

John Ellenduff BEATTS



Pre-enlistment:

- John was born and educated in Halifax, Herbert River, district of Hinchinbrook, NQ
- He was the son of John Leyland and Ida Sophia Beatts of Halifax
- His occupation was that of a farmer and Cinematograph operator
- He lived in Halifax, Queensland
- His marital status at the time of enlistment was single
- He identified his next of kin as his mother, Mrs Ida Sophia Beatts, Halifax, Qld

Military Records

- Service Number: 3122
- John Beatts enlisted on 14 October 1916 in Townsville as a Private with 49th Battalion, 8th Reinforcements he embarked with his Unit on the HMAT Demosthenes, from Sydney aged 22 years
- He disembarked at Plymouth, England on 3 March 1917 for further training
- He was admitted to hospital several times while in England then proceeded overseas from Southampton on 25 June 1917 to France where he marched in for duty at Havre on 28 June 1917
- He was taken on strength with his Unit in the field in Belgium on 15 July 1917
- His War Service was on the Western Front
- Private John Ellenduff Beatts was killed in action on 27 September 1917, at Polygon Wood, Belgium, aged 22 years

Cemetery &/or Memorial

- Cemetery: No known grave - "Known Unto God"
- Memorials: Menin Gate Memorial (Commonwealth Memorial to the Missing of the Ypres Salient)
- Australian War Memorial Roll of Honour, Panel Number 147

Honours & Awards

- British War Medal,
- Victory Medal

Rifle Shooting

- John Beatts was a member of the Halifax Rifle Club

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Reference Links

- <https://www.awm.gov.au/collection/R1638275>
- <https://recordsearch.naa.gov.au/SearchNRetrieve/Interface/ViewImage.aspx?B=3063218>
- <https://vwma.org.au/explore/people/336838>
- <https://www.aif.adfa.edu.au/showPerson?pid=17789>
- Queenslanders Who Fought in the Great War – 1914 - 1918