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AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES.

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AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE.

Attestation Paper of Persons Enlisted for Service Abroad.

No. 2477 Name Freeman, Jack
Unit Reinforcements 2nd Batt - AUST. IMP. FOR Field Coy.
Joined on 5.7.15

12th. Reinfrs
2nd, FID, Coy Enginrs

Questions to be put to the Person Enlisting before Attestation.

- 1. What is your Name? Jack Freeman
2. In or near what Parish or Town were you born? Bawndale
3. Are you a natural born British Subject or a Naturalized British Subject? Yes
4. What is your age? 22 yrs + 7 mths
5. What is your trade or calling? Joiner
6. Are you, or have you been, an Apprentice? If so, where, to whom, and for what period? Yes, Chas Johnston & Co Fitzroy 6 years
7. Are you married? No
8. Who is your next of kin? (Address to be stated) Mother, Mrs. Freeman 33 Good Street Northcote
9. Have you ever been convicted by the Civil Power? 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? 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 No
12. Have you stated the whole, if any, of your previous service? No
13. Have you ever been rejected as unfit for His Majesty's Service? If so, on what grounds? No
14. Do you understand that no separation allowance will be issued in respect of your service beyond a amount which are the sole payment of regular soldiers who together with pay would reach eight shillings per day, to you after embarkation during your term of service? Yes
15. Are you prepared to undergo inoculation against small pox and enteric fever? Yes

I, Jack Freeman 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 5.7.15 Signature of person enlisted. Jack Freeman

\* This clause should be struck out in the case of unmarried men or widowers without children under 18 years of age.
† Two-fifths must be allotted to the wife, and if there are children three-fifths must be allotted.

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**Casualty Form—Active Service.**

Regiment or Corps 12/2nd FIELD COY ENGINEERS A.I.F.

Regimental No. 2477 Rank SAPPER Name FREEMAN J.

Enlisted (a) \_\_\_\_\_ Terms of Service (a) \_\_\_\_\_ Service reckons from (a) \_\_\_\_\_

Date of promotion to present rank { \_\_\_\_\_ Date of appointment to lance rank { \_\_\_\_\_ Numerical position on roll of N.C.Os. { \_\_\_\_\_

Extended \_\_\_\_\_ Re-engaged \_\_\_\_\_ Qualification (v) \_\_\_\_\_

| Report   |                    | Record of promotions, reductions, transfers, casualties, etc., during active service, as reported on Army Form B. 213, Army Form A. 36, or in other official documents. The authority to be quoted in each case. | Place        | Date     | Remarks taken from Army Form B. 213, Army Form A. 36, or other official documents. |
|----------|--------------------|--|--------------|----------|--|
| Date     | From whom received |  |              |          |  |
|          | Nom. Roll          | Proceeded to Serapeum  | Zietoun      | 25-3-16  | AP6841   |
|          | O.C.               | Taken on strength  | France       | 13-4-16  | AQ 112 O/22/753  |
| 18-8-16  | O.C.               | Wounded in Action Sh.Shock   | "            | 17-8-16  | B213 AQ3002 VL 53.2-8-16 DO 32/991 VL.30-8-16.                                     |
| 19-8-16  | ANZ.R.Stn          | Admitted Shell Shock   | "            | 17-8-16  | AK 138/50  |
| 19-8-16  | 2.F.Amb.           | Tfd.to D.R.S. -do-   | "            | 17-8-16  | AK 243/43  |
| 25-8-16  | O.C.               | Rejoined Unit from Hosp.   | "            | 18-8-16  | B213 AQ3887 DO 32/1004   |
| 3-11-16  | O.C.               | WOUNDED IN ACTION  | In the Field | 2-11-16  | B213 AQ 10275 DO 40/1245 VL 138 - 15-11-16.  |
| 4-11-16  | 15.F.Amb           | Adm.G.S.W. R.Leg & L.Foot  | France       | 2-11-16  | AK 456/35  |
| 4-11-16  | 58 GC Str          | Adm.G.S.W.Leg & Foot   | Heilly       | 2-11-16  | AK456/44   |
| 16-11-16 | O.C.               | DIED OF WOUNDS   |              |          |  |
|          | 7 Amb.Train.       | (R.Foot & L Leg amp)   | Abincourt    | 15-11-16 | AT6447 V.L.143 - 20-11-16  |

ANZAC SECTION 3rd Echelon G.H.Q  
BRITISH EXPEDITIONARY FORCE.

.....Lieut.  
Officer i/c Records.

(a) In the case of a man who has re-engaged for, or enlisted into Section D, Army Reserve, particulars of such re-engagement or enlistment will be entered.  
(b) e.g. Signaller, Signalling Staff, etc., etc., also special qualifications in technical Corps duties. (P.T.O.)

faithfully discharge my duty according to law.

So HELP ME, GOD.

*Jack Freeman*  
Signature of Person Enlisted.

Taken and subscribed at Melbourne in  
the State of Victoria

this 5th day of July 1918, before me—

*R. Rowson 21913*  
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.

| Date | Report<br>From whom received | Record of promotions, reductions, transfers, casualties, etc., during active service, as reported on Army Form B. 213, Army Form A. 36, or in other official documents. The authority to be quoted in each case. | Place | Date | Remarks<br>taken from Army Form B. 213, Army Form A. 36, or other official documents. |
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State whether he leaves a will or not

- (a) in Pay Book (Army Book 64) Not yet to hand
- (b) in Small Book (if at Base) -
- (c) as a separate document -

All private documents and effects received from the front or hospital, as well as the Pay Book, should be examined, and if any will is found it should be at once forwarded to the War Office.

Any information received as to verbal expressions by a deceased soldier of his wishes as to the disposal of his estate should be reported to the War Office as soon as possible.

A duplicate of this Report is to be sent to the Fixed Centre Paymaster at Home, or to the D.F.A.G., Indian Expeditionary Force, or Field Disbursing Officer, as the case may require, together with the deceased's Pay Book (after withdrawal of any will from the latter). If the deceased's Small Book is at the Base, it should be forwarded to the War Office with this Report.

Signature of Officer in charge }  
of Section Adjutant-General's }  
Office at the Base }

*J. J. Anger*  
Lieut  
Officer i/c Records

Station and Date ROUEN. FRANCE 29-11-16

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ANZAC SECTION 3rd Echelon G. *Form 2090A*  
BRITISH EXPEDITIONARY FORCE



**FIELD SERVICE.**

REPORT of Death of a Soldier to be forwarded to the War Office with the least possible delay after receipt of notification of death on Army Form B. 218 or Army Form A. 36 or from other official documentary sources.

REGIMENT } **2nd FIELD COY ENGINEERS** Squadron, }  
 or } **A.I.F.** Troop, Battery }  
 CORPS } or Company }

Regtl. No. **2477** Rank **SAPPER**

Name **FREEMAN. J.**

Date **15th November 1916**

Died { Place **7th Ambulance Train at ABINCOURT.**

{ Cause of Death\* **Died of Wounds (R.Foot & L.Leg amputated)**

Nature and Date of Report **Memo from O.C.7th Amb.Train 16-11-16**

By whom made **O.C.7th Ambulance Train.**

\* Specially state if killed in action, or died from wounds received in action, or from illness due to field operations or to fatigue, privation or exposure while on military duty, or from injury while on military duty.

Burial { Place **Not yet to hand**

{ Date **-**

{ By whom reported **-**

State whether he leaves a will or not { (a) in Pay Book (Army Book 64) **Not yet to hand**  
 (b) in Small Book (if at Base) **-**  
 (c) as a separate document **-**

All private documents and effects received from the front or hospital, as well as the Pay Book, should be examined, and if any will is found it should be at once forwarded to the War Office.

