

## **Charles James BURTON**

Regimental number 4378

Place of birth Sydney New South Wales

Religion Church of England

Occupation Bricklayer

Address Marine Parade, Double Bay, Sydney, New South Wales

Marital status Single

Age at embarkation 19

Next of kin Father, H N Burton, Marine Parade, Double Bay, New South

Wales

Enlistment date 22 February 1916

Rank on enlistment Private

Unit name 17th Battalion, 11th Reinforcement

AWM Embarkation Roll number 23/34/2

Embarkation details Unit embarked from Sydney, New South Wales, on board

HMAT A71 Nestor on 9 April 1916

Rank from Nominal Roll Private

Unit from Nominal Roll 17th Battalion

Recommendations (Medals and Awards) Military Medal

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty whilst

running messages through barrages and under heavy sniping fire during attack near Westhoek on 20 September 1917.

Recommendation date: 25 September 1917

Fate Returned to Australia 12 March 1918

Medals Military Medal

'For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty whilst

running messages through barrages and under fire from some

very accurate snipers, from Company Headquarters to

Battalion Headquarters during attack on 20th September 1917

near WESTHOEK.'

Source: 'Commonwealth Gazette' No. 31

Date: 7 March 1918

Other details

War service: Western Front

Medals: Military Medal, British War Medal, Victory Medal