

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

War Graves



Lest We Forget

World War 1



56619 PRIVATE

F. A. VINCENT

AUSTRALIAN REINFORCEMENT

11TH OCTOBER, 1918

Frederick Allan VINCENT

Frederick Allan Vincent was born at Burnie, Tasmania on 27th November, 1896 to parents Henry and Alison (Alice Mary) Vincent (nee Polson).

Frederick Allan Vincent attended the Covent School, Burnie, Tasmania.

Frederick Allan Vincent was a 21 year old, single, Labourer from Upper Burnie, Tasmania when he enlisted on 5th April, 1918 with the Australian Imperial Force (A.I.F.). His service number was 56619 & his religion was Roman Catholic. His next of kin was listed as his mother – Mrs A. M. Vincent, Upper Burnie, Tasmania. Frederick Vincent stated on his Attestation Papers that he had served 2 years with Cadets. He also stated he had previously been rejected from Camp owing to his parents' consent.

Private Frederick Allan Vincent was posted to 1st Depot Battalion, Claremont Camp, Tasmania on 28th May, 1918 for recruit training.

Private Frederick Allan Vincent embarked from Hobart, Tasmania on T.S.S. *Moeraki* on 6th July, 1918. He was posted to Liverpool Camp, Sydney, NSW on 8th July, 1918.

Private Frederick Allan Vincent embarked from Sydney, NSW on HMAT *Borda* (A30) on 17th July, 1918 with the 2nd Tasmanian General Service Reinforcements & disembarked at London, England on 27th September, 1918.

The Conduct Sheet for Private Frederick Allan Vincent has an entry for Black Boy Hill on 30th July, 1918 – “*Disobedience of Orders*”. Punishment was 72 hours detention. Above this entry is written: “*Claremont Camp certified correct.*” (Note: Blackboy Hill was in Western Australia. Claremont Camp was in Tasmania. On 30th July, 1918 Private Vincent was on board HMAT *Borda* on his way from Sydney to England).

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 Frederick Allan Vincent was marched in to 9th Training Battalion at Fovant, Wiltshire, England on 27th September, 1918 from Australia. He was posted to Reinforcements of 40th Battalion whilst at 1st Training Battalion on 27th September, 1918.

Private Frederick Allan Vincent was marched in to R.B.A.A. (Reserve Brigade Australian Artillery) at Heytesbury, Wiltshire on 4th October, 1918 from 2nd Training Brigade at Fovant.

Private Frederick Allan Vincent was sent sick to Group Clearing Hospital, Sutton Veny, Wiltshire on 5th October, 1918 with Influenza. He was transferred & admitted to Military Hospital, Sutton Veny & was reported to be seriously ill with Influenza Pneumonia on 9th October, 1918.

Private Frederick Allan Vincent died at 00.30 on 11th October, 1918 at Military Hospital, Sutton Veny, Wiltshire from Cardiac Failure after Influenza Pneumonia.

A death for Frederick Vincent, aged 22, was registered in the December quarter, 1918 in the district of Warminster, Wiltshire, England.

Private Frederick Allan Vincent was buried on 17th October, 1918 in London Road Cemetery, Salisbury, Wiltshire, England – Plot number R. 33 and has a Commonwealth War Graves Commission headstone. From the burial report of Private Frederick Allan Vincent - *Coffin was good, polished Elm, brass mounts. Deceased was buried with full military honors, the coffin draped with the Australian flag was borne to the Graveside on a Gun-Carraige preceded by a firing party and band. Six of the Deceased's comrades acted as Pall-Bearers. Three Officers and about thirty N.C.O.s and Men of the Deceased's Unit attended as Mourners. Headquarters, A.I.F. London were represented at the funeral.*

Private Frederick Allan Vincent requested in his Will, dated 21st June, 1918, that in the event of his death the whole of his property & effects be given to his mother – Alice Mary Vincent, Upper Burnie, Tasmania.

Base Records contacted Mrs A. M. Vincent, Upper Burnie, Tasmania in June, 1921 stating she was noted on the records for the late Private F. A. Vincent as the registered next-of-kin but desired to know if there were any nearer blood relatives than herself due to the "Deceased Soldiers Estates Act 1918" which stated that the War Medals & Mementoes of a deceased soldier were to be handed in the following order of relationship – Widow, eldest surviving son, eldest surviving daughter, father, mother, eldest surviving brother, eldest surviving sister etc. Base Records specifically asked if his father was still alive.

