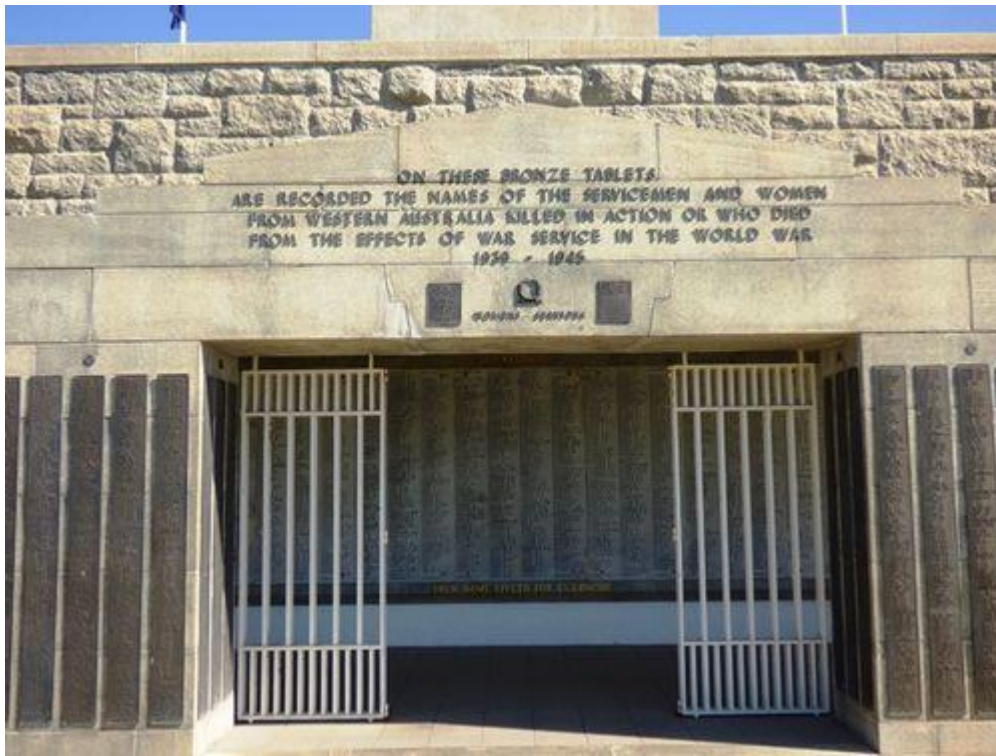
The heavy concrete foundations are supplemented by heavy brick walls which enclose an inner chamber or crypt. The walls surrounding the crypt are covered with The Roll of Honour; marble tablets which list under their units the names of more than 7,000 members of the services killed in action or as a result of World War One.



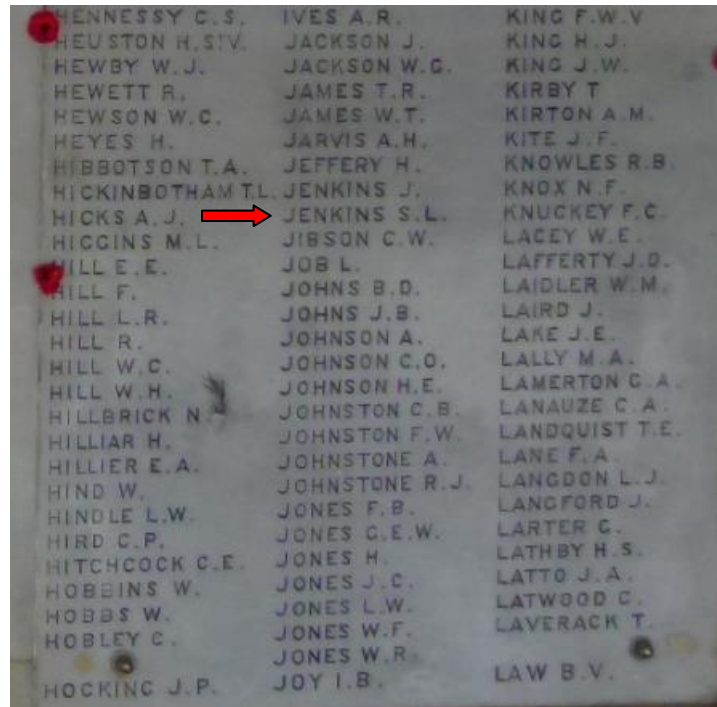
**Western Australia State War Memorial Cenotaph, Kings Park (above)**