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Signature of Officer in charge } *J. J. Anger* **Lieut**  
 of Section Adjutant-General's } **Officer i/c Records**  
 Office at the Base }

Station and Date **ROUEN. FRANCE 29-11-16**

ANZAC SECTION 3rd Echelon G. **BRITISH EXPEDITIONARY FORCE**





Description of Freeman, Jack on Enlistment.

Age 32 years 7 months.  
Height 5 feet 4 1/2 inches.  
Weight 10-10 lbs.  
Chest Measurement 32/35 inches.  
Complexion Sallow  
Eyes Grey  
Hair Black  
Religious Denomination Ch. & Eng.

DISTINCTIVE MARKS.

Fac. 4 R.A.

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 5.7.15

Place Melbourne

Samuel B. Mitchell

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 2 Reinforcements 2 Field Coy. Engineers

Date 22 NOV 1915  
10TH. REIN. 8TH. BATT.  
SEP. 1915.

Place BROCKTON, W.S.

Commanding J. R. G. Ashville Lt Col

D.377/4.15.-C.4077.

Engineer Depot,  
Moore Park.

W. A. K. F.  
Reinforcements,  
Engineers, A. I. F.

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Statement of Service of No. 77

Name

Freeman Jack

| Unit in which served.   | Promotions, Reductions, Casualties, &c.  | Period of service in each rank. |         | Remarks.                                |
|-------------------------|--|---------------------------------|---------|---|
|                         |  | From—                           | To—     |   |
| DEPOT                   |  |                                 |         |   |
| 10TH. REI N. 8TH. BATT. | Sapper   | 12.7.15                         | 2.8.15  |   |
|                         |  | 3.8.15                          | 24.9.15 |   |
|                         | TAKEN ON STRENGTH FROM 13 <sup>th</sup> Regt - 13/4/16   |                                 |         | Pt II 22/3. 23/4/16.                    |
|                         | Wounded in action - France   |                                 |         |   |
|                         | Steel shock  | 14/8/16                         |         | 32/991 4/9/16                           |
|                         | Received 2 <sup>nd</sup> Ho Coy Eng  | 18/8/16                         |         | 32/1004. 4/9/16                         |
|                         | In Hospital. France.   |                                 |         |   |
|                         | Died of wounds received in action (R. foot + Leg amputated) at 4 Amb Train Abincourt France on 15.11.16    |                                 |         | Pt II 1414 1280 24.11.16<br>6.9.16. 7/3 |
|                         | Proceeded to St Raphael France.  | 23.3.16                         |         | AP. 6841.                               |
|                         | Wounded in action In the field.  | 2.11.16                         |         | B213.AG 10245.DA 40/1245.               |
|                         | Adm G. S. W. R. Leg & Foot France.   | 2.11.16                         |         | V. 138- 15/11/16.                       |
|                         | Adm. G. S. L. Leg & Foot Heilly.   | 2.11.16                         |         | AK. 456/35.                             |
|                         |  | 2.11.16                         |         | AK. 456/44.                             |
|                         | Ref. D.O. 41 Sub Para 1270   |                                 |         |   |
|                         | Buried at St. Leger, Cemetery, Rouen, France, Grave No 6452 on Report from O.C. 10 <sup>th</sup> Gen Hosp. | 17.11.16                        |         | Pt II 43 1326 12-12-16                  |
|                         | Wounded in action In the field.  | 2.11.16                         |         | 410/40/1326 22.11.16                    |
|                         | Entered from Form B103   |                                 |         |   |
|                         | 10462/6/3  |                                 |         |   |
|                         | R 2062/4/19  |                                 |         |   |
|                         | Photo 13843 B. Rt Martin   |                                 |         |   |

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

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AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES.

AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE.

Attestation Paper of Persons Enlisted for Service Abroad.

No. 2477 Name Freeman Jack Unit Reinforcement Field Coy. Engineers Joined on 5.7.1915

Questions to be put to the Person Enlisting before Attestation.

- 1. What is your Name? Jack Freeman
2. In the Parish of ... in or near the Town of Bairnsdale
3. Are you a natural born British Subject or a Naturalized British Subject? Yes
4. What is your age? 27 years 7 months
5. What is your trade or calling? Joiner
6. Are you, or have you been, an Apprentice? If so, where, to whom, and for what period? Yes. Chas. Whiston & Co. Sydney, 6 yrs
7. Are you married? No
8. Who is your next of kin? (Address to be stated) Mother, Mrs. Freeman, 33 Gooch St. Northcote
9. Have you ever been convicted by the Civil Power? 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? 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
12. Have you stated the whole, if any, of your previous service? Yes
13. Have you ever been rejected as unfit for His Majesty's Service? If so, on what grounds? No
14. Are you prepared to undergo inoculation against small pox and enteric fever? Yes

I, Jack Freeman 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 5.7.15 Jack Freeman Signature of person enlisted.

\* This clause should be struck out in the case of unmarried men or widowers without children under 18 years of age. † Two-fifths must be allotted to the wife, and if there are children three-fifths must be allotted.

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 5-7-15

*R. D. Dowden 2/4*  
Signature of Attesting Officer.

OATH TO BE TAKEN BY PERSON BEING ENLISTED.\*

I, *Jack Freeman* swear that I will well and truly serve our Sovereign Lord the King in the Australian Imperial Force from *5 July 1915* 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.

*Jack Freeman*  
Signature of Person Enlisted.

Taken and subscribed at *Melbourn* in the State of *Victoria* this *fifth* day *July* of 1915, before me—

*R. D. Dowden 2/4*  
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 Freeman Jack on Enlistment.

Age 22 years 7 months.  
 Height 5 feet 7 1/2 inches.  
 Weight 10 stone 10 lbs.  
 Chest Measurement 37 3/5 inches.  
 Complexion Tawny  
 Eyes Grey  
 Hair Black  
 Religious Denomination C. of E.

DISTINCTIVE MARKS.

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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 07/7/15  
 Place Melbourne

Leonard J. B. Mitchell 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 BR Reinforcements In Field Coy. Engineers

10TH. REI N. 8TH. BATT.  
 Date SEP. 1. 1915.  
 Place BROADMEADOWS

L. B. Cashville Lieut.  
 Commanding

D. 877/4.15.—C. 4027.

Statement of Service of No. 2477

Name Freeman Jack

| Unit in which served.                         | Promotions, Reductions, Casualties, &c. | Period of service in each rank. |               | Remarks. |
|---|---|---------------------------------|---------------|----------|
|   |   | From—                           | To—           |          |
| 10TH. REI N. 8TH. BATT.<br><i>12 R/24 Coy</i> | <i>Saps</i>                             | <i>13.7.15</i>                  | <i>2.8.15</i> |          |
|   |   | <i>3.8.15</i>                   |               |          |

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

*J. M. Reid Lt.*

O. C., Reinforcements,  
Engineers, A. I. F.

DUPLICATE FORWARDED TO A.I.F. HEADQUARTERS LONDON ON 9/19/16

Army Form B. 103.

Casualty Form - Active Service.

