

HMAS SYDNEY VIRTUAL MEMORIAL

Information given to me by My Mother
Mary Agness Glossop (Nee Burnsyde)

The first news of William Burnsyde
was a telegrame sent to my Grandfather
Rufas Burnsyde @ Kudardup (Near
Augusta, south west Australia)

stated that the Navy regretted to inform
that William was lost.

My mother sent her younger brother
Joseph Burnsyde, #MAS PERTH, a
telegrame saying Bill was lost.

The captain gave this telegrame to Joe
Burnsyde and asked what he thought
it meant. Joe replied if Bill is lost
then so is the SYDNEY.

A TELEGRAME LATER RECIEVD by my Grand-
father Rufas, STATED WILLIAM Had become
a first class STOKER. BILL never got this
News. He would have been so proud
to hear this News.

AN ORIGINAL TALLY BAND with ~~#~~ SYDNEY
Belonging to William was one of two
items I inherited from my Mother
The second item is a NAVY Bed Quilt
I am unsure if it is from HMAS SYDNEY
~~OR~~ OR HMAS PERTH. Probably STANDARD
ISSUE for the NAVY AT THAT TIME.

The Quilt WAS used BY my Mother and
also my family and is well used.

William was the 2nd youngest child of
Rufus Daniel Burnside + AGNES BURNSIDE
(NEE) EASTCOTT, William + Joseph were
the only SONS of 8 children BORN TO THIS
Family who resided in the South West
of WESTERN AUSTRALIA.

I would like to Thank MR GARRY BRAV-
ERSTOCK IT IS A WONDERFUL Idea TO
HAVE THE FINDING SYDNEY FOUNDATION
AND I WISH THEM GOOD LUCK IN THEIR
QUEST.

MY MOTHERS FAMILY WERE DEEPLY
AFFECTED BY THE LOSS of her Brother
& the SYDNEY AND SHE WOULD SANG-
tion this 100%.

Yours Truly
Maxine Turich

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