

19. Courtis St
with Williamstown
Vic 3016

My brother Leslie Frank Martin

P.O. Steward on the ship "Sydney" when it
sank the "Bartolomeo Collina"
on the 19th July 1940.

I have enclosed a badge that was sent to
my mother for a grieving mother after loss
of my brother on the "Sydney"

also a photo of my brother & his mate
he sent home to us - we don't know his mate's
name, but he was from Queensland, as you
can see back of photo on the "Sydney"

also I have enclosed a copy of Les diary
he left at home with us last time we saw
him in Williamstown - as he was born here W'ston
& after my mother died - my youngest brother said
we should donate to - "The Castlemain museum of Ship"
so we did - & this is a copy of it - I am 90 years
now & all my family have gone - I had three brothers
in the navy - one on the "Shepina" & one on the "Australis"
& Les on the "Sydney" another brother in the air force
my husband, on the Army on the Kokoda Track.
I was so happy at last to find the found & "Sydney"
I would dearly like to know why no services
Lillian Doulin



Dear Mum.

~~Les~~

I suppose you can recognise
me, the other lad in my class
comes from Queensland.

Love
Les

P/O. SYD
LES. MARTIN
HMHS. SYDNEY
~~10th Street~~

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