

**Sutton Road Cemetery,  
Southend-On-Sea, Essex, England**

**War Graves**



*Lest We Forget*

**World War 1**



**2051 SERGEANT**

**H. C. YELVERTON**

**51ST BN. AUSTRALIAN INF.**

**21ST OCTOBER, 1916 Age 22**

## Hilton Charles YELVERTON

Hilton Charles Yelverton was born at Quindalup via Busselton, Western Australia on 4th February, 1894 to parents Henry John & Eloise Louisa Yelverton (nee Guerrier).

Henry John Yelverton, father of Hilton Charles Yelverton, died on 14th January, 1906 at Bunbury, Western Australia & was buried in the old Busselton Cemetery.

Hilton Charles Yelverton attended Scotch College, Claremont, Western Australia.

Hilton Yelverton was a 22 year old, single, Station Hand from Perth, Western Australia when he enlisted on 18th January, 1915 with the Australian Imperial Force (A.I.F.). His service number was 2051 & his religion was Church of England. His next of kin was listed as his mother – Mrs Eloise Yelverton, Napier and Marmion Streets, Cottesloe, Western Australia. Hilton Yelverton stated on his Attestation Papers that he had served with Cadets for 3 ½ years.

Private Hilton Yelverton was posted to 5th Reinforcements of 11th Battalion as Sergeant on 18th January, 1915 for recruit training.

Private (rank as per Embarkation Roll) Hilton Yelverton embarked from Fremantle, Western Australia on HMAT *Hororata* (A20) on 29th April, 1915 with the 11th Infantry Battalion, 5th Reinforcements. Sergeant Yelverton was written up for an Offence on 16th May, 1915 on HMAT A30 – “*Whilst on active service being absent without leave on June 16th, 1915*”. He was severely reprimanded on 18th June, 1915 by Captain Holdgate.

Private Hilton Yelverton was taken on strength of 11th Battalion at Dardanelles on 22nd June, 1915 from 5th Reinforcements. He reverted to the rank of Private at his own request on 22nd June, 1915.

Private Hilton Yelverton was appointed Lance Corporal on 11th July, 1915 at Dardanelles.

Lance Corporal Hilton Yelverton was promoted to Temporary Sergeant on 15th August, 1915.

Temporary Sergeant Hilton Yelverton was admitted to 2nd Field Ambulance at Dardanelles on 25th August, 1915. He was transferred the same day to No. 1 Australian Casualty Clearing Station at Gallipoli with Diarrhoea & on being evacuated reverted to the rank of Lance Corporal. Lance Corporal Yelverton was transferred to Hospital Ship *Ascania* & was admitted to Hospital at Mudros on 27th August, 1915. He was transferred to Hospital Ship *St. Patrick* & admitted to Hospital at Malta on 28th August, 1915. Lance Corporal Yelverton embarked for England on Hospital Ship *Panama* on 13th September, 1915.

Newspaper item – *The South-Western News*, Busselton, Western Australia – 19 November, 1915:

### **LETTERS FROM THE FRONT**

*Sergeant Hilton Yelverton, a Busselton boy, writing from Malta to his brother, Mr. H. G. Yelverton, at Quindalup, under date of 2nd September, says:—*

*" I left Gallipoli about a week ago in the *Ascanius*, the boat *Mervyn* left Australia on, being sent away with some wounded and sick. I have had a touch of sickness, and am now in hospital at Malta. You need not think I am very ill, because I am now feeling almost well again, and by the time you receive this I will be back with my regiment. I am also suffering from concussion, which was caused by a high explosive shell exploding alongside me about two weeks ago.*

*"I was in the fighting line for three months. We had some hard fighting and some splendid successes, and hope the fighting will be over before winter sets in. It will be rough in the trenches during winter, and the soil being clayey, it will be very boggy. The hospital I am in is called *St. Patrick*, and consists of a large number of huge tents. We get every attention, and everyone is very comfortable. Malta is a quaint old place, and is now very busy owing owing to the war at the Dardanelles*

*"I would like you to see the Gallipoli Peninsula after the war, to view the trenches, tunnels and pits, which form a kind of network all over the Peninsula. By that you can imagine the amount of work done by our boys. Trench fighting is a slow game; every few yards gained is done so after a great amount of work and sacrifice. In the last big battle we met with great success, but at the same time suffered heavy losses ; the Turkish losses were far greater than ours.*

*We took a position which seemed impossible to capture. Needless to say, I have been in some stiff fighting, and have experienced all that is horrible in war, except gas and liquid fire. The Turks have not used these against us ; they have fought very fair The horrible tales you may have heard at the beginning of the war of the cruel way the Turks carried on have all been proved as false. In one instance when the Turks retreated, and left behind some of our wounded men who they had taken prisoners, we found that the Turks had bound up the wounds of our lads, given them their own water bottles, and left them in a comfortable position where our fellows could pick them up. I have seen them cease firing to allow a wounded Australian to be carried to safety. Our hospital ships lay close to the shore, and although the boats lying around them are fired upon, they never shell the hospital ships or interfere with the passage of the wounded. Taking them on the whole, the Turks are giving us a ' fair go.' "*

*Under date of September 8th, Sergeant Yelverton writes :—" I will have to stay here longer than I first expected, and there is a chance of me being sent to England if I do not get well quickly. I had a glorious rest the first night I was on the hospital ship. The first thing I had was a good wash. None of us had seen water for a fortnight, except what we had to drink. The next was a change into clean underclothes, my others being alive with lice; the trenches are infested with them. We slept on mattresses spread on the deck. These were very comfortable too after lying on the bare ground with only one blanket, and sometimes none at all. We live like so many rabbits in our dug-outs in the trenches. The trenches are from six to eight feet deep. Along the side are deep holes, in which we sleep and keep our few belongings We are continually moving from one trench to another, and we are unable to make them our home for more than a day or two. One becomes accustomed to be being awakened at all hours during the night. Not long ago we were without sleep for two nights and days, and during the third night were in the taking of an enemy trench. We found ourselves rushing forward yelling and screaming, all having forgotten about fatigue and want of sleep. It was a great 'go in.' We took the trench and held it. The next day we felt the effects of being without sleep so long, and managed to have a fairly good rest."*

*On September 10th Sergeant Yelverton states:—"The doctor says that I will have to go to England before rejoining my regiment. That means it will be another six weeks before I return."*

Lance Corporal Hilton Yelverton was admitted to 3rd London General Hospital, Wandsworth, England on 21st September, 1915.

