

**Brookwood Military Cemetery,
Brookwood, Surrey
War Graves**



Lest We Forget

World War 1



6623 PRIVATE

J. H. T. MAYBIN

9TH BN. AUSTRALIAN INF.

30TH MARCH, 1917

James Henry Thomas MAYBIN

James Henry Maybin was born in London, England on 7th October, 1889 to parents Thomas & Margaret Maybin (nee Wilcox). His birth was registered in the December quarter, 1889 at St. Olave Southwark, London, England. "*Jacobus Henricus Maybin*" (as recorded in Baptism Register of Catholic Church) was baptised on 2nd January, 1890 at The Most Holy Trinity Church, Bermondsey Dockhead, London, England. The family were living at 29 Bock, 3 Vine Street Buildings.

The 1891 England Census recorded James H. Maybin as a 1 year old, living with his family at No. 5 Block, Barnham Street Buildings, Horsleydown, St Olave Southwark, London, England. His parents were listed as Thomas Maybin (Machine Ruler, aged 28, born St. George's London) & Margaret Maybin (aged 27, born Newington, London). James was one of four children listed on this Census – Kate E. Maybin (Scholar, aged 7, born Bermondsey, London), Thomas J. Maybin (Scholar, aged 5, born Camberwell, London), George A. Maybin (aged 3, born St. George, London) then James (born Horsleydown, London). Also listed was Esther Maybin (widowed mother of Thomas Maybin, aged 58, born Paddington, London).

Three brothers – Thomas, George & James Maybin were listed as students at Waller Road School, Lewisham. They all were admitted on the same date – 23rd August, 1892 & had previously attended Dockhead Chapel School. The 3 brothers were removed on 24th March, 1893.

The 1901 England Census recorded James H. Maybin as an 11 year old, living with his family at 25 Braddon Street, Rotherhithe, London, England. His parents were listed as Thomas Maybin (Machine Ruler, aged 37) & Margaret Maybin (aged 36). James was one of four children listed on this Census – George A. Maybin (aged 13), then James, Arthur L. Maybin (aged 8) & William Maybin (aged 3).

James Henry Thomas Maybin was a 26 year old, single, Labourer from Mackay, Queensland when he enlisted on 14th February, 1916 at Rockhampton, Queensland with the Australian Imperial Force (A.I.F.). His service number was 6623 & his religion was Roman Catholic. His next of kin was listed as his friend – Miss A. Clark, Post Office, Mackay, Queensland.

Private James Henry Thomas Maybin was posted to 11th Depot Battalion on 22nd February, 1916 for recruit training. He was transferred to 19th Reinforcements of 9th Battalion on 5th April, 1916 then transferred to Compound Company, Lytton Camp, Lytton on 21st July, 1916. Private Maybin was transferred to 21st Reinforcements of 9th Battalion on 20th October, 1916.

Private James Henry Thomas Maybin embarked from Brisbane, Queensland on HMAT *Boonah* (A36) on 21st October, 1916 with the 9th Infantry Battalion, 21st Reinforcements & disembarked at Plymouth, England on 10th January, 1917.

9th Battalion

The 9th Battalion was among the first infantry units raised for the AIF during the First World War. It was the first battalion recruited in Queensland, and with the 10th, 11th and 12th Battalions it formed the 3rd Brigade.

(Extract of Battalion information from the Australian War Memorial)

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 James Henry Thomas Maybin was written up for a Crime at Durrington, Wiltshire on 1st February, 1917 – A.W.L. (Absent without Leave) from midnight on 1st February, 1917 till 9 am on 7th February, 1917. He was awarded 144 hours detention & forfeited a total of 11 days' pay.

Private James Henry Thomas Maybin was admitted to Fargo Military Hospital, Wiltshire on 9th February, 1917 for observation. He was discharged to Perham Downs, Wiltshire on 19th February, 1917.

