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# AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE.

## ATTESTATION PAPER OF PERSONS ENLISTED FOR SERVICE ABROAD.

No. <sup>1041</sup> *1591* Name *OLDING Walter Knox*  
 Unit *B Coy. Inf Base Depot*  
 27 th. Btn *27<sup>th</sup> Btn* Joined on *8-3-15*

### Questions to be put to the Person Enlisting before Attestation.

1. What is your Name? *Walter Knox Olding*
2. In the Parish of \_\_\_\_\_ in or near the Town of *Kent Town* 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? *29 1/2*
5. What is your trade or calling? *Assistant Iron Monger*
6. Are you, or have you been an Apprentice? If so, where, to whom, and for what period? *No*
7. Are you married? *No*
8. Who is your next of kin? (Address to be stated) *(Mother) Mrs Agnes Maria Olding, 112 Queen Street, Northwood, South Aust*
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*
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 *No*
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 and widowers with children) Do you understand that no Separation Allowance will be used to you either before or after embarkation during your term of service? *Yes*
15. Are you prepared to undergo inoculation against Smallpox and Rabies Fever? *Yes*

*Walter Knox Olding* 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-thirds of the pay payable to me from time to time during my service for the support of my wife and children.

Date *8-23-15* *W. K. Olding*  
 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.

Description of Walter Knox Olding <sup>3</sup> on Enlistment

Age 29 years 6 months  
Height 5 feet 7 inches  
Weight 138 lbs.  
Chest Measurement 31½ inches  
Complexion Fair  
Eyes Blue  
Hair Dark Brown  
Religious Denomination Protestant

DISTINCTIVE MARKS.

Vis - R<sup>6</sup> L<sup>6</sup>  
Vacc - 2 L

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 8/3/15  
Place Keswick

W. Ray Bursell  
Signature of Examining Medical Officer. FRANC

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 B. Coy. Inf. Base Depot / 77<sup>th</sup> Inf. A. 23 16. 3. 15

Date \_\_\_\_\_  
Place Camplands

Major  
Commanding Camp

**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 } 27th BATTALION A.I.F. Squadron, }  
 or } Troop, Battery }  
 CORPS } or Company }

Regtl. No. 1041 Rank Private.

Name OLDING, Walter Knox.

Died { Date 4th August 1916.

{ Place FRANCE.

{ Cause of Death\* KILLED IN ACTION.

Nature and Date of Report A.F. B213. 12th August 1916.

By whom made Commanding Officer, 27th 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) Yes (forwarded separately)  
 (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.

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Signature of Officer in charge of Section Adjutant-General's Office at the Base } Hewson

LIEUTENANT.

Officer i/c Records.

Station and Date ROUEN, FRANCE. 20th September 1916.

Description of Walter Knox Olding on Enlistment

Age 29 years 6 months  
 Height 5 feet 7 inches  
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 Chest Measurement 31½ - 33½ inches  
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 Eyes Blue  
 Hair Dark Brown  
 Religious Denomination Protestant

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Date 8-3-15  
 Place Berwick

S. Roy Burslem, Capt  
 Signature of Examining Medical Officer. A.A.M.C.

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 "B" Coy. Infy. Base Depot/17th Div. a. 17. 11. 15

Date 8/3/15  
 Place Ca. K. Camp

(Signed) H. de Passoy, Major  
 Commanding Camp

Army Form B. 103.

**Casualty Form—Active Service.**

Regiment or Corps 27th BATTALION.7th INF.BRIGADE A.I.F. Regimental Number 1041

Rank Private Surname OLDING Christian Name Walter Knox.

Religion \_\_\_\_\_ Age on Enlistment \_\_\_\_\_ years \_\_\_\_\_ months.

Enlisted (a) 8/3/15 Terms of Service (a) War & 4 month Service reckons from (a) 8/3/15

Date of promotion to present rank \_\_\_\_\_ Date of appointment to lance rank \_\_\_\_\_

Extended ( ) Re-engaged ( ) Qualification (b) \_\_\_\_\_  
or Corps Trade and Rate \_\_\_\_\_

Signature of Officer i/c Records.

