

**Milton Cemetery,
Portsmouth, Hampshire
War Graves**



Lest We Forget

World War 1



4527 PRIVATE

C. M. JONES

57TH BN. AUSTRALIAN INF.

10TH DECEMBER, 1916

Clarence Morgan JONES

Clarence Morgan Jones was born on 1st June, 1892 at Bothwell, near Oatlands, Tasmania to parents Charles James Benjamin Jones and Mary Ann Jones (nee Fleming). (Clarence Morgan listed his place of birth on his Attestation Papers as Colebrook, Tasmania.)

Clarence Morgan Jones was Home schooled.

Clarence Morgan Jones was a 23 year old, single, Shepherd from Jericho, Tasmania when he enlisted on 15th September, 1915 with the Australian Imperial Force (A.I.F.). His service number was 4527 & his religion was Church of England. His next of kin was listed as his father – Mr C. Jones, of Colebrook, Tasmania.

Private Clarence Morgan Jones was posted to "A" Company at Claremont on 15th September, 1915 for recruit training. He was transferred to 12th Infantry Battalion, 14th Reinforcements on 10th December, 1915.

Private Clarence Morgan Jones embarked from Melbourne, Victoria on HMAT *Warilda* (A69) on 8th February, 1916 with the 12th Infantry Battalion, 14th Reinforcements & disembarked at Suez on 8th March, 1916.

Private Clarence Morgan Jones was taken on strength of 52nd Battalion from 12th Battalion at Serapeum on 19th April, 1916.

Private Clarence Morgan Jones was re-allotted from 3rd Training Battalion on 20th May, 1916 to 13th Training Battalion as Reinforcements to 52nd Battalion.

Private Clarence Morgan Jones was sent to Hospital on 23rd May, 1916. He was transferred from 54th Casualty Clearing Station with Pleurisy then admitted to No. 1 Australian Stationary Hospital at Serapeum on 27th May, 1916.

Private Clarence Morgan Jones embarked from Alexandria on 21st June, 1916 on *Ivernia* to join B.E.F. (British Expeditionary Force). He disembarked at Marseilles, France on 30th June, 1916.

Private Clarence Morgan Jones proceeded to join 57th Battalion from Divisional Base at Etaples, France on 22nd July, 1916. He was taken on Strength of 57th Battalion in France on 22nd July, 1916.

Private Clarence Morgan Jones was sent sick to Hospital on 27th November, 1916. He was admitted to 38th Casualty Clearing Station with Trench feet then transferred to Ambulance Train on 29th November, 1916. Pte Jones was admitted to 2nd General Hospital at Havre, France on 30th November, 1916. Pte Jones was invalided to England on 3rd December, 1916 on Hospital Ship *Gloucester Castle*.

57th Battalion

The 57th Battalion was raised in Egypt on 18 February 1916 as part of the "doubling" of the AIF. Half of its recruits were Gallipoli veterans from the 5th Battalion, and the other half, fresh reinforcements from Australia. Reflecting the composition of the 5th, the 57th was predominantly composed of men from the suburbs of Melbourne. The battalion became part of the 15th Brigade of the 5th Australian Division.

Having only arrived in France in late June, the 57th became embroiled in its first major battle on the Western Front on 19 July, without the benefit of an introduction to the trenches in a "quiet" sector. The battle of Fromelles was a disaster. Fortunately for the 57th it was allocated a supporting role and suffered relatively light casualties compared to its sister battalions. This, however, meant that 57th carried the burden of holding the line in ensuing days for the battalion. Despite its grievous losses, the 5th Division continued to man the front in the Fromelles sector for a further two months.

War Diary – 57th Battalion

27th November, 1916 – Near Gueudecourt

The day was fine throughout and was spent in effecting all trench improvements possible. The usual shelling on both sides was maintained. The sick parades were very heavy, the result of the previous days rain and exposure.

Every attention was given to feet. Hot food was got up three times during the day and night. The usual ration and working parties were maintained.

