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AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE.

ATTESTATION PAPER OF PERSONS ENLISTED FOR SERVICE ABROAD

No. *4405* Name *CRETTENDEN Arthur George*
 Unit *COY. ENG. DEPOT BATTALION* *11th Reinf., 27th Inf. Battalion,*
27. Battn *A. I. F.*
 Joined on *JAN 4 1916*

M. J. ...

Questions to be put to the Person Enlisting before Attestation.

1. What is your Name? ... *Arthur George Crettenden*
2. In or near what Parish or Town were you born? ...
 near the Town of *Prospect*
 in the County of *St. Andrew*
3. Are you a natural born British Subject or a Naturalized British Subject? (N.B.—If the latter, papers to be shown.) ... *NA*
4. What is your age? ... *24*
5. What is your trade or calling? ... *Or arms*
6. Are you, or have you been, an Apprentice? If so, where, to whom, and for what period? ... *No*
7. Are you married? ... *No*
8. Who is your next of kin? (Address to be stated) ...
Widow Mrs Sarah Louisa Crettenden
Le Monte Avenue Prospect, South Australia
9. Have you ever been convicted by the Civil Power? ... *No*
10. Have you ever been discharged from any part of His Majesty's Forces, with Ignominy, or as Incurable and Worthless, or on account of Conviction of Felony, or of a Sentence of Penal Servitude, or have you been dismissed with disgrace from the Navy? ...
25 Arthur Street Prospect SA.
R.I. 20-7-21
11. Do you now belong to, or have you ever served in, His Majesty's Army, the Marines, the Militia, the Militia Reserve, the Territorial Force, Royal Navy or Colonial Forces? If so, state which, and if not now serving, state cause of discharge ... *No*
12. Have you stated the whole, if any, of your previous service? ... *No*
13. Have you ever been rejected as unfit for His Majesty's Service? If so, on what grounds? ... *No*
14. (For married men, widowers with children, and soldiers who are the sole support of widowed mother)— Do you understand that no Separation Allowance will be issued to you in respect of your service beyond an amount which together with pay would reach 8/- per day? ...
15. Are you prepared to undergo inoculation against smallpox and enteric fever? ... *Yes*

I, *Arthur George Crettenden* do solemnly declare that the above answers made by me to the above questions are true, and I am willing and hereby voluntarily agree to serve in the Military Forces of the Commonwealth of Australia within or beyond the limits of the Commonwealth.

And I further agree to allot not less than *two-fifths* of the pay payable to me from time to time during my service for the support of my *wife and children*

Date *JAN 4 1916*

A. G. Crettenden
 Signature of Person Enlisted.

* This clause should be struck out in the case of unmarried men or widowers without children under 18 years of age.
 † Two-fifths must be allotted to the wife, and if there are children three-fifths must be allotted.

Description of Arthur George Crehaden on Enlistment

Age 21 years _____ months
 Height 5 feet 5 inches
 Weight 100 lbs.
 Chest Measurement 33.34 inches
 Complexion Dark
 Eyes Brown
 Hair Dark
 Religious Denomination Catholic

DISTINCTIVE MARKS.

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vac. & R

CERTIFICATE OF MEDICAL EXAMINATION.

I HAVE examined the above-named person, and find that he does not present any of the following conditions, viz.:-

Scrofula; phthisis; syphilis; impaired constitution; defective intelligence; defects of vision, voice, or hearing; hernia; hæmorrhoids; varicose veins, beyond a limited extent; marked varicocele with unusually pendent testicle; inveterate cutaneous disease; chronic ulcers; traces of corporal punishment, or evidence of having been marked with the letters D. or B.C.; contracted or deformed chest; abnormal curvature of spine; or any other disease or physical defect calculated to unfit him for the duties of a soldier.

He can see the required distance with either eye; his heart and lungs are healthy; he has the free use of his joints and limbs; and he declares he is not subject to fits of any description.

I consider him fit for active service.

Date 4th Jan 1916

Place Adelaide

Henry Halloran
 Signature of Examining Medical Officer.

