

**Hammersmith Old Cemetery,
London, England
War Graves**



Lest We Forget

World War 1



6830 PRIVATE

A. LIVERMORE

24TH BN. AUSTRALIAN INF.

15TH JUNE, 1918 Age 31

Albert LIVERMORE

Albert New was born at Westfield, Sussex, England to parents James & Louisa New. His birth was registered in the June quarter, 1887 in the district of Battle, Sussex, England (Westfield was a parish of the Battle Registration District). Albert New was baptised on 29th May, 1887 at Westfield along with his brothers – William, George & Edward – sons of James & Louisa New, Gamekeeper of Westfield House.

The 1891 England Census recorded Albert New as a 4 year old, living with his family at 44 Alpha Place, Brede, Sussex, England. His parents were listed as James New (Gamekeeper, aged 41, born Erchfont, Wiltshire) & Louisa New (aged 36, born Middlesex). Albert was one of eight children listed on this Census – Percy New (Scholar, aged 9 born Brede, Sussex), George H. New (aged 7, born Brede, Sussex), Edwin New (aged 6, born Brede, Sussex), Arthur New (aged 5, born Brede, Sussex), then Albert New (born Westfield, Sussex), Frank New (aged 3, born Westfield, Sussex), Frederick New (aged 1, born Westfield, Sussex) & May Eva New (aged 7 months, born Westfield, Sussex).

The 1901 England Census recorded Albert Livermore as a 14 year old Pauper, living with his mother & six siblings at Rye Union Workhouse, Rye, Sussex, England. His mother was listed as Louisa Livermore (Cook – Housekeeper, aged 46, born Edmonton, London). Albert was the eldest of seven children listed on this Census – Albert then Frank Livermore (aged 13, born Westfield, Sussex), Frederick Livermore (aged 12, born Westfield, Sussex), May Livermore (aged 11, born Benenden, Kent), Lily Livermore (aged 10, born Rolvenden, Kent), Thomas Livermore (aged 8, born Beckley, Sussex) & Robert Livermore (aged 7, born Beckley, Sussex).

[Note: It is unknown why the family changed their surname to Livermore]

Albert Livermore was a 32 year old, single, Platelayer from West Melbourne, Victoria when he enlisted at Port Melbourne, Victoria on 7th September, 1917 with the Australian Imperial Force (A.I.F.). His service number was 6830 & his religion was Church of England. His next of kin was listed as his mother – Mrs L. Livermore, 12 Crown Street (Oldtown), Eastbourne, Sussex, England.

Private Albert Livermore was posted to Recruit Depot at Broadmeadows, Victoria on 8th September, 1917 for recruit training. He was transferred to 1st Depot Battalion, A.I.F. at Broadmeadows on 24th September, 1917.

Private Albert Livermore embarked from Melbourne, Victoria on HMAT *Nestor* (A71) on 21st November, 1917 with the 24th Infantry Battalion, 20th Reinforcements & disembarked at Suez on 15th December, 1917.

Private Albert Livermore embarked from Abbassiah, Alexandria on 8th January, 1918 & disembarked at Taranto, Italy on 13th January, 1918 then disembarked at Southampton, England on 24th January, 1918.

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 Albert Livermore was marched into 6th Training Battalion at Fovant, Wiltshire, England from Australia on 24th January, 1918.

Private Albert Livermore proceeded overseas to France via Folkestone on 29th April, 1918 from 6th Training Battalion at Fovant. He was posted to New Zealand Base Depot at Etaples, France on 30th April, 1918. Private Livermore proceeded from N.Z.B.D. on 4th May, 1918 to join his Unit & was taken on strength of 24th Battalion in the Field on 7th May, 1918 from 20th Reinforcements.

Private Albert Livermore was wounded in action on 19th May, 1918. He was admitted to 5th Australian Field Ambulance on 19th May, 1918 then transferred to 5th Casualty Clearing Station the same day with G.S.W. (gunshot wound/s) to Thigh & Hand. Private Livermore was transferred & admitted to 2nd Canadian General Hospital at Le Treport on 23rd May, 1918 with G.S.W. to Thigh & Right Hand. He embarked for England on 27th May, 1918.

24th Battalion

The 24th Battalion was raised in a hurry. The original intent was to raise the fourth battalion of the 6th Brigade from the "outer states", but a surplus of recruits at Broadmeadows Camp in Victoria led to a decision being made to raise it there. The battalion was formed during the first week of May 1915, and sailed from Melbourne at the end of that week.