Lance Corporal Hilton Yelverton was included in No. 15 Draft, which was formed at Weymouth, Dorset, England, on 29th December, 1915 to rejoin M.E.F. (Mediterranean Expeditionary Force).

Lance Corporal Hilton Yelverton disembarked from HMT *Oriana* at Alexandria on 13th January, 1916 from England. He rejoined 11th Battalion at Tel-el-Kebir on 14th January, 1916.

### **11th Battalion**

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

In August, it made preparatory attacks at the southern end of the ANZAC position before the battle of Lone Pine. The 11th Battalion continued to serve at ANZAC until the evacuation in December.

After the withdrawal from Gallipoli, the 11th Battalion returned to Egypt. It was split to help form the 51st Battalion, and then bought up to strength with reinforcements.....

*(Extract of Battalion information from the Australian War Memorial)*

Lance Corporal Hilton Yelverton was transferred from 11th Battalion to 51st Battalion on 29th February, 1916. He was taken on strength of 51st Battalion on 1st March, 1916 at Tel-el-Kebir.

Lance Corporal Hilton Yelverton was promoted to Corporal on 7th March, 1916 at Tel-el-Kebir.

Corporal Hilton Yelverton was promoted to Sergeant on 9th April, 1916 at Serapeum.

Sergeant Hilton Yelverton proceeded from Alexandria on 5th June, 1916 on Troopship *Ivernia* to join B.E.F. (British Expeditionary Force). He disembarked at Marseilles, France on 12th June, 1916.

Sergeant Hilton Yelverton was wounded in action in France on 5th July, 1916. He was admitted to 13th Field Ambulance on 5th July, 1916 then transferred to 1st Australian Casualty Clearing Station with Shell wounds – Arms & Legs. Sergeant Yelverton was reported to be dangerously ill on 15th July, 1916. He was transferred & admitted to 13th Stationary Hospital, Boulogne, France on 26th July, 1916. Sergeant Yelverton embarked for England on Hospital Ship *Jan Breydel* on 23rd August, 1916.

## **51st Battalion**

The 51st Battalion was raised in Egypt in the first week of March 1916, as part of the "doubling" of the AIF. Approximately half of its recruits were Gallipoli veterans from the 11th Battalion, and the other half, fresh reinforcements from Australia. Reflecting the composition of the 11th, the 51st was predominantly composed of men from Western Australia. The battalion became part of the 13th Brigade of the newly-formed 4th Australian Division.

Arriving in France on 12 June 1916, the 51st moved into the trenches of the Western Front within a fortnight. It fought in its first major battle at Mouquet Farm in August and September, and suffered casualties equivalent to a third of its strength in both of the attacks (14 August and 3 September) it launched. After Mouquet Farm, the battalion saw out the rest of the year, alternating between front-line duty, and training and labouring behind the line. This routine continued through the bleak winter of 1916-17.....

*(Extract of Battalion information from the Australian War Memorial)*

### War Diary – 51st Battalion

*Trenches – Petillen Sector:*

*5th July, 1916 – Uneventful*

*5/6th – Gaps in wire repaired & mine craters visited as usual – quiet night.*

*6th July, 1916 – Progress made with firing line works. Heavy shelling of our lines 2.30 – 6 pm but only 3 wounded. Wiring party organiser (D. Co.)*

*(Extract of War Diary from the Australian War Memorial)*

Sergeant Hilton Yelverton was admitted to Queen Mary's Royal Naval Hospital, Southend-On-Sea on 23rd August, 1916 with G.S.W. (Gunshot wound/s) to Legs.

Sergeant Hilton Yelverton died on 21st October, 1916 at Military Hospital, Chatham, England (as per Report of Death of a Soldier – Army Form B.2090A) from wounds received in action in France - G.S.W. (Gunshot wound/s) to Legs.

[Note: Five other Australian Soldiers that are buried in Southend-on-Sea Cemetery were admitted to Queen Mary's Royal Naval Hospital, Southend-On-Sea & also died in Queen Mary's Royal Naval Hospital, Southend-On-Sea. From information in the other 5 Service Record files - Queen Mary's Royal Naval Hospital, Southend-On-Sea was affiliated with Military Hospital at Chatham. Sergeant Yelverton most probably died at Queen Mary's Royal Naval Hospital, Southend-On-Sea BUT the records state he died at Military Hospital, Chatham so that is what I have recorded.]

A death for Hilton C. Yelverton, aged 23, was registered in the December quarter, 1916 in the district of Rochford, Essex, England.

Sergeant Hilton Yelverton was buried on 24th October, 1916 in Municipal Cemetery, Southend-On-Sea – Grave No. 1169.

The Commonwealth War Graves Commission now records that Sergeant Hilton Yelverton is buried in Sutton Road Cemetery, Southend-On-Sea, Essex, England – Plot number E. 3436 and has a Private Headstone. His death is still acknowledged by the Commonwealth War Graves Commission.

[Note: There are seven WW1 Australian Soldiers buried in Sutton Road Cemetery, Southend-On-Sea, Essex, England. Originally five Soldiers were buried in 1916 in Municipal Cemetery, Sultan Road. The five were exhumed from Municipal Cemetery, Sultan Road at a later date & re-interred in separate graves in Sutton Road Cemetery, Southend-On-Sea.