CERTIFICATE OF COMMANDING OFFICER.

I CERTIFY that this Attestation of the above named person is correct, and that the required forms have been complied with. I accordingly approve, and

appoint him to COY. 2ND DEPOT BATTALION

Date 13 JAN 1916

Place EXHIBITION A.I.F. CAMP.

Mr Hancock
 LT. COL.
 CO. 2ND DEPOT BATTALION A.I.F.
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Joined on JAN 4 1916 4-1-16

11th Reinf's
27th BATTN

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1. What is your Name? ... Arthur George Cretenden
2. In the Parish of _____ in or near the Town of Prospect in the County of South Aust
3. Are you a natural born British Subject or a Naturalized British Subject? (N.B.—If the latter, papers to be shown.) ... NB
4. What is your age? ... 24
5. What is your trade or calling? ... Farmer
6. Are you, or have you been, an Apprentice? If so, where, to whom, and for what period? ... No
7. Are you married? ... No
8. Who is your next of kin? (Address to be stated) ... Mother Mrs Sarah Jane Cretenden, Victoria St, Prospect, South Australia
9. Have you ever been convicted by the Civil Power? ... No
10. Have you ever been discharged from any part of His Majesty's Forces, with Ignominy, or as Incurable and Worthless, or on account of Conviction of Felony, or of a Sentence of Penal Servitude, or have you been dismissed with disgrace from the Navy? ... No
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Casualty Form—Active Service.

4405

Regiment or Corps 11/27TH BATTALION A.I.F.
 Regimental No. 4405 Rank Private Name CRETENDEN Arthur George
 Enlisted (a) 4.1.16 Terms of Service (a) 3yr & 4 months Service reckons from (a) Enlistment
 Date of promotion } Date of appointment } Numerical position on }
 to present rank } to lance rank } roll of N.C.Os. }
 Extended _____ Re-engaged _____ Qualification (b) _____

Report		Reason of promotions, reductions, transfers, casualties, etc., during active service, as reported on Army Form B. 213, Army Form A. 36, or in other official documents. The authority to be quoted in each case.	Place	Date	Remarks taken from Army Form B. 213, Army Form A. 36, or other official documents.
Date	From whom received				
	"TUNISIAN"	Embarked for O/Seas ex	Alexandria	29.5.16	A.P. 8502
		Disembarked ex Alex'	Marseilles	5.6.16	
	2 ADBD	Admitted ex Egypt	Etaples	8.6.16	A.Q. 594
7.8.16	do	Proceeded to join Unit	do	7.8.16	A.X. 719
12.8.16	C/O B213	Taken on strength	France	11.8.16	A.Q. 3224 D/O 57/4434
11.11.16	do	KILLED IN ACTION	do	5.11.16	A.Q. 10717 V.L. 149, 26.11.16 D/O 81/6405.
<p><i>Buried no mans land, about 1 mile E. of Le Sars, 4 1/2 mls. N. W. of ANZAC SECTION 3RD ECHEON. G.H.Q. British Expeditionary Force</i></p> <p><i>86B 129138 241394</i></p> <p><i>(Sgd) D. R. CROOKS, Lieut Officer i/c Records</i></p>					
<p>For Burial Report See B108</p>					

(a) In the case of a man who has re-engaged for, or enlisted into Section D, Army Reserve, particulars of such re-engagement or enlistment will be entered.
 (b) e.g., Signaller, Shoemaking Smith, etc., etc., also special qualifications in Technical Corps Units.

(P.T.O.)

to be kept and maintained; and that I will in all matters appertaining to my service, faithfully discharge my duty according to law.

SO HELP ME GOD.

A. G. Bretenden
 Signature of Person Enlisted.

Taken and subscribed at ADELAIDE, in
 the State of SOUTH AUSTRALIA.
 this JAN 4 1916 day _____ of _____
 _____ 19 _____, before me—

W. J. Bran **LIEUT.**
 Signature of Attesting Officer.

* A person enlisting who objects to taking an oath may make an affirmation in accordance with the Third Schedule of the Act and the above form must be amended accordingly. All amendments must be initialled by the Attesting Officer.