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Regimental No. 2477      Rank *Apr*      Name *Freeman Jack*      Service reckons from (a) \_\_\_\_\_  
 Enlisted (a) *57.15*      Terms of Service (a) \_\_\_\_\_      Numerical position on roll of N.C.Os. \_\_\_\_\_  
 Date of promotion to present rank }      Date of appointment to lance rank }  
 Extended      Re-engaged      Qualification (b) \_\_\_\_\_

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|--------|---|--|---------------------|-----------------|--|
| Date   | From whom received                                      |  |                     |                 |  |
| ✓      | <i>From Roll Proceeded to Terapeum</i>                  |  | <i>Yeroun</i>       | <i>23/16</i>    | <i>7.6841</i>  |
| ✓      | <i>OC Taken on strength</i>                             |  |                     |                 | <i>022/753</i>   |
| ✓      | <i>13 4 16 A0112</i>                                    |  |                     |                 |  |
| ✓      | <i>19/8/16 Army Stn. Adm'd (Shell shock)</i>            |  | <i>France</i>       | <i>17/8/16</i>  | <i>AK 138/59</i>   |
| ✓      | <i>18/8/16 O.C. 2 Coy Wounded in Action Shell shock</i> |  | <i>Do</i>           | <i>17/8/16</i>  | <i>PO 32/991</i><br><i>AFB 213. A Q 3002</i> <i>VL 53 21/16</i>                    |
| ✓      | <i>23/8/16 O.C. 2 Coy Rejoined unit from Hosp</i>       |  | <i>Do</i>           | <i>18/8/16</i>  | <i>AFB 213. A Q 3887</i> <i>PO 32/1004</i>   |
| ✓      | <i>19/8/16 2.5th Coy 4th Bn 1st Div</i>                 |  | <i>"</i>            | <i>17/8/16</i>  | <i>AK 223/43</i>   |
| ✓      | <i>15/11/16 Adm G.S.W. R. Leg T. H. Foot</i>            |  | <i>In the field</i> | <i>2-11-16</i>  | <i>AK 454/35</i>   |
| ✓      | <i>31/11/16 Wounded in Action</i>                       |  | <i>"</i>            | <i>2-11-16</i>  | <i>AQ. 10275. D. 213</i> <i>PO 110/1245</i><br><i>VL 138 15-11-16</i>              |
| ✓      | <i>16/11/16 7 Amb. Train. Died of Wounds</i>            |  | <i>Abincroth</i>    | <i>15-11-16</i> | <i>AT 61447</i><br><i>VL 143 20-11-16</i>  |
| ✓      | <i>31/11/16 R. Foot a L. Leg Amputated</i>              |  | <i>"</i>            | <i>15-11-16</i> | <i>SD 11/12/10</i>   |
| ✓      | <i>4/12/16 38. C.C. Str. Adm G.S.W. Leg Foot</i>        |  | <i>Holly</i>        | <i>2-11-16</i>  | <i>AK 456/44</i>   |

ANZAC SECTION 3rd Echelon G.H.Q.  
 British Expeditionary Force

National Archives of Australia

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|----------|--------------------|--|--------|----------|--|
| Date     | From whom received |  |        |          |  |
| 17.11.16 | 10th Gen.          | Buried at St Sever Cemetery Rouin France N° 5453   | France | 17.11.16 | 43/1326 AK 553/14  |

**Casualty Form—Active Service.**

Regiment or Corps **12/2nd FIELD COY ENGINEERS A.I.F.**

Regimental No. **2477** Rank **SAPPER** Name **FREEMAN J.**

Enlisted (a) \_\_\_\_\_ Terms of Service (a) \_\_\_\_\_ Service reckons from (a) \_\_\_\_\_  
 Date of promotion to present rank } Date of appointment to lance rank } Numerical position on roll of N.C.Os.  
 Extended \_\_\_\_\_ Re-engaged \_\_\_\_\_ Qualification (b) \_\_\_\_\_

| Report          |                      | Record of promotions, reductions, transfers, casualties, etc., during active service, as reported on Army Form B. 213, Army Form A. 36, or in other official documents. The authority to be quoted in each case. | Place               | Date            | Remarks taken from Army Form B. 213, Army Form A. 36, or other official documents. |
|-----------------|----------------------|--|---------------------|-----------------|--|
| Date            | From whom received   |  |                     |                 |  |
|                 | <b>Nom. Roll</b>     |  | <b>Zietoun</b>      | <b>23-3-16</b>  | <b>AP6841</b>  |
| <b>18-8-16</b>  | <b>O.C.</b>          | <b>Proceeded to Serapeum</b>   | <b>France</b>       | <b>13-4-16</b>  | <b>AQ 112 0/22/753</b>   |
|                 | <b>O.C.</b>          | <b>Wounded in Action Sh. Shock</b>   | "                   | <b>17-8-16</b>  | <b>B213 AQ3002 VL 53.2-8-16</b>  |
|                 |                      |  |                     |                 | <b>DO 32/991 VL.30-8-16.</b>   |
| <b>19-8-16</b>  | <b>ANZ.R.Stn</b>     | <b>Admitted Shell Shock</b>  | "                   | <b>17-8-16</b>  | <b>AK 139/50</b>   |
| <b>19-8-16</b>  | <b>2.F.Amb.</b>      | <b>Tfd. to D.R.S. -do-</b>   | "                   | <b>17-8-16</b>  | <b>AK 243/43</b>   |
| <b>25-8-16</b>  | <b>O.C.</b>          | <b>Rejoined Unit from Hosp.</b>  | "                   | <b>18-8-16</b>  | <b>B213 AQ3887 DO 3/1004</b>   |
| <b>3-11-16</b>  | <b>O.C.</b>          | <b>WOUNDED IN ACTION</b>   | <b>In the Field</b> | <b>2-11-16</b>  | <b>B213 AQ 10275 DO 40/1245</b>  |
|                 |                      |  |                     |                 | <b>VL 138 - 15-11-16.</b>  |
| <b>4-11-16</b>  | <b>15.F.Amb</b>      | <b>Adm.G.S.W. R. Leg &amp; L Foot</b>  | <b>France</b>       | <b>2-11-16</b>  | <b>AK 456/35</b>   |
| <b>4-11-16</b>  | <b>38 CC Stn</b>     | <b>Adm.G.S.W. Leg &amp; Foot</b>   | <b>Heilly</b>       | <b>2-11-16</b>  | <b>AK456/44</b>  |
| <b>16-11-16</b> | <b>O.C.</b>          | <b>DIED OF WOUNDS</b>  |                     |                 | <b>DO 41/1270</b>  |
|                 | <b>7 Amb. Train.</b> | <b>(R. Foot &amp; L Leg amp)</b>   | <b>Abincourt</b>    | <b>15-11-16</b> | <b>AT6447 V.L.143 - 20-11-16</b>   |

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*J.J. Freeman*  
 Officer i/c Records.

**ANZAC SECTION 3rd Echelon G.H.Q**  
**BRITISH EXPEDITIONARY FORCE.**

Extract from folder of photograph of graves.  
 Buried St. Sever Cemetery Extension, Rouen.



IWB.  
AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE.

KIT STORE.



110, GREYHOUND ROAD,  
FULHAM, LONDON,  
S.W.

Telephone 1—HAMMERSMITH 1699.

Inventory of Effects of—

The Late 2477 Spr. Freeman. J. 2nd. F.C. Engrs. A.I.F.

Forwarded to—MOTHER.

Mrs. Freeman,  
33, Gooch Street,  
Northcote,  
Victoria.

Effects.

Ex 3rd Echelon.)  
No. 5675 )

Safety razor in case, (inscribed),  
Handkerchief, 2 Pipes, Testament.

Ex. 3rd Echelon. )  
No. 5679a. )

Ring (damaged).

Ex. Kit Store. )

2 Handkerfs, Wedding cake, Cap comforter.  
2 Scarves, Comb, Brush.

No. of Package <sup>p/s.</sup> 8633  
National Archives of Australia

Checked by

NAA: B2455, FREEMAN J

EB.

AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE.

KIT STORE.



110, GREYHOUND ROAD,  
FULHAM, LONDON.

*S.W.*

Telephone:—HAMMERSMITH 1899.

Inventory of Effects of— the late 2477 Spr. Freeman, J. 2nd Fld.Coy. Engrs. A.I.F.

Forwarded to— (Mother)

Mrs. Freeman,  
33, Geoch Street,  
Northcote,  
Victoria.

Effects.

3rd Echelon)  
No. 7902. )

Souvenir Boomerang, Letter, Photos, Metal  
Watch & Strap, Purse, Coins 5, Wallet,  
Pipes 2, Brass Disc, Fountain Pen & Clip,  
Knife, Corkscrew, Money Belt, Numerals 3.

No. of Package D/s. 10771

Checked by

RU.

M. 54/921.

18 DEC 1925

Sir:

14 JAN 1926

ST. SEVER CEMETERY EXTENSION, ROUEN,  
your son, the late No. 2477 Sapper J. FREEMAN,  
2nd Field Company Engineers, are interred.

Mr. F. Freeman,  
"Rathnew"  
33 Gooch Street,  
NORTHCOTE, VIC.

JE/EG  
XXXX 4780

4 - SEP 1925

Dear Sir,

DISPATCH

With further reference to my communication of 20th July concerning the erroneous report of burial received in connexion with your son, the late No.2477 Spr. J.Freeman, 2nd F.C.E., I am now in receipt of a reply from the overseas authorities intimating that in consequence of the finding of a cross bearing the late soldier's particulars in the A.I.F.Burial Ground, Gueudécourt, it was assumed at the time that the grave in question had been removed from the St. Sever Cemetery, Rouen, and it was not until subsequently that it was definitely ascertained that this particular cross was of a memorial nature only and not marking the site of an identified grave. Action was thereupon taken to remove the cross and correctly adjust the records.

Yours faithfully,

Captain,  
Officer i/c Base Records.

Mr. F.Freeman,  
"Rathnew"  
33 Gooch St,  
NORTHCOTE. VIC.

TEL. NO. CITY 1740 EXT.....

TELEGRAPHIC ADDRESS:  
"CROTONATE, ESTRAND, LONDON."



AWP/PG.

COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA.

ADDRESS ALL COMMUNICATIONS TO  
THE OFFICIAL SECRETARY  
AND QUOTE

AUSTRALIA HOUSE,  
STRAND, LONDON, W.C. 2.

NO. A.G.S. 29/7/4.

28th July, 1925.

Officer i/c Base Records,  
Department of Defence,  
MELBOURNE.



2477 Spr. J. FREEMAN,  
2nd F.C.E.  
15.11.16.  
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With reference to your communication of the 20th July, 1925, I have to inform you that the late 2477 Spr. Jack FREEMAN, is correctly reported as buried in ST. SEVER CEMETERY, ROUEN.

The report of this soldier's burial in Grass Lane Cemetery, arose through the finding of a cross in that Cemetery bearing his particulars. It was subsequently ascertained, however, that this cross and two adjacent ones were Memorial Crosses only, and action was taken to have them removed, and the records adjusted accordingly.

*2*

*George Rodger*  
/ OFFICIAL SECRETARY.

JE/EG

xxx 4780

2/7/18

DISPATCH

The Official Secretary,  
(Military)  
Australia House,  
Strand,  
LONDON. W.C.2.

With reference to the report of burial of the late No.2477 Spr. J.FREEMAN, 2nd F.C.E., photographs of a temporary cross erected over grave No.5452 in the St.Sever Cemetery, Rouen, were forwarded to this office under cover of Schedule D.10. Subsequently on the receipt of Location Sheet AA/LS/5/8092 next-of-kin was informed of the exhumation and re-interment of the late soldier's remains in the A.I.F. Burial Ground, Grass Lane. This report was duly confirmed by photographs purporting to depict the latter grave forwarded under cover of Schedule D.35, and it was not until more recently following the receipt of the Commission's nominal roll of A.I.F. burials in the firstnamed cemetery that the actual place of burial was finally determined.

Steps are accordingly being taken to bring the matter to the notice of the deceased's relatives, and for their further information I should be glad to be advised of the circumstances giving rise to the erroneous report of re-burial in the A.I.F. Burial Ground, also in the event of Location Sheet 8092 referring to another member of the Force, of the correct regimental particulars of the soldier concerned.

Captain,  
Officer i/c Base Records.

JE/EG

xxx 4780

Dear Sir,

It is noted in connection with the report of the regrettable loss of your son, the late No.2477 Spr. J.Freeman, 2nd F.U.E., that you were advised on 14/5/20 of the exhumation and re-interment of the late soldier's remains in the A.I.F. Burial Ground, Cueudecourt, and that photographs purporting to depict the grave site were forwarded in July 1920. The information furnished you at the time was received from the Officer in Charge, Australian Graves Services, and was confirmed by a Location Sheet issued by the Imperial War Graves Commission, but as the result of further investigation it has now been definitely ascertained that the original report of burial in the St.Sever Communal Cemetery Extension, Rouen, remains unchanged.

The circumstances giving rise to the erroneous report of re-burial in the A.I.F. Burial Ground have yet to be explained - the presumption is that it refers to another member of the Force of the same name - and I am accordingly communicating with the High Commissioner's Office in the matter with a view to ascertaining the full facts of the case which will be made available to you on receipt of a reply.

Meanwhile I desire to assure you of the Department's profound regret at your being inadvertently misinformed in this connexion.

Yours faithfully,

Mr. F. Freeman,  
"Rathnew"

Officer i/c Base Records.  
Captain,

33 Gooch St.,  
National War Cemetery, Australia.

NAA: B2455, FREEMAN J

RECEIPT FOR VICTORY MEDAL.

Received from the Officer i/c Base Records, Army Headquarters, one Victory Medal in connexion with the late

No. 2477    Spr. J. FREEMAN,

2nd Flld. Coy. EGIS.

Signature

*Freeman*

Date

7-2-23.

This slip to be returned to the Officer in Charge, Base Records, Victoria Barracks, Melbourne, Victoria, within seven (7) days.

D.340/4.22.-C.5128.

National Archives of Australia

NAA: B2455, FREEMAN J



RECEIPT FOR MEMORIAL PLAQUE.

I hereby acknowledge having received Memorial Plaque No. 321911

Signature

*Fred Freeman*

Witness

*GF*

Date

*12.9.72*

National Archives of Australia

NAA: B2455, FREEMAN J

When both these forms are used

Extract from folder of photo of grave.

Buried - St. Sever Cemetery, Grave 5452.

National Archives of Australia

NAA: B2455, FREEMAN J



**RECEIPT SLIP FOR MEMORIAL SCROLL.**

MY

Received from the Officer i/c Base Records, Department of Defence, one Memorial Scroll and King's Message, in connexion with the late **No. 2477. Sapper J. FREEMAN.**



2nd Field Company Engineers.

(Signature)

*Fred. Freeman*

(Date)

*12<sup>th</sup> Nov. 1921*

This slip to be returned to the Officer in Charge, Base Records, Victoria Barracks, Melbourne, Victoria, within seven (7) days.

D.1974/7.21.-C.10282  
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NAA: B2455, FREEMAN J

Extract from folder covering Photograph of Grave:-

Reburied in Grass Lane British Military Cemetery.

*see cover. 22/5/25.*

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NAA: B2455, FREEMAN J

TELEPHONE:  
CENTRAL 4741.

In all communications regarding  
rank, full name and unit of Service  
personnel, are to be stated.

