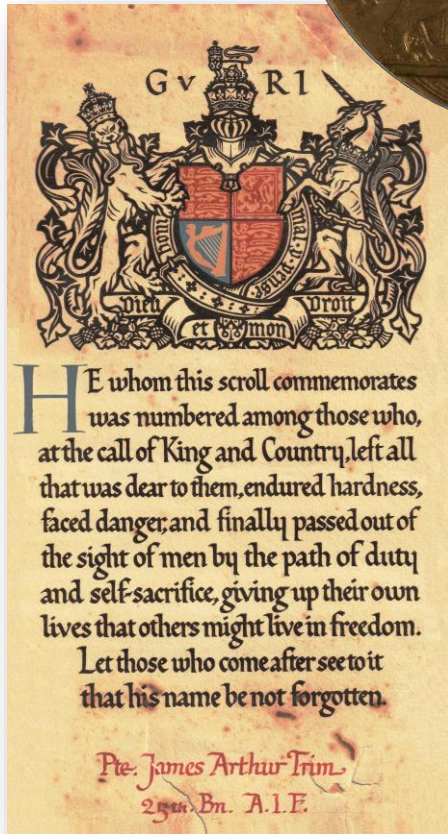


ANZAC Day



Pte James TRIM

**Special thanks to the Trim family for
sharing priceless photos & items**

James Arthur Trim (1888-1917)



First World War

Service No: 6443

Enlisted : 9 October 1916 aged 27 yrs

Unit: 25th Australian Infantry Battalion

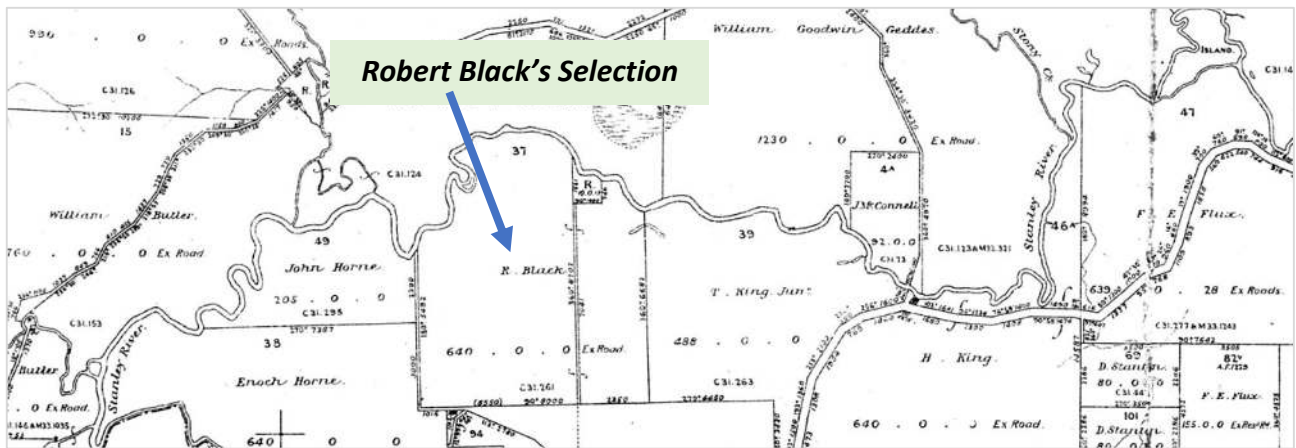
Operations: France and Belgium

1916-1918

Died: 30 October 1917 aged 28 yrs

James Arthur Trim (1888-1917)

James Arthur (Jim) Trim was a toddler when he first came to the Woodford area in 1890. The family took over Robert Black's property at Neurum, and farmed until they lost most of their stock and crops in the flood of 1893. They packed up and returned to Tingalpa, Brisbane.



1890: Survey Map of Neurum

Twenty years later, Jim returned as a young man of 21, when his parents bought the Villeneuve store in 1910. He worked as a labourer in the timber trade, clearing scrub and hauling timber.

Jim answered the call

He was 27 years 4 months when he downed his work tools and enlisted on 9 October 1916, embarking on the 'Demosthenes' on 22 December 1916 for the Western Front.



