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Palmer, Herbert Ernest

A West Australian railway employee killed while on military service for his country



Memorial at Railway Workshops Midland (D.Graham/panoramio)

Rail employment information

Employer: Western Australian Government Railways

Branch: Acounts & Audit

Designation: Timekeeping Assistant

Rail employment notes: Born 20/6/1903. Joined WAGR 26/2/1919 aged 15 as Cadet, Accounts & Audits Branch, Perth. Appointed Clerk 20/6/1924 and Timekeeping Assistant 13/4/1935.

Enlisted in AIF 8/6/1940. Killed in action 7/7/1941.

Military service information

Conflict: Second World War 1939-1945

Service: Second Australian Imperial Force

Military unit: 2/16th Australian Infantry Battalion

Service number: WX4041

Date of death: 15163

Place of death: Syria

Rank at time of death: Sergeant

Age:

Buried/commemorated: tbc

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Additional/personal information:

Born 20/6/1903.

Further information and/or photos may be added as available. Information may also be found on the Australian War Memorial website: *https://www.awm.gov.au/advanced-search/people*

Abbreviations: WAGR= Western Australian Government Railways (& Tramways at some periods); MRWA= Midland Railway of Western Australia; BDM=Western Australian Registrar of Births, Deaths and Marriages website; AWM=Australian War Memorial (Canberra and website); CWGC= Commonwealth War Graves Commission (including website). DVA=Department of Veterans' Affairs (including website)

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