

BUSH. M.

C Company,
Depot Battalion, A.I.F.

Michael Bush, was born in September 1885 at Narrandera, the eighth born of the ten children of James Bush and his wife Harriet (Hazell).

Michael's elder brother William, 14 years his senior, married fifteen year old Scone born Susannah Bates, the second daughter of Francis Bates and his wife Johannah (Lenehen) at Murrurundi in 1900., and raised a family there.

Michael's, father died at Gunning in 1901, while Michael was serving a six year apprenticeship as a coach smith with J. Clark of Abercrombie Street Sydney.

Michael moved to Scone where he worked as a Blacksmith during 1914 and 1915 then on 21 January 1916, while residing at 167 Trafalgar Street Petersham, he enlisted at the recruiting booth that had been set up in the foyer of the Sydney Town Hall.

A preliminary medical examination found Michael A Class fit for overseas service. He was given his final medical examination two weeks later when he entered camp at Casula. Michael was 30 years and 4 months of age, five foot seven inches tall and weighted 11 stone. He had brown curly hair, blue eyes and a florid complexion.

Assigned to C Company of the Depot Battalion at the Casula Camp he trained for three weeks before he was admitted to the field hospital suffering bronchial pneumonia. He died on the 28 February 1916 three days after being admitted.

Michael was buried in the Church of England section of the Old Liverpool Cemetery, Grave No 2. 2. 68.

His mother, Harriet was then living at 66 Hayberry Street, Crows Nest, North Sydney. She received a war pension on 25 March, backdated to the 29 February of 45 Pound 10 Shilling (\$91.00) per annum. It was four years later as Michael's next of kin, she received his Memorial Plaque and Memorial Scroll.

Michael Bush's name is also on;

Memorial Panel 185.

The Australian War Memorial. Canberra.

The Memorial outside the Scone War Memorial Swimming Pool.

The Roll of Honour at the Scott Memorial Hospital, Scone.

The Honour Roll at the Scone RSL Club.



This Memorial was erected in 1960 at the entrance of the Scone War Memorial Swimming Pool to commemorate the names of the men from the district who died in the Great War. The 2nd World War and the Korean War.

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