Photo Courtesy of SLQ

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AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE.

Attestation Paper of Persons Enlisted for Service Abroad.

No. 6443

Name { Surname **TRIM**
in full Christian Name **JAMES ARTHUR.**

Unit **3rd Bn. 52nd Bn.**

Joined on **9th. October, 1916.**

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

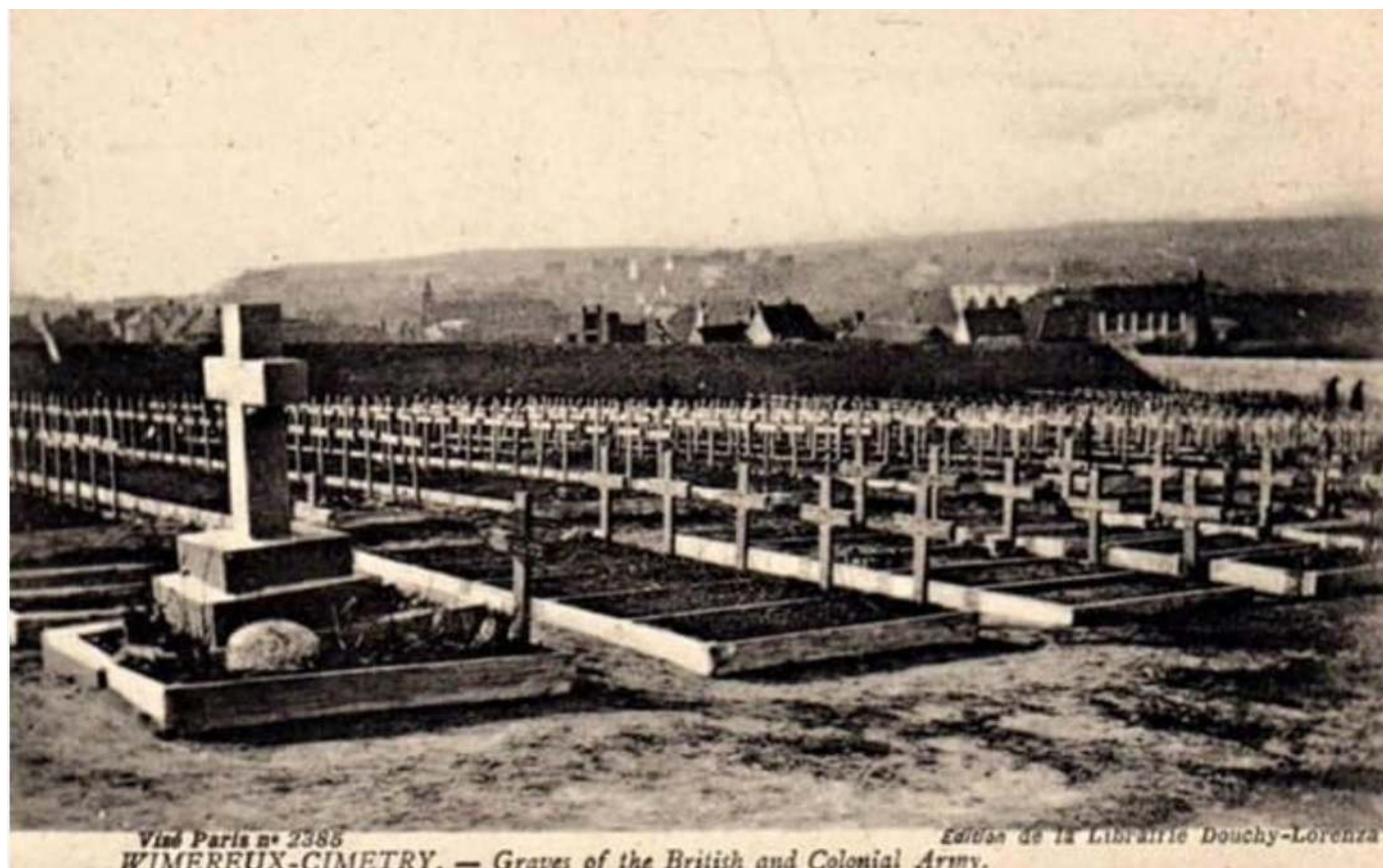
1. What is your Name? **JAMES ARTHUR TRIM.**
2. In or near what Parish or Town were you born? **BRISBANE QUEENSLAND.**
3. Are you a natural born British Subject or a Naturalized British Subject? (N.B.—If the latter, papers to be shown.) **BRITISH BORN.**
4. What is your Age? **27 yrs. 4 mths..**
5. What is your Trade or Calling? **Labourer.**
6. Are you, or have you been, an Apprentice? If so, where, to whom, and for what period? **No.**
7. Are you married? **No.**
8. Who is your next of kin? (Address and relationship to be stated)
The answer to this question shall not be construed as in the nature of a will. **Mother: Mrs. MARTHA ANN TRIM VILLENEUVE KILCOY QUEENSLAND.**
9. What is your permanent address in Australia? **VILLENEUVE KILCOY QUEENSLAND.**
10. **No.**
11. **Yes.**

