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*Bank fine 6/0/14*  
*J. Wood*  
*mdg. 6/11/14*  
*Lt.-Colonel A.I.E.F.*

GRATUITY SCHEDULE

*Deceased*

AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES.  
**AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE.**

Attestation Paper of Persons Enlisted for Service Abroad.

No. 1005 Name John Alexander Woods  
 Unit 6th Battalion  
 Joined on 20/8/14

Questions to be put to the Person Enlisting before Attestation.

1. What is your Name? ... 1. John Alexander Woods
2. In or near what Parish or Town were you born? ... 2. In the Parish of Essendon in or near the Town of Melbourne in the County of Bourke, Vic
3. Are you a natural born British Subject or a Naturalized British Subject? (N.B.—If the latter, papers to be shown.) ... 3. Natural born
4. What is your age? ... 4. 27 yrs 8 mths
5. What is your trade or calling? ... 5. no labourer
6. Are you, or have you been, an Apprentice? If so, where, to whom, and for what period? ... 6. single no
7. Are you married? ... 7. single
8. Who is your next of kin? (Address to be stated) ... 8. Father Mr John Woods  
Stevenson Rd  
Melbourne
9. Have you ever been convicted by the Civil Power? ... 9. no
10. Have you ever been discharged from any part of His Majesty's Forces, with Ignominy, or as Incorrigible and Worthless, or on account of Conviction of Felony, or of a Sentence of Penal Servitude, or have you been dismissed with Disgrace from the Navy? ... 10. no
11. Do you now belong to, or have you ever served in, His Majesty's Army, the Marines, the Militia, the Militia Reserve, the Territorial Force, Royal Navy, or Colonial Forces? If so, state which, and if not now serving, state cause of discharge ... 11. no
12. Have you stated the whole, if any, of your previous service? ... 12. yes
13. Have you ever been rejected as unfit for His Majesty's Service? If so, on what grounds? ... 13. no
14. (For married men and widowers with children)—Do you understand that no Separation Allowance will be issued to you either before or after embarkation during your term of service? ... 14. no

I, John A Woods do solemnly declare that the above answers made by me to the above questions are true, and I am willing and hereby voluntarily agree to serve in the Military Forces of the Commonwealth of Australia within or beyond the limits of the Commonwealth.

And I further agree to allot not less than two-fifths of the pay payable to me from time to time during my service for the support of my wife and children.\*

Date 20/8/14

(Pst) John A Woods  
 Signature of person enlisted.

D. 577/8.14.—C. 10220. \*This clause should be struck out in the case of unmarried men or widowers without children under 18 years of age.



CERTIFICATE OF ATTESTING OFFICER.

The foregoing questions were read to the person enlisted in my presence.

I have taken care that he understands each question, and that his answer to each question has been duly entered as replied to by him.

I have examined his naturalization papers and am of opinion that they are correct.

(This to be struck out except in the case of persons who are naturalized British Subjects.)

Date 20/8/14

(Rd) G. Lowe Lieut  
Signature of Attesting Officer.

OATH TO BE TAKEN BY PERSON BEING ENLISTED.\*

I, John A Wood swear that I will well and truly serve our Sovereign Lord the King in the Australian Imperial Force from 20/8/14 until the end of the War, and a further period of four months thereafter unless sooner lawfully discharged, dismissed, or removed therefrom; and that I will resist His Majesty's enemies and cause His Majesty's peace to be kept and maintained; and that I will in all matters appertaining to my service, faithfully discharge my duty according to law.

So HELP ME, GOD.

(Rd) John A Wood  
Signature of Person Enlisted.

Taken and subscribed at Melbourne in the State of Victoria this 20 day of Aug 1914, before me—

(Rd) G. Lowe Lieut  
Signature of Attesting Officer.

\*A person enlisting who objects to taking an oath may make an affirmation in accordance with the Third Schedule of the Act, and the above form must be amended accordingly. All amendments must be initialed by the Attesting Officer.



Description of John Alexander Wood on Enlistment.

Age 27 years 8 months  
 Height 5 feet 11 1/2 inches  
 Weight 120 1/2 lbs.  
 Chest Measurement 38 1/2 39 inches  
 Complexion Dark  
 Eyes Blue  
 Hair Black Curly  
 Religious Denomination R.C.

