

The AIF Project



Francis Edwin ARMSTRONG

Regimental number	3004
Place of birth	Wallsend New South Wales
Religion	Presbyterian
Occupation	School teacher
Address	Murnain Street, Wallsend, New South Wales
Marital status	Single
Age at embarkation	22
Next of kin	Father, W J Armstrong, Murnain Street, Wallsend, New South Wales
Enlistment date	24 July 1915
Rank on enlistment	Acting Sergeant
Unit name	19th Battalion, 7th Reinforcement (/showUnit?unitCode=INF19REIN7)
AWM Embarkation Roll number	23/36/2
Embarkation details	Unit embarked from Sydney, New South Wales, on board HMAT A29 <i>Suevic</i> on 20 December 1915
Regimental number from Nominal Roll	Commissioned
Rank from Nominal Roll	Lieutenant
Unit from Nominal Roll	55th Battalion
Recommendations (Medals and Awards)	Military Cross
	Recommendation date: 3 October 1918
Fate	Returned to Australia 2 June 1919
Medals	Military Cross
	'During the attack on the Hindenburg line, north of Bellicourt, on 30th September 1918, and 1st October 1918, when the attacking troops were held up by machine gun fire, he re-organized his men for the final charge on the machine gun nests. He personally led the charge with great courage and determination, and the enemy were quickly overcome. The result was that the advance of the whole line was allowed to continue.' Source: 'Commonwealth Gazette' No. 10 Date: 29 January 1920
Other details	War service: Egypt, Western Front