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From National Archives
of Australia

On the last day of October 1917 at the 8th Stationary Hospital in Wimereux, France, Private James Arthur Trim succumbed to a fatal gunshot wound to his head sustained in action in Belgium on 28 October 1917.

James lies in eternal rest in Plot 6 Row F Grave 15A at Wimereux Communal Cemetery.



c1919: Wimereux Communal Cemetery

ROLL OF HONOUR.
TRIM.—Died of wounds in France, 31st October, 1917, Private James Arthur Trim, dearly beloved second eldest son of Mr. and Mrs. F. R. Trim, of Villeneuve, Kilcoy line, aged 29 years.
Just as his life was brightest,
Just as his hopes were best,
His country called, he answered,
With God in Heaven he rests,
He sleeps not in his native land,
But under foreign skies;
Far from those who love him,
In a hero's grave he lies.
Inserted by his loving mother, father, brothers, and sisters.

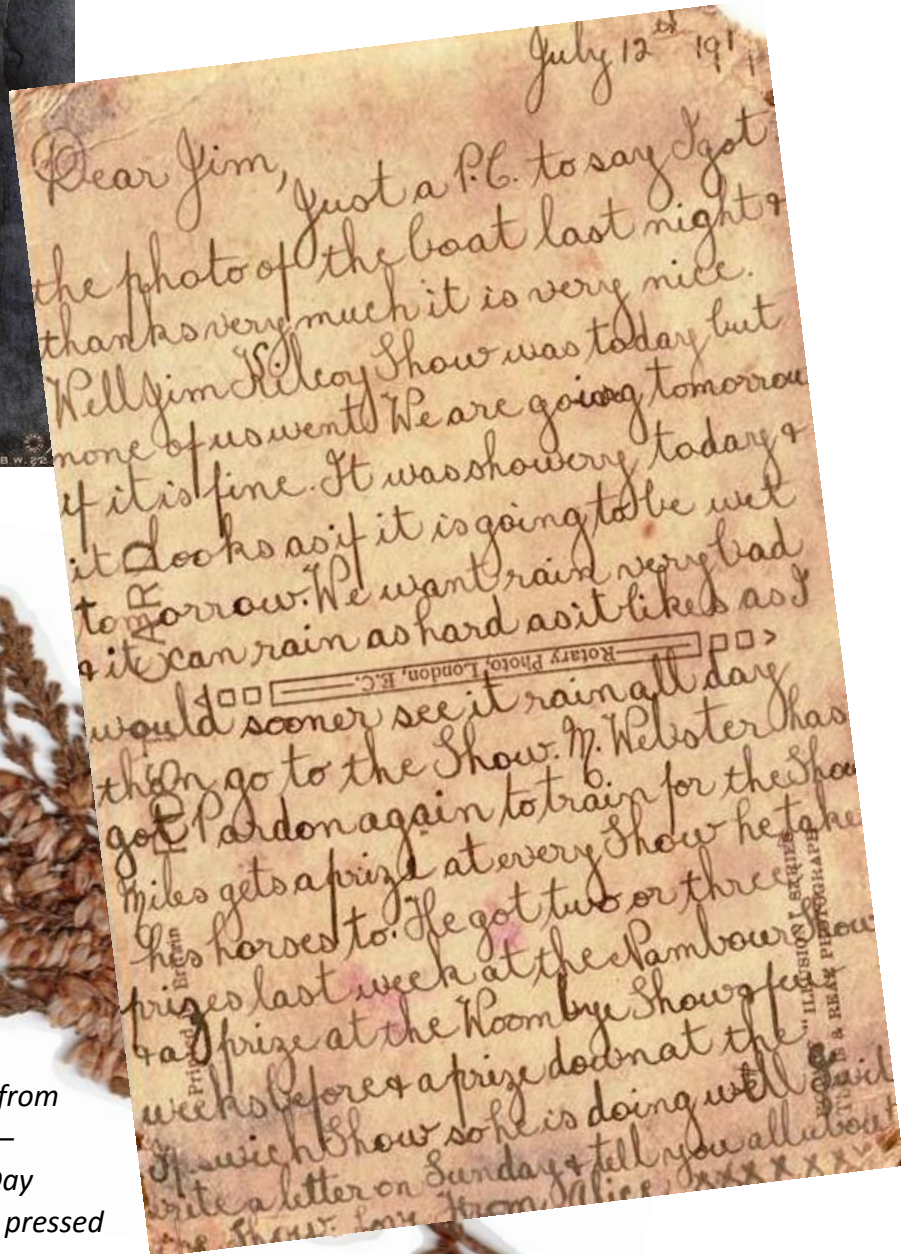


From TROVE: *THE BRISBANE COURIER*
