## **PATTERSON, Raymond**

**Reference: Beecroft Public School**

**Brother of Argyle Patterson, also died of wounds**

[Born 1889, Ryde district, son of James and Elizabeth S. Patterson]

**AIF Project details:**

Regimental Number: 2761

Enlistment Date: 31 Mar 1916

Place of Birth: Thornleigh, NSW

School: Thornleigh Public School, NSW

Age: 26 years 8 months

Occupation: Orchard labourer

Address: Thornleigh, near Hornsby, NSW

Marital Status: Single

Age at embarkation: 26

Height: 5’ 9”

Weight: 163lbs

Chest Measurement: 37-40.5”

Complexion: Dark

Eyes: Hazel

Hair: Brown

Religious Denomination: Church of England

Next of Kin: Mother, Mrs. Elizabeth Sarah Patterson, Duffy’s Avenue, Thornleigh, near Hornsby, NSW

Rank on enlistment: Private

Unit Name: 56th Battalion, 6th Reinforcement

AWM embarkation Roll number: 23/73/3

Embarkation details: Unit embarked from Sydney, NSW, on board HMAT A40 *Ceramic* on 7 Oct 1916

Roll title: 56 Infantry Battalion – 2 to 9 Reinforcements (Apr 1916-Jan 1917)

Rank from Nominal Roll: Private

Unit from Nominal Roll: 56th Battalion

Fate: Died of wounds 25 Sep 1917

Place of death or wounding: Polygon Wood, Ypres, Belgium

Age at death: 28

Age at death from cemetery records: 28

Place of burial: Menin Road South Military (Plot II, Row B1, Grave No. 3), Ypres, Belgium

Panel number, Roll of Honour, Australian War Memorial: 162

Misc. information from cemetery records: Parents: James and Elizabeth Patterson, Duff’s Avenue, Thornleigh, NSW

Other details: War service: Western Front

 Medals: British War Medal, Victory Medal

Source: AWM145 Roll of Honour cards, 1914-1918 War, Army

**Further references:**

The Cumberland Argus and Fruitgrowers Advocate, Sat 11 Mar 1916 (to camp)

The Cumberland Argus and Fruitgrowers Advocate, Sat 13 May 1916 (Beecroft Public school ex-student)

The Cumberland Argus and Fruitgrowers Advocate, Sat 2 Jun 1917 (report of brother Argyle’s death)

The Cumberland Argus and Fruitgrowers Advocate, Sat 20 Oct 1917 (report of death)