Private Emery & Sergeant Naylor were originally recorded as being buried in Grave No. 3492 in Sultan Road Cemetery. Private Scott was originally recorded as being buried in Grave No. 5975 in Municipal Cemetery, Sultan Road. Private Spooner & Sergeant Yelverton were originally recorded as being buried in Grave No. 1169 in Municipal Cemetery, Sultan Road.

Of the five that were exhumed only one soldier has a copy of a letter in his Service Record file that was sent to next-of-kin advising of the exhumation. This is a transcript of the letter that was sent to Private Emery's father on 19th August, 1919: "With reference to my communication of the 6th March, 1917, regarding the burial of your son, the late No. 3540, Private H. E. Emery, 59th Battalion, I am now in receipt of advice from A.I.F. Headquarters, London, to the effect that the remains of your son have been exhumed from Common Grave No. 3492 and re-interred in Separate Single Grave No. 3439 in Sutton Road Cemetery, Southend-on-Sea, England. This work is carried out with the utmost care and reverence in the presence of a Chaplain."

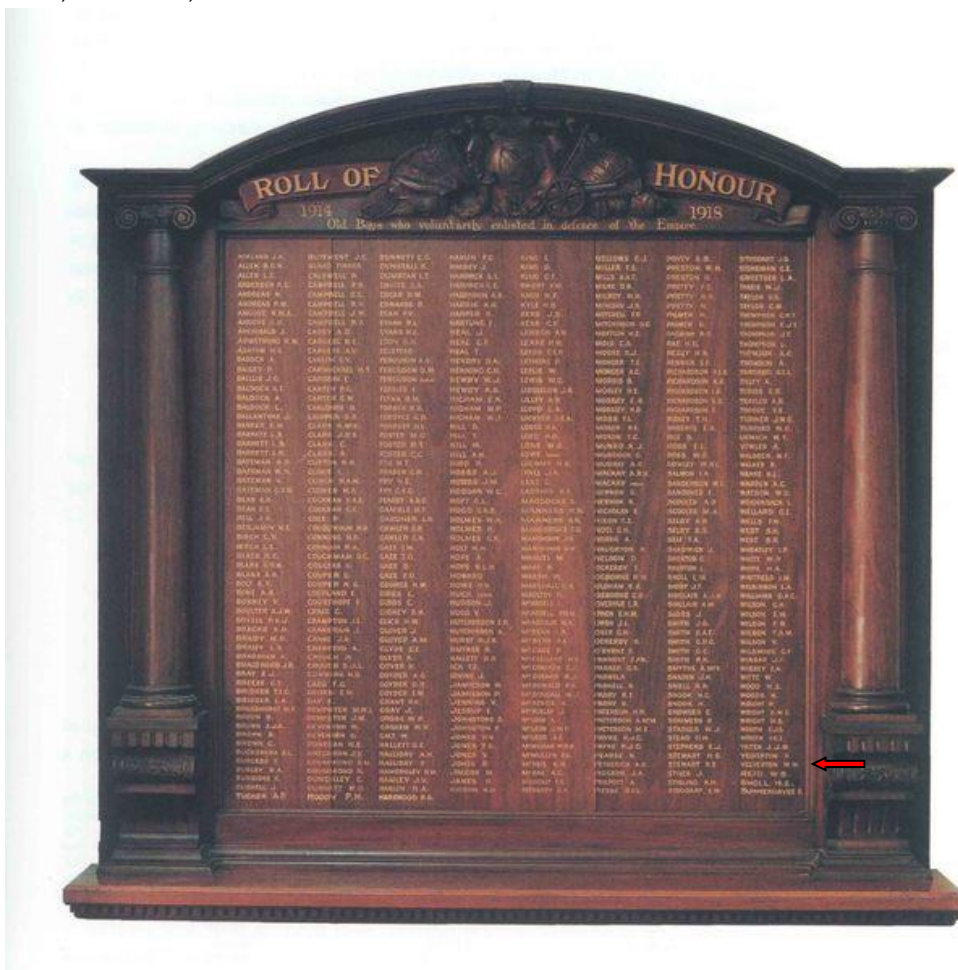
The two soldiers that were buried in 1917 were buried in Sutton Road Cemetery, Southend-On-Sea undisturbed.]

Sergeant Hilton Charles Yelverton requested in his Will dated 26th April, 1915 that in the event of his death the whole of his property & effects be given to his mother – Mrs E. Yelverton, Cottesloe, Western Australia.

Sergeant Hilton Charles Yelverton was entitled to 1914/15 Star, British War Medal & the Victory Medal. A Memorial Scroll & Memorial Plaque were also sent to Sergeant Yelverton's widowed mother – Mrs E. Yelverton, as the closest next-of-kin. (Scroll sent August, 1921 & Plaque sent July, 1922).

The Commonwealth War Graves Commission lists Sergeant Hilton Charles Yelverton – service number 2051, aged 21, of 51st Battalion, Australian Infantry. He was the son of Eloise Yelverton, of 28 Napier St., Cottesloe, Western Australia.

H. C. Yelverton is remembered on the Scotch College WW1 Honour Roll, located in Collegians House, 76 Shenton Road, Swanbourne, Nedlands, Western Australia.



Scotch College WW1 Honour Roll (Photo courtesy Scotch College via VWMA)

Sergeant H. C. Yelverton is commemorated on the Roll of Honour, located in the Hall of Memory Commemorative Area at the Australian War Memorial, Canberra, Australia on Panel 154.



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

H. Yelverton is remembered on the St. Mary's Church Honour Roll, located in St. Mary's Anglican Church, 43 Peel Terrace, Busselton, Western Australia.

