



Carl Marius Henry (Harry) PETERSEN

Regimental No.	5654
Religion	Church of England
Occupation	Carpenter
Address	Belgrave, Victoria
Marital status	Married
Age at embarkation	21 years 3 months
Next of kin	Wife, Mrs Mary Petersen, Belgrave, Victoria
Enlistment date	10th May 1916
Rank on enlistment	Private
Unit name	22nd Battalion, 15th Reinforcement
AWM Embarkation Roll No.	23/39/4
Embarkation details	Unit embarked from Melbourne, Victoria, on board HMAT A9 <i>Shropshire</i> on 25th September 1916
Rank from Nominal Roll	Private
Unit from Nominal Roll	22nd Battalion
1916 13th December	Proceeded overseas to France.
1916 18th December	Taken on strength
1916 22nd December	To hospital sick admitted to Rouen Hospital with mumps. Then to Convalescence Hospital.
1917 25th March	Rejoined Unit in France
1917 3rd May	Reported missing. Later reported Killed in Action.
Fate	Killed in Action 3rd May 1917
Other details	Age at death from cemetery records - 23 Place of burial - No known grave War service: Western Front Medals: 1914-15 Star, British War Medal and Victory Medal 1914-1919. Born 1895 to Mary Ann <i>nee</i> Worley and Carl Petersen of Monbulk Described as 5 ft., 5 1/2 in., 123 lb., blue eyes and brown hair. Married Mary Ann Anderson on 5th June 1915. Died at the age of 22
One son on active service	
World War Two	No details.
IMPERIAL WAR GRAVES COMMISSION No.5654	
<i>Private Carl Marins Henry Petersen, 22nd Battalion. Killed in Action at Bullecourt, 3rd May 1917. Name inscribed on memorial to missing at Villers Bretonneux.</i>	
Panel No., Roll of Honour,	Australian War Memorial - 97

Commemoration details

Australian National Memorial, Villers-Bretonneux, France

Villers-Bretonneux is a village about 15 km east of Amiens. The Memorial stands on the high ground ('Hill 104') behind the Villers-Bretonneux Military Cemetery, Fouilloy, which is about 2 km north of Villers-Bretonneux on the east side of the road to Fouilloy.

The Australian National Memorial, Villers-Bretonneux is approached through the Military Cemetery, at the end of which is an open grass lawn which leads into a three-sided court. The two pavilions on the left and right are linked by the north and south walls to the back (east) wall, from which rises the focal point of the Memorial, a 105 foot tall tower, of fine ashlar. A staircase leads to an observation platform, 64 feet above the ground, from which further staircases lead to an observation room. This room contains a circular stone tablet with bronze pointers indicating the Somme villages whose names have become synonymous with battles of the Great War; other battle fields in France and Belgium in which Australians fought; and far beyond, Gallipoli and Canberra. On the three walls, which are faced with Portland stone, are the names of 10,885 Australians who were killed in France and who have no known grave. The 'blocking course' above them bears the names of the Australian Battle Honours.

After the war an appeal in Australia raised £22,700, of which £12,500 came from Victorian school children, with the request that the majority of the funds be used to build a new school in Villers-Bretonneux. The boys' school opened in May 1927, and contains an inscription stating that the school was the gift of Victorian schoolchildren, twelve hundred of whose fathers are buried in the Villers-Bretonneux cemetery, with the names of many more recorded on the Memorial. Villers-Bretonneux is now twinned with Robinvale, Victoria, which has in its main square a memorial to the links between the two towns.