

HILL, John Thomas

Rank: Private

Service Number: 1423

Unit: 15th Infantry Battalion

Place of Birth: Darlington, Durham, England

Date of Birth: 12 December 1890

Enlisted at Gladstone, Queensland, on 5 January 1915 aged 24 years 2 months.

Next-of-kin named was his sister Mrs Larsen, Cairns, Queensland.

John emigrated to Australia in 1911 and found work in Gladstone Queensland. On enlistment he was 5 feet 3.5 inches and weighed 134 lbs. His chest measurement was 34/36.5 inches. His occupation was labourer. Served in Gallipoli from 25 April and was wounded in action in thigh 13 May 1915. After a short hospital stay, he rejoined the battalion on the Gallipoli Peninsula on 13 June 1915. He was reported missing after a charge on Hill 971 on 8 August 1915, and in April 1916 he was confirmed killed in action. His sister was told he was buried at Norfolk Cemetery, Anzac Cove, but later no trace could be found of his remains there. A commemorative headstone was erected at 7th Field Ambulance Cemetery, Anzac Cove, Gallipoli Peninsula, Canakkale Province, Turkey. His brother, Henry Hill also served in the 15th battalion, and was discharged in 1917.

Killed in Action 8 August 1915

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Paulette Flint, 2023