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**Title: HELMER REGINALD CLYDE : Service Number - VX130748 : Date of birth - 22 Apr 1916 : Place of birth - MOOROOPNA VIC : Place of enlistment - WAGGA NSW : Next of Kin - HELMER MARJORIE**

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ATTESTATION FORM.

M.F

FOR SPECIAL FORCES RAISED FOR SERVICE IN AUSTRALIA OR ABROAD.

Army No. V63692 VX 130748
Surname HELMER Other Names REGINALD CLYDE
Unit L.H.Q. Bomb Disposal School
Enlisted for service at L.T.G. Wagga (Place) N.S.W. (State) 12/4/43. (Date)

A. Questions to be put to persons called out or presenting themselves for voluntary enlistment.

1. What is your name? Surname HELMER (BLOCK CAPITALS) Other names Reginald Clyde
2. Where were you born? In or near the town of Moorabbin in the State or country of Victoria
3. Are you a natural born or a naturalized British Subject? If Natural Born
4. What is your age and date of birth? Age 26 yrs Date of Birth 22/4/16
5. What is your trade or occupation? Foreman Mechanic
6. Are you married, single or widower? Single
7. Give details of previous Military Service
8. If now serving, give particulars
9. Who is your actual next of kin? (Order of relationship:—wife, eldest son, oldest daughter, father, mother, eldest brother, eldest sister, oldest half-brother, eldest half-sister)
10. What is your permanent address?
11. What is your religious denomination? (Answer optional.)
12. Have you ever been convicted by a civil court?
13. Have you any of the following Educational Qualifications? If so, which?
1. Certificate for Entry to Secondary School merit but
2. Intermediate
3. Leaving
4. Leaving Honours
5. Technical
6. University Degrees
7. Other Diplomas

I, Reginald Clyde Helmer do solemnly declare that the above answers made by me to the above questions are true and that I am willing to serve in the Australian Military Forces within or beyond the limits of the Commonwealth.
Witnessed by L. Hughes Capt. R.C. Helmer (Signature)

B MEDICAL EXAMINATION
I certify the above-named person to be fit for Class A1
G.H. Temporarily unfit. (Signature)

C OATH OF ENLISTMENT
I, Reginald Clyde Helmer swear that I will well and truly serve our Sovereign Lord, the King, in the Military Forces of the Commonwealth of Australia until the cessation of the present time of war and twelve months thereafter or until sooner lawfully discharged, dismissed or removed, 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
Signature of Person Enlisted R.C. Helmer
Subscribed at L.T.G. Wagga in the State of New South Wales
this 26th day of April 1943
Before me— L. Hughes Capt. (Signature)

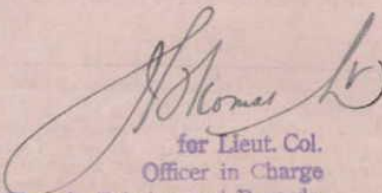
† Persons who object to take an oath may make an affirmation in accordance with the Third Schedule of the Defence Act. In such cases the above form will be amended accordingly and initialed by the Attesting Officer. Bomb Disposal School

DECREASE

DATE 24.4.45

PLACE *Actapic*

NATURE OF DEATH *Killed Accidentally*

  
for Lieut. Col.  
Officer in Charge  
Victoria Echelon and Records.



*N.R.B.*

**NOT RESERVED OCCUPATION**

*N. H. Donkin R.M.B.*

GROUP. **7**

A.A. Form Mob. I  
(Revised July, 1940).

**AUSTRALIAN**



**MILITARY FORCES. N.R.**

Yes  
C.O.A. *Yes*  
F.T. *M.F.*

# MOBILIZATION ATTESTATION FORM

To be filled in for all Persons at the Place of Assembly when called out under Parts III. or IV. of the Defence Act, or when voluntarily enlisted.

Army No. 16 ✓/63692

Surname HELMER (BLOCK CAPITALS) Christian Names Reginald Clyde

Unit 4 FD. PARK COY. RAE ADIV.

Enlisted for war service at GEELONG. (Place)

VICTORIA. (State) 14/8/40 (Date)

### A

Questions to be put to persons called out or presenting themselves for voluntary enlistment.\*

1. What is your name? ... { 1. Surname HELMER.  
(BLOCK LETTERS)  
Other names Reginald Clyde

2. Where were you born? ... { 2. In or near the town of Mooroopna  
in the state or country of Vic

3. Are you a British Subject? ... { 3. N.B.B.S.

4. What is your age and date of birth? ... { 4. Age 24  
Date of Birth 22/4/16

5. What is your trade or occupation? ... { 5. Painter - D.H.C. West Shore

6. Are you married, single or widower? ... { 6. Single

7. Have you previously served in any Armed Force either in peace or war? If so, where and in what arm? ... { 7. No

8. Who is your actual next of kin? (Order of relationship.— wife, eldest son, eldest daughter, father, mother, eldest brother, eldest sister, eldest half-brother, eldest half-sister) ... { 8. Name Mr. N. Helmer.  
Address Mooroopna Northgate St. Vic  
Relationship Father.