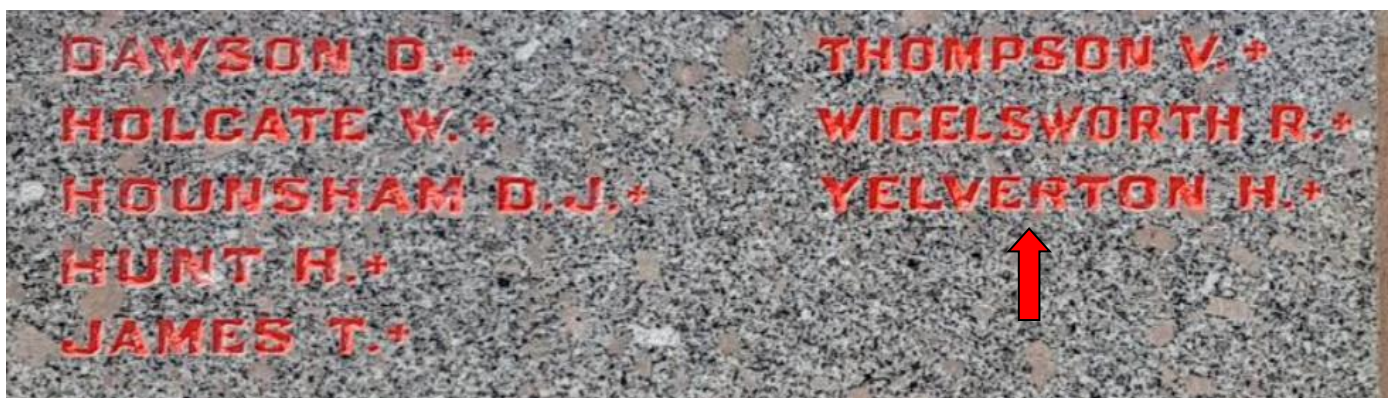


**St. Mary's Church Honour Roll, Busselton** (Photo from Monument Australia – Father Ted Doncaster)

H. Yelverton is remembered on the Busselton War Memorial, located at Queen & Alberts Streets, Busselton, Western Australia.



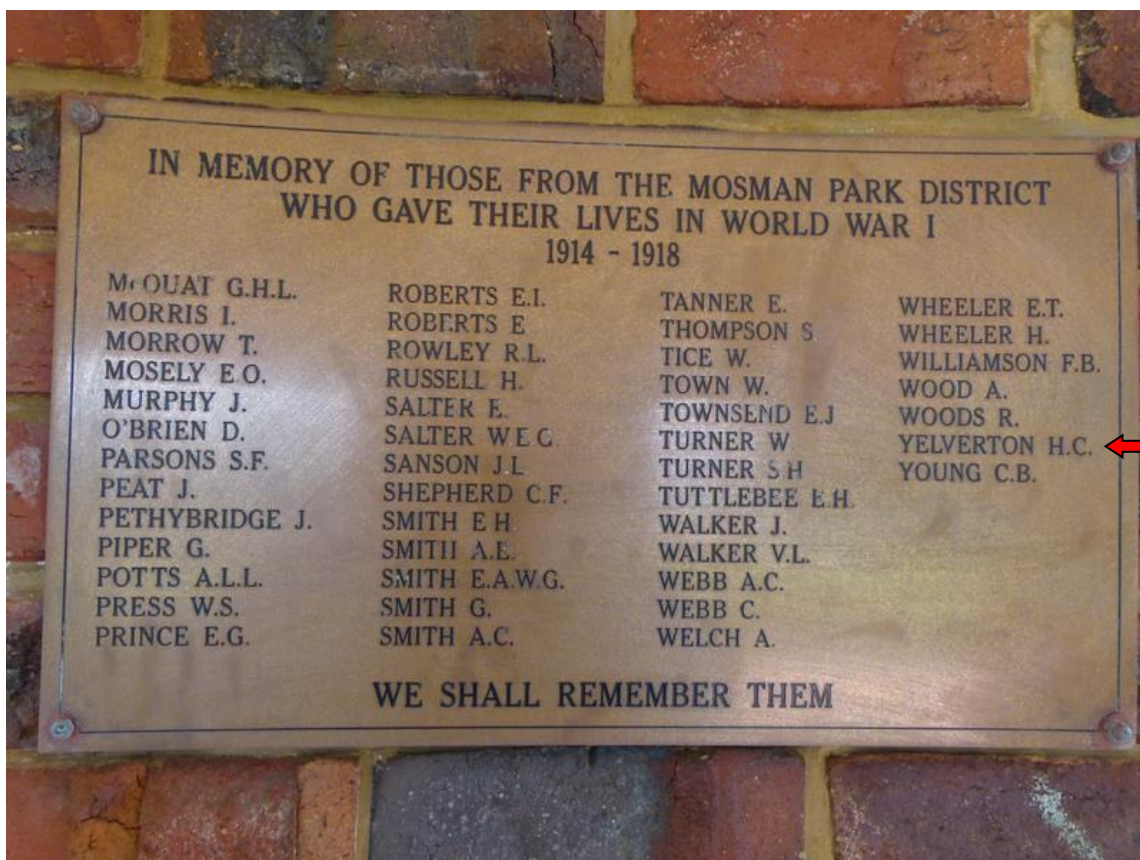
**Busselton War Memorial** (Photos from Monument Australia)



H. C. Yelverton is remembered on the Mosman Park District Roll of Honour, located in Rotunda at Mosman Park Memorial park, Palmerston Street, Mosman Park, Western Australia.