Training shortfalls were made up in Egypt in July and August, and on 4 September 1915 the Battalion went ashore at Gallipoli.....

Like many AIF battalions, the 24th was very weak at the beginning of 1918, but still played its part in turning back the German offensive in April. When the Allies took to the offensive, the 24th fulfilled supporting roles during the battles of Hamel and Amiens.....

(Extract of Battalion information from the Australian War Memorial)

Private Albert Livermore was admitted to County of Middlesex War Hospital, Napsbury, St. Albans, England on 28th May, 1918 with shrapnel wounds to Left Thigh – severe.

Private Albert Livermore died at 11.15 pm on 15th June, 1918 at County of Middlesex War Hospital, Napsbury, St. Albans, England from G.S.W. to left Thigh & Broncho Pneumonia.

A death for Albert Livermore, aged 33, was registered in the June quarter, 1918 in the district of St. Albans, Hertfordshire, England.

Private Albert Livermore was buried at 2 pm on 21st June, 1918 in Hammersmith Old Cemetery, London, England – Plot number 30. H. 66 with a Commonwealth War Graves Commission headstone & is also remembered on the CWGC Screen Wall. From the burial report of Private Albert Livermore - *Coffin was good. Polished Elm. The deceased soldier was accorded a full Military Funeral. The coffin was draped with the Australian Flag surmounted by six beautiful wreaths. Gun carriage, Firing Party, Bugler and Pallbearers were in attendance. Archdeacon Richard conducted the burial service at the graveside. The "Last Post" was sounded. Administrative Headquarters, A.I.F. London were represented at the funeral.*

Names of relatives and friends present at the Funeral – Mother – Mrs L. Livermore, Brothers – Mr A. Livermore, Lt F. Livermore, R.N.R., Cpl T. Livermore. Sister – Mrs F. Clarke, Sister -in-Law – Mrs A. Livermore, Mrs F. Livermore and Nephew – Master S. Livermore, all of 16 Raynham Road, Hammersmith.

Private Albert Livermore requested in his Will date 16th October, 1917 that in the event of his death – the whole of his property & effects be given to his mother – Louisa Livermore, of 31 Ocklynge Road (Old Town), Eastbourne, Sussex, England.

Private Albert Livermore was entitled to British War Medal & the Victory Medal. A Memorial Scroll & Memorial Plaque were also sent to Private Livermore's mother – Mrs L. Livermore, as the closest next-of-kin. (Scroll & Plaque issued in England in November, 1922).

The Commonwealth War Graves Commission lists Private Albert Livermore – service number 6830, aged 31, of 24th Battalion, Australian Infantry. He was the son of James & Louisa Livermore, of 12 Crown St., Eastbourne, England.

Private A. Livermore is commemorated on the Roll of Honour, located in the Hall of Memory Commemorative Area at the Australian War Memorial, Canberra, Australia on Panel 102.



Roll Of Honour WW1 Australian War Memorial Canberra, Australia

(32 pages of Private Albert Livermore'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

AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCES

411TH CASUALTY LIST

WOUNDED

Pte A. Livermore, England

(Bendigo Advertiser, Victoria – 25 June, 1918)

THE 414th CASUALTY LIST

VICTORIAN NAMES

DIED OF WOUNDS

Private A. Livermore, England

(The Mildura Cultivator, Victoria – 6 July, 1918)

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)

