

Ernest REIMAN



Pre-enlistment:

- Ernest was born in August 1894 in Maryborough Qld to parents Albert and Rose REIMAN, of the Range, Cordalba, Qld. Native of Maryborough, Qld
- He had a twin brother (3468 Driver Herbert REIMAN, 49th Bn, who RTA, 12 July 1919), and an older brother Albert Edward (Ted) 3469 RTA with a Military Medal
- Ernest lived as a single man at Cordalba, Qld
- His occupation at time of enlistment was that of a labourer
- His next of kin was listed as his father, Albert Reiman of Cordalba

Military Records

- Service Numbers: 2645, 2645A
- Ernest Reiman enlisted on 8 June 1915, Brisbane, Qld with 9th Battalion, 8th Reinforcement as a Private
- He embarked with his Unit from Brisbane, Qld, on board HMAT A55 Kyarra on 16 August 1915, aged 21
- Joined his Unit in Mudros on 18 November 1915, then presumably to Gallipoli
- He disembarked at Alexandria on 4 January 1916, then transferred to the 49th Battalion on 25 February 1916 in Habeita (Suez area)
- He proceeded overseas, embarked Alexandria 5 June 1916 then disembarked Marseilles 12 June
- He suffered gunshot wounds to his arm and leg on 3rd September, 1916, and after 12 months in England returned to France taken on strength in the field by 49th Battalion on 23 October 1917
- Private Ernest Reiman was killed in action on 5 April 1918 at Dernancourt, Picardie, France aged 23 years 8 months
- His service was in Gallipoli, Egypt and the Western Front
- After the war, graves from the Albert Road Cemetery were concentrated in the Dernancourt Communal Cemetery Extension, but no remains were found in the grave of either

[182 Captain] R.V. Atkinson or 2645 Pte E. Reiman, 49th Bn. The two memorial crosses originally installed were removed and replaced by a large memorial cross in the Dernancourt Cemetery, with the inscription: 'To the memory of this Dominion Officer and man killed in action April 1918 and buried at the time in Albert Road Cemetery, which was partially destroyed by the enemy, August, 1918. Their glory shall not be blotted out.'

Cemetery &/or Memorial

- Cemetery: Initially buried at Albert Road Cemetery but no remains were found for reinterment to Dernancourt Communal Cemetery Extension (Albert Road Memorial), Dernancourt, Picardie France
- Memorials: Australian War Memorial Roll of Honour Panel number 149
- Childers Memorial Hall (Isis District Pictorial War Memorial),
- Cordalba War Memorial,
- Isis District Roll of Honour,
- Isis North State School Honour Board

Honours & Awards

- 1914-15 Star,
- British War Medal,
- Victory Medal

Rifle Shooting

- Ernest Reiman was a member of the Cordalba Rifle Club

ACWM Commemoration Service

Reference Links

- recordsearch.naa.gov.au/SearchNRRetrieve/Interface/ViewImage.aspx?B=8028372
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