Mosman Park District Roll of Honour (Photos courtesy of Gordon Stuart)





H. C. Yelverton 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.

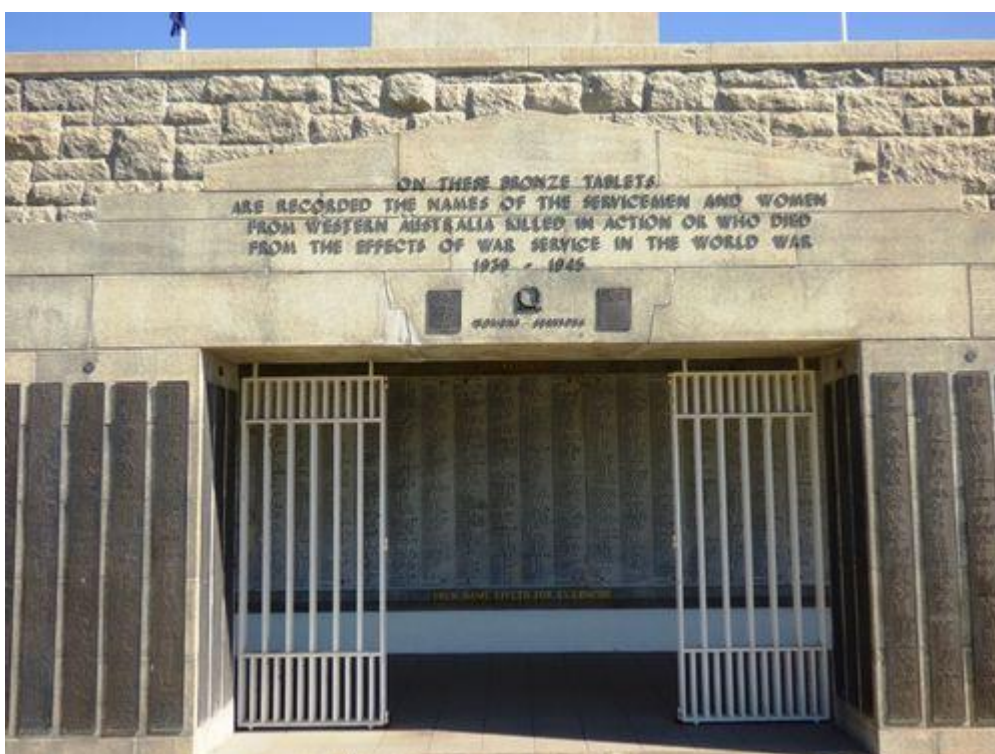
The heavy concrete foundations are supplemented by heavy brick walls which enclose an inner chamber or crypt. The walls surrounding the crypt are covered with The Roll of Honour; marble tablets which list under their units the names of more than 7,000 members of the services killed in action or as a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





51st Battalion Panel (Photo courtesy of Gordon Stuart)

Hilton C. Yelverton is remembered with a Memorial Plaque (M555) 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. The Plaque was dedicated by his mother on 7th November, 1920.



(Photos from Kings Park Botanic Gardens & Parks Authority)

(36 pages of Sergeant Hilton Charles Yelverton'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*



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The above soldiers, all born at Quindalup, Basselton, are the sons of Eloise and the late Henry Yelverton.

**Lieutenant MERVYN WILFRED YELVERTON.**

Private Henry George Yelverton (62895), who was born on the 10th November, 1878, and educated at the High School, Perth, was married on the 11th December, 1901, to Eleanor Reynolds, daughter of Ellen and the late Joseph Reynolds. They have eight children.

**Sergeant HILTON CHARLES YELVERTON.**

Sergeant Hilton Charles Yelverton (2051) was educated at the Scotch College, Claremont. He enlisted in February, 1915, and sailed for Egypt on the 26th April, 1915. He saw service in Gallipoli, and was invalided to England in August, 1915. He rejoined his unit in Egypt, where he was transferred from the 11th to the 51st Battalion, and proceeded with them to France in March, 1916. He was badly wounded at Fleurbaix on the 4th July, 1916, and was admitted to Queen Mary's Naval and Military Hospital, where he died of wounds on the 21st October, 1916. He was buried at Southend Hospital.

**Private HENRY GEORGE YELVERTON.**

Lieutenant Mervyn Wilfred Yelverton, who was born on the 14th November, 1895, and educated at the Scotch College, Claremont, enlisted on the 15th May, 1915, and joined the 28th Battalion, M.G.S., at Blackboy Camp. He left for Egypt on the 9th June, 1915, and proceeded to Gallipoli on the 10th September, 1915, leaving there on the 19th November, 1915, owing to sickness. He was invalided to England from Alexandria on the 14th January, 1916. He was drafted to France on the 9th June, 1916, and rejoined the 7th Machine Gun Coy. on the 11th August, 1916. He was promoted to Lieutenant on the 18th November, 1916. He was transferred to the 2nd Aust. M.G. Battery on the 23rd March, 1918, and remained with this unit until being drafted to England for demobilisation on the 31st January, 1919. He returned to Australia on the 1th May, 1919.

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## **Newspaper Notices**

### **MEN WHO ANSWERED THE CALL**

#### **THE SUSSEX DISTRICT'S CONTRIBUTION**

With the object of securing a full and permanent record of the names of the men from this district who have enlisted and have served, or are now serving in the ranks, the following lists have been secured from the various centres....

#### **BUSSELTON**

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Yelverton, Hilton

Yelverton, Mervyn

*(The South-Western News, Busselton, Western Australia – 11 June, 1915)*

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### **From Gallipoli**

#### **S.W. CASUALTIES**

In the 84th list of casualties just published the following names appear:-

Sergt H. Yelverton, Cottesloe Beach and late of Busselton, ill; disembarked at Malta.

*(Bunbury Herald, Western Australia – 5 October, 1915)*

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### **West Australian Casualties**

#### **At the Dardanelles**

#### **135TH LIST**

11th Battalion – Returned to duty, previously reported wounded or ill: ....H. Yelverton (Cottesloe), ...

*(The Daily News, Perth, Western Australia – 22 January, 1916)*

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### **PERSONAL**

Mr Hilton Yelverton (brother of Mrs Richardson of Pippingarra), who has a commission, we believe, is privately reported to be dangerously ill in France. He had been previously reported wounded.

*(The Pilbarra Goldfield News, Marble Bar, Western Australia – 25 July, 1916)*

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## **WESTERN AUSTRALIA**

### **THE ROLL OF HONOUR**

#### **LATEST CASUALTY LIST**

The one hundred and eight-seventh casualty list of Western Australian members of the A.I.F was released by the Censor last night.....

