

Robert LEFTWICH



Pre-enlistment:

- Robert was born in Maryborough to parents, Richard and Mary LEFTWICH, John Street, Maryborough, Queensland
- His occupation at time of enlistment was that of an oyster man
- His home town was Maryborough, Fraser Coast, Qld
- He listed his next of kin as his mother, Mrs Mary Leftwich, John Street, Maryborough, Queensland

Military Records

- Service Number: 1989
- Robert Leftwich enlisted on 15 February 1916 as a Private with 47th Battalion, 3rd Reinforcement, in Brisbane
- He embarked with his Unit from Brisbane, on board HMAT A46 Clan MacGillivray on 1 May 1916, aged 21 years
- On 20 August 1916 he was taken on strength with 12th Training Battalion then transferred to hospital where he was diagnosed with Cerebro Spinal Meningitis
- On 23 September 1916 he proceeded overseas to France to reinforce the 4th Division
- On 3 October 1916 he joined the 47th Battalion in the field from reinforcement
- On 21 January 1917 he was again admitted to hospital
- Private Robert Leftwich died of disease on 11 April 1917 at 14th Station Hospital Wimereux, France, with spinal meningitis. He was aged 22 years,
- His war service was on the Western Front

Cemetery &/or Memorial

- Wimereux Communal Cemetery (Plot II, Row G, Grave No. 2A), France
- Australian War Memorial Roll of Honour Panel number 144
- Maryborough City Hall Honour Roll,
- Maryborough Granville War Memorial,
- Maryborough Queen's Park War Memorial
- Maryborough St Mary's College War Memorial,
- Maryborough St Stephen's Honour Roll

Honours & Awards

- British War Medal
- Victory Medal

Rifle Shooting

- Robert Leftwich was a member of the Maryborough Rifle Club

ACWM Commemoration Service

Reference Links

- <https://recordsearch.naa.gov.au/SearchNRRetrieve/Interface/ViewImage.aspx?B=8195177>
- <https://www.aif.adfa.edu.au/showPerson?pid=174200>
- <https://vwma.org.au/explore/people/186515>
- <https://www.awm.gov.au/collection/R1640256>
- <https://trove.nla.gov.au/newspaper/article/188088304?searchTerm=maryborough%20rifle%20club%2C%20killed#> see below: The Week (Brisbane), Fri 27 Jul 1917, Page 23, MARYBOROUGH DISTRICT.