**& (below) The Crypt with the Roll of Honour names**

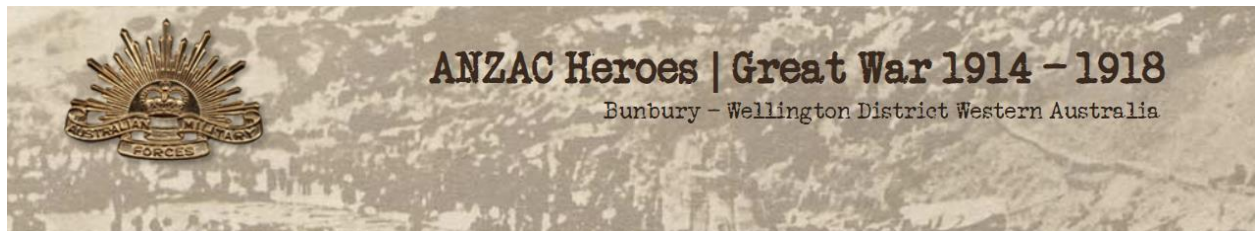
*(Photos from Monument Australia – Kent Watson/Sandra Tattersall/Graeme Saunders)*



11th Battalion Panel (Photo courtesy of Gordon Stuart)



Stanley Llewellyn Jenkins is remembered on the Anzac Heroes, Great War 1914-1918 website for the Bunbury-Wellington District, Western Australia.



Stanley Llewellyn Jenkins is not remembered on the Manjimup War Memorial, Western Australia.



**Manjimup War Memorial** (Photo from Monument Australia)

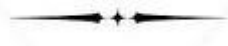
Private S. L. Jenkins is commemorated on the Roll of Honour, located in the Hall of Memory Commemorative Area at the Australian War Memorial, Canberra, Australia on Panel 62.



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

(42 pages of Private Stanley Llewellyn Jenkins' 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**

### **THE ROLL OF HONOUR**

Three more casualty lists – the 197th, 198th and 199th – were issued during the week, and are detailed below...

Wounded – S. L. Jenkins (England)

(*Sunday Times*, Perth, Western Australia – 27 August, 1916)

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### **AUSTRALIANS IN ACTION**

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

#### **TWO CASUALTY LISTS**

The 200th list is as follows:-

WEST AUSTRALIA

DIED OF WOUNDS

S. L. Jenkins, England, previously reported wounded

(*Kalgoorlie Western Argus*, Western Australia – 5 September, 1916)

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Probates – The following probates and letters of administration have been granted by the Supreme Court:- Probates: Stanley Llewellyn Jenkins, late of Donnelly River, via Manjimup, to Margaret Fullarton Randall £21 17s.

(*Western Mail*, Perth, Western Australia – 10 August, 1917)

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### **Commonwealth War Graves Commission Headstones**

The Commonwealth War Graves Commission cares for cemeteries and memorials in 23,000 locations, in 153 countries. In all 1.7 million men and women from the Commonwealth forces from WWI and WWII have been honoured and commemorated in perpetuity.

The Commonwealth War Graves Commission, as part of its mandate, is responsible for commemorating all Commonwealth war dead individually and equally. To this end, the war dead are commemorated by name on a headstone, at an identified site of a burial, or on a memorial. War dead are commemorated uniformly and equally, irrespective of military or civil rank, race or creed.

Not all service personnel have a Commonwealth War Graves Commission headstone. In some instances the relative chose to have their own memorial/headstone placed on the deceased's grave. These private headstones are not maintained by the CWGC as they have no jurisdiction to maintain them.



## Arnos Vale Cemetery, Bristol, Gloucestershire, England

The cemetery was established in 1837. During both wars, there were a number of military hospitals at Bristol and the city was the depot of the Gloucestershire Regiment. During the Second World War there were also a number of Royal Air Force stations and prisoner of war camps in the area. ARNOS VALE CEMETERY contains burials of both wars. Most of the 356 First World War burials were of men who died at the local hospitals, particularly the 2nd Southern General and the Beaufort, many of whom were landed at Avonmouth from hospital ships from the Mediterranean. Their graves can be found in the 'Soldiers Corner', a plot established by the British Red Cross, near the main entrance. The 238 casualties buried here are commemorated on a memorial at the rear of the plot. The rest of the graves are scattered throughout the cemetery. There are also special memorials to one casualty buried in the cemetery whose grave could not be located and another commemorating a casualty buried in Bedminster Church Cemetery whose grave could not be maintained. There are 149 burials from the Second World War, some forming a small plot in an area in the upper part of the cemetery set aside for burials from the Naval Hospital at Barrow Gurney; the rest are scattered. Those whose graves are not marked by headstones are named on a Screen Wall Memorial. BRISTOL (ARNOS VALE) CREMATORIUM stands within the cemetery. A memorial in front of the crematorium commemorates 68 servicemen and women of the Second World War whose remains were cremated there.

