

Private David Purdie CLEMENT

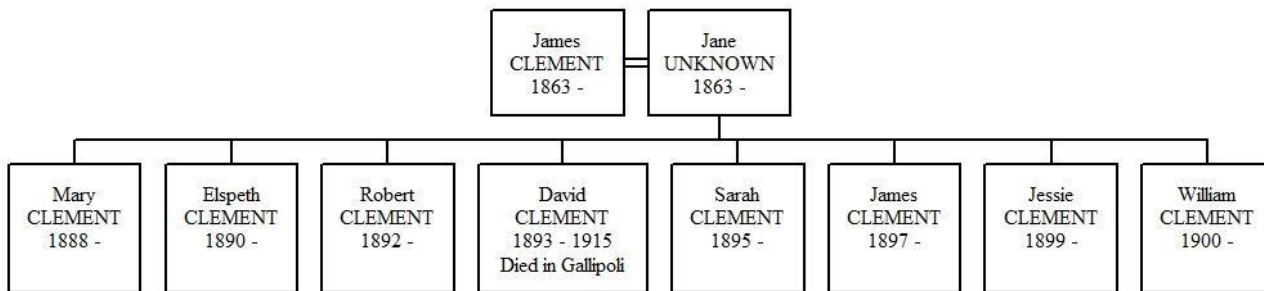
Private No 1579 David Purdie Clement was born c1893 at Laigh Ely Mains, Ochiltree, Ayrshire, Scotland, the fourth child of four sons and four daughters of James and Jane Clement of Ailsa View, Hollybush, Ayrshire, Scotland. He was educated at Sinclairston, Ochiltree, Ayrshire.

He emigrated to Melbourne aged 19 years aboard the Kaikoura (The NZ Shipping Company Ltd) from London, departing 6 May 1912, Captain A W McKellar. His occupation was given as agricultural worker. He was 5'6" tall and weighed 11st 6lbs. He had a ruddy complexion, grey eyes and dark brown hair.

Private Clement enlisted with the 14th Battalion on 20 Oct 1914, giving his address as 22 William St Brighton, Victoria. He embarked from Melbourne on the 'Runic' on 19 Feb 1915, and was killed in action on 19 May 1915 at Gallipoli. He is buried at Shrapnel Valley Cemetery (Plot IV, Row A, Grave No 2).

He is commemorated on the Roll of Honour at the Australian War Memorial (Panel 72); the Memorial Plaque at Green Point, Brighton Beach, Victoria and the Brighton Avenue of Honour (Point Nepean Road/Nepean Highway and North Road)

Descendants of James CLEMENT



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