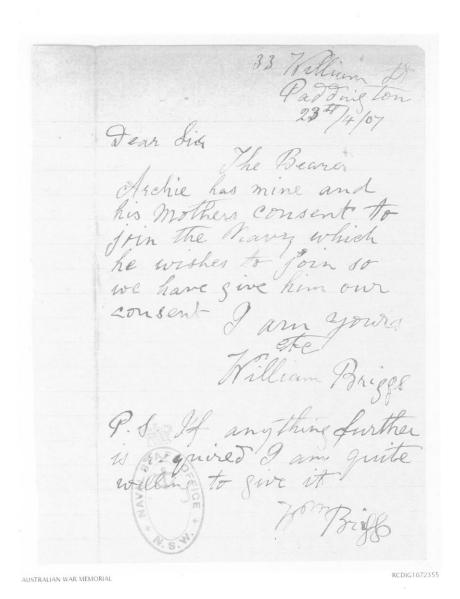
Archibald was born in Surry Hills on 24<sup>th</sup> October 1891, the son of William Briggs and Jane Briggs, nee Rowley.

In 1903 at aged 12, Archie was charged with 3 other youths with vandalising a school and was sentenced to 5 years at the Camperdown Reformatory

On 24<sup>th</sup> April 1907, he enlisted in the Royal Navy as a "Boy 2 Class" and served aboard the HMS Challenger, with the service number 830. He completed 6years 4 months service, and was discharged, time expired. Being only 15 at the time of engagement he required his parents' consent, which was obtained via a letter written by his father and dated23rd April 1907.



On 11<sup>th</sup> August 1914, Archibald joined the AN&MEF, stating that he was a Telegraph Linesman, single and gave his mother, at 49 Campbell St, Newtown, as his next of kin, not mentioning his brush with the law as a juvenile.

He returned from Rabaul and was discharged, term expired, on 18<sup>th</sup> January 1915 having completed 161 days service.

He enlisted in the AIF on10th February 1915 and was discharged next month on 8<sup>th</sup> March, at own request.

On 17<sup>th</sup> June 1915 he again enlisted, this time as part of the 7<sup>th</sup> Reinforcements of the 13<sup>th</sup> battalion. He departed on 20<sup>th</sup> August 1915 aboard the SHROPSHIRE and joined the battalion on Mudros on 30<sup>th</sup> October 1915 and was at Gallipoli until the battalion was withdrawn late in December. He was promoted Corporal on 29<sup>th</sup> November and then appointed lance sergeant on 1<sup>st</sup> December, whilst on the Peninsular.

On return to Egypt, Archibald was transferred to the 45<sup>th</sup> battalion and promoted sergeant on 4<sup>th</sup> March 1916. Later that month, on the 27<sup>th</sup>, he transferred to the 19<sup>th</sup> Field Artillery and on 26<sup>th</sup> May reverted to private, at his own request.

On 27<sup>th</sup> September 1917, at Ypres, Archibald was wounded with the result that his left arm was amputated to the shoulder. He was evacuated to the UK aboard the NEWHAVEN and then returned to Australia aboard the WHILTSHIRE, leaving the UK on 16<sup>th</sup> March 1818 and arriving in Sydney on 2<sup>nd</sup> May 1918. He was discharged, Medically Unfit, on 21<sup>st</sup> August 1918.

On 30<sup>th</sup> April 1921, he married Violet May Chapman at St Matthias Church, Paddington, at which time he listed his occupation as "Naval Storeman"

Archibald died in Heidelberg, Victoria in 1958.