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400294 SHANNON G.H.

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AE2
28/7/60

Deceased

CITIZEN AIR FORCE

400294

PERSONAL FILE

ACT II *Shannon J.H.*

30-10-112

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Certified that Name and Date of Birth have been checked with Birth Certificate.

RECORD OF SERVICE. — 2

PERSONAL

c. 12727/39.

No. ²⁹⁴400296 Name SHANNON Christian Name SHANNON
 Date of Birth 16.5.1915 Married } M.
 Religion RC Single }
 Widower } Next of Kin (Name Relationship)

PREVIOUS TRADE AND TRADE QUALIFICATIONS
Chemical Worker

ENLISTMENTS AND RE-ENGAGEMENTS
 Enlisted for the Duration of the War and a Period of Twelve Months thereafter.
 On 16.8.40
 Re-engaged for
 " " "
 " " "
 " " "

DEPENDENTS			
Full Name	Relationship	Date of Birth	Verified From
SHANNON GWEN YTH	Wife	MARRIED 19.10.38.	M.F.O.
" Valerie Joan	Daughter	11.3.1939	Birth Certificate

Mustering on Enlistment *air crew* (P) Classification for Pay V
 Re-Mustered to *Aircrew II (P)* on 17/10/40 Authority P.319/40 " " II
 " " *Aircrew II (O)* " 12.11.40 " P.353/40 " " II
 " " *Air Observer* " 23.6.41 " 20355 (RAAF/25) 154 " I
 " " *Navigators "B"* " 23.7.41 " U.K. 5742 (P.8) " " "

RE-CLASSIFICATIONS, PROMOTIONS, AND APPOINTMENTS		
Classification or Rank	Date	Authority
<i>RC II</i>	18.8.40	NOI. CS. DR 95 15/8
<i>L.A.C</i>	17.10.40	P.319/40
<i>Sgt (T)</i>	23.6.41	20355 (RAAF/25) 154
<i>L.A.C. Inverts after DCM</i>	9.1.42	UK 5/42
<i>Acting Sgt (paid)</i>	29.6.42	UK 6/42
<i>Sgt (T)</i>	26.9.42	UR 67/42

SERVICE. — AIRMEN (PERMANENT)

PERSONAL

(Citizen Force)

Strike out where not applicable.

R.A.A.F. FORM P/P 25
(Revised March 1940)

Air Force No. ~~400296~~ ²⁹⁴

Christian Names **GEORGE FRANCIS HENRY**

Name **SHANNON Swelay**

Address **5 Lurline St
Sydney NSW**

Relationship **Wife**

SERVICES AND RE-ENGAGEMENTS	PREVIOUS NAVAL, MILITARY, OR AIR SERVICE				DECORATIONS, MEDALS, MENTIONS	
	Unit	From	To	Discharge	Decorations, etc.	Authority
Duration of the War and a Period of five Months thereafter. 40			N/A		Air Officer's Order 23.6.41 1939-45 Star 46 Europe Defence Medal War Medal	20005 (RAF/25) 154 18010146

Verified From	EXAMINATIONS PASSED FOR PROMOTION					Remarks
	Rank Passed for	Subject	Date	Authority		
P. F. 5. with Certificate						

SPECIAL QUALIFICATIONS	
Qualification for Pay	V
" " "	II
" " "	II
15/4/41	T

MOVEMENTS	
Embarked at Sydney for overseas service	23.1.41. 2ED 31/41
Embarked Canada for U.K. Kingdom	15/8/41 17.D 18/41 (43)
Disembarked U.K.	15.9.41 UK 35/41
Authority	2235/40. Court Martial, at R.A.F. Station, ...
Placed in close arrest	28/11/41 + released 3/12/41. — U.K. 1/42.
Placed in close arrest	8.1.42. Released at 9.1.42 UK 5/42 cancelled UK 5/42
Missing in ops - place unknown	2-3/10/42 DASOQ.
Missing believed killed	2.10.42 Y.O. B. 11/43
Now presumed dead by Air Ministry	2.10.42 20742. W.O.A. 7/13

Posted to	Date	Authority	COURSES OF I
			Nature
102 I.T.S. Bradfield Park	19-8-40	NO. 15 DRO 95-18/8 P 235/40	2. I.T.S. course. No. 4. (P) 19
10.6. E.F.T.S. Lamworth	17-10-40	P 319/40	2AOS " No 6/04
102 I.T.S. Bradfield Park	12-11-40	F 353/40	" "
10.2. E.F.T.S. Bradfield Park	4-1-40	P 12/41	" "
2AOS Edmonton Alta	17-2-41	2AOS (RCAF) 42/41	
2AOS Mosbank	12-5-41	2AOS DRO 118/41	
1 A.N.S. Owen	24-6-41	1 A.N.S. (RCAF/25) 148/41	
No 1 Y. Depot Halifax	6-8-41	1 Y.D. 177/41 (38)	
3 PRC	15-9-41	UK 35/41	
11 OTU	30-9-41	UK 35/41	
22 OTU	4-7-42	Mk 41/42	
405 Low. Flt.	9-9-42	U.K. 56/42	
405 Squadron	2-10-42	UK 65/42	

PAY AND ALLOWANCES

ATTACHMENTS			
Attached to	From	To	Authority
RCAF	23-1-41	14-8-41	6/Canada/24
RAF	15-8-41		1 Y.D. 187/41 (43)
			1 Y.D. 189/41 (43)

COURSES OF INSTRUCTION				
Nature	From	To	Authority	Result
Course No. 4. (P)	19. 8. 40			
"	10/6/44	11/57	261	
"	"	23/6	"	

