

## RAAF Townsville May 1945 (75 years on)

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### Events in chronological order:

03 May 1945, 144666 LAC Timpron Martin Kenneth. BERRY aged (44) casualty, passed away and is buried in the Charters Towers War Cemetery grave B.14.

05 May 1945, USAAF Douglas C-49H (DC3) VHCXD, #44-83228, crashed at Higgins Field Cape York while circling to land. All six on board were killed including the four crew and two passengers. The listed crew members from Nr 4 Communications Unit Archerfield are buried in the Belgian Gardens War Cemetery.

436542 F/Sgt Neville Tasman Browne aged (21) years, attached to Nr 4 Communications Unit Archerfield, he is buried in the Belgian Gardens War Cemetery grave E.D.7.

415975 WOFF Alfred Henry GIDLEY aged (30) years, attached to Nr 4 Communications Unit Archerfield, he is buried in the Belgian Gardens Cemetery grave E.C.9.

432183 WOFF James Hillman HORNBROOK aged (21) years, attached to Nr 4 Communications Unit Archerfield, he is buried in the Belgian Gardens War Cemetery grave E.C.5.

05 May 1945, 6169 Sgt Reginald Malcolm PETERSON aged (30) years, attached to Nr 84 Squadron, died at Ross River after a ground accident, he is buried in the Belgian Gardens War Cemetery grave E.A.10

08 May 1945, the War in Europe ended. (VE Day)

### Information sourced from:

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