Private James Henry Thomas Maybin was marched in to 3rd Training Battalion at Larkhill, Wiltshire from No. 1 Command Depot at Perham Downs, Wiltshire on 21st February, 1917.

Private James Henry Thomas Maybin was admitted to King George Hospital, Stamford Street, London, England on 24th March, 1917 with Pneumonia.

Private James Henry Thomas Maybin died at 10.20 pm on 30th March, 1917 at The King George Hospital, Stamford Street, London, England from Pneumonia.(The Hospital Admissions form recorded he died at 10 pm).

A death for James Maybin, aged 26, was registered in the June quarter, 1917 in the district of Lambeth, Greater London, England.

Private James Henry Thomas Maybin was buried on 3rd April, 1917 in Brookwood Military Cemetery, Surrey, England – Australian Military Burial Ground - Plot number 179 039. This is now recorded by CWGC as Plot 11 Row F Grave 23.

From the burial report of Private Maybin - Coffin was good. Polished Elm. The deceased soldier's remains were borne to the graveside by members attached to the Administrative Headquarters A.I.F. London. Prior to the interment of the deceased soldier's remains a Requiem Mass was held by Chaplain Murphy of the A.I.F., in the Roman Catholic Chapel at Brookwood Cemetery. Relatives present the Funeral were:- Three brothers. Messrs Thomas, William & George Maybin, of 69 Peckham Park Road, Peckham, London, and No. 3 Woolsley Colleges, Dockhead, Bermondsey, London. The relatives decided to leave the erection of a Memorial entirely in the hands of the Commonwealth Military Authorities.

Annie Clark, listed as friend & next-of-kin of the late Private James Henry Thomas Maybin, signed for as receipt on 8th September, 1917 - one package containing the personal effects of the late Private Maybin.

Annie S. R. Clark, Tattersall Hotel, Mackay, wrote to Base Records on 1st May, 1917 enquiring if Private Maybin had *"left any will & if the few things he had in his possession would be given back to me I was engaged to the late James Maybin...."*

Base Records replied on 11th May, 1917 stating there was no notification of a Will to date & that no personal effects had been returned to Base Records to date but would be promptly forwarded wither to her , or in accordance with other testamentary instructions.

Base Records wrote to 1st Military District, Pay Department, Victoria Barracks, Brisbane on 12th April, 1918 requesting to know if they had any record of the next-of-kin of the late No. 6623 Private J.H.T. Maybin, other than Miss A. Clark, Post Office, Mackay, Queensland as letters addressed to her had been returned "unclaimed."

A reply was received stating that Mrs J. Miller, jnr (nee A. Clark) was residing at No. 5 High Street, Dinton, near Aylesbury, Bucks, England.

Base Records wrote to Miss A. Clark, c/o Mrs R. Angus, Tattersalls Hotel, Mackay, Queensland, on 5th May, 1921 stating that she was noted as the next-of-kin on the records of the late Private James Henry Thomas Maybin & asked whether there were any blood relations in order that the War Medals etc, could be sent to.

The letter was returned unclaimed.

Base Records contacted Mrs J. Miller jnr (previously Miss Annie Clark), 5 High Street, Dinton, near Aylesbury, Bucks, England, on 23rd December, 1921 stating she was named by Private J. H. T. Maybin, upon enlistment as the next-of-kin (friend) & were enquiring to assist in getting in touch with some of his blood relations to properly dispose of deceased's war medals, etc.

Mrs J. Miller replied on 13th February, 1922 stating she could not get in touch with Private Maybin's relatives but gave the address as Mr T. H. Maybin, No. 69 Peckham Park Rd, London.

Private James Henry Thomas Maybin 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 Maybin's father - Mr T. H. Maybin, as the closest next-of-kin. (Scroll & Plaque issued in England in August, 1922).

The Commonwealth War Graves Commission lists Private J. H. T. Maybin – service number 6623, of 9th Battalion, Australian Infantry. No family details are listed.

