

## WILSON, W. G.

William Gray Wilson, son of William Gray Wilson and Margaret McAlpin, was born in Collingwood in 1875.

William married Winifred Hilda Blake (born Melbourne 1875) and they had three children. When he enlisted in 1915, William allotted three-fifths of his pay to his wife and children.

After two and a half years overseas, William returned to Melbourne in July 1919. He later lived in North Fitzroy and Thornbury and died in 1941. His widow died in 1945.

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### *AIF Project Entry*

#### **William Gray WILSON**

Regimental number	16702
Place of birth	Collingwood, Victoria
Religion	Salvation Army
Occupation	Miner
Address	Carlton, Victoria
Marital status	Married
Age at embarkation	47*
Next of kin	Wife, Mrs W H Wilson, 252 Faraday Street, Carlton, Victoria.
Enlistment date	6 December 1915
Date of enlistment from Nominal Roll	29 November 1915
Rank on enlistment	Private
Unit name	January 1917 Reinforcements
AWM Embarkation Roll number	26/99/2
Embarkation details	Unit embarked from Melbourne, Victoria, on board HMAT A35 <i>Omrah</i> on 17 January 1917
Rank from Nominal Roll	Private
Unit from Nominal Roll	7th Field Ambulance
Fate	Returned to Australia 1 June 1919.
Miscellaneous information from cemetery records	Parents: William and Margaret WILSON
Other details	Medals: British War Medal, Victory Medal.
Date of death	3 September 1941.
Age at death	66
Place of burial	Preston, Victoria.

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\* William's age appears inaccurate here. His NAA File states he was 40 years 3 months on enlistment and that also matches his death details.

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Age (Melbourne, Vic. : 1854 - 1954), Thursday 4 September 1941, p. 1.

**W**ILSON.—On September 3, at his residence, 28 Smith-street, Thornbury, William Gray Wilson (late of 34 Pender-street, Thornbury), beloved husband of Winifred; loving father of Lila, Ruby and David; loved brother of George (deceased), Mary and Bob. No flowers, by request.  
At home with Christ.

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