AND ALLOWANCES	ADMISSIONS TO AND DISCHARGE FROM HOSPITAL		
	From	To	Authority
	28. 11. 40.	5. 12. 40	1162

SPECIAL LEAVE		
From	To	Auth

1/4
Trial by District Court Martial of No 400294
Sergeant Observer Shannon George Henry

4/1
1st charge:- Conduct to the prejudice of Good Order and
Air Force Discipline in that he at R.A.F. Station
Bassingbourn at about 2230 hours 25th
November 1941 improperly introduced to 429057
ACW1 Olive Stratton into the Sergeant quarters
and there remained with her until about 0645
hours on the 26. 11. 41

Findings Guilty

Sentence To be reduced to the ranks [L.A.C.]

by
7.D
Confirmation Confirmed by A.O.C. No. 6. Group. 12th January
1942.

Forfeitures 6 Days pay whilst in close arrest awaiting
trial.

Promulgation

Authority United Kingdom G.O.C. P.O.R. 5/42.

PARTICULARS FOR ASSESSMENT OF LEAVE CREDITS

DECEASED MEMBERS OF R.A.A.F.

SHANNON, George Henry.

SGT.

NAME:

RANK:

400294

NO:

DATE OF
ENLISTMENT: 18/8/40.

DATE OF
DEATH: 2/10/42.

MOVEMENTS embarked at Sydney 23/1/41 for Canada and United Kingdom.

Presumed dead by Air Ministry w.e.f. 2/10/42. Result
of air operations from U.K.

Attached hereto is Form P/P28 (Record of Leave) of the
abovenamed deceased member for notation and return to this office.

~~No Form P/P28 (Record of Leave) is held at this office
in respect of the abovenamed deceased airman.~~

CECIL F. HURLEY

for Group Captain,
OFFICER IN CHARGE OF RECORDS.

19 / 3 / 46.

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CASUALTY NOTIFICATION.

REFERENCE: DISCHARGE ADVICE NO. 509

SERIAL NO.:

DATE: 12.10.42.

NUMBER
400294

RANK
SGT.

NAME
SHANNON, G.H.

UNIT.
R.A.A.F. ATT. R.A.F.

MUSTERING: AIR OBSERVER.

MISSING AIR OPERATIONS PLACE UNKNOWN
2/3/10/42.

DATE AND NATURE OF CASUALTY.

(FR320/42)

990

CASUALTY NOTIFICATION

REFERENCE: DISCHARGE NO. 603.

SERIAL NO:

DATE: 13/1/43.

NUMBER RANK

NAME

UNIT

400294 SGT.

SHANNON. G.H.

RAAF ATT. RAF

MUSTERING: Air Observer.

DATE AND NATURE OF CASUALTY:

Previously reported missing now reported missing blvd. killed. (D.A. 509)

(PRD 320/42)

National Archives of Australia

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JAP

CASUALTY NOTIFICATION.

REFERENCE:

DISCHARGE ADVICE NO. 742

SERIAL NO:

DATE:

9/6/43

NUMBER

400294

MUSTERING:

AIR OBSVR.

DATE AND NATURE OF CASUALTY:

RANK

SGT.

NAME

SHANNON G.H.

UNIT

ATT R.A.F.

Previously reptd. missing blvd.
killed now presumed dead by Air
Min. w.e.f.2/10/42

CASUALTY NOTIFICATION.

REFERENCE:

DAILY CASUALTY REPORT NO. 158

SERIAL NO:

AE

DATE:

7/6/43

NUMBER
400294

RANK
SGT.

NAME

SHANNON G.H.

UNIT

RAAF ATT. RAF. U.K.

REMARKS:

DATE AND NATURE OF CASUALTY: Previously missing bel. killed air ops.
Now presumed dead by Air Min. w.e.f.
2/10/42.
U.K.

P.R.T. 72/43.

AIR BOARD,
Air Force Head-Quarters,
MELBOURNE. S.C.1.

JAP

24 JUL 1943

File No. 166/37/110

O.I./C. RECORDS.

400294 SGT. SHANNON, George Henry.

A memo. has been received from the Head Office,
Repatriation Commission, No. X 10471 dated 19th July 1943,
advising that War Pension has been granted to the widow and child
of the abovenamed deceased at the rates of £5/19/- and £1/15/-
per fortnight respectively as from 15/7/43.

(JD28/43)



Samuel Mearns F/L.
for Group Captain, D.P.S.

57/A

PERMANENT FORCES
Army and Air Force

War Service only.
When used for
attestation
other than
duration of
War, this
strip must
be cut
off.

Attestation of No. 40029 Name SHANNON,

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George ~~Francis~~ HENRY

Joined at No 1 RECRUITING CENTRE, R.A.A.F., MELBOURNE

on 18 AUG 1940

Questions to be put to the Recruit before Enlistment.