D.L.B.

14th May, 1920.

Dear Madam,

With reference to the report of the regrettable loss of your son, the late No. 2477, Sapper J. Freeman, 2nd Field Company Engineers, I am now in receipt of further advice which shows that his remains have been exhumed and re-interred in A.I.F. Burial Ground, Grass Lane,  $\frac{1}{4}$  mile West of Gueudecourt, 3 miles South West of Bapaume.

This work is carried out with every measure of care and reverence in the presence of a Chaplain.

The utmost care and attention is being devoted to the graves of our fallen soldiers, and photographs are being taken as soon as possible for transmission to next-of-kin.

These additional details are furnished by direction, it being the policy of the Department to forward all all information received in connexion with deaths of members of the Australian Imperial Force.

Yours faithfully,

Major.  
Officer i/c Base Records.

Mrs. M. Freeman,  
"Rathnew",  
33 Gooch Street,  
Northcote,

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*See copy 25/1/20*

D.S.

AA/L.S.5/8092.

- (a) HOOGE CRATER CEMETERY, 2 miles due E. of Ypres.
- (b) A. I. F BURIAL GROUND GRASS LANE,  $\frac{3}{4}$  mile W. of GUEUDECOURT. 3 miles S.S.W. of Bapaume.
- (c) HEATH CEMETERY,  $1\frac{1}{2}$  miles N. of HARBONNIERES,  $7\frac{1}{4}$  miles E.S.E. of CORBIE.

GRAVES REGISTRATION UNITS.  
(EXHUMATION)

|                   |          |                      |            |           |
|-------------------|----------|----------------------|------------|-----------|
| 17/Bn. AIF.       | (a) 3456 | BROWN                | L/C. L.    | 20.9.17.  |
|                   |          | (Report Zillebeke    | 177.403E.) |           |
| 2/Fld. Co. Engrs. | (b) 2477 | FREEMAN              | Spr. J.    | 15.11.16. |
| AIF.              |          | (Report Gueudecourt  | 3.45E)     |           |
| 11/AIF.           | (b) 5454 | MAHONEY (N.T.)       | R.         |           |
|                   |          | (Report Gueudecourt  | 3.88E)     |           |
| 29/AIF. Bn. (c)   |          | BRADEN M.C.          | Lt. W.     | 9. 8. 18. |
|                   |          | (Report Harbonnieres | 3.3E)      |           |

Original copy in file of No. 3456 L/C. L. Brown, 17th Bn.  
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| Surname.  | Other Names. | Regimental No. | Unit.                            |
|---|--------------|----------------|----------------------------------|
| FREEMAN   | Jack (Spr)   | 2477           | 2nd Fld. Coy. Engi<br>12th Rfts. |
| PURPORT.  |              |                |                                  |
| AUTHORITY.  |              |                |                                  |
| 17/8/16. Wnded. in Act. Fr. Shell Shock.  |              | (HP)           | BEFO. 32/1-16                    |
| 18/8/16. Rejnd. 2nd Fld. Coy. Eng. from Hos. Fr.                                      |              | "              | " 32/1-16                        |
| 13/4/16. Taken on strength from 12th Reinfts.   |              |                | BEFO 2 2/1-16                    |
| 13-4-16 Taken on strength from 12th Rfts.   |              | (E.R.)         | BEFO 22/3-16                     |
| 15/11/16 DIED of Wounds. recvd. in Action R. Foot & L. Leg Amp. at Abincourt. France. |              | (HP)           | 7th Amb. Trm.<br>BEFO. 41/1-16   |
| 17/11/16. BURIED at St. Sever Cemtry. Rouen France. Grave No. 5453                    |              | "              | " 43/1-16                        |
| National Archives of Australia  |              |                |                                  |
| NAA: B2455, FREEMAN J   |              |                |                                  |

PURPORT.

AUTHORITY.

National Archives of Australia

NAA: B2455, FREEMAN J

Rathmew " 33 Gooch St<sup>t</sup>  
Northcote 4/8/19

The Officer in Charge  
Base Records.

Dear Sir,

I have to acknowledge receipt of  
two photographs & description of the locality of  
grave of the late N<sup>o</sup> 2477. Sapper J. Freeman  
2<sup>nd</sup> Field Com<sup>o</sup> Engineers, for which I trust  
the Department will accept my grateful  
thanks -

Yours faithfully  
Margaret Freeman  
J. F. F.



DECEASED  
SECTION  
AUG 6 1919  
RECEIVED

Rathnew 33 Gooch St  
Northcote 4/8/19

The Officer in Charge  
Base Records.

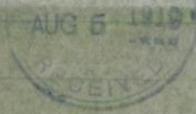
Dear Sir

May I call attention to the fact that up to the present I have not received either a "Next of Kin" badge nor an "Immemorial" badge, in connection with the service of No 2477. Sapper J. Freeman, 2<sup>nd</sup> Field Comp<sup>y</sup> Engineers, died of wounds 15<sup>th</sup> Nov<sup>r</sup> 1916.

The latter badges may not yet be issued, but I have seen very many of the former.

A communication on the subject will very greatly oblige.

Yours faithfully  
Margaret Freeman



DECEASED  
SECTION  
AUG 6 1919  
RECEIVED

AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE.

Receipt for Consignment from Defence Department.

I hereby acknowledge having received from the Officer in Charge of Base Records the undermentioned ( 1 ) Package , being the effects of the late No 2477 Sapper Freeman J. 2nd Field Coy Engrs, consigned to me. ex "Miltiades "

| No. | Description. |
|-----|--------------|
| 1   | package      |

Signature *J. Freeman*  
Date *28 July 1917*

NOTE: This Receipt should be Posted to—  
The Officer in Charge,  
Base Records,  
Victoria Barracks,  
Melbourne, Victoria.

RECEIVED

NAA: B2455, FREEMAN J

AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE.

Receipt for Consignment from Defence Department.

I hereby acknowledge having received from the Officer in Charge of Base Records the undermentioned ( 1 ) Package , being the effects of the late No 2477 Sapper J. Freeman, 2nd Field Coy Engrs. consigned to me. ex "Themistocles".

No. Description.

1 Package

Signature *J. Freeman*

Date

*6<sup>th</sup> Aug 1917*

NOTE: This Receipt should be Posted to—

The Officer in Charge,  
Base Records,

Victoria Barracks,

Melbourne, Victoria.

NAA: B2455, FREEMAN J

National Archives of Australia



W.M.

B.R. Form No. 2.

AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE.

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

BASE RECORDS OFFICE,  
VICTORIA BARRACKS,

MELBOURNE, 31st August, 1917.

Dear Madam

Forwarded herewith, per separate registered post, is one package containing personal effects of the late No 2477 Sapper T. Freeman, 2nd Field Coy Engrs., received ex "Themistocles", as per inventory attached.

I shall be much obliged if you will kindly let me know whether it come safely to hand, by signing and returning the enclosed printed receipt slip.

(Enclosure.)

Yours faithfully,

Registered Packet No. 171 ..... G. P. O. Melbourne

J. M. LEAN, Major,

Officer in Charge, Base Records.

National Archives of Australia

NAA: B2455, FREEMAN J

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Mrs. Freeman,

33 Gooch St.,

NORTHCOTE, Vic.

IWD  
AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE.



110, GREYHOUND ROAD,  
FULHAM, LONDON, S.W.

KIT STORE.

Telephone:—HAMMERSMITH 1899.

Inventory of Effects of— The Late 2477 Spr. Freeman. J. 2nd. F.C. Engrs. A.I.F.

Forwarded to—MOTHER.

