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



Malvern St Georges St Martin

Location

Glenferrie Road, Malvern, STONNINGTON CITY

Municipality

STONNINGTON 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, Montgomery, William,
Hermes Number	196890
Property Number	

Memorial Window References & Acknowledgements

AWM Roll of Honour; NAA: B2455, Stanton Charles Henry; List of the Montgomery studio assets, handwritten by May Montgomery (n.d.) [1927-28]. William Montgomery Collection, State Library of Victoria. Brooks, Robinson job books c.1923-1966.

Memorial Window Subject

St. Martin

Memorial Window Text

A good soldier for Jesus Christ St. Martin

Memorial Window Inscription

In loving memory of Charles Henry Stanton AIF KIA

Memorial Window Description & History

St. Martin was not a common subject for stained glass, however his role as patron saint of France where Stanton was killed, as well as his humility and generosity, may have prompted the selection of the saint for this memorial.

The design for the window was drawn up by stained glass artist William Montgomery but it was not completed before his death in 1927. The window was made by Brooks, Robinson & Co. and a commission of £4.0.0 paid to May Montgomery in 1929. Brooks, Robinson & Co. matched the architectural canopy with Montgomery's earlier installations in the church, although the 'Gothic' lettering in the inscription and scroll were typical of Brooks, Robinson & Co.'s work in the late 1920s, not Montgomery's.

Private Stanton was the son of Henry Leopold and Ellen Stanton of Malvern Road, Malvern. He had trained as a plumber and was 24 years old when he enlisted on 1 March 1915. As Corporal Stanton he left Alexandria on 30 August 1915 to join 23 Battalion at Gallipoli. His elevation to NCO was short lived as he reverted to the ranks at his own request in February 1916 and the next month was disciplined for insolence. It is hardly surprising that he soon transferred to 2 Pioneer Battalion, with several stints in 1 and 2 Survey Company, but not without further insolence to an NCO. While on leave in England he became ill and was admitted to 39 General Hospital for more than 50 days and had just rejoined his company in France when he was killed in action on 13 June 1918. He was buried at 196 Ribemont Communal Cemetery Extension in France.

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