

**St. Mary's New Churchyard,
Codford, Wiltshire, England**

War Graves



Lest We Forget

World War 1



2538 PRIVATE

L. KINANE

49TH BN. AUSTRALIAN INF.

6TH JANUARY, 1917 Age 19

Lawrence KINANE

Lawrence Kinane was born at Tipperary, County Cork, Ireland around 1896 to parents Daniel and Catherine Kinane (nee Power).

The 1901 Ireland Census recorded Lawrence Kinane as a 5 year old, living with his family at Ardloman, Bruis, Tipperary, Ireland. His parents were listed as Daniel Kinane (Farmer, aged 43, born Co. Tipperary) & Catherine Kinane (Housekeeper, aged 1896, born Co. Tipperary). Lawrence was one of six children listed on this Census – (all born Co. Tipperary). Lawrence then Michael (age listed as “-“), Mary Ellen (Scholar, aged 12), Delia (Scholar, aged 10), Kathleen (Scholar, aged 6), & Eliza (aged 4). Also listed were 2 Servants – Mary Allen (aged 24) & William Shanahan (aged 20). *(1901 Ireland Census information from transcription on Find My Past. Names recorded are in the order they were listed).*

Catherine Kinane, mother of Lawrence Kinane, died on 22nd June, 1906, at Tipperary, Ireland.

The 1911 Ireland Census recorded Lawrence Kinane as a 15 year old Scholar, living with his family at Ardloman, Bruis, Tipperary, Ireland. His father was listed as Daniel Kinane (Widower, Farmer, aged 32). Lawrence was one of 4 children listed on this Census – Mary Ellen (aged 20), then Lawrence, Elizabeth (Scholar, aged 14) & Michael (Scholar, aged 10).

Daniel Kinane, father of Lawrence Kinane, died in 1914.

From information provided for the Roll of Honour, Lawrence came to Australia when he was 18 years old. Lawrence Kinnane, Farm Hand, aged 18, was listed as a passenger on *Orontes*, which departed from the port of London on 7th November, 1913 bound for Brisbane, Australia.

Lawrence Kinane was a 20 year old, single, Labourer from Brisbane, Queensland when he enlisted on 10th June, 1916 with the Australian Imperial Force (A.I.F.). His religion was Roman Catholic & his next of kin was listed as his cousin* (Later information provided by Mrs Mary Mulcahy states she is Lawrence's Aunt) – Mrs Mary Mulcahey of Wantley Street, Warwick, Queensland.

Private Lawrence Kinane, Service number 2538, embarked from Brisbane on HMAT *Seang Choon (A49)* on 19th September, 1916 with the 49th Infantry Battalion, 5th Reinforcements & disembarked at Plymouth, England on 9th December, 1916.

Reinforcements were only given basic training in Australia. Training was completed in training units in England. These were located in the Salisbury Plain & surrounding areas in the county of Wiltshire.

Private Lawrence Kinane was marched in to 13th Training Battalion at Codford, Wiltshire, England.

Private Lawrence Kinane was admitted sick to Camp Hospital at Codford on 26th December, 1916. He was transferred to No. 3 New Zealand Hospital at Codford on 6th January, 1917.

Private Lawrence Kinane died at 11.55 p.m. on 6th January, 1917 at No. 3 New Zealand General Hospital at Codford, Wiltshire, England of Broncho pneumonia.

A death for Lawrence Kinnane, aged 21, was registered in the March quarter, 1917 in the district of Warminster, Wiltshire.

From the burial report of Private Lawrence Kinane – he “*was buried at the Military Cemetery, Codford, England.*” *(Note – no other information was supplied. All recorded details of the burial show – “undated”).*

Private Lawrence Kinane was buried in St. Mary's New Churchyard, Codford, Wiltshire, England.