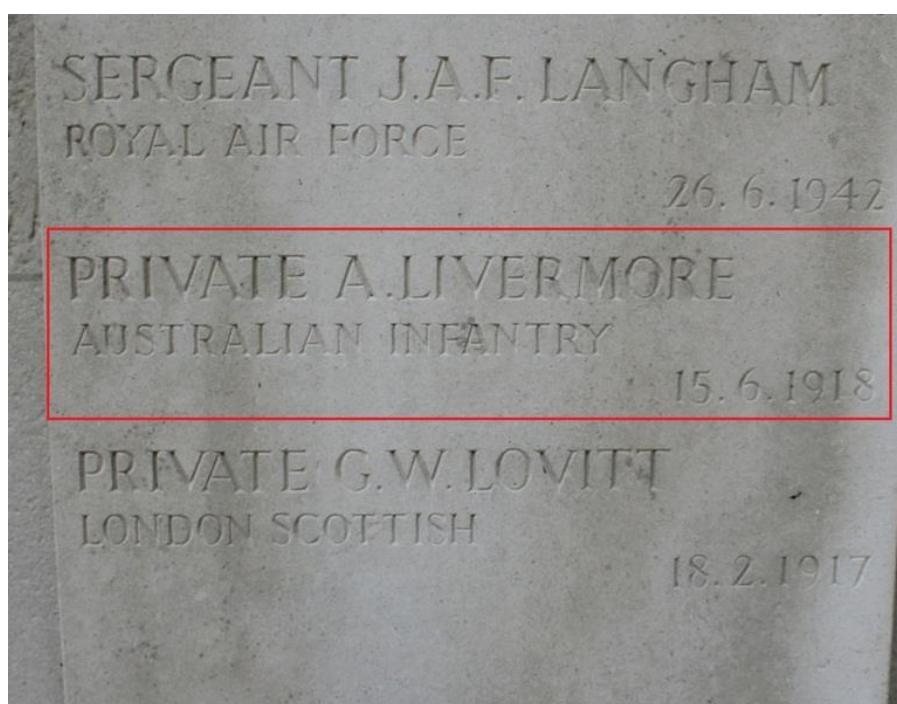
The Commonwealth War Graves Commission cares for cemeteries and memorials in 23,000 locations, in 153 countries. In all 1.7 million men and women from the Commonwealth forces from WWI and WWII have been honoured and commemorated in perpetuity.

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.

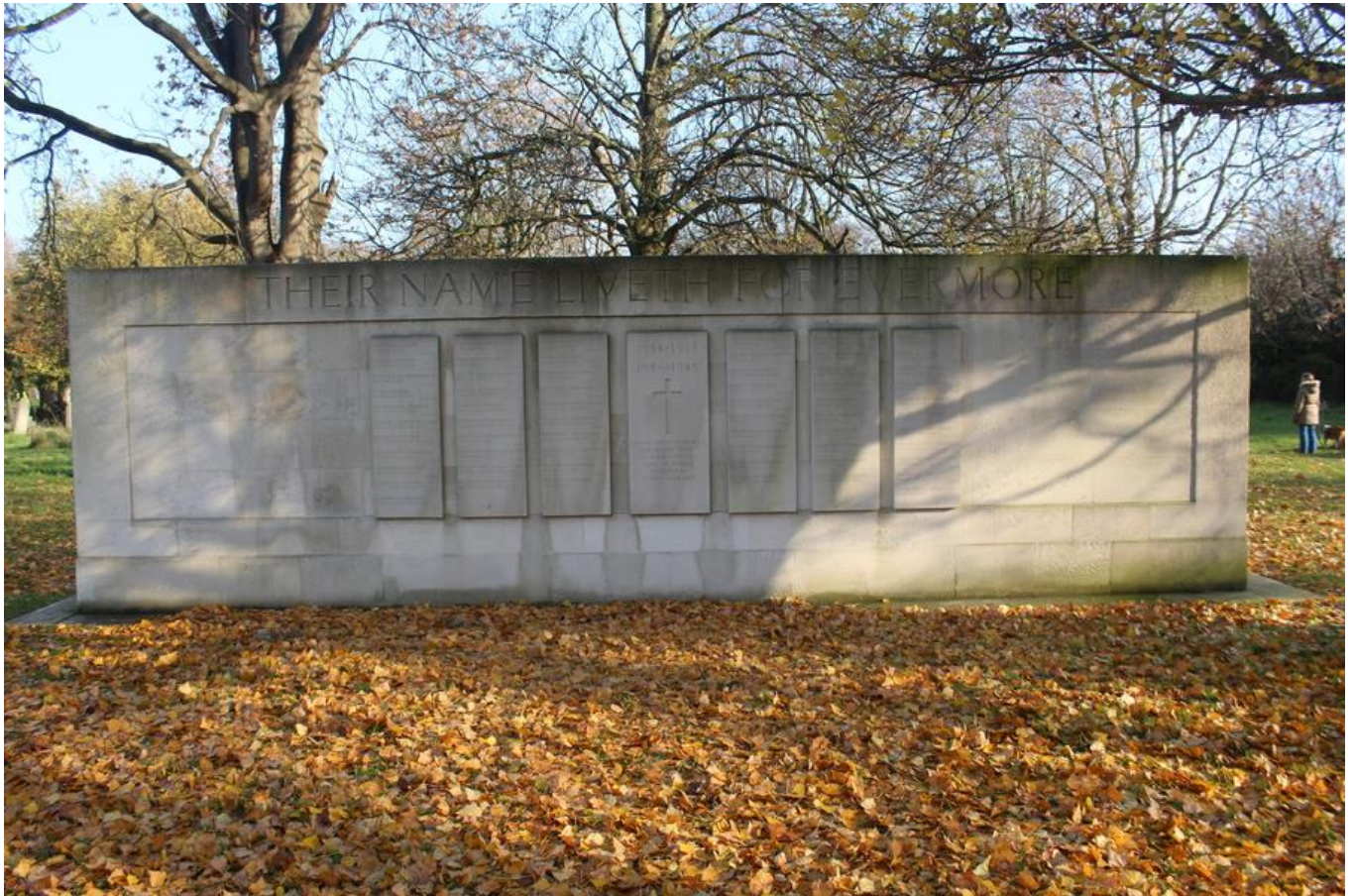
Not all service personnel have a Commonwealth War Graves Commission headstone. In some instances the relative chose to have their own memorial/headstone placed on the deceased's grave. These private headstones are not maintained by the CWGC as they have no jurisdiction to maintain them.

