

**Hollybrook Memorial,
Southampton, Hampshire, England
War Graves**



Lest We Forget

World War 1



1163 PRIVATE

J. LOVE

36TH BN. AUSTRALIAN INF.

27TH MAY, 1916

James LOVE

James Love was born at Newey Creek, Nambucca River, New South Wales on 23rd May, 1898 to parents William & Esther May Love (nee Watt). His birth was registered in the district of Bowraville, New South Wales.

James Love stated he was an 18 year old, single, Labourer from Newey Creek, Macksville, NSW when he enlisted at Macksville, NSW on 29th January, 1916 with the Australian Imperial Force (A.I.F.). His service number was 1163 & his religion was Roman Catholic. His next of kin was listed as his father – Mr William Love, Newey Creek, Macksville, NSW.

As James Love was under the age of 21 – his parents were required to sign their consent for their son to enlist in the Australian Imperial Force for Active Service abroad. W. Love (father) & E. Love (mother) signed the Application to enlist in the Australian Imperial Force form. (Note: James Love's signature looks very similar to that of his parents' signatures.)

Private James Love joined North Coast Route March on 29th January, 1916. He was posted to "D" Company, 36th Battalion on 21st February, 1916.

Private James Love embarked from Sydney, NSW on HMAT *Beltana* (A72) on 13th May, 1916 with the 9th Infantry Brigade, 36th Infantry Battalion, "D" Company.

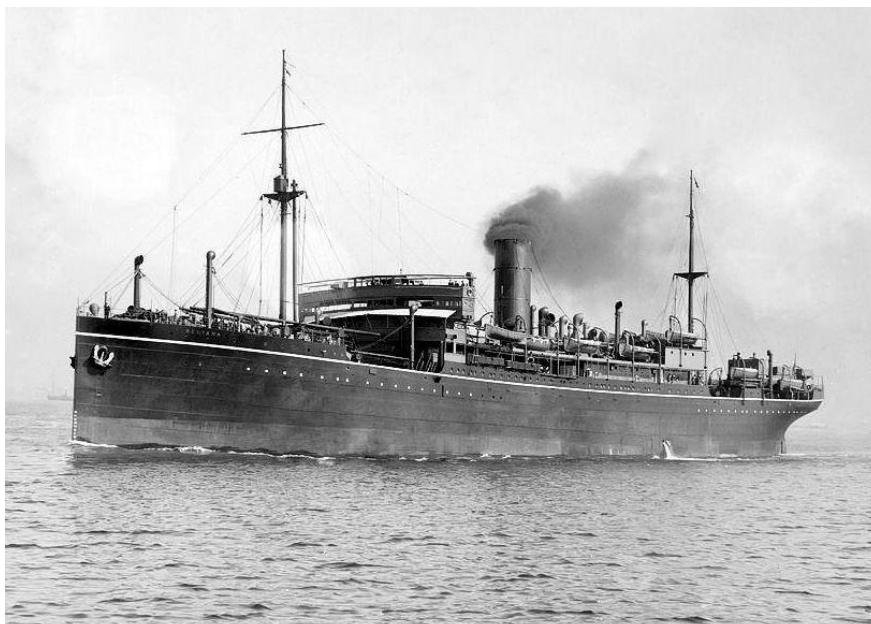
36th Battalion

The 36th Battalion was raised at Broadmeadow Camp, in Newcastle, New South Wales in February 1916. The bulk of the battalion's recruits had been enlisted as a result of a recruiting drive conducted amongst the rifle clubs of New South Wales by the Minister for Public Information in the New South Wales government, Ambrose Carmichael. Thus, the battalion became known as "Carmichael's Thousand". Carmichael led by example and enlisted as well, serving in the battalion as a captain.

The 36th Battalion became part of the 9th Brigade of the 3rd Australian Division. It left Sydney, bound for the United Kingdom on 13 May 1916. Arriving there in early July, the battalion spent the next four months in training.....