*(Information from CWGC)*



**Arnos Vale Cemetery - Main Entrance on Bath Road** *(Photo by JohnM – Find a Grave)*



*(Photo from CWGC)*



**Soldiers' Corner – Arnos Vale Cemetery** (Photo by JohnM – Find a Grave April, 2017)



**New Memorial Stones** (Photo by JohnM – Find a Grave November, 2018)

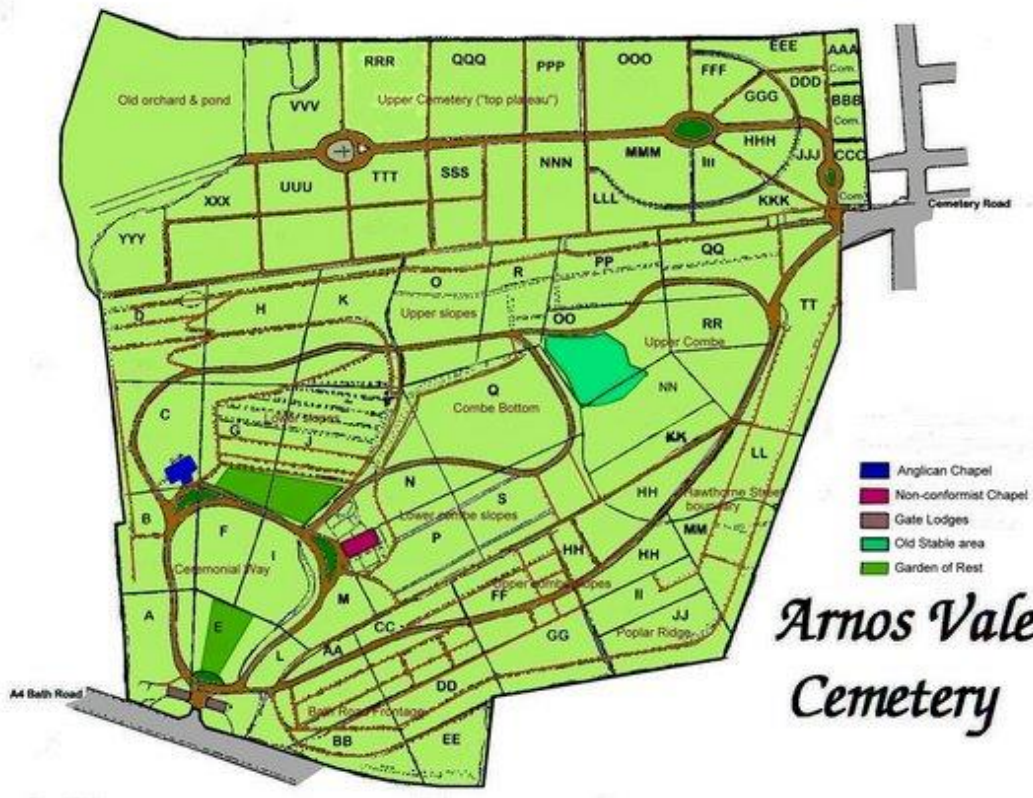
Photo of Private Stanley L. Jenkins' name on the Commonwealth War Graves Commission Screen Wall in Arnos Vale Cemetery, Bristol, Gloucestershire, England & his Memorial Stone in Soldiers' Corner.



(Photos by JohnM – Find a Grave April, 2019)

PTE. RICHARD GOSSAGE	40 <sup>TH</sup> BATTN.
PTE. WILLIAM GREATHEAD	33 <sup>RD</sup> BATTN.
PTE. WILLIAM FRANCIS HAM	22 <sup>ND</sup> BATTN.
PTE. STANLEY L. JENKINS	11 <sup>TH</sup> BATTN.
PTE. THOMAS H. JACKSON	26 <sup>TH</sup> BATTN.
CPL. WILLIAM THORNTON JOHNSON	25 <sup>TH</sup> BATTN.
PTE. DONALD MORRISON	54 <sup>TH</sup> BATTN.





(Photo by Debra Polly – Find a Grave)