Sutton Veny War Graves

Lest we Forget

World War 1

1678   PRIVATE

D. G. MALONEY

43RD BN. AUSTRALIAN INF.

13TH JANUARY, 1918

CWGC Headstone for Pte D. G. Maloney is located in

Grave Plot # 316. D. 6. of St. John the Evangelist Churchyard, Sutton Veny

Denis George MALONEY

Denis George Maloney was born near Hammond, South Australia in 1893 (details from Attestation Papers). (A Dennis Molony** was born on 4th March, 1893 at Coonatto (which is near to Hammond) to parents Dennis & Bridget Molony (nee Liddy). Deaths for Dennis & Bridget Molony were registered at Coonatto, Sth Australia, both in 1897.).

Denis George Maloney married Veronica Melrose Dugan at Broken Hill, NSW on 15th December, 1915. Their marriage was registered in 1916 in Broken Hill (registered as Moloney).

Denis George Maloney was a 23 year old, married, Labourer from Morish Street, South Broken Hill, NSW when he enlisted at Broken Hill, NSW on 6th April, 1916 with the 11th Infantry, 43rd Infantry Battalion, 1st Reinforcements of the Australian Army (A.I.F.). His service number was 1678 & his religion was Roman Catholic. His next of kin was listed as his wife – Mrs Veronica Maloney of Bonanza St, South Broken Hill, NSW, address later changed to Commercial Hotel, Gawler Place, Adelaide, South Australia.

Private Denis George Maloney embarked from Adelaide on HMAT *Afric (A19)* on 9th June, 1916 & disembarked at Southampton, England on 24th July, 1916.

Private Maloney was taken on strength with 11th Training Battalion on 7th August, 1916. Private Denis George Maloney was sent to Group Clearing Hospital at Codford on 23rd October, 1916 then transferred to Military Hospital, Sutton Veny on 24th October, 1916 with Bronchitis. He was discharged on 1st November, 1916 & joined the 43rd Battalion on 12th November, 1916.

Pte Maloney proceeded overseas to France from Southampton on 25th November, 1916.

Pte Maloney was sent to Hospital on 8th December, 1916 with mumps & transferred to 7th General Hospital at St. Omer on 9th December, 1916. He was discharged to Base details at St. Omer on 29th December, 1916 & rejoined his Unit in the Field on 30th December, 1916.

A birth was registered in the district of Clare, South Australia in 1916 (26th December) for Reginald George James Maloney son of Dennis George Maloney & Veronica Melrose Maloney (nee Dugan). A death was registered for Reginald George James Maloney in 1917 (around 13 January, 1917).

Private Denis George Maloney was wounded on action pn 31st July, 1917. He was sent to 9th Field Ambulance & then transferred to No. 2 Australian Casualty Clearing Station with a gunshot wound to head. He was transferred to 9th General Hospital at Rouen, France on 2nd August, 1917. Pte Maloney embarked for England on Hospital Ship *Carisbrook Castle* on 12th August, 1917.

Private Denis George Maloney was admitted to University War Hospital at Southampton on 14th August, 1917 with a gunshot wound to head - severe (Rifle bullet). He was discharged on 1st October, 1917 & was on furlo from 1st October to 15th October, 1917 where he was then to report to No. 1 Command Depot at Sutton Veny, Wiltshire.

Pte Maloney was marched in from furlo to No. 1 Command Depot at Sutton Veny on 16th October, 1917 & medically classed as B1 A3 (fit for overseas training camp in two to three weeks).

Pte Maloney was admitted to 1st Australian Dermatological Hospital at Bulford on 24th October, 1917 with VD & discharged on 6th December, 1917 to Convalescent at Parkhouse where he was discharged on 13th December, 1917.

Pte Maloney was marched in from Parkhouse to No. 1 Command Depot at Sutton Veny, Wiltshire on 15th December, 1917.

Private Denis George Maloney was admitted to the Military Hospital at Sutton Veny, Wiltshire on 2nd January, 1918 with Bronchitis – seriously ill.

Private Denis George Maloney died on 13th January, 1918 at the Military Hospital, Sutton Veny of Tubercle of Lung (Generalised Tuberculosis).

A death for Denis G. Moloney, aged 25, was registered in the March quarter, 1918 in the district of Warminster, Wiltshire.

