

# Harold George VICKERS



## Pre-enlistment:

- Harold Vickers was born in Pittsworth, Qld
- His Next of Kin was identified as his father, William G VICKERS of Rocky Creek, Millmeran
- His home town was Pittsworth, Toowoomba
- His occupation at time of enlistment was that of a farmer
- His brother, Alfred Joseph VICKERS, Service Number: 3882 also killed in action and William Thomas LH served in Egypt and Palestine
- He had also been a member of the 1st Military District Australian Light Horse for 2 years prior to enlistment in the AIF

## Military Records

- Service Number 2991A
- Harold VICKERS enlisted in Toowoomba, Qld on 10 January 1916 aged 20 years 5 months
- On 14 April 1916 he embarked as a Private, with 31st Infantry Battalion, on HMAT Ceramic, from Sydney.
- He disembarked at Port Said on 16 May 1916
- He embarked Alexandria per HMT 'Franconia' then disembarked Plymouth 16 June 1916 and undertook further training in England
- On 6 September 1916 he marched into Etaples then Taken on Strength in the Field with 31st Battalion, 6th Reinforcements, on 22 September 1916
- He was admitted to hospital in early January 1917 before returning to duty still with the 31st Battalion
- Private Harold VICKERS was killed in action on 15 March 1917, Bapaume, Somme Sector, France
- His War Service was on the Western Front

## Cemetery &/or Memorial

- Cemetery: Beaulencourt British Cemetery, Plot 1, Row G, Grave 9, Ligny-Thillooy, France
- Memorials: Australian War Memorial Roll of Honour, Panel Number 119
- Millmerran War Memorial

## Honours & Awards

- British War Medal
- Victory Medal

## Rifle Shooting

- Harold Vickers was a member of the Millmerran Rifle Club

## ACWM Commemoration Service

## Reference Links

- <https://recordsearch.naa.gov.au/SearchNRRetrieve/Interface/ViewImage.aspx?B=8398244>
- <https://www.aif.adfa.edu.au/showPerson?pid=308864>
- <https://vwma.org.au/explore/people/59550>
- <https://www.awm.gov.au/collection/R1670950>
- Rifle Club Members-KIA WW1-1905 by Brian Rough