Mrs. Freeman,  
33, Gooch Street,  
Northcote,  
Victoria.

*Themistocles*

Effects.

Ex 3rd Echelon. )  
No. 5675 )

Safety razor in case, (inscribed),  
Handkerchief, 2 Pipes, Testament.

Ex. 3rd Echelon. )  
No. 5679a. )

Ring (damaged).

Ex. Kit Store. )

2 Handkerfs, Wedding cake, Cap comforter.  
2 Scarves, Comb, Brush.

No. of Package D/S. 8633  
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Checked by

NAA: B2455, FREEMAN J

AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE.

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

BASE RECORDS OFFICE,  
VICTORIA BARRACKS,  
MELBOURNE, 26/7/17

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Dear Madam,

Forwarded herewith, per separate registered post, is one package containing personal effects of the late No 477 Sapper Freeman J. 2nd Field Coy Engrs, received ex "Miltiades" as per inventory attached.

I shall be much obliged if you will kindly let me know whether it come safely to hand, by signing and returning the enclosed printed receipt slip.

(Enclosure.)

Yours faithfully,

J. M. LEAN, Major,

Officer in Charge, Base Records.

Registered Packet No 3447 G. P. O. Melbourne.

D. 182/3.17 - C.3409

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NAA: B2455, FREEMAN J

Mrs Freeman  
33 Gooch St  
Northcote  
Victoria

EB.

# AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE.

## KIT STORE.



110, GREYHOUND ROAD,

FULHAM, LONDON

W.6. S.W.

Telephone:—HAMMERSMITH 1899.

Inventory of Effects of—

the late 2477 Spr. Freeman, J. 2nd Fld. Coy. Engrs. A.I.F.

Forwarded to— (Möhner)

Mrs. Freeman,  
33, Gooch Street,  
Northcote,  
Victoria.

*Miltiades*

Effects.

3rd Echelon)  
No. 7902. )

Souvenir Boomerang, Letter, Photos, Metal  
Watch & Strap, Purse, Coins 5, Wallet,  
Pipes 2, Brass Disc, Fountain Pen & Clip,  
Knife, Corkscrew, Money Belt, Numerals 3.

No. of Package D/s.

10771

Checked by

National Archives of Australia

NAA: B2455, FREEMAN J

"Rathnew" 33 Good St  
Northcote. 16<sup>th</sup> July 1917

The Officer in Charge.  
Base Records.

Sir

My son, Sapp<sup>t</sup> Jack Freeman R<sup>o</sup> 2477-  
2<sup>nd</sup> Field Comp<sup>t</sup> Engineers, A.I.F. died of wounds in  
France on 15<sup>th</sup> Nov<sup>r</sup> 1916 - 8 months ago - I shall  
be glad to know if there is any sign yet of his  
personal belongings - A reply will oblige

Yours obediently  
Margaret Freeman  
p. F.F.



FORMAL ACKNT.  
SENT 18/2/17

GMS Morgan  
17/7

H.I.A.

No. 2477

**DESPATCHED**

Sapper Jack Freeman,  
2nd Field Company Engineers,  
Australian Imperial Force.

wounds received in action

7th Ambulance Train at } 15th November 16.  
Abingcourt,

Cable Nos. C.I.B.L.

773, C.I.B.L. 816, and C.I.B.L. 846, from the Commandant A.I.F. Headquarters, dated London 30th November 1916, and 11th and 19th December 1916 respectively, the first one confirmed by mail from the Commandant A.I.F. Headquarters dated London 4th December 1916, and Army Form B 2090A.

2nd February 17. Major.

H.L.A.

AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE

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

Base Records Office,

Victoria Barracks,

MELBOURNE. 2nd February 1917.

Dear Sir,

I have to acknowledge receipt of your communication of 30th ultimo, and enclose herewith as requested, certificate of report of death of the late No.2477 Sapper J.Freeman, 2nd Field Coy, Engrs.

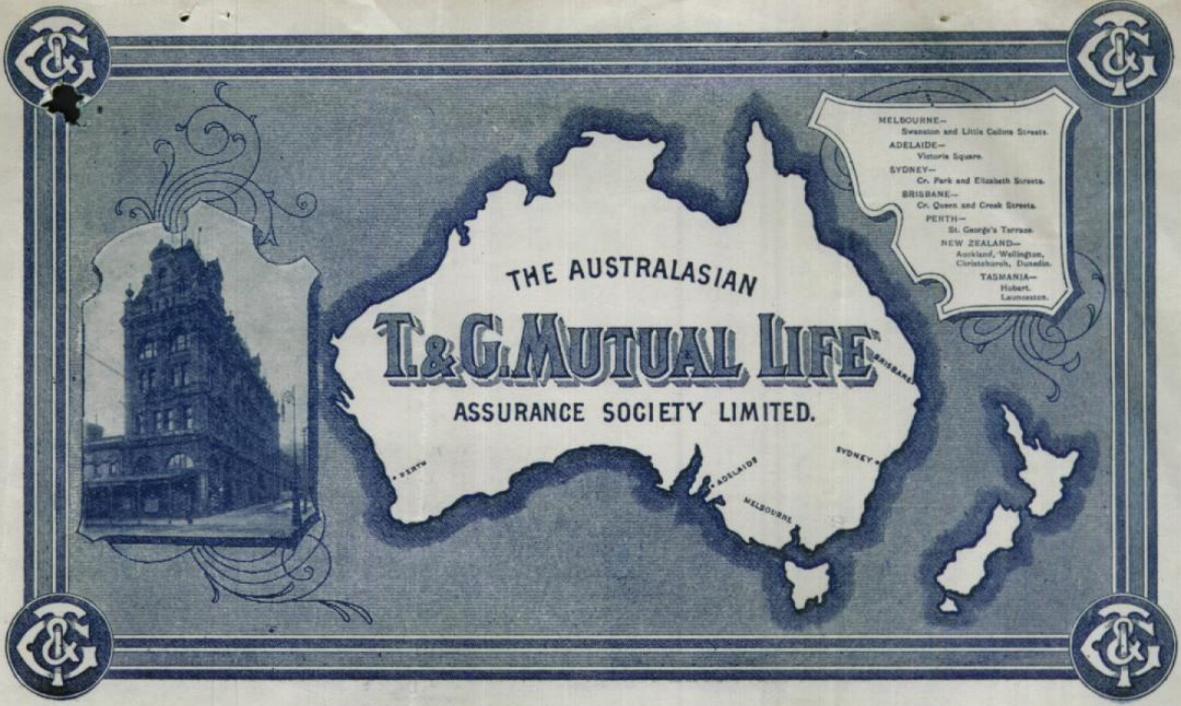
The Australasian  
T.G.Mutual Life  
Assurance Society Ltd.  
c/r Swanston & Little Collins Streets.  
Melbourne.

Yours faithfully,

J.H.LEAM.  
MAJOR.

Officer i/c Base Records.

DESPATCHED



74300s

Head Office, Melbourne. 30 / 1 / 17

The Officer-in-Charge,  
 Base Records Dept.,  
 Victoria Barracks,  
 Melbourne.

Dear Sir,

Will you kindly issue your usual Certificate  
 in connection with ~~no.~~ Private Jack Freeman  
 reported to have been killed in Action on 15. 11. 1916

*W. J. Hart*  
 31/1

Yours faithfully,

*W. J. Hart*

Manager for Victoria.

*per*



2ndBng/2477

L.F.

29630

10th January, 1917.