Private Denis George Maloney was buried on 16th January, 1918 in St. John the Evangelist Churchyard at Sutton Veny - Grave no. 316. From the burial report of Pte Maloney - *Coffin was good. Denis Maloney was attended by Major Chaplain Close and myself and was fortified with all the rites of Holy Church. He died a happy and peaceful death. R.I.P. Chaplain P. O'Hara.*

Pte Denis George Maloney was entitled to British War Medal & the Victory Medal. A Memorial Scroll & Memorial Plaque were also sent to Pte Maloney's widow – Mrs V. Pahl (sent April, 1922 & October, 1922) The British War Medal & Victory Medal were returned as Unclaimed in April 1924 & March, 1923 & sent to "Untraceables".

The CWGC lists Private D. G. Maloney, 1678, of 43rd Battalion, Australian Infantry, A.I.F. No family details are listed.

A newspaper advertisement was placed in the papers on 22nd July, 1922 seeking the next of kin of deceased soldiers – one of them being late Pte Denis George Maloney. Pte Maloney's widow responded to the advertisement within the week. The widow of the late Pte Denis George Maloney, Veronica Melrose Maloney had remarried in 1918 to Wilheim Gotfied Pahl. Veronica Melrose Maloney had applied for a War Pension & was granted one in the sum of £2 per fortnight from 16th March, 1918. Her War Pension was cancelled on 14th April, 1924 & with mail being returned – address unknown.

Private D. G. Maloney is commemorated in the Hall of Memory Commemorative Area at the Australian War Memorial, Canberra, Australia on Panel 137.
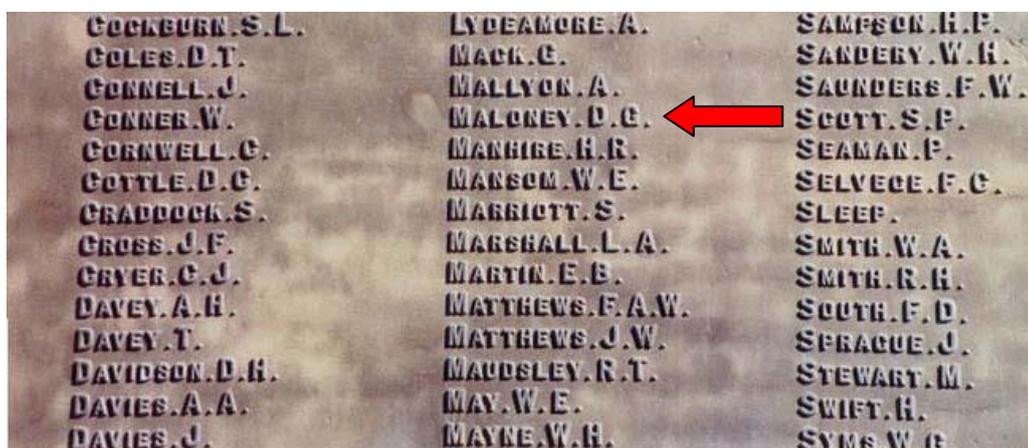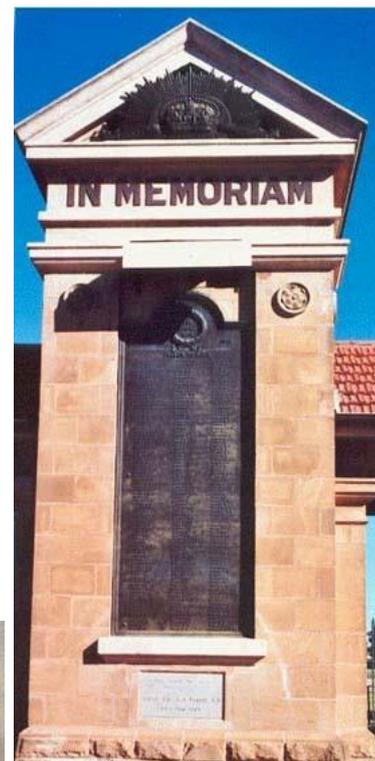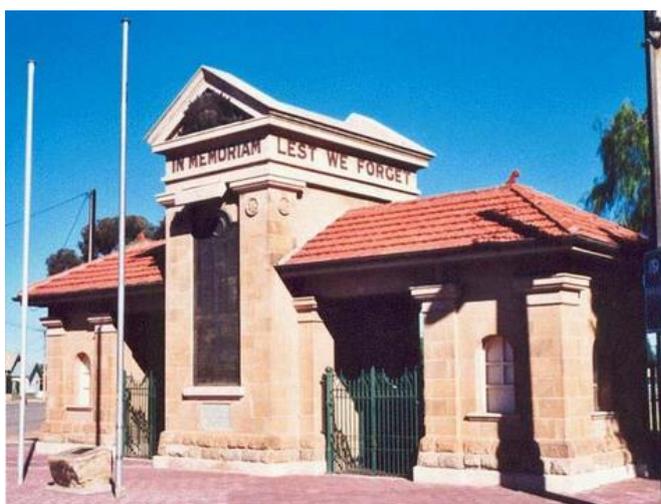

