
Stained Glass Window at Goornong St. George's Anglican Church



Goornong St Georges
Anglican AIF Goldie memorial
Brooks & Co



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Anglican AIF Goldie detail

Location

Corner Midland Highway and Tyler Street, Goornong, GREATER BENDIGO CITY

Municipality

GREATER BENDIGO CITY

Level of significance

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Heritage Listing

Vic. War Heritage Inventory

Heritage
Study/Consultant

Vic War Heritage Inventory - Stained Glass Memorial Windows Study, Bronwyn
Hughes, 2013;

Architect/Designer

Brooks, Robinson & Co,

Hermes Number

196886

Property Number

Memorial Window References & Acknowledgements

AWM 2/24 Battalion unit history; NAA: B883 VX40795; WWII Nominal Roll; BDM Victoria.

With thanks to Alastair Davison, historian for the 2/24 Battalion.

Memorial Window Subject

The Good Shepherd

Memorial Window Text

Where I am ye shall be also 2/24th Batt. A.I.F. "A heart well worth winning, is a heart that once won. Goes through fire and water for the winner and never changes and is never daunted."

Memorial Window Inscription

To the Glory of God in memory of Robert Hunter Goldie born [Feb 1915] died July [1961] Husband of Margot Goldie Son of Alexander & Caroline Goldie Baptised at Goornong by John Langley Bishop of Bendigo

Memorial Window Description & History

The window is attributed to Brooks, Robinson & Co. on stylistic grounds, and on information supplied by one of their artists at that time, Derek Pearse, that the firm had made a soldier's memorial window for Mrs. Caroline Goldie, however no record of this window appears in the Brooks, Robinson & Co. job books. Robert Hunter Goldie was depicted wearing his Australian Army uniform, holding a sheep in his arms and with the AIF badge in the arch of the window. It is a portrait of Robert Goldie and also a portrait of his dog, which stands at his feet.

Robert Hunter Goldie was born on 26 February 1915 at Goornong. He enlisted on 9 July 1940 and went to the Middle East in November with the original contingent of 2/24 Battalion, known as 'Wangaratta's Own'. The battalion entered Tobruk on 10 April 1941 and was involved in defence of the Red Line and the intense battle in the Salient. Sergeant Goldie was listed among the casualties as RIO (Relocate In/Out) and returned to Australia on 26 May 1941, well before the evacuation of the 2/24 to Alexandria on the night on 20 October. On 24 November 1941 he was discharged from the AIF. His death did not occur until July 1961, however the subject of the window, the Australian soldier, suggests that his family understood that his death at the age of 46 was a result of war, as much as the soldier who died on the field of battle.

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