(Extract of Battalion information & War Diary from the Australian War Memorial)

Private Clarence Morgan Jones was admitted to 5th Southern General Hospital at Portsmouth, Hampshire, England on 3rd December, 1916 with Trench feet. He was reported as dangerously ill on 7th December, 1916.

Private Clarence Morgan Jones died at 10.50 am on 10th December, 1916 at 5th Southern General Hospital at Portsmouth, Hampshire, England from Pneumonia & Gangrene of both feet.

A death for Clarence M. Jones, aged 24, was registered in the December quarter, 1916 in the district of Portsmouth, Hampshire, England.

Private Clarence Morgan Jones was buried on 13th December, 1916 in Milton Cemetery, Portsmouth, Hampshire, England – Plot number 3, Row C and has a Commonwealth War Graves Commission headstone. The Cortege left at 2 pm from 5th Southern General Hospital, Portsmouth.

A letter was sent from Base Records on 20th April, 1920 to Mr C. Jones, father, of the late Private Clarence Morgan Jones, advising that his son's remains had been exhumed from the former site in Milton Cemetery & had been re-interred in Plot H. Row 19. Grave No. 15 in the same cemetery. It was explained that *"this work is carried out with every measure of care and reverence in the presence of a Chaplain"*.

Private Clarence Morgan Jones was entitled to British War Medal & the Victory Medal. A Memorial Scroll & Memorial Plaque were also sent to Pte Jones' father – Mr C. Jones, as the closest next-of-kin. (Scroll sent November, 1921 & Plaque sent July, 1922).

On 12th August, 1925 Mr & Mrs Jones, parents of the late Private Clarence Morgan Jones, wrote to Base Records thanking them for the photographs of their son's grave & thanking Mr Sanderson who has been caring for the graves.

The Commonwealth War Graves Commission lists Private Clarence Morgan Jones – service number 4527, of 57th Battalion Australian Infantry. He was the son of Charles James and Mary Ann Jones, of Oatlands, Tasmania. Born at Bothwell, Tasmania.

Private C. M. Jones is commemorated on the Roll of Honour, located in the Hall of Memory Commemorative Area at the Australian War Memorial, Canberra, Australia on Panel 165.



Roll Of Honour WW1 Australian War Memorial Canberra, Australia

C. M. Jones & his brother W. H. Jones are remembered on the Bothwell Avenue of Honour, Patrick Street, Bothwell, Tasmania. The original Avenue of Honour trees were removed in the early 1990's due to their age. They were replaced by Japanese Maple. There are no nameplates attached to the replacement trees.



Bothwell Avenue of Honour (Photos from Monument Australia –Diane Watson/John Huth)



C. Jones & his brother W. H. Jones are remembered on the St. Peter's Church War Memorial Vestry, located in St. Peter's Anglican Church, William Street, Oatlands, Tasmania.



St. Peter's Church War Memorial Vestry, Oatlands (Photo from Monument Australia – Arthur Garland)

