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of Enlistment - Dubbo NSW: Next of Kin - (Father) RUTHERFORD James

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## RALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE.

Attestation Paper of Persons Enlisted for Service Abroad.

No. 4223

Name RUTHERFORD, ZERMER John Edward
Unit 3 REIN-2-BATTA

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### Questions to be put to the Person Enlisting before Attestation.

1. What is your Name?	1. Rutherford, John Edward
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2. In or near what Parish or Town were you born !	near the Town of Sumny Cerher
	in the County of .NS. W.
3. Are you a natural born British Subject or a Naturalized British Subject? (N.B.—If the latter, papers to be shown.)	3.Netural Bern
4. What is your age?	4. 27 years 6 months
5. What is your trade or calling?	5. Labeurer
6. Are you, or have you been, an Apprentice? If so, where, to whom, and for what period?	6 N 9.
7. Are you married?	7. Single follow Por
8. Who is your next of kin? (Address to be stated)	8. Fre H. A Rutherford (Mothers).  N. S. W.
9. Have you ever been convicted by the Civil Power?	9. No
10. Have you ever been discharged from any part of His Majesty's Forces, with Ignominy, or as Incorrigible and Worthless, or on account of Conviction of Felony, or of a Sentence of Penal Servitude, or have you been dismissed with Disgrace from the Navy?	10. N•
11. Do you now belong to, or have you ever served in, His Majesty's Army, the Marines, the Militia, the Militia Reserve, the Territorial Force, Royal Navy, or Colonial Forces? If so, state which, and if not now serving, state cause of discharge	11. N•
12. Have you stated the whole, if any, of your previous service?	12. Yes
13. Have you ever been rejected as unfit for His Majesty's Service? If so, on what grounds?	13
4. Do you understand that no Separation Allowance will be issued in respect of your service beyond an amount which together with Pay would reach eight shillings per day.	14
5. Are you prepared to undergo inoculation against smallpox and enteric fever?	15. Yes

I, John. Edward Rutherford...... do solemnly declare that the above answers made by me to the above questions are true, and I am willing and hereby voluntarily agree to serve in the Military Forces of the Commonwealth of Australia within or beyond the limits of the Commonwealth.

\*And I further agree to allot not less than two-fifths of the pay payable to me from time to time during my service for the support of my wife

wife and children

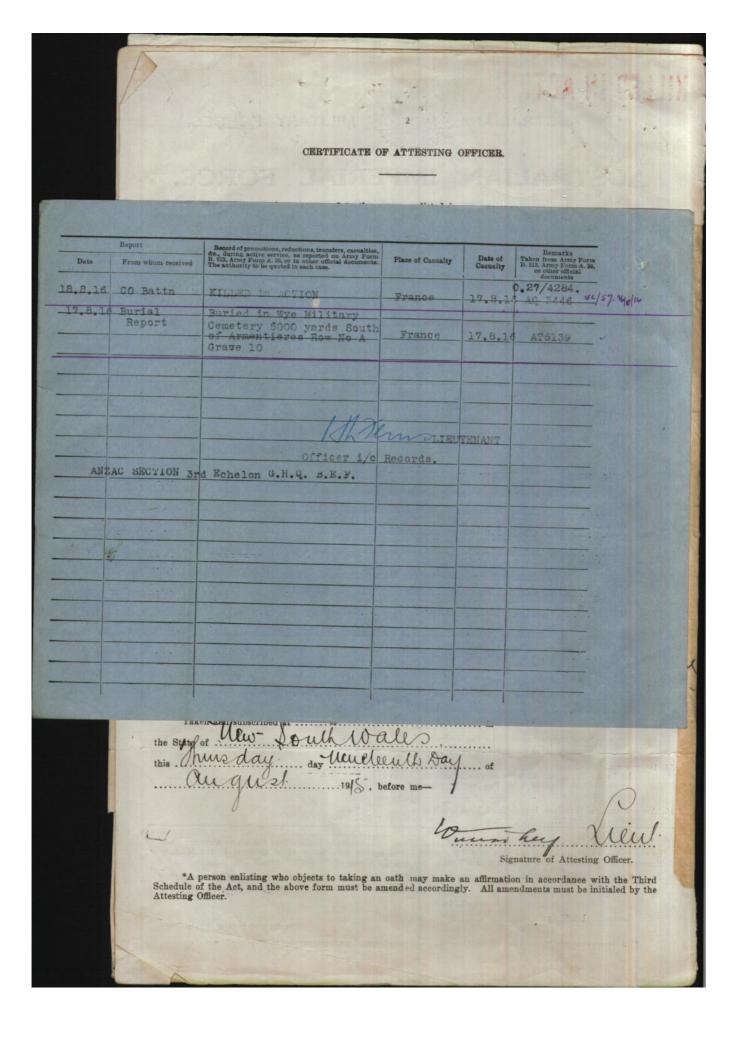
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<sup>\*</sup>This clause to be amended where necessary and should be struck out in the case of unmarried men or widowers without children under 18 years of age.