Roll Of Honour WW1 Australian War Memorial Canberra, Australia

Pte Denis George Maloney is remembered on the National War Memorial in Adelaide which commemorates those from South Australia that served in the First World War. The names of those that died are listed inside the Memorial, which is located on the corner of North Terrace & Kintore Avenue, Adelaide.
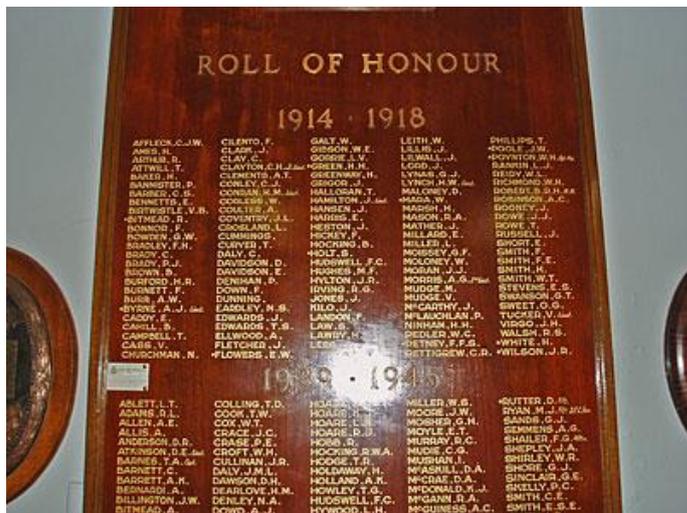

National War Memorial – Adelaide *(Photos by Bilby)*

Pte Denis George Maloney is also remembered on the Port Pirie Gates for World War 1 which are located on the corner of Gertrude St & Memorial Drive, Port Pirie, South Australia.

COCKBURN.S.L.	LYDEAMORE.A.	SAMPSON.H.P.
COLES.D.T.	MACK.G.	SANDERY.W.H.
CONNELL.J.	MALLYON.A.	SAUNDERS.F.W.
CONNER.W.	MALONEY.D.G.	SCOTT.S.P.
CORNWELL.C.	MANHIRE.H.R.	SEAMAN.P.
COTTLE.D.C.	MANSOM.W.E.	SELVEGE.F.C.
CRADDOCK.S.	MARRIOTT.S.	SLEEP.
CROSS.J.F.	MARSHALL.L.A.	SMITH.W.A.
CRYER.C.J.	MARTIN.E.B.	SMITH.R.H.
DAVEY.A.H.	MATTHEWS.E.A.W.	SOUTH.F.D.
DAVEY.T.	MATTHEWS.J.W.	SPRAGUE.J.
DAVIDSON.D.H.	MAUDSLEY.R.T.	STEWART.M.
DAVIES.A.A.	MAY.W.E.	SWIFT.H.
DAVIES.J.	MAYNE.W.H.	SYME.W.G.

Port Pirie Gates WW1 *(Photos from RSL Virtual War Memorial)*

D. Maloney is also remembered on the Roll of Honour for employees of the Zinc Corporation who enlisted for World War 1 and World War 2. The Roll of Honour is located at the Broken Hill RSL Sub-Branch at 403 Argent Street, Broken Hill, NSW.

Zinc Corporation Roll of Honour

(Photos from Register of War Memorials NSW – Mr Patrick Gillespie & Mr Rhys Haskard, Broken Hill City Council)

(78 pages of Pte Denis George Maloney's Service records are available for On Line viewing at National Archives of Australia website).

