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Regimental number	845
Religion	Church of England
Occupation	Surveyor's chainman
Address	C/o Mr Roberts, Existing Lines Dept, Perth, Western Australia
Marital status	Single
Age at embarkation	36
Next of kin	Sister, Mrs Mary Smith, 18 Chapel Terrace, Loughborough, Leicester, England
Enlistment date	26 January 1916
Rank on enlistment	Private
Unit name	44th Battalion, D Company
AWM Embarkation Roll number	23/61/1
Embarkation details	Unit embarked from Fremantle, Western Australia, on board HMAT A29 <i>Suevic</i> on 6 June 1916
Rank from Nominal Roll	Private
Unit from Nominal Roll	Headquarters Depts United Kingdom
Fate	Effective abroad (still overseas)
Medals	Military Medal

'At ST. YVES on the 4th June, 1917, during the removal of the Gas Cylinders, Private Jabez LESTER SMITH, under heavy artillery fire, showed great devotion to duty and determination in assisting in the complete removal of the whole of the Cylinders from the front line. Working in the open he carried Cylinders again and again openly exposed to the enemy's fire. By this cool consistent action he set a fine example to his fellow workers, helping them to carry on until this most difficult task was complete.'

Source: 'Commonwealth Gazette' No. 189

Date: 8 November 1917

Other details

War service: Western Front

Medals: Military Medal, British War Medal, Victory Medal

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