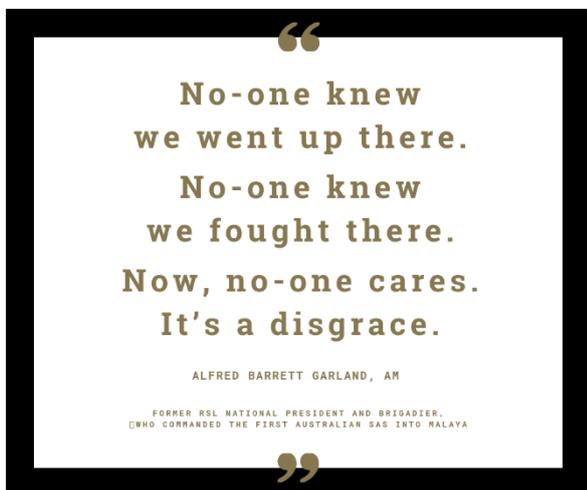




Far East Strategic Reserve (FESR) War Memorial Foundation Inc.

National Patron: Vice Admiral Ray Griggs AO, CSC (Retd)

About the Far East Strategic Reserve (FESR)



The Secret War

Never heard of the FESR, the Malayan Emergency, or the Indonesian Confrontation? You're not alone.

We are determined to make the unknown, known, and ensure our mates who served and died during the Emergency and Confrontation are not forgotten

Overview of the Conflicts

- **Malayan Emergency 1948-1960**
- **Indonesian Confrontation 1962-1966**

During the 1950s and 1960s, Australian forces were engaged in two conflicts involving Malaya (now Malaysia). British Commonwealth forces played a key role in combatting a twelve-year long Communist insurgency, known as the Malayan Emergency. From 1964, Australians served in support of the newly federated state of Malaysia.

This second conflict, known as the Indonesian Confrontation, ended in 1966, by which time Australians had engaged in operations in Indonesian territory and on the Malayan peninsula.



Australia's commitment to operations fell within the context of its membership of the Commonwealth FESR. National Service was introduced in Australia to commence in 1965.

The first "Nasho" to serve in an Active Service area did so with 21 Construction Squadron RAE in Sabah in early 1966.

The Indonesian Confrontation is referred to by many of those who were involved as the Unknown War. Usually overlooked and sadly tucked away in a corner between WW2 and Vietnam, overshadowed even by Korea, the 'Forgotten War'.

It was an 'undeclared war': the rubber plantations and tin-mining industries urged the use of the term 'emergency' since their losses would not have been covered by Lloyd's insurers if it had been termed a 'war'. Amazingly, the battle was never branded a war due to insurance purposes.



See our website for more FESR information
<http://fesrmemorial.org.au>

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The FESR War Memorial Foundation Inc. has been established to raise funds through donations to facilitate the construction and installation of a permanent memorial on the Australian War Memorial grounds in Canberra.



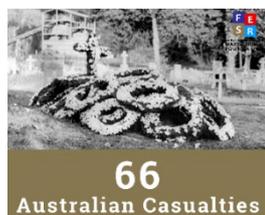
The Memorial will acknowledge the service and sacrifice of the men and women who served in the FESR during these conflicts.

The FESR WMF Committee are working to help raise awareness & funds through the stages (pictured).

We thank you for considering our request for financial support

Australian Casualties

The Australian War Memorial records the following numbers of Australian Defence Force personnel killed whilst serving in the respective theatres:



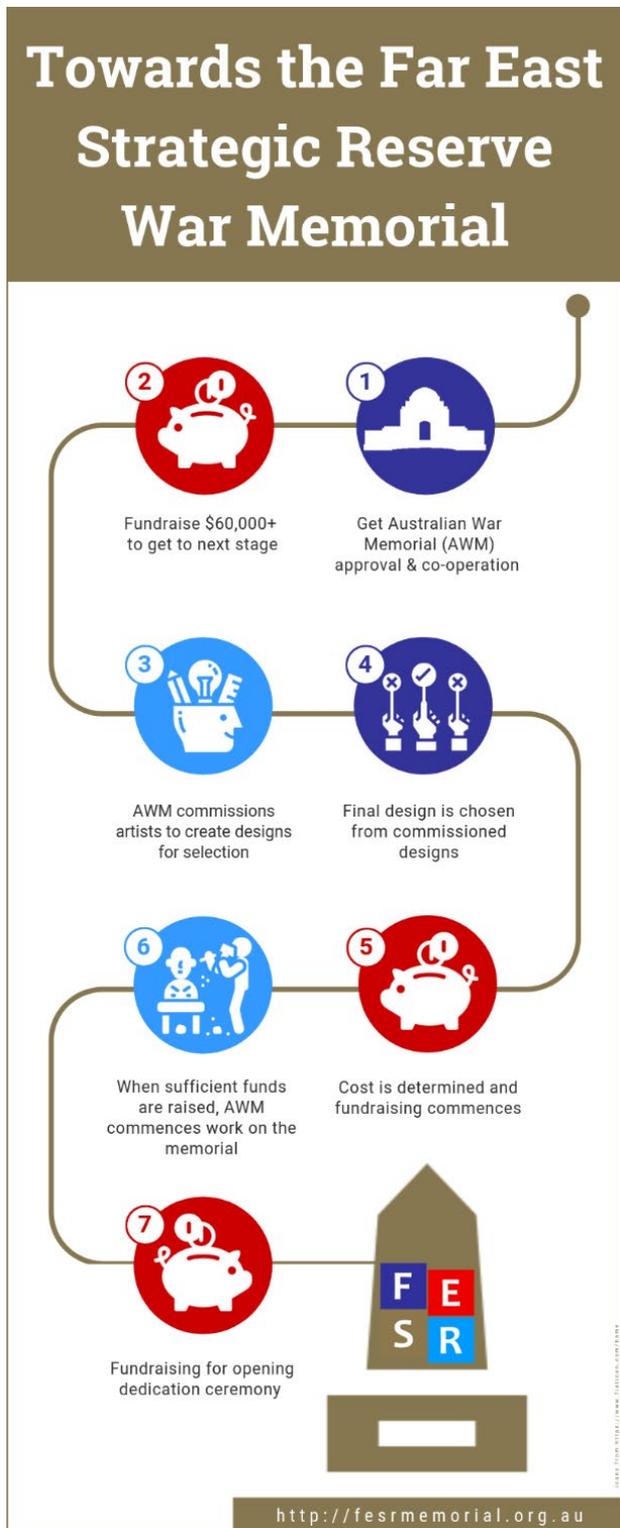
Malayan Emergency

44 (RAN: 7, Army: 27, RAAF: 10)

Indonesian Confrontation

22 (Army: 21, RAAF: 1)

The numbers injured from, or disabled by, active service in both theatres is known to be considerable, and many have since died from medical legacies of their service over 50 years ago.



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