

Warwick Norman A'VARD



Norman A'Vard at his marriage to Amy Gill 1915

Regimental No.	2555
Religion	Church of England
Occupation	Labourer
Address	South Sassafras, Victoria
Marital status	Single
Age at embarkation	20 years 2 months
Next of kin	Father, W H A'Vard, South Sassafras, Victoria
Enlistment date	18th June 1915
Date of enlistment from	
Nominal Roll	19th June 1915
Rank on enlistment	Private
Unit name	6th Battalion, 8th Reinforcement

AWM Embarkation Roll No.	23/23/2
Embarkation details	Unit embarked from Melbourne, Victoria, on board HMAT A68 <i>Anchises</i> on 26th August 1915
Rank from Nominal Roll	Private
Unit from Nominal Roll	6th Battalion
1915 18th July	Hospital sick at ANZAC Cove, Turkey
1915 31st October	Taken on strength at Lemnos.
1915 28th November	Admitted to 3rd Auxiliary Hospital
1915 29th November	Rejoined Unit.
1915 4th December	Embarked Gloucester Castle, Anzac and disembarked Alexandria 7th December.
1915 8th December	Admitted to hospital with Heliopolis.
1916 1st February	Transferred to 2nd Auxiliary Con. Depot and admitted.
Fate	Returned to Australia 9th February 1916 per SS <i>Nestor</i>

Other details

Medals: 1914-15 Star, British War Medal, Victory Medal
 Discharged on 14th May 1916 Medically unfit - Cervical rib.
 Born 19th April 1895 (6th child) to Elizabeth Jane *nee* Patrick and Walter Henry A'Vard
 Norman's father, W H A'Vard served with the Royal Navy during the mid 1860's, later settling in Australia selecting land in South Sassafras in 1894.
 Described as 5ft., 8in., 11 stone, blue eyes and fair hair.
 Married Amy Gill 1915. On return from the War Norman sought employment with the Melbourne Tramways but his real interest lay with locomotives and trains so in 1920 he joined the Victorian Railways. During the early to middle 1930s he was stationed at Fern Tree Gully and worked regularly on the Gembrook line. After 17 years on the shovel he was classified as Driver W. N. A'Vard. By then age 42.
 Died 19th August 1959 aged 64

Sons on Active Service	
World War Two	1. Warwick Frank A'Vard. Held for Aircraft Construction for special technical knowledge previously. 2. Keith Gilbert A'Vard. Held in reserve in Food Production Factory as Essential Services.