

# Sutton Veny War Graves



*Lest we Forget*

## World War 1



17839 LANCE CPL.

**A. HADDOW**

AUSTRALIAN ENGINEERS

21ST FEBRUARY, 1919 AGE 26

*Archie Sleeps*

*We Shall See Him*

*In The Morning*

*CWGC Headstone for Lance Cpl. A. Haddow is located in  
Grave Plot # 74. K. 3. of St. John the Evangelist Churchyard, Sutton Veny*

## Archibald HADDOW

Archibald Haddow was born at Kensington Hill, Victoria in 1893 to parents Nathaniel & Annie Jean Haddow (nee McColl).

Archibald Haddow (Draughtsman), Nathaniel Haddow (Produce Merchant) & Annie Jean Haddow (Home Duties) were all listed as living at 146 Queensberry Street, North Melbourne for the 1914 Australian Electoral Roll for the State of Victoria, division of Melbourne & subdivision of North Melbourne.

Archibald Haddow was a 23 year old, single, Surveyor & Engineering Draftsman from Melbourne, Victoria when he enlisted at Melbourne, Victoria on 29<sup>th</sup> February, 1916 with the Field Companies Engineers – March, 1917, Reinforcements of the Australian Army (A.I.F.). His service number was 17839 & his religion was Church of Christ His next of kin was listed as his father – Mr Nathaniel Haddow of 146 Queensberry Street, North Melbourne, Victoria. Archibald Haddow had served 3 years with Senior Cadets prior to enlisting.

Sapper Archibald Haddow was promoted to Lance Corporal while at Engineers Reinforcements, Seymour on 29<sup>th</sup> February, 1916. He was appointed Acting Corporal on 30<sup>th</sup> June, 1916 then Acting Sergeant from 22<sup>nd</sup> September, 1916. Acting Sergeant Haddow was transferred to Engineer Reinforcements at Moore Park on 9<sup>th</sup> December, 1916.

Acting Sergeant Archibald Haddow embarked from Sydney on HMAT *Marathon (A74)* on 10<sup>th</sup> May, 1917 & disembarked at Devonport, England on 20<sup>th</sup> July, 1917.

Acting Sergeant Haddow was marched in to No. 1 & 3 Details Camp at Parkhouse, England on 21<sup>st</sup> July, 1917 & his rank reverted back to Sapper. He was marched out on 28<sup>th</sup> July, 1917 to Engineers Training Depot at Brightlingsea.

Sapper Haddow was appointed Acting Corporal on 29<sup>th</sup> July, 1917. He was appointed E.D.P. Corporal on 23<sup>rd</sup> August, 1917 & then reverted back to Sapper on 1<sup>st</sup> October, 1917. He was appointed the same day to Acting Corporal.

Acting Corporal Haddow reverted back to the rank of Sapper on 10<sup>th</sup> November, 1917 as he proceeded overseas to France from Brightlingsea via Southampton.

Sapper Haddow was marched in at Rouelles on 11<sup>th</sup> November, 1917 & marched out on 17<sup>th</sup> November, 1917 to 3 Division Engineers.

Sapper Haddow was admitted to Hospital sick on 24<sup>th</sup> January, 1918 then transferred & admitted to 2 C. G. S. on 17<sup>th</sup> February, 1918. He was discharged to his Unit – 11<sup>th</sup> Field Company on 18<sup>th</sup> February, 1918.

Sapper Haddow was appointed to Lance Corporal on 6<sup>th</sup> July, 1918. He was detached to Divisional Dump from 14<sup>th</sup> July, 1918 & rejoined his Unit on 5<sup>th</sup> August, 1918.

Lance Corporal Archibald Haddow was detached to 11<sup>th</sup> Brigade for NCO School on 10<sup>th</sup> October, 1918. On 17<sup>th</sup> October, 1918 he was sent sick to Hospital with an inflamed right eardrum & transferred to 3<sup>rd</sup> Australian General Hospital at Abbeville.

Lance Corporal Haddow was discharged to detachment on 23<sup>rd</sup> October, 1918 & rejoined his Unit on 25<sup>th</sup> October, 1918.

Lance Corporal Archibald Haddow proceeded on leave to UK on 31<sup>st</sup> October, 1918 & rejoined his Unit on 15<sup>th</sup> November, 1918.

