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Stone, Ernest George Alfred

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: Locomotive

Designation: Fireman

Rail employment notes: Born 23/9/1916. Joined WAGR 6/3/1933 aged 16 as Junior Worker, Locomotive Branch, East Perth. Appointed Cleaner ("Cleaner" in this case was a position in the Locomotive branch, cleaning and otherwise working around locomotives whilst training to be a Fireman, the next step up the ladder) 24/12/1934 and transferred to Mt Magnet 8/8/1936 and Cue 5/12/1936. Promoted to Fireman 29/7/1938 and transferred to East Perth 9/9/1938.

Enlisted in AIF 5/8/1940. Killed in action in Libya 17/7/1941.

Military service information

Conflict: Second World War 1939-1945

Service: Second Australian Imperial Force

Military unit: 2/28th Australian Infantry Battalion

Service number: WX7373

Date of death: 17 July 1941

Place of death: Libya

Rank at time of death: Private

Age: 24

Buried/commemorated: Tobruk War Cemetery, Tobruk, Libya

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Additional/personal information:

Born 23/9/1916.

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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