

## Ernest Edgar DAVIES

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Ernest Davies was born in March 1890, he completed his LLM at Melbourne University and had just been admitted to practice in 1914 when the war began.

Davies enlisted in November 1915, originally with the 4<sup>th</sup> Light Horse at Seymour; he then transferred to the flying corps in 1917 and received training at Laverton. He was commissioned a lieutenant in the Australian Flying Corps, in May 1917, and left Australia in June 1917. Upon arrival in England he received further training with the Royal Flying Corps and was made a Flying Officer, or pilot, in December 1917. He went to France in early 1918, and saw service with the Flying Corps; he received a Distinguished Flying Cross for his efforts.

Davies returned to Australia late in 1919 and returned to legal practice, first at Swan Hill in the 1920s and, later, as E Davies and Co in Bank Place in Melbourne from the 1930s onwards. He continued to fly, having his licence revoked in the early 1930s for flying without the proper accreditation.

He died in 1962 as the result of a fishing accident.



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Davies is in the middle of this group, taken in the UK when Davies and his companions were attached to the 62<sup>nd</sup> Squadron of the RFC.

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