McBRIDE, Thomas Patrick

Death of Thomas McBride.

Thomas Patrick McBride, late of the A.I.F., died on Thursday, after an illness of long duration, directly caused by the war. He was a bright and popular young man and was the son of Mr. and Mrs. T. McBride, of the Mabbro boarding-house. Born in Ayr thirty years ago, he came to Cairns rather early in life. Soon after the Empire called to her sons, deceased donned khaki, and as a unit of the lith Brigade went through the thick of the fighting. He was severely gassed and invalided home. For some time deceased was on the Cairns Post Office staff, and subsequently was transferred to Hughenden for health reasons, but without beneficial effect. He returned to Cairns, and had latterly been under the treatment of a specialist in the south. In conjunction with his brother, Jack, deceased carried on a tobacconist and stationery goods business next the Central Hotel. A member of the R.S.S.I.L.A., there was no more ardent worker for that body than he. The funeral took place on Friday afternoon, and the large attendance hore testimony as to the esteem in which the deceased was held. Present were a number of returned soldiers, the following acting as pall-bearers: Messrs. Ogg. Earl, McMahon, Birch, Mazlin and Hanlon.

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Rank: Private

Service Number: 1650

Unit: 14th Infantry Battalion/AMC Convalescent Depot

Place of Birth: Ayr, Queensland

Date of Birth: 27 March 1890

Enlisted at Brisbane, Qld, on 10 June 1915 aged 24 years 3 months.

Next-of-kin was father, Mr T McBride, Sachs Street, Cairns, North Qld.

On enlistment he was 5 feet 10.75 inches and weighed 10 stone 5 lbs. His chest measurement was 34-36 inches. His occupation was public servant, Post Office. Served Egypt, Gallipoli, and France. Transferred Army Postal Corps 21 December 1916. Suffered influenza, pleurisy and return of tuberculosis. Permanently unfit. Returned to Australia 16 December 1917. Discharged 3 April 1918.

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