(Extract of Battalion information from the Australian War Memorial)

Private James Love died on 27th May, 1916 at Sea on board HMAT *Beltana* (A72) from Double Pneumonia following Measles. He died 4 days after his 18th birthday. (Note: The final Summary form in the Service Record file has the date of death as "26/5/16" – this has been circled & in red "confirmation 27/5/16")



HMAT *Beltana* (A72)

Private James Love was buried at Sea from HMAT *Beltana* (A72) on 27th May, 1916. He is commemorated on the Hollybrook Memorial, Southampton, Hampshire, England as he has no grave. His death is acknowledged by the Commonwealth War Graves Commission.

Private James Love 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 Private Love's father – Mr W. Love, as the closest next-of-kin. (Scroll sent March, 1922 & Plaque sent August, 1922).

The Commonwealth War Graves Commission lists Private James Love – service number 1163, of 36th Battalion, Australian Infantry. No family details are listed.

Private J. Love is commemorated on the Roll of Honour, located in the Hall of Memory Commemorative Area at the Australian War Memorial, Canberra, Australia on Panel 127.



Roll of Honour WW1 Australian War Memorial Canberra, Australia

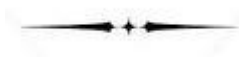
The Macksville War Memorial, located at River Street, Macksville, NSW does not list individual names.



Macksville War Memorial (Photo from Monument Australia)

(25 pages of Private James Love'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

PERSONAL

Mr and Mrs Love, of Newry Creek, are in receipt of word that their son, James Love, died while in hospital in Egypt.

(Nambucca and Bellinger News, NSW – 23 June, 1916)

AUSTRALIAN CASUALTIES

LIST NO. 180

NEW SOUTH WALES

DIED OF ILLNESS

Private J. Love (Macksville), 26/5/16

(Newcastle Morning Herald and Miners' Advocate, NSW – 27 June, 1916)

In Memoriam

In loving memory of our dear son, Private James Love, who died at sea on the 26th of May, 1916.

Two years have passed, but none can tell,

The loss of our boy we loved so well.

I often think of days gone by,

When we were all together;

A shadow has fallen on our lives

Since he has gone from us for ever.

Inserted by his loving mother & father, E. & W. Love.

(Nambucca and Bellinger News, NSW – 31 May, 1918)

In Memoriam

In loving memory of our dear son, Private James Love, who died at sea, aged 18, on the 26th of May, 1916.

Three years have passed, but none can tell,
The loss of our dear boy, we loved him so well.

I often think of days gone by,
When we were all together;
A shadow has fallen on our lives
Since he has gone from us for ever.

Inserted by his loving mother & father.

(Nambucca and Bellinger News, NSW – 23 May, 1919)

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.

Hollybrook Memorial, Southampton, Hampshire, England

The Hollybrook Memorial is situated in Southampton (Hollybrook) Cemetery behind the plot of First World War graves near the main entrance.

The Hollybrook Memorial commemorates by name almost 1,900 servicemen and women of the Commonwealth land and air forces* whose graves are not known, many of whom were lost in transports or other vessels torpedoed or mined in home waters (*Officers and men of the Commonwealth's navies who have no grave but the sea are commemorated on memorials elsewhere). The memorial also bears the names of those who were lost or buried at sea, or who died at home but whose bodies could not be recovered for burial. Almost one third of the names on the memorial are those of officers and men of the South African Native Labour Corps, who died when the troop transport Mendi sank in the Channel following a collision on 21 February 1917. Other vessels sunk with significant loss of life were: HS Anglia, a hospital ship sunk by mine off Dover on 17 November 1915. SS Citta Di Palermo, an Italian transport carrying Commonwealth troops, sunk by mine off Brindisi on 8 January 1916. In rescuing survivors, two Royal Naval Otranto drifters were themselves mined and blown up. HMTs Donegal and Warilda, ambulance transports torpedoed and sunk between Le Havre and Southampton on 17 April 1917 and 3 August 1918. HS

Glenart Castle, a hospital ship torpedoed and sunk off Lundy on 26 February 1918. SS Galway Castle, torpedoed and sunk in the Atlantic on 12 September 1918. RMS Leinster, the Irish mail boat, torpedoed and sunk in the Irish Sea on 10 October 1918. Among those commemorated on the Hollybrook Memorial is Field Marshall Lord Kitchener, Secretary of State for War, who died when the battle cruiser HMS Hampshire was mined and sunk off Scapa Flow on 5 June 1916.

The memorial was designed by T. Newham and unveiled by Sir William Robertson on 10 December 1930.

There are approximately 162 Australian World War 1 Service Personnel commemorated on the Hollybrook Memorial, Southampton, Hampshire, England.

(Information & photos from CWGC)





Cross of Sacrifice



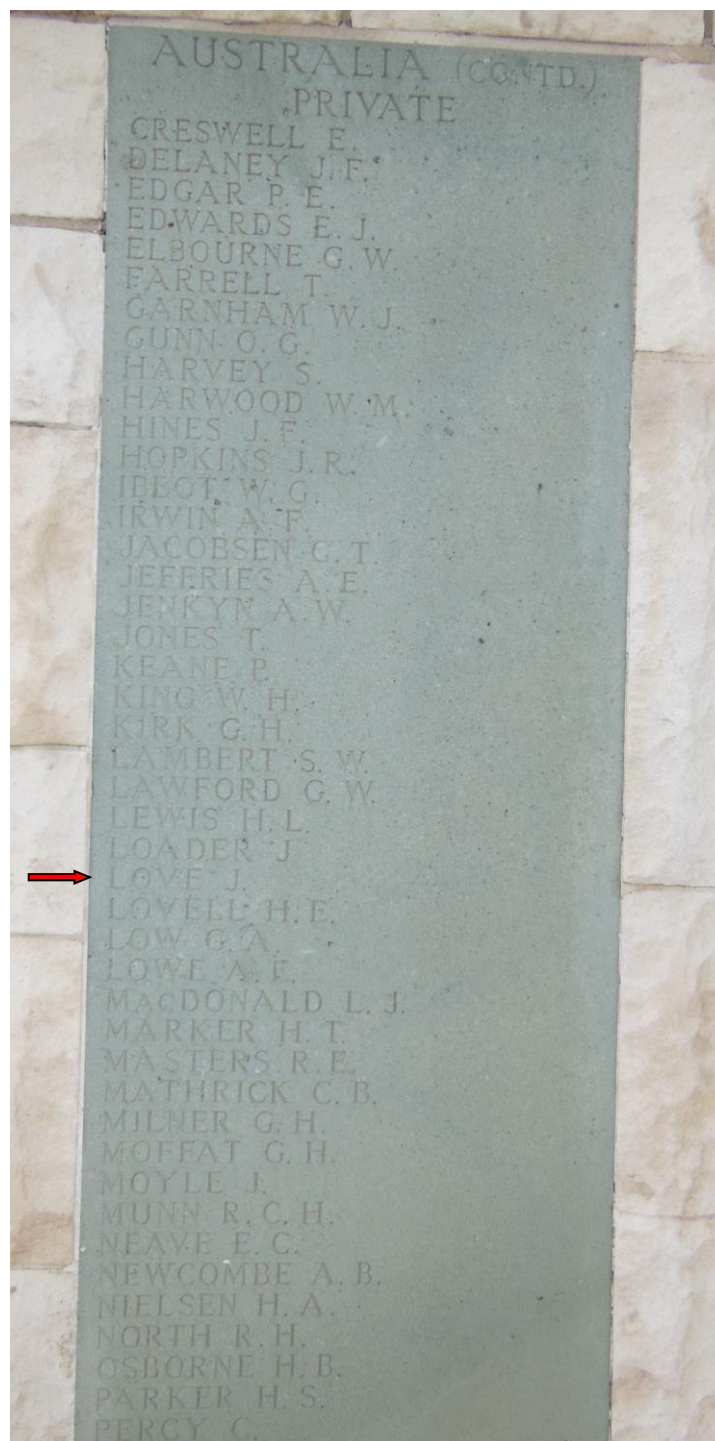
Name Panels behind Cross of Sacrifice



CWGC Graves in Hollybrook Cemetery with Cross of Sacrifice & Hollybrook Memorial

(Photo from CWGC)

Photo of Private J. Love's name on the Commonwealth War Graves Commission's Hollybrook Memorial, Southampton, Hampshire, England.



(Photo by julia&keld – Find a Grave)