1. What is your Name? ... 1. George Henry SHANNON
2. In or near what Town were you born? ... 2. At or near the Town of Ballarat
in the State of Victoria
3. Are you a British Subject or a Naturalized British Subject of pure European descent? (N.B.—If the latter, papers to be shown.) 3. British
4. What is your Age? (You are warned that if you give a false answer to this question you are liable to be severely punished) 4. 25 years 16.5.15
5. What is your Trade or Calling? ... 5. Chemical Worker
6. Are you, or have you been, an Apprentice? If so, where, to whom, and for what period? 6. No
7. Are you married? ... 7. Yes
8. Have you ever been convicted by the Civil Power? ... 8. No
9. Have you ever been discharged from any part of His Majesty's Forces with Ignominy, or as Incurable and Worthless, or on account of Conviction of Felony, or of a Sentence of Penal Servitude, or have you been dismissed with Disgrace from the Navy? (You are warned that you are liable to heavy punishment if you make a false answer to this question) 9. No
10. Do you now belong to, or have you ever served in, His Majesty's Royal Navy, Marines, Army, Militia, Militia Reserve, Air Force, or Colonial Forces? If so, state which, and cause of discharge 10. No
11. Have you truly stated the whole, if any, of your previous Service? 11. Yes
12. Have you ever been rejected as unfit for His Majesty's Service? If so, on what grounds? 12. No
13. Are you willing to be enlisted under the conditions stated in the regulations for the Air Force of the Commonwealth of Australia? 13. Yes

DECLARATION.

3. George Henry SHANNON. do solemnly declare that the above answers made by me to the above questions are true, and that I am willing to fulfil the engagements made.

Signature of Recruit G. Shannon

OATH TO BE TAKEN BY RECRUIT ON ATTESTATION.

I swear that I will well and truly serve our Sovereign Lord the King in the Air Force of the Commonwealth of Australia for the term of ~~Six years~~ the duration of the war and twelve months thereafter or until sooner lawfully discharged, dismissed or removed; and that I will resist His Majesty's enemies and cause His Majesty's peace to be kept and maintained; and that I will, in all matters appertaining to my service, faithfully discharge my duty according to law.

SO HELP ME, GOD.

(A recruit who objects to take an oath may "affirm." (see Air Force Regulations.)

* Strike out whichever inapplicable.

CERTIFICATE OF ATTESTING OFFICER.

The recruit above named was cautioned by me that if he made any false answer to any of the above questions he would be liable to be punished as provided in the Air Force Act and Air Force Regulations of the Commonwealth of Australia.

The questions were then read to the recruit in my presence.

I have taken care that he understands each question, and that his answer to each question has been duly entered as replied to by him.

I have examined his Naturalization Papers, and am of the opinion they are correct. (In the case of a British Subject, this is to be struck out.)

The said recruit has made and signed the Declaration and taken the Oath at Melbourne in the State of Victoria, this Eighteenth day of August

19 40, before me.

D.3610/11.39.—C.15087.

Signature [Signature]
FLYING OFFICER (A Justice of the Peace or Attesting Officer.)
ATTESTING OFFICER

No. 1 RECRUITING CENTRE,

Description of SHANNON, George Francis ^{Henry} on Enlistment.

Age <u>24</u> years <u>8</u> months.	WOUNDS, SCARS, OR DISTINCTIVE MARKS. Scar 2nd. joint litt.finger L. hand 3 vaccs L. arm. Multiple small scars both patellas.
Height <u>5</u> feet <u>8</u> inches.	
Weight <u>144</u> lbs.	
Chest Measurement <u>34½</u> inches.	
Complexion <u>Fair</u>	
Eyes <u>Blue</u>	
Hair <u>Fair</u>	
Religious Denomination <u>R.C.</u>	

CERTIFICATE OF MEDICAL EXAMINATION.

I HAVE examined the above-named recruit, and find that he does not present any of the following conditions, viz. :—

Scrofula; phthisis; syphilis; impaired constitution; defective intelligence; defects of vision, voice, or hearing; hernia; hæmorrhoids; varicose veins, beyond a limited extent; marked varicocele with unusually pendant testicle; inveterate cutaneous disease; chronic ulcers; traces of corporal punishment; contracted or deformed chest; abnormal curvature of spine; or any other disease or physical defect calculated to unfit him for the duties of a soldier.

He can see the required distance with either eye; his heart and lungs are healthy; he has the free use of his joints and limbs; and he declares he is not subject to fits of any description.

I consider him fit for service in the Permanent Air Force of the Commonwealth of Australia.

Date 18th. March, 1940

Place No. 1 Recruiting Centre, Melbourne.

[Signature]
(Signature of Examining Medical Officer.)

CERTIFICATE OF APPROVING OFFICER.

I CERTIFY that this Attestation of the above-named recruit is correct, and that the required forms appear to have been complied with. I accordingly approve, and appoint him to

No 2. I.T.S. Bradfield PK N.S.W.

If enlisted by special authority, number and date to be here quoted.....

Date 18 AUG 1940

Place No. 1 RECRUITING CENTRE, R.A.A.F., MELBOURNE

[Signature]
Commanding
FLYING OFFICER
ATTESTING OFFICER
No. 1 RECRUITING CENTRE.

D.3610.

RE-ENGAGEMENT PAPER.

MEDICAL CERTIFICATE.

I CERTIFY that I have carefully examined (No.) _____
(Rank) _____ (Name) _____
and in my opinion he does not suffer from any disability or ailment likely to interfere
with the efficient performance of his duties.

Signature of Medical Officer _____

Place _____

Date _____

AUTHORITY FOR RE-ENGAGEMENT.

Re-engagement approved *vide* _____

**AGREEMENT ON RE-ENGAGEMENT.
AIR FORCE REGULATION 107, (FORM 2).**

I, (No.) _____ (Rank) _____
(Name) _____
enlisted on the _____ day of _____ 19____
for a period of _____ years, hereby agree to re-engage for
service in the Royal Australian Air Force, under the conditions prescribed in the Air
Force Regulations and in accordance with the terms of my oath of enlistment for the
term of _____ years, or until sooner lawfully discharged, dismissed, or
removed.