Date	Report From whom received	Record of promotions, reductions, transfers, casualties, &c., 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 of Casualty	Date of Casualty	Remarks Taken from Army Form B. 213, Army Form A. 36, or other official documents
	H.T. "Ivernia"	Embarked ... Disembarked... PROCEEDED TO JOIN M.E.F. GALLIPOLI PENINSULA KX	Alexandria	4/9/15	
25/9/15	13th Cas.Clg. Hospital	Diarrhoea. Admitted	Gallipoli Peninsula	21/9/15	C.3726
2/10/15	-do-	Discharged to duty.	"	27/9/15	C.3867.
2/10/15	C.O. AFB.213.	REJOINED BATTALION	"	30/9/15	
		DISEMBARKED EX MUDROS	Alexandria	10/1/16	D.3464.
		PROCEEDED TO JOIN B.E.F.	"	15/3/16	
		DISEMBARKED EX ALEXANDRIA	Marseilles	21/3/16	
12/8/16	C.O. AFB.213.	KILLED IN ACTION.	France.	4/8/16	AQ.3221. D.O.56/3913. VL.55.24/8/16.

*Newman*  
Officer i/c Records. **LIEUTENANT.**

(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) Signaller, Shoemaker, Smith, &c.  
(D.M.103) W 12012-0128 J. P. & Co., Ltd. Form B.103/3. [P.T.O.]

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Signature of Officer in charge } *H. H. H.*  
of Section Adjutant-General's }  
Office at the Base }  
LIEUTENANT.

Officer i/c Records.

Station and Date ROUEN, FRANCE. 20th September 1916.

M.S.

AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE.

Base Records Office, A.I.M.F.

Victoria Barracks,

INDROUPTON, 1st November 1916.

According to the records the following

particulars apply to No. 1041, Pte. W. K. Olding,  
27th Battalion.

Place of birth	Kent Town, South Australia.
Age, at date of enlistment	29 years 6 months (8/3/15)
Next-of-kin	Miss A. M. Olding, 42 Queen Street Norwood, S. A.
Height	5 feet 7 inches
Complexion	Fair
Colour of eyes	Blue
Colour of hair	Dark brown
Distinctive marks	Vacc 2 L.

J. M. LEAF.

Major,

Officer in Charge Base Records.

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# AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE.

No. 1041  
 Rank Private Name Olding W.K.  
 Unit 27 Bn  
 Casualty H/46 Killed in action 0181359/6961 D. London 4/1/16



DATE	A. F. B. 103 Received	PURPORT.	A. F. B. 2090A Received.	REF. NO.
71 SEP 1916		M.O. 4 ADVISED, KILLED IN ACTION. 4/18/16 COPY MADE FOR WAR PENSIONS		
19 9 16		A. R. Olding asking information re will		30/9
4 10 16		Reply sent to 19 9 16		
4 10 16		Miss. A.M. Olding asking mother No K. Drowned & claims not NOK		
17 10 16		Reply sent to 4/10/16		
22 9 16		Mat. h/46 & Higgins asking for D/Cut. Sent to D. G. W. 5. Arr. Post. 20/12/16		
1 11 16		2/12/16 sent to 16 10 16		
		CONFIRMATION RECEIVED OF Oable No. <u>28/45 vide 2/12/16</u>		
11.1.17		"Will" to D.P.M.H. M.D. 7/13/18		
6 2 17		NOK asking for D/Cut		142
16. 2. 17		PERSONAL EFFECTS EX. 10/1/17		
		Circular B.R.M. 40/1308 & Booklet re Graves despatched 12/12/19		"Received & ack by printed 7/20"
10/12/20		To Comdt. H.H. M.O. B.R.M. 62/46		
		1914/1915 Star issued B.R.M. 43/12291 27/49-48		23745
17/2/21		BRITISH WAR MEDAL to Comdt. H.H. M.O. B.R.M. 63/1100		

"WHERE THE AUSTRALIANS REST."  
 Pendant sent to M.A.R. Olding on 27.5.16

LIST.

D.P. 401A - 0/401 - 1/20



MEMORIAL  
SCROLL  
to  
Brother  
W. A. R. Alding  
313620  
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MEMORIAL  
PLAQUE  
29. 6. 22  
to  
Brother (No 47120)  
W. A. R. Alding  
313620  
26. 6. 22

W. A. R. Alding D. R. P. F. 45.  
VICTORY METAL, 1830  
Registered Post No. 1830, D. P. O. Melbourne.  
1 JAN 1923

REGISTERED COPY FORM described  
V.P.M.

**OLDING, Walter Knox**



Service no 1041  
Private  
27th Battalion

Born 27 September 1885 at Kent Town, SA  
Son of John Guye OLDING and Maria Agnes nee DAWS  
Of 82 Farrant St., Prospect, SA  
Occupation prior to enlistment Assistant Iron Monger  
Enlisted 08 March 1915  
Killed in action 04 August 1916  
Aged 30 years  
Commemorated Villers-Bretonnux Memorial

Observer Newspaper

