



WWI Casualty

Private, Alexander John Griffin - New Zealand Otago Regiment

Surname	Given Names	Rank	Number	Regiment	Attachment	Date of Death		Age at Death	
						Year	Date		
Griffin	Alexander John	Private	81179	New Zealand Otago Regiment		1919	22-Jan	29	
Date of Birth		Place of Birth	Father		Mother		Baptised		
Year	Date		Surname	Given Names	Maiden Name	Given Names	Year	Date	Place
1889	17-Jul	Hunterville, New Zealand	Griffin	William Sutherland	Trott	Susan Elizabeth			
Census Information									
Year	Surname	Given Names	Status	Age	Occupation	Place of Birth	Relationship to Head		

Military Service Record

Enlistment Details

Year	Date	Place	Age			Trade	Religion
			Years	Months	Days		
1917	15-Dec		27			Ploughman	Presbyterian

Physical Description

Height		Complexion	Eye Colour	Hair Colour	Distinguishing Marks
Feet	Inches				

Private Griffin embarked with the 41st Reinforcements, E Company from Wellington, New Zealand on HMNZT (108) *Ulimaroa* on 27th July 1918. He disembarked at London, England on 4th October 1918.

He marched in to Sling Army Camp, Bulford, Wiltshire on 4th October 1918, and was admitted to Military Hospital at Tidworth, Wiltshire on 9th October 1918 with Influenza/Bronchitis.

Alexander was transferred to Hornchurch Hospital near London on 8th November 1918 and discharged to No. 3 New Zealand General Hospital at Codford, Wiltshire on 29th December 1918 with Measles.

A Medical Board was convened on 17th January 1919 and Alexander's case was reviewed. The Board found that his Bronchial Asthma was aggravated by stress and infection during Active Service. The Board recommended that he be discharged to New Zealand as unfit for Active Service.

Records show that Private Alexander John Griffin died at 3.30 a.m. on 22nd January 1919 of Heart Failure and Bronchial Asthma at No. 3 New Zealand General Hospital, Codford, Wiltshire.

He was buried at St. Mary New Cemetery, Codford on 25th January 1919

Alexander was entitled to British War Medal only as he had not entered a Theatre of War. A Memorial Scroll and Memorial Plaque were sent to private Griffin's widow in June 1921 and November 1922 respectively. The address recorded for Ethel Griffin was Bonny Glen, Marton, Wanganui, New Zealand.

Next of Kin

Surname	Given Names	Status	Relationship	Abode
Griffin	Ethel Madeline	Married	Wife	C/O Mr. J. G. Simpson, Pukapapa Road, Marton, New Zealand

Details of Death										
Date of Death		Cause of Death	Theatre of War	Ships Name	War Gratuity Paid					
Year	Date				Year	Date	£	s.	d.	Recipient
Grave Location										
Cemetery								Plot Number		
Codford St. Mary (New Churchyard), Codford St. Mary								131		
War Memorials and Commemorations										
Memorial Name and Location								Panel Number		
Marton War Memorial, New Zealand										
Other Significant Information										
Alexander married Ethel Madeline Clooney on the 8th April 1914 at Marton, New Zealand.										
Newspaper Reports - Roll Of Honour - Wellington District - Died of Sickness - Griffin A. J. (Mrs. Griffin, Marton, m.) - Press, Volume LV, Issue 16433, 29 January 1919										