9. What is your permanent address? ... { 9. 1926 Mc Killop St. Geelong

10. What is your religious denomination? (This question need not be answered if the man has a conscientious objection to doing so) ... { 10. With

I, Reginald Clyde Helmer. do solemnly declare that the above answers made by me to the above questions are true.

Witnessed by C. M. Chees R.V. (Signature of Attesting or Witnessing Officer.) R. C. Helmer Signature.

\* The person will be warned that should he give false answers to any of these questions he will be liable to heavy penalties under the Defence Act.



B

MEDICAL EXAMINATION

I have made full and careful examination of the abovenamed person in accordance with the instructions contained in the Standing Orders for Australian Army Medical Services. In my opinion he is—\*

- 1. Fit for Class-I.
- 2. Temporarily unfit for Class I †
- 3. Fit for Class-II.
- 4. Temporarily unfit for Class II †
- 5. Unfit for military service †

Place Geelong Date 14/8/40

Signature of Examining Medical Officer Henry Paul Carr

\* Classifications which are inapplicable to be struck out. † Reasons for unfitness to be stated.

C

OATH OF ENLISTMENT †

For persons voluntarily enlisted or called upon under Part III. or Part IV. of the Defence Act to serve in the Citizen Forces in time of war. Not compulsory for serving members of the Forces or those allotted to the Citizen Forces under Part XII. of the Act, but unless in any case an objection is raised, the oath should be administered to them as part of the ceremony of attestation.

I, Reginald Clyde Helmer swear that I will well and truly serve our Sovereign Lord, the King, in the Military Forces of the Commonwealth of Australia until the cessation of the present time of war or until sooner lawfully discharged, dismissed, or removed, 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!

Signature of Person Enlisted R. C. Helmer

Subscribed at Geelong in the State of Victoria  
this 14<sup>th</sup> day of Aug 19 40

Before me—

Signature of Attesting Officer C. Mitchell Lt

† Persons who object to take an oath may make an affirmation in accordance with the Third Schedule of the Defence Act. In such case the above form will be amended accordingly and initialled by the Attesting Officer.



DECEASED

DATE 24.4.45

PLACE Adape

NATURE OF DEATH Killed accidentally

J. Thomas Lt  
for Lieut. Col.  
Officer in Charge  
Victoria Echelon and Records.



(6-10-67) C-10137 (1/4)

# SERVICE AND CASUALTY FORM

Continuation Sheet to A.F. B.103-1.

A.F. B.103-2 (Adapted)

VX 130748  
R.C. HELMER

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REPORT		Date	From whom received	Record of all casualties regarding promotions (acting, temporary, local or substantive), appointments, transfers, postings, attachments, etc., forfeiture of pay, wounds, accidents, admission to and discharge from Hospital, Casualty Clearing Stations, etc. Date of disembarkation and embarkation from a theatre of war (including fuelbough, etc).	Date of Casualty	Place of Casualty	Authority W.2011, E.2059, or other Document	Signature of Officer Certifying Correctness of Entries
Date	From whom received							
20.5.43	28.2.43 Inf. School.	20.5.43		Trans. To A.I.F. & Allotted VX 130748 R.C.	12.4.43	A.I.F. 28.2.43	Spelman	
22.5.43	" "	22.5.43		Benign		"	R. Helmer	
30/9/43	149397 Inf. School.	18.8.43		Benign R.C. Sub Para 28 of 22.4.43 Am. No. 10, head of W.O. 11 Des. to OCT in SA. L.A. area + Hd. 60 x 1.2.	22.5.43	"		
23.12.43	L.O. Depot	20.12.43		M.I. for leave from 20/12/43 to 1/1/44 per HQ Band Disposal	20.12.43	Band Disposal	Spelman	
13-1-44	Do	12-1-44		on foot to wind machine & leave 1/1/44		Do		
25-2-44	L.H.P. Depot	20.12.43		Chf. Act. to L.H.P. Depot on 20/12/43	20.12.43	L.H.P. Depot	Spelman	
25-2-44	" "	12-1-44		Chf. Act. to L.H.P. Depot on 12/1/44	12-1-44	"	Spelman	
15-2-44	L.H.P. Depot	24.8.44		Chf. Act. to L.H.P. Depot on 15/2/44	24.8.44	"	Spelman	
18-4-44	" "	8.4.44		Chf. Act. to L.H.P. Depot on 18/4/44	8.4.44	"	Spelman	
5-6-44	" "	16.1.44		Chf. Act. to L.H.P. Depot on 5/6/44	16.1.44	"	Spelman	
5-2-45	R.O. S.M.E. (Wing)	27.5.44		Act. No. 11/44 (Off. R.A.F. Post. 1.6.44. from 1st Qual.) to	27.5.44	NSM Ech. Rec. 1935	Blundell	
5-2-45	R.O. S.M.E. (Wing)	5.8.44		Sp. d. m. p. for 268 School of Air Eng.	5.8.44	"	Blundell	
5-2-45	R.O. S.M.E. (Wing)	10.12.44		Sp. d. m. p. for 268 School of Air Eng.	10.12.44	"	Blundell	
6.7.45	" "	15.12.44		Rep. 6/59/45. 6 of 9 held on 8/10/45 reported - VX 130748 W.O. Helmer R.C. was killed as a result on 24.4.45 as a result of face, neck, chest abdomen, thigh, suggest	15.12.44	"	Blundell	

