# **Caramut Avenue of Honour**

#### Location

Brown Street, Caramut VIC 3274

## Municipality

MOYNE SHIRE

## Level of significance

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### **Heritage Overlay Numbers**

## **Heritage Listing**

Vic. War Heritage Inventory

#### Statement of Significance

Last updated on - November 21, 2005

What is significant?

The Avenue of Honour in Brown Street, Caramut, comprises an avenue of mature Monterey Cypress (Cupressus macrocarpa). The trees are mature and in good condition; they were probably planted in the 1920s.

#### How is it significant?

The Avenue of Honour in Brown Street, Caramut, is of historical, scientific (horticultural), social and aesthetic significance to the Shire of Moyne.

#### Why is it significant?

The Caramut Avenue of Honour is of local historical significance as a collection of trees planted to commemorate local service personnel who served overseas in the world wars. It is representative of plantings that first appeared in Australia during World War I, and commemorated all those who enlisted for service in an egalitarian form where each individual was equally recognised for their service regardless of rank. [from 'Eurack Avenue of Honour', citation, Heritage Victoria] The Caramut Avenue of Honour was probably planted in the 1920s.

The Caramut Avenue of Honour is of local historical significance as an impressive, intact and integral part of the Victorian network of Avenues of Honour, planted to memorialise those who fought in wars overseas, and at one time totalling some 128 throughout Victoria, and now much reduced.

The Caramut Avenue of Honour is of local social significance for its relationship to the community as a memorial

to those who served in the two world wars, and for its continuing commemorative importance. It remains as an indication of the involvement of Victoria's small communities in commemorating the sacrifices of their volunteers, and the loss and sorrow experienced by small rural areas across Victoria. [from 'Eurack Avenue of Honour', citation, Heritage Victoria] This significance is enhanced by its association with, and close proximity to, the local RSL Hall.

The Avenue of Honour in Brown Street, Caramut, is of local scientific (horticultural) value as a collection of mature Monterey Cypresses (Cupressus macrocarpa) which are of an approximately known age.

The Avenue of Honour in Brown Street, Caramut, is of local aesthetic significance for the imposing streetscape formed by the avenue's uniform cypress planting and for providing an attractive avenue through one of the main streets in the town of Caramut.

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Study/Consultant Context P/L, 2006;

Construction dates 1920,

Hermes Number 127495

**Property Number** 

## **Physical Description 1**

This avenue comprises ten Monterey Cypresses (Cupressus macrocarpa) that line both sides of Brown Street, Caramut, in the vicinity of the local RSL Hall. Two trees appear to have been removed, as suggested by a stump and a mound outside the entrance to the RSL Hall. Trees appear to be in good condition on visual inspection, and, based on their trunk girth, are likely to date from the end of World War I. (Site visit: 21 November 2005)

#### **Physical Conditions**

Good

#### Integrity

Intact

#### **Veterans Description for Public**

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This place/object may be included in the Victorian Heritage Register pursuant to the Heritage Act 2017. Check the Victorian Heritage Database, selecting 'Heritage Victoria' as the place source.

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