Dear Sir,

In reply to your letter of the 5th instant, concerning your son No. 2477 Sapper J. Freeman, 2nd Field Company Engineers, who is reported as having died of wounds, I beg to state the names of Sister Estelle Doyle and Chaplain R. A. Hoare do not appear on the records of the Austrolian Imperial Force. Apparently they are members of the Imperial Force and their records would, therefore, be held by the War Office, London.

However, in view of the information contained in your letter, the following addresses are suggested:-

Sister Estelle Doyle,  
Royal Army Medical Corps,  
C/o Director of Medical Services,  
War Office, LONDON.

Chaplain R. A. Hoare,  
Attached Imperial Forces,  
C/o War Office,  
LONDON.

Yours faithfully,

Mr. F. Freeman,  
Dept. of Ports & Harbours,  
Customs House,  
MELBOURNE.

Major,  
Officer i/o Base Records.

THIS SHEET TO BE RECORDED IN SOLDIER'S FILE.

W.

SENT TO <sup>D.</sup> Shohis London

EXTRACT OF BR. 136

8.12.16

LABEL

CONCERNING

2477 Freeman

UNIT

2nd Field Coy Eng

C.S.B.L. 773 Reports Dried of Wounds

Cables from London 8/11/16 stating not too bad.

JL/ET

8th December 1916

20924

Dear Sir,

I return herewith the cable which was left concerning the case of No. 2477 Sapper J. Freeman, 2nd Field Company Engineers, who is reported as having died of wounds on 15.10.16, and in consequence of its contents have despatched a cable message of enquiry to A.I.F. Headquarters, London, and upon receipt of reply, you will again be communicated with.

Yours faithfully,

Mr. F. Freeman,  
Ports and Harbours,  
Customs House,  
MELBOURNE, (V)

Major.  
Officer i/c Base Records.

E.T.

COPY CABLEGRAM  
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18th Nov. 1916.

170 London 8th

Freeman Ports and Harbours Melbourne  
Hit by Shell Fragments legs  
right broken not too bad  
Jack Freeman

WV  
IW.  
AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE.

Base Records Office, A.I.I.F.,  
Victoria Barracks,  
MELBOURNE.

28th Nov., 1916.

Dear

Madam, to advise you that  
has been reported

**2nd Field Coy., Engrs.,**  
now being **Sapper J. Freeman,**  
2nd occasion,

the nature of which and the name of the hospital to which he has  
been admitted are not at present known here, but on receipt of  
later information you will be promptly notified. It is not  
stated as being serious and in the absence of further reports it  
is to be assumed that all wounded are progressing satisfactorily.

It should be clearly understood that if no further advice  
is received this Department has no later information to give.

Letters should be addressed as under:-

WOUNDED. Regimental Number, Rank and Name,  
Unit,  
Australian Imperial Force,  
C/o A. I. F. Headquarters,  
150 Horseferry Road,  
Westminster, LONDON. S.W.

Yours faithfully,

Mrs. Freeman,  
33 Gooch Street,  
NORTHCOTE. V.

J. M. LEAN.

Major.  
Officer i/c Base Records.

Department of Ports and Harbors  
DREDGING, SHIPBUILDING, IMMIGRATION, ETC.,

Melbourne, 20<sup>th</sup> Sept. 1916

(33 Lovel Street  
Northcote)

MEMO. re Wounded. No. 2477 -  
Sapper Jack Freeman }  
2nd Field Coy. of Engineers

The Officer in Charge  
Base Records



Sir

On the 11<sup>th</sup> inst you were good enough to defer publication of the above until 25<sup>th</sup> inst with a further promise of delay if required - I have the honor to inform you that this Lad's mother is still in private hospital, not sufficiently recovered from a severe operation to admit of removal - I shall therefore esteem it a great favor if you will still further delay publication for a fortnight, as in the Doctor's opinion it would be detrimental to her recovery if by chance she learned of it at the present time

Yours obed<sup>t</sup>

W. S. FREEMAN

Jackson  
S. P. M.

W. S. Freeman  
21/9/16

6952

U.S.S. Reference

I have informed  
Mr Freeman by Telephone  
that this will be  
held back

another 14  
days.

W.A.  
27/9

Department of Ports and Harbors  
(DREDGING, SHIPBUILDING, IMMIGRATION, ETC.)

30<sup>th</sup> Sept<sup>r</sup> 1916

MEMO. re Wounded h<sup>o</sup> 2477  
Sapper Jack Freeman }  
2<sup>nd</sup> Field Comp<sup>y</sup> 1<sup>st</sup> Cong<sup>o</sup>

The Officer in Charge,  
Base Records

Sir/ In the event of your having any further information in this matter, I should esteem it a favor if you would address the communication to me at this Office - I expect the Lady's mother to return home tomorrow (Sunday) but in her necessarily weak state it has not been considered advisable as yet to acquaint her of the trouble & any letter coming from your Office might cause too great a shock - I had fully expected a reply to my cable (through the Red Cross) before this, but none yet to hand -

I think also it would be advisable to still further withhold publication until after say the middle of October - Thanking you for past courtesies -

I remain  
Yours obed<sup>tly</sup>  
Fred<sup>c</sup>. Freeman



13711

to be held for

184 days

11/9/16  
J

AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE.

Base Records Office, A.I.I.F.,  
Victoria Barracks.

MELBOURNE. 8th September, 1916.

Dear Madam, I regret to advise you that **Private J. Freeman**  
**of 3rd Field Coy. Engineers** has been reported wounded. *Sapper.*

the nature of which and the name of the hospital to which he has  
been admitted are not at present known here, but on receipt of  
later information you will be promptly notified. It is not  
stated as being serious and in the absence of further reports it  
is to be assumed that all wounded are progressing satisfactorily.

It should be clearly understood that if no further  
advice is received this Department has no later information to  
give.

Letters should be addressed as under:-

WOUNDED Regimental Number, Rank and Name,  
Unit,  
Australian Imperial Force,  
C/o A. I. F. Headquarters,  
130 Horseferry Road,  
Westminster, LONDON. S.W.

**Mrs. Freeman,**  
**33 Gooch Street,**  
**NORTHCOTE.**

Vic.

Yours faithfully,

J. M. LEAN.

Major  
Officer i/c Base Records.

**FIELD SERVICE.**

REPORT of Death of a Soldier to be forwarded to the War Office with the least possible delay after receipt of notification of death on Army Form B. 213 or Army Form A. 36 or from other official documentary sources.

REGIMENT } 2nd FIELD COY ENGINEERS Squadron,  
or } A.I.F. Troop, Battery  
CORPS } or Company }

Regtl. No. 2477 Rank SAPPER

Name FREEMAN. J.

Date 15th November 1916

Died { Place 7th Ambulance Train at ABINCOURT.

{ Cause of Death\* Died of Wounds (R.Foot & L.Leg amputated)

Nature and Date of Report Memo from O.C. 7th Amb. Train 16-11-16

By whom made O.C. 7th Ambulance Train.

\* Specially state if killed in action, or died from wounds received in action, or from illness due to field operations or to fatigue, privation or exposure while on military duty, or from injury while on military duty.

Burial { Place ~~Not yet to hand~~

{ Date Extract from folder of photograph of grave

{ By whom reported Buried St. Sever Cemetery Extension, Rouen.

State whether he leaves a will or not { (a) in Pay Book (Army Book 64) Not yet to hand  
(b) in Small Book (if at Base) -  
(c) as a separate document -

All private documents and effects received from the front or hospital, as well as the Pay Book, should be examined, and if any will is found it should be at once forwarded to the War Office.

Any information received as to verbal expressions by a deceased soldier of his wishes as to the disposal of his estate should be reported to the War Office as soon as possible.