Private A. Livermore has a Commonwealth War Graves Commission headstone but has no inscription.

Private A. Livermore is also named on the Commonwealth War Graves Commission Screen Wall in Hammersmith Old Cemetery, London, England.



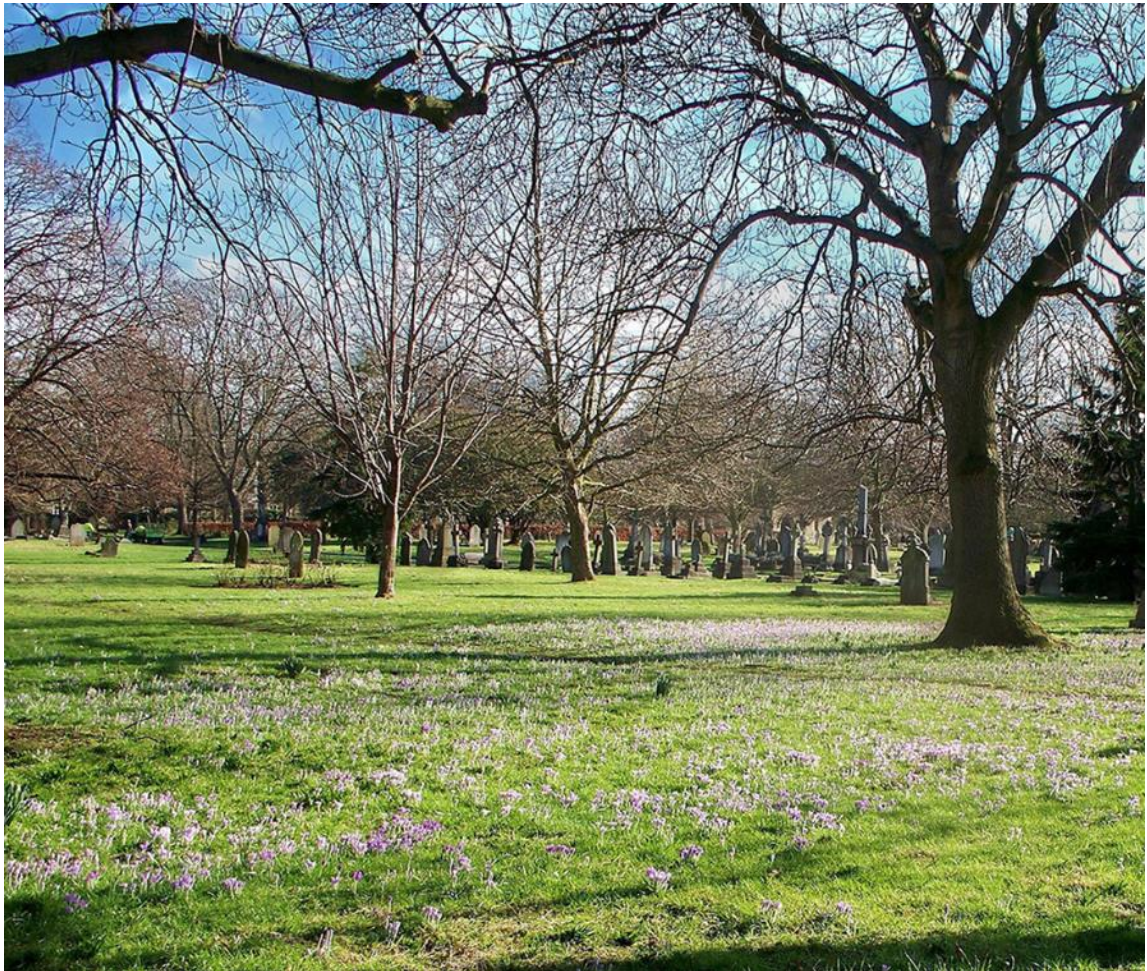
CWGC Screen Wall (Photos by Geoffrey Gillon)



