

Passchendaele Campaign 100th Anniversary Sept – Nov 1917

Thursday, 12 October 2017







A Memorial Service for Private Stephen Sarsfield Scott



Pte Stephen Sarsfield Scott

who fell while serving with the 35th Battalion, 1st A.I.F at the
1st Battle of Passchendaele on 12 October 1917, to be held at 10am,
Thursday, 12 October 2017, at the unmarked gravesite of Stephen's
parents William and Mary Scott
(CATHOLIC 1-11. 86.)

Memorial Service

Marking the 100th Anniversary of the
Passchendaele Campaign (September – November 1917)
and the supreme sacrifice of Stephen and fellow soldiers
of the 1st A.I.F who are memorialised or awaiting
memorialisation at Sandgate Cemetery.

Order of Service

Introduction

Peter Owens, Master of Ceremonies
Founding Member of
Friends of Sandgate Cemetery Incorporated
Board Member, Northern Metropolitan Cemeteries Trust



Let us also remember today 77 fellow soldiers of the 1st A.I.F. who fell with Stephen during the Passchendaele Campaign of 1917, who are memorialised or awaiting memorialisation at Sandgate Cemetery.

The Battle of the Menin Road, 20 – 25 September 1917
The Battle of Polygon Wood, 26 September – 3 October 1917
The Battle of Broodseinde, 4 October 1917
The Battle of Poelcapelle, 9 October 1917
The First Battle of Passchendaele, 12 October 1917
The Second Battle of Passchendaele, 26 October – 10 November 1917

NAME	Date of Death
Battle	Grave Location
ALLAN-John Robert	16th October 1917
1st Battle of Passchendaele	PRESBYTERIAN-2NE. 24.
BEATTIE-William Henry	27th October 1917
2nd Battle of Passchendaele	CATHOLIC 2-63. 96.
BEBBINGTON-George	5th October 1917
Battle of Broodseinde	ANGLICAN 2-150. 74.
BEZZANT-Richard Charles 1st Battle of Passchendaele	14th October 1917 METHODIST 2 14 NW. 29.
BLANDFORD-Frederick Rodford	26th September 1917
Battle of Polygon Wood	ANGLICAN 1-04. 113.
BLEAZARD-Walter John	28th October 1917
1st Battle of Passchendaele	METHODIST 1 D NW. 64.
BROWN-Leslie	20th September 1917
Battle of the Menin Road	PRESBYTERIAN-8NE. 83.
BURGESS-John Charles	21st September 1917
Battle of the Menin Road	CATHOLIC 1-07. 67.

BURNLEY-John	12th October 1917
1st Battle of Passchendaele	GENERAL-02. 20.
BURNS-Cecil Henry	19th October 1917
1st Battle of Passchendaele	ANGLICAN 2-145. 63.
CARNEY-Joseph Leo	10th October 1917
Battle of Poelcapelle	CATHOLIC 1-18. 38.
CHARLTON-Harry	8th October 1917
Battle of Broodseinde	CATHOLIC 1-J Spec. 21.
CHRISTENSEN-Frederick 2nd Battle of Passchendaele	10th November 1917 ANGLICAN 1-36. 58.
COLEMAN-George Frederick	20th September 1917
Battle of the Menin Road	ANGLICAN 1-12. 113.
COOKE-Arthur Ernest 1st Battle of Passchendaele	12th October 1917 ANGLICAN 1-53. 41-46.
CRAM-William John	27th September 1917
Battle of Polygon Wood	ANGLICAN 1-30. 9.
CREBERT-Lancelot 1st Battle of Passchendaele	12th October 1917 ANGLICAN 1-75. 78.
CROKER-Robert Wilson 1st Battle of Passchendaele	15th October 1917 ANGLICAN 1-17. 39.
DEAN-John Richard	12th October 1917
1st Battle of Passchendaele	ANGLICAN 3-176. 29.
DEMPSEY-Donald Peter	8th October 1917
Battle of Broodseinde	CATHOLIC 1-B Spec. 89.
DEVEREUX-Edward James	2nd November 1917
2nd Battle of Passchendaele	ANGLICAN 1-81. 17.