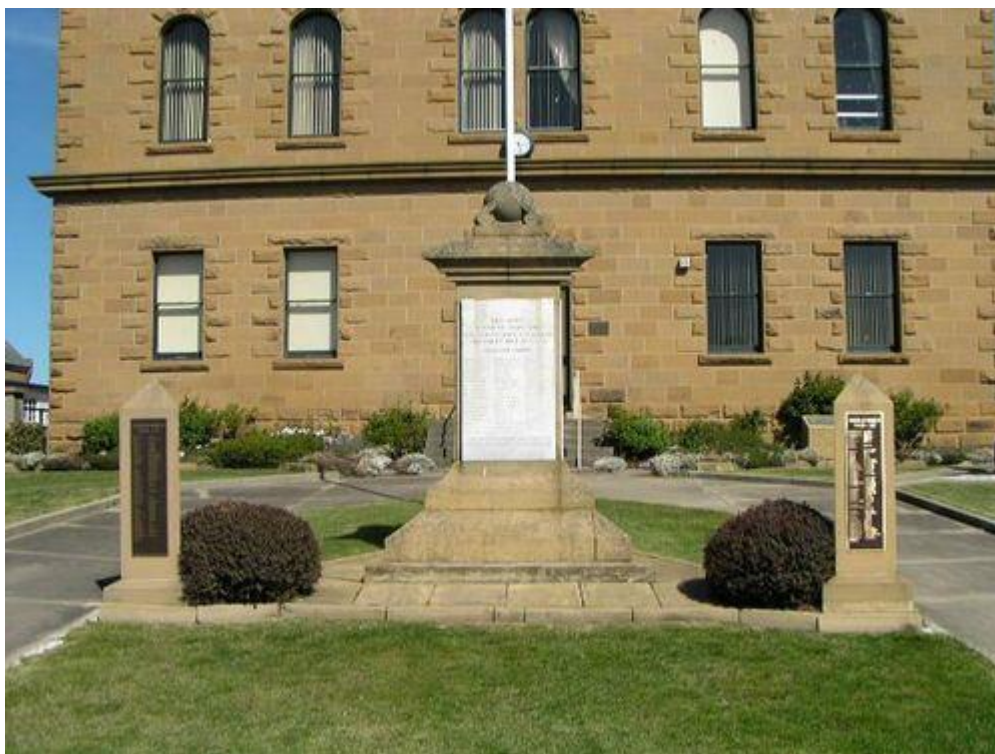
C. M. Jones & his brother W. H. Jones are remembered on the Oatlands Photographic Roll of Honour – consists of three glazed wooden frames, each with four photos commemorating soldiers who served in World War 1. The framed photos are located in Oatlands Town Hall, High Street, Oatlands, Tasmania.



C. M. Jones (bottom left) & his brother W. H. Jones (bottom right)

Oatlands Photographic Roll of Honour (Photo from Monument Australia –John Huth)

C. Jones & his brother W. H. Jones are remembered on the Oatlands Soldiers Memorial located at High Street, Oatlands, Tasmania.



Oatlands Soldiers Memorial (Photos from Monument Australia – Diane Watson)



Clarence Morgan Jones 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)

NUMBER	RANK	SURNAME	CHRISTIAN NAME	DOB	AGE	UNIT	TOWN	ANZAC
3570	Pvt	Jacobs	Alfred	03.09.1910	20	52nd Inf Bn	Launceston	
2494	Pvt	Jago	Leonard Francis	29.07.1910	20	26th Inf Bn	Somerset	ANZAC
3618	Pvt	Jama	Henry George	03.09.1910	19	52nd Inf Bn	Scottsdale	ANZAC
1612	Pvt	Jamie	Henry Thomas	04.09.1910	20	52nd Inf Bn	New Norfolk	ANZAC
4520	Pvt	Jarvis	Ernest	08.09.1910	20	52nd Inf Bn	Derby	
2710	Pvt	Jarvey	John	03.09.1910	20	52nd Inf Bn	Overstone	ANZAC
2710	Pvt	Jarvey	John	03.09.1910	20	52nd Inf Bn	Georgetown	
1727	Pvt	Jenkins	Henry Charles	26.04.1910	24	26th Inf Bn	Scottsdale	
200	Pvt	Jessop	Walter Walter	29.10.1910	22	51st Inf Bn	Hobart	
3453	Pvt	Johansen	Oscar Sanford	04.09.1910	22	52nd Inf Bn	Derby	ANZAC
2037	Pvt	Johnson	Charles Henry	10.05.1910	20	12th Inf Bn	Wynyard	ANZAC
389	Sgt	Johnson	Alfred Robert	04.09.1910	24	57th Inf Bn	Bothwell	
4527	Pvt	Jones	Clarence Morgan	10.12.1910	24	57th Inf Bn	Gladstone	
3964	Pvt	Jones	David	25.07.1910	20	12th Inf Bn	Queenstown	ANZAC
1122	Pvt	Jones	John Alexander	29.07.1910	22	26th Inf Bn	Oatlands	
1017	Pvt	Jones	Lugh John	10.11.1910	21	12th Inf Bn	Motton	ANZAC
				02.08.1910	25	9th LI Horse Regt	Tasman	

