

SMITHFIELD HONOUR ROLL JONES, Horace Gerald and Allen Henry

Horace was born on 11 December 1892 at Angle Vale and Allen on 9 July 1895 also at Angle Vale. Their parents were Joshua and Harriet Baker who were married on 30 March 1882 at the Bible Christian Chapel Zoar in the district of Port Gawler.

Joshua was born on 5 September 1860 at Gawler Plains to William Jones and Catherine Long. William arrived on the "Isobelle" in 1845 and resided as a farmer at Gawler River, One Tree Hill and Prospect. They had other siblings, William Clarence John 1883, Albert Joshua 1885, Herbert Hartie Row 1887, Elizabeth 1888 and Leonard Hubert 1890.

Horace enlisted on 16 July 1915. He was a farmer and gave his father Joshua of Parilla, Angle Vale, SA as his next of kin. He was 21y 6m and was 5ft 7ins tall. . His complexion was fair, eyes hazel and hair brown. He embarked from Australia 14 September 1915 and arrived in France 3 March 1916. He became at first a Lance Corporal and then a Corporal. He was in the 1st Machine Gun Battalion.

During a recreational cricket match the ball hit his right knee and it swelled up on 2 July/1917. He embarked on the H.T. "Kalyan" to England and admitted to London Hospital Camberwell 20 July 1917. He had originally injured his knee 4 years before enlisting during a football game. He had not been able to kneel easily ever since. He returned to France via Folkstone on 9 April1918.

On 1 September 1918 he was promoted to Sergeant to complete establishment. He was mentioned in dispatches on 16 March 1918 by Sir Douglas Haig. This was listed in the Commonwealth of Australia Gazette number 124 on 30 October 1919 and received two Oak Leaves [one large and one small]. He returned to Australia on 20 May 1919 by the "Tras-Montes"

Horace married Winifred Rachel FILSELL on 17/8/1921 at the Methodist Church Thebarton Hindmarsh. She was 25 years old and her father was William FILSELL.

They had two children; Ronald William 1922 and Dorothy Isobel 1925.

Horace died aged 42 on 5/6/1935 at North Adelaide whilst living at Lenswood.

Allen Henry

Allen Henry was born on 9 July 1895. He was a farmer and he enlisted on 29 May1916. He was 5ft 10ins tall, weighed 154 lbs and his chest was 36 ins. He had a fresh complexion, grey eyes and light brown hair.



He was placed in the 10th Battalion 19th reinforcement. He embarked at Adelaide on the HMAT A70 "Ballarat" on 12 August 1916 and disembarked at Plymouth on 30 September 1916. He proceeded overseas on the SS "GOLDEN EAGLE" at Folkstone, arriving in France on 14 December 1916. He marched to join his unit at Etaples. He was taken on the strength of the 1st Machine Gun Battalion on 19 January 1917 and made a driver on 28 January 1917.

He served on the Western Front and was sent on leave to England on 1 January 1918 for two weeks. He was promoted to temporary Corporal on 14/1/1919 and reverted to driver in 10/4/1919.

He proceeded to England from Havre on 17/4/1919 arriving the next day. He was sent back to Australia on 12/6/1919 on the "PORT DARWIN" arriving on 29/7/1919.

On the 6 October 1920 he married Constance Harriett ARNEY at Holder Methodist Church West Adelaide, Hindmarsh. Her father was William Henry ARNEY.

After returning to farming at Angle Vale with his wife they were still there in 1943. Allen died on 1 October 1991 aged 96.

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