Joseph William Russel

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We regret to announce the death of Mr. Joseph William Russel, son of a well-known family of Girgarre East, in the Rushworth district.

His father, Mr James Russel, who was a prominent figure at Rushworth, removed from Brighton, Melbourne, in the early pioneering selection days, his holding being at Girgarre East.

As the family grew up they worked in co-operation with their father until his death, when Mr. J. W. Russel retired to private life at Phillips street, Rushworth.

After residence there for some years the deceased removed to Castlemaine and died there on 21st of June from pneumonia.

Mr. J. W. Russel was held in high esteem by a very large circle of friends, his upright nature and generous consideration of others is very much missed.

Possessed of a very quiet disposition, active participation in public affairs had no attraction for him.

Mr Russel is survived by his wife (formerly Miss McLarty of Girgarre East), and also by two brothers Messrs E. R. and G. R. Russel. Two sisters and a brother predeceased him.

The funeral took place at Rushworth cemetery yesterday where many old friends, some from a considerable distance, assembled at the graveside. The service was conducted by Rev. A. F. Landers.