DODD-Arthur William	12th October 1917
1st Battle of Passchendaele	ANGLICAN 2-133. 50.
EASLEA-Robert	9th October 1917
Battle of Poelcapelle	BAPTIST-B NW. 27.
ELLIOTT-Robert	26th September 1917
Battle of Polygon Wood	ANGLICAN 2-127. 34.
EMBLETON-John Edward	12th October 1917
1st Battle of Passchendaele	METHODIST 1 L SW. 18.
FEENAN-Peter	26th September 1917
Battle of Polygon Wood	CATHOLIC 1-25. 74.
FERGUSON-James (M.M.)	29th September 1917
Battle of Polygon Wood	PRESBYTERIAN-8NW. 7.
FISHER-James	4th October 1917
Battle of Broodseinde	METHODIST 2 5 SW. 2.
FLEMING-Frank	11th October 1917
Battle of Poelcapelle	ANGLICAN 1-76. 56.
FOXFORD-William	12th October 1917
1st Battle of Passchendaele	METHODIST 1 F NE. 52.
FRYER-Donald Robert	12th October 1917
1st Battle of Passchendaele	ANGLICAN 2-132. 61.
GALLAGHER-John Percy	8th October 1917
Battle of Polygon Wood	CATHOLIC 1-A Com. 119.
GILLAM-Gordon Selwyn	9th November 1917
2nd Battle of Passchendaele	ANGLICAN 1-15. 34.

GROTHEN-John	21st September 1917
Battle of the Menin Road	PRESBYTERIAN-19SE. 96.
HARDY-John Barton	9th October 1917
Battle of Broodseinde	ANGLICAN 1-65. 79.
HEPPLE-William Edward	1st October 1917
Battle of Polygon Wood	METHODIST 4-07. 31.
HETHERINGTON-Wilfred Vivian	12th October 1917
1st Battle of Passchendaele	METHODIST 1 G SE. 63.
HUGHES-James Frederick	12th October 1917
1st Battle of Passchendaele	ANGLICAN 1-30. 29.
HUGHES-Joseph Edward	12th October 1917
1st Battle of Passchendaele	ANGLICAN 2-114. 79.
HUGHES-Richard Samuel	1st October 1917
Battle of Polygon Wood	CATHOLIC 1-B Spec. 83.
HUNT-Harold	17th October 1917
1st Battle of Passchendaele	ANGLICAN 2-130. 24.
HUNTRISS-Alexander Hughes	18th November 1917
2nd Battle of Passchendaele	PRESBYTERIAN-21SW. 16.
INGRAM-Charles William	5th October 1917
Battle of Polygon Wood	ANGLICAN 2-121. 33.
JENKINS-Samuel	10th October 1917
Battle of Poelcapelle	METHODIST 1 I SW. 69.
KEEVERS-Harry Robert	29th October 1917

ANGLICAN 1-40.53.

2nd Battle of Passchendaele

KENNERLEY-Felix	5th October 1917
Battle of Broodseinde	ANGLICAN 1-38. 67.
KINNEARD-Thomas William	13th October 1917
1st Battle of Passchendaele	ANGLICAN 2-118. 65.
KIRWAN-Angus McCormack	26th September 1917
Battle of Polygon Wood	PRESBYTERIAN-17SW. 32.
LARGIN-James Francis 1st Battle of Passchendaele	12th October 1917 CATHOLIC 2-51. 101.
LOGAN-Robert Thomas	23rd September 1917
Battle of the Menin Road	ANGLICAN 1-58. 60.
LOWBRIDGE-George (M.M.) 1st Battle of Passchendaele	22nd October 1917 METHODIST 4-14. 6.
MASON -Roy Richard	31st October 1917
2nd Battle of Passchendaele	PRESBYTERIAN-4NE. 20.
McLEOD-William Angus	29th October 1917
2nd Battle of Passchendaele	PRESBYTERIAN-14NW. 37.
MULHEARN-John James 1st Battle of Passchendaele	20th October 1917 CATHOLIC 1-M Com. 116.
NEWTON-Charles Robert 1st Battle of Passchendaele	14th October 1917 PRESBYTERIAN-8NE. 43.
NICOLL-Eric Kenneth	11th October 1917
Battle of Poelcapelle	PRESBYTERIAN-6NW. 37.
PARDEY-Leslie James	12th October 1917
Battle of Polygon Wood	ANGLICAN 1-46. 57.
PARKINSON-Herbert Ephriam (M.M. 1st Battle of Passchendaele)12th October 1917 CATHOLIC 1-11. 6.

