

William BRENNAN



Pre-enlistment:

- William was born in Gympie, Queensland, 15 January 1872 to parents Margaret and James BRENNAN, Mills Street, Woolloowin, Queensland.
- He was the brother of David Cresswick Brennan, who was the father of the late Wing Commander William David Brennan RAAF, who was named in honour of his uncle.
- He lived in Brisbane, Queensland
- Schooling was at Brisbane Grammar School
- His occupation was that of a Public Servant (Lands Dept)

Military Records

- Service Number: 577
- William Brennan enlisted on 30 October 1914, in Brisbane, aged 42 years and 8 months (given on Attestation Papers, but other sources give 3 October 1914 as date of enlistment)
- He was attached to the 15th Infantry Battalion as a Private
- On 22 December 1914 he embarked with his Unit on the HMAT A40, Ceramic, Melbourne, aged 42 years
- He was promoted to Lance Corporal during his service in Gallipoli
- Lance Corporal William BRENNAN was 'Killed in Action', at the notorious Quinn's Post, Gallipoli, on 18 May 1915, aged 43 years 4 months

Cemetery &/or Memorial

- Cemetery: No known grave - "Known Unto God"
- Memorials: Lone Pine Memorial, Panel 44, Gallipoli
- Australian War Memorial Roll of Honour, Panel 75
- Brisbane Grammar School Memorial Library WW1 Honour Board 1
- Department of Public Lands, Brisbane
- Windsor War Memorial

Honours & Awards

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

RIP William, Australia owes you so much.

Rifle Shooting

- William Brennan was a member of English Rifle Club, Brisbane

ACWM Commemoration Service

- ACWM Roll of Honour Tribute: ANZAC Day 2025 – Qld Riflemen of Quinn's Post

Reference Links

- <https://recordsearch.naa.gov.au/SearchNRRetrieve/Interface/ViewImage.aspx?B=3117865>
- <https://www.aif.adfa.edu.au/showPerson?pid=31622>
- <https://www.awm.gov.au/collection/R1666565>
- <https://vwma.org.au/explore/people/65050>