

AUSTRALIAN



MILITARY FORCES.

AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE

ATTESTATION PAPER OF PERSONS ENLISTED FOR SERVICE ABROAD

No. B-4674
R-3688

Name COULLS William Albert

Unit 12th Recon 16 Batt

Joined on 14.4.48 **48th BATTALION.**

M. J. E.

Questions to be put to the Person Enlisting before Attestation.

1. What is your Name? ... William Albert Coulls
2. In the Parish of _____ in or near the Town of Piyp Station in the County of South Australia
3. Are you a natural born British Subject or a Naturalized British Subject? (N.B.—If the latter, papers to be shown.) ... N.B.
4. What is your age? ... 18 1/2 Years
5. What is your trade or calling? ... Woodcarver
6. Are you, or have you been, an Apprentice? If so, where, to whom, and for what period? ... Yes R.P. Lewis to Adelaide 4 years
7. Are you married? ... NO
Father: Mr. G. E. Coulls
8. Who is your next of kin? (Address to be stated) ... (Mother) Mrs. Margaret Francis Coulls, Toronto St, Ovingham, N.S.W.
9. Have you ever been convicted by the Civil Power? ... NO
10. Have you ever been discharged from any part of His Majesty's Forces, with Ignominy, or as Incorrigible and Worthless, or on account of Conviction of Felony, or of a Sentence of Penal Servitude, or have you been dismissed with disgrace from the Navy? ... NO
32 Royal Australian Air Force, Hilton, C. Adelaide, S.A.
11. Do you now belong to, or have you ever served in, His Majesty's Army, the Marines, the Militia, the Militia Reserve, the Territorial Force, Royal Navy or Colonial Forces? If so, state which, and if not now serving, state cause of discharge ... Senior Cadet, A Coy. 80th Batt. Transp. to Australia 7th Jan 1943
12. Have you stated the whole, if any, of your previous service? ... Yes.
13. Have you ever been rejected as unfit for His Majesty's Service? If so, on what grounds? ... NO
14. (For married men, widowers with children, and soldiers who are the sole support of widowed mother)— Do you understand that no Separation Allowance will be issued to you after embarkation during your term of service? ... Yes.
15. Are you prepared to undergo inoculation against smallpox and enteric fever? ... Yes.

William Albert Coulls do solemnly declare that the above answers made by me to the above questions are true, and I am willing and hereby voluntarily agree to serve in the Military Forces of the Commonwealth of Australia within or beyond the limits of the Commonwealth.

And I further agree to allot not less than two-fifths of the pay payable to me from time to time during my service for the support of my wife and children

Date 28.7.48

W. A. Coulls
Signature of Person Enlisted.

* This clause should be struck out in the case of unmarried men or widowers without children under 18 years of age.
† Two-fifths must be allotted to the wife, and if there are children three-fifths must be allotted.

Description of William Albert Coulls. on Enlistment

Age 18 years 1 months
 Height 5 feet 8 inches
 Weight 139 lbs.
 Chest Measurement 34 35 inches
 Complexion Fresh
 Eyes Blue
 Hair Dark Brown
 Religious Denomination C of Christ

DISTINCTIVE MARKS.
 Vis R. $\frac{1}{6}$ L. $\frac{1}{6}$
 V acc. Nil

CERTIFICATE OF MEDICAL EXAMINATION.

I HAVE examined the above-named person, and find that he does not present any of the following conditions, viz.:-

Scrofula; phthisis; syphilis; impaired constitution; defective intelligence; defects of vision, voice, or hearing; hernia; hæmorrhoids; varicose veins, beyond a limited extent; marked varicocele with unusually pendent testicle; inveterate cutaneous disease; chronic ulcers; traces of corporal punishment, or evidence of having been marked with the letters D. or B.C.; contracted or deformed chest; abnormal curvature of spine; or any other disease or physical defect calculated to unfit him for the duties of a soldier.

He can see the required distance with either eye; his heart and lungs are healthy; he has the free use of his joints and limbs; and he declares he is not subject to fits of any description.

I consider him fit for active service.

Date 28.7.15

Place Adelaide

W. B. Corbin } CAPTAIN A. A. M. C.
 Signature of Examining Medical Officer.

CERTIFICATE OF COMMANDING OFFICER.

I CERTIFY that this Attestation of the above named person is correct, and that the required forms have been complied with. I accordingly approve, and

appoint him to R. Group Capt.

Date 3/8/15

Place Adelaide

S. Manshausen
 Commanding Adjutant
 CAMP COMMANDANT

B. 4674

Statement of Service No. _____ Name Boult W. A.

Unit in which served	Promotions, Reductions, Casualties, &c.	Period of Service in each Rank		Remarks
		From	To	
A. Group Echelon 12/16 th Reinf.		2/8/15	31/8/15	
		1/9/15	8.8.16	
48 th Battalion	Transferred from the 16 th Battalion	9.3.16		B No 241

I have examined the above details, and find them correct in every respect.