Lance Corporal Archibald Haddow proceeded to England for repatriation on 6<sup>th</sup> February, 1919 & was marched out on 13<sup>th</sup> February, 1919. L./Cpl. Haddow disembarked at Southampton, England on 14<sup>th</sup> February, 1919.

Lance Corporal Archibald Haddow was marched in to Training Brigade Con. Camp on 15<sup>th</sup> February, 1919.

Lance Corporal Archibald Haddow was admitted to the 1<sup>st</sup> Australian General Hospital at Sutton Veny, Wiltshire on 15<sup>th</sup> February, 1919 with Influenza. He was reported dangerously ill with Broncho Pneumonia on 21<sup>st</sup> February, 1919.

Lance Corporal Archibald Haddow died at 7.40 p.m. on 21<sup>st</sup> February, 1919 at the 1<sup>st</sup> Australian General Hospital, Sutton Veny of Broncho Pneumonia.

A death for A. Haddow, aged 26, was registered in the March quarter, 1919 in the district of Warminster, Wiltshire.

Lance Corporal Archibald Haddow was buried on 25<sup>th</sup> February, 1919 in St. John the Evangelist Churchyard at Sutton Veny - Grave no. 74. From the burial report of L./Cpl. Haddow - *Coffin was Elm with Brass Mounts – Deceased was buried with full Military Honours, the coffin draped with the Australian flag being conveyed to the graveside on a Gun Carriage preceded by a Firing Party from No. 1 Australian Command Depot, Sutton Veny. The “Last Post” was sounded and volleys fired over the grave. Six Australians supported the Pall. A number of Australians followed the remains and were present at the graveside ceremony. Flowers were sent by “Cousins at Douglas”, “Dr Carrell”, “Mother and Father”, “Cousin Jim” and “Andrew Haddow”. Headquarters A.I.F. Depots in United Kingdom were represented at the funeral.*

*Also attending the funeral were (Cousin) Captain J. D. Haddow, 59<sup>th</sup> Battalion, A.I.F; Miss Haddow 11 Woodquest Avenue, Herne Hill, London; Mrs L. Rouse “Garryowen” Putney Hill, London; Mrs Carrell, 34 the Drive, Ilford & Mrs Duncan 27 Richmond St, Glasgow.*

Lance Corporal Archibald Haddow requested in his Will dated 26<sup>th</sup> October, 1917 that all his Estate be left to his mother – Annie Haddow.

Lance Corporal A. Haddow is commemorated in the Hall of Memory Commemorative Area at the Australian War Memorial, Canberra, Australia on Panel 24.



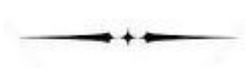
*Roll Of Honour WW1 Australian War Memorial Canberra, Australia*

Lance Corporal Archibald Haddow was entitled to British War Medal & the Victory Medal. A Memorial Scroll & Memorial Plaque were also sent to L./Cpl. Haddow's father – Mr N. Haddow (sent December, 1922 & May, 1923).

The CWGC lists Lance Corporal, 17839, of 11<sup>th</sup> Field Coy., Australian Engineers, A.I.F., as the son of Nathaniel and Annie Jean Haddow. Born at Kensington, Victoria.

(62 pages of Lance Corporal Archibald Haddow'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**

### **DEATHS**

#### **On Active Service**

HADDOW – Archie, dearly beloved son of Nathaniel and Annie, and living brother of Nat and Lina, died on the 21<sup>st</sup> February, of pneumonia, at the First Australian General Hospital, France, aged 26 years.

*(The Age, Melbourne, Victoria – Monday 3 March, 1919)*

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### **A.I.F. CASUALTIES**

#### **LIST NO. 462**

##### **DIED – OTHER CAUSES**

Haddow, L.-Cpl. A., North Melbourne, 21/2/19

*(The Argus, Melbourne, Victoria – Tuesday 1 April, 1919)*

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#### **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 Mr N. Haddow, dated 13<sup>th</sup> July, 1921, advised Mr Haddow that a communication from the Defence Department concerning an inscription that could be placed on his son'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.

Lance Corporal Archibald Haddow does have a personal inscription on his headstone.

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Photo of Lance Corporal A. Haddow'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)

