Margaret Monica Collins (401457)

(nee O'Callaghan 1887-1960), was born and raised in Irvinebank and graduated from Cairns District Hospital in 1915. Two years later Monica, as she was usually called, enlisted in the Australian Army Nursing Service and served in the military hospital at Poona, India until discharge in 1919. The Cairns Returned Sailors and Soldiers Imperial League of Australia (RSSILA) elected Monica as an honorary member in 1921 at which time she was again working at the Cairns District Hospital. At 36, Monica married William Collins, a chemist, who was elected Mayor of Cairns in 1927, a position he held for 22 years. They donated land for the eventual construction of Warhaven, a rest home for returned service personnel. In 1939 Monica and four other former nurses and 300 servicemen attended a luncheon at the *Masonic Temple*. Monica is buried in the *Martyn St Cemetery*.

Caleb Shang, DCM and bar, MM (2504)

(1884-1953), the most decorated Chinese Australian soldier of First World War - was born in Fortitude Valley and later moved to Cairns. He enlisted in the AIF in 1916 and served in Europe, where he earned his first Distinguished Conduct Medal, for 'conducting dangerous patrols'. In 1917 he won his second DCM and a Military Medal in 1918. He returned home to a hero's welcome at Norman Park (now *Munro Martin Parklands*). Caleb served in the Volunteer Defence Force in the Second World War, headquartered at Norman Park. He died in Cairns and is buried in the *Martyn St Cemetery*.

Harry Doyle (2426)

(1897-1967), an orphaned farmhand, was born in Charters Towers. He enlisted in Cairns in May 1917. His age was given as 20 years old but some sources believe he was actually only 16. Harry was a Trooper in the 11th Light Horse Regiment and deployed to Moascar, Egypt and Belah, Palestine. In 1965 he finally received some of his war service medals, by which time he was living at Warhaven Rest Home, West Cairns. He died at Cairns in 1967 and was buried in the *Martyn St Cemetery* in an unmarked grave. Aboriginal rights campaigner and friend Rose Colless later campaigned to place a headstone on his grave to recognise his service as an indigenous serviceman. On Remembrance Day 2008 a service was held to mark this achievement.

Aloomba
Aloomba State School's beaten copper Honour Board contains 46 names, a significant contribution from this small agricultural community.

Babinda
Babinda's memorial park contains a cenotaph, memorial gate and Second World War relics. The cemetery memorialises at least seven servicemen.

Bartle Frere (formerly Mooliba)
This tiny settlement was the starting point for the 'Cane Beetles' recruitment march to Cairns.

Cairns
A cenotaph, two cemeteries, two museums (Cairns Historical Society and the RSL), memorial buildings (including the Masonic Lodge and Tobruk Pool), parks (Anzac and Munro Martin Parklands), St John's Church and the Cairns wharf are among the places commemorating Cairns city's role in the war effort.

Edmonton
The cenotaph commemorates Edmonton's wartime contribution at a time when it was a developing agricultural town.

Gordonvale
Opposite the RSL Club is the Gordonvale cenotaph while local memorabilia is held by the local museum. The Gordonvale Hospital was built, in the 1920s, as a memorial to local servicemen.

Smithfield
Visit the Armour and Artillery Museum to see a wide range of armaments including some from the First World War.

Stratford
A modest war memorial stands near the old Barron River Bridge.

Trinity Beach
Trinity Beach is home to the region's most recent memorial. Memorial seating was established in 2015 and, in part, commemorates the region's funding of an ambulance for helping injured troops.

Cane Beetles Trail
Trace the route between Bartle Frere township and Munro Martin Parklands, Cairns. The scenery is great and these days there are chances to enjoy the numerous waterfalls and a wander around the towns on your way.

Aloomba
Aloomba State School - Nielsen St

Babinda
Anzac Park - 107-111 Munro St
Babinda Cemetery - Nelson Rd

Bartle Frere
Start of Cane Beetles march

Cairns
Anzac Park - Spence & Wharf Sts
Bolands Building - Lake & Spence Sts
Cairns Cenotaph - Esplanade
Cairns Museum & Historical Society - 93-105 Lake St
Cairns Wharf - Wharf St
Martyn St Cemetery - Martyn St
Masonic Peace Temple - 8 Minnie St
McLeod St Pioneer Cemetery - 127-145 McLeod St
Munro Martin Parklands - cnr Florence & Sheridan Sts
RSL Club and Museum - 115-119 Esplanade
St John's Anglican Church - Lake & Minnie Sts
Tobruk Pool - 370 Sheridan St

Edmonton
Cenotaph - Fuller Park, Wolff St

Gordonvale
Gordonvale Cemetery - Highleigh & Maher Rds
Cenotaph and Memorial Park - Gordon St
Gordonvale Memorial Hospital - 1-11 Highleigh Rd
Mulgrave Settlers Museum - 60 Gordon St

Smithfield
Australian Armour & Artillery Museum - 1145 Kamerunga Rd

Stratford
Stratford Cenotaph - Magazine & Rinks Sts

Trinity Beach
War memorial and seats - Vasey Esplanade

Central Cairns

† Cemetery
M Museum/Information Centre
War Memorial
Memorial Building
Memorial Tree/Parks
Honour Boards
Memorial Gates
Associated Place