

## RAWLINS, F.

Frederick Burnaby Rawlins was born in Carlton in 1898 to Edwin Alfred James Rawlins (1842-1915) and Letitia Hatterley (1855-1932). His father was an acclaimed cornet player, playing in the bands of the Royal Horse Guards and also in orchestras in Drury Lane and Covent Garden. He came to Melbourne to perform in the orchestra at the Melbourne Centennial Exhibition in 1888. Letitia Rawlins and their seven children joined him a year later, and three more children, including Frederick, were born in Melbourne.

Frederick's older brother Alfred enlisted in 1914, and Frederick himself enlisted a year later. Both men are shown on the St Jude's Honour Roll.

On his return, Frederick married Mary Agnes Deffily in 1920. The couple had three children. One of their sons, Thomas, fought in World War II and died at the Caulfield Repatriation Hospital in 1951, aged 25 years.

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### *AIF Project Entry*

#### **Frederick Burnaby RAWLINS**

Regimental number	1034
Place of birth	Carlton Victoria
Religion	Church of England
Occupation	Wood merchant
Address	16 Horne Street, Elsternwick, Victoria.
Marital status	Single
Age at embarkation	18
Next of kin	Mother, Mrs Letitia Rawlins, 16 Horne Street, Elsternwick, Victoria.
Enlistment date	9 March 1915
Rank on enlistment	Private
Unit name	24th Battalion, A Company
AWM Embarkation Roll number	23/41/1
Embarkation details	Unit embarked from Melbourne, Victoria, on board HMAT A14 <i>Euripides</i> on 10 May 1915.
Rank from Nominal Roll	Lance Corporal
Unit from Nominal Roll	24th Battalion
Fate	Returned to Australia 6 January 1919.
Family/military connections	Brother: 346 Alfred Charles Vincent RAWLINS

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Other details

War service: Egypt, Gallipoli, Western Front  
Medals: 1914-15 Star, British War Medal,  
Victory Medal

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**RAWLINS.**—On the 26th September, at the Homoeopathic Hospital, Letitia Hatherly, widow of the late Band Master E. Rawlins, 2nd Victorian Regiment, trumpet major of the Royal Horse Guards, England; loved mother of Jennie, Kate (deceased), Emily, Podgs, Florence, Jessie, George, Alfred, Dora (deceased), Agnes (deceased), Frederick and Richard, aged 80 years. Mother at rest.

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