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Thomas Dowling

REG NO: 5708

BORN
05 July 1896

JOINED
26 March 1924

ADDRESS
High Street, Ballyragget, Co Kilkenny

PERSONAL INFORMATION

STATIONED
CLARE (Fanore)

DATE OF DEATH
28 December 1925

RELIGION
Roman Catholic

OCCUPATION/TRADE
Carpenter

HEIGHT
5ft 8.1/4

CHEST
34 36.1/2

IRISH LANGUAGE
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MARRIAGE

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RECOMMENDED BY

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SERVICE & RANK INFORMATION

GARDA RANK

Garda

IRA RANK

Sec Commander

NATIONAL ARMY RANK

2nd lieut

RIC RANK

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FOREIGN ARMY RANK

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CID/PROTECTION CORPS

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END OF SERVICE & REASON

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NOTES & REFERENCES

REMARKS

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FURTHER NOTES

Having previously worked as a carpenter, he had been involved in the struggle for Irish Independence and subsequently joined the National Army achieving the rank of Lieutenant. During his military service he was wounded in an ambush near Clonmel, Co. Tipperary. Son of John Dowling (a Labourer) and Bridget Murphy. On 28th December 1925, Garda Dowling, in the company of another member, was returning to Fanore Garda Station after some hours on cycle patrol duty in the neighbouring District, when passing Craggagh graveyard a volley was fired into them, resulting in the death of Garda Dowling. The killing of Garda Dowling was believed to have been in reprisal for his enforcement of the illicit distillation laws. He is buried in Ballyouskill Graveyard, County Kilkenny.

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