Base Records wrote to Headquarters, 6th District Base on 29th November, 1922 stating that they had written to Mrs A. M. Vincent in June 1921 requesting to know if the father of the late Private F. A. Vincent was still alive & if so his address. No reply had been received from Mrs Vincent so they requested "*if you can obtain the desired information – possibly the War Gratuity files may be able to assist.*"

6th District Base replied to Base Records on 8th December, 1922 stating

Private Frederick Allan Vincent was entitled to British War only as he had not entered a Theatre of War. A Memorial Scroll & Memorial Plaque were also sent to Private Vincent's father – Mr H. Vincent, as the closest next-of-kin. (Scroll & Plaque sent January, 1923).

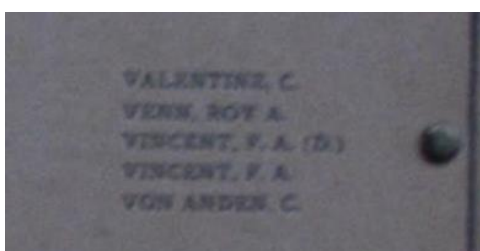
The Commonwealth War Graves Commission lists Private Frederick Allan Vincent – service number 56619, of Australian Reinforcement. He was the son of Henry and Alice Vincent, of Burnie. "*the father is living. His address is as follows: - Mr Henry Vincent, Upper Burnie, Tasmania.*"

Private F. A. Vincent is commemorated on the Roll of Honour, located in the Hall of Memory Commemorative Area at the Australian War Memorial, Canberra, Australia on Panel 133.



Roll Of Honour WW1 Australian War Memorial Canberra, Australia

F. A. Vincent is remembered on the Emu Bay Roll of Honour, located in RSL Club, 36 Alexander Street, Burnie, Tasmania.





Emu Bay Roll of Honour (Photo from AWM Places of Pride – Arthur Garland)

F. A. Vincent is remembered on the Burnie War Memorial, located in Burnie Park, Bass Highway & West Park Grove, Tasmania.



Burnie War Memorial (Photos from AWM Places of Pride – Arthur Garland)



Frederick Allan Vincent is remembered on the Wall of Remembrance, at the War Memorial, Cecilia Street, St. Helens, Tasmania. The Wall of Remembrance commemorates those from Tasmania who died in service or were killed in action in World War One.

Front Inscription

Tasmania's World War One Roll of Honour, 1914 - 1918

The names of 3165 soldiers, sailors and airmen who were Tasmanian by birth or residence and died from their service in WW1 are commemorated on these walls. Their names appear alphabetically, grouped by the year of death. These men served with Australian, New Zealand and British units.

"What these men did nothing can alter now. The good and the bad, the greatness and the smallness of their story will stand. Whatever of glory it contains nothing now can lessen. It rises, as it will always rise, above the mists of ages, a monument to great hearted men; and for their nation, a possession forever."



Wall of Remembrance, St. Helens, Tasmania (Photo from Places of Pride – Henry Moulds)