## DISTINCTIVE MARKS.

Scar on left forearm

## CERTIFICATE OF MEDICAL EXAMINATION.

I HAVE examined the above-named person, and find that he does not present any of the following conditions, viz. :—

Scrofula; phthisis; syphilis; impaired constitution; defective intelligence; defects of vision, voice, or hearing; hernia; hæmorrhoids; varicose veins, beyond a limited extent; marked varicocele with unusually pendent testicle; inveterate cutaneous disease; chronic ulcers; traces of corporal punishment, or evidence of having been marked with the letters D. or B.C.; contracted or deformed chest; abnormal curvature of spine; or any other disease or physical defect calculated to unfit him for the duties of a soldier.

He can see the required distance with either eye; his heart and lungs are healthy; he has the free use of his joints and limbs; and he declares he is not subject to fits of any description.

I consider him fit for active service.

Date August 20<sup>th</sup> 1914Place Melbourne

(Sgd) W. J. O'Connell Capt. A.M.C.  
 Signature of Examining Medical Officer.

## CERTIFICATE OF COMMANDING OFFICER.

I CERTIFY that this Attestation of the above-named person is correct, and that the required forms have been complied with. I accordingly approve, and appoint him to R. Coy 6th Battalion

Date 20. 8. 14Place MelbourneM. Linnens

Commanding Lt. Colonel  
 Comdg. 6th Battn. A.I.E.F.



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Statement of Service of No. 1005 Name J. Wood

Unit in which served.	Promotions, Reductions, Casualties, &c.	Period of service in each rank.		Remarks.
		From—	To—	
6 <sup>th</sup> Coy Ball	Private <i>Breaking Camp Lined &amp; day pay</i>	10/10/14	20.10.14	130 53 Died as result of motor accident— Melbourne Hospital

I have examined the above details, and find them correct in every respect.



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Statement No. 1.

Date 20th July 1915.

(This statement contains 4 sheets.)

Statement of WAR PENSION CLAIMS (MILITARY) which have been determined.

State of QUEENSLAND.

1. Full name of Member of Forces in respect of whose death or incapacity pension was claimed	John Alexander Wood.
2. Member's number, rank, and unit	No 1005. Private. 6th Battalion.
3. Full name and address of person for whom pension was claimed	Kate Wood, "Bondi", Sandgate Road, Albion, BRISBANE.
4. Relationship of such person to Member of Forces	Mother.
5. Result of Claim	Rejected. <i>Not dependent</i>
6. Name and address of Trustee (if any)	-----

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*Chas. Gould*  
 Deputy Commissioner of Pensions  
 at BRISBANE



different authorities, would you please answer the Questions even where the same information is asked for twice?

**I.—PARTICULARS REQUIRED FOR THE NATION'S HISTORIES.**

It is particularly desired by the Historian that whenever the narrative of the A.I.F. involves the mention of the death of any officer or man, or when the performance of any Australian who afterwards died is mentioned, his correct name and the name of his town or district may be recorded, and also any particulars of interest connected with him

**PARTICULARS REQUIRED**

**B**

**FOR THE NATION'S HISTORIES  
FOR THE ROLL OF HONOUR OF AUSTRALIA  
FOR THE IMPERIAL WAR GRAVES COMMISSION**

MELBOURNE, 15th November, 1919.

Dear Sir or Madam,

Certain particulars of every Australian soldier who fell in the war are required for the following purposes:—

FIRSTLY, so that the Historians who are writing the National and Regimental Histories of the A.I.F. may have for reference the record and particulars of every Australian soldier who died;

SECONDLY, so that the name and record of every Australian soldier who fell may be inscribed in the great Honour Roll of the Australian people in the Memorial Museum; and

THIRDLY, so that the Imperial War Graves Commission may insert the information in their Register.

Would you please assist in obtaining the particulars required by answering the Questions on the enclosed Form and returning it to:—

THE SECRETARY,  
DEPARTMENT OF DEFENCE,  
MELBOURNE.

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**II.—PARTICULARS REQUIRED FOR THE ROLL OF HONOUR OF AUSTRALIA.**

The name of every man who gave his life for Australia will be recorded in the Australian War Museum, which will be the Memorial of the Australian Nation to its honoured dead. The names will stand there for endless generations of our children to read them. These names will be recorded under the name of the town or district to which they belonged.

**III.—PARTICULARS REQUIRED FOR THE IMPERIAL WAR GRAVES COMMISSION.**

The particulars you are asked to supply on the Form are also required for the Register of War Graves which the Commission proposes to establish in London.

Yours faithfully,

G. F. PEARCE, Minister for Defence.

P. McM. GLYNN, Minister for Home and Territories.



Mr. J. Woods,  
Stevens Rd,  
5000 STH BRISBANE.

*Mr. J. Woods*  
*5000 Sth Brisbane*  
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OFFICE  
MELBOURNE  
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TELEPHONE:  
CENTRAL 4741. 4780

all communications regimental number,  
rank, full name and unit of Soldier referred  
to, are to be stated.

## AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE.

BASE RECORDS OFFICE,  
VICTORIA BARRACKS.

AR.

Melbourne, 5th March 1923.

Dear Madam,

In order that I may be in a position to rightly dispose of certain war mementos issuable in respect of your son, the late No. 1005 Private John Alexander Wood, 6th Battalion, kindly advise me whether his father is living, and if so, his present address.

Thanking you in anticipation of the favor of an early reply.

Yours faithfully,

*W. Mackintosh*  
Captain,  
Officer in Base Records.

Mrs. K. Wood,  
"Bondi",  
Sandgate Road,  
ALBION, Brisbane

*Mr. Palmer*

National Archives of Australia

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AR.

5th March 1923.

DESPATCH  
6 MAR 1923

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**AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE.**

TELEPHONE:  
CENTRAL 4741.

In all communications regimental number,  
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to, are to be stated.

BASE RECORDS OFFICE,  
VICTORIA BARRACKS,

*Melbourne,*



6th Bata

No. — Pte J Wood, H Coy  
died at Melb Hospital as the  
result of an accident when  
travelling to camp in a  
motor car 18/10/1914  
aged 112/4/2.

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A.A.G. 3rd M. D. asked for address of next-of-kin M. 45/1309.

MN. 19/3/20.

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**PARTICULARS REQUIRED— FOR THE IMPERIAL WAR GRAVES COMMISSION.  
FOR THE NATION'S HISTORIES.  
FOR THE ROLL OF HONOUR OF AUSTRALIA.**

**B**

*Write Clearly.*

**PARTICULARS REQUIRED FOR THE IMPERIAL WAR GRAVES COMMISSION.**

1. According to the Official Records, the particulars of the soldier are as follows. Please correct if necessary:—

PARTICULARS.	CORRECTIONS.
Regimental Number and Rank <b>No 1005 Private</b>	
Name (in full) <b>WOOD, John Alexander</b>	
Honours and Decorations	
Unit <b>"H" Coy 6th Battalion</b>	
Date of Death <b>18.10.14</b>	

2. Nature of Death **ACCIDENTALLY KILLED**
3. Next of Kin **(Father) Mr. J. Woods**
4. Parentage—
  - Name of Father
  - Name of Mother
5. Native Place of Soldier
6. No. of Grave
7. Section of Cemetery
8. Name of Cemetery
9. Name of State
10. Has the Grave been completed with Headstone, &c.

To be stated  
by  
Applicant.

Signature of Applicant  
Relationship to Soldier  
Address

**Particulars Required for the Roll of Honour of Australia in the Memorial War Museum.**

1. Name (in full) of Fallen Soldier
2. Unit and Number (if known)
3. With what Town or District in Australia was he chiefly connected (under which his name ought to come on the Memorial)
  - Town (if any) District State
4. What was his Birthplace
5. Date of Death
6. Place where Killed or Wounded

**Particulars Required for the Nation's Histories.**

1. What was his Calling
2. Age at time of Death
3. What was his School
4. What was his other Training
5. If born in Britain or Abroad, at what age did he come to Australia
6. Had he ever served in any Military or Naval Force before Enlisting in the A.I.F. (Please state particulars)
7. Any other biographical details likely to be of interest to the Historian of the A.I.F., or of his Regiment—
8. Was he connected with any other Member of the A.I.F. who died or who distinguished himself. (Please state Relationship)—
9. Name and Address of the Parent or other person giving this information—
  - Name
  - Relationship to Soldier
  - Address
10. Names and Addresses of any other persons to whom reference could be made by the Historian for further information—
  - Name
  - Address

NOTE.—This Folder is Addressed to the Secretary, Department of Defence, Melbourne. Please fold in four, and stick down gummed flap so that the addressed portion is outside. The information is required urgently.



No 1005 Private  
WOOD. John Alexander

"H" Coy 6th Battalion

18.10.14

ACCIDENTALLY KILLED  
(Father) Mr. J. Woods

MELBOURNE.

Department of Defence,

The Secretary,

ROLL OF HONOUR.

O.H.M.S.

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Rank *Private* Name *Wood J. A.*

Unit *"K" Coy. 6th Battalion*

Casualty *Died at Melbourne Hospital, as the result of an accident while travelling to Camp in a Motor Car.*

Misc. No. *18/10/1914.*

DATE.	PURPORT.	REF. No.
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<i>14.6.15</i>	<i>No particulars to hand. Copy made for war pension</i>	
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"WELL THE AUSTRALIANS REST."  
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