

Reginald was born at Traralgon, Victoria, on 21st November 1895, the son of George Frederick Hitchcock and his wife, Margaret, nee Trenoweth. Reginald's parents divorced and Margaret remarried in 1914. On his enlistment in the AN&MEF on 11th August 1914 he stated that he was a Loco Cleaner and gave his mother, Mrs L A Jones, Aspendale, Victoria, as his next of kin. He returned from Rabaul and was discharged, term expired, on 4th March 1915, having completed 206 days service.

On 15th April 1915 he joined the 13th Light Horse in Melbourne, regimental number 594.

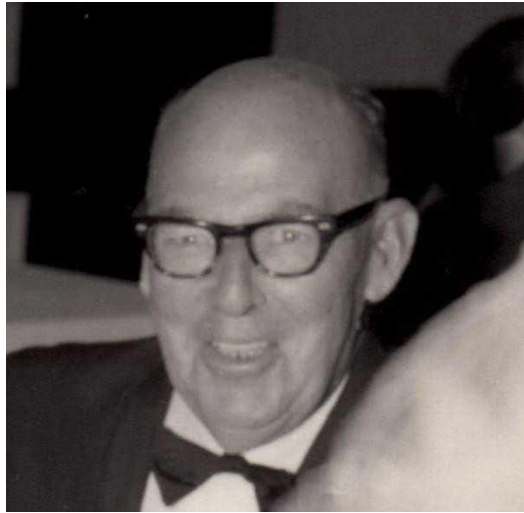


On 28th May he left Australia on the PERSIC for Alexandria. He left Alexandria on 5th September on the MEGAHTIC for Mudros and then on to ANZAC on the ABASSA.

On 23rd September, whilst on Gallipoli, he was appointed Lance Corporal. On 18th December he left ANZAC Cove on the HMS MARS to Lemnos and then back to Alexandria. On 29th July 1916 he was promoted to corporal but reverted to the ranks at his own request on 3rd October.

On 7th March 1919 he married Jean Watson Dall at Fyfe, Scotland and returned to Australia with his wife on 9th July 1919 on the PRINZ LUDWIG, arriving home on 5th September. Reginald was discharged from the AIF on 4th November 1919.

When World War 2 erupted, Reginald signed up on 19th July 1940, service number V1481, and served until discharge as a WO 1 on 8th March 1946.



Reginald died at Mermaid Beach, Qld in December 1970.