## William Johnstone

## Wiliam Johnstone Reg No: 386131



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At the time that William was attested at Stirling Castle on 24<sup>th</sup> March 1915 he was living at Manor Powis Cottage. Causewavhead. He was 36 years of age and his occupation was coal miner. His attestation shows that he was appointed to Argyle and Sutherland Highlanders.

William's medical record shows that he was 5 foot 6 inches tall and had a chest size of 37½ inches expanding by 3½ inches. He had distinctive coal marks on right elbow.

Records show that William's place of birth was Stornaway.

He was married to a Mrs Johnstone (nee Elizabeth White) of Manor Cottages, Causewayhead, Stirling. They were married on 31<sup>st</sup> December 1891 in Burnbank and had the following two children: David (13 years) and Agnes (10 years) DOB 23<sup>rd</sup> March 1905, both children were born in

Burnbank.

William's military record notes the following:

He was posted to the Argyle and Sutherland Highlanders on 31<sup>st</sup> March 1915 and then he was posted to the Scottish Rifles (1st Battalion) on 28th January 1916. He was later invalided home from the Scottish Rifles, but the date does not seem to have been recorded.

The next mention in his record was that he was posted to the Depot 12<sup>th</sup> June 1917 (presumably the



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Scottish Rifles Depot) and then on the 27<sup>th</sup> June 1917 he was posted to 3<sup>rd</sup> Battalion Scottish Rifles.



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On the 31<sup>st</sup> July 1917 he was posted to the British Expeditionary Force before being transferred to 7<sup>th</sup> Labour Corp on 15<sup>th</sup> September 1917. The next we hear of William is when he is brought before an Invaliding Board on 30<sup>th</sup> October 1918 at the Scottish General Hospital, Glasgow. He is later awarded a pension of 13/9 from 11<sup>th</sup> October 1918, to be reviewed in 26 weeks, notification dated 5<sup>th</sup> November 1918.