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1770 Private
SMITH John Joseph

24th Battalion
24/9/18

Died of wounds
(Mother) M.J. Smith

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Particulars Required for the Roll of Honour of Australia in the Memorial War Museum.

1. Name (in full) of Fallen Soldier. *John Joseph Smith*
2. Unit and Number (if known) *24th Battalion No. 1440.*
3. With what Town or District in Australia was he chiefly connected (under which his name ought to come on the Memorial)—
Town (if any) _____ District *Wick Wick. Linderow* State *Victoria*
4. What was his Birthplace *Wick Wick.*
5. Date of Death *24th Sept 1918.*
6. Place where Killed or Wounded *Wt. St. Quentin, died in hospital, Rouen.*

Particulars Required for the Nation's Histories.

1. What was his Calling *21 years on 20th July 1918.*
2. Age at time of Death *21 years on 20th July 1918.*
3. What was his School *No 2424. State School, Wick Wick*
4. What was his other Training _____
5. If born in Britain or Abroad, at what age did he come to Australia _____
6. Had he ever served in any Military or Naval Force before Enlisting in the A.I.F. (Please state particulars) _____
7. Any other biographical details likely to be of interest to the Historian of the A.I.F., or of his Regiment—

8. Was he connected with any other Member of the A.I.F. who died or who distinguished himself. (Please state Relationship)—

a cousin was killed (George R. Smith No. 1555)

9. Name and Address of the Parent or other person giving this information—

Name *Mary R. J. Smith*

Relationship to Soldier *mother*

Address *Walpa. P.O. Linderow*

10. Names and Addresses of any other persons to whom reference could be made by the Historian for further information—

Name *Cpl. Leslie Williams, Linderow. (P.O. A. J. Roberts)*

Address *Lt. Walter West, Dandenong, all of 24th Batta (Charlton)*

NOTE.—This Folder is Addressed to the Secretary, Department of Defence, Melbourne. Please fold in four, and stick down gummed flap so that the addressed portion is outside. The information is required urgently.

Lewis Mackin
 Gun bed
 24th Batta
 A.I.F.

Mary Ag.
 Smith
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The Secretary.

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Dear Sir

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My son

enlisted on march 30th 1915. he was 18 years on 20th July 1915.
 He sailed on the 16th July 1915. & fought on Gallipoli,
 & was wounded there at the end of sept, & was sent to
 Malta; where he was until the end of oct, & was then
 sent on to England. He was sent back to Egypt,
 leaving Weymouth on 15th Feb 1916. He was again
 wounded at Pozieres on 27th July 1916. & was in hospital
 at Etaples for 6 or 7 weeks. He went back to the line, &
 his next sickness was in Dec. when he got fumps in
 his groin - bad feet. He was sent back to a dressing
 station; & for 6 weeks helped to dress the feet of
 comrades, working in the 6th amb. He went into
 the line again on 1st Mar 1917, & was wounded
 in May at Bullecourt. & sent to Bristol,
 England on 15th May. He was sent back to the
 front in Nov. I am not sure of the date of his
 next sickness; without looking at his letters;
 but he was in hospital in France with diarrhoea
 for 4 weeks; back again to the front, & was gassed
 the end of July 1918. went in the line again on 27th Aug.
 & was again wounded on 1st sept & died on 24th sept 1918.

He was 21 & 2 months. His comrades can tell you more of
 his life at the front. Lieutenant Walter Strat of 4th London
 Bde. 24th Batta. Linderson. Private A. E. Roberts. Chatterton. (A.I.F.)
 was the
 of 24th Batta. Thomas Fraser of Newcastle. knew him as a child

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