

Travers Robert Rhys BROUGHTON

Pre-enlistment:

- Travers was born in 1885 in Melbourne to parents Henry Bingham BROUGHTON and Elizabeth Ann Rhys JONES who married on 28th December 1869 in Taemas, NSW. They had 6 known sons & 3 daughters
- Two of his brothers also served in WW1, Theodore Hamlyn Rhys BROUGHTON (SN3183) returned to Australia 1919 & David Blakeney Rhys BROUGHTON (SN240) Lieutenant (MC) returned 1918
- His hometown was Hughenden, Flinders, Qld
- His schooling was in Public Schools
- His occupation was that of an Auctioneer
- He was part of the 2nd Expeditionary Force



Military Records

- Service Number: 32
- Travers BROUGHTON enlisted in the AIF on 15 September 1914 as a Driver with the 17th Infantry Battalion in Townsville, Qld
- On 22 Dec 1914 he embarked with his Unit on the HMAT Ceramic from Melbourne
- Travers BROUGHTON was 'Killed In Action' at Gallipoli on 29 May 1915
- A witness reported "Broughton was a great friend of mine. On the 25th May we were retaking our trenches from the Turks which had been lost by the 13th Battalion when they were there. Broughton was about the first man into the trenches whilst it was still occupied by the Turks. He was shot in the legs and could not move, and, whilst lying there must have been killed by our bombs which we were throwing at the Turks"

Cemetery &/or Memorial

- Cemetery: Shrapnel Valley Cemetery, IV B 2, Shrapnel Valley Cemetery, Gallipoli Peninsula, Canakkale Province, Turkey
- Memorials: Australian War Memorial Roll of Honour
- Hughenden R.S.S.A.I.L.A. Roll of Honour
- Hughenden War Memorial

Honours & Awards

- 1914-1915 Star
- British War Medal
- Victory Medal

Rifle Shooting

- Travers BROUGHTON was a member of the Hughenden Rifle Club

ACWM Commemoration Service

Reference Links

- <https://recordsearch.naa.gov.au/SearchNRetrieve/Interface/ViewImage.aspx?B=3131515>
- <https://www.aif.adfa.edu.au/showPerson?pid=34114>
- <https://vwma.org.au/explore/people/241645>
- <https://www.awm.gov.au/collection/R1677795>