4676	Sgt	Tanner	John	08.01.1918	29	12th Inf Bn	Swansea
7347	Pte	Taylor	Henry James	04.06.1918	0	NZEF OIB	
93076	Sgt	Taylor	MSM				
959	Pte	Van Driel	William	01.05.1918	29	12th Inf Bn	Launceston
14828	Lt	Vaughan	Ben	21.04.1918	24	12th Inf Bn	Hobart
9078	Pte	Vaughan	Arthur Edward G	25.08.1918	20	12th Inf Bn	Launceston
3504	Pte	Yam	John Henry	11.04.1918	25	2nd Pioneer Bn	Launceston
1355	Sgt	Yamso	Thomas Arthur	29.09.1918	24	2nd Tunnel Coy	Wilmet
56819	Pte	Vincent	Frederick Allan	11.10.1918	21	12th Inf Bn	Sunila
7908A	Pte	Von Schil	William Alfred	24.08.1918	24	10th Fd Amb Coy	Launceston
54515	Pte	Wainwright	Charles	16.04.1918	0	NZEF Trenching Bn	Launceston
2888	Pte	Wakelind	William Benram	07.11.1918	24	40th Inf Bn	New Norfolk
2294	Sgt	Walkden	Harold Gordon	04.10.1918	23	ANZAC I Bn (Aub)	Launceston
2556	Sgt	Walker	George	08.08.1918	27	59th Inf Bn	Launceston
1197	Cpl	Walker	Edward	23.09.1918	25	28th Inf Bn	Evandale
101	LtCpl	Walker	Albert Ernest	01.09.1918	23	40th Inf Bn	Hobart
7251	Pte	Walker	Levi Miles	20.10.1918	38	ANZAC	Hobart
4599	Pte	Walker	Sydney Murray	12.11.1918	21	40th Inf Bn	Ranelagh
3892	Pte	Ward	Kenneth Henry W	30.08.1918	33	8EP Rifle Regt	Hobart
4789	Pte	Warne	Thomas Seale	15.08.1918	28	40th Inf Bn	North Hobart
1183	Capt	Wasson	Frank Charles	12.08.1918	29	24th Inf Bn	Launceston
650	LtCpl	Watts	DCM	10.03.1918	23	12th Inf Bn	Launceston
8891	Pte	Watt	John	21.09.1918	22	14 Sqn RFC	Launceston
2000	Pte	Watts	James	27.08.1918	28	41st Inf Bn	Somerset
7448	Pte	Watts	Murphy	27.08.1918	28	41st Inf Bn	Somerset
4807	Cpl	Watts	Cluido Nelson	17.08.1918	28	12th Inf Bn	Queenstown
5784	Pte	Watts	Harry Edward Cecil	30.03.1918	38	40th Inf Bn	Queenstown
2209	Lt	Wattbamer	Arnold Tabot	04.08.1918	24	12th Inf Bn	Bellefleur
35335	Cpl	Wattney	William Wynne	15.04.1918	29	12th Inf Bn	Hadspen
2289	Cpl	White	William Thomas	04.08.1918	25	7 LtTrenchMkBy	Sheffield
93981	Pte	White	Reginald Sydney	31.08.1918	0	NZEF WB	Lydell
1450	Pte	White	Edmond John	18.11.1918	38	1st AusCasC/Hoop	Hobart
7085	Pte	White	Eric Arthur	31.08.1918	25	40th Inf Bn	Penguin
1741	Pte	Wiggins	Robert	11.08.1918	29	12th Inf Bn	Hobart
478	RSM	Wilby	Gordon	08.08.1918	27	23rd Inf Bn	Bascofield
36851	Pte	Wilcock	Colin Cowe	25.12.1918	38	7th Fd Army Bde	Gangary
237	LtCpl	Williams	George Douglas	02.05.1918	24	47th Inf Bn	Hobart
4616	LtCpl	Williams	Henry Roy Tassan	02.07.1918	21	12th Inf Bn	Hobart
3488	Pte	Williams	Thomas Peter	15.04.1918	23	14th Inf Bn	Claremont
5995	Pte	Williams	James Jumbler	29.05.1918	31	40th Inf Bn	Cyprus
7099	Pte	Williamson	Clemens Fred	29.03.1918	28	40th Inf Bn	North Molton
891	Capt	Winnott	John William	18.09.1918	22	2nd Inf Bn	Barrington
7249	Pte	Wilson	William Frederick	25.04.1918	27	52nd Inf Bn	Launceston
4445	Pte	Wilson	Charles	23.04.1918	20	12th Inf Bn	Hobart
4407	Cpl	Wilson	George William	11.01.1918	28	12th Inf Bn	Bascofield
1489	Pte	Wilson	Thomas John	16.01.1918	25	4 LtTrenchMkBy	York Plains
38925	Pte	Wilson	Kenneth Eastland	23.03.1918	29	12th Inf Bn	Uverstone
2124	Pte	Wood	Allied Ernest	02.04.1918	24	12th Inf Bn	Uverstone
2888	Pte	Wood	Harold Lewis	18.01.1918	0	NZEF Pk Bde	Longford
3779	Pte	Wood	George Arthur	25.04.1918	28	40th Inf Bn	Newtown
9315	Pte	Wood	George William	06.10.1918	31	2nd Pioneer Bn	Sheppart
2881	LtCpl	Woods	Augustus Henry	13.11.1918	38	52nd Inf Bn	Narvon
2812	Maj	Woods	MC MD	05.08.1918	25	28th Inf Bn	Ranelagh
5218	Sgt	Woolley	DCM	31.08.1918	37	40th Inf Bn	Burnie
1487	Pte	Woolley	William George E	21.02.1918	30	40th Inf Bn	Hobart
7971	Pte	Wright	George	07.08.1918	40	2nd Tunnel Coy	New Norfolk
1189	Pte	Wright	George	28.08.1918	39	40th Inf Bn	Richmond
778	Pte	Wright	Eric Lawrence	19.01.1918	19	40th Inf Bn	Turkey Marsh
1107	Pte	Wright	Ralph Leitch	12.08.1918	22	37th Inf Bn	Bascofield
918	Sgt	Wynn	James Henry	02.04.1918	22	18th Inf Bn	Bascofield
3128	Pte	York	Alexander John	08.04.1918	22	82nd Inf Bn	Hobart
			James William	09.04.1918	25	8th MG Bn	Fingal

6358	Pte	Van Oriel	William	01.05.1918	29	12th Inf Bn	Launceston
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(43 pages of Private Frederick Allan Vincent'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

BURNIE

The following recruits represent Darwin's quota for the week ended on Saturday:-....F. A. Vincent, Burnie.

