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Kelliher VC Visit

The great niece and great great neice of Private Kelