

**Hatfield Road Cemetery,
St. Albans, Hertfordshire, England**

War Graves



Lest We Forget

World War 1



594 PRIVATE

H. K. MARSHALL

44TH BN. AUSTRALIAN INF.

2ND APRIL, 1917 Age 19

In Loving Memory Of
A Dear Son
Mother Western Australia

Hugh Keith MARSHALL

Hugh Keith Marshall was born at Fremantle, Western Australia in 1898 to parents Hugh Keith & Susan Marshall (nee Harper)

Hugh Keith Marshall attended Fremantle Boys' School, Western Australia.

According to information provided by his mother for the Roll of Honour – her son, Hugh Keith Marshall had served in the Naval Forces.

Hugh Keith Marshall stated he was a 21 year old, single, Clerk from 39 Cantonment Street, Fremantle, West Australia when he enlisted on 15th February, 1916 in Perth, Western Australia with the Australian Imperial Force (A.I.F.). His religion was Presbyterian & his next of kin was listed as his mother – Mrs Susan Pascall, 39 Cantonment Street, Fremantle, West Australia. Hugh Marshall stated on his Attestation Papers that he had served with 85th Battalion & was still serving.

Private Hugh Keith Marshall was posted to "1 Area" on 15th February, 1916 for recruit training. He was transferred to "C" Company, 44th Battalion on 3rd March, 1916.

Private Hugh Keith Marshall, Service number 594, embarked from Fremantle, Western Australia on HMAT *Suevic* (A29) on 6th June, 1916 with the 44th Infantry Battalion "C" Company & disembarked at Plymouth, England on 21st July, 1916.

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 Hugh Keith Marshall was admitted to 11th Brigade Field Hospital on 9th August, 1916 with Gonorrhoea then transferred to Military Hospital at Bulford Camp, Wiltshire on 11th August, 1916 with V.D. He was struck off strength from Larkhill, Wiltshire in 11th October, 1916 having been absent in Hospital for over 30 days. Private Marshall was discharged from hospital on 21st December, 1916 – Total V.D. days – 133.

Private Hugh Keith Marshall proceeded overseas to France via Folkestone on 24th January, 1917 per *Princess Clementine*. He was marched in to 3rd A.D.B.D. (Australian Divisional Base Depot) at Etaples, France on 25th January, 1917. Private Marshall was marched out from 3rd A.D.B.D. on 27th January, 1917 & joined 44th Battalion in the Field on 29th January, 1917.

Private Hugh Keith Marshall reported sick on 20th March, 1917. He was admitted to 9th Australian Field Ambulance on 20th March, 1917 with Lobar Pneumonia. Private Marshall was transferred to 2nd Casualty Clearing Station on 21st March, 1917 then transferred & admitted to 32nd Stationary Hospital at Wimereux on 31st March, 1917. He embarked for England from Boulogne, France on 31st March, 1917 on Hospital Ship *Cambria*.

44th Battalion

The 44th Battalion was raised at Claremont, Western Australia in February 1916. It formed part of the 11th Brigade of the 3rd Australian Division, and soon became known as "Old Bill's Thousand" after its first commanding officer, Lieutenant Colonel William Mansbridge. The battalion left Australia on 6 June and proceeded to Britain for further training. It arrived in France on 27 November and entered the front line trenches of the Western Front for the first time on 29 December.

The 44th spent the bleak winter of 1916-17 alternating between service in the front line, and training and labouring in the rear areas. This routine was broken by only one major raid, an ill-fated effort involving almost half the battalion on 13 March 1917.....

(Extract of Battalion information from the Australian War Memorial)

Private Hugh Keith Marshall was admitted to County of Middlesex War Hospital, Napsbury, St. Albans, England on 1st April, 1917 with Pneumonia.

Private Hugh Keith Marshall died at 10.55 am on 2nd April, 1917 at County of Middlesex War Hospital, Napsbury, St. Albans, England from Pneumonia. (as per Hospital Admissions form, however the Morning State of Sick (Army form A. 27) recorded the cause of death as Syncope.)

A death for Hugh Marshall, aged 18, was registered in the June quarter, 1917 in the district of St. Albans, Hertfordshire, England.

Base Records advised Mrs S. Pascall, 39 Cantonment Street, Fremantle, Western Australia, mother of Private Hugh Keith Marshall, on 3rd April, 1917 that Private Hugh Marshall had been admitted to Hospital on 23rd March & was dangerously ill with Pneumonia.

Private Hugh Keith Marshall was buried at 3 pm on 7th April, 1917 in Hatfield Road Cemetery, St. Albans, Hertfordshire, England – Grave number B3 Section S.C. (Soldiers' Corner). This is now recorded by the CWGC as Plot number Mil. C. 3. and he now has a Commonwealth War Graves Commission headstone.

From the burial report of Private Hugh Keith Marshall – Private Marshall died quite suddenly from Heart failure, He complained of a pain and became unconscious almost immediately. The Medical Officer was in the ward at the time and did everything he could for him; unfortunately without avail. He did not recover consciousness and died without speaking or suffering.

[Note: The reverse of the Burial Report listed the Next of kin's name & address; place of attestation, age & cause of death. Private Marshall's age was listed as 19 years.]

A War Pension was granted to Susan Pascall, 39 Cantonment Street, Fremantle, mother of the late Private Hugh Keith Marshall, in the sum of 31/6 per fortnight from 6th June, 1917.

The War Pension for Susan Pascall, 39 Cantonment Street, Fremantle, was revised regarding the service of Private Hugh Keith Marshall, 594, 44th Battalion & Private Albert Pascall, 3442, 11th Battalion. The pension rate of 71/6 fortnight was granted from 25th July, 1917. *“(Two pensions in respect to the above members are now converted into one.)”*

Miss E. Elbourn, 65 Cavendish Road, St. Albans, Herts, England wrote to Base Records on 4th May, 1920 with the following letter: “I have written to the Commissioner of the Australian House, The Strand, London, concerning the address of next of kin to No. 594 Pte H. K. Marshall, 44th Batt. A.I.F., but he unfortunately cannot state it, as have no record of said address. They advised me to write to you & you would be kind enough to forward my letter on to them...”

Base Records replied to Miss E. Elbourn on 21st April, 1920 advising that her *“enclosure has been forwarded to the next-of-kin of the late No. 594 Private H. K. Marshall, 44th Battalion.”*

The enclosure was forwarded to Mrs S. Pascall, 39 Cantonment Street, Fremantle, West Australia on 21st April, 1920.

Mrs Susan Pascall, 29 Sea View Street, Beaconsfield, Fremantle, Western Australia, wrote to Base Records on 4th January, 1922 with the following letter: *“I would very much like to have Memorial Scroll for my late son Hugh Keith Marshall 44th Batt died in England 2nd April 1917 also the Medals if available.”*

Base Records replied to Mrs S. Pascall Sea View Street, Beaconsfield, Fremantle, Western Australia on 10th August, 1922 regarding a letter she sent on 27th July (Note: the letter sent by Mrs Pascall is not included in the Service Record file for Private Marshall) *“concerning the War Medals, etc., of the late Nos. 3442 Gunner A. Pascall, 4th Division Medium Trench Mortar Battery, and 594 Private H. K. Marshall, 44th Battalion, and to inform you that the mementoes forwarded to you direct from this office were the Memorial Scrolls. The British War Medal of your husband was forwarded to Headquarters, 4th District Base, Keswick Barracks, Adelaide, and the authorities there will arrange for its transmission to you. The Victory Medals will be transmitted direct from this office as soon as they are available for issue.”*

[Note: Mrs Susan Pascall's husband – Gunner Albert Pascall, 3442, 4th Division Heavy and Medium Trench Mortar Battery Field Artillery, was killed in action in France on 3rd May, 1917, aged 35. He is remembered on the Villers-Bretonneux Memorial, France.]

Private Hugh Keith Marshall was entitled to British War Medal & the Victory Medal. A Memorial Scroll & Memorial Plaque were also sent to Private Marshall's mother - Mrs S. Pascall, as the closest next-of-kin. (Scroll sent January, 1922 & Plaque sent July, 1922).

The Commonwealth War Graves Commission lists Private Hugh Keith Marshall – service number 594, aged 19, of 44th Battalion, Australian Infantry. He was the son of Susan Marshall (now Pascall), of 126 Melbourne St., North Adelaide, and the late Hugh Keith Marshall.

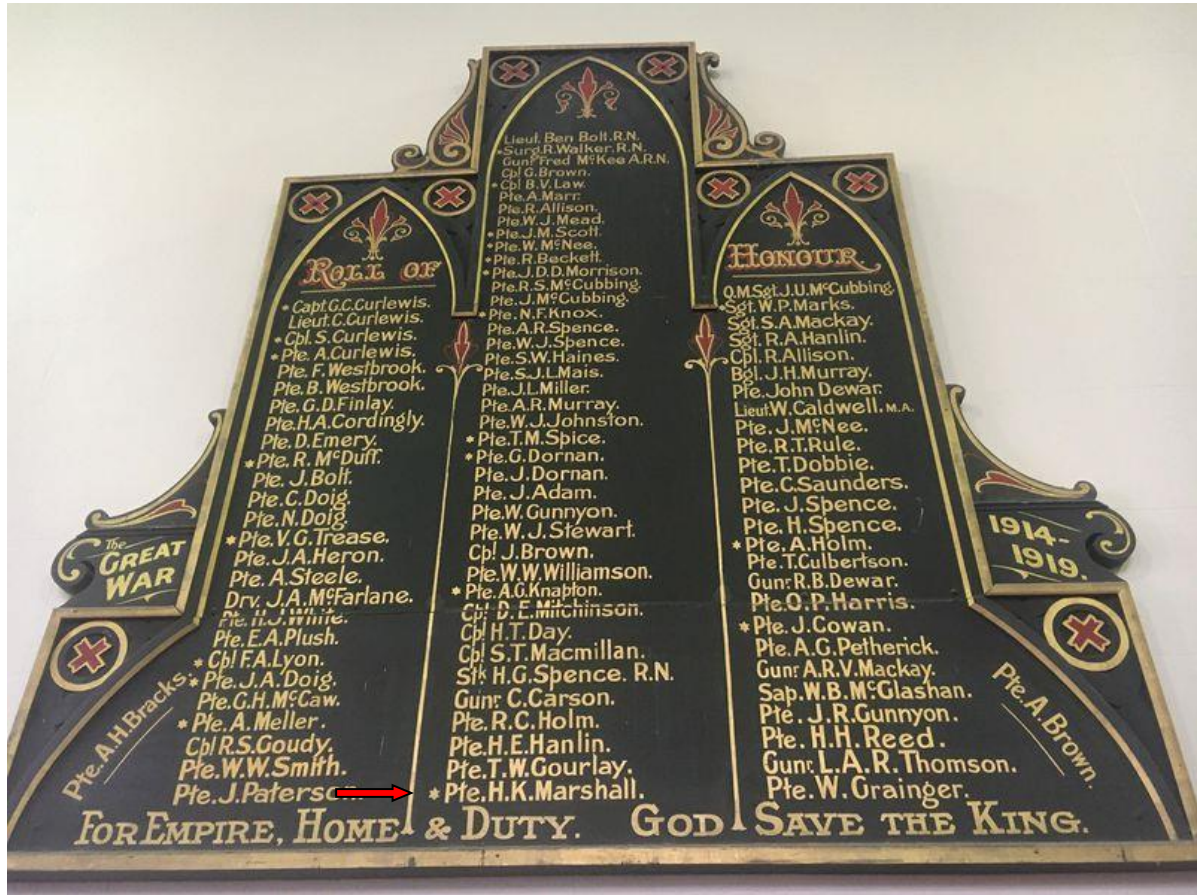
Private H. K. Marshall is commemorated on the Roll of Honour, located in the Hall of Memory Commemorative Area at the Australian War Memorial, Canberra, Australia on Panel 138.



Roll of Honour WW1 Australian War Memorial Canberra, Australia



H. K. Marshall is remembered on Scots Presbyterian Church Roll of Honour, 90 South Terrace, Fremantle, Western Australia.



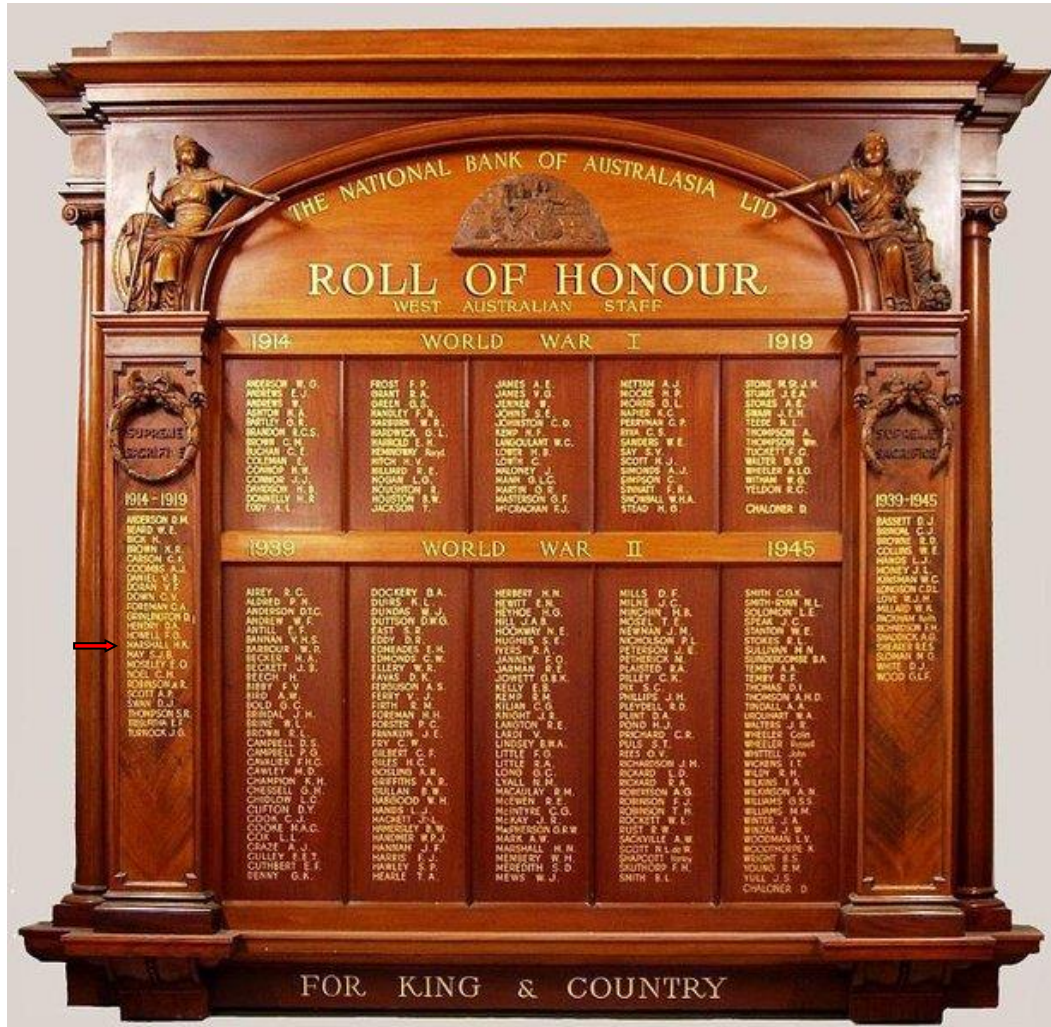
Scots Presbyterian Church Roll of Honour (Photo courtesy of Rosie Ritorto)

H. K. Marshall is remembered on Scots Presbyterian Church Memorial to the Fallen, 90 South Terrace, Fremantle, Western Australia.



Scots Presbyterian Church Memorial to the Fallen (Photo courtesy of Rosie Ritorto)

H. K. Marshall is remembered on the Fremantle National Bank of Western Australia Ltd Roll of Honour, located in Army Museum, Burt Street, Fremantle, Western Australia.



Fremantle National Bank of Western Australia Ltd Roll of Honour (Photo by Bradley Bliss – VWMA)

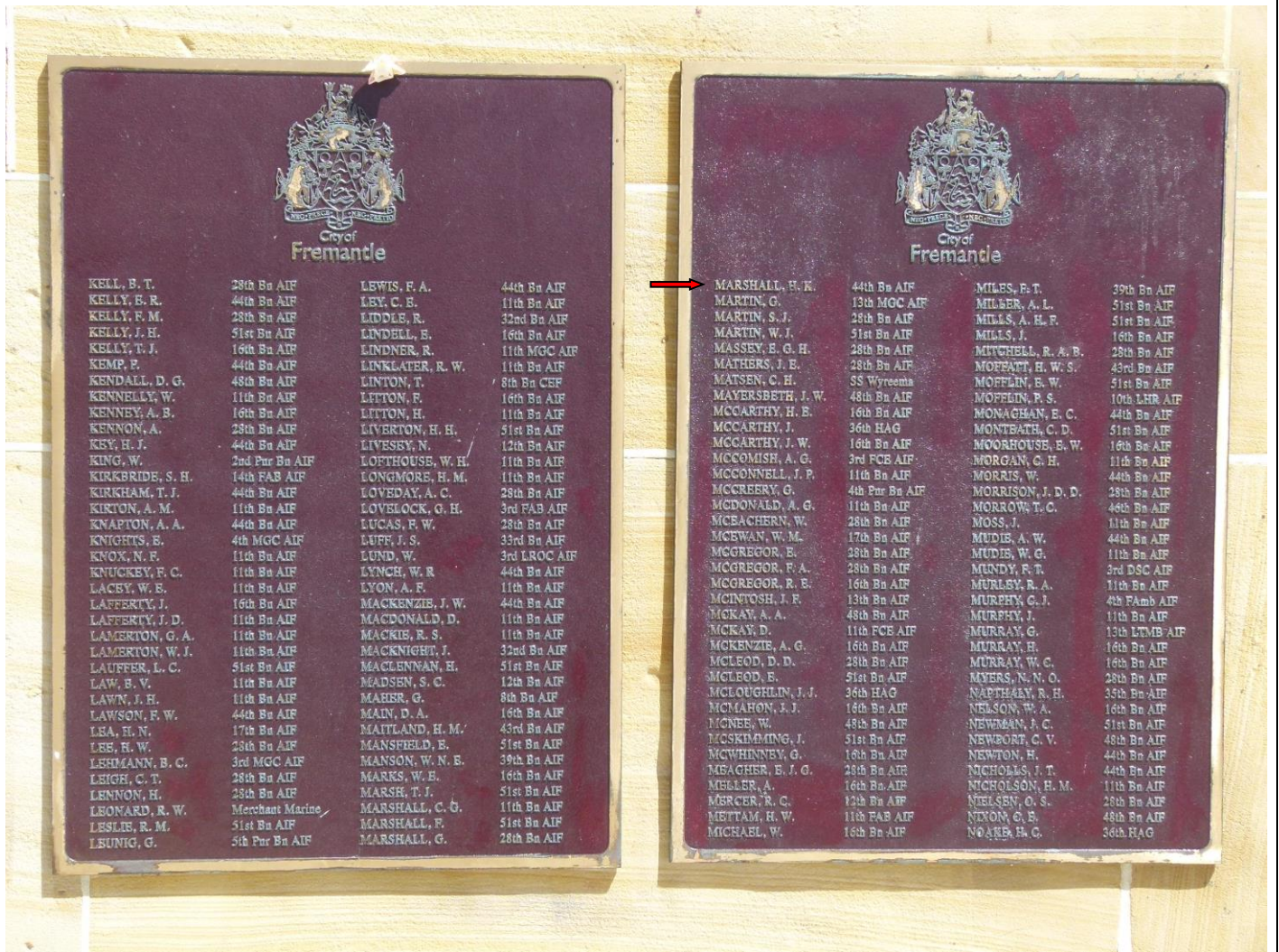


H. K. Marshall is remembered on Fremantle's 849, located at War Memorial, Monument Hill Memorial Reserve, High & Swanbourne Streets, Fremantle, Western Australia. Twelve plaques contain all 849 names of the Fremantle servicemen who died in service or were killed in action during World War One. The plaques were created as part of the Centenary of Anzac commemorations.

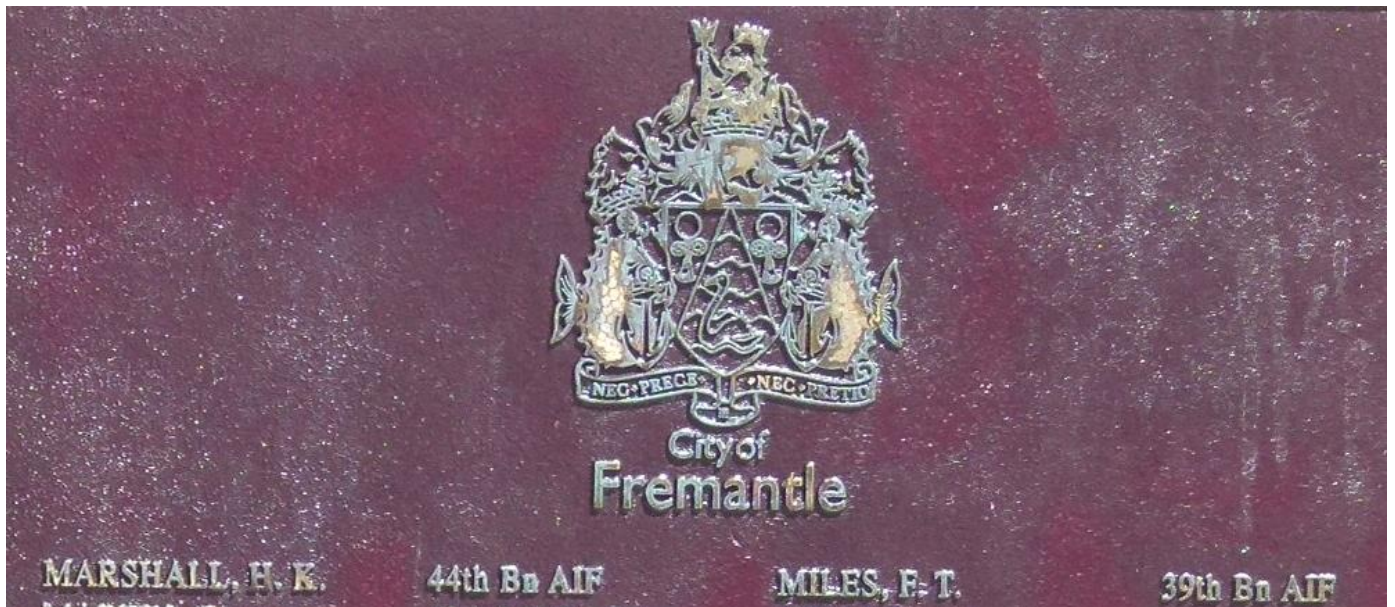


Fallen Sailors & Soldiers Memorial (*Photos from Monument Australia*)





Fallen Sailors & Soldiers Memorial (Photo courtesy of Gordon Stuart)



H. K. Marshall is remembered with a Memorial Plaque (M 44) on the Kings Park Honour Avenues. At the base of each commemorative tree is a plaque inscribed with details of the deceased: name, age, unit in which they served, nature of death, place of death, and who dedicated the plaque. Honour Avenue memorials commemorate service personnel who are listed at the State War Memorial, Kings Park. These soldiers enlisted in Western Australia, died overseas on active service, and were either buried overseas or have no known graves. Private Marshall's plaque was dedicated by National Bank on 3rd August, 1919.



(Photos from Kings Park Botanic Gardens & Parks Authority)

H. K. Marshall 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.

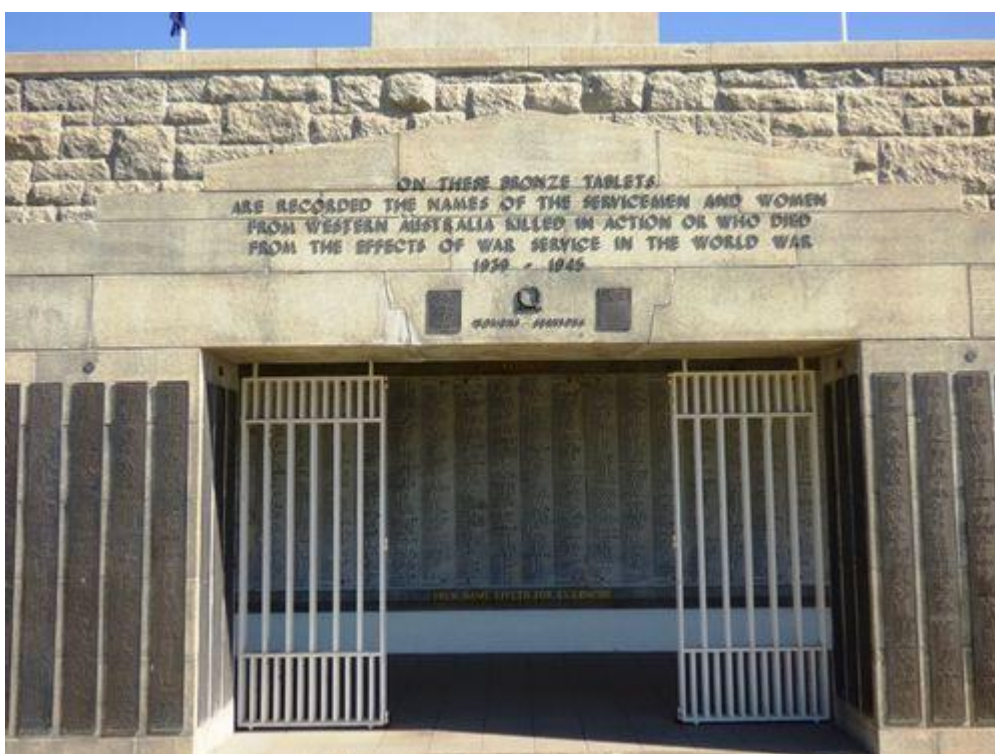
The heavy concrete foundations are supplemented by heavy brick walls which enclose an inner chamber or crypt. The walls surrounding the crypt are covered with The Roll of Honour; marble tablets which list under their units the names of more than 7,000 members of the services killed in action or as a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

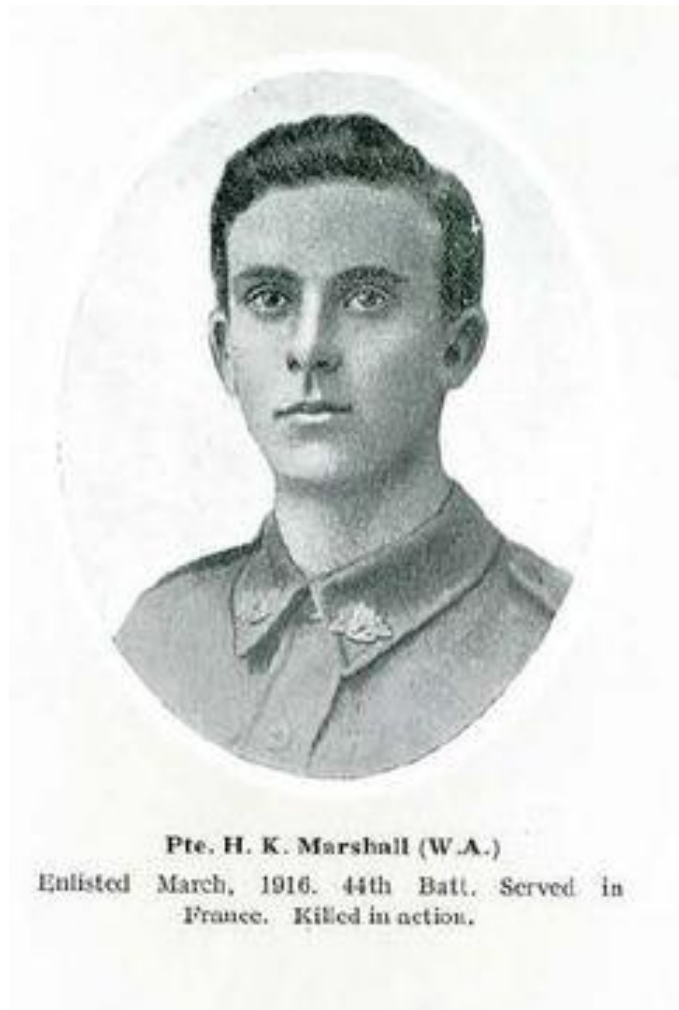




44th Battalion Panel (Photo courtesy of Gordon Stuart)

(58 pages of Private Hugh Keith Marshall'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



Pte. H. K. Marshall (W.A.)
Enlisted March, 1916. 44th Batt. Served in
France. Killed in action.



Newspaper Notices

W. A. CASUALTIES

287th Official List – Issued This Morning

DEATHS

PRIVATE H. K. MARSHALL, Fremantle, died of illness

(*The Daily News*, Perth, Western Australia – 16 April, 1917)

DEATHS

MARSHALL – In sad and loving memory of our dear nephew and cousin, Hughie, who died on active service on April 2, 1917, of pneumonia, late of the 44th Battalion.

He hath fought the good fight,
Thy will be done. Peace, perfect peace.

-Inserted by his sorrowing uncle, W. F. Harper (late 10th L.H.), and cousins Harold and Cecil, and T. Harper.

(*The West Australian*, Perth, W.A. – 16 April, 1917) & (*Western Mail*, Perth, Western Australia – 20 April, 1917)

BEREAVEMENT NOTICES

Mrs B. Pascall, 39 Cantonment-street, Fremantle, desires to express her THANKS for telegrams, letters, and cards, and personal visits of sympathy in the sad loss of her only son, Hugh Keith Marshall.

(The West Australian, Perth, W.A. – 21 April, 1917)

DEATHS

MARSHALL – In fond and everlasting remembrance of my dear nephew, Hughie Marshall, of the 44th Battalion, who died of pneumonia on April 2, after 3 months in trenches, aged 18 years and 10 months.

An infant when his love first came,
To manhood grown his love was just the same;
And reverently I'll breath his name – Hughie,
He died that we might have our freedom.

-Inserted by his loving uncle, W. F. Harper, late Sergeant, B Squadron, 10th A.L.H. (returned), Fremantle.

(The West Australian, Perth, W.A. – 25 April, 1917)

DEATHS

MARSHALL – In fond and everlasting remembrance of our dear comrade, Hughie Marshall, of the 44th Battalion, who died of pneumonia, on April 2, whilst on active service.

-Inserted by his comrades, G. Mc., W.W., and S. O'C.

(The West Australian, Perth, W.A. – 28 April, 1917)

NATIONAL BANK

A PROSPEROUS TERM

STAFF'S SPLENDID PATRIOTISM

The report of the directors of the National Bank of Australasia, Limited, for the half-year ended September 30 last, is to hand. It shows a prosperous half-year in business, and a record of splendid patriotism by its staff.....

The total number of the bank's staff who have been accepted for service with the Australian Imperial Forces is now 347, of whom 31 have joined since our last report.

It is recorded with much regret that in all 42 of our officers have been killed in action or died of wounds, including 19 during the past half-year, viz:-.....Private H. K. Marshall, ledgerkeeper, Claremont.....

(The Daily News, Perth, Western Australia – 13 November, 1917)

IN MEMORIAM

Anzac Heroes

MARSHALL – In sad but loving memory of my dear and only son Private Hugh Keith Marshall, 44th Battalion, died of pneumonia in England, April 2, 1917, aged 19 years.

A life so purely lived,
A crown so nobly won.

-Inserted by his sorrowing mother, S. B. Pascall.

