MOPPETT, George Sydney

Australian National Memorial Villers-Bretonneux, Villers-Bretonneux, France.
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George Sydney Moppett was born 10 March 1880 at Kemp Town, Brighton, England. George was 16 years old when he enrolled in the Diploma Course at HAC in 1896. He also returned for a three week Summer School for Teachers in the Christmas school holidays 1905/06.

George married Amy Parsons at Bingara, NSW, in 1906. George and Amy had two children while at Bingara, a daughter Elizabeth May born in 1907, and a son Bertram Harold in 1908. They had a second son, Richard Edwin, at Grafton, in 1914. Amy Moppett died 31 October 1915.

George is recorded as a Widower and a School Teacher at the time of enlisting 10 June 1916. He joined the 13th Battalion 22nd Reinforcement, and embarked from Sydney, on board HMAT *Port Nicholson* on 8 November 1916. George's children were in the care of his mother from the time of his enlistment.

George served on the Western Front, France and was Killed in Action on 11 April 1917 at Bullecourt, aged 37 years old.

His student card has a hand written note "posted missing 11th April 1917 having taken part in the first effort to break the Hindenberg Line."

George has no known grave and is commemorated on the Australian National Memorial Villers-Bretonneux, Villers-Bretonneux, France.

His son, Bertram Harold Moppett, enrolled at HAC in 1925.