

Harold Joseph Carbery 1893 - 1943



Harold Joseph Carbery, labourer, soldier, farmer, husband, and father to Francis, Selwyn, Marlan, Colin, and Vince. Born on 26 December 1893 in Dapto, NSW, he arrived in Queensland during 1914. The following year, Harold enlisted in the A.I.F. in Brisbane. He was 20 years old with fair hair, blue eyes, standing 169 cm tall. He served in the 26th Infantry Battalion and saw action in Gallipoli (wounded) and France. Returning to Australia in 1919, Harold married Blanche Donnelly in 1922. The Carbery family lived in Eumundi for some years, then Brisbane. From Brisbane to a large dairy farm north of Bundaberg and, finally, to Witta in 1940. Early in 1943, the Carberys moved to a farm closer to Maleny. Only weeks later, tragedy struck when a bull gored Harold. Taken to the Maleny Hospital and on to Brisbane, he died on 8 March 1943. Harold's funeral was held in the Maleny Catholic Church. He is buried in the Witta Cemetery.

