

Benjamin James Long

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The death occurred at Mooroopna Hospital on Monday morning last of Mr. Benjamin James Long, a respected resident of Rushworth for the past 11 years, at the advanced age of 83 years.

The deceased, who came from Auburn, South Australia, served in the Great War of 1914-18, and some time after his return, came to reside in Rushworth where he was held in the greatest respect by all who knew him. He was of a very reticent disposition, but a true friend and comrade to all those with whom he became associated.

The mortal remains were interred at the Rushworth cemetery on Tuesday last, the Rev. Father Tehan performing the last rites and the Returned Soldiers' service was read by Mr. R. H. Darroch, president of the Rushworth branch of the R. S. S. I. L. A.

The Last Post was sounded by Mr. L. O'Donnell and a wreath from the Rushworth branch R. S. S. I. L. A. was placed on the grave of their departed comrade.

The coffin-bearers were Messrs R. H. Darroch, J. Roche, E. Black, J. McCullough, W. Roche and G. Cummings and the Union Jack was draped over the casket and borne by Messrs. J. Koopman, J. Richards, M. Mandel, S. Hunt and C. Williams.