

Codford War Graves



Lest we Forget

World War I

25284 PRIVATE

J. M. McFARLANE

N.Z. WELLINGTON REGT.

25TH JANUARY, 1917 Age 23



*Commonwealth War Graves Headstone for Private J. M. McFarlane is located in Second Row
(Left Hand Side)*

Grave Plot # 41 of Codford War Graves Cemetery (Using Map by Brian Marshall)

(CWGC Reference - Grave # 31)

James Malcolm McFarlane was born on 24th April, 1893 at Christchurch, New Zealand, the son of Peter & Helen McFarlane (nee Ewing). He was aged 22 years & 11 months, single & a Shepherd from Woodgrove, Nth Canterbury, New Zealand when he enlisted on 24th March, 1916 with the New Zealand Expeditionary Force. His service number was 25284 & his religion was Presbyterian. His next of kin was listed as his father – Peter McFarlane of Woodgrove, Nth Canterbury, New Zealand.

Private James McFarlane embarked with Wellington Regiment, 14th Reinforcements, J Company from Wellington, New Zealand on HMNZT (56) *Maunganui* on 26th June, 1916, destination England. He disembarked at Devonport, England on 22nd August, 1916.

Private James McFarlane was marched in to Sling Army Camp, Wiltshire on 23rd August, 1916.

Pte McFarlane was admitted to N.Z. Convalescent Hospital at Hornchurch on 26th August, 1916.

Pte McFarlane was transferred from Hornchurch to Codford on 23th November, 1916.

On 1st January, 1917 Pte McFarlane was transferred from “Ven Ward” to No. 3 New Zealand General Hospital at Codford with Pleurisy- slight.

Private James McFarlane died on 25th January, 1917 at No. 3 New Zealand General Hospital at Codford, Wiltshire of Pneumonia.

A death for James M. McFarlane, aged 24, was registered in the March quarter, 1917 in the district of Warminster, Wiltshire, England.

Private James McFarlane was buried at St. Mary’s Cemetery, Codford.

Private James McFarlane, 25284 was last attached to Wellington Regiment.

Private James McFarlane was entitled to British War Medal only as he had not entered a Theatre of War. A Memorial Scroll & Memorial Plaque would have also been sent to Pte McFarlane’s father – Peter McFarlane of Woodgrove, Nth Canterbury, New Zealand.

(10 pages of Private James McFarlane’s Service records are available for On Line viewing at Archives New Zealand website).

Information obtained from the Archives New Zealand, Auckland War Memorial Museum, Commonwealth War Graves Commission & PapersPast, National Library of New Zealand.

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Pte James McFarlane

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DIED OF DISEASE

McFarlane, James (Peter McFarlane, Woodgrove, North Canterbury, f)

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Private J. M. McFarlane has a Commonwealth War Graves Headstone. None of the New Zealand CWGC headstones at Codford have a personal inscription.

Photo of Private J. M. McFarlane's Headstone at Codford War Graves Cemetery (below)



(Photo courtesy of Romy Wyeth)