A duplicate of this Report is to be sent to the Fixed Centre Paymaster at Home, or to the D.F.A.G., Indian Expeditionary Force, or Field Disbursing Officer, as the case may require, together with the deceased's Pay Book (after withdrawal of any will from the latter). If the deceased's Small Book is at the Base, it should be forwarded to the War Office with this Report.

Signature of Officer in charge } *J. J. [Signature]* Lieut  
of Section Adjutant-Generals }  
Office at the Base } Officer i/c Records

Station and Date ROUEN. FRANCE 29-11-16

Wt. 12929/4141 400,000 12 15 JFW  
ANZAC SECTION 3rd Echelon G.H.Q.  
BRITISH EXPEDITIONARY FORCE

No. 9 SECTION

Correspondence Form  
(To be filled in Attestation Sheet)

NAME OF INDIVIDUAL Address UNIT R.A.M.C.  
Regt. \_\_\_\_\_ Rank Doctor Name Doyle Eselle  
District enlisted \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS OF SOURCE

UNIT Royal Army Medical Corps  
Brigade 90 Director Medical Service  
Division War. Office  
A.I.F. London  
Abroad.

CHANGE OF ADDRESS N.O.K. etc.

OLD ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

NEW ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

MISCELLANEOUS

Doctor E. Doyle is not an A.I.F. nurse, she is attached to R.A.M.C in view of circumstances mentioned in letter. I suggest we furnish her with address as above

Initials Sub.  
Section Clerk

9/1/17

Checked and found correct. 78 Supt Clerk

Change of address noted

date \_\_\_\_\_ Initials  
Checkers.

.....  
ADDRESS OF SOURCE OF INFORMATION

Dep<sup>y</sup> of Ports & Harbors  
Customs House, Melbourne

5<sup>th</sup> Jan 1917

The Chief Clerk,  
Base Records Office  
Lieut Mackintosh

RECEIVED  
CORRESPONDENCE SECTION  
JAN 8 1917  
JULIAN  
RECEIVED  
JAN 11 1917

Dear Sir

In connection with the death, from  
wounds, of No. 2477. Cap<sup>t</sup> Jack Freeman, 2nd Field Co<sup>l</sup>  
of Eng<sup>l</sup> on 15/11/16, I have received a most sympathetic  
letter from Sister Costello Doyle of No. 7 Ambulance  
Train - B.C.#11. The Sister describes herself as being  
"Sister in Charge" & as my wife & I am most anxious  
to communicate with the young lady, I shall be  
extremely glad if you will let me know what  
address would find her - The young lady in  
question describes herself as being a Melbourne  
girl from the St. Hilda Nurses Home, Charnwood  
Road. An early reply will greatly oblige -

Yours obed<sup>tly</sup>

Jack C. Freeman

There is also Chaplain R.A. Hoare who wrote from  
"38. C.C.S." with whom I should be glad to com-  
municate if you would oblige me with his  
address. #7

Appt Edwards  
#7  
1/11

BASE RECORDS  
14-6 JAN 17M.  
RECEIVED

No trace in A.I.F. A.M.C. No trace of Chap R.A.  
Sister Costello Doyle is an Hoare in Chaplain's  
R.A.M.C. nurse file #7  
78.8/17

Rms Dms  
14-6-15  
RANC. huse

Transferred to

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D 17720

# AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE.

WAR GRATUITY SCHEDULE 03/7 122/25

No. 2477

Rank *Pi. Sapper* Name *Freeman, J.*

Unit *2<sup>nd</sup> Field Coy. Engrs.*

Casualty *Wounded. C.I.B.L. 315/6952. V. d.d. London 31. 8.16*

*Wounded C.I.B.L. 759/7617 & D London 25.11.16*

*15.10.16 Died of Wounds C.I.B.L. 773/7663 B dated London 30.11.16*

*C.I.B.L. 773 shows above Died of Wounds 15/11/16, not October*

*C.I.B.L. 816/7756 Dated London 11/12/16 BA 136*

*of C.I.B.L. 773. Correct Date. 15.11.16 C.I.B.L. 806/7823 & London 19.12.16*

*18.1.16 Signed Unit from Hosp, France. D Orders to 34. D Rouen France 1/16*

### BURIAL REPORT RECEIVED

| DATE         | A. F. B. 103 Received | PURPORT.  | A. F. B. 2090A Received,           | REF. NO.    |
|--------------|-----------------------|---|------------------------------------|-------------|
| SEP 9 - 1916 |                       | N. O. K. Advised Wounded  |                                    |             |
| 28 NOV 1916  |                       | N. O. K. Advised Wounded 2nd occasion   |                                    |             |
| 4/12/16      |                       | M. C. 3 ADVISED, DIED OF WOUNDS. 15/10/16.                                    |                                    | 18989       |
| 14/12/16     |                       | M. C. 3 ADVISED, DIED OF WOUNDS. Correct Date 15/11/16                        |                                    |             |
| 21-12-16     |                       | COPY MADE FOR WAR PENSIONS  |                                    |             |
| 30 9 16      |                       | Father asking reports be sent to him direct.                                  |                                    |             |
| 9 12 16      |                       | Father advised re Cables of inquiry sent                                      |                                    |             |
| 5 1 17       |                       | Father asking information re above  |                                    |             |
| 10 1 17      |                       | Reply sent 5/1/17   |                                    |             |
| 30 1 17      |                       | Sgt Stout life asking for D/Cent  |                                    | 1/2         |
|              |                       | CONFIRMATION RECEIVED OF  |                                    |             |
| 2 2 17       |                       | Cable No. <i>C.I.B.L. 773</i> <i>Videx 1/1558</i> 4.12.16                     |                                    |             |
| 16 7 17      |                       | Not asking for effects.   | Change of effd                     | 187         |
| 26. 7. 17    |                       | PERSONAL EFFECTS EX. <i>Res. lat. ades</i>                                    |                                    |             |
| 2 8. 17      |                       | PERSONAL EFFECTS EX. <i>Chem. stocks</i>                                      |                                    |             |
| 20-7-19      |                       | PHOTOGRAPH OF GRAVE, TRANSMITTED TO NEXT OF KIN. B. R. M. No. <i>M 44/550</i> |                                    |             |
|              |                       | Circular D.R.M. 46.1898 & Booklet re Graves despatched                        | <i>Received &amp; acknowledged</i> |             |
| 29/11/20     |                       | PHOTOGRAPH OF GRAVE, TRANSMITTED TO NEXT OF KIN. B. R. M. No. <i>47/1494</i>  | <i>8/12/19</i>                     |             |
| 7 20         |                       | PHOTOGRAPH OF GRAVE, TRANSMITTED TO NEXT OF KIN. <i>51/203</i>                | <i>by printed card 1.9.20</i>      | <i>2013</i> |

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LIST.

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Department of Australia

NAA: B2455, FREEMAN J

4.10.21 BRITISH WAR MEDAL to Comdt *3rd* M.D.B.R.M. 53/745

"WHERE THE AUSTRALIANS REST."  
Pamphlet sent to *Mr. J. Freeman* on *18.10.21*

MEMORIAL  
PLAQUE  
To  
*Father (Capt 3DB)*  
*Mr. J. Freeman*  
*32/911*  
*9.8.22*  
*a 1/18/22*

MEMORIAL  
SCROLL  
To  
*Father*  
*Mr. J. Freeman*  
*32/911*  
*27.10.21*

*Del 10.11.21 Dr*

2 FEB 1923 VICTORY MEDAL to *Father* B. R. P. F. 42  
Registered Post No. *8724* G. P. O. Melbourne.