

Joshua HEAD



Pre-enlistment:

- Joshua was born in Bundaberg to parents Joshua and Janet Head, Maryborough Street, Bundaberg, Qld
- He grew up in the Bundaberg area
- Schooling was at Murrays Creek State School, Qld
- His occupation at time of enlistment was that of a carpenter & labourer
- He was married to Botila Margaret Head, Railway Street, South Brisbane who as also listed as his next of kin
- His brother, Gunner Robert HEAD, Service Number 27155 of the 8th Field Artillery Brigade died of wounds on 12 May 1918 in France

Military Records

- Service Number: 2331
- Joshua Head enlisted on 25 February 1916 at Enoggera as a Private with 4th Australian Pioneer Battalion aged 23 years 9 months
- On 8 August 1916 he embarked with his Unit on board HMAT Itonus from Brisbane disembarking in Plymouth, England on 18 October 1916 for further training
- On 25 June 1917 he proceeded overseas to France
- He was promoted Lance Corporal on 11 September 1917
- Lance Corporal Joshua Head was killed in action on 20 October 1917 at Zonnebeke, north east of Ypres, West Flanders, Belgium aged 25 years 5 months. A piece of shrapnel penetrated his head
- His War Service was on the Western Front

Cemetery &/or Memorial

- Cemetery: No known grave - "Known Unto God"
- Memorials: Menin Gate Memorial (Commonwealth Memorial to the Missing of the Ypres Salient)
- Australian War Memorial Roll of Honour,
- Bundaberg War Memorial

Honours & Awards

- British War Medal
- Victory medal

Rifle Shooting

- Joshua Head a member of the Murrays Creek Rifle Club

ACWM Commemoration Service

Reference Links

- <https://recordsearch.naa.gov.au/SearchNRRetrieve/Interface/ViewImage.aspx?B=4749023>
- <https://www.awm.gov.au/collection/R1635503>
- <https://www.aif.adfa.edu.au/showPerson?pid=132534>
- <https://vwma.org.au/explore/people/219843>
- Queenslanders Who Fought in the Great War – 1914 - 1918