



# CORPORAL EDWIN WALTER AKHURST NX96398

SERVICE	AUSTRALIAN ARMY
DATE OF BIRTH	22 MARCH 1917
PLACE OF BIRTH	INVERELL, NSW
DATE OF ENLISTMENT	26 MAY 1942
LOCALITY ON ENLISTMENT	ASHFORD, NSW
PLACE OF ENLISTMENT	INVERELL, NSW
NEXT OF KIN	AKHURST, JEAN
DATE OF DISCHARGE	18 JANUARY 1946
POSTING AT DISCHARGE	2/8 FIELD COMPANY

*Edwin was a brother of Frederick John Akhurst who also fought in WW2. Edwin and Frederick were both sons of Edwin Simpson Akhurst a Tobacco grower from Ashford. Their mother was Dorothy Thomas.*

## Ted Akhurst will be sadly missed

**Edwin (Ted) Walter Akhurst**  
March 22, 1917 to May 23, 2005



**SADLY MISSED:** (Above) EDWIN Akhurst.

EDWIN (Ted) Akhurst was born in Inverell, the second child of Edwin and Dorothy Akhurst.

Ted had two brothers and four sisters. Two sisters survive – Nance Steiger from Inverell and Dorothy Baker from Dungog.

He was educated at Gum Flat and Inverell.

Ted enjoyed his sport, playing cricket and tennis, he often talked about clean bowling Don Bradman in a game of cricket at Gum Flat School, many years ago.

A quiet youth, he assisted his father with growing tobacco, rabbiting and catching fish.

In January 1940 he married Jean Grieve, moving to Ashford where he grew vegetables on Frazer's Creek.

During the war, Ted served his

country twice in New Guinea learning his trade as a mechanic.

After working as foreman mechanic for Ashford Shire, Ted grew tobacco on "Beltana" with his brother Fred.

He then purchased Severn Motors, there with son-in-law Brian, conducted a successful business, until retiring to Hawk's Nest in 1980, keeping himself busy fishing and growing vegetables.

Ted and Jean had two daughters, Janice Mell from Ashford, Lorraine Johnson from Bathurst and six grandchildren and eleven great grandchildren.

In his final weeks Ted was cared for by his wife before entering Buladelah nursing home ten days before his passing.