

John Fitzmaurice Guy LUTHER

Pre-enlistment:

- John was born on 26 March 1870 in Donnybrook, Dublin, Ireland to parents John Fitzmaurice LUTHER and Jane Mary LITTON who married in St Peters Church, Dublin on 2nd March 1861
- He was educated at Rathmines School, Dublin, as well as the Ireland University of Dublin Medical School
- He arrived in Australia in 1895 aged 25 years
- His home town was Bundaberg, Qld
- His occupation at time of enlistment was that of a medical practitioner
- He married Ida Tassie MOWBRAY on 10 April 1900 in Queensland and their children were Edward Fitzmaurice Guy Mowbray, Ida Betty, Jean Alice Kathleen.
- His son Edward served in WW2 (QX6171) & (Q185087) and became a Captain. He was discharged in 1945
- He listed his next of kin as his wife, Mrs Ida T Luther, of Bundaberg
- His sister-in-law, Sister Norma Violet MOWBRAY, Australian Army Nursing Service, died of disease, 21 January 1916.



Military Records

- Service Number: Officer
- John Luther enlisted on 6 October 1914 in Brisbane as Captain (Medical Officer) with the 15th Battalion, Headquarters, aged 44
- On 22 December 1914 he embarked with his Unit on board HMAT Ceramic from Melbourne. On the Embarkation Roll his name is stated as Guy Fitzmaurice
- He spent time training in Egypt
- He landed at Gallipoli on 25 April 1915, the first day of the ill-fated ANZAC Cove landings
- He continued to help other wounded soldiers including Quarter Master Sergeant Herb Booker, an old Bundaberg boy who Luther tried to help on the battlefield when he was killed in action on the 8th August.
- Captain John Fitzmaurice Guy LUTHER died of wounds on 25 August 1915 at Gallipoli, Turkey, aged 45 years
- His war service was in Egypt and Gallipoli

Cemetery &/or Memorial

- Cemetery: No. 2 Outpost Cemetery, Special Memorial 39, Gallipoli, Turkey
- Memorials: Australian War Memorial Roll of Honour Panel number 183
- Bundaberg Christ Church Roll of Honour,
- Bundaberg War Memorial

Honours & Awards

- 1914-15 Star,
- British War Medal,
- Victory Medal

Rifle Shooting

- John Luther was a member of the Bundaberg Rifle Club and at one time was Vice President

ACWM Commemoration Service

Reference Links

- recordsearch.naa.gov.au/SearchNRetrieve/Interface/ViewImage.aspx?B=8214125
- aif.adfa.edu.au/showPerson?pid=181552
- vwma.org.au/explore/people/169059
- awm.gov.au/collection/R1638949