NUMBER	RANK	SURNAME	CHRISTIAN NAME	DOB	AGE	UNIT	TOWN	ANZAG	NUMBER
			Alfred	03.09.1910	20	52nd Inf Bn	Launceston		6127
			Alfred Francis	29.07.1910	20	26th Inf Bn	Somerset	ANZAG	2897
			Leonard Francis	03.09.1910	19	52nd Inf Bn	Scottsdale		2050
			Henry George	04.09.1910	20	52nd Inf Bn	New Norfolk	ANZAG	2668
			Henry Thomas	08.09.1910	20	52nd Inf Bn	Derby		392
			Ernest	03.09.1910	20	52nd Inf Bn	Ulverston		1636
			John	03.09.1910	20	26th Inf Bn	Georgetown	ANZAG	1667
			Henry Charles	26.04.1910	24	51st Inf Bn	Scottsdale		1890
			William Walter	23.10.1910	32	52nd Inf Bn	Hobart		1169
			Joseph	04.08.1910	22	52nd Inf Bn	Derby	ANZAG	488
			Johanson	19.08.1910	20	12th Inf Bn	Wynyard	ANZAG	2452
			Johna	04.09.1910	24	52nd Inf Bn	Bothwell		4355
			Alfred Robert	10.12.1910	24	57th Inf Bn	Bothwell		4389
			Clarence Morgan	25.07.1910	30	12th Inf Bn	Gladstone		2857
			David	29.07.1910	22	26th Inf Bn	Queenstown	ANZAG	4760
			John Alexander	10.11.1910	21	12th Inf Bn	Oatlands		9494
			Leigh Aston	09.08.1910	25	3rd Lt Horse Regt	Molton	ANZAG	4154
			Walter William R	04.09.1910	21	52nd Inf Bn	Zeehan		1025
			Alfred John	05.08.1910	20	26th Inf Bn	Claremont		4019
			Walter Joseph H	25.08.1910	32	56th Inf Bn	Lairaba		3519
			George Calderwell	02.03.1910	33	12th Inf Bn	Hobart		922
			Michael John	28.11.1910	27	52nd Inf Bn	Hobart	ANZAG	5170
			James Patrick	24.07.1910	20	12th Inf Bn	Hobart	ANZAG	4578
			Eric Samuel	19.08.1910	20	12th Inf Bn	Glebe	ANZAG	2949
			Frank	05.08.1910	21	3rd Lt Horse Regt	Launceston	ANZAG	3467
			Basil	06.08.1910	33	16th Inf Bn	Launceston		1170
			Richard Horwood	29.07.1910	20	26th Inf Bn	Hobart	ANZAG	2689
			Percy	26.05.1910	22	26th Inf Bn	Launceston		1742
			Leonard Edwin R	04.09.1910	19	52nd Inf Bn	Mathinna		2044
			Harold Vincent	20.07.1910	20	31st Inf Bn	Stanley	ANZAG	879
			Stanley Gylfiad	15.09.1910	0	ANZEF Hill Sds	Bream Creek		275
			Caecil Herbert	11.12.1910	20	12th Inf Bn	Evandale		560
			John	03.09.1910	20	52nd Inf Bn	Launceston		183
			John Basil	27.11.1910	30	3rd Tunnel Coy	Claremont		2750
			Albert Edward	13.11.1910	23	12th Inf Bn	Exeter		288
			Wiloughby	06.08.1910	20	15th Inf Bn	Geveeston	ANZAG	227
			Rene George	05.10.1910	20	19th Inf Bn	Hobart	ANZAG	517
			Walter	23.07.1910	23	56th Inf Bn	Launceston		127
			Charles Harold	11.11.1910	22	12th Inf Bn	Zeehan		183
			James Dennis	23.07.1910	32	12th Inf Bn	Ulverston	ANZAG	350
			Edgar	22.07.1910	22	3rd Fd Coy Engrs	Mathinna		368
			Thomas Leslie	11.11.1910	21	26th Inf Bn	Railton	ANZAG	488
			James Francis	29.07.1910	28	26th Inf Bn	Launceston		29
			Alfred John	29.07.1910	27	26th Inf Bn	Hobart		52
			James William	29.07.1910	19	26th Inf Bn	Esperance		22
			Hilton Magnus	04.08.1910	24	15th Fd Coy Engrs	Hobart		29
			Albert	19.08.1910	24	12th Inf Bn	Lairaba	ANZAG	27
			William Robert	29.07.1910	29	26th Inf Bn	Launceston	ANZAG	43
			Leonard Tasher	14.11.1910	23	26th Inf Bn	Wynyard	ANZAG	5
			Leslie	29.07.1910	20	26th Inf Bn	Hobart		2
			Victor Tasman	03.09.1910	40	52nd Inf Bn	Devonport	ANZAG	3
			Charles Augustus	03.09.1910	20	52nd Inf Bn	Claremont		3
			William De Faye	04.09.1910	29	52nd Inf Bn	Newtown		2
			Leonard C	25.07.1910	31	12th Inf Bn	Woodbridge		4
			Charles Daniel	06.08.1910	37	3rd Lt Horse Regt	Longley	ANZAG	4
			Wilfred	22.08.1910	23	Depot reo (Aust)	Swansea		2
			Norman Albert	21.11.1910	24	26th Inf Bn	Hobart	ANZAG	2
			Cyril Edmund	07.04.1910	31	12th Inf Bn	Fingal	ANZAG	2
			Claude Hume	27.11.1910	22	3rd Tunnel Coy	Queenstown		2
			Michael	19.08.1910	43	12th Inf Bn	Claremont	ANZAG	2
			Robert Allan	25.08.1910	23	Depot reo (Aust)	Richmond		2
			William Ambrose						