(*The North Western Advocate and the Emu Bay Times*, Tasmania – 9 April, 1918)

ENTERED CAMP

HOBART, Wednesday – The following recruits entered Claremont Camp on Tuesday:F. A. Vincent...

(*Daily Telegraph*, Tasmania – 30 May 1918)

BURNIE

On Tuesday, occasion was taken to bid farewell to Pte F. A. Vincent, Upper Burnie, who leaves for the front shortly. After games, dances and speeches, Mr S. Broad produced a wristlet watch which was fastened on Pte Vincent's wrist by his mother.

(*The North Western Advocate and the Emu Bay Times*, Tasmania – 21 June, 1918)

TASMANIA CASUALTIES

LIST No. 450

DIED

Pte F. A. Vincent, Upper Burnie, 11/10/18, illness

(*The North Western Advocate and the Emu Bay Times*, Tasmania – 7 December, 1918)

IN MEMORIAM

VINCENT – In loving memory of our dear son, Pte F. A. Vincent, who died of illness at the Sutton Viney Hospital, England, on October 11, 1918.

We can always see his smiling face,
 Though a mist of sorrowing tears;
But a mother's part is a broken heart,
 Through many a lonely year.

Mother of Sorrow, to thee we pray,
 Comfort the many sad hearts to-day;
Ask thy Son, at our request,
 To grant our loved on eternal rest.

-Inserted by his sorrowing father and mother, Upper Burnie.

VINCENT – In loving memory of our dear brother, Pte F. A. Vincent, who died of illness at the Sutton Viney Hospital, England, on the October 11, 1918.

"Died of illness," said the cable,
 We could scarcely read it through,
For our hearts were nearly broken
 As we realised 'twas true.

Some may think you are forgotten,
 But true love never dies;
The dearest spot on earth to us
 Is where our brother lies.

His heart was good, his spirit brave;
He's resting now in a soldier's grave.

-Inserted by his loving sisters and brothers and sister-in-law and brother-in law, Upper Burnie.

(*Advocate*, Burnie, Tasmania – 11 October, 1919)

IN MEMORIAM

VINCENT – In sad and loving memory of our dear brother, Private Frederick Vincent, who died at Sutton Veny Hospital, England, on October 11, 1918.

Our thoughts they often wander to our
Dear brother's honored grave;
His name is often spoken of in the
 home he died to save.

For our hearts are still united with the
 same fond love he gave,
And loving thoughts are cherished of
 the one so true and brave.

Though death divides, fond memory clings.

-Inserted by his loving sisters, P. and M. Bramich, Rogerton.

(*Advocate*, Burnie, Tasmania – 12 October, 1920)

IN MEMORIAM

VINCENT – In loving memory of our dear brother, Private F. Vincent, died in England, October 11, 1918.

Deep is the memory that never will fade.

-Inserted by his loving sisters and brother, M. and P. Bromich, and Arthur Vincent, Rogerton.

VINCENT – In loving memory of our dear son, Private F. Vincent, died in England, October 11, 1918.

He followed the path of duty,
He answered his country's call;
He died an Australian hero,
Loved and respected by all.

Somewhere in England you are sleeping
In a grave we may never see;
May some tender hand in that distant land
Lay flowers on your grave for me.

-Inserted by his loving father and mother, Upper Burnie.

(Advocate, Burnie, Tasmania – 11 October, 1921)

IN MEMORIAM

VINCENT – In loving memory of our dear brother, Fred, who died in England on October 11, 1918.

He sleeps besides his comrades

In a hallowed grave unknown,

But his name is written in letters of love

In the hearts he left at home.

May the Heavenly winds blow softly

O'er that sweet and hallowed spot,

Tho' the sea divides his grave from us

He will never be forgot.

-Inserted by his loving sisters, P. and M. Bramich, Rogerton, and his loving brother, Arthur, Smithton.

(Advocate, Burnie, Tasmania – 11 October, 1922)

IN MEMORIAM

VINCENT – In loving memory of our son and brother, Private Frederick Allen, who died in England on October 11, 1918. Also Jack, who died at Upper Burnie on August 31, 1919.

“Gone but not forgotten.”

Inserted by his loving mother, sisters and brothers, Upper Burnie.

(Advocate, Burnie, Tasmania – 11 October, 1926)

IN MEMORIAM

VINCENT – In loving memory of our son and brother Fred, who died in England on October 11, 1918.

