

## Henry Lewis

**Name: Henry Lewis**

**Rank: Gunner**

**Service Number: 23068**

**Units Served: 2nd Brigade Australian  
Field Artillery**



**Personal Details:** Henry Lewis was born in August 1892 in Morphett Vale, South Australia. He was 5 foot 8 and a half inches tall, weighed 168 pounds and had dark brown hair.

**Enlistment Details:** Henry enlisted on the 25<sup>th</sup> of October 1915. He was 23 years and 2 months old at the time.

**Details about his role in War:** Henry departed aboard the HMAT A8 from Sydney on the 11<sup>th</sup> of May 1916 and arrived in Davenport on the 10<sup>th</sup> of July. On the 26<sup>th</sup> of September 1916 Henry went AWL from 8:30am to 10:30pm and had to forfeit 8 days total pay for the offence. He was then admitted to hospital on the 15<sup>th</sup> of October with a venereal disease. He spent a total of 48 days in hospital before being discharged on the 1<sup>st</sup> of December. On the 5<sup>th</sup> of December he marched out to Park House before proceeding to Larkhill. From there he headed overseas to Etaples France on the 15<sup>th</sup> of March 1917. He was taken on strength by the 1<sup>st</sup> Division Artillery on the 29<sup>th</sup> of March. On the 9<sup>th</sup> of June he was admitted to the 2<sup>nd</sup> Field Ambulance with appendicitis. He rejoined his unit on the 7<sup>th</sup> of July before being detached to St Omer on Picquet duty on the 15<sup>th</sup> of September. On the 29<sup>th</sup> he rejoined his unit from detachment. On the 5<sup>th</sup> of October Henry was transferred to the 2<sup>nd</sup> Field Artillery Brigade. He was taken on strength and posted to the 6<sup>th</sup> battery. On the 14<sup>th</sup> of February 1918 he was granted leave to England before returning to his unit on the 5<sup>th</sup> of March. Henry was wounded in action on the 21<sup>st</sup> of March as a result of a gas shell. He was taken to the 2<sup>nd</sup> Australian Field Ambulance before being transferred to St Omer on the 11<sup>th</sup> of April. As a result of the gas Henry developed broncho pneumonia. On the 20<sup>th</sup> of April he was admitted to Norfolk War Hospital. On the 7<sup>th</sup> of May Henry was transferred from Norfolk and spent the next few months marching in and out of several locations around England before being admitted to Sutton Veny Hospital with serious pneumonia on the 17<sup>th</sup> of November 1918. He died less than a week later on the 22<sup>nd</sup>.

**Age at Death: 26**

**Memorial Details:** Sutton Veny (St John) Churchyard, United Kingdom

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