J. H. J. Maybin is remembered on the Mackay Old Town Hall Honour Board, located in the Old Mackay Town Hall foyer, Sydney Street, Mackay, Queensland.



Mackay Old Town Hall Honour Board

(Photo from Queensland War Memorials – Glen Hall, Mackay Historical Society)

TH. H.	D'ARCY M. J.	DENMAN C.	DRURY A. M.	EKLUND L. J.	FITZ
VER F. W.	LETCHNER H.S.	MARSH B.	MOORE W.	MC ALEESE R.	Mc
TON F.	LETCHFORD B.	MARTIN G.	MORCOM F.	MC ALEESE W. J.	Mc
L. C.	LEWINGTON E. H.	MARTIN C. F.	MORGAN F.	MC BRATNEY J.	Mc
W. F.	LEWTHWAITE C. J.	MARTIN R.	MORGAN M. J.	MC CALL M.	Mc
Y W.	LIDDALL W. S.	MATHEWS C. A.	MORLEY F.	MC CARTHY J. H.	Mc
TON C. C.	LINDSAY J. B.	MATTHEWS L. H.	MORLEY R. F. C.	MC CARTHY B. S.	Mc
C. V.	LINDSAY H. M.	MATTHEWS T. A.	MORRIS F. A.	MACARTNEY H. E. J.	Mc
M.	LINDSAY R. M.	MATTHEWS W. E.	MORRIS J. C.	MC CALLUM J. R.	Mc
C. W.	LINTHWAITE H. I. C.	MATSEN C. P.	MORRIS R. L.	MC CLAY J.	Mc
J. H.	LISTER A. H.	MAYBIN J. H. J.	MORRIS R. S.	MC COWAN A.	Mc
J.	LLOYD EDWARD	MAYERS A. N.	MORRIS W. H.	MC COWAN P.	Mc
T. A.	LORD A. C.	MECALLEP P.	MORRIS W. J.	MC COLL R. S.	Mc
EY E.	LOWE J.	MELLFRONT A. V.	MORRISSEY J. J.	MC CRACKEN W. L.	Mc
L. J.	LOWTHER E.	MENG F. A.	MOYLE E. T.	MC CULLOCH E. A.	Mc
ON J.	LOWTHER W. M.	MENG J. P.	MOYLE R. J.	MC CULLOCH C. N.	Mc
REE J.	LUSCOMBE C. T.	MERRITT C. W.	MOYLE W.	MC CULLOCH S. C.	Mc
I. A. J. B.	LUSCOMBE J.	MERRITT W. S.	MOWBRAY D.	MC CULLOCK A.	Mc
R W.	LUSCOMBE P. J.	MEZGER V. J.	MUDIE	MC DERMOTT F. C.	Mc
E.	LYMBURNER E. N.	MIDDLETON J.	MUGGLETON S.	MC DONALD JOHN	Mc
N C.	LYNCH T. M.	MILLER A. E.	MULHERIN H. C.	MC DONALD J.	Mc
R. A.	MACCROARTY N. R.	MILLER C. W.	MULHERIN T. C.	MC DONALD J. H.	Mc
C.	MACKAY J. S.	MILLIGAN J.	MUNRO E. C.	MC DONALD J. R.	Mc
LE.	MACSON A.	MILNE J. S.	MUNSTER C. H.	MC DONALD W.	Mc
H. W.	MALONEY J. F.	MILNE R. R.	MURPHY J.	MC DOUGALL D. N.	Mc
C. W.	MANN F. W.	MILLWARD R. R.	MURPHY P. F.	MC DOWALL J. K.	Mc
G. M.	MANNING H. C.	MILTON E. R.	MURTACH D. J.	MC DOWALL J. L.	Mc
ON F. S.	MANSELL C.	MITCHELL L. C.	MURTACH P.	MC ERLANE H.	Mc
FIELD J. O.	MANUEL E.	MOODY C. E.	MURRY M. E.	MC ERLANE W. J.	Mc
W. S.	MARRYATT H. W. J.	MONERY	MC ADAM C.	MC EWAN T. F.	Mc
H.	MARSDEN F. C.	MOORE C.	MC ADAM J.	MC EWAN W. J.	Mc
A. E.	TOFT C. C.	VOLLNERHOUSE G. I.	WEDLOCK G. H.	WILLIAMS P.	Mc

Private J. H. T. Maybin is commemorated on the Roll of Honour, located in the Hall of Memory Commemorative Area at the Australian War Memorial, Canberra, Australia on Panel 56.



