

STEPHENS, Stanley Everard



Rifle Teams 1913 Back Row (left to right) – Students R.E. Buckingham, O. Ussher, A.J. Atkinson, A.K. Maney-Lake, W.O. Hill, Mr. R.H. Inder, Mr. J.H. Bull. Middle Row.-Student B.G. Rigby, Mr. M. Horan, Mr. H. Reay (Captain), Mr H.D. Barlow (Hon. Sec.), Student D.S. Maxwell. Sitting-Students B. Thorpe, J. McCullagh, S.E. Stephens.

Australian National Memorial Villers-Bretonneux, Villers-Bretonneux, France.

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Stanley Everard Stephens was born at Richmond, Victoria in 1891. He attended Double Bay Public School, NSW, and entered HAC in 1912 studying the full Diploma course.

Stanley volunteered with the Australian Naval Reserve 13 August 1914, and was part of the first Naval-Military Expedition to German New Guinea. He contracted malaria and was unable to reenlist until recovered. He worked in Gilgandra, reporting for the *Farmer and Settler*.

Stephens then joined the 13th Battalion AIF on 9 October 1915, and embarked from Sydney, on board HMAT A14 *Euripides* on 9 September 1916.

Stanley served on the Western Front and was Killed in Action 11 April 1917 at Bullecourt, aged 26.

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

His younger brother, Percy Griffith Stephens, fought at Gallipoli and France and, surviving the war, returned to Australia 12 May 1919.