Harry Stephens was born on 1 November 1890 at Darlington, NSW, the youngest child born to Henry and Mary Ann.

Harry attended Fort Street Public School, NSW, and, in 1910, was one of the first four students admitted to Agriculture at Sydney University. Harry graduated with a Bachelor of Science in Agriculture in 1914.

Whilst not a HAC student, Harry was a Scientific Staff member of the NSW Department of Agriculture and is listed on HAC’s Honour Roll.

Harry enlisted on 31 August 1915, in the 30th Battalion, 3rd Reinforcement. Embarking from Sydney, NSW, aboard HMAT A70 Ballarat on 16 February 1916, Harry served initially in England, then the Western Front.

By November 1916, Harry was a Lieutenant, and by mid-March 1917, was promoted to Captain.

Harry was killed by a mine on 18 November 1917, near Messines, Belgium. He was 27 years old and is buried in La Plus Douve Farm Cemetery, Belgium.