TAPPENDEN, Thomas John



Thomas John TAPPENDEN, Ted TAPPENDEN (?), Jim (James) TAPPENDEN, Photo from Betty Murray (nee Tappenden) niece.

Rank: Private

Service Number: 3383B

Unit: 52nd Battalion/49th Battalion/Australian Gen Base Depot

Place of Birth: Eidsvold, Queensland

Date of Birth: 11 May 1889. (Parents: Edward John Tappenden/Ellen Wahan)

Enlisted at: Rockhampton, Queensland on 10 October 1916 aged 27 years 4 months.

Next-of-kin was wife, Winifred Frances Tappenden (nee Moran), Bourbong Street, Bundaberg, Qld.

On enlistment he was 6 feet and weighed 12 stone. His chest measurement was 38.25-40.75 inches. His occupation was labourer. Unit embarked from Sydney, New South Wales, on board HMAT A20 *Hororata* on 14 June 1917.

Disembarked Liverpool 20 August 1917. Admitted to Parkhouse Hospital with mumps 27 August 1917. Appointed Acting Lance Corporal 27 November 1917. Reverts to private and proceeded to France 2 March 1918. Wounded in action France 5 April 1918. Admitted to hospital France 6 April 1918. Discharged hospital 23 April 1918. Transferred to 49th Battalion. To hospital sick 6 October 1918. Returned to Australia 7 January 1920. Discharged 18 March 1920. Died 31 May 1943.

Service Record: View digital copy (naa.gov.au)

Paulette Flint, 2024