Signature of Airman _____

Signed before me this _____ day of _____,
19____.

Signature _____

Commanding Officer.

Place _____

RE-ENGAGEMENT PAPER.

MEDICAL CERTIFICATE.

I CERTIFY that I have carefully examined (No.) _____
(Rank) _____ (Name) _____
and in my opinion he does not suffer from any disability or ailment likely to interfere
with the efficient performance of his duties.

Signature of Medical Officer _____

Place _____

Date _____

AUTHORITY FOR RE-ENGAGEMENT.

Re-engagement approved *vide* _____

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AIR FORCE REGULATION 107, (FORM 2).**

I, (No.) _____ (Rank) _____
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service in the Royal Australian Air Force, under the conditions prescribed in the Air
Force Regulations and in accordance with the terms of my oath of enlistment for the
term of _____ years, or until sooner lawfully discharged, dismissed, or
removed.

Signature of Airman _____

Signed before me this _____ day of _____,
19____.

Signature _____

Commanding Officer.

Place _____

D.3810.

RECORD OF SERVICE - AIRMEN (AIRCREW) Form P/P.25

Air Force No. 400294
 Surname SHANNON
 Christian Names GEORGE HENRY
 Date of Birth 16/5/15
 Religion Roman Catholic
 Marital State Married
 Next of Kin: Name Gwyneth Shannon
 Address 5 Europa St. Geelong West, Vic.
 Relationship Wife

Enlisted for the duration of the war and up to twelve months thereafter as from 17th August 1940

PREVIOUS TRADE AND TRADE QUALIFICATIONS.

Chemical worker.

PREVIOUS NAVAL MILITARY or AIR SERVICE.

<u>Unit</u>	<u>From</u>	<u>To</u>	<u>Discharge</u>
			<u>Nil.</u>

DECORATIONS, MEDALS, MENTIONS.

Nil.

POSTINGS

<u>Posted to</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Authority</u>
<u>No. 2. Central Training School.</u>	<u>19.8.40.</u>	<u>IRC-DAO-95</u>

ATTACHMENTS.

<u>Attached to</u>	<u>From</u>	<u>To</u>	<u>Authority</u>
Mustering on Enlistment <u>Aircraftman</u> <u>2nd</u> Class. for Pay - Gp. <u>V(P)</u>			
Re-mustered to _____ Authority _____ Class. for Pay - Gp. _____			
<u>Classification or Rank</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Authority</u>	
<u>A.C. II</u>	<u>18.8.40</u>	<u>IRC-DAO-95</u>	

COURSES OF INSTRUCTION

<u>Nature</u>	<u>From</u>	<u>To</u>	<u>Authority</u>	<u>Result</u>

PAY AND ALLOWANCES

ROYAL AUSTRALIAN AIR FORCE.

ENROLMENT OF PERSON IN THE RESERVE.

No. R. _____ Name SHANNON George Francis Henry
Joined at _____
Joined on _____

QUESTIONS TO BE PUT BEFORE ENROLMENT.

What is your Name? George Francis Shannon
What is your Age? 24 years 11 months.
What is the Date of your Birth? 16/5/15
Are you Married or Single? Married
Are you a British Subject? Yes
Where were you Born? { Town Ballarat.
State Victoria
What is your Religion? Roman Catholic
Have you previously served in Australia or elsewhere? If so, state Regiment or Corps, Service, &c. No
Do you now belong to any Service, Regiment, or Corps? No
What is your Trade or Profession? Chemical Worker
Have you ever been convicted by the Civil Power? No
Have you ever been dismissed from any part of His Majesty's Service? No
What is your { Place of Residence? 8 Burke St. Geelong West.
Business Address? Vic.

I, George Francis Shannon, declare that the above answers made by me to the above questions are true.

G. Shannon

MEDICAL CERTIFICATE.

I HAVE examined the above-named, and Certify cannot Certify that he is medically suitable for the Air Force Reserve.

Height _____ ft. _____ in. Vaccination Marks _____
Chest _____ in. When Vaccinated _____
Weight _____ st. _____ lb. Marks or Scars _____
Vision R. Eye 6/ _____ L. Eye 6/ _____
Colour Vision _____
Hearing R. Ear _____ L. Ear _____
Physical Development _____
Complexion _____
Eyes (colour) _____
Hair (colour) _____

Date _____

(Signature of Examining Medical Officer.)

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OATH OR AFFIRMATION.*

OATH.

I, George Francis Chauve swear that I will well and truly serve Our Sovereign Lord the King as a member of the Air Force Reserve of the Commonwealth of Australia, and that I will resist His Majesty's enemies and cause His Majesty's Peace to be kept and maintained, and that I will in all matters appertaining to my service faithfully discharge my duty according to law. So help me God!

~~AFFIRMATION.~~

I, _____, solemnly and sincerely affirm and declare that I will well and truly serve Our Sovereign Lord the King as a member of the Air Force Reserve of the Commonwealth of Australia, and that I will resist His Majesty's enemies and cause His Majesty's Peace to be kept and maintained, and that I will in all matters appertaining to my service faithfully discharge my duty according to law.

Sworn Declared before me at Geelong in the State of Victoria this 6th day of April 1914 One thousand nine hundred and fourteen

G. Chauve
(Signature of Person enrolled.)

Name J. M. Regent J.P.
† (Signature of Officer or Justice of the Peace administering the oath or taking the declaration.)

Address 5 Wilson St. Geelong West

_____ has been passed by me this day and posted to Class _____ of the Reserve.

Official Number R. _____

Date _____ **

RE-ENROLMENT.

