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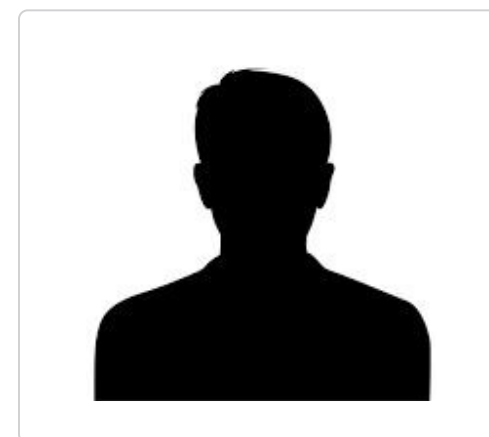
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Item ID	56217
Full Name	David, Fleishman
Father's Name	Morris
Mother's Name	Mina
Gender	male
Country of Birth	South Africa
City of Birth	Robertson, Cape Province
Military Service	Rhodesia
Unit	Rhodesia Regiment
Army Role	Combat Soldier
+ Participation in World War II operations	1
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Biography

Sergeant David Fleishman, No 5.3025, Rhodesia Regiment (attached Somaliland Camel Corps), was the son of Morris Fleishman (1874-1938) and Mina Fleishman (nee Schamach) (1874-1913) of Robertson, Cape Province.

He went to live in Bulawayo, Southern Rhodesia (Zimbabwe) where his brother Harry Benjamin Fleischmann (1901-1951) lived. He enlisted in the Rhodesia Regiment and was awarded the Military Medal. "An exceptionally gallant group of Rhodesians fought in the lone and desperate campaign which resulted in the temporary evacuation of British Somaliland. Among them were a number of Jews, including Sergeant David Fleischman. Born at Robertson, Cape Province, Fleischman went to Bulawayo at an early age and was among the first to enlist in the Colony's forces. His earliest opportunity to go on active service was with the Somaliland Camel Corps. For gallantry during the retreat he was awarded the Military Medal, probably the first Southern Rhodesian Jew to fain a decoration in World War II".

Sources: 1. Chapter III. Under Fire. South African Jews in World

War II. SA Jewish Board of Deputies 1950 page 22. 2. The National Archives, Kew. Name Fleishman, David: Rank Sergeant; Service No. S3025; Regiment Rhodesian Regiment seconded Somaliland Camel Corps; Theatre of Combat or Operation: Middle East (East Africa and Madagascar): Award Military Medal; Date of announcement in the London Gazette 11 February 1941; Reference WO 373/28/42. 3. Military Medal Sergeant David Fleishman, Rhodesia Regiment, attached Somaliland Camel Corps, has been awarded the Military Medal in recognition of distinguished services in the field in Somaliland. The Jewish Chronicle, London, 21 February 1941.

Personal Story

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