

RIP: 5955 WARRANT-OFFICER CLASS 2 LAURENCE GEORGE FLETCHER, EX-2RAR

Korea

17 March 1953 to 6 April 1954

2nd Battalion, The Royal Australian Regiment

Age: 86 years.

I have just received an email from Perth W.A. of the passing of Laurie Fletcher on 1st July at Hollywood Hospital Perth W.A. whose illness details I had advised earlier and which you included in the latest Newsletter.

As mentioned earlier, Laurie was well known and liked by the Officers and Men of the Battalion.

Kerry Smith

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W02 Laurie Fletcher, Bandmaster of 2RAR Band in Korea 1953-54 is dealing with a serious illness.

Those who served in Korea during his time will well remember Laurie and his claim to fame of introducing the un-official Regimental march, "Hoop-De-Doo" to the Battalion.

The men of the Second Battalion accepted the new march with glee and used to sing its words with gusto when played.

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We would appreciate further information, particularly funeral details.

Rest in Peace Laurie.

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"Second to None"

Rick Hollingdrake, OAM

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