

BOC

14th February, 1921.

15 FEB 1921
DESPATCH

Headquarters,
2nd Military District.



Re Lieut. SMEDLEY, L.T. (MM) 34th Bn.

The above-mentioned Officer returned to Australia per H.T. "Borda" on 27/6/19 (Other Reasons), and his appointment terminated as from 14/8/19. No reason for such action, however, was stated, and I shall be obliged if you will supply the required particulars if such are in your possession.

Capt.
for Officer i/c Base Records.

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

B.R. Form No. 6.

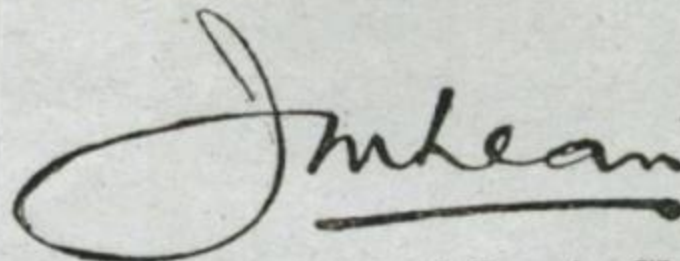
AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE.

BASE RECORDS OFFICE,
VICTORIA BARRACKS,
MELBOURNE.

Dear

As requested in your communication of
I beg to enclose herewith certificate of report of death of the
late

Yours faithfully,

 Major,

Officer in Charge, Base Records.

Do not forget to advise any change of address to Officer i/c, Base Records, Melbourne.

D.1421/P.18.—C.14234.—5M.

D.B.

TELEPHONE:
CENTRAL 4741. 3606

AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE.

BASE RECORDS OFFICE,
VICTORIA BARRACKS.

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to, are to be stated.

Melbourne, 19th February, 1919.

Dear Sir,

I have much pleasure in forwarding hereunder copy of extract from Fifth Supplement, No. 30897, to the "London Gazette," dated 13th September, 1918, relating to the conspicuous services rendered by the undermentioned member of the Australian Imperial Force.

AWARDED THE MILITARY MEDAL.

'HIS MAJESTY THE KING has been graciously pleased to approve of the award of the Military Medal for bravery in the field to the undermentioned:—

No. 1994A Corporal (Lance-Sergeant) L. T. SMEDLEY. "

The above has been promulgated in "Commonwealth of Australia Gazette," No. 15, dated 4th February, 1919.

Yours faithfully,

Mr. W. Smedley,
35 Thomas Street,
Petersham,
NEW SOUTH WALES.



W. J. ...
Captain
for Major,
Officer i/c Base Records.

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(From Fifth Supplement No30897 to the
London Gazette dated 13 September 1918)

JW:

LT.L.T.Smedley (14/18)

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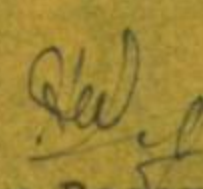
Dear Sir,

Your letter of 6 May 1966 is acknowledged.

Army Headquarters, Canberra, advise that it is not possible to supply a copy of the citation for your father's Military Medal.

Attached is an extract from the London Gazette recording the award.

Yours faithfully,


Colonel
OIC Central Army Records Office

Mr. S.L. Smedley,
19 Livingstone Avenue,
BAULKHAM HILLS. N.S.W.

PA/PD.

M.S.

LT Leo Thomas SMEDLEY MM - 1914/18 War

DAR/E1 010356

The son of the abovenamed has requested, on behalf of his father, a copy of a citation for his father's MM.

No copy is held at this Office. The award appeared in CAG 15 of 1919 to the then 1994A L/Sgt L.T. Smedley.

Referred for advice.

Wal
COL
DAR

18 May 66.

E1

10/14-18.

Midway request copy of citation

HONOUR, M.M.

BW M)

V M)

(issued)

6-5-66

Mr. J. S. Smedley
19 Livingstone Ave
Baulkham Hills
P.S.W.

Dear Sir,

On behalf of my Mother, I would be extremely grateful if your Department could forward a copy of a Citation raised in conjunction with the awarding of The Military Medal to my Father, then:-

1994A SGT. LEO THOMAS SMEDLEY.

34 BATTALION.

DATE OF ACTION 5-5-1917.

PLACE YPRES. FRANCE.

To the best of my knowledge the above information is correct.

Sgt. Smedley completed service as a 2nd Lieutenant in 1919.

Again, any assistance made in locating and possibly forwarding on of a copy would be most appreciated!

Sincerely Yours.

Mr. J. S. Smedley

(Son)



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MINUTE

FILE No.

