

## Stained Glass Window at Rupanyup Presbyterian Church



Rupanyup Uniting Church

### Location

unknown, Rupanyup, NORTHERN GRAMPIANS SHIRE

### Municipality

NORTHERN GRAMPIANS SHIRE

### Level of significance

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### Heritage Listing

Vic. War Heritage Inventory

Heritage Study/Consultant	Vic War Heritage Inventory - Stained Glass Memorial Windows Study, Bronwyn Hughes, 2013;
Architect/Designer	Kellock, David Taylor,
Hermes Number	196637
Property Number	

## **Memorial Window References & Acknowledgements**

AWM Roll of Honour; NAA: B883, VX88979; NAA: B883, B883, VX28495; NAA: B883, 43892; *Argus*, 29 August 1942, p.3; *Presbyterian Life*, 18 May 1956; [www.awm.gov.au/collection/records/.../awmohww2-army-vol7-ch17.pdf](http://www.awm.gov.au/collection/records/.../awmohww2-army-vol7-ch17.pdf)

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## **Memorial Window Subject**

unknown

## **Memorial Window Text**

unknown

## **Memorial Window Inscription**

LH To the Glory of God and in honour of all those who served in World War II RH To the Glory of God and in memory of A. Cordes RC Cromie R. Greer who gave the Supreme Sacrifice in World War II

## **Memorial Window Description & History**

The pair of windows was mentioned in *Presbyterian Life* as follows: "Reports to the meeting showed that two stained glass windows had been dedicated in Rupanyup (Presbyterian) Church - one in memory of A. Cordes, R. Greer, and R. Cromie, who lost their lives in the Second World War, and the other of all the men from the church who served in the war." Window examined from exterior only suggests that the design was by David Taylor Kellock (1913-1988).

Archibald Alfred Cordes, born on 12 August 1917, was a farmer when he enlisted at Rupanyup on 1 July 1940. 'Arch' joined the 9th Division Cavalry Regiment, travelling to the Middle East where he was promoted to Lance Corporal. Lance Corporal Cordes died of wounds on 17 July 1942 in Egypt and was buried in the El Alamein War Cemetery. Robert Charles Greer was born in Collie W.A. on 4 August 1917 and was also a farmer at Rupanyup when he enlisted and served in the 2/23 Battalion in Borneo. Lieutenant Greer was killed in action during the attack on Hospital Spur in the battle for Tarakan, Borneo on 4 May 1945. Ronald Charles Cromie was born on 25 March 1914, a descendant of pioneers in the Rupanyup district and second son of W.J. Cromie, "Termeil", Rupanyup. Captain Cromie sailed to the Middle East in November 1940 and served in Libya, including Tobruk with the 2/23 Battalion before he was killed in action in Egypt, aged 28.

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