POOLE-Frederick Alexander	26th September 1917
Battle of Polygon Wood	GENERAL-38. 31.
PRICE-David John	22nd October 1917
1st Battle of Passchendaele	METHODIST 2 24 NW. 13.
PUTNEY-Frederick William 1st Battle of Passchendaele	12th October 1917 ANGLICAN 1-35. 49.
REES-Thomas Emlyn	12th October 1917
1st Battle of Passchendaele	CONGREGATIONAL-2CNE. 41.
RUDDY-George Henry	29th September 1917
Battle of Polygon Wood	PRESBYTERIAN-13SW. 92.
SCANLON-Albert	1st October 1917
Battle of Polygon Wood	CATHOLIC 1-A Spec. 80.
SCOTT-Stephen Sarsfield 1st Battle of Passchendaele	12th October 1917 CATHOLIC 1-11. 86.
SEYMOUR-William Lester	12th October 1917
1st Battle of Passchendaele	ANGLICAN 2-149. 26.
SIMPSON-James David	20th September 1917
Battle of the Menin Road	METHODIST 1 I SE. 49.
SLACK-Harold Stanley 1st Battle of Passchendaele	15th October 1917 ANGLICAN 1-05. 21.
SMITH-Keith Kallatina	20th September 1917
Battle of the Menin Road	ANGLICAN 1-08. 112.
STEVENSON-Thomas	20th November 1917
2nd Battle of Passchendaele	ANGLICAN 2-114. 76.
STEWART-George	1st October 1917
Battle of Polygon Wood	METHODIST 4-10. 37.

SWEENY-Francis Thomas Moody
1st Battle of Passchendaele

21st October 1917 PRESBYTERIAN-2NE. 41.

VERDON-Ashleigh Robert Battle of Polygon Wood 1st October 1917 ANGLICAN 1-54. 107.

WAILES-Albert Joseph

1st Battle of Passchendaele

12th October 1917 METHODIST 2 7 SE. 19.

WAY-Robert George Battle of Polygon Wood

27th September 1917 ANGLICAN 2-113. 9.

WILKINSON-Vincent Brown (M.M.)
1st Battle of Passchendaele

14th October 1917 CATHOLIC 2-53. 132.

WOODS-John
1st Battle of Passchendaele

13th October 1917 ANGLICAN 3-201. 43.

WRIGHT-Ernest Joseph Battle of Broodseinde 4th October 1917 GENERAL-16. 5.



Welcome Descendants of Stephen Sarsfield Scott

Acknowledgment of Country

Tony Cosentino, President Friends of Sandgate Cemetery Incorporated

Prayer

Fr Lyle Hughes, Parish Priest St Paul's Anglican Church, Birmingham Gardens

Guest Speaker

Dianna Heather BA (Hons) – Anthropology/Aboriginal Studies "Stephen's Life and Military Service"

Guest Speaker

David John Harrower JP, Military Historian and Founder of the Harrower Collection "We Were Newcastle's Own"

Unveiling of Memorial Cross

Draped with the 35th Battalion Colour Pennant
Caleb Ross Bridges – age 15 and
Liam James Bridges – age 13
Stephen's Great, Great Nephews, representing
St Pius High X School Adamstown





Lament

Paul Scott
Pipe Major, Warrant Officer Class Two

Laying of Wreaths and Tributes

Introduced by Peter Owens



Above is the memorial wall of The Australian War Memorial and Stephen memorialised at the Menin Gate.