I, No. R. _____ (Rank) _____ (Name) _____ at present serving in the Reserve enrolled on (date) _____

desiring to re-enroll in the Air Force Reserve for a period of four years from _____

do hereby declare that I agree to re-enroll and to well and truly serve Our Sovereign Lord the King in the Air Force Reserve of the Commonwealth of Australia for the term of four years from _____ (date), or until sooner lawfully discharged, dismissed, or removed; and that I will resist His Majesty's enemies and cause His Majesty's Peace to be kept and maintained; and that I will in all matters appertaining to my service faithfully discharge my duty according to law.

Signature of Reservist _____

Signed at _____ in the State of _____ this _____ day of _____ 19 _____ before me.

(Signature) _____

* A person who objects to taking the oath may make the affirmation. Cross out form not used. All amendments must be initialed by the Officer or J.P. witnessing the Affirmation.
† "Justice of the Peace" means a Stipendiary or Police or Special Magistrate, or some Magistrate of the State who is specially authorized by the Governor-General to administer the oath.
** Rank and appointment.

RE-ENROLMENT.

I, No. R. _____ (Rank) _____ (Name) _____

at present serving in the Reserve enrolled on (date) _____

desiring to re-enroll in the Air Force Reserve for a period of four years from _____

_____ do hereby declare that I agree to re-enroll and to well and truly serve Our Sovereign Lord the King in the Air Force Reserve of the Commonwealth of Australia for the term of four years from _____ (date), or until sooner lawfully discharged, dismissed, or removed; and that I will resist His Majesty's enemies and cause His Majesty's Peace to be kept and maintained; and that I will in all matters appertaining to my service faithfully discharge my duty according to law.

Signature of Reservist _____

Signed at _____

in the State of _____ this

_____ day of _____ 19

before me.

(Signature) _____

ROYAL AUSTRALIAN AIR FORCE
CERTIFICATE OF THE SERVICE AND DISCHARGE OF

The corner of this Certificate to be cut off if the man is discharged with a "Finger Ring" character, or with disgrace, or if specially directed by the Air Board.

Finger Ring
Date July 1940
Initials J.H.

SURNAME SHANNON

CHRISTIAN NAME GEORGE HENRY

OFFICIAL NO. 400294

Date of Birth 16/5/1915 Age on Entry into R.A.A.F. 25 years 94 days.

Place of Birth (Town) Ballarat (District and State) Victoria

Occupation in Civil Life Chemical Worker

Trade in Royal Australian Air Force Aircraft (P)

Religious Denomination R.C.

Signature on Transfer to the Reserve or Discharge _____

Current Engagement in R.A.A.F.—

(a) State whether in Active or Reserve. Active

(b) Period :	Date current engagement commenced.	Age at that Date.	Terms of Enlistment.
	<u>15.8.40</u>	<u>25 yrs 94 days</u>	<u>Duration 12 months</u>

(c) Date of Actual entry into { Permanent Force _____
Citizen Force _____

(d) Re-engaged for _____ years on _____

Prior Engagement in N.M. Forces.

Service (Navy, Army, or Air Forces). UNIT	PERIOD.		Rank on Discharge.
	From	To	
<u>Nil</u>			

Date transferred to Royal Australian Air Force Reserve.

Date recalled from Royal Australian Air Force Reserve.

Name, Address, and Relationship of Person (or Persons) to be informed of Casualties (to be entered in pencil)—
Wife
Mr R. Hill
7 Eureka St.
Geelong West.
(Friend)
5 Eureka St.
Geelong West.

PARTICULARS AS TO MARRIAGE.

Full Christian Names and Surname of Woman and whether Spinster or Widow.	Place and Date of Marriage.	Present Address of Wife.	No. and date of Part II order promulgating.	Initials of Officer verifying entry.
<u>GWYNETH LYALL BENCH.</u> <u>(SPINSTER)</u>	<u>ASHBY, GEELONG, VIC.</u> <u>29/10/1937</u>	<u>5 EUREKA ST.</u> <u>GEELONG WEST.</u>		

Description of Person.	HEIGHT.		CHEST.	COLOUR OF			Marks, Wounds or Scars.
	Feet.	Inches.	Inches.	Hair.	Eyes.	Complex'n	
On Enlistment	<u>5</u>	<u>8</u>	<u>34 1/2</u>	<u>Fair</u>	<u>Blue</u>	<u>Fair</u>	<u>Scar 2nd joint litt. finger</u> <u>3 Vacc. L arm.</u> <u>Multiple</u>
On Re-engagement							
" "							
" "							
" "							
" Discharge							

