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## **Charles Blackett PEARSON**

Regimental number 2135

Religion Church of England

Occupation Farmer

Address 201 Royal Street, East Perth, Western Australia

Marital status Married

Age at embarkation 31

Next of kin Wife, Mrs Mary Millwood Pearson, 201 Royal Street, East Perth, Western Australia

Enlistment date 28 April 1916 Date of enlistment from Nominal Roll 1 May 1916

Rank on enlistment Private

Unit name 44th Battalion, 3rd Reinforcement

AWM Embarkation Roll number 23/61/2

Embarkation details Unit embarked from Fremantle, Western Australia, on board HMAT A23 Suffolk on 10 October 1916

Regimental number from Nominal Roll 2135A
Rank from Nominal Roll Private

Unit from Nominal Roll 44th Battalion Recommendations (Medals and Awards) Military Medal Details Page 2 of 2

Recommendation date: 6 June 1917

Mention in Despatches

Recommendation date: 3 August 1917

Bar to Military Medal

Recommendation date: Unspecified\*"

Fate Returned to Australia 1 June 1919

Medals Military Medal

'At ST. YVES on the 4th June, 1917, No. 2135A Private Charles PEARSON was a stretcher bearer attached to the daylight raiding party under Lieutenant GAZE. He followed the party accross No Man's Land and into the Boach trenches, where he took part in the fight and killed 2 Germans himself. He, single-handed, dressed two wounded men in the enemy trenches, and carried home on his back another wounded man. Throughout the whole operation he displayed wonderful bravery and coolness in his work and set a great example to his comrades. He is worthy of the highest commendation. A total of 5 Officers and 100 other ranks took part in this raid.'

Source: 'Commonwealth Gazette' No. 219

Date: 31 March 1973

MM Bar

Source: 'Commonwealth Gazette' No. 95

Date: 27 June 1918

Other details War service: Western Front

Medals: Military Medal & Bar, British War Medal, Victory Medal

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