(69 pages of Private Clarence Morgan Jones' Service records are available for On Line viewing at National Archives of Australia website).

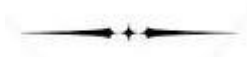
Information obtained from the CWGC, Australian War Memorial (Roll of Honour, First World War Embarkation Roll) & National Archives

[Connected to Private Clarence Morgan Jones:](#)

Brother - Corporal Walter Henry Jones, 677, 40th Battalion. Died of wounds - 7th May, 1917. Buried in Trois Arbres Cemetery, Steenwerck, France.



Private Clarence Morgan Jones



Newspaper Notices

HOSPITAL CASES

Private C. M. Jones, Colebrook, seriously ill.

(Daily Telegraph, Launceston, Tasmania – 26 December, 1916)

ROLL OF HONOUR

JONES – Died of illness, on December 10, 1916, Private Clarence Margan, fourth dearly beloved son of Charles J. B. and Mary A. Jones, in the 25th year of his age. For King and country.

A Tasmanian soldier, Private C. M. Jones, saying good-bye to his dear mother when the brave hero was going into the firing lines:-

Good-bye to My Dear Mother.

Dearest Mother,

I am sending just a line before we start;

Makes a chap feel rather serious,

From his home and folk to part,

But we shall not be down hearted;

There is sun as well as rain;

Hope you will keep quite fit and cheery

Until I return again.

(The Mercury, Hobart, Tasmania – 25 January, 1917)

IN MEMORIAM

Died on Active Service

JONES – In loving memory of our dear brothers, Corporal Walter Henry Jones, who died of wounds in France on May 7, 1917; also his brother, Private Clarence Morgan Jones, who died of illness on December 10, 1916.

Your deaths had saddened our home, dear brothers,

Though noble was your call;

You fought and died for us, dears,

The bravest death of all.

And when I think of you, dear brother,

The tears that often flow.

And to that far off lonely spot

Our thought they often go,

Inserted by his loving brother and sister-in-law, Charlie and Isabell.

