

George James BURGE



Pre-enlistment:

- George Burge was born in Cygnet, Tasmania
- His Next of Kin was his father N Burge, Linda, West Coast Tasmania
- His mother was E. Burge, 66 King William St, Fitzroy, Victoria
- His occupation at the time of his enlistment was that of a labourer
- He was single

Previous Military Service

- He served at the Australian Expeditionary Force to Rabaul (German New Guinea) reaching Thursday Island.

Military Record

- Service Number 372
- George James BURGE enlisted on 23 June 1915 in Atherton, Qld
- He was attached to the 26th Battalion. B Company in the 1st AIF
- On 24 May 1915 he embarked as a Private with his Unit on board the HMAT Ascanius, from Brisbane
- His name was recorded as BERGE on one of his Attestation papers but corrected to Burge.
- On VWMA website is entered as Berge not Burge
- He embarked from Alexandria on 4 September 1915 to join the Mediterranean Military Force, Gallipoli.
- After being injured he was transferred to 7th Field Ambulance at Mudros on Lemnos on 21 December 1915 then returned to his Unit on recovery.
- He disembarked Alexandria for Marsailles, France on 21 March 1916 to join his Unit in France
- Private George James BURGE died on 5 November 1916 at Mouquet Farm, France
- His war service was in Gallipoli, Egypt and on the Western Front

Cemetery &/or Memorial

- Buried at Guidecourt, or Gueudecourt France, but no known grave
- Memorial: Australian War Memorial, Panel Number, Roll of Honour 107

Honours & Awards

- 1914-15 Star
- British War Medal
- Victory Medal

Rifle Shooting

- Name was a member of Yungaburra Rifle Club.

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Reference Links

- <https://recordsearch.naa.gov.au/SearchNRetri eve/Interface/ViewImage.aspx?B=3167493>
- <https://www.aif.adfa.edu.au/showPerson? pid=39064>
- <https://vwma.org.au/explore/people/241287>
- <https://www.awm.gov.au/collection/R1678324>
- Bruce Scott – Members of the North Queensland Rifle Clubs who died during the Great War – 1914 – 1918.