Folio

To M.S. *3(a)*

Subject LT Leo Thomas SMEDLEY MM - 1914/18 War

C.D.O. 9881

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Hugh Wilson Col(a)
COL
DAR

18 May 66.

Major Withington,
MS Bch.

No recommendation catalogued here in respect of the above-named.

E. Coady
Aust. War Memorial
Canberra
24/5/66

MINUTE

FILE No.

Folio

To JAR

Subject Honours and Awards

C.D.O. 9881

Reference to attached

There is no record of the citations for
LT SMEDLEY or L. R. CARR held by
MS on the Aust War Memorial.

25 May 66

Leo Thomas

Colonel
MILITARY SECRETARY

STATE PRESIDENT:
L. A. ROBB. C.M.G.

STATE SECRETARY:
J. BLACK. F.I.C.S.

NOTO-
"The Price of Liberty is Eternal Vigilance"



TELEGRAPHIC ADDRESS
"DIGGER," SYDNEY

TELEPHONE, M 4313
M 4314 M 2560

EMPLOYMENT BUREAU
M 3741

RETURNED SAILORS & SOLDIERS'
IMPERIAL LEAGUE OF AUSTRALIA
(NEW SOUTH WALES BRANCH)—INCORPORATED
ANZAC MEMORIAL, HYDE PARK
SYDNEY

IN REPLY PLEASE QUOTE

JB:VM

ALL COMMUNICATIONS TO BE
ADDRESSED TO THE SECRETARY

June 24th, 1940.

CONFIDENTIAL

Officer in Charge.
Base Records.
CANBERRA. A.C.T.

Dear Sir,

if you have
It will be most appreciated if you would kindly advise me ~~of the~~ particulars of the under-mentioned.

Smedley L.T., M.M. - 34th Batt. - original
A.I.F.

Thanking you.

Yours faithfully,

J. Black.
State Secretary.

MILITARY FORCES OF THE COMMONWEALTH.

Please quote this Number when replying.

TELEPHONE — H/A.

2ND MILITARY DISTRICT.

RS. 5 1690.

VICTORIA BARRACKS, SYDNEY,

(Date) 19th Feb.. 1921.

O.C.
Base Records.

Re Lieut. SMEDLEY L.T. (MM). 34th Bn.

In reply to your memo. of 14.2.1921, the appointment of this officer terminated as from 14.8.1919 vide R.O. 149 of 2.7.1919.

Gleeson

"B" Branch. AAG's Dpt. 2nd MD. O.I/c.

Smith
25/2/21
(S)

MM
25/2/21

Lieut

SMEDLEY L. T.

(2)

34 Bn

Retd "Berda" 27/6/19

Appt. Term. 14/8/19

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A.A.G. 2nd M.D.

DISEMBARKED

27.6.19

M.D.

3rd post

LIST No.

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THIS FOLDER
TO BE FILLED
WITH
SOLDIER'S
RECORDS

W.T.

W. T. Smedley
15/3/19

AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE.

Base Records Office,

Melbourne, 1917.

..... 1917.

To

Officer i/c Base Records,
Victoria Barracks,
MELBOURNE.

(Kindly submit your reply hereunder.)

Dear Sir or Madam,

I regret to have to inform you that no further official news has yet been received of

who was reported missing on

I shall be glad if you will return this letter to me with a statement as to whether you have obtained any news of the soldier from any other source.

If letters or post cards from the soldier have reached you SINCE THE DATE THAT HE WAS POSTED MISSING, the last you have received should be enclosed; it will be returned to you.

If you have received from soldiers or others reports that the soldier is dead or a prisoner of war, you should state the names and addresses of the people who informed you; if they were soldiers you should give their names, numbers, and regiments; if they sent you letters, the letters should be forwarded. Any letters you send will be returned to you in due course.

J. M. LEAN, Major,
Officer i/c Records.

..... (Signature)

..... (Date)

Base Records Office,
Victoria Barracks,
MELBOURNE. S.C.I.

The Deputy Commissioner,
Repatriation Commission,

6/5 /1937

List-1565

REFERENCE :-

R104555

DATE

29/4 /1937

Herewith documents indicated relative to the
service of the undermentioned ex-member of the A.I.F.

Reg.No.	Name & Unit	Documents attached
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1994 ^a	Smalley, L.T. 34 th Bn	
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FOR EARLY RETURN :-

A.F. B.103

TO BE RETAINED :-

B.R. Card

Attestation Paper

~~A.F. : B.103~~

" ~~B.178~~

" ~~B.179~~

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Revised 1

T.ROBINSON
Officer i/c Base Records.

