

**London Road Cemetery,  
Salisbury, Wiltshire, England**

**War Graves**



*Lest We Forget*

**World War 1**



**63787 GUNNER**

**ANTHONY AUSTIN STREET**

**AUST. FIELD ARTILLERY**

**16TH OCTOBER, 1918 Age 20**

*Requiescat In Pace*

## Anthony Austin STREET

Anthony Austin Street was born at Double Bay, Sydney, NSW on 19th April, 1898 to parents John William and Mary Veronica Street (nee Austin). His birth was registered in the district of Woollahra, Sydney, NSW.

Anthony Austin Street attended Sydney Grammar School, Sydney, NSW.

Anthony Austin Street was a 19 year old, single Clerk from Elizabeth Bay, Sydney, NSW when he enlisted on 10th December, 1917 with the Australian Imperial Force (A.I.F.). His service number was 63787 & his religion was Roman Catholic. His next of kin was listed as his Father – Mr J. W. Street, “Ennis Killen” Ithaca Road, Elizabeth Bay, Sydney, NSW. Anthony Street stated on his Attestation Papers that he had served with Senior Cadets for 4 years & NSW Scouts for 1 ½ years (still serving).

As Anthony Austin Street was under the age of 21 his parents were required to sign their consent for their son to enlist. On 10th December, 1917 J. W. Street & Mary Veronica Street signed their consent – “*We hereby give our consent to the enlisting of our son Anthony Austin Street 19 yrs age, for Active Service in the Australian Imperial Forces.*”

Private Anthony Austin Street was posted to Show Ground Camp, Sydney, NSW on 11th February, 1918 for recruit training. He was transferred to 35th Field Artillery Reinforcements at Liverpool, Sydney, NSW on 15th February, 1918 as Gunner.

Gunner Anthony Austin Street embarked from Sydney, NSW on RMS *Orontes* for Active Service on 5th June, 1918 with the Field Artillery, 35th Reinforcements. He was admitted to Ship’s Hospital on 25th June, 1918 with Tonsillitis & discharged from Ship’s Hospital on 4th July, 1918. Gunner Street disembarked from RMS *Orontes* at Liverpool, England on 11th August, 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.

Gunner Anthony Austin Street was marched in to R.B.A.A. (Reserve Brigade Australia Artillery) at Heytesbury, Wiltshire, England on 12th August, 1918 from Australia.

Gunner Anthony Austin Street was sent sick to Sutton Veny Hospital, Wiltshire on 9th October, 1918 with Influenza. He was reported as seriously ill – cause N.Y.D. (not yet determined) on 12th October, 1918.

The Hospital Admissions form recorded that Gunner Anthony Austin Street was admitted to Group Clearing Hospital, Sutton Veny, Wiltshire on 10th October, 1918 with “*Pneumonia?*” He was transferred to Military Hospital at Sutton Veny, Wiltshire on 12th October, 1918.

Gunner Anthony Austin Street died on 16th October, 1918 at Military Hospital, Sutton Veny, Wiltshire, England from Influenza Pneumonia. A telegram to Administrative Headquarters, A.I.F. London, from Commanding Officer, Military Hospital, Sutton Veny advised of the death of Gunner Anthony Austin Street & also mentioned that his brother Major Street was present and approved a Post Mortem.

A death for Anthony A. Street, aged 20, was registered in the December quarter, 1918 in the district of Warminster, Wiltshire, England.

Gunner Anthony Austin Street was buried at 3 pm on 19th October, 1918 in London Road Cemetery, Salisbury, Wiltshire, England – Plot number R. 4. and has a Commonwealth War Graves Commission headstone. From the burial report of Gunner Anthony Austin Street - *Coffin was good, Elm, brass-mounted. Deceased was buried with full military honors, the coffin draped with the Australian flag was borne to the grave-side on a guncarriage. The cortege was preceded by a Firing Party and Band from the Australian Artillery Depot; six comrades of the deceased supported the pall. Wreaths from Father and Mother; Jack; Maude and Margery and numerous other floral tributes were placed on the grave. The late Gunner Street was very popular with all ranks of the Depot, always proving himself a good comrade. Headquarters, A.I.F. Depots in United Kingdom were represented at the funeral.*

Names of Relatives and Friends present at the Funeral – Brother – Major G. A. Street, 1st Bn. A.I.F.; Cousin – Gnr E. W. Street, 5th F.A.B., A.I.F.; Aunt – Mrs F. Gamburg, 39 Hans Mansions, London; Aunt- Mrs E. Poolman, 5 Aubrey Rd, Camden Hill; Major & Mrs W. J. R. Scott, 20th Bn. A.I.F.

Anthony Austin Street requested in his Will, dated 2nd June, 1918, bequeathed all his real & personal estate to his father John William Street, of Enniskillen, Elizabeth Bay, Sydney.

Gunner Anthony Austin Street 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 Gunner Street's father – Mr J. W. Street, as the closest next-of-kin. (Scroll sent July, 1921 & Plaque sent November, 1922).

The Commonwealth War Graves Commission lists Gunner Anthony Austin Street – service number 63787, aged 20, of Australian Field Artillery. He was the son of John William and Mary Veronica Street.

Gunner A. A. Street is remembered on the Sydney Grammar School Honour Board, located at Sydney Grammar School, College Street, Darlinghurst, Sydney, NSW.



