

Walter Ernest HOLLAMBY



Pre-enlistment:

- William was born in January 1898 at Portland by Sea, Brighton, Sussex, England, to parents, Charles and Lucy HOLLAMBY, later of Aloomba, Qld
- He attended the National School at Portslade-by-Sea in Sussex, England
- He arrived in Australia at the age of 14 years
- His home town was Aloomba, Cairns, Qld. It was noted that some time after his enlistment the Aloomba address was altered to Herberton Line near Kuranda
- His occupation at time of enlistment was that of a farmer
- He was a single man
- His next of kin was listed as his father, Charles Hollamby, Aloomba via Cairns, Qld

Military Records

- Service Number: 4575
- William Hollamby enlisted on 23 November 1915, in Cairns, Qld as a Private with the 26th Infantry Battalion 11th Reinforcement
- On 30 March 1916 he embarked with his Unit on HMAT Star of Victoria, from Brisbane, aged 18 years
- On 21 May 1916 he was transferred to the 15th Battalion from the 26th Battalion
- He embarked Alexandria on 1 June 1916 to join the British Expeditionary Force and disembarked Marseilles on 8 June 1916
- Private Walter Ernest Hollamby was killed in action, in the Battle for Pozières, France on 8 August 1916, aged 18 years 9 months
- His war service was in Egypt and on the Western Front

Cemetery &/or Memorial

- Cemetery: Serre Road Cemetery No.2, Plot X, Row H, Grave No. 17, Beaumont Hamel, Picardie, France
- Memorials: Australian War Memorial Roll of Honour Panel number 76
- Aloomba School WW1 Roll of Honour,
- Aloomba School and Comrades Roll of Honour,
- Cairns Cenotaph,
- Gordonvale War Memorial

Honours & Awards

- British War Medal
- Victory Medal

Rifle Shooting

- Walter Hollamby was a member of the Mulgrave Rifle Club

ACWM Commemoration Service

Reference Links

- recordsearch.naa.gov.au/SearchNRRetrieve/Interface/Vie_wImage.aspx?B=5844112&S=1
- [vwma.org.au/explore/memorials/4454/people - Gordonvale War Memorial](http://vwma.org.au/explore/memorials/4454/people-Gordonvale-War-Memorial)
- trove.nla.gov.au/newspaper/article/150911335?
- cairnslocalnews.com.au/latest-news/brothers-in-arms?fbclid=IwAR1m42d9cRFhX1n9F1SCpy-zCkybzMkfHN_K0XCfIUQDPCK3aW_M9ndZGCw
- Paulene O'Keefe, 10 Feb 1019-Gordonvale War Memorial