## **NIXON, Charles Ashwin**

**Reference: Beecroft Church of England Roll of Honour, Beecroft Roll of Honour, Beecroft War Memorial, Tony Cunneen book**

**Resident of “Lynnwood,” [11] Malton road, Beecroft, NSW**

**Brother of Allen Dalrymple Nixon & Edwin George Nixon**

[Born 1889, Ashfield district, son of William M. and Ada E. Nixon]

**AIF Project details:**

Regimental Number: None

Enlistment Date: 9 Mar 1916

Place of Birth: Petersham, NSW

School: Newington College, Sydney, NSW

Age: 27 years 3 months

Occupation: Architect

Address: ‘Lynnwood’, Malton Road, Beecroft, NSW

Marital Status: Single

Age at embarkation: 27

Height: 5’ 4”

Weight: 126lbs

Chest Measurement: 32-34”

Complexion: Fair

Eyes: Blue

Hair: Brown

Religious Denomination: Church of England

Next of Kin: Father, W. M. Nixon, ‘Lynnwood’, Malton Road, Beecroft, NSW [architect]

Previous military service: Member of Rifle Club

Rank on enlistment: 2nd Lieutenant

Unit Name: Light Trench Mortar Battery, Reinforcement 1

AWM embarkation Roll number: 13/130/2

Embarkation details: Unit embarked from Sydney, NSW, on board HMAT A14 *Euripides* on 9 Sep 1916

Roll title: Light Trench Mortar Battalion – 1 to 5 Reinforcements (Sep-Dec 1916)

Other details from Honour Circular: Enlisted Dec 1915. Obtained his commission in the Engineers. Embarked in charge of the 1st Light Trench Mortar Battery; was transferred in England to the artillery. Was in action from the beginning of Passchendaele to after Mont St Quentin. Was wounded standing to his gun at Templo. (details from father)

Miscellaneous details (Nominal Roll): Name does not appear on Nominal Roll

Place of death or wounding: Templo

Age at death: 29

Age at death from cemetery records: 29

Place of burial: Doingt Communal Cemetery Extension (Plot I, Row B, Grave No. 39), France

Panel number, Roll of Honour, Australian War Memorial: 13

Misc. information from cemetery records: Parents: William Mark and Ada E. Nixon, Malton Road, Beecroft, NSW. Native of Ashfield, NSW.

**AWM (Australian War Memorial): Roll of Honour**

**Charles Ashwin Nixon**

Battalion: not stated

Service No. not available

Rank: Lieutenant

Unit: 5th TMB

Enlistment Date: 26 February 1916

Fate: Died of wounds

Fate Date: 24 September 1918

Date of Death: 24 September 1918

Place of Death: France

Cause of Death: Died of wounds

Age at Death: 29 [born 1889 Ashfield district; parents: William M. & Ada E.]

Place of Association: Beecroft, N.S.W.

Cemetery or Memorial Details: Doingt Communal Cemetery Extension, Doigt, Peronne, Picardie, France

**Further references:**

“Beecroft and Cheltenham in WW1” by Tony Cunneen (pages 31, 80-81)

The Daily Telegraph, Tue 8 Oct 1918 (died of wounds)

The Sun, Thu 14 Nov 1918 (died of wounds)

The Sydney Morning Herald, Tue 24 Dec 1918 (died of wounds)