Roll Of Honour WW1 Australian War Memorial Canberra, Australia

(47 pages of Private James Henry Thomas Maybin'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

ETON POLICE COURT

At the Eton Police Court on Tuesday before Mr B. C. Macgroarty, P.M., James Maybin pleaded guilty to making use of obscene language and was fined £2 or 14 days imprisonment. Defendant was one of those out on strike and during the day his mates clubbed together and paid his fine, whereupon he was released.

(Daily Mercury, Mackay, Queensland – 13 July, 1911)

AUSTRALIAN CASUALTIES

LIST NO. 287

Died of Illness

Private J. H. T. Maybin (Mackay)

(*Morning Bulletin*, Rockhampton, Queensland – 17 April, 1917)

GOVERNMENT ADVERTISEMENTS

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STATUTORY NOTICE TO CREDITORS.
Re **JAMES HENRY THOMAS MAYBIN**, late of Brisbane, in the State of Queensland, Soldier, Deceased.
Notice is hereby given that all Creditors and other persons having Claims against the Estate of the abovenamed **J. H. T. Maybin**, late of Brisbane, in the State of Queensland, deceased, who died on or about the Thirtieth day of March, 1917, A.D., at London, are hereby required to send their Claims to the **PUBLIC CURATOR**, Brisbane, on or before the Tenth day of October, 1918. And that after the expiration of the lastmentioned date the Public Curator will proceed to distribute the Assets of the said deceased amongst the parties entitled thereto, having regard only to the Claims of which he shall then have had notice.
Dated this Thirtieth day of July, 1918.
R. J. S. BARNETT, Official Solicitor to the Public Curator, Brisbane.

(*The Brisbane Courier*, Queensland – 9 August, 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)

A letter from Base Records, dated 22nd July, 1921, to Miss A. Clark, c/o Mrs R. Angus, Tattersalls Hotel, Mackay, Queensland, advised that a letter from the Defence Dept. concerning an inscription on the headstone of the late No. 6623 Private J. H. T. Maybin, had not been answered & non-receipt of a reply within 21 days would have to be accepted as indicating that no further action was to be taken.