13 December 1917

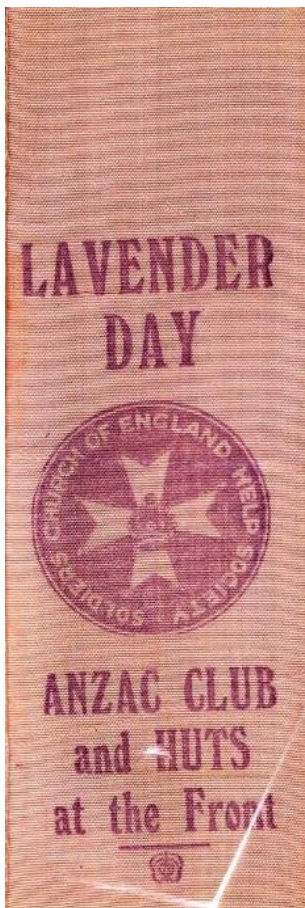


A postcard from
Alice Day

Private James Arthur Trim's kit effects – tobacco, pouch, Bible, pipe, belt and cards – eventually found their way home to his heartbroken family. He left his worldly possessions to his good friend, Alice Day.



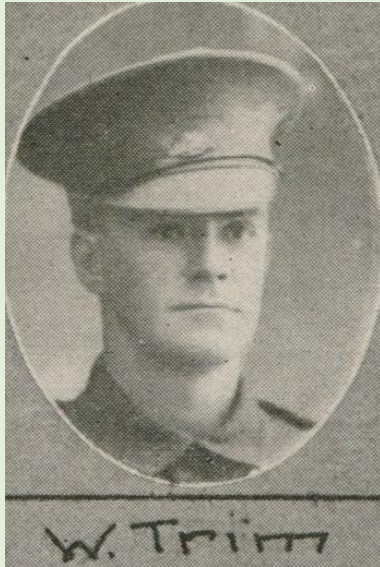
Small
keepsakes from
Jim's bible –
Lavender Day
ribbon and pressed
lavender.



Did you know?

Lavender Day raised money from all Church of England parishes for recreation huts and providing creature comforts for the soldiers.

The Other Trim Brother



Wilfred George TRIM (1886-1967)

Service No: 6444

Enlisted: 10 October 1916

Unit: 25th Australian Infantry Battalion

Operations: France and Belgium
1916-1918

Wounded: Twice gassed

Discharged: 17 October 1919



*Back: Felix Trim (father), Mary
Baldwin, Wilf Trim,
Front: Martha Ann Trim (mother),
May Starkie (sister)*



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