

## Name: James Joseph Puzzau

Reg No: 5462

Address: 5 Kerry Park Terrace, Waterford

Date Of Birth: 11 March 1905

Date Of Joining: 10 January 1924

Where Stationed-  
DISTRICT(Place): -

Garda Rank at end  
of service: -

Occupation Or  
Trade: -

By Whom  
Recommended: -

Religion: Roman Catholic

IRA Rank: Section Commander

Rank In National  
Army: Private

RIC Rank: 0

Foreign Army  
Rank: -

If In Cid Or  
ProtectionCorps: -

Knowledge Of Irish  
Language: Yes

Height: 5ft 9?

Chest: 35½ / 37

Remarks: -

### Further Notes:

Son of Peter Puzzau (an Engineer) and Fagan. In the early days he was an engineering apprentice at Bolton Street Technical SNewtownschool two days per week and worked the rest of the time at Broadstone Works (then the Midland Great Western Railway). He served in the Irish Civil War and joined at Begars Bush Barracks in Dublin on 15th March 1922 as Driver with the Transport Corps of 3rd Southern Command(Reg No. 446), stationed in Maryborough Cork. He was discharged from the army in November 1923 at Gormanston Camp. James married Mary Elizabeth 'Liz' Fallon on 7th April 1926 in Newtowncashel, Ballymahon, Longford (died 1943 in Longford County Home and is buried with Fallon Family there). Was stationed in Dundalk. During his career in the Civic Guards he was a Champion Boxer. He left the Gardai in the early 1930s. In 1936 he was a fruit van driver residing in Davis Street Limerick when he knocked down a killed a pedestrian. After a Circuit Court Trial in Nenagh he was found not guilty of manslaughter. He was recorded as 'Instrument Maker' in 1939 UK Register at Chiselhurst Kent and was in a relationship with Margaret Barry, where their son was born in 1939. He applied for Oglagh Na h-Éireann pension in 1940 and was refused. He made claims for IRA Pension in 1940 and 1973, which were both unsuccessful. He was working in Derby where he was brought before court on charges from assaulting the manager of a public house there in 1945 and was fined £6 as a result. In his later life he settled in Wilmslow, Cheshire England . He died from cancer on 24th October 1977 at the Royal Infirmary in Manchester.

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