

Joseph William Thomas JAMES

Regimental No. 3819

Other Names Joseph William Religion Church of England

Occupation Labourer

Address Yarra Junction, Victoria

Marital status Single Age at embarkation 18

Next of kin Mother, Mrs L James, Yarra Junction via Warburton, Victoria

Enlistment date 26 July 1915 Rank on enlistment Private

Unit name 8th Battalion, 12th Reinforcement

AWM Embarkation Roll No. 23/25/4

Embarkation details Unit embarked from Adelaide, South Australia, on board HMAT

A40 Ceramic on 23 November 1915

Rank from Nominal Roll Private

Unit from Nominal Roll 58th Battalion

1916 May & June Embarked as 15th Reinforcements 8th Battalion for training in

England for France.

1916 July Transferred - B. Company 58th Battalion. Embarked with

Reinforcements for France.

1916 July In France continuously with Unit. Ypres.

1917 May With 58th Battalion at Bullecourt. Volunteered as runner. Won

through with his dispatches 3 times but at fourth attempt won through successfully but seriously wounded. Gun shot wound

to the wrist and right side of his jaw.

1917 May - 1918 January Under long treatment Wordsworth Hospital London.

Fate Returned to Australia 31 October 1917

Other details Medals: 1914 - 15 Star, British War Medal, Victory Medal

Born 12th December 1896 to Louise nee Burney and Joseph

Clifford James.

1918 January Convalescence and further treatment in Caulfield

Hospital.

1919 Tubercular knee condition in injured knee. 1920 30th January Amputation of leg above knee.

1920-1923 In and out of Hospital and McLeod Sanatorium.

1923 March Tubercular Meningitis Caulfield Hospital. Died 2nd April 1923, Ward 11 Caulfield Hospital. Aged 27.

Connection with Monbulk unknown.