NOTHING TO BE WRITTEN IN THIS SPACE.

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# SERVICE AND CASUALTY FORM

Continuation Sheet to A.F. B.103-1.

NOTHING TO BE WRITTEN IN THIS SPACE.

REPORT		Record of all casualties regarding promotions (acting, temporary, local or substantive), appointments, transfers, postings, attachments, &c., forfeiture of pay, wounds, accidents, admission to, and discharge from hospital, and other matters of interest. Date of disembarkation and embarkation from a theatre of war (including furlough, &c.).	Date of Casualty	Place of Casualty	Authority W.3011, B.2069, or other Document	Signature of Officer Certifying Correctness of Entries
Date	From whom received					
6.7.45	2800 S.M.E. Bomb 610 4006 Mfg	wholes. breaking down a 70" M.M. 7 Jap 2013 M.A.A. Barage Steel. by Dr. Duly 3. No negligence or accident by M.O. killed in action.	over	6/6/45	[Signature]	
26.4.45	2000 S.M.E. 440 S.M.E. Bomb 614 4006 Mfg	DECEASED Killed accidentally while delivering Jap. bombs. Service 1901	24.4.45	Antape	9045945 4 - M 1945	[Signature]
6.7.45	2800 S.M.E. Bomb 610 4006 Mfg	Buried by 6/59/45. Buried in Fuel Engine Trans Row, 2nd class. end Post Cemetery.	24.4.45	Antape	6/6/45	[Signature]
20.2.46	Trans Reg	Re-buried Warak War Cem. 11B 10 Grave	10.12.45	NG	W 3315 R	[Signature]

[5]

Records Office,  
Victoria L. of C. Area,  
281 Lonsdale Street,  
MELBOURNE, C.1.

A.D.F.O.,  
Vic. L. of C. Area.

1. Please acknowledge receipt of A.A. Form 131 purporting to contain the Will of the undermentioned deceased member of the A.I.F.

No.	<u>VX.130748</u>	Rank	<u>W.C.II</u>
NAME	<u>Belmer, P.C.</u>		
UNIT	<u>L. 46 G. B.D. Wing</u>		

*W.*

*Joseph G. ...*

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54 FD. PARK Coy, **VX 130748**  
Army No. **V/68692**

**SERVICE AND CASUALTY FORM**

Unit: **4. Fd. Park Coy. R.A.F. A Div**  
Surname: **HFLMER**  
(Block Capitals)

Reginald Clyde  
Christian Names

Marital Condition: **Single**  
Next of Kin: **Mr M M Helmer**  
Address of Next of Kin: **Northgate St Mooroopna 449 Smaller St Albany NSW**  
Relationship: **FATHER WIFE**

Date of Enlistment: **14 - 8 - 40**  
Place: **Geelong**  
Date of Birth: **22 - 4 - 16**  
Place of Birth: **Mooroopna**  
Trade or Occupation: **Painter**  
Religion: **Meth**

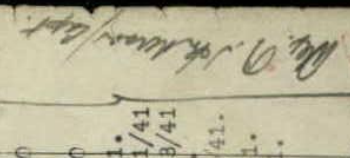
Medical Classification: **Class I**  
(On Enlistment)

