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In reply quote  
Info Svc/ex WX9261

16 June 1982

Mr C. Caimanos  
8 Brian Grove  
PARADISE SA 5075

Dear Mr Caimanos,

1. I refer to your letter received at this office on 12 May 1982.
2. According to records held at this office, the information you have requested is as follows:

WX9261 John Nicholas Caimanos

Stated on enlistment that he was born at Grassmere via Albany, Western Australia on 28 December 1902.

Enlisted in the Australian Imperial Force at Claremont, Western Australia on 30 October 1940.

Allotted army number WX9261 and the rank of private.

Posted to the Northam Base Training Depot on 1 November 1940.

Transferred to the 3rd Depot Battalion on 28 November 1940.

Transferred to the 2/4th Australian Machine Gun Battalion on 5 December 1940.

Embarked at Western Australia per 'Duntroon' on 21 July 1941.

Disembarked at Adelaide, South Australia on 25 July 1941.

Entrained at Adelaide for Darwin on 11 October 1941.

Arrived at Darwin on 20 October 1941.

Embarked at Darwin for overseas service with the 2/4th Australian Machine Gun Battalion on 30 December 1941.

Disembarked at Singapore on 24 January 1942.

Reported to be a prisoner of war in Changi Camp on 15 February 1942.

Entrained at Singapore (D Force) (Employment in prisoner of war camp in Siam) on 14 March 1945.

/Recovered

Recovered from the Japanese in Siam on 20 August 1945.

Embarked at Singapore per 'Moreton Bay' on 15 October 1945.

Disembarked at Fremantle, Western Australia on 24 October 1945.

Discharged from the Australian Imperial Force at Wayville, South Australia on 27 May 1946 on account of demobilization.

3. The Burma Star was awarded for entry into the operational service with a unit in Burma between 11 December 1941 and 2 September 1945. I regret to inform you that time spent as a prisoner of war is not qualifying service towards this award, therefore, your late father did not qualify for the Burma Star.

4. He qualified for and was issued with the 1939/45 Star, Pacific Star, War Medal and Australia Service Medal, which is his full entitlement.

5. This information is released pursuant to Australian Military Regulation 770.

Yours sincerely,



(B. SNEZWELL)

Major  
Authorising Officer  
for Commanding Officer