MARSHALL – In sad but loving memory of our nephew, Private Hugh Keith Marshall, 44th Battalion, died of pneumonia in England, April 2, 1917.

Still memory lasts the same to-day
As thought you still were here.

-Inserted by his aunt and uncle; cousins Reg (on active service), M. and J. Duncan, S. B. Pascall, 29 Sea View-street, Beaconsfield.

MARSHALL – In sad and everlasting remembrance of my dear nephew, Private Hughie Marshall, of the 44th Battalion, who gave his young life for his country on April 2, 1917, aged 19 years.

Beloved, regretted, gone.
God's will be done.

-Inserted by his ever loving uncle, W. F. Harper, late Sergeant, B Squadron, 10th A.L.H., returned, and cousins Harold and Cecil, 39 Cantonment-street, Fremantle.

MARSHALL – In loving memory of our dear nephew, Hugh Keith, who died in England, of pneumonia, on April 2, 1917.

We mourn for you in silence,
And not with outward show.

For those who mourn sincerely,
Mourn silently and low.

-Inserted by his loving aunt and uncle, Mr and Mrs J. Coulter, Martha-street, Beaconsfield.

MARSHALL – In loving memory of our dear cousin, Hugh Keith, who died in England on April 2, 1917.

God takes the loved ones from our houses,
But never from our hearts.

-Inserted by his loving cousins, Mr and Mrs C. Cromwell, Martha-street, Beaconsfield.

(The West Australian, Perth, W.A. – 3 April, 1918)

IN MEMORIAM

Anzac Heroes

MARSHALL.—In sad, but loving memory of my dear and only son, Hugh Keith, who departed this life, April 2, 1917.
Oh, for the touch of a vanished hand and the sound of a voice that is still.

Inserted by his sorrowing mother, S. B. Pascall.

MARSHALL.—In loving memory of my dear nephew, Hugh Keith, who departed this life, April 2, 1917. Till the day
breaks and the shadows flee away.

Inserted by his loving aunt and uncle, M. J. Duncan.

MARSHALL.—In loving memory of Hugh Keith, who died in England, April 2, 1917, of pneumonia.

From memory's page

Time cannot blot,

Three little words—

Forget him not.

Inserted by his loving aunt and uncle, Mr. and Mrs. J. Coulter, Martha-street, Beaconsfield.

MARSHALL.—In loving memory of my dear cousin, Private Hugh Keith, who died in England of pneumonia, April 2,
1917. Aged 18 years and ten months. Also my dear uncle Bert, killed in action, May 3, 1917.

'Tis not the tears at the moment shed,

That tell how beloved is the soul that's fled.

It's the silent tears of the long days wept

And fond remembrance ever kept.

Inserted by his loving cousin, Carrie Duncan.

(*The West Australian*, Perth, W.A. – 2 April, 1919)

IN MEMORIAM

Anzac Heroes

MARSHALL – In sad and loving memory of my dear nephew, Private Hughie Marshall, of the 44th Battalion, who
died on active service on April 2, 1917.

Too dearly loved to ever be forgotten,

His duty nobly done.

Inserted by his sorrowing uncle, W. F. Harper, 30 Adelaide-street, Fremantle.

(*The West Australian*, Perth, W.A. – 5 April, 1919)

**Notices were also placed in 1920, 1921, 1922, 1923, 1924, 1925, 1926, 1933, 1934, 1935, 1936, 1937

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 H. K. Marshall has a Commonwealth War Graves Commission headstone with the following inscription:

In Loving Memory Of A Dear Son

Mother Western Australia

Hatfield Road Cemetery, St. Albans, Hertfordshire, England

During the First World War, the County of Middlesex War Hospital was established in, what was then called, the Middlesex Mental Hospital at Napsbury, near St. Albans, and from 1914 to March 1915 the city of St. Albans was the Headquarters of the 47th London Division.

The Second World War saw the Hill End Hospital, St. Albans, taken over by the Military authorities, and service war burials were carried out from this hospital.

There are 147 First World War burials in Hatfield Road Cemetery, 93 of them forming a war graves plot. Some of the 79 Second World War graves form a separate plot. The rest of the graves are scattered throughout the cemetery.

(Information from CWGC)



Entrance to Hatfield Road Cemetery, St. Albans *(Photo from Find a Grave - julia&keld)*



Cross of Sacrifice (Photo from CWGC)



War Graves in Hatfield Road Cemetery, St. Albans (Photo from CWGC)

Photo of Private H. K. Marshall's Commonwealth War Graves Commission Headstone in Hatfield Road Cemetery, St. Albans, Hertfordshire, England.



(Photo from Find a Grave – Julia&keld)



War Graves in Hatfield Road Cemetery, St. Albans *(Photo from CWGC)*