**Sydney Grammar School Honour Board** (Image courtesy of Sydney Grammar School)

SAMS, TPR, J.C. ~ SAUNDERS, LCPL, E.E. ~ SAVAGE, PTE, A.D. ~ SCARR, LIBUT, G.C.  
SCOT-SKIRVING, CAPT, A.W. ~ SCOTT, LIBUT COL, A.H., D.S.O. ~ SCRUTTON, PTE, A.E. ~ SEALE, SGT, M.H.  
SEWELL, SGT, A.W. ~ SHARPE, PTE, H. ~ SHERBON, TEMP, MJR, I.B., M.C. ~ SHERMAN, PTE, G. ~ SHERMAN, PTE, L.  
SIMPSON, LCPL, G.B.G. ~ SMITH, CAPT, G.A. ~ SMITH, LCPL, H.J.S. ~ SMITH, PTE, L.R.E. ~ SMITH, SPR, M.R.  
SMITHERS, LIBUT, K. ~ SMYTHE, LIBUT, J.F. ~ SOLOMON, LIBUT, K.M.H. ~ SPENCER, GNR, G.G. ~ STREET, GNR, A.A.  
STREET, LIBUT, L.W. ~ STRUTHERS, LCPL, J.R. ~ STUART-MASON, LIBUT, A.C. ~ SMITH, LT, G. ~ HENDERSON.



Gunner A. A. Street is commemorated on the Roll of Honour, located in the Hall of Memory Commemorative Area at the Australian War Memorial, Canberra, Australia on Panel 22.



*Roll Of Honour WW1 Australian War Memorial Canberra, Australia*

(67 pages of Gunner Anthony Austin Street'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**

### **ACCEPTED VOLUNTEERS**

During the 24 hours ended at 11 am to-day, 63 volunteers were accepted in this State –

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A. A. Street, clerk, Elizabeth Bay

(*The Sun*, Sydney, NSW – 11 December, 1917)

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A cablegram was received in Sydney yesterday announcing the death in London from pneumonia of Gunner Anthony Austin Street, a brother of Major Jeffrey Street, M.C., an original Anzac. Another brother is an officer in the service of the P. and O. Co. Gunner Street, who was only 20 years of age, was a son of Mr J. W. Street, of Elizabeth Bay, a brother of Mr Justice Street (Chief Judge in Equity). Prior to enlisting Gunner Street was employed in the department of the Public Trustee.

(*The Sun*, Sydney, NSW – 20 October, 1918)

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## ROLL OF HONOUR

STREET – By cable from London, of pneumonia, Gunner Anthony Austin Street, 35th Reinforcements, Australian Field Artillery, A.I.F., youngest son of John William and Mary Veronica Street, of Enniskillen, Elizabeth Bay, Sydney.

(*The Sydney Morning Herald*, NSW – 21 October, 1918)

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### 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.

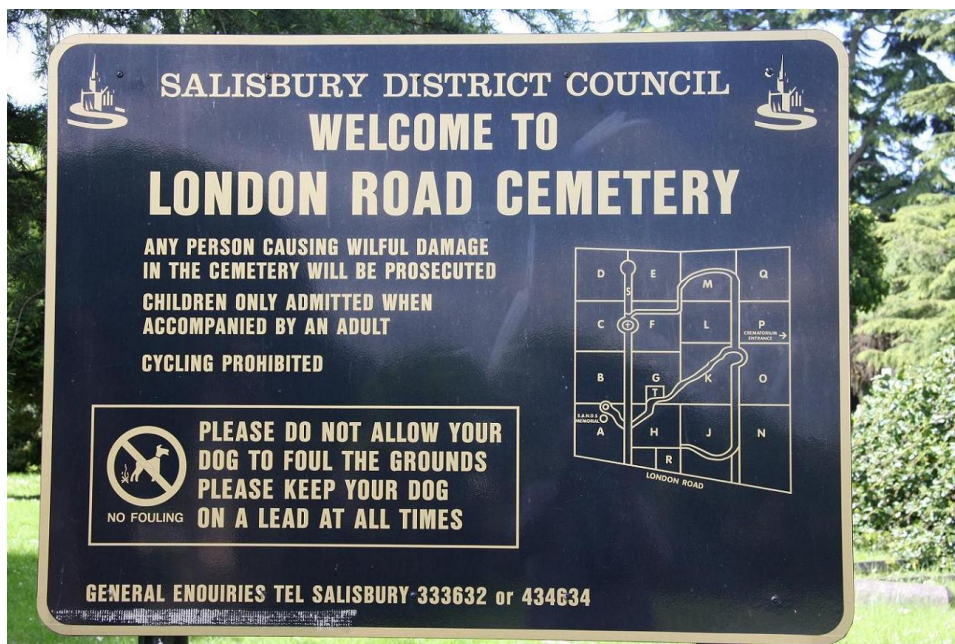
(*Information obtained from letters sent to next of kin in 1921*)

Gunner Anthony Austin Street does have a personal inscription on his headstone.

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### **London Road Cemetery, Salisbury, Wiltshire, England**

London Road Cemetery, Salisbury contains 52 World War 1 burials & 52 World War 2 burials. There are 9 Australian WW1 War Graves & 1 WW2 Australian War Grave in this Cemetery.



(*Photo by julia&keld – Find a Grave*)





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*(Photo from CWGC)*



Photo of Gunner Anthony Austin Street's Commonwealth War Graves Commission Headstone in London Road Cemetery, Salisbury, Wiltshire, England.



*(Photo courtesy of Trish Thomas 2020)*





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