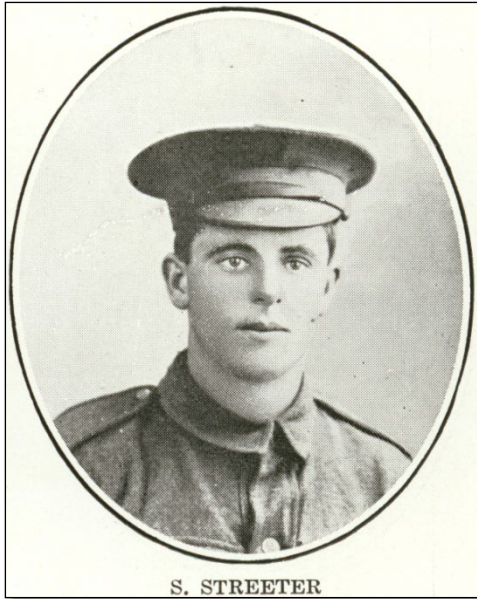


STREETER, Samuel (Sam) Thomas



Samuel Thomas Streeter,
Portrait of S. Streeter.
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Samuel Thomas Streeter
Photograph from Kym HANNANT (2024)

Rank: Private

Service Number: 4237

Unit: 25th Battalion, 10th Reinforcement

Place of Birth: Monal, Queensland

Date of Birth: 18 October 1894

Enlisted at: Rockhampton, Qld, 16 September 1915, aged 20 years 10 months

Next-of-kin was father, William Streeter, Colosseum, NQ Line, Queensland.
Mother Margaret Streeter. (Died 1906). Three brothers enlisted as well: Simon, William (jnr) and Albert who said he was 21 years old, but was only 17 years old at the time.

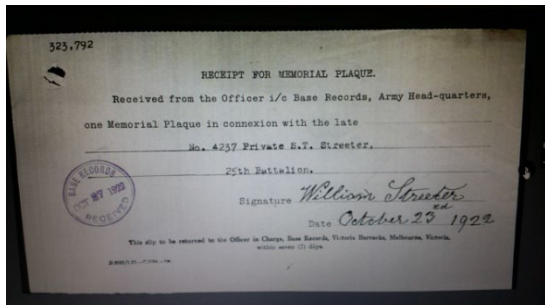
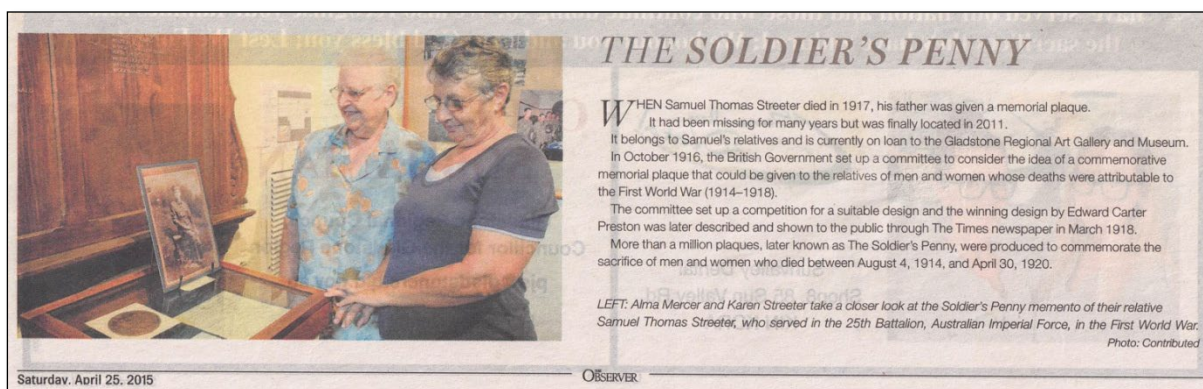
On enlistment he was 5 ft 7.25 inches and weighed 10 stone 4 lbs. His chest measurement was 35-37.25 inches. His occupation was labourer. Unit embarked from Brisbane, Qld, on board HMAT *Commonwealth* on 28 March 1916. Taken on strength in France on 8 August 1916. Wounded in action in France 14 November 1916. Rejoined unit in France from wounded 8 January 1917. To hospital sick 3 February 1917. Rejoined battalion from hospital France 6 February 1917.

Killed in action between 3 and 4 May 1917 at the second battle of Bullecourt, France: *"The Second Battle of Bullecourt was fought during 3 -17 May 1917, forming part of the Battle of Arras, a major British offensive launched in 1917 as the Allies attempted to end the*

stalemate on the Western Front and break through the formidable German Hindenburg Line defences ... Almost 7,500 Australians and over 8,000 British soldiers were killed or wounded during the Second Battle of Bullecourt. Over 10,000 Australians would be killed or wounded during the First and Second Battles of Bullecourt, along with 1,170 captured, a tremendous loss which shelved plans to expand the AIF and contributed to 1917 being the most costly year of the war for Australia.” (From Department of Veterans Affairs, Australian Government website.)

Buried: No known grave. Commemorated at Villers-Brettoneux Memorial, Picardie, France.

Samuel’s father, William Streeter, received a Memorial Scroll and a Memorial Plaque. These were sent to commemorate soldiers who didn’t return from the Great War (WW1). The plaque is now held at Gladstone Regional Art Gallery and Museum (GRAGM) lent by the Streeter family.



Receipt for Memorial Plaque

As well as being commemorated on the Gladstone-Calliope Honour Board at GRAGM, Samuel Thomas Streeter’s name is listed also on the Miriam Vale Honour Board, the Miriam Vale War Memorial, the Calliope Roll of Honour, and on the Calliope Cenotaph.

Service Record: [View digital copy \(naa.gov.au\)](http://naa.gov.au)

Paulette Flint, 2024