A letter in Private Lawrence Kinane's Service Record file, dated 10th June, 1924, from Eric C. Stubbs of Victoria Point, Queensland to Victoria Barracks, Brisbane concerns Mr Stubbs endeavouring to receive official confirmation of the death of "Pte Larry Kinane" 49th Battalion. "This information is required in order to have his name added to those already on the Tingalpa Shire Memorial stone, which was unveiled by General Spencer Browne last year." A confirmation letter was returned to Mr Stubbs dated 21st June, 1924.

Mrs Mary Mulcahy, aunt of the late Private Lawrence Kinane, through her Solicitor E. A. Flower. Esq., made enquires as to a Will made out by Private Kinane. Army records show they had no record of any Will.

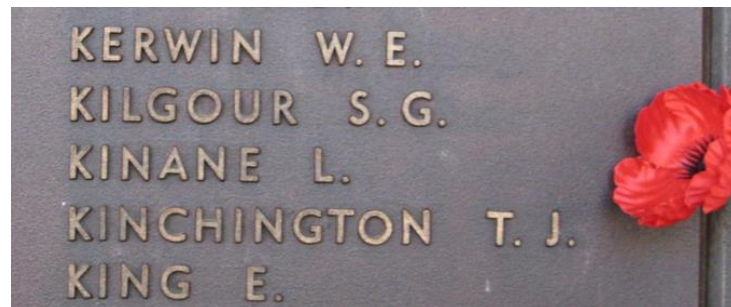
Private Lawrence Kinane was entitled to British War Medal only as he had not entered a Theatre of War. A letter dated 11th April, 1921 from Mrs Mary Mulcahy, to the Officer in Charge of Base Records, Melbourne states – "I am the deceased soldier's Aunt and he told me when he came to Queensland that his people were dead and that he was an orphan. His mother is my sister and I have been in Queensland nearly forty years now. I can give you no information as to his relatives, as I know of none living and I am his only relation in Australia".

Mrs Mulcahy was asked to complete a Statutory Declaration form to agree that she will preserve with due care any war medals or other items rendered by the late Private L. Kinane & will return them to the Department of Defence should they be required by someone having a prior claim.

A Memorial Scroll & Memorial Plaque were also sent to Private Kinane's aunt – Mrs Mary Mulcahy, both received in August, 1922.

The Commonwealth War Graves Commission lists Private Lawrence Kinane – service number 2538, aged 19, of 49th Battalion, Australian Infantry. He was the son of Daniel & Catherin Kinane. Born in County Cork, Ireland.

Private L. Kinane is commemorated in the Hall of Memory Commemorative Area at the Australian War Memorial, Canberra, Australia on Panel 148.



(Photos by Cathy Sedgwick)



Roll Of Honour WW1 Australian War Memorial Canberra, Australia

L. Kinana is remembered on the Roll of Honour Board for Tingalpa Shire, located in Mount Cotton Community Hall, Corner of Seaview and Mt Cotton Roads. (Column 3, 20th name – L. Kinana would be Lawrence Kinane spelt incorrectly. A check of the AWM records show no soldier named Kinana)

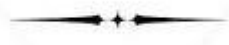


Tingalpa Roll of Honour (Photo from Queensland War Memorial Register)

Lawrence Kinane is remembered on Ireland's National Roll of Honour 1914-1921.

(43 pages of Private Lawrence Kinane's Service records are available for On Line viewing at National Archives of Australia website).

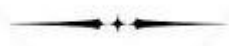
Information obtained from the Australian War Memorial (Roll of Honour, First World War Embarkation Roll) & National Archives





Private L. Kinane

(The Queenslander – 10 March, 1917)



Newspaper Reports

Roll of Honour

Two Lists

Two casualty lists were released by the censor this morning at 10 o'clock. Following is the summary of list No. 266...

QUEENSLAND

DIED OF ILLNESS

Pte L. Kinane, Warwick, 6/1/17

(The Telegraph, Brisbane, Queensland – 22 January, 1917)

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 Codford 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)

Private L. Kinane does not have a personal inscription on his headstone.

St. Mary's New Churchyard, Codford, Wiltshire, England

St. Mary's New Churchyard, Codford contains 99 Commonwealth War Graves. There are 31 Australian WW1 Graves; 66 New Zealand WW1 Graves; 1 British Army WW1 War Grave & 1 Welsh WW2 Grave.