### FIELD SERVICE.

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6.6.16	CO Battn	Sent to Field Amb from un:	t Ferry Pos	24.4.1	6 AL 2811 766
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19.6.16	CO Battn	Embarked H.T. "Caledonian" to join B.E.F.	Alexandria	19,6.16	AP \$107 /
29.6.16	CO Troops	Disembarkedx	Marseilles	29,6,16	IR 5960 /
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CERTIFICATE OF ATTESTING OFFICER.	
The foregoing questions were read to the person enlisted in my presence.	
I have taken care that he understands each question, and that his answer to each question has been entered as replied to by him.	Army Fo
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OATH TO BE TAKEN BY PERSON BEING ENLISTED.*	Date
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serve our Sovereign Lord the King in the Australian Imperial Force from	16.2.16
until the end of the War, and a further period of four months thereafter unless sooner lawfully dis- dismissed, or removed therefrom; and that I will resist His Majesty's enemies and cause His Majesty's	THE RESIDENCE OF THE PARTY OF T
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*A person enlisting who objects to taking an oath may make an affirmation in accordance with Schedule of the Act, and the above form must be amended accordingly. All amendments must be initial	the Third led by the

#### FIELD SERVICE.

REPORT of Death of a Soldier to be forwarded to the War Office with the least possible delay after receipt of notification of death on Army Form B. 213 or Army Form A. 36 or from other official documentary sources.

REGIMENT or CORPS 54th INF BATTALION A.I.F. Troop, Battery or Company
Regtl. No. 4227 Rank PRIVATE
Name RUTHERFORD John Edward
Date 17th August 1916
Died Place In the Field FRANCE
Cause of Death* KILLED IN ACTION
Nature and Date of Report Army Form B213 dated 18-8-16
By whom made C O 54th Inf Battalion A.I.F.
* Specially state if killed in action, or died from wounds received in action, or are plainess due to field operations or to fatigue, privation of exposure while on military duty, or from injury while on military duty.
Place Wye Military Cemetery 6000 yards South of Armentieres Row No A Grave 10.
Burial   Date 17th August 1916
By whom reported Graves Registration Commission.
(a) in Pay Book (Army Book 64) Not yet to hand
State whether he leaves a will or not (b) in Small Book (if at Base)
(c) as a separate document

All private documents and effects received from the front or hospital, as well as the Pay Book, should be examined, and if any will is found it should be at once forwarded to the War Office.

Any information received as to verbal expressions by a deceased soldier of his wishes as to the disposal of his estate should be reported to the War Office as soon as possible.

A duplicate of this Report is to be sent to the Fixed Centre Paymaster, at Home, or to the D.F.A.G., Indian Epeditionary Force, or Field Disbursing Officer, as the case may require, together with the deceased's Pay Book (after withdrawal of any will from the latter). If the deceased's Small Book is at the Base, it should be forwarded to the War Office with this Report.

Signature of Officer in charge of Section Adjutant-General's Office at the Base O i/c Records

Station and Date ANZAC SECTION 3rd Echelon G.H.Q., B.E.F.
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Attestation Paper of Persons	Enlisted for Service Abroad.
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4. What is your age?	4. 27 years 6 months.
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7. Are you married?	0
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10. Have you ever been discharged from any part of His Majesty's Forces, with Ignominy, or as Incorrigible and Worthless, or on account of Conviction of Felony, or of a Sentence of Penal Servi tude, or have you been dismissed with Disgrace from the Navy?	10
11. Do you now belong to, or have you ever served in, His Majesty's Army, the Marines, the Militia, the Militia Reserve, the Territorial Force, Royal Navy, or Colonial Forces? If so, state which, and if not now serving, state cause of discharge	11
2. Have you stated the whole, if any, of your previous service?	12. Yes
3. Have you ever been rejected as unfit for His Majesty's Service? If so, on what grounds?	} 13. Cho
4. Do you understand that no Separation Allowance will be issued in respect of your service beyond an amount which together with Pay would reach eight shillings per day.	14. Les
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Date! 8/8/19/5	J. E. Dutherford Signature of person enlisted.
*This clause to be amended where necessary and should be struck out in the	e case of unmarried men or widowers without children under 18 years of age.

