

Frank KERRIDGE



Pre-enlistment:

- Frank KERRIDGE was born in 1893 in Barcaldine, to parents Elizabeth IRONS (formerly KERRIDGE), Irvinebank, via Cairns, Qld, and the late Robert KERRIDGE. Native of Winton, Qld
- He attended Irvinebank State School for his education
- He lived in Barcaldine, Qld
- His occupation on enlistment was that of a blacksmith striker
- His next of kin was his mother, Mrs Bessie Irons, Irvinebank via Cairns

Previous Military Service

- Mobilised in August 1914, embarking on the Kanowna for Thursday Island on 8 August 1914 (No 1751).
- On Thursday Island he then volunteered to join the AN&MEF, headed to Port Moresby, but before getting there, the troopship returned to Townsville; he was discharged, 18 September 1914.

Military Records

- Service Number: 5605
- Frank KERRIDGE enlisted on 8 February 1916, in Cairns as a Private with the 25th Battalion, 15th Reinforcement aged 23 years 1 month
- Kerridge, with his Unit, embarked from Brisbane, Qld, on board HMAT A46 Clan Macgillivray on 7 September 1916
- Private Frank Kerridge died of wounds on 8 March 1917 near Damancourt, France
- His War Service: was on the Western Front.

Cemetery &/or Memorial

- Dernancourt Communal Cemetery Extension (Plot VI, Row C, Grave No. 13), France
- Australian War Memorial Roll of Honour, Panel 105
- Herberton Methodist Circuit and Mission Area
- Herberton War Memorial
- Irvinebank Roll of Honour
- Padre White Memorial Chapel

Tribute

- **REST IN CONFIDENCE AND PEACE KNOWING GOD'S LAW BRINGS MAN RELEASE**

His war is over, his battle fought.

His victory' won, though dearly bought.

His fresh, young life could not be saved.

Frank slumbers in a hero's grave.

Honours & Awards

- British War Medal
- Victory Medal

Rifle Shooting

- Frank KERRIDGE was a member of the Irvinebank Rifle Club

ACWM Commemoration Service

Reference Links

- <https://recordsearch.naa.gov.au/SearchNRRetrieve/Interface/ViewImage.aspx?B=7367720>
- <https://www.aif.adfa.edu.au/showPerson?pid=163994>
- <https://trove.nla.gov.au/newspaper/article/42894563>
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