The New Zealand Command Depot was established at Codford in June 1916 and the No 3 New Zealand General Hospital followed in July. The New Churchyard was established by deed of gift as the "Military Burial Ground," with a small part reserved for future burials from the parish. The war graves plot contains 98 burials, mostly of New Zealand and Australian forces. There is only one burial of the Second World War in the New Churchyard.

(Information from CWGC)





(Photos by Romy Wyeth 2013)



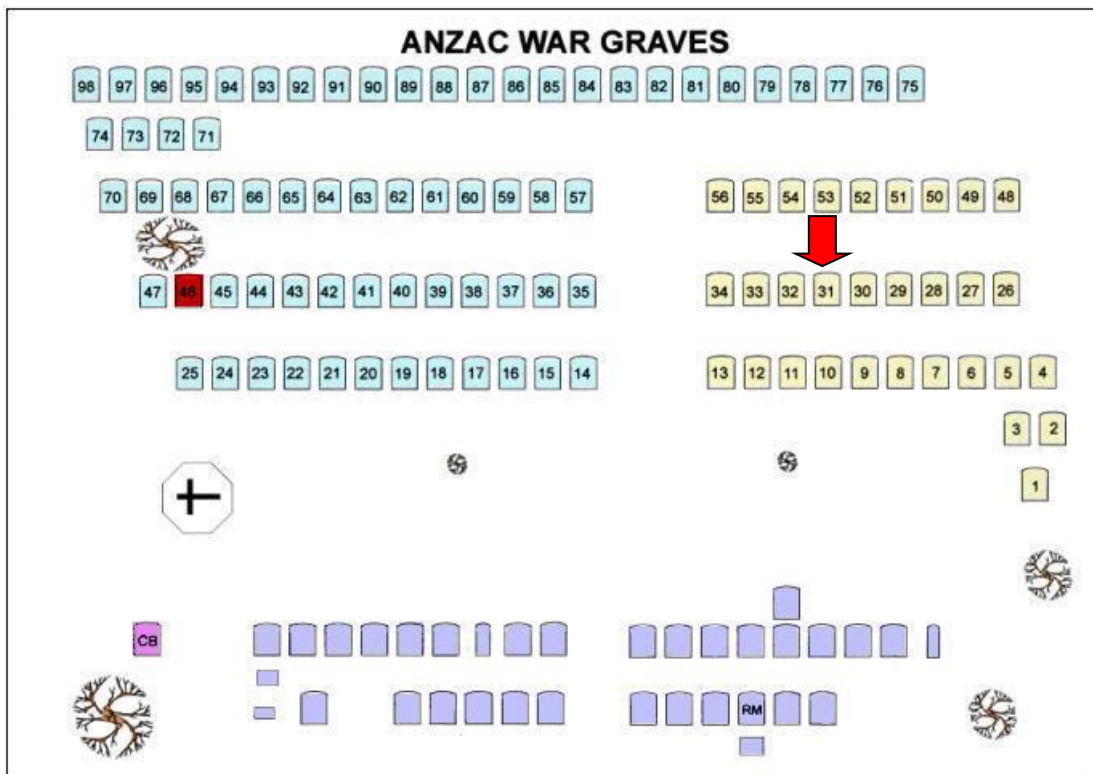
Photo of Pte L. Kinane's Headstone at St. Mary's New Churchyard, Codford, (Codford Anzac War Graves Cemetery), Wiltshire, England.



(Photo courtesy of Romy Wyeth)



Commonwealth War Graves Headstone for Private L. Kinane is located in Main Middle Row (Right hand side) Grave Plot # 31 of Codford War Graves Cemetery (CWGC Reference - Grave # 42)



- Australian Soldiers
- New Zealand Soldiers
- UK Soldier
- Welsh Soldier
- Local Burials

Codford War Graves map adapted from Brian Marshall courtesy of Romy Wyeth