#### CERTIFICATE OF ATTESTING OFFICER.

The foregoing questions were read to the person enlisted in my presence.

I have taken care that he understands each question, and that his answer to each question has been duly entered as replied to by him.

I have examined his naturalization papers, and am of opinion that they are correct.

(This to be struck out except in the case of persons who are naturalized British Subjects.)

Date. 19. 8, 1915

William Ley Leut

Signature of Attesting Officer.

#### OATH TO BE TAKEN BY PERSON BEING ENLISTED.\*

SO HELP ME, GOD.

Signature of Person Enlisted

Taken and subscribed at who in he State of Chu South Wales
his Thursday day Juneteenth of
Luguet 19/5, before me—

Signature of Attesting Officer.

\*A person enlisting who objects to taking an oath may make an affirmation in accordance with the Third Schedule of the Act, and the above form must be amended accordingly. All amendments must be initialed by the Attesting Officer.

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CERTIFICATE OF ME	DICAL EXAMINATION.
I have examined the above-named person, and find tha	t he does not present any of the following conditions.
viz.:—	
	defective intelligence; defects of vision, voice, or hearing;
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physical defect calculated to unfit him for the duties of	
his joints and limbs; and he declares he is not subject	his heart and lungs are healthy; he has the free use of
	to his of any description.
I consider him fit for active service.	
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	6. St. Durkell (as)
	Signature of Examining Medical Officer.
CERTIFICATE OF COM	MANDING OFFICER.
I CERTIFY that this Attestation of the above-	named person is correct, and that the required forms
have been complied with. I accordingly approve, and	appoint him to
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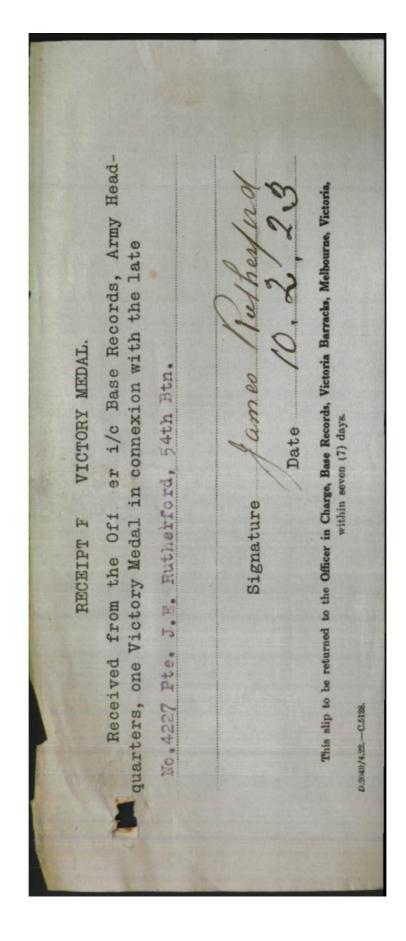
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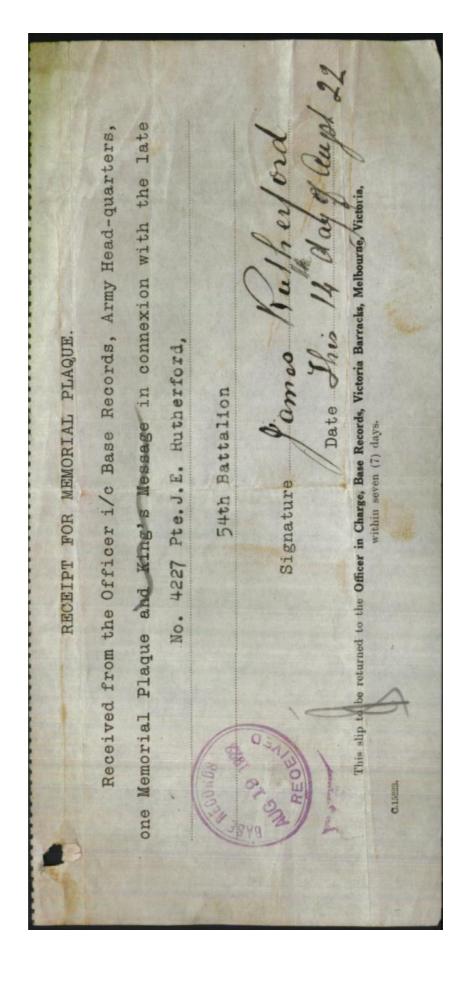
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## I hereby acknowledge having received from the Officer in Charge of Base Records the undermentioned (1) Package, being the effects of Melbourne, Victoria. Receipt for Consignment from Defence Department. Signature Cames / Tuther the late No. 4227 Pta. I. Rutherford, 54th Btn., Victoria Barracks, Date 21 or abuil The Officer in Charge, NOTE. This Receipt should be Posted to-AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE. Base Records, consigned to me. ex "Banalla". Description. Package No.





