

Samuel YOUNG

Samuel Young was 38 years old when he enlisted in February 1916. Prior to enlisting, Young was a solicitor in practice in country Victoria, at Beaufort, and had been admitted to practice in 1900.

A part of the 20th reinforcements for the 8th Battalion, by December 1916, he found himself on the Somme battlefield. By July 1917, he was attending officer training in England, but in September 1917, as a lieutenant, Young was wounded at Ypres, Belgium and returned to England to recuperate.

He remained in England for the rest of the War, attached to command depots and seemed to have worked as a legal assistant.

After his return to Australia in 1919, he returned to his practice in Beaufort, was a municipal councillor and President of his local RSL branch. Samuel Young died in March 1948.

His son died during World War Two whilst serving with the air force in England.



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