

CURRAN, Benjamin Joseph



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Rank: Private

Service Number: 245B or 254

Unit: 31st Battalion/14th Light Horse Regiment

Place of Birth: Cork, Ireland.

Date of Birth: c. 1879.

Enlisted at Rockhampton 20 January 1916 age 36 years 7 months. Next-of-kin was his mother, Mrs Bridget Curran, Yarwun, via Gladstone, Queensland. On enlistment he was 5 feet 11 inches. His chest measurement was 36 inches. His occupation was labourer. Unit embarked from Sydney, New South Wales, on board HMAT A72 *Beltana* on 13 May 1916. He served in France. He was transferred to hospital in England with influenza. On contracting gastritis and pleurisy, he returned to Australia on 27 September 1917 and discharged from service on 29 December 1917. He died on 1st January 1950. Buried Lutwyche Cemetery, Brisbane, Queensland.

Service Record: [View digital copy \(naa.gov.au\)](https://naa.gov.au)

Paulette Flint, 2023