

OLIVER, C. S.

Cecil Stanley Oliver was born in Carlton to Arthur George Oliver and Grace Gracie and grew up with a younger sister and brother, Jessie and Ernest. Perhaps he was baptised at St Jude's but a firm connection with the church is yet to be established.

Their father's occupation was variously listed as architect and builder, and Cecil followed him, being described as a master builder on his Roll of Honour Circular.

Cecil enlisted in Melbourne and served overseas. Despite being invalided out of Gallipoli and declared not fit to return to active service, his request to return to his unit was approved. Cecil was wounded at Pozieres on 27 July and died on 31 July 1916.

AIF Project Entry

Cecil Stanley OLIVER

Regimental number	29
Date of birth	19 August 1893
Place of birth	Melbourne Victoria
Religion	Congregational
Occupation	Builder
Address	<i>Graceburn</i> , Warragul Road, Oakleigh, Victoria.
Marital status	Single
Age at embarkation	21
Next of kin	Mother, Mrs Oliver, <i>Graceburn</i> , Warragul Road, Oakleigh, Victoria.
Enlistment date	19 August 1914
Date of enlistment from Nominal Roll	17 August 1914
Rank on enlistment	Private
Unit name	6th Battalion, Machine Gun Section
Embarkation details	Unit embarked from Melbourne, Victoria, on board A20 <i>Hororata</i> on 19 October 1914.
Rank from Nominal Roll	Lieutenant
Unit from Nominal Roll	6th Battalion
Promotions	2nd Lieutenant
Fate	Unit: INF6 Promotion date: 6 September 1915. Died of wounds 2 August 1916.*

Age at death from cemetery records
Place of burial

23
Warloy-Baillon Communal Cemetery
Extension (Plot I, Row D, Grave No. 13),
France.

Panel number, Roll of Honour,
Australian War Memorial
Miscellaneous information from
cemetery records

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Parents: Arthur and Grace OLIVER,
Graceburn, Wattle Tree Road, East
Malvern, Victoria. Native of Melbourne.

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* death date later clarified by Military to be 31 July 1916.

Australian War Memorial: Roll of Honour Circular

Particulars Required for the Roll of Honour of Australia in the Memorial War Museum.

1. Name (in full) of Fallen Soldier. *Cecil Stanley Oliver*
2. Unit and Number (if known). *Lieutenant 12th Machine Gun Company*
3. With what Town or District in Australia was he chiefly connected (under which his name ought to come on the Memorial)—
Town (if any) *Oakleigh* District *Melbourne* State *Victoria*
4. What was his Birthplace. *Melbourne*
5. Date of Death. *31/7/16*
6. Place where Killed or Wounded. *Pozieres France*

Particulars Required for the Nation's Histories.

1. What was his Calling. *Master Builder*
2. Age at time of Death. *23 years*
3. What was his School. *Malvern Grammar*
4. What was his other Training. *Royal Garrison Architecture*
5. If born in Britain or Abroad, at what age did he come to Australia.
6. Had he ever served in the ~~Australian~~ Naval Force before Enlisting in the A.I.F. (Please state particulars) *3 months Royal Garrison Artillery*
7. Any other biographical details likely to be of interest to the Historian of the A.I.F., or of his Regiment—
Lieut. Oliver enlisted a few days after war was declared. was invalided from Gallipoli with enteric fever and was passed out as not fit for active service but returned to his unit at his own request
8. Was he connected with any other Member of the A.I.F. who died or who distinguished himself. (Please state Relationship)—
Sub-Lieut. Arthur G. Oliver
9. Name and Address of the Parent or other person giving this information—
Name *Arthur G. Oliver*
Relationship to Soldier *Father*
Address *Graceburn Wattle Tree Rd. E. Malvern*
10. Names and Addresses of any other persons to whom reference could be made by the Historian for further information—
Name *Mr. E. R. Benson* *St Birch*
Address *Pratts Rd. Oakleigh* *Oakleigh*

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Lieutenant Cecil Stanley Oliver



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Description

Studio portrait of Lieutenant (Lt) Cecil Stanley Oliver, 2nd Machine Gun Company from Oakleigh, Victoria. A 21-year-old builder prior to enlisting on 19 August 1914, he embarked for overseas at a Private with the 6th Battalion Machine Gun Section from Melbourne on 19 October 1914 aboard HMAT *Hororata*.

He was promoted through the ranks from Lance Corporal to Sergeant and then to Second Lieutenant on 6 September 1915 and to Lt on 14 July 1916.

After serving at Gallipoli, he went on to serve on the Western Front where he was wounded in action on 27 July 1916 near Pozieres, France. Lt Oliver died of wounds on 31 July 1916 and is buried in the Warloy-Baillon Communal Cemetery Extension, France.