B.R. Form No. 2.

In all communications regimental number, rank, full name, and unit of Soldier referred to are to be stated.

BASE RECORDS OFFICE, VICTORIA BARRACKS.

17th April, 1917. MELBOURNE,

> Sir, Dear

package is one Forwarded herewith, per separate registered post,

containing personal effects of the late No. 4227 Private J.

Rutherford, 54th Battalion,

, received ex "Benalla". as per inventory attached.

I shall be much obliged if you will kindly let me know whether

safely to hand, by signing and returning the enclosed printed receipt slip. come

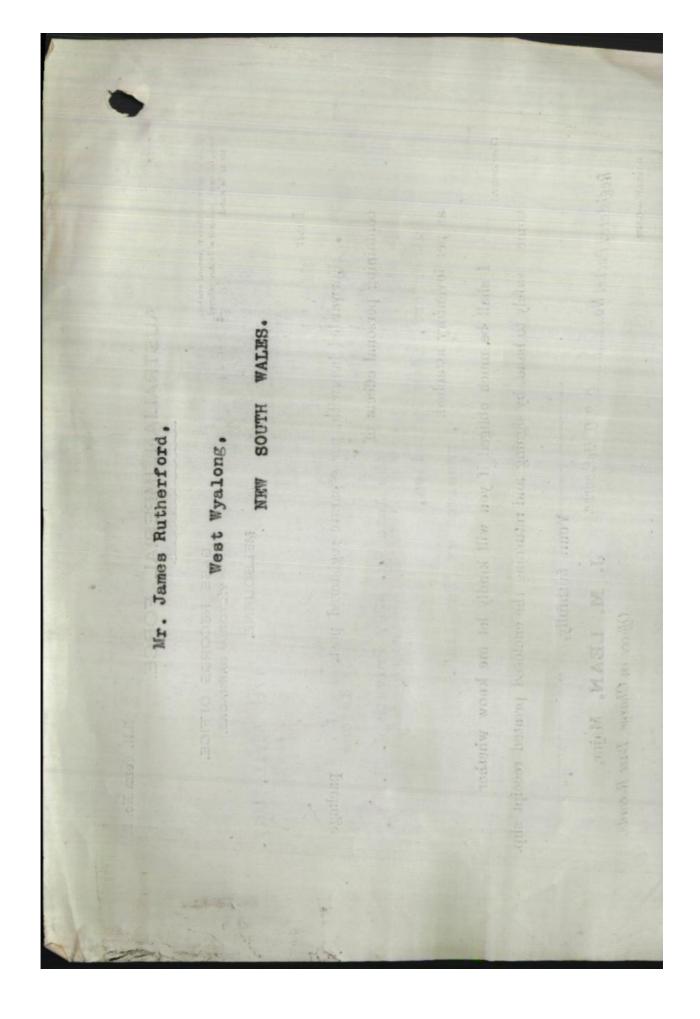
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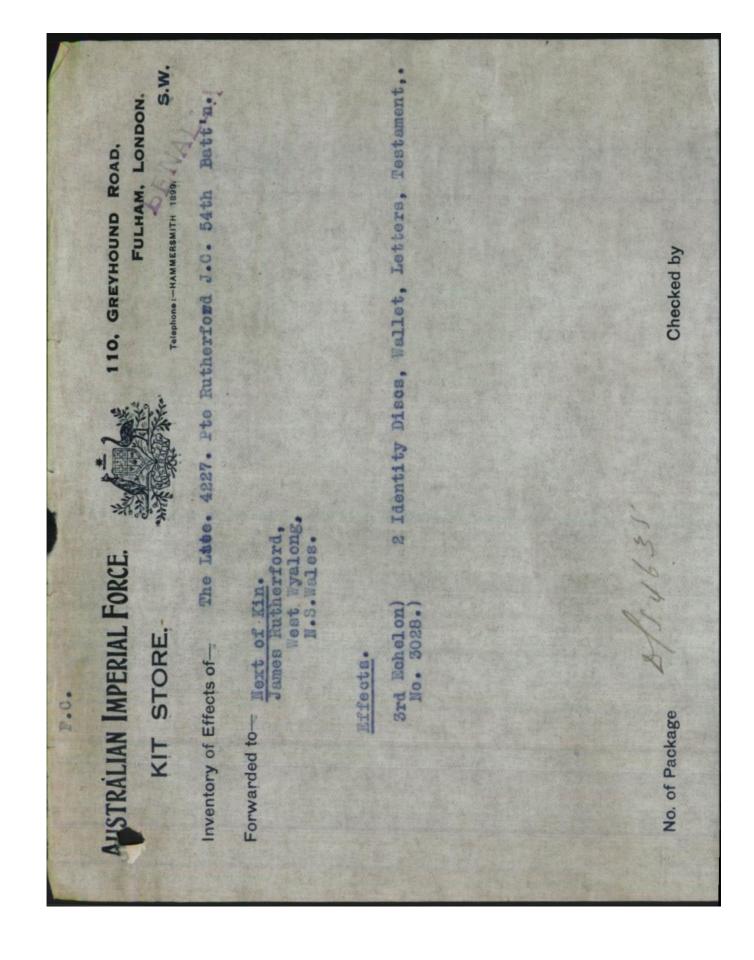
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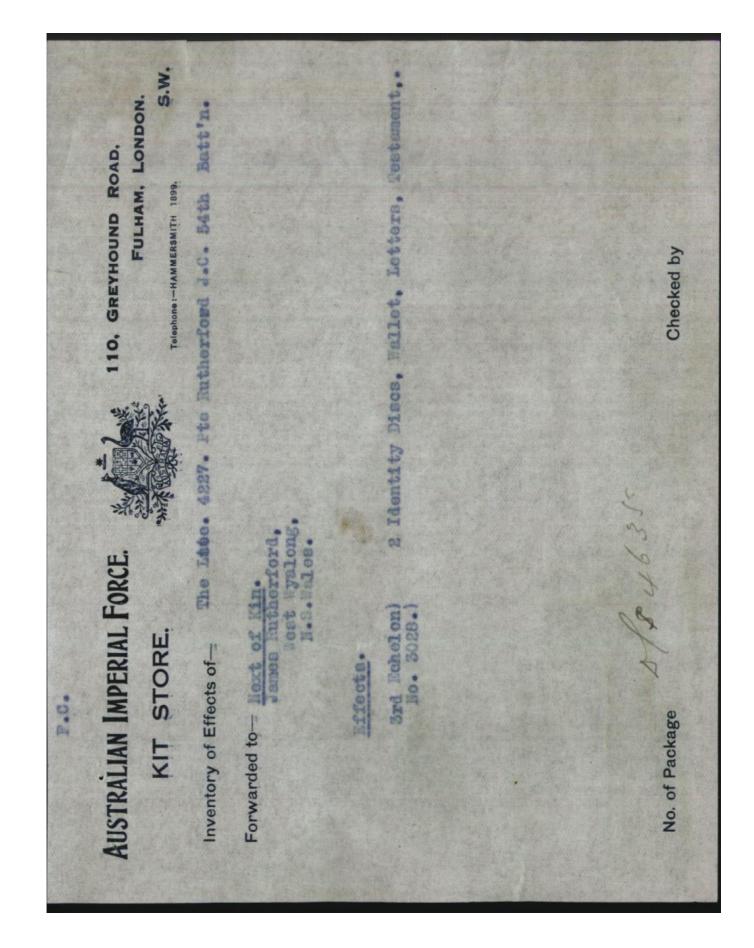




