LEWIS, Robert William



Robert William LEWIS. From Australian War Memorial

Rank: Private

Service Number: 1674

Unit: 52nd Battalion

Place of Birth: Gayndah, Qld

Date of Birth: 18 July 1898

Enlisted at Rockhampton, Qld, on 26 January 1916 aged 18 years 6 months.

Next-of-kin was mother Mary Elizabeth Lewis, Dooboon, via Nagoorin, Boyne Valley Railway, then Burua Railway Station, BV line, via Gladstone, Qld.

On enlistment he was 5 feet 8 inches and weighed 10 stone. His chest measurement was 35 inches. His occupation was stock rider. First reported Missing in Action on 3 September 1916, then confirmed Killed in Action later in 1917 after enquiries from mother. Killed at Mouquet Farm, Pozieres, France. Commemorated Australian National Memorial, Villers Brettoneux, France. A field report dated 34 September 1916 states that Pte Lewis was acting as a Company runner and was last seen alive but wounded by another runner in a shell hole in 'No Man's Land' in the vicinity of Mouquet Farm.

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