

Charles Augustus Fitzroy



Date of Birth: 10 June 1796

Place of Birth: Derbyshire England

Parents: General Lord Charles Fitzroy
(second son of the third Duke of Grafton) and Frances (née Mundy)

Education: Harrow

Spouse: Married Lady Mary Lennox on 11 March 1820 (she was killed with the ADC in a carriage accident on 7 December 1847)
Married Margaret Gordon 11 December 1855
2 sons, 1 daughter

Military Service: Commissioned as a Lieutenant in the Horse Guards in 1812
Served at Waterloo 1815. Promoted to Captain 1820
Deputy Adjutant-General Cape of Good Hope as
Lieutenant-Colonel 1825-1831
Retired 1833

Employment History: Elected to House of Commons for Bury St Edmunds 1831
Resigned after only one session of Parliament
Lieutenant-Governor Prince Edward Island 1837-1841
Lieutenant-Governor Leeward Islands 1841-1845
Governor-in-Chief New South Wales 1846-1851
Governor of North Australia 21 February 1846
to 28 December 1846

Subsequent Career: First "Governor-General of all of Her Majesty's Australian Possessions" 1851-55
Died in London 16 February 1858

Honours and Awards: Knight of the Royal Guelphic Order (of Hanover) 1837
(no post-nominals accompany this honour although "KH" is often used to denote the award)
Knight Commander of the Order of the Bath in the Civil Division (KCB) 1854
Waterloo Medal 1815

Memorials: Fitzroy River and Fitzroy Basin Queensland