



Lieutenant Ormonde Clifford BURGESS

[1900 – 1943]



Name: Ormonde Clifford **BURGESS**

Rank: Lieutenant

Service Number: 41922

Unit: HMAS *Moreton*

Service: Royal Australian Navy Volunteer Reserve

Born: 14 April 1900; Wagga Wagga, NSW

Enlisted: 24 April 1942; Sydney

Date of Death: 8 June 1943 (aged 43 years)

Place of Death: Brisbane, Australia

Cause of Death: Motor vehicle accident

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Buried / Commemorated: Lutwyche Cemetery, Brisbane [sec 76, grave 53]
 Australian War Memorial [panel 4]
 Roll of Honour – Mosman, NSW

Next of Kin: Son of Dr Thomas Walkin and Arabella Burgess
 Husband of Nancy Stewart Burgess of Mosman, NSW

In Civilian Life:

On enlistment, lived at Mosman, NSW with his wife and was employed as a “distributor”.
Noted on enlistment “12 years yachting experience, 2 ½ years Volunteer Coastal Patrol”

Military Service:

May 1942	Appointed Sub-Lieutenant, HMAS <i>Rushcutter</i> (5’10”, brown hair, blue eyes, medium complexion)
October 1942	Lieutenant, HMAS <i>Moreton</i> , Brisbane – additional duties at No.1 Mining Station
1943	Sea service on HMAS <i>Uralba</i> (minefield tender)

Circumstances of Death:

“Sustained fatal injuries as a result of a collision on 8 June 1943 between Army motor van and bicycle ridden by the deceased.”

Sources included:

- Australian War Memorial
- National Archives of Australia
- Sundry web pages
- *United Service Club, Queensland: The First Century, 1892-1992* by Flight Lieutenant Murray Adams and Lieutenant Colonel Peter Charlton
- Club Meeting Minutes, Annual Reports and sundry documents