

Lance Corporal Charles Henry Calder DEY

No 83, Lance Corporal Charles Henry Calder Dey was born 1879 in Kensington, Middlesex, England, the second of three sons and a daughter of Robert Alexander Dey (master baker) and his wife Amelia.

He had been educated at Berryhill School, Wishaw near Glasgow, Scotland and emigrated to Australia at around 30 years of age.

When Charles enlisted on 17 Aug 1914, he was single, 5'9 tall, weighing 13 stone 2 lbs, with fair complexion, blue eyes and fair hair, a 35 year old sanitary engineer who named his mother Mrs Dey, of 9 Rutland Park, Cricklewood, London, England, as next of kin. The 1914 Electoral roll shows him as a plumber of Moore [sic] Street, Sandringham. His previous military training had been with The St Georges Rifles (1st Middlesex) Volunteer Regiment.

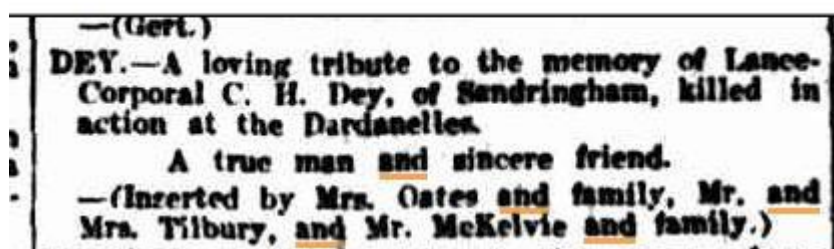
He embarked with the 5th Battalion, 'A' Coy from Melbourne, Victoria on board Transport A3 *Orviato* on 21 Oct 1914.

Lance Corporal Dey was killed in action on 26 Apr 1915, aged 35 years.

He has no known grave, but is commemorated on the Lone Pine Memorial (Panel 24), Gallipoli, Turkey; on the Roll of Honour at the Australian War Memorial (Panel 43); on the Memorial Plaque to Bayside's Fallen, Green Point, Brighton Beach, Victoria; on the Avenue of Honour for Sandringham, Victoria.

The first tree to be planted in the Sandringham Avenue of Honour was to Sgt Charles Dey who had been killed in the landing at Gallipoli on 26 Apr 1915. The red flowering gum was planted by the Australian Prime Minister Mr William Morris Hughes at 3.00 pm on Saturday, 18 Aug 1917.

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DEY.—A loving tribute to the memory of Lance-Corporal C. H. Dey, of Sandringham, killed in action at the Dardanelles. A true man and sincere friend. —(Inserted by Mrs. Oates and family, Mr. and Mrs. Tilbury, and Mr. McKelvie and family.)

Descendants of Robert Alexander DEY