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FIELD SERVICE.

Army Form B. 2090A.

Statement of Death of a Soldier to be forwarded to the War Office with the least possible delay after receipt of notification of death on Army Form B. 213 or Army Form A. 36, or from other official documentary sources.

Regiment (A.I.F.) 27th BATTALION A.I.F. Squadron, Troop, Battery or Company _____
 Service No. 4405 Rank Private
 Christian Name CRETTENDEN Arthur George
 Date of Death 5th November 1916 Place France
 Cause of Death Killed in action
 Date and Date of Report A.F. 2213 dated 11th November 1916
 By whom made Commanding Officer 27th Battalion A.I.F.
 State if killed in action, or died from wounds received in action, or from illness due to field operations or to fatigue, privation or exposure while on military duty, or from injury while on military duty.
 Place Report not yet to hand Date _____
 By whom reported For Burial Report See B105
 Whether he leaves (a) in Pay Book (Army Book 64) will not (b) in Small Book (if at Base) received
 Will or not (c) as a separate document _____

Private documents and effects received from the front or hospital, as well as the Pay Book, should be examined, and if any found it should be at once forwarded to the War Office.
 Any information received as to verbal expressions by a deceased soldier of his wishes as to the disposal of his estate should be forwarded to the War Office as soon as possible.
 A duplicate of this Report is to be sent to the Fixed Centre Paymaster at Home, or to the M.F.C.F., Indian Expeditionary Force, Disbursing Officer, as the case may require, together with the Deceased's Pay Book (after withdrawal of any will from the Deceased's Small Book is at the Base, it should be forwarded to the War Office with this Report.

Adjutant-General's Office at the Base
British Expeditionary Force
22nd February 1917
 Signature of Officer in charge of Section [Signature] Lieut
 Officer i/c Records

subject to fits of any description.

I consider him fit for active service.

Date 4 JAN 1916
 Place ADELAIDE.

[Signature]
[Signature]
 Signature of Examining Medical Officer.

CERTIFICATE OF COMMANDING OFFICER.

I CERTIFY that this Attestation of the above named person is correct, and that the required forms have been complied with. I accordingly approve, and

appoint him to A Coy 2ND DEPOT BATTALION A.I.F.

Date 4-1-16
 Place Adelaide

[Signature] LT. COL
 CAMP COMMANDANT
 Commanding 2ND DEPOT BATTALION A.I.F.

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12.8.16	C/O B213	Taken on strength	France	11.8.16	A.Q 3224 D/O 57/4434
11.11.16	do	KILLED IN ACTION	do	5.11.16	A.Q 10717 V.L 149, 26.11.16 D/O 81/6405.

ANZAC SECTION 3RD ECHELON.G.H.Q.
British Expeditionary Force

[Signature] Lieut
Officer i/c Records

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[P.T.O.]

C R E T T E N D E N	Arthur George	4405	11/27th Batt.
Surname.	Other Names.	Regimental No.	Unit.
PURPORT.			AUTHORITY.
Embarked at Adelaide per H.M.A.T. "Shropshire" 25-3-16			
11-8-16. Joined 27th B ⁿ France from 11th B ⁿ s.			WO 57/416
5-11-16. Killed in action "In the Fld".			M.K BERO 81/3-16.
29/5/16. Embkd at Alex. per H.T. "Tuniscian" for O/Seas			MEFO 9/2-16.
Buried No Man's Land about 1 mile E. of Le Sars 4 1/2 Miles N.W.Combles.			Lon. 50/1-17

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M.55/404.

XXXX 4780

11 SEP 1925

Dear Madam,

With further reference to the burial of your son, the late No.4405 Private A.G. CRETENDEN, 27th Battalion, I have to inform you that according to the latest progress report to hand from the Imperial War Graves Commission the erection of permanent headstones in the WARLENCOURT BRITISH CEMETERY is now being proceeded with, and generally the work of re-construction has reached an advanced stage.

