

William Charles (Bill) COLEMAN



Regimental No.	841
Religion	Church of England
Occupation	Farm hand
Address	South Sassafras, Victoria
Marital status	Single
Age at embarkation	20 years 4 months
Next of kin	Sister, Miss Florence Coleman, St Peter's, Ouvrior, Queen's Road, Hendon, Middlesex, England
Enlistment date	25th February 1916
Date of enlistment from Nominal Roll	28th February 1916
Rank on enlistment	Private
Unit name	37th Battalion, C Company
AWM Embarkation Roll	23/54/1
Embarkation details	Unit embarked from Melbourne, Victoria, on board HMAT A34 <i>Persic</i> on 3rd June 1916
Rank from Nominal Roll	Corporal
Unit from Nominal Roll	5th Battalion
1916 22 November	Proceeded to France.
1917 1st August	Appointed Lance Corporal while in France.
1917 12th October	Promoted to Temporary Corporal as Corporal McCarthy was wounded.
1917 23th November	Transferred - sick to hospital in Boulogne. Nephritis (inflammation of the kidneys).
1917 5th December	Transferred to hospital in England.
1918 15th January	Transferred to 3rd Australian Auxiliary Hospital.
1918 18th January	Dispatched to No. 4 Company Depot.
1918 30th May	Transferred to 4th Company at Longbridge England.
1918 14th June	Transferred to 2nd Tug Brigade at Fovant, England.
1918 23rd September	Transferred to 38th Battalion.
1918 3rd October	Transferred to 5th Battalion.
1919 4th January	Granted a 2 day leave pass.
Fate	Returned to Australia on Troopship ' <i>Anchises</i> ' 28th February 1919 arriving Melbourne on the 17th April 1919.
Other details	Medals: 1914-15 Star, British War Medal, Victory Medal Born 18th October 1895 in Ipsitch, Suffolk England to Mary nee Pilborough and Charles Coleman. Arrived in Australia 1913 in company with John W. Brewitt. Living with Mr. Roger Gleghorn at South Sassafras at time of enlistment. Described as 5ft., 4 3/4 in., 129 lbs., brown eyes and brown hair. Married Helen Myrtle (Nellie) Gleghorn in 1919 Died 5th March 1965 in Surrey Hills, Victoria. Aged 69
Sons and Daughters on Active Service World War Two	1. Son, VX 147599 Sapper William Robert Coleman. 3/9 Army Troop Corps - Pacific Areas. 2. Daughter, No. 99441 Evelyn May Coleman. A.C. W.A.A.A.F.S.