Hammersmith Old Cemetery, London, England – also known as Margravine Cemetery, Hammersmith, Greater London, England

Hammersmith Old Cemetery contains 193 Commonwealth War Graves – 188 relating to World War 1 & 5 relating to World War 2.





Hammersmith Old Cemetery & Chapel (below) (*Photos from Friends of Margravine Cemetery*)

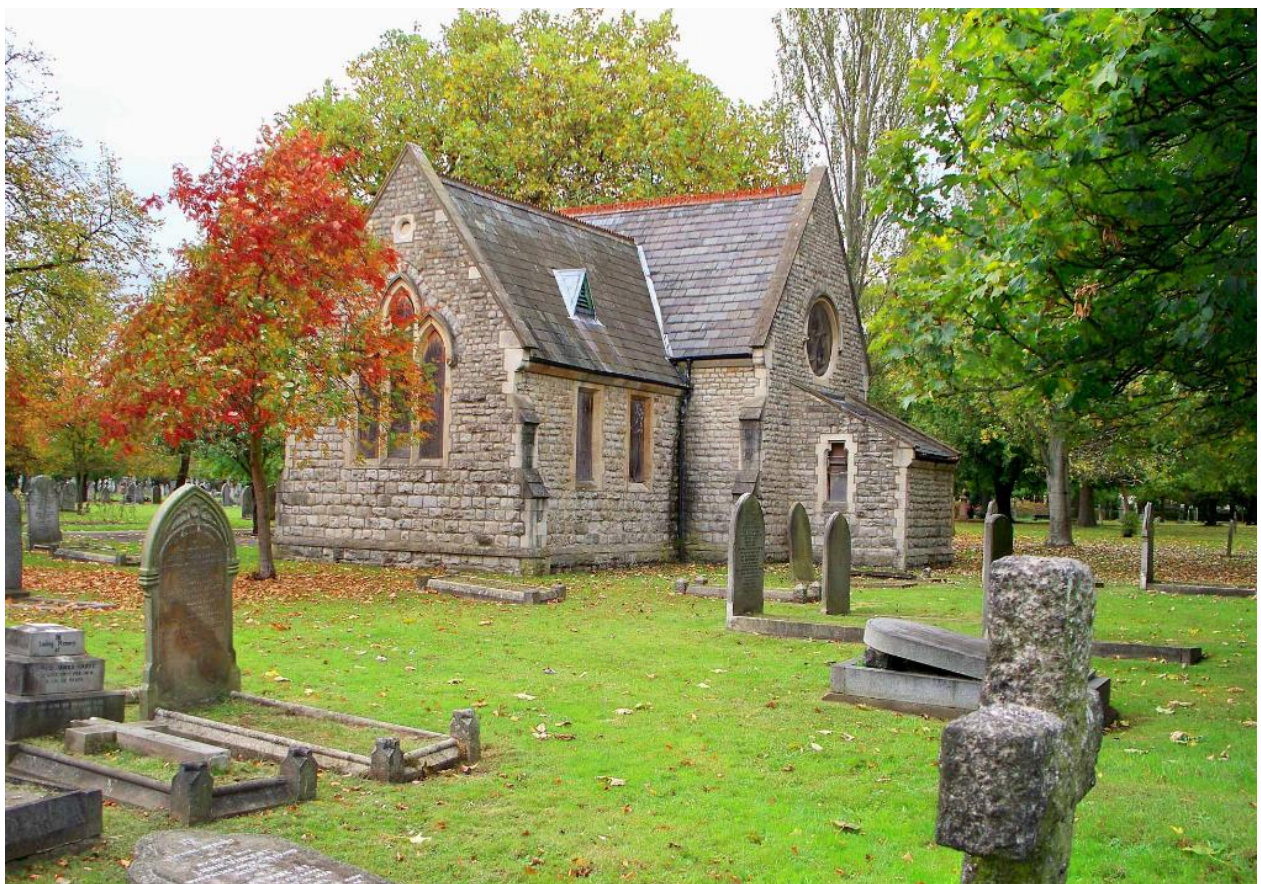
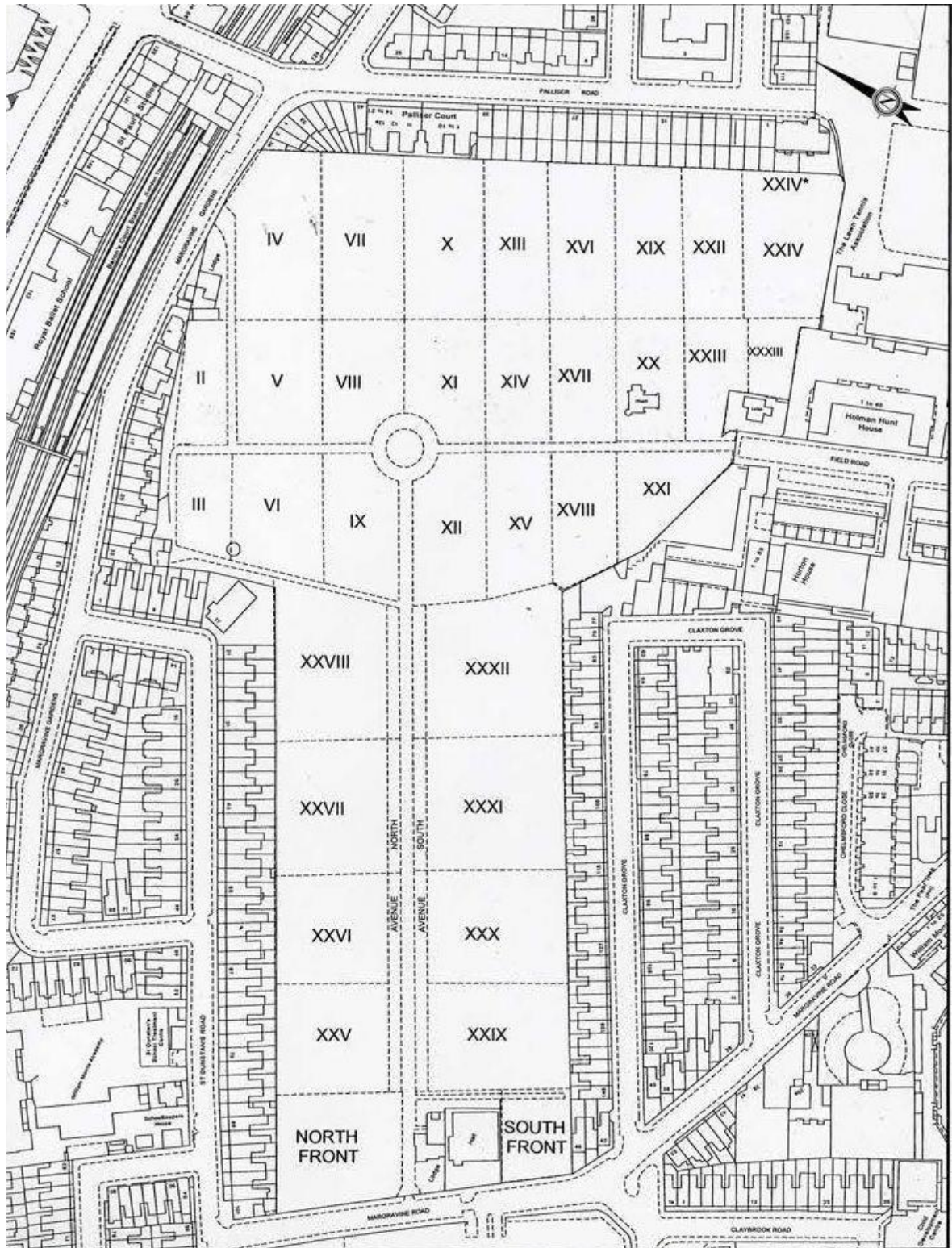


Photo of Private A. Livermore's Commonwealth War Graves Commission Headstone in Hammersmith Old Cemetery, London, England.

***Apparently the Commonwealth War Graves Commissions no longer maintains graves in this Cemetery.



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