

LIEUTENANT ALVERA DORA LINDNER – BETHANY

Second World War

Alvera Dora Lindner was born on 4 October 1911 in Tanunda, the youngest daughter of Bethany's Butcher - Johannes Bernhard Lindner and Maria Cornelia Kliche.

Dora enlisted at Keswick Barracks on 9 December 1941 in the Australian Military Forces.

Dora then joined the Australian Army in 1942, she was assigned to the 2/14 A.G. Hospital in Townsville in the Cape Pallarenda Conservation Park. Established in 1915, this historic quarantine station was initially used to quarantine passengers on incoming ships and was nestled in a scenic location amongst open woodland and vine thickets.

During the Second World War, the area became a strategic defence location with concrete structures built on the headland in 1943 to protect Townsville and the harbour from raiding enemy ships.

The quarantine station was used as a hospital with American and Australian armies set up camps on nearby beaches.

In 1945 Dora was transferred to 11/AGH in Aitape, North Wewak in New Guinea and was present during the Japanese surrender. Dora returned to Australia and was discharged on 22 March 1946.

Dora received the following awards: 1939/45 Star, Pacific Star, War Medal 1939/45, Australia Service Medal 1939/45, Australian Service Medal 1945-75 with Clasp PNG and Returned from Active Service.

Lieutenant Alvera Dora Johnson (nee Lindner) died on 3 May 2017, aged 105 years.

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