Further Description, if necessary ;—

DISCHARGE PARTICULARS :—

DATE _____ ADDRESS ON DISCHARGE _____

TOTAL SERVICE (YEARS) _____ (DAYS) _____

POSTINGS					PROMOTIONS and RECLASSIFICATIONS <small>REDUCTION REVERSION</small>		
Departure Authority	Unit from which	Unit to which	Date of effect	Arrival Authority confirming	Authority	Description	Date of effect
		IRC.	18.8.40	IRC-DRO-95	IRC-DRO-95	AC11.	18.8.40
IRC-DRO-95	IRC.	QITS	19.8.40	IRC-DRO-95	ABO-P319/40	Lac	19.10.40
^{AB 519} PD 30/9/10	2ITS	6EETS	17.10.40	^{ABO-P319/40}		T/Sc. Sgtant	12.11.40
^{AB 519} F 12220 9/11 ABL 63614 24/10	6EETA	2120	12.11.40	^{ABO-P319/40} PO 420 9/11	HOTU (473) Redempt	11 OTU	9-1-42
	2ITS	2ED	4.1.1941		110TU (61) 18/42 405.04 997 (62)	Promoted A. Sgt (Paid)	29.6.42
DRO 112/41	2AOS	2BGS	11/5/41			T/Sgt Paid	26-9-42
" 184	#1ANS RIVERS	HARLEAX	5/5/41	DRO173/41			
DRO 189	*1YDEPOT	RAF. TP.	14.8.41				
		Emb Aus	23.1.41				
	and	Emb Cam	15.8.41				
	can	3 PRC	15.9.41	9/11			
102/41	3 PRG	11 OTU	30.9.41				
105/42 ^{N/42}	11 OTU	22 OTU	4-7-42	164/42 ^{N/42}			
234/42 ^(50/42)	22 OTU	LOS EIT	9.9.42	82/42 ^(58/42)			
37/42 ^(67/42)	HOS ^{canv} fult	HOS Sqd.	2-10.42	97/42 ^(63/42)			
37/42 ⁶⁷ 122		MISSING	2-10.42	DEL1126			
		MISSING					
		Death Record	2.10.42	OCL1221A OCL1150			

ATTACHMENTS

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SAS 287 ²⁰ 2. E. D. R. G. A. F. 23 JAN 1941 ^{DRO 47}
^{No 2 AOS}

REMUSTERINGS

Mustering on enlistment *Aircraft 5 (P)*

Remustered to *Ap 11* on *17.10.40* Authority *ABO P319/40*

RO (11/43) (AC1) *Aircraft 2 (P)* *15.11.40* *28 Aug 2002/41*

" *ACH/G 10* *9-1-42* *11.07.42 22 OTU*

" *Langston B.* *23-7-42* *22/42 (54/42)*

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MOVEMENTS AND CASUALTIES

CHARACTER AND TRADE PROFICIENCY

Rank	* Character	Trade Classification	† Proficiency			Date	Signature and Rank of Commanding Officer
			A	B	C		
T/Sgt	V.G.	a/obs	u/r	-	-	31.12.41	} certified true extract from form P/P75
F/Sgt	V.G.	a/obs	u/r	-	-	4.7.42	
Sgt	V.G.	Nav "B" on strength for training only				9.9.42	
Sgt	V.G.	Nav				2.10.42	
Sgt	V.G.	Nav on strength less than one month				3.10.42	
							<i>W. O.</i>

* Exemplary is the highest character which can be awarded in the Royal Australian Air Force, but is only awarded to an airman with more than 5 years' service. For others, V.G. is the highest award.

† The Trade Proficiency headings "A," "B," "C," signify :-

A. (i) Skill in his trade (applicable to airmen up to the rank of Corporal inclusive).

(ii) Proficiency as Pilot, Air Gunner (Full Time) or Air Observer (if so mustered).

B. Ability as Technical Warrant, or non-commissioned Officer, i.e., as foreman manager, foreman, or supervisor in his trade.

C. Ability as a Warrant, or non-commissioned, Officer in administration, drill, discipline, etc.

CERTIFICATE OF DISCHARGE

Certified discharged _____ day of _____ 19____

Signature and Rank of Officer authorising the discharge.

Before compiling this form read the Notes to R.A.A.F. Supplement to Appendix III (Part II) War Manual Part II.

ROYAL AUSTRALIAN AIR FORCE.

AIRMAN'S RECORD SHEET (Active Service—Overseas). *A/Sgt. (Act)*

Official No. *400294* Name *SHANNON GEORGE HENRY* Rank *A/Sgt. (Act)*
(In full in block capitals, surname first.) (Or acting appointment.)

Mustering *Air Crew II(0)* Special Qualifications
(e.g., Gas Instructor, Fire Fighter, Boxing Instructor.)

Date of Birth *16-5-1915* Religion *R. C.* Occupation in Civil Life *Chemical Worker*

Last Enlisted *18th Aug 1940* Current Engagement *Duration 12 months*

If Reservist, which Class ("E," 1-5) Whether Married, Single, or Widower *Married*

Name and Address of Person (or Persons) to be informed of Casualties:

Mrs. J. Shannon, 5 Eureka St, Gulong West Vic (Wife)
Mr R Hill, 7 Eureka St, Gulong West Vic (Friend)
(In Pencil.)

Relationship *Wife and Friend*
(In Pencil.)

Any alteration to above (e.g., Promotions) to be made by crossing out and writing above.

