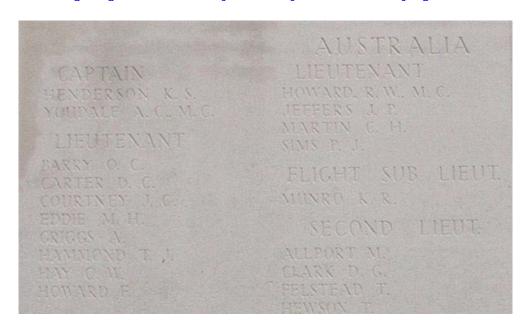# CLARK, David Goodlet

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David Goodlet Clark was born in 1891 at Picton, NSW. David was the oldest of five children born to David Barclay Miller Clark and Josephine D nee Copeland between 1891 and 1905. David's siblings were: Annie M b.1893, John H b.1894, Alexander Goodlet b. 1896 and Gordon B b.1905.

The family moved to Killara, Sydney, and David attended the Church of England Grammar School, at North Sydney.

David was a HAC Practical Class student in 1908 and 1909. He then gained the Ambulance Class Certificate, Second Year Certificate and finished 8th in the class in 1910.

David was a grazier at the time he enlisted on 25 June 1915 in the 12th Light Horse Regiment, 5th Reinforcement.

David embarked from Sydney, NSW, on board HMAT A32 *Themistocles* on 5 October 1915. His brother, Alexander, who had enlisted in the 12th Light Horse Regiment, 5th Reinforcement on 12 July 1917, aged just 18, was aboard the same vessel.

David transferred to the 68th Squadron, Australian Flying Corps in December 1916. After qualifying as a pilot, David was appointed Second Lieutenant in October 1917.

Originally declared Missing In Action, David was listed as Killed in Action 22 November 1917 after information was dropped in Allied lines by German Airmen.

With no known grave, David is commemorated on the Arras Flying Services Memorial, Arras, Nord-Pas-de-Calais, France. He was 26 years old.

The family moved to Hazelbrook, NSW, in 1918.

Like David, Alexander also transferred to the Australian Flying Corps and rose as high as Flight Commander and Captain (both temporary appointments he relinquished). Alexander finished his service as a Lieutenant, and returned to Australia 24 December 1918.