

Australian Red Cross Society Wounded and Missing
Enquiry Bureau files, 1914-18 War
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**1708 Private
John Armstrong Mann**

9th Battalion



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A.I.F. 9th Bttn.

MANN.
John Armstrong. 1708

Died. 26.5.15

"In further reply to your letter of 4th June, 1919, regarding the burial of Private J.A. Mann who was buried in Suez French Cemetery, I am to inform you that it has been found necessary to exhume the bodies buried in this cemetery and to re-inter them, and the body of the above mentioned soldier has accordingly been removed and re-buried in Suez Christian Cemetery, Plot "B", Grave 43.

The new grave has been marked and duly registered in this office.

The removal was undertaken with every measure of care and reverence, and the re-burial conducted in the presence of a Military Chaplain.

Letter from

for Principal Ass. Sec.
Imperial War Graves Commission.
Winchester House,
St. James's Square, London. S.W.1
22nd August. 1919.

CAIRO.

London.
28.6.19.

A.I.F. 9th Battn.

MAHH
John Armstrong 1708

"Cable burial place, died Mena
26.5.15

Died Bron. Pneumonia (following measles) 26.5.15 at Gov. Hpl, Suez.
No burial report
Cert. by A.I.F. Hqrs 28.5.19

London
29.5.19

Cairo

NOTE TO CAIRO.

A.I.F.
9th Bttn.

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Died 26.5.19.

NAME.
John Armstrong. 1702.

With reference to your cable of 21.5.19. We were advised by A.I.F. Headquarters that he died of broncho pneumonia following measles on 26.5.15 at the Government Hospital Suez and not at Mena as stated by you. No burial report is held here and although we are referring the matter to the Imperial War Graves Commission we do not think it likely that we shall be successful. Is it not possible to obtain from the hospital records the place of the burial? We are cancelling the case as he died in a General Hospital and enquiries in the Egyptian area are within your scope rather than ours.

London:
5.6.19.

A.I.F.
9th Battn.

MANN.
J.A. 1708

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Died 26.5.18.

We have made full enquiries at A.I.F. Hqrs 3rd Echelon, E.R.P. and Government Hospital, Suez, and also have examined the books at Old Cairo Cemetery, where men dying at Mona Camp were interred, and regret to have to advise you that we can obtain no trace of grave or burial report of above named soldier."

Letter from: L.S. Sanders,
Asst. Com.
Wded & Missing Inf. Bureau.
A.R.C.S., Egypt.
Cairo 17.5.19.

London.
18.7.19.

CAIRO.

21.7.19

1708

Pls John Armstrong
Marrin

9th Bm -

correspondence in
Grave Registration
File