

Captain William Edward GROOM

Captain William Edward Groom was born at Brighton 19 Aug 1888, the second child and first son of four children of William and Charlotte Bulmer (Davis) Groom, of 'Ashfield', Elwood Street Brighton, Victoria.

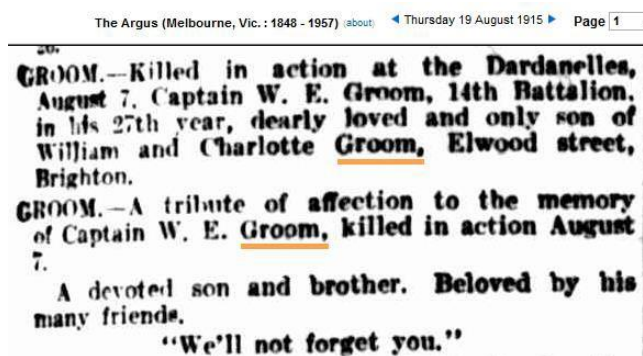
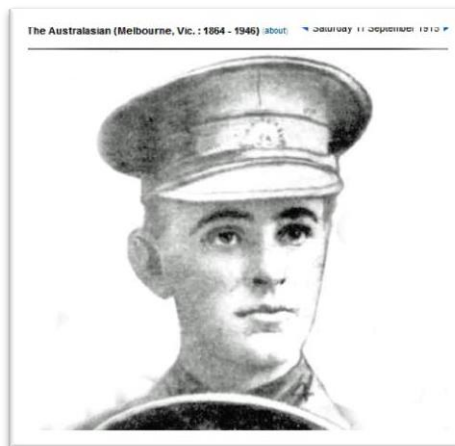
He enlisted aged 26 years as an unmarried clerk, on 19 Oct 1914, 5'7" tall, weighing 140 lbs, with his father listed as next of kin. He had previously served for two years as a commissioned officer in the 51st Infantry, and was given the rank of 2nd Lieutenant on enlistment. Promoted to Lieutenant on 16 Dec 1914

Embarked Alexandria Egypt to join the Mediterranean Expeditionary Force, Gallipoli, 12 Apr 1915. He embarked with the 14th Battalion 'C' Coy from Melbourne, Victoria on board Transport A38 *Ulysses* on 22 Dec 1914.

Admitted to Hospital Ship 'Gloucester Castle' (bullet wound, ear and cheek) Gallipoli, 1 May 1915; transferred to No 1 Australian General hospital, Helliopolis, 13 May 1915. Rejoined 14th Battalion, Gallipoli, 23 Jun 1915. He was promoted Captain 27 May 1915.

Captain Groom was killed in action on 7 Aug 1915, aged 27 years. He has no known grave, but is commemorated on the Lone Pine Memorial (Panel 39) Gallipoli, Turkey.

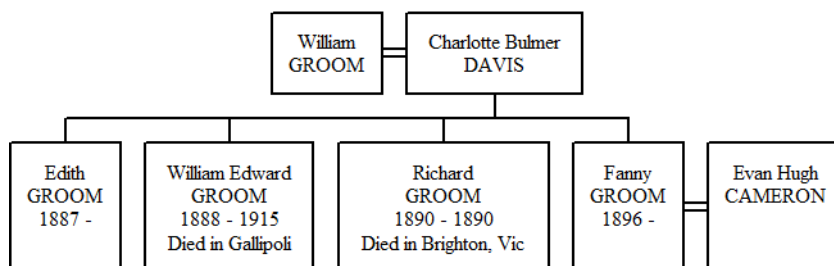
He is also commemorated on the Roll of Honour at the Australian War Memorial (Panel 72); on the Brighton Roll of Honour; on the Brighton Avenue of Honour (on Point Nepean Road/Nepean Highway and North Road); and on the Roll of Honour to Bayside's Fallen, at Green Point, Brighton Beach, Victoria.



GROOM.—Killed in action at the Dardanelles, August 7, Captain W. E. Groom, 14th Battalion in his 27th year, dearly loved and only son of William and Charlotte Groom, Elwood street, Brighton.

GROOM.—A tribute of affection to the memory of Captain W. E. Groom, killed in action August 7. A devoted son and brother. Beloved by his many friends. "We'll not forget you."

Descendants of William GROOM



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