S. Mansfield

CASUALTY OFFICER

D

16481

KILLED IN ACTION
ALIAN

D.16481
MILITARY FORCES.

AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE.

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No. 4674 Name COULLS William Albert
92688 Unit 16th Battalion 19th Div.
 Joined on 1 9 15

12th Rein's
16th Battalion.

Questions to be put to the Person Enlisting before Attestation.

1. What is your Name? ... William Albert Coulls
2. In or near what Parish or Town were you born? ...
 in the Parish of _____ in or
 near the Town of Pyap Station
 in the County of South Aust
3. Are you a natural born British Subject or a Naturalized British Subject? (N.B.—If the latter, papers to be shown.) ... NB
4. What is your age? ... 18 1/2 yrs
5. What is your trade or calling? ... Woodcarver
6. Are you, or have you been, an Apprentice? If so, where, to whom, and for what period? ... yes L P. Hewison's Adelaide
7. Are you married? ... No 4 yrs
8. Who is your next of kin? (Address to be stated) ...
Mother) Margaret Francis
Toronto SA (Coulls
Dretingham SA
9. Have you ever been convicted by the Civil Power? ... No
10. Have you ever been discharged from any part of His Majesty's Forces, with Ignominy, or as Incurable and Worthless, or on account of Conviction of Felony, or of a Sentence of Penal Servitude, or have you been dismissed with disgrace from the Navy? ... No
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Senior Cadets R Coy 80th Batt
Trans to Artillery. Vol
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W.A. Coulls

Signature of Person Enlisted.

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CERTIFICATE OF ATTESTING OFFICER.

The foregoing questions were read to the person enlisted in my presence.

9831—W6400 1113—(130) 000—J. J. E. & Co., Ltd.—Forms B. 103.

Casualty Form—Active Service.

Army Form B. 103.

3688

Regiment or Corps 48th Battalion A.I.P. (Late 16th Btn.)

Regimental No. 3888 Rank Private Name Coulls E. A.

Enlisted (a) _____ Terms of Service (a) _____ Service reckons from (a) _____

Date of promotion to present rank } Date of appointment to lance rank } Numerical position on roll of N.C.Os. }

Extended _____ Re-engaged _____ Qualification (b) _____

Report		Record of promotions, reductions, transfers, casualties, etc., during active service, as reported on Army Form B. 213, Army Form A. 36, or in other official documents. The authority to be quoted in each case.	Place	Date	Remarks taken from Army Form B. 213, Army Form A. 36, or other official documents.
Date	From whom received				
	Non. Roll	Allotted to 48th Batta	Zeitoun	9.3.16	A.P. 5295
	G.O. Btn.	Taken on Strength of 48th Battalion	Tel-el-Kebir	9.3.16	A.P. 5609
	G.O. Btn	Appointed I/Corporal	Serapeun	14.4.16	A.L. 1413 B. 213 D.O./2087
	H.M.T. Caledonia	Proceeded to join B.E.F. Disembarked	Alexandria Marseilles	2.6.16 9.6.16	A.P. 8622 L.R. 5782
11.8.16	G.O. Btn.	KILLED IN ACTION	FRANCE	5.8.16	A.Q. 2400 B. 213 A.Q. 2701 B. 213 D.O. 29/370 Cas. List 17.8.16 V.L. 53

J. J. Coulls
Lieut
Officer I/C. Records

ANZAC SECTION
3rd ECHELON C.R.C.
B. E. F.

(a) In the case of a man who has re-engaged for, or enlisted into Section D, Army Reserve, particulars of such re-engagement or enlistment will be entered.
(b) e.g. Signaller, Shooting Smith, etc., etc., also special qualifications in technical Corps duties.

I.P.T.O.

the State of South Australia

this 3 AUG 1915 day _____ of _____

19 _____, before me—

A. J. Cooper Lieut
Signature of Attesting Officer.

* A person enlisting who objects to taking an oath may make an affirmation in accordance with the Third Schedule of the Act and the above form must be amended accordingly. All amendments must be initialled by the Attesting Officer.

FIELD SERVICE.

REPORT of Death of a Soldier to be forwarded to the War Office with the least possible delay after receipt of notification of death on Army Form B. 213 or Army Form A. 36 or from other official documentary sources.

REGIMENT } 48th. Battalion A.I.F. Squadron, }
 or } Troop, Battery }
 CORPS } or Company }

Regtl. No. 3688 Rank Lance Corporal

Name COULLS W.A.

Date 5.8.16

Died { Date In the Field FRANCE

{ Place Killed in Action

{ Cause of Death* A.F.B. 213 11.8.16

Nature and Date of Report

By whom made C.O. 48th. Battalion A.I.F.

* Specially state if killed in action, or died from wounds received in action, or from illness due to field operations or to fatigue, privation or exposure while on military duty, or from injury while on military duty.

Burial { Place Not yet to hand

{ Date -

{ By whom reported -

State whether he leaves a will or not { (a) in Pay Book (Army Book 64) Not yet to hand
 (b) in Small Book (if at Base) -
 (c) as a separate document -

All private documents and effects received from the front or hospital, as well as the Pay Book, should be examined, and if any will is found it should be at once forwarded to the War Office. Any information received as to verbal expressions by a deceased soldier of his wishes as to the disposal of his estate should be reported to the War Office as soon as possible.