#### **WOUNDED**

Sergeant H. Yelverton (Cottesloe) and dangerously ill.

*(The West Australian, Perth – 27 July, 1916)*

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#### **Personal**

Sergeant Hilton Yelverton, third son of Mrs H. J. Yelverton, late of Busselton, is reported seriously ill in France.

*(Bunbury Herald, Western Australia – 8 August, 1916) & (Daily News, Perth, Western Australia – 9 August, 1916)*

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## **AUSTRALIANS IN ACTION**

### **THE ROLL OF HONOUR**

#### **TWO HUNDRED AND THIRTY-SIXTH LIST**

#### **PROGRESS REPORT**

Sergeant H. Yelverton, Cottesloe, still improving, previously reported wounded and dangerously ill.

*(Kalgoorlie Western Argus, Western Australia – 24 October, 1916)*

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#### **KILLED IN ACTION**

YELVERTON – On October 20, 1919, at Queen Mary's Naval Hospital, Southend, Sussex, England, died from wounds received in France Sergeant Hilton Charles Yelverton, third son of the late H. J. Yelverton of Quindalup, and Eloise Yelverton, of Marmion and Napier Streets, Cottesloe, aged 22 years and eight months.

*(The West Australian, Perth – 31 October, 1916) & (Western Mail, Perth, Western Australia – 10 November, 1916)*

In the paragraph published last Saturday relating to the death of Sergeant Hilton Charles Yelverton, at Queen Mary's Royal Naval Hospital, Southend, Essex, the names was imperfectly given.

*(The West Australian, Perth – 31 October, 1916)*

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**Personal**

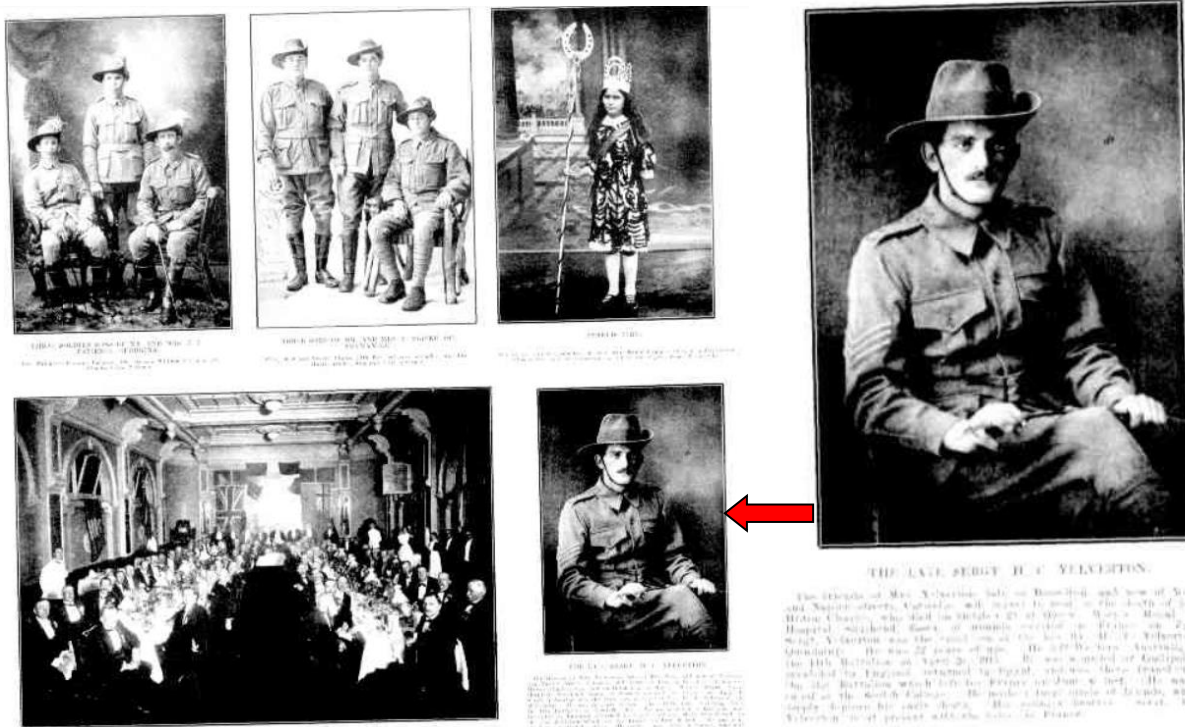
The "South West News", Busselton, says:.....The many friends of Mrs H. G. Yelverton learned with regret the news of the death of Sergt Hilton Yelverton from wounds receive din action. Sergt Yelverton spent most of his boyhood days in this district, and was a general favourite with all who knew him.

(*Southern Times*, Bunbury, Western Australia – 7 November, 1916)

**PERSONAL**

The friends of Mrs. Yelverton, late of Busselton and now of Marmion and Napier streets, Cottesloe will regret to hear of the death of her son Charles, who died on October 21 at Queen Mary's Royal Naval Hospital, Southend, Essex, of wounds received in France on July 4. Sergeant Yelverton was the third son of the late Mr. H. J. Yelverton, of Quindalup. He was 22 years of age. He left Western Australia with the 11th Battalion on April 26, 1915. He was wounded at Gallipoli, was returned to England, returned to Egypt, and was there transferred to the 51st Battalion which left for France on June 6 last. He was educated at the Scotch College. He made a large circle of friends, who will deeply deplore his early death. His younger brother, Sergeant Mervyn Yelverton, is at present with the forces in France.