Information obtained from the Australian War Memorial (Roll of Honour, First World War Embarkation Roll) & National Archives.

Newspaper Reports

**Possible connection

AN ACCIDENTAL DEATH

Hammond, April 26.
Mr. Denis Moloney met with a terrible death on Saturday night. He was going home in his spring-dray and missed the gate. He turned his horse and tried to find it, when he struck a post and overturned the dray. He was found at about 10 o'clock by Mr. M. B. Ryan and his son, who got him out from under the dray. Seeing he was dead hastened to Hammond and summoned the police, who with help removed the deceased to his home, about a quarter of a mile distant. Mr.Moloney, who was an old resident of the district, was greatly respected. He leaves a wife and large family, several of whom ar egrown up. The coroner, after making enquiries considered an inquest unnecessary. The deceased formerly lived at Kapunda and Caltowie.

(*The Advertiser,* Adelaide, SA – Tuesday 27 April, 1897)

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COUNTRY NEWS

MOOCKRA, August 30.
To add to the gloom and sorrow of the family of the late Mr. Denis Moloney, of Coonatto, through his very sudden death, a still further sad and more serious calamity has befallen them, by the untimely death of their dearly beloved and respected mother, which occurred at Gladstone, on the 21st inst. Heartfelt sorrow and sympathy are manifested on all sides towards the surviving children in their bereavement, as their eldest daughter died some time previously, through the effects of a burning accident. R.I.P.

(*Southern Cross,* Adelaide, SA – Friday 10 September, 1897)

PRIVATE D. G. MALONEY

Mrs D. G. Maloney, Florence Street, has been notified by the military authorities that her husband has been wounded in France. Private Maloney enlisted at Broken Hill.

 (*Port Pirie Recorder and North Western Mail,* SA – Saturday 18 August, 1917)

DIED OF WOUNDS

Mrs. D. G. Maloney has received a notification from the military authorities that her husband, Private Dennis George Maloney, died of wounds on December 16. Private Maloney, who enlisted about two years ago, was for several years employed on the wharves at Port Pirie, but for some time prior to enlisting had been working at Broken Hill. He had many friends here who will regret to hear of his death. He was 27 years of age, and leaves a widow, for whom much sympathy will be felt.

(*Port Pirie Recorder and North Western Mail,* SA – Tuesday 22 January, 1918)

THE ROLL OF HONOUR

381st CASUALTY LIST

South Australia

Died of Illness

1678 Pte D. G. Maloney, South Broken Hill (13/1/18, p.r. sev. wounded)

(*The Advertiser,* Adelaide, SA – Friday 1 February, 1918)

LATE PRIVATE D. G. MALONEY

Private D. G. Maloney, husband of Mrs Maloney, Tynte Street, North Adelaide, died of wounds on January13. Prior to enlisting he was employed at the Central Mine, Broken Hill. He enlisted in April, 1916, and sailed in June, 1916.

(*Chronicle*, Adelaide, SA – Saturday 26 January, 1918 & *Daily Herald,* Adelaide, SA – Tuesday 5 February, 1918)

Commonwealth War Graves Commission Headstones

The Defence Department, in 1920/21, contacted the next of kin of the deceased World War 1 soldiers to see if they wanted to include a personal inscription on the permanent headstone at St. John the Evangelist Churchyard at Sutton Veny. Space was reserved for 66 letters only (with the space between any two words to be counted as an additional letter) & the rate per letter was around 3 ½ d (subject to fluctuation).

The expense in connection for the erection of permanent headstones over the graves of fallen soldiers was borne by the Australian Government.
(Information obtained from letters sent to next of kin in 1921)

A letter from Base Records to Mrs V. Pahl (widow of late Pte Maloney) of 53 Wakefield Street, Adelaide, South Australia, dated 21st July, 1921, advised that a communication from the Defence Department concerning an inscription that could be placed on Pte D. G. Maloney's Headstone in the Churchyard of Sutton Veny had not yet been replied to. The letter advised that if no reply was received within 21 days, it would be taken as indicating that no further action was required.

Pte Denis George Maloney does not have a personal inscription on his headstone.

Photo of Pte D. G. Maloney's CWGC headstone in St. John the Evangelist's Churchyard, Sutton Veny, Wiltshire.

(Photo courtesy of David Milborrow)

War Graves at Sutton Veny *(Photos from CWGC)*