In order to conform with the uniform layout of this Cemetery the following official registration has been allotted to the site of the late soldier's final resting place, viz :-

Plot 2. Row E. Grave 36.

and the opportunity will be afforded relatives later of obtaining a copy of the printed Register containing full particulars of all British and Dominion burials therein.

These additional details are furnished by direction, it being the policy of the Department to forward all information received in connexion with the deaths of members of the Australian Imperial Force.

Yours faithfully,

Mrs. S.L. Crettenden,
Le Hunte Avenue,
PROSPECT, S.A.

Captain,
Officer i/c Base Records.

Extract from folder of photo of grave.

Interred Warlencourt British Cem Row E. Grave 36

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Army Form B. 2090A.

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REGIMENT } 27th BATTALION A.I.F. Squadron, Troop, }
 OR CORPS } Battery or Company }

Regimental No. 4405 Rank Private

Surname GRETTENDEN Christian Names Arthur George

Died { Date 5th November 1916 Place France
 Cause of Death* Killed in action

Nature and Date of Report A.F.B213 dated 11th November 1916

By whom made Commanding Officer 27th Battalion A.I.F.

* Specially state if killed in action, or died from wounds received in action, or from illness due to field operations or to fatigue, privation or exposure while on military duty, or from injury while on military duty.

Burial { Place Report not yet to hand Date _____
 By whom reported _____

State whether he leaves { (a) in Pay Book (Army Book 64) Will not (b) in Small Book (if at Base) _____
 a Will or not { (c) as a separate document received

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ANZAC SECTION 3RD ECHELON G.H.Q. Lieut
 Station and Date British Expeditionary Force Signature of Officer in charge of Section
22nd February 1917 Adjutant-General's Office at the Base

[Signature]
 Officer i/c Records

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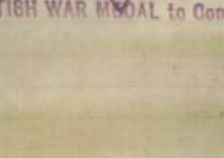
AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE.

No. A405

Rank Private Name CRETENDEN AG

Unit 27th Battalion

Casualty 5.11.16 Killed in action. B.I.B.L 788/7694A. M.O.L. 4.12.16/16

DATE	A. F. B. 103 Received	PURPORT.	A. F. B. 2090A Received.	REF. NO.
7. 12. 16	M.O. 4 ADVISED, KILLED IN ACTION.	5. 11. 16		
18 12 16	COPY MADE FOR WAR PENSIONS			
25 1 17	Envy 100R looking for O/S. SA THOMPSON & Co. 116711			
	CONFIRMATION RECEIVED OF			
	Cable No. <u>B.I.B.L 788/7694A</u> 1/12/16			
9. 8. 17	PERSONAL EFFECTS EX. <u>laundry</u>			
19 3 18	PERSONAL EFFECTS EX. <u>personal</u>			
				
	Direct. M.O. 1035 C. T. M. C. 1035 dispatched. <u>2.12.16</u>			
16. 7. 21	PHOTOGRAPH OF GRAVE <u>via duplicate</u> TRANSMITTED TO NEXT OF KIN. S. R. B. No. <u>51/74 (H.M.S.M.)</u>			
	  			
2. 12. 21	BRITISH WAR MEDAL to Comdt <u>H</u> M.D.B.R.M. 54745			
				

WAR HISTORY INDEX

LIST.