CONFIDENTIAL REPORT.

(To be rendered in all cases—(a) of recommendations for transfer or relegation—(b) when passing out of the Cadet Unit.)

On Officer Cadet	{	Regl. No. <u>1994 a.</u>
		Rank <u>L/Sgt.</u>
		Name (in full) <u>SMEDLEY, Leo Thomas.</u>
		Regiment <u>34^d Bn. A.I.F.</u>

Date of joining Unit 7.7.18

Age 22 6/12

Period of Service ...	(A) Home	<u>4 mos.</u>
	(B) Overseas	<u>2 years 6 mos.</u>
	(C) Distinctions	<u>M.M.</u>
	(D) Wounded	<u>3 times</u>

Standard of Education Pool.

Ability to Train a Military Knowledge Platoon Knowledge has improved considerably. Instructs fairly well.

Ability to Command Power of Command and Leadership a Platoon Command fait. He gains confidence as he gets more knowledge.

Special Qualifications (See Note (a)) Riding

Remarks Cadet Smedley showed how completed his course 10/Nov/19.

He lacks education, but has worked hard & will I consider make a good Platoon Commander

Units, in order of preference, to which desirous of appointment	1.		Cross out those not desired below.
	2.	<u>A.I.F.</u>	Regular Army
	3.		Special Reserve of Officers.
			Territorial Force.

Note (a): Such as Musketry, Bombing, Anti-gas, Machine Guns, Riding, Technical, Languages.

Date 17/Dec/18 Signature [Signature]

Station Defn Officer Commanding No. 6
Officer Cadet [Signature]

AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE.

RECORD OF OFFICERS' SERVICES.

Rank and Name *Lt/Serjt. SMEDLEY, Leo Thomas*

Staff or Unit *34th Bn*

Date of Appointment and Gazette *2.1.19* *CA 49/19*

Promotion (date and Gazette)

Left Australia in Transport *Barambah* on *23.6.16* 19

Record subsequent to embarkation:—

2.1.19 To be 2nd Lieut on probation allotted to G.D. Reims CA 49/52/19

13.5.19 To be Lieut 34th Bn CA 114/1476/19

14.8.19. Appointment terminated A.L.G. 2nd M.D.

Returned to Australia (Date, Transport, and any other details):—

Gazetted from A.I.F. *14.8.19. Apprs Terminated 2nd M.D. CA 110/125/19*

D.697/9.17.—C12061.

AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE.

Surname Smedley
 Christian Names Leo Thomas

Statement of Service.

Rank	Unit	Date of Appointment to A.I.F.	Date of Subsequent Promotion	Reference to Commonwealth Gazette and other Authority
P/2nd Lieut	4918	2.1.19		AIF List 429
do	34Bn	22.2.19		AIF List 454
Lieut.		1	13.5.19	AIF List 489.

Casualties.

DECEASED			SICK OR WOUNDED				RETIRED		
Date	Place	Cause	Date	Place	Nature	Returned to duty	Date	Cause	Authority

No. of Grave	Cemetery	Name of Clergyman

Personal.

Civil Occupation	Date and Place of Birth	Married or Single	Relationship, Name and Address of Next of Kin	Remarks

Record of Service in the Field, also Reference to Decorations, etc., granted, and dates showing the period in each case. 1

PARTICULARS	Reference to Orders or other Authority
2.1.19: Apptd. 2nd Lieut on Probation allotted to Gen Inf Rpts	AIF List 429
11.3.19 Taken on strength 34th Bn X Cadet Bn 22-2-19	AIF List 454
11/8/19 R.I.A. per "G. G. Borda" ex England	DO 27/18 29/18 106/18 28/9/18 40/60 124/2/19 85/18. 24/4/19 AIF 72.11/5/19
15.5.19 So struck off strength	AIF List 446 AIF 8. 483

Transferred to

W

No 4 Section AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE.

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No. 1994 A (8608E) Rank Lt Col Name SMEDLEY Leo Thomas Unit 53rd Bn 34th Btn

(M.M.)

Casualty Wounded 288 328 G.S.W. Fractured left Scapula 2nd occasion Commalescent WBML 605/567 dated London 8/4/17 Received B.R. 17/12/17

Table with columns: DATE, Form B. 103. Received, PURPORT, REF. NO. Entries include dates like 7-4-17, 19 NOV 1917, DEC 10 1917, 12 JUN 1919 and descriptions of medical status and travel.

WAR HISTORY INDEX Form of Commission Mrs. 2 B. R. M. 57/845 M.D.

