

Lieut.-Col. Alexander Henry WHITE M.I.D.



Lieutenant Colonel Alexander Henry White MID (Mentioned in Despatches) was born at Ballarat, Victoria in 1888, the third of five sons and five daughters born to Alexander and Eliza (Collison)White.

He was educated at Grenville College, Ballarat, Victoria.

When he enlisted on 21 Sep 1914 he was a 32 year old maltster, giving his wife Mrs Myrtle L (nee Glasson) White, 11 Cole St Elsternwick, Victoria as next of kin. His rank on enlistment was Lieutenant-Colonel.

Previous military service was with the Staff, 5th Light Horse Brigade; Served with Victorian Rifle Company, Victoria Mounted Rifles, then 5th Light Horse Brigade.

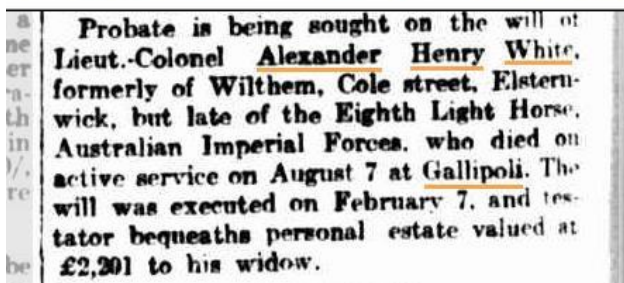
The 8th Light Horse Regiment HQ embarked from Melbourne, Victoria on board HMAT A16 *Star of Victoria* on 25 Feb 1915.

Colonel White was killed in action 7 Aug 1915 at Walker's Ridge, Gallipoli, aged 33 years. He has no known grave, but is commemorated on the Lone Pine Memorial (Panel 5) Gallipoli, Turkey; on the Roll of Honour at the Australian War Memorial (Panel 6); on the Brighton Avenue of Honour (Point Nepean Road/Nepean Highway and North Road); on the Memorial Plaque to Bayside's Fallen at Green Point, Brighton Beach, Victoria.

Colonel White was recommended to be mentioned in despatches, awarded and promulgated in the 'London Gazette' Supplement No 29354 (5 Nov 1915); 'Commonwealth Gazette' No 12 (27 Jan 1916)

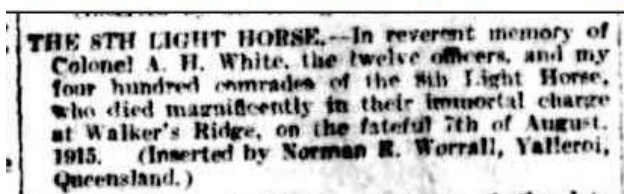
He left a wife and infant son.

The Argus (Melbourne, Vic. : 1848 - 1957) (about) ◀ Thursday 18 November 1915 ▶



Probate is being sought on the will of Lieut Colonel Alexander Henry White formerly of Wilthem, Cole street, Elsternwick but late of the Eighth Light Horse, Australian Imperial Forces, who died on active service on August 7 at Gallipoli. The will was executed on February 7 and testator bequeaths personal estate valued at £2,201 to his widow.

The Argus (Melbourne, Vic. : 1848 - 1957) (about) ◀ Monday 7 August 1916 ▶



THE 8TH LIGHT HORSE.-In reverent memory of Colonel A. H. White, the twelve officers, and my four hundred comrades of the 8th Light Horse, who died magnificently in their Immortal charge at Walker's Ridge, on the fateful 7th of August, 1915, (Inserted by Norman E Worrall, Yalleroi, Queensland.)

WHITE.—In memory of my master, Colonel A. H. White, who was killed at Walker's Ridge, Gallipoli Peninsula, leading his men, on the 7th day of August, 1915.

Honour to him, honour is due,
 These are my thoughts of you.
 My mind is clear, what I say is true,
 You are the best colonel I knew.

Orders are orders, you carried them through,
 All that remained were but a few.
 You've done your part, noble and grand;
 More success if you'd had a free hand.

An honourable remembrance.

—(Inserted by G. W. Jones.)

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Descendants of Alexander WHITE