"WHERE THE AUSTRALIANS REST."
Pamphlet sent to Mrs. S. L. Brettenden 9.12.21

26/6/22

MEMORIAL
SCROLL
To
Mother
Mrs. S. L. Brettenden
313786
9.12.21
26/6/22

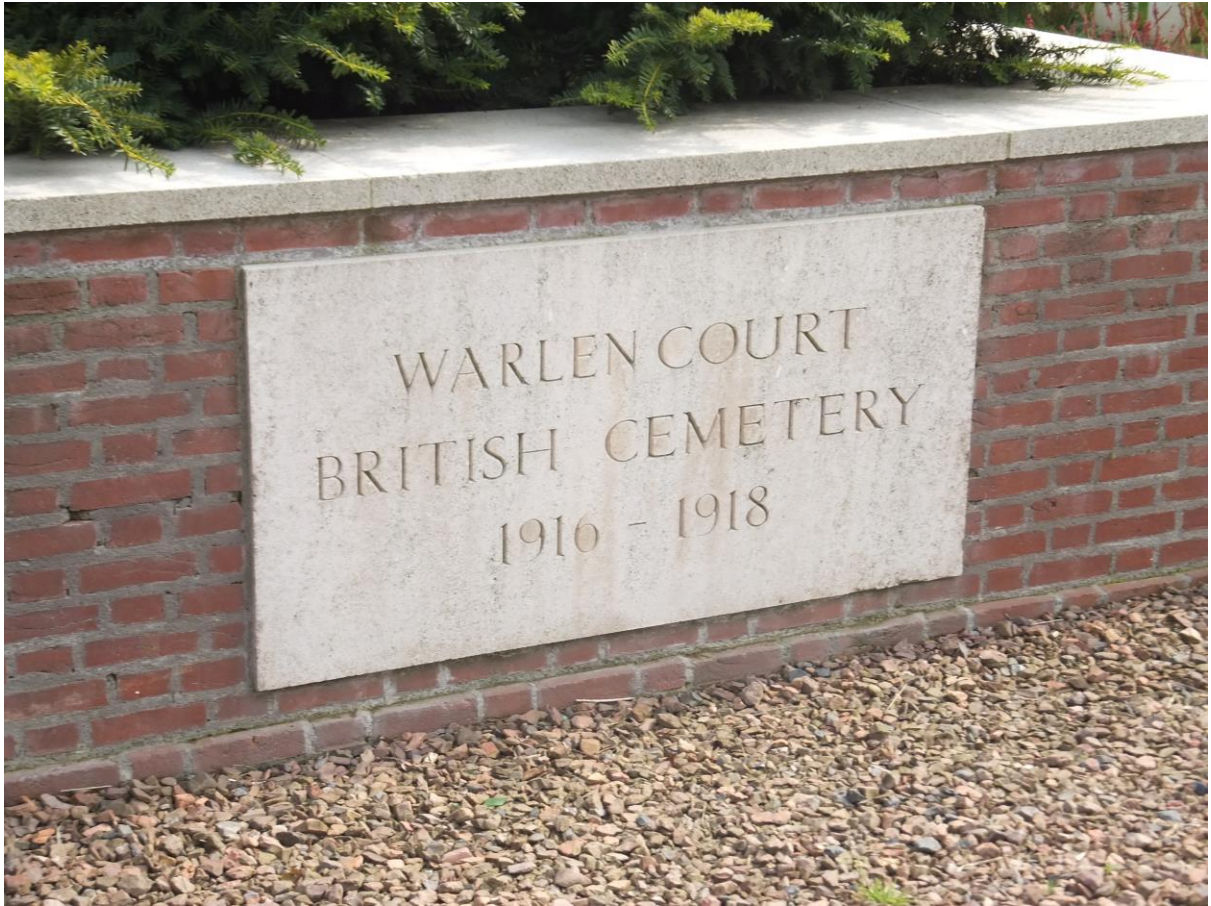
MEMORIAL
PLAQUE
To Mrs. S. L. Brettenden
Mother per D.B.
313786
26/6/22

VICTORY MEDAL to Mother R.R.F.C.
Registered Post No. 5750 G.P.O. Malaya

24 FEB 1922

29.3.24 Outstanding form "H" to M.O.K. per B.R.D. 55/404 Warburton British Legation

7 JAN 1921 To. G. H. Home (157)





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THE GREAT WAR

4405 PRIVATE
A. G. CRETTENDEN
27TH BN AUSTRALIAN INF
5TH NOVEMBER 1916

OF

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4405 PRIVATE
A.C. GRETENDEN
24TH BN AUSTRALIAN INF
5TH NOVEMBER 1916

A SOLDIER
OF THE GREAT

A SON
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