



**Commonwealth War
Graves Commission**
Country Report:
Malawi



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The Commonwealth War Graves Commission (CWGC) is responsible for maintaining commemorations to world war dead at seven locations in Malawi. There are a total of 337 Commonwealth war dead buried or commemorated in Malawi, with the largest numbers of individuals commemorated on the the Zomba Memorial, and buried at Mangochi Town Cemetery.

Zomba Memorial, Malawi

The Zomba Memorial is located 2 kilometres south of Zomba on the Blantyre road, at the entrance of the King's African Rifles Cantonment Cemetery. The Memorial records the names of 125 members of the 1st and 2nd Regiments of the King's African Rifles, who were recruited in Nyasaland (Malawi) and who lost their lives in the two World Wars.



Mangochi Town Cemetery, Malawi

The cemetery was used from October 1917, to December 1918, and 26 War Dead were brought in after the Armistice. Special memorials are erected to four men of the 2nd Cape Corps, buried at Mwamba and Mwembe Boma, Portuguese East Africa, in April and May, 1918.

There are now 60 casualties from the 1914-1918 war commemorated in this site.



Malawian casualties

In addition to the above, there are two individuals recorded in our records as being from Malawi. They are buried at two locations in Africa

LIMBE TOWNSHIP CEMETERY, Malawi **Commonwealth War Dead (1939-1945)**

COPLAND, Serjeant, JOHN HAY, LF/1420. Kenya Regiment, attd., King's African Rifles. 19 April 1943. Age 26. Son of James Clair and Ellen Augusta Copland, of Lilongwe. Malawi. Grave Reference: Grave 366.

THABA TSHWANE (OLD NO.2) MILITARY CEMETERY, Gauteng, South Africa **Commonwealth War Dead (1939-1945)**

KALONDA, Private, F, N/72376. Native Military Corps, S.A. Forces. 9 April 1944. Age 50. Son of Nkloma and Mbewe Kalonda; husband of Namanga Kalonda, of Malonda, Malawi. Grave Reference: Grave 320.