

## The AIF Project



### Leonard CHIPPINDALL

Regimental number	18439
Place of birth	Molong New South Wales
Religion	Roman Catholic
Occupation	Clerk
Address	Perkins Street, Newcastle, New South Wales
Marital status	Single
Age at embarkation	20
Next of kin	Father, H H Chippindall, Perkins Street, Newcastle, New South Wales
Previous military service	39th Field Company Army Engineers
Enlistment date	12 January 1916
Rank on enlistment	Gunner
Unit name	Field Artillery Brigade 7, Battery 25 (/showUnit?unitCode=ART.FAB7B25)
AWM Embarkation Roll number	13/35/1
Embarkation details	Unit embarked from Sydney, New South Wales, on board HMAT A8 <i>Argyllshire</i> on 11 May 1916
Rank from Nominal Roll	Gunner
Unit from Nominal Roll	7th Field Artillery Brigade
Fate	Returned to Australia 29 May 1919
Medals	Military Medal  'On 9th April, near MERICOURT, west of ALBERT the 25th Battery was in the area subjected to a very heavy area shoot, during which a small barn containing ammunition and material, and in which 4 men were sleeping, was hit direct by a 5.9 shell and set on fire. one man was killed, another wounded, and the remainder completely dazed. Gunner GHIPPINDALL rushed to the burning shed, and succeeded in clearing the men from the debris. He then managed to put out the fire, thereby saving a considerable quantity of ammunition and material. During the whole time, shells were falling fast, and this gunner displayed great courage and coolness.' Source: 'Commonwealth Gazette' No. 185 Date: 27 November 1918
Family/military connections	Brother: 18437 Bombardier Herbert CHIPPINDALL MM, 7th Field Artillery Brigade, returned to Australia, 29 May 1919.
Other details	War service: Western Front