

VALE – BILL JENKINS

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30th June 1921 – 8th September 2010



(Anzac Day 2008)

Bill Jenkins OAM served from age 18 with the 2/3rd Btn AIF in the Second World War. His Battalion was one of the very few that fought all of Australia's enemies in WW2. He saw action against the Italians in North Africa, Vichy French in Libya, Germans in North Africa, Greece and Crete, and the Japanese in New Guinea and the Islands. He rose to the rank of Sergeant. After the war he returned home to join the Health Department working with Repatriation of Soldiers, which earned him an OAM for service in this field.

Bill became President of the 2/3rd Battalion Association and had close links with the RSL. He provided great assistance to the Australian World War One Descendants as he recognised that there was a need for the WW1 Veterans to be represented by their relatives. He took on AWWOD's cause and his influence in the RSL and the March Committee resulted in our recognition by RSL HQ and ultimately led to our Incorporation in 2006. He also made several generous donations which provided great assistance in the manufacture of our AWWOD Banner.