

RABBITTS, Edward Leslie



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As a 17 year old, Edward Rabbitts studied for just one year at HAC during 1907. In 1908 he worked at Wollongbar Experiment Farm, Lismore, and later in the year was successful in gaining a plot of land in Dorrigo via ballot. He was born in Fitzroy, Victoria and his vocation at the time of his enlistment in the AIF in August 1914 is recorded as Veterinary Surgeon. He served as a Gunner with the 1st Field Artillery Brigade but took ill with typhoid (then known as enteric fever) and died from it in Malta on 25 July 1915. He was buried the following day at the Pieta Military Cemetery, Malta. His younger brother Gunner Stanley Kelvin Rabbitts also served with the Australian Field Artillery.