

# Stanley (Stan) Walter BEASANT

## Pre-enlistment:

- Stanley was born on 8 March 1896 at Drayton, Qld., and was one of seven children born to William and Martha Beasant of Klein Street, Toowoomba
- His home town was Toowoomba, Qld
- His occupation at time of enlistment was that of a shop assistant in his parents shop
- His elder brother, William also served and returned to live at Redcliffe.
- He had served in the senior cadets for two years and one year in the militia.



## Military Records

- Service Number: 3684
- Stanley Beasant enlisted on 20 August 1915 in Toowoomba as a Private with 25th Infantry Battalion 8th Reinforcements. He had with him a form signed by both parents giving their permission for him to enlist as he was only 19 years old
- He undertook training at Enoggera
- He embarked with his Unit on 3 January 1916 on board HMAT Kyarra from Brisbane
- He disembarked in Egypt later that month and went into camp at Tel El Kabir before being redeployed to the Western Front.
- On 21 March 1916 he embarked Alexandria and disembarked Marseilles on 27 March 1916
- He went into training camp at Etaples in France possibly as he was training as a signaller
- He joined his Battalion on 5 June 1916 at the front
- He was initially reported missing at Pozieres then a Court of Inquiry was held
- Private Stanley Walter Beasant was killed in action in the Battle of Somme at Pozieres in France with 25th Infantry Battalion on 5 August 1916, aged 20 years
- His war service was in Egypt and on the Western Front

## Cemetery &/or Memorial

- Cemetery: No known grave - "Known Unto God"
- Villers-Bretonneux Memorial, Villers-Bretonneux, Picardie, France
- Memorials: Australian War Memorial Roll of Honour,
- Toowoomba No. 3 Invincible Tent Independent Order of Rechabites,
- Toowoomba Roll of Honour WW1,
- Toowoomba St Stephen's Church WWI Memorial Tablet,
- Toowoomba War Memorial (Mothers' Memorial),
- Woody Point Honour Roll

## Honours & Awards

- British War Medal
- Victory Medal

## Rifle Shooting

- Stanley Beasant was a member of the Militia

## ACWM Commemoration Service

## Reference Links

- [recordsearch.naa.gov.au/SearchNRRetrieve/Interface/ViewImage.aspx?B=3061784&S=1](http://recordsearch.naa.gov.au/SearchNRRetrieve/Interface/ViewImage.aspx?B=3061784&S=1)
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