

# Frederick Loud

Frederick Leslie Loud was born in Albert Park and lived at 185 Beaconsfield Parade. Following his brother Bill into the South Melbourne club, he served as the club's Treasurer from 1912-14.

Freddy was a contractor, aged 25, when he enlisted on 13<sup>th</sup> July, 1915 as an acting sergeant in the 22<sup>nd</sup> Battalion. After arriving in Egypt in February 1916, he was transferred to the 7<sup>th</sup> and reverted to the ranks. In April, he was sent to France, and appointed Corporal in June. On 8<sup>th</sup> July, he received a gunshot wound to the head and arm.

Freddy died of wounds in Pozieres on 27<sup>th</sup> July, 1916. Two months later, the club cancelled festivities at the annual general meeting in his honour, as the club's first confirmed death in the war.

Freddy is buried at Puchevillers British Cemetery, France, and was the brother of war diarist Frank Loud.