SECTION 1.—MOVEMENTS AND CASUALTIES.			SECTION 2.— PROMOTIONS, ACTING APPOINTMENTS (PAID OR UNPAID), REDUCTIONS, REMUSTERINGS.		
Unit FROM which.	Unit TO which.	Date of effect.	*Authority.	Description.	Date of Effect.
<i>2 ITS</i>	<i>2 ED</i>	<i>3 JAN 1941</i>	<i>P39/40</i>	<i>LAC.</i>	<i>17/10/40.</i>
<i>2 F.I.D.</i>	<i>R.C.A.F.</i>	<i>23 JAN 1941</i>	<i>Dko 154/101</i>	<i>T/Sgt Ad. Spec Group</i>	<i>23-6-41</i>
	<i>May 1905 Edmonton</i>	<i>16-2-41</i>		<i>Air Obs. Badge</i>	
<i>2 AOS</i>	<i>2 BGS</i>	<i>11/5/41</i>			
<i>2 B.C.</i>	<i>Moosebank Sqn 1 ANS River Man</i>	<i>23-6-41</i>	<i>10R0148</i>		
	<i>Emb Aus</i>	<i>23-1-41</i>	<i>POA 12/42</i>	<i>Reduced to the cancelled</i>	<i>24/30/43 11 OTU</i>
	<i>Emb Can</i>	<i>15-8-41</i>	<i>11 OTU 30/42</i>	<i>Classification of LAC</i>	<i>9-1-42</i>
	<i>3 PRC</i>	<i>15-9-41</i>	<i>POA 102/42</i>	<i>Reverts A/L (on muster)</i>	<i>9-1-42</i>
<i>3 P.R.C</i>	<i>11 O.T.U.</i>	<i>30-9-41</i>	<i>POA 405/42</i>	<i>Promoted to Acting (Paid) rank of Sgt</i>	<i>29/6/42</i>
<i>11 O.T.U.</i>	<i>22 O.T.U.</i>	<i>4/7/42</i>	<i>POA 99-42</i>	<i>As T/Sgt. Paid.</i>	<i>26-9-42</i>
<i>22 O.T.U.</i>	<i>405 C.F.</i>	<i>9-9-42</i>			
<i>405. Com. Flight</i>	<i>405 Sqn</i>	<i>2-10-42</i>			
<i>405 Sqn.</i>	<i>New Casualty</i>	<i>3-10-42</i>			
	<i>12/13 Killed</i>	<i>2-10-42</i>	<i>PD4707</i>	<i>Aircraft 2 (0)</i>	<i>12/11/40</i>
			<i>11 OTU</i>	<i>Remustered ACH/CD</i>	<i>9-1-42</i>
			<i>30/43</i>	<i>to Wright B. Emps.</i>	<i>23-7-42</i>
			<i>23 OTU</i>		
			<i>22/42</i>		

*When on active service overseas, the authority to be quoted will be the serial number of the B.P.S.O.'s Casualty Form.

SECTION 3.—CHARACTER AND TRADE PROFICIENCY.

(To be assessed on every occasion on which an airman is struck off the strength of a unit, e.g., on posting, admission to hospital, death, &c.)

Rank.	Character.	Mustering.	Proficiency.*			Whether specially recommended, recommended, or not recommended for promotion or reclassification.	Date.	Signature and Rank of Commanding Officer.
			A	B	C			
1/Sgt.	V.G.	A/Obs.	u/c	-	-	-	31.12.41	<i>[Signature]</i> S/Lt.
F/Sgt.	V.G.	A/Obs.	u/T	-	-	-	4/7/42	<i>[Signature]</i> S/LDR
Sgt	V.G.	NAV. 'B'	on strength for training only			-	9.9.42	<i>[Signature]</i> S/L
Sgt.	V.G.	Nav.	On strength for training only			-	2.10.42	<i>[Signature]</i> S/L
Sgt.	V.G.	Nav.	On strength for less than one month			-	3/10/42	<i>[Signature]</i> S/L

18.1.42 - 14.1.42. - 12 days Priv. Leave. *[Signature]* e/o. R.W.N. 441534.
 2.11.41 - 5.11.41 - 3 days P. Leave. *[Signature]* e/o.
 (26) 41. Priv. Leave 23.9.41 to 25.9.41 (3 days) No Rail Warrant. *[Signature]* e/o.

SECTION 4.—DECORATIONS, MENTIONS, SPECIAL COMMENDATIONS BY A.O.S.C., ETC.

Authority.	Nature.	Date of Effect.

NOTES.—This form is to be forwarded immediately, together with Form P/A. 8, to the Commanding Officer of the Unit (if within the Command) to which the airman is posted whilst effective.
 It is to be forwarded immediately, together with Form P/P. 8, to the B.P.S.O. in all other cases where the airman is struck off the strength of his Unit, e.g., killed, died, admitted to hospital, transferred to Home Establishment, posted outside the Command, &c.
 *The trade proficiency headings "A", "B" and "C" signify—"A" (i) Skilled in his trade (applicable to airmen up to rank of Corporal (inclusive)). (ii) Proficiency as Pilot, Airgunner, or Air Observer (if so mustered or appointed). "B" Ability as technical warrant or non-commissioned officer, i.e., as foreman manager, foreman or supervisor in his trade. "C" Ability as a warrant, or non-commissioned officer, in Administration, drill, discipline, &c. To be assessed as "E" (Exceptional), "AA" (Above Average), "A" (Average), or "BA" (below Average).

ROYAL AUSTRALIAN AIR CORP.

J. A. T. P. AUSTRALIA

Form 2/P. 8.

SERVICE

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Sheet Destroyed _____
Date of Last Entry _____
Number of Cease of Drunkenness _____
Date of Last Instance of Drunkenness _____
"Certified Correct" For _____ Date _____

Official No. 400294 Name SHAMON George Henry

Date of enlistment 18. 8. 40. Sheet No. _____

Commanding Officer,
Signature [Signature]
No. 21 T.S. LINDFIELD,
Point of C.O. N.S.W.

Unit and Place.	Date of offence.	Place of offence. (in red ink)	Witnesses.	Punishment awarded.	Date of award or of award dispensing with trial	By whom awarded	Initials and rank of Officer awarding entry and remarks, with Date.
							11. 10. 40.
		Certified no entry				<u>[Signature]</u>	11 OCT 1940 Adjutant No 7 I.T.S. R.A.A.F. LINDFIELD, N.S.W.
		CERTIFIED NO ENTRY				<u>[Signature]</u>	Flying Officer 114 Gos. 1940
		Certified no entry				<u>[Signature]</u>	3 JAN 1941 Adjutant, No. 6 E.F.T.S.
		Certified No Entry				<u>[Signature]</u>	3 JAN 1941 Adjutant, No. 2 I. T. S. Lindfield
						<u>[Signature]</u>	23 JAN 1941 Adjutant, No. 2 Embarkation Depot R.A.A.F. Bradfield Park, N.S.W.