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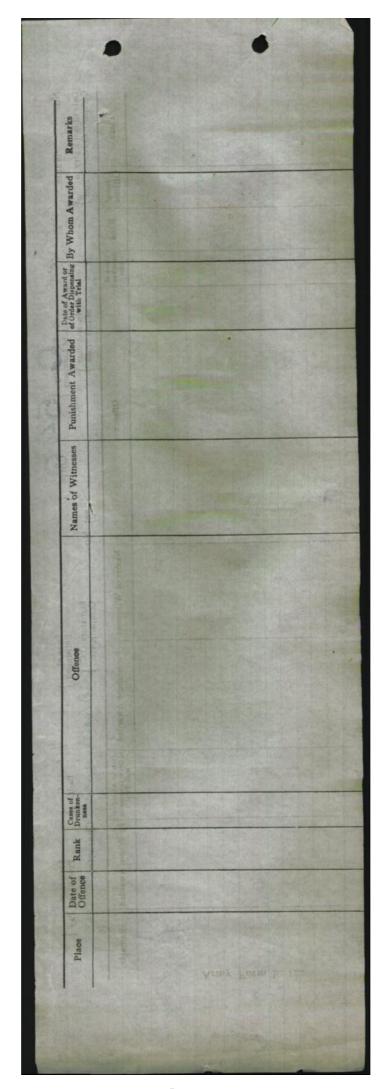
reserved on the permanent headstones for a short verse or epitaph 54th Battallon, I regret to advise that the personal inscription submitted exceeds the number of letters permitted by the Imperial War Graves Commission, and I should be glad if you would choose 29th April, 1924. to be added containing not more than 66 letters including spaces With reference to the Memorial Form "A" completed in respect of your son, the late No. 4227 Pte. J.E. Hutherford, Captain, Records. one of fewer letters. For this purpose there is only space Kindly give the matter your early attention. Officer i/c Base between words (each space counting as a letter). Yours faithfully, XXXX 4780 WEST WYALONG. Mr. J.Rutherford, Welcome St, Dear Sir,

it being the policy of the Department to forward all information received in connexion with deaths of members of the Australian with reference to the report of the regrettable loss of your son, the late No. 4227, Private J. E. Rutherford, 54th Battalfon, I am now in receipt of advice which shows that he was killed in action in France, on the 17th August 1916, and was buried in whe Military Cemetery, 6000 yards South of These additional details are furnished by direction, 14th December 1916. Major. Officer 1/c Base Records. Yours faithfully, Armentieres, Row No. A., Grave 10. 22991 Imperial Force. Mr. J. Rutherford, West Wyalong, Dear Sir, 54/4227.



West Wyalong Officer in charge base Kecords, Dear Lir Mate 54th Battalion formerly 2rd Battal Who was Killed in action in Fr august 17 \$1916. y four in anticipation.

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#### FIELD SERVICE.

REPORT of Death of a Soldier to be forwarded to the War Office with the least possible delay after receipt of notification of death on Army Form B. 213 or Army Form A. 36 or from other official documentary sources.

REGIMENT or CORPS 54th INF BATTALION A.I.F. Squadron, Troop, Battery or Company
Regtl. No. 4227 Rank PRIVATE
Name RUTHERFORD John Edward
Date 17th August 1916
Died Place In the Field FRANCE
Cause of Death* KILLED IN ACTION
Nature and Date of Report Army Form B213 dated 18-8-16
By whom made C O 54th Inf Battalion A.I.F.
* Specially state if killed in action, or died from wounds received in action, or from illness due to field operations or to fatigue, privation or exposure while on military duty, or from injury while on military duty.
Place Wye Military Cemetery 6000 yards South of Armentieres Row- No A Grave 10.  Burial Date 17th August 1916
By whom reported Graves Registration Commission.
(a) in Pay Book (Army Book 64) Not yet to hand
State whether he leaves a will or not (b) in Small Book (if at Base)
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All private documents and effects received from the front or hospital, as well as the Pay Book, should be examined, and if any will is found it should be at once forwarded to the War Office.

Any information received as to verbal expressions by a deceased soldier of his wishes as to the disposal of his estate should be reported to the War Office as soon as possible.

A duplicate of this Report is to be sent to the Fixed Centre Paymaster at Home, or to the D.F.A.G., Indian Epeditionary Force, or Field Disbursing Officer as the case may require, together with the deceased's Pay Book (after withdrawal of any will from the latter). If the deceased's Small Book is at the Base, it should be forwarded to the War Office with this Report.

Signature of Officer in charge of Section Adjutant-General's Office at the Base O i/c Records

Station and DateANZAC SECTION 3rd Echelon G.H.Q., B.E.F.
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