

# Leslie Robert BROWN



*Les in a football photo from the newspapers and his headstone in the LAE War Cemetery in New Guinea*

Private **Leslie Robert BROWN** enlisted on the 4<sup>th</sup> of February 1942.

## **AIF WW2 –**

He was a hotel manager (Flagstaff Hotel ADELAIDE) on enlistment and was married with two children.

He saw war service in New Guinea and was killed in action on October the 9<sup>th</sup> 1943.

His headstone has the epitaph

*"HIS DUTY FEARLESSLY AND NOBLY DONE, EVER REMEMBERED"*

*Leslie BROWN was born at Kadina on 1<sup>st</sup> of April 1914. He was the son of Alfred Henry and Mary Elizabeth Brown; husband of Jean Brown, who later moved to Adelaide.*

*Before enlisting he was the manager of the Flagstaff Hotel, Adelaide from 1937 until his enlistment in 1942. He was captain of the West Adelaide United Football Club in the Amateur League from 1935 to 1937. and played for West Adelaide League and Association teams in 1938 and 1939.*

*After his death his wife was advised per telegram delivered at 12.10pm on 21-10-1943 in her home at 67 Byron Place, Adelaide. She was devastated at the news and collapsed.*

*Leslie BROWN's debut for WEST ADELAIDE Football club was on Saturday the 23<sup>rd</sup> of April 1938. He was the 495<sup>th</sup> player recorded as playing for the club. (in the club's 46<sup>th</sup> season)*