CARSON, Frederick James P

Frederick James Carson
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Frederick James P Carson was born at Marrickville, NSW in 1895, the oldest of five children born to Frederick James Percival and Kathleen Rosina nee Ridding. Frederick's siblings were Herbert LP b.1897 / d.1898, Dorothy L b.1905, Mavis Winifred b.1908, and Eric P b.1913.

Frederick, nicknamed 'Eddie', attended West Maitland Superior Public School, and, aged 16 entered HAC in July 1911 to start the Diploma Course. According to Frederick's student card, his father, then a contractor, withdrew Frederick from the College at the end of 1911 due to financial constraints. Frederick senior would go on to found the Carson Northern Timber Company.

Frederick was a 21 year old Orchardist living at Pitt Town, Windsor, NSW when he enlisted on 13 May 1916 in the 54th Battalion, 4th Reinforcement. Embarking from

Sydney, NSW, on 19 August 1916 aboard HMAT Boorara A42, Frederick arrived first in Plymouth, England, After training in England he then went on to France in January 1917.

A dispatch rider, Frederick was wounded on 21 October on a run from Broodseinde Ridge. He later died of those wounds on 22 October 1917, aged 22.

Frederick is buried at Lijssenthoek Military Cemetery Belgium.