(The Mercury, Hobart, Tasmania – 7 May, 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. 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)

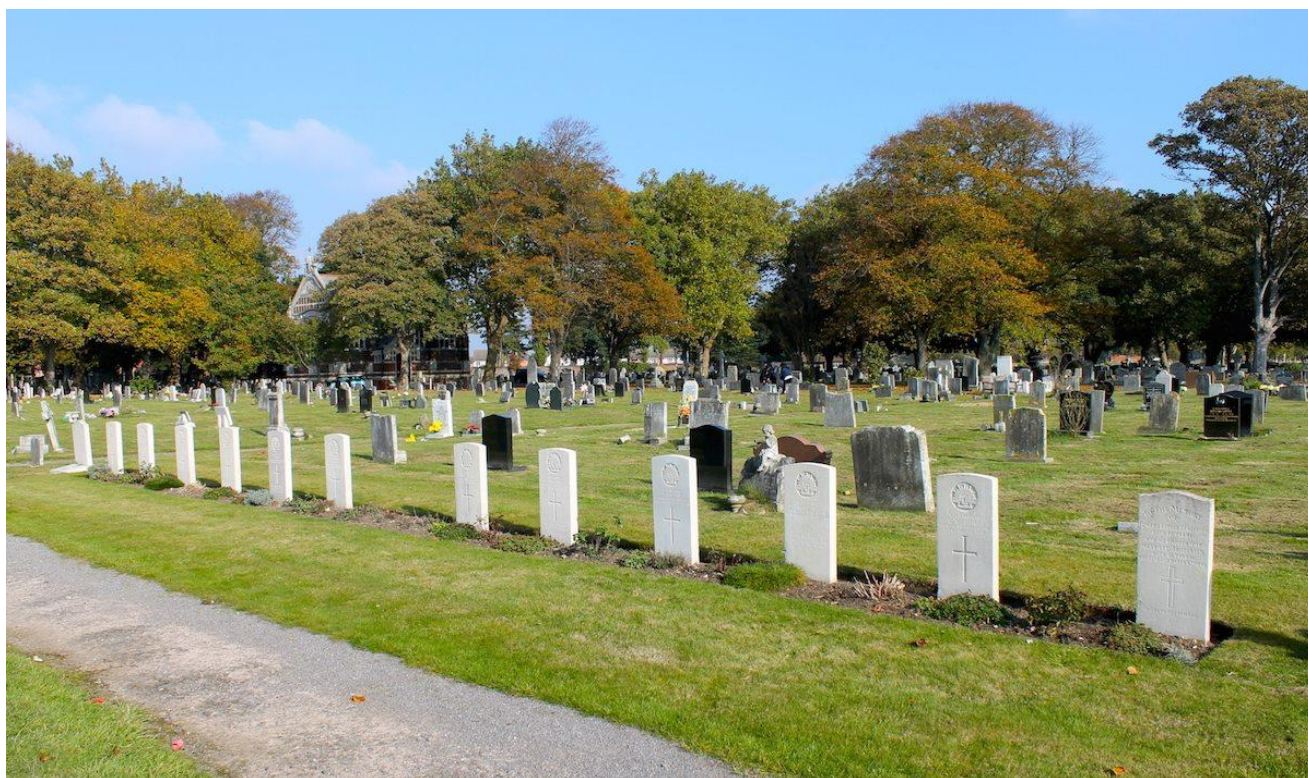
Private C. M. Jones does not have a personal inscription on his headstone.

Milton Cemetery, Portsmouth, Hampshire, England

Milton Cemetery, Portsmouth contains 426 Commonwealth War Graves – 192 relating to World War 1 & 234 relating to World War 2. There are 12 Australian War Graves from World War 1 in this cemetery.

It was opened in 1911, and contains war graves of both World Wars. The 1914-1918 burials are mainly in Plot 1. After the war a Cross of Sacrifice was erected on the northern side of the chapel in honour of all the servicemen buried in the cemetery. The 1939-1945 War burials are widely spread throughout the cemetery.

(Information from CWGC)



Australian War Graves in Milton Cemetery, Portsmouth *(Photo by Mr Peter Bennett)*

Photo of Private C. M. Jones' Commonwealth War Graves Commission Headstone in Milton Cemetery, Portsmouth, Hampshire, England.



(Photo courtesy of Portsmouth Remembers)



Cemetery Chapel at Milton Cemetery, Portsmouth *(Photo by Basher Eyre)*