For General of Service to be inserted here with suitable rubber stamp.
For method of making entries see Appendix 8/1/1.
To be signed by the signant.

APPLICATION FOR AIR CREW.

Candidates who apply for selection as Air Crew may be selected for training as Pilots, Air Observers, and Air Gunners for service in the Royal Australian Air Force at home or abroad.
Application form to be completed in candidate's own handwriting.
When completed this form should be despatched to:

R.A.A.F. Recruiting Centre

APPROVED
Non Power Officer.
R.A.A.F. Recruiting Centre, Melbourne.

1. Surname SHANNON
(Block Letters.)
2. Christian Names George Francis Henry
(In full.)
3. Postal Address of Place of Residence 5 Eureka St
Geelong West Vic.
4. Name, Relationship, Occupation, and Address of Next-of-Kin Mrs E. Younise
Everyday Mother Home Duties 5 Eureka St Geelong W.
5. Date of Birth 16/5/15
6. Married or Single Married
7. Are you a British Subject? Yes Of pure European descent? Yes
8. State the Nationality of your Parents. (Nationality at time of death if deceased.)
Father British Mother British

9. (a) Give particulars opposite of the schools and colleges at which you were educated from the age of 12.	Names and addresses of Schools and Colleges.	Period of Education.	
		From	To
	<u>Christian Bros. School.</u>	<u>1-1-27</u>	<u>19-12-28</u> <small>Day of school.</small>
	<u>Ballarat East St. Patrick's College</u>	<u>5-2-29</u>	<u>17-12-30</u>
	<u>School of Miss. Ballarat</u>	<u>5-2-29</u>	<u>18-5-31</u>

(b) Have you sat for the Intermediate or Junior Public Examination? If so, give particulars opposite.	Name of examining body	<u>University of Melbourne</u>	
	Description of certificate	<u>Intermediate</u>	
	Date of examination	<u>3-12-29</u> <small>(approx)</small>	
	Was certificate obtained?	<u>No</u> <small>unfit to even attempt to study at time</small>	
	Subjects passed in	<u>English Latin French Geom & Trig. Algebra</u>	
	Subjects failed in	<u>Chem. History</u>	
	Subjects (if any) in which a first-class pass was obtained	<u>Latin English</u>	

(c) Have you sat for any other educational examination? If so, give particulars opposite.	Name of examining body	<u>Merit Certificate also term exam</u>	
	Description of examination	<u>Education Dept. & S.M.B.</u> <small>School of Miss</small>	
	Date of examination	<u>16-12-28</u>	<u>16-5-31</u>
	Was examination passed?	<u>Yes</u>	
	Particulars of subjects passed in	<u>Geog. Chem. Physics. Math. Eng. Canon.</u>	

(d) Give particulars (with dates) of further education undertaken since leaving school. Name and address of educational establishment or tutor should be stated, subjects taken, and whether whole or part-time tuition.

Draughtsmanship & Machine Design course
International Correspondence School
Tuition by Correspondence Sydney
Have received instruction in Learning English, Alg. Physics
Chem.

10. Occupation since leaving school, including nature of work on which now engaged—

Chemical worker
Chemical Fertilizers

11. Are you prepared to serve for the duration of the war and for a period of up to 12 months thereafter? Yes

12. Have you had any flying experience? No If so, number of hours

Dual Nil Solo Nil Name of training organization _____

Do you hold a Pilot's Licence? No

13. Details of any Naval, Military or Air Force Service _____

14. Attach particulars of any Experience you have had in the following :—

Wireless Telegraphy and Telephony _____

Engineering (electrical, mechanical, structural, or civil) Elem & Applied Mechanic
Mechanical Drawing

Internal Combustion Engines _____

Fitting and Turning _____

15. Particulars of Sports and Games played Football school & college teams

& with Geelong Dist. Tennis Asstly. Club Geelong

16. Have you previously applied for an Appointment in any Branch of the Royal Australian Air Force or Active Citizen Air Force? (If so, give particulars and date.)

No
NOTE.—An incorrect answer to this question may disqualify a Candidate.

17. Physical particulars: Height 5-8 3/4 Weight 10-8

Chest Measurement: Normal 37 in. Expanded 39 1/2 in.

Have you been previously medically examined for Air Force or Civil Flying? No

18. **CERTIFICATE.**

I hereby certify that the replies set out to the above questions are, to the best of my knowledge and belief, true and correct.

Date 10-1-40

G. Shannon
Signature of Applicant.

19. **CERTIFICATE OF PARENT OR GUARDIAN.***

I am agreeable that my ^{son} _{ward} joins the Air Force for flying duties, for service at home or abroad.

Date _____

Signature of Parent or Guardian.

20. Certificates to be completed by two responsible persons who have known the candidate for a considerable period.

I certify that I have known _____ for

(a) _____ years. (b) _____ years.

and can certify as to his moral courage and suitability for service in the Royal Australian Air Force.

(a) Name _____ (b) Name _____

Address _____ Address _____

* To be filled in if Applicant is under 21 years of age

T. RIDER, Government Printer, Melbourne.

