Robert Craig Hides was born at Cairns, Queensland in 1892, the youngest of three sons. Robert attended Southport School and then undertook Practical Courses at HAC 1909-1910.
Robert worked as a station hand in Queensland before enlisting with the 9th Battalion, 3rd Reinforcement on 8 December 1914. His unit embarked from Brisbane, aboard HMAT A49 Seang Choon on 13 February 1915.
Robert served at Gallipoli, and the Western Front where he was Killed in Action on 15 April 1917, aged 25.
Robert has no known grave and is commemorated on the Australian National Memorial Villers-Bretonneux, Villers-Bretonneux, France.
Robert’s brother, John Gordon Hides (2nd Battalion), died of wounds received at Gallipoli, 7 May 1915 onboard HMTS Lutzow.