A duplicate of this Report is to be sent to the Fixed Centre Paymaster at Home, or to the D.F.A.G., Indian Expeditionary Force, or Field Disbursing Officer, as the case may require, together with the deceased's Pay Book (after withdrawal of any will from the latter). If the deceased's Small Book is at the Base, it should be forwarded to the War Office with this Report.

Signature of Officer in charge of Section Adjutant-General's Office at the Base } *J. J. [Signature]* Lieut.
 Officer in Charge Records

Station and Date Rouen FRANCE 18.10.16



Toronto Street, Ovingham
South Australia

2/5/15

To the Military Authorities

I hereby give my willing consent to my son William Albert Coulls whose age on June 11th last was 18 years. He being born June 11th 1897 in South Australia to join the Expeditionary forces for whatever services his Country demands whether abroad or home defence.

Trusting he will do his duty in any capacity required
I Am, Sirs,

Yours, Charles Ernest Coulls
Father of W. A. Coulls.

M. J. Coulls

F.C.

AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE.

KIT STORE.



110, GREYHOUND ROAD.

FULHAM, LONDON.

S.W.

Telephone:—HAMMERSMITH 1809.

Inventory of Effects of— The Late.3688. L/Cpl Coullies W.R. 48th Batt'n. A.I.F.

Forwarded to—

Next of Kin.
Margaret Coullies,
Toronton Street,
Ovingham,
Adelaide,
South Australia.

Shirley Coullies

Effects.

3rd Echelon)
No. 2881.)

Safety Pins, Testament, 2 Note Books, Razor in Case,
Letters, Scarf, Cotton Bag.

No. of Package

254219

Checked by

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REGIMENT } 48th. Battalion A.I.F. Squadron, Troop, Battery or Company }
 or
 CORPS }

Regtl. No. 3688 Rank Lance Corporal

Name GOULLS V.A.

Date 5.8.16
 Died { Place In the Field FRANCE
 Cause of Death* Killed in Action

Nature and Date of Report A.P.B. 213 11.8.16

By whom made G.O. 48th. Battalion A.I.F.

* Specially state if killed in action, or died from wounds received in action, or from illness due to field operations or to fatigue, privation or exposure while on military duty, or from injury while on military duty.

Burial { Place Not yet to hand
 Date -
 By whom reported -

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2222 Section
 3rd. Echelon G.H.Q.
 B.M.F.

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AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE.

No. 3688

Rank

Lt/Col

Name

COULLS W.A.

Unit

488th

363

Casualty

5/8/16 Killed in action Cihil 242/6938^E West London 29-8-16

DATE.	PURPORT.	A. F. B. 2090A Received.	REF. NO.
6.9.16	4 ADVISED, KILLED IN ACTION		
18.9.16	COPY MADE FOR WAR PENSIONS Grey. Imp of Compt. looking for reports		246
21.5.17	CONFIRMATION RECEIVED OF Cable No. 6315 R. 314 3/16/25 4916		
15.1.18	PERSONAL EFFECTS EX. Bearing Choon PERSONAL EFFECTS EX. Marathon		
	M. Form 7 Returned to War Dept 4 M.D. 711/409 etc. Received & acknowledged Regular 314 M. 46/1566 & Booklet re Graves respatched 8/1/19 Book printed sent 30/8/20		
10/6/21	to Comdt. Lt Col M.D. B.R.M. 52/855 855		
2/10.21	1914/1915 Star issued B.R.M. 43/12257 BRITISH WAR MEDAL to Comdt. Lt Col M.D. B.R.M. 53,745		

WAR HISTORY INDEX



"WHERE THE AUSTRALIANS REST."
M.A.C. Coulls on 19.10.21

LIST.

4/16-C-242-304

MEMORIAL
SCROLL

To
Father

M. C. E. Coulls

316475

29/5/21 RLB
R. A. [unclear] 11/11

MEMORIAL
PLAQUE
To
Father # *4* *1/15*
M. C. E. Coulls
316475
5/1/22 8/5

6727

7 FEB 1923

VICTORY MEDAL to *Father* B.R.P.F. 42
Registered Post No. *9906* G. P. O. Melbourne.

9 MAY 1933

REGISTER ORDER FORM despatched
to *TR 26*

CEMETERY REGISTER
L.R. X DESPATCHED, 8.6.33



COULLS, William Albert



Service no 3688
Lance Corporal
48th Battalion

Born 11 June 1897 at Pyap Settlement, River Murray, SA
Son of Charles Ernest COULLS and Margaret Frances nee HOWELL
Of Ovingham, SA
Occupation prior to enlistment Woodcarver and Machinist
Enlisted 03 August 1915
Killed in action 05 August 1916 at Pozieres, France
Aged 19 years
Commemorated Villers-Bretonneux Memorial, France

