

Hugh QUINN MID



Pre-enlistment:

- Hugh was born on 6th May 1888 in Charters Towers, Qld.
- He was the son of John and Mary J Quinn of 14 Robert Street, Spring Hill, Brisbane.
- He attended Millchester State School and Southport High School.
- His occupation was that of an accountant in his own business as a commission agent.
- He was an accomplished boxer.
- He was a resident of Townsville at time of enlistment.

Military Records

- QUINN enlisted 14 August 1914 as a Private.
- He was in the Kennedy Regiment when sent to Thursday Island on garrison duty on the 'Kanowna'.
- He volunteered for 2nd Infantry, Australian Naval & Military Expeditionary Forces (New Guinea 1914) which was disbanded on return to Australia.
- He applied for and granted his commission in the AIF.
- QUINN enlisted 28 September 1914 in AIF as a Captain.
- 22 December 1914 he embarked with his Unit, 15th Infantry Battalion on HMAT Ceramic, from Melbourne.
- 25 April 1915 he was involved in the landings at Gallipoli, aged 27 years.

- On 1 May 1915 he was promoted Major, 15th Battalion.
- Major Hugh QUINN was 'Killed in Action' on 29 May 1915 at Quinn's Post, Gallipoli, one of the most contested positions in the Anzac line.
- His war service was in Egypt and Gallipoli

Cemetery &/or Memorial

- Shrapnel Valley Cemetery, Gallipoli.
- Memorials: Australian War Memorial Roll of Honour.
- Boys Central School Great War Honour Board.
- Townsville Cenotaph.

Honours & Awards

- Mentioned in Despatches (MiD) British Award/Decoration.
- 1914-15 Star.
- British War Medal.
- Victory Medal.

Rifle Shooting

- Hugh Quinn was a member of the North Queensland Kennedy Regiment Rifle Club (KRRC).
- He was also at one time the club handicapper.

ACWM Commemoration Service

- ACWM Keynote Address: ANZAC Day 2019: Bruce Scott.
- ACWM Keynote Address: ANZAC Day 2021: Ian Errington.
- ACWM Roll of Honour Tribute: ANZAC Day 2025 – Qld Riflemen of Quinn's Post

Some Reference Links

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- expertsingenealogy.blogspot.com/2016/04/major-hugh-quinn-man-behind-quinn-s-post.html
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