The Ode

Recited by Ken Fayle JP President, Newcastle RSL sub-Branch

Reader: They went with songs to the battle, they were young.

Straight of limb, true of eye, steady and aglow.

They were staunch to the end against odds uncounted,

They fell with their faces to the foe.

All: They shall grow not old, as we that are left grow old:

Age shall not weary them, nor the years condemn. At the going down of the sun and in the morning,

Reader: We will remember them.

All: We will remember them

Reader: Lest We Forget
All: Lest We Forget

The Last Post

Kye Jeffriess, Bugler Representing Callaghan College, Wallsend Campus

Rouse

Kye Jeffriess, Bugler

Benediction

Fr Andrew Doohan
Parish Priest of St Benedict's Parish and
Dean of Sacred Heart Cathedral



Australian National Anthem

Lead by Patricia Woods Performed by Callaghan College Wallsend Campus Concert Band, conducted by Mrs Samantha Wong - Band Director

Advance Australia Fair

Australians all let us rejoice,
For we are young and free;
We've golden soil and wealth for toil;
Our home is girt by sea;
Our land abounds in nature's gifts
Of beauty rich and rare;



In history's page, let every stage Advance Australia Fair. In joyful strains then let us sing, Advance Australia Fair.



Beneath our radiant Southern Cross
We'll toil with hearts and hands;
To make this Commonwealth of ours
Renowned of all the lands;
For those who've come across the seas
We've boundless plains to share;
With courage let us all combine
To Advance Australia Fair.
In joyful strains then let us sing,
Advance Australia Fair.

Closing Remarks

Gary Mitchell Friends of Sandgate Cemetery Incorporated Sandgate Cemetery WW1 Researcher





Marble Memorial at Newcastle RSL from members of the 35th Battalion

On the Road to Passchendaele

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There's a light that shines in Flanders
As a beacon for the brave
From the distant past it wanders
To recall the lives they gave
And it tells each generation
To be wise and never fail
On the road to Passchendaele

Chorus

On the road to Passchendaele
On the road to Passchendaele
Where the brave will live forever
On the road to Passchendaele
(repeat)

Come with me and I will show you
Why all wars should ever cease
Take a walk among the gravestones
And your tears will cry for peace
For their spirits walk in Flanders
You can hear the grieving wail
For the brave who laid their lives down
On the road to Passchendaele

Chorus

On the road to Passchendaele
On the road to Passchendaele
Where the brave will live forever
On the road to Passchendaele
(repeat)

Thank you

Friends of Sandgate Cemetery Incorporated acknowledge the assistance of member Gary Mitchell, WW1 researcher and organiser of Private Scott's Memorial Service, and would like to thank the following for their contribution in honouring Stephen today.

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- Loretta Lidster
- Diane Spindler
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- Members of Morpeth Men's Shed
- Ken Fayle, President Newcastle RSL sub-Branch
- Patricia Woods
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- Keiran Jeffriess
- Paul Scott, Pipe Major, Warrant Officer Class Two
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- Armed Forces Personnel, past and present



Sandgate Newcastle

In Flanders' Fields

In Flanders' fields the poppies blow Between the crosses, row on row, That mark our place; and in the sky The larks, still bravely singing, fly Scarce heard amid the guns below.

We are the dead. Short days ago We lived, felt dawn, saw sunset glow, Loved, and were loved, and now we lie In Flanders' fields.

Take up our quarrel with the foe:
To you from failing hands we throw
The torch, be yours to hold it high.
If ye break faith with us who die
We shall not sleep, though poppies grow
In Flanders' fields.

Major John McCrae, 1915