Identification—Colour of Hair: **L. Brown** Eyes: **Blue**  
Distinctive Marks

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REPORT

Signature of Officer Certifying Correctness of Entries

Date	From whom received	Place of Casualty	Date of Casualty	Authority or other Document	Signature of Officer Certifying Correctness of Entries
30 Sep 40				4 Div. F.R.O. 71/40	
5 Oct 40				4 Div. Adm. O. 116/40	
10 Oct 40				4 Div. F.R.O. 79/40	
15 Nov 40				4 Div. Adm. O. 116/40	
14 Nov 40				4 Div. F.R.O. 44/40	
6 Dec 40				4 Div. E.R.O. 5/41	
1 May 41				4 Div. E.R.O. M 50/11/41	
15 May 41				4 Div. E.R.O. M 50/18/41	
18 May 41				4 Div. Memo 1456	
30 Jun 41				4 Div. E.R.O. M50/28/41	
29 Jul 41				4 Div. W.C.I. No 7, 1941	
28 Jul 41				4 Div. E.R.O. M50/30/41	
30 Jul 41					
8 Aug 41		Balcombe	8.8.41	do.	
11 Aug 41		Balcombe	11.8.41	do.	

S.M.D.



NOTHING TO BE WRITTEN IN THIS SPACE

V 63692 Lt Col HELMER. R.C.

REPORT		Record of all casualties regarding promotions (acting, temporary, local or substantive), appointments, transfers, postings, attachments, etc., for future of pay, wounds, accidents, admission to and discharge from Hospital, Casualty Clearing Stations, &c. Date of disembarkation and embarkation from a theatre of war (including foreign, &c.).	Date of Casualty	Place of Casualty	Authority W 3011, B 2065, or other Document	Signature of Officer Certifying Correctness of Entries
Date	From whom received					
28.1.42	Sgt Pk.	Appointed Lance Sergeant.	28.1.42	1st Lt Helmer	W 3011	12/42 Helmer
1.2.42	"	Det to 10th Anti-gas Squad Battalion	28.1.42	"	"	14/42 Helmer
"	"	By hon "	30.1.42	"	"	14/42 Helmer
19.2.42	"	Det to bomb disposal base SME 2 Para Coy	1.2.42	"	"	14/42 Helmer
5.3.42	"	Trans to 8 MD. B.D. sent	11.2.42	"	"	25/42 Helmer
	8 MD BOMB DIS SECTION.		20.2.42	"	"	31/42 Helmer
30.4.42	"	Trans from 3 MD	4.8.42	Portsmouth	RO. 1-42	W 3011
1.6.42	"	Platoon Sergeant	25.2.42	"	R/O 4.42	W 3011
5.6.42	"	Embarked on transport to New Guinea	22.6.42	"	"	W 3011
12.6.42	"	Det to 3rd D	20.6.42	Wynnamulla	RO. 10.42	W 3011
15.7.42	Bomb Det	Det to 10th Anti-gas Squad Battalion	24.6.42	Wynnamulla	RO. 10.42	W 3011
	Salvoe	Det to 10th Anti-gas Squad Battalion	9.7.42	Bougainville	RO. 10.42	W 3011
30.9.42	"	Det to 10th Anti-gas Squad Battalion	12/8/42	"	W 3011	W 3011
2/4/43	"	Det to 10th Anti-gas Squad Battalion	4/2/43	"	W 3011	W 3011
22.4.43	"	Det to 10th Anti-gas Squad Battalion	2.2.43	NSW	W 3011	W 3011

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Official Number..... VX130748  
 Rank..... W.P.I.I.  
 Name..... HELMER, Reginald Clyde  
 Honours.....  
 Age..... 29 (22/4/16)  
 Ship or Unit..... L.H.Q. B.D. Wing  
 Service..... A.M.F.  
 Date and Place of Death..... 24/4/45 Aitape  
 Place of Burial.....  
 Usual Place of Residence..... GEELONG Vic  
 Occupation..... Ford Motor Co. GEELONG League Footballer  
 Birthplace..... MOOROPNA Vic  
 Parentage — Father..... HELMER, Nils  
 Mother..... HELMER, Eva May  
 Wife (Name)..... HELMER, Marjorie May  
 Connection..... Uncle :- Reginald Hill V.C.  
 .. MOOROPNA  
 ..  
 ..  
 Roll of Honour..... MELBOURNE Vic  
 Signature (N.O.K.)..... M.M. HELMER (Wife)  
 Address..... "Abbie" 442 Smollett St., ALBURY N.S.W.

REMARKS

L.H.Q. Press-2720-8/45-6m.