

James Martin ANDREWS



Pre-enlistment:

- James was born on 7 June 1890 in Ma Ma Creek near Grantham, Qld to parents of late David Andrews and Fleurine Elise Andrews of 'Laicourt' Ma Ma Creek
- He attended school at Ma Ma Creek State School
- He was employed in managing his mother's farm at the time of enlistment

Military Records

- Service Number: 4357
- James Andrews enlisted on 29 October 1915 in Brisbane with the 25th Battalion
- He was in training camped in Brisbane
- He embarked on 29 March 1916 with his Unit on HMAT Star of Victoria, from Brisbane and disembarked in Alexandria on 10 May 1916.
- On 10 May 1916 he left Alexandria on the HT Scotian.
- He was taken on strength in France on 2 August
- He was reported missing three days later.
- A Court of Inquiry found he was killed in action that day.
- His War Service was in Egypt and on the Western Front.
- Private James Martin Andrews was killed in action on 5 August 1916, in the Somme France only two days after arriving at the front. He was aged 26 years
- He had two brothers: 2127 Private George Henry Andrews, killed in action, 9 June 1917; Private Bertie Reginald Andrews, 25th Battalion, killed in action, 10 June 1918.

Cemetery &/or Memorial

- Cemetery: No known grave - "Known Unto God"
- Villers-Bretonneux Memorial (Australian National Memorial - France)
- Memorials: Australian War Memorial Roll of Honour,
- Gatton Weeping Mother Memorial,
- Ma Ma Creek Memorial,
- Nanango War Memorial,

Honours & Awards

- British War Medal,
- Victory Medal

Rifle Shooting

- James Andrews was a member of the Ma Ma Creek Rifle Club

ACWM Commemoration Service

Reference Links

- <https://www.awm.gov.au/collection/R1729277>
- <https://recordsearch.naa.gov.au/SearchNRRetrieve/Interface/ViewImage.aspx?B=3033490>
- <https://vwma.org.au/explore/people/284895>
- <https://www.aif.adfa.edu.au/showPerson?pid=5896>
- <https://trove.nla.gov.au/newspaper/article/122003897>
- Queenslanders Who Fought in the Great War – 1914 – 1918
- <https://trove.nla.gov.au/newspaper/article/121871554>