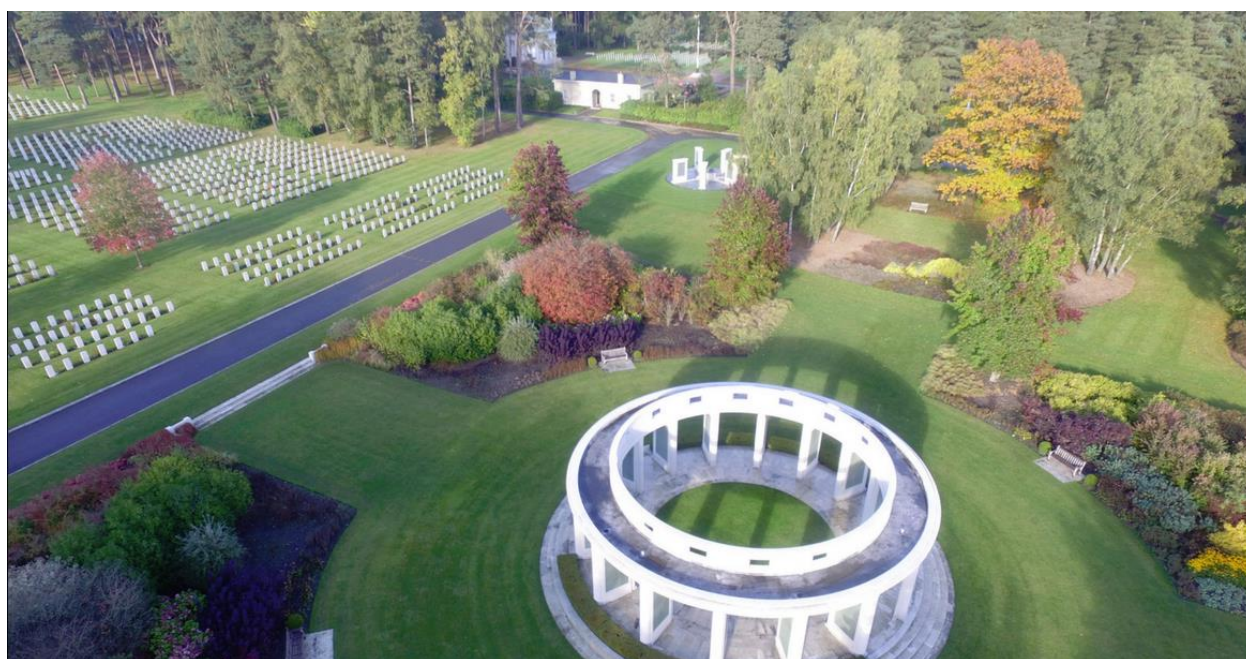
Private J. H. T. Maybin does not have a personal inscription on his headstone.

Brookwood Military Cemetery, Surrey, England

Located 30 miles from London in Surrey, Brookwood Military Cemetery is the largest CWGC cemetery in the United Kingdom. The cemetery contains the graves of more than 1,600 servicemen of the British Empire in the First World War and over 3,470 from the Second World War.

Brookwood Military Cemetery lies adjacent to Brookwood Cemetery (The London Necropolis), a vast space which covers 500 acres. In 1917, an area to the north of the cemetery was set aside as Brookwood Military Cemetery for men and women of Commonwealth forces who died, many of battle wounds, in the London district. This site was further extended to accommodate Commonwealth casualties of the Second World War. *(Information from CWGC)*

There are 446 Australian War Graves in Brookwood Military Cemetery – 351 from World War 1 & 95 from World War 2.



Brookwood Military Cemetery *(Photo from CWGC)*



AUSTRALIAN WAR MEMORIAL

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A large crowd attends an A.I.F. military funeral at Brookwood Cemetery. In the foreground wooden crosses mark rows of graves. (Photo c1919)

Identified: Front row, left to right: Second Lieutenant Douglas Abbott Ferguson, Australian Flying Corps, died of accidental injuries 18 August 1918; Lieutenant (Lt) Francis John Smedley MC, 7th Battalion, died of wounds 20 August 1918.

Second row: 6860 Private (Pte) James Alexander McKeown, 21st Battalion, died of wounds 20 June 1918; 3622 Pte S T Wilson, 2nd Australian Pioneers, died of wounds 4 July 1918; 2390 Sergeant Frederick Charles Stronell, 21st Battalion, died of wounds 9 July 1918; Lt Arthur Melville Lilburne MC, 6th Brigade Australian Field Artillery, died of disease 11 July 1918.



Brookwood Military Cemetery (Photos by Magicfingers)



Australian Graves in Brookwood Military Cemetery (Photos by Magicfingers)





(Photo courtesy of Ian Fletcher)



Australian War Graves *(Photo courtesy of Neil Bright 2020)*

Photo of Private J. H. T. Maybin's Commonwealth War Graves Commission Headstone in Brookwood Military Cemetery, Surrey, England.



(Photo courtesy of Ian Fletcher)



Plot 11 Row F – Brookwood Military Cemetery (Photo courtesy of Ian Fletcher – June 2021)

