

GATLIFF, W. E.

William Edgar Gatliff came from the large and well known Gatliff family. Born in 1899 to John Henry Gatliff (1848-1935) and Emma (née McLean) (1859-1948), he was the youngest of five brothers to enlist in the AIF. His father was a highly respected bank manager and the large family of nine sons and two daughters lived for some years above the Commercial Bank of Australia premises at 259-261 Lygon Street. He possibly attended nearby Faraday Street State School No 112 with his older brothers Frank and Tom.

He returned to Australia on board HT *Friedricksruh*, in 1919, along with his older brothers Vivian (Harold) and Tom. All five Gatliff men are listed on the St Jude's Honour Roll.

AIF Project Entry

William Edgar GATLIFF

Regimental number	61609
Date of birth	27 June 1899
Place of birth	Carlton, Victoria
Religion	Church of England
Occupation	Clerk
Address	33 Normanby Avenue, Northcote, Victoria.
Marital status	Single
Age at embarkation	18.10
Height	5' 5.75"
Weight	113 lbs
Next of kin	Father, J H Gatliff, 33 Normanby Avenue, Northcote, Victoria.
Previous military service	Served for 4 years in the Senior Cadets.
Enlistment date	17 May 1918
Place of enlistment	Melbourne, Victoria
Rank on enlistment	Private
Unit name	12th General (Victorian) Reinforcements
AWM Embarkation Roll number	23/111/3
Embarkation details	Unit embarked from Melbourne, Victoria, on board HMAT A37 <i>Barambah</i> on 31 August 1918.
Rank from Nominal Roll	Private
Unit from Nominal Roll	13th Field Artillery Brigade
Fate	Returned to Australia 8 July 1919.

Discharge date	17 September 1919.
Family/military connections	Brothers: Captain Frank Edward GATLIFF, 1st Division Artillery, killed in action, 6 August 1917. 35327 Gunner Tom Walter GATLIFF, 13th Field Artillery Brigade, returned to Australia, 8 July 1919. Major Vivian Harold GATLIFF DSO, 1st Division Artillery, returned to Australia, 8 July 1919. War service: England, France (post-armistice)
Other details	Commenced return to Australia on board HT <i>Friedricksruh</i> , 8 July 1919; discharged (termination of period of enlistment), Melbourne, 17 September 1919. Medal: British War Medal.

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