May he rest in peace.

-Inserted by his loving mother, sisters and brothers, Burnie.

(Advocate, Burnie, Tasmania – 11 October, 1927)

IN MEMORIAM

VINCENT – In loving memory of my dear son, Private F. A. Vincent, who died October 11, 1914 at Sutton Veny Hospital, England.

We often think of days gone by

When we were all together;

A shadow o'er our life is cast,

Our dear one's gone for ever.

Rest in peace.

Inserted by his loving mother, sisters and brothers, Upper Burnie.

(Advocate, Burnie, Tasmania – 11 October, 1928)

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)

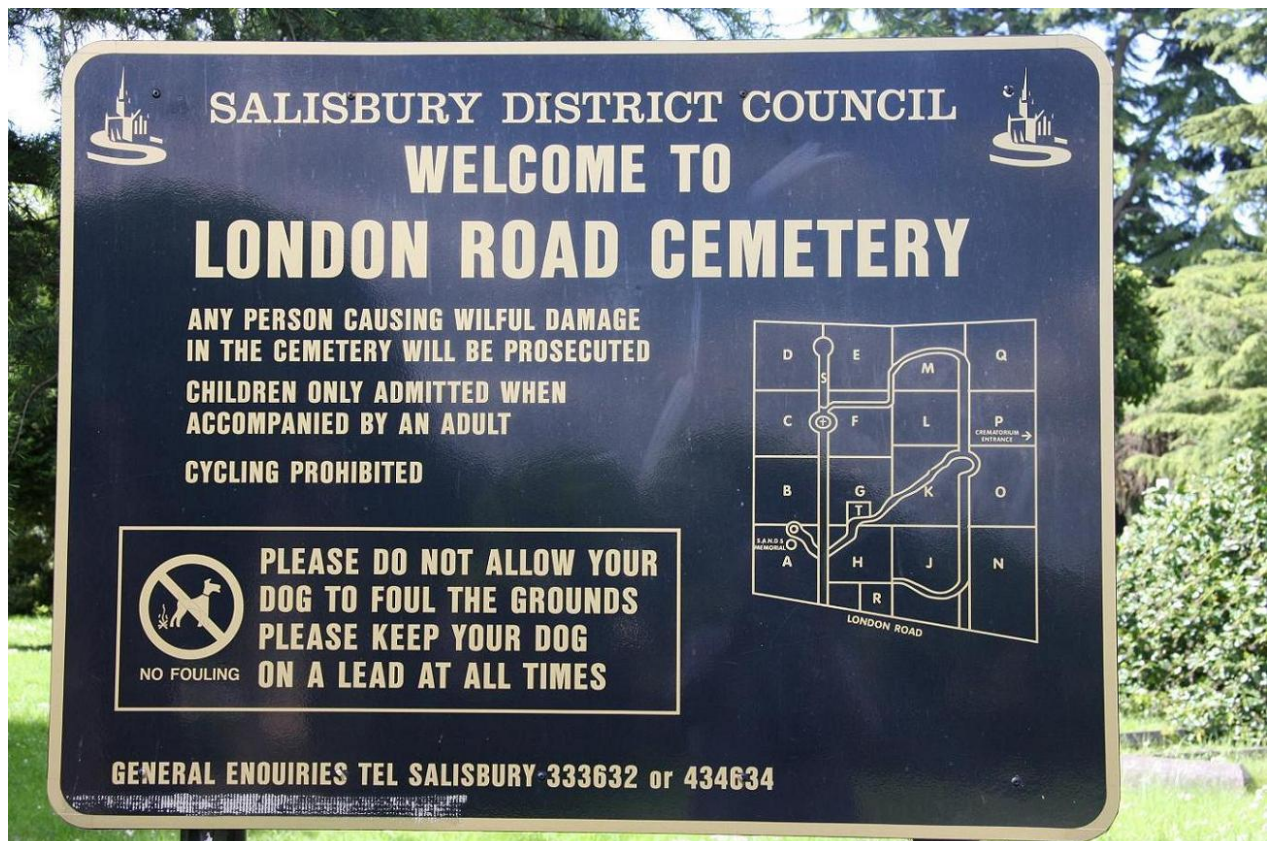
Private F. A. Vincent does not have a personal inscription on his headstone.

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.



(Photos by julia&keld – Find a Grave)





(Photos from CWGC)



Photo of Private F. A. Vincent's Commonwealth War Graves Commission Headstone in London Road Cemetery, Salisbury, Wiltshire, England.



(Photo courtesy of Helen Roberts 2020)



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