

Phillip Pollard

Phillip Pollard was born in Drouin, November 18, 1895. His parents were Thomas Eddy Pollard and Elizabeth Bridgman. Research shows he has was one of seven children.

Phillip enlisted for the AIF in Melbourne signing his attestation papers on the 7th of July 1916. He was listed as being 20 years and 7 months. He was a grocer. Phillip was a senior cadet in the citizen forces when he enlisted. Two of his brothers also enlisted. Richard Pollard on the 14th January 1918 into the 1st General (Victorian) Reinforcements and brother Joshua on the 18th October 1916 in the 7th Battalion – 23rd reinforcement.

Service Number	2953
Enlisted	7 th July 1916
Embarked	HMAT A1 Hymettus 12 th September 1916 From Melbourne
Unit on Enlistment	8 th Light Horse Regiment, 21 st reinforcement – private.
Returned to Australia	3 rd July 1919
Discharged	officially discharged on the 21 st September 1919

Phillip was first sent to Moascar, a type of isolation camp where men were kept for about two weeks before being sent out on active duty. This was to try and stop the spread of any infectious disease they may have brought to the country with them. When deemed clear they were sent to the front line.

After only three months of service he attended a signalling course. Like many soldiers Phillip had a number of admissions to rest camps and hospitals. In June 1918 his army record shows he was admitted with Ulcers on his hands, by August he was discharged from the hospital and back on duty.

Phillip married Daisy Bell Smith in 1921 and they had four children. After the war Phillip lived in a number of places but was mostly located in Gippsland. He listed on electoral rolls again as a Grocer after the war in the Loch district. In 1934 he has moved to Seaview and states he is a farmer by 1943 he is living with his wife and grown children in Traralgon.



Gippsland Memorial Park
L2-I009



Victory Medal



British War Medal



Phillip embarked on 12 September 1916 from Melbourne.

HMAT A1 *Hymettes*

He disembarked in Melbourne on his return on 7 August 1919 and was discharged on 15 October 1919.

SS *Malta*