(*The West Australian*, Perth - 11 November 1916) & (*Western Mail*, Perth, Western Australia – 17 November, 1916)



**THE LATE SERGT. H. C. YELVERTON**

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(*Western Mail*, Perth, Western Australia – 24 November, 1916)

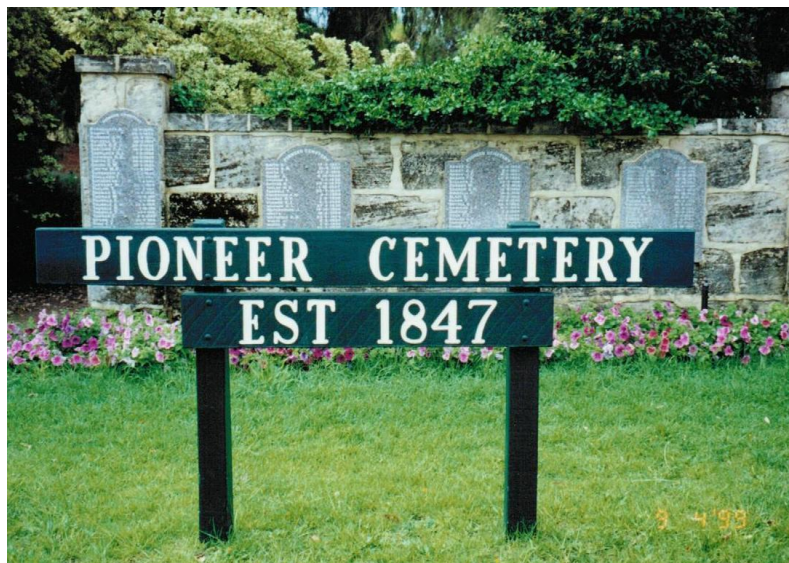


**THREE SONS OF MRS. YELVERTON,  
NAPIER-STREET, COTTESLOE.**

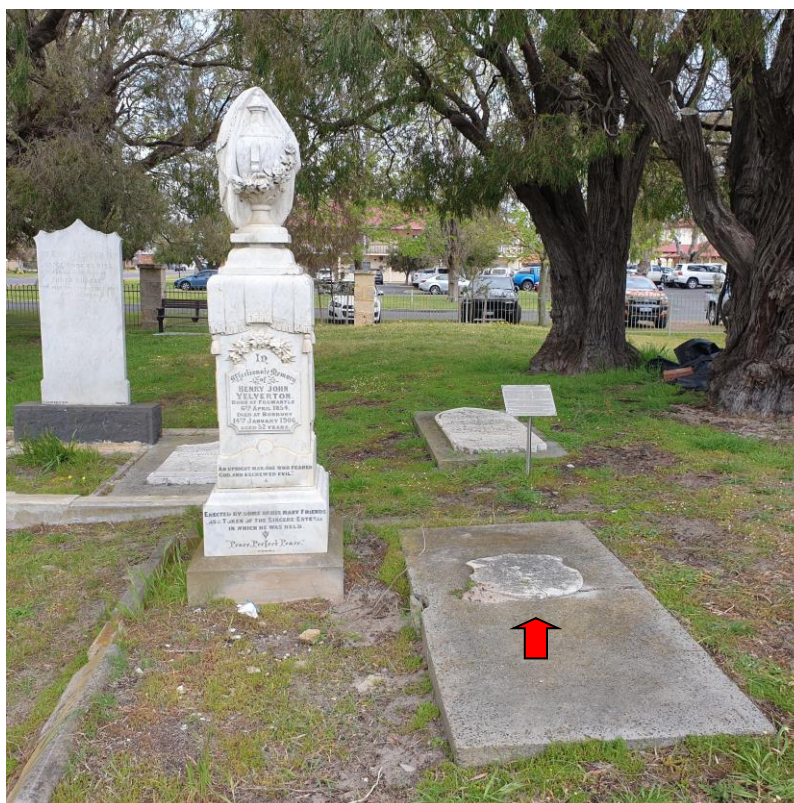
Mrs. Yelverton has received a cable from her youngest son, Lieutenant Mervyn Yelverton stating that he will be home in May, after three years and ten months at the front. Lieutenant Yelverton left with the 28th Battalion, on June 9, 1915. His brother, Sergeant Hilton Yelverton, left with the 5th reinforcements of the 12th Battalion. He fought in Gallipoli and France and died of wounds. Another son, Private Harry Yelverton, returned after the armistice was signed.

(*Western Mail*, Perth, Western Australia – 14 March, 1919)

Hilton Charles Yelverton is remembered with a plaque at Busselton Pioneer Cemetery, Western Australia, near to his father's headstone.



(Photos from Find a Grave)





### Commonwealth War Graves Commission

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.

Sergeant Hilton Charles Yelverton has a Private Headstone

## Sutton Road Cemetery, Southend-On-Sea, Essex, England

This cemetery contains 127 Commonwealth burials of the 1914-18 war and 152 burials of the 1939-45 war, including 1 unidentified seaman of the Merchant Navy. In addition there are 4 Foreign National war burials here. There are 2 small Screen Wall memorial panels naming those of the 1914-1918 war whose graves are not marked by headstones.

*(Information from CWGC)*



*(Photo from Find a Grave – Hawk Moth)*

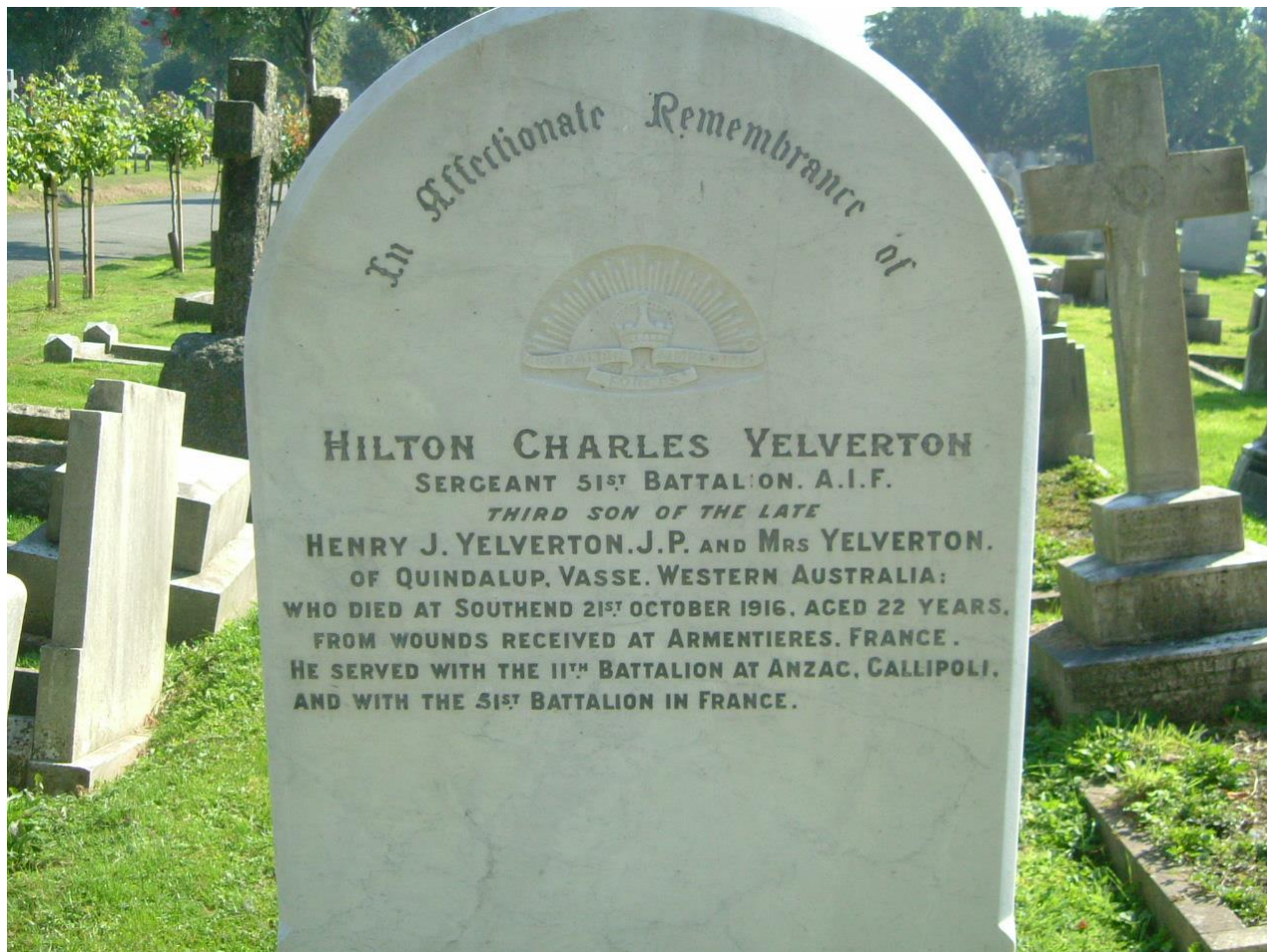


*(Photo from CWGC)*

Photo of Sergeant Hilton Charles Yelverton's Private Headstone in Sutton Road Cemetery, Southend-On-Sea, Essex, England.

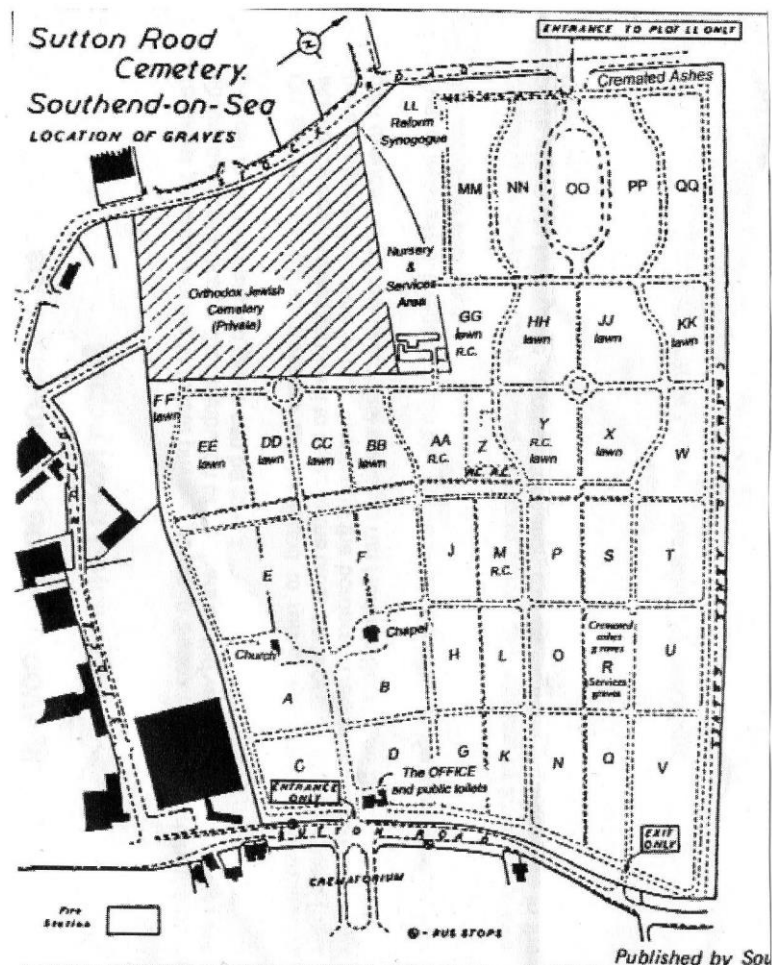


(Photos courtesy of Geoffrey Gillon)





Row of 7 Australian WW1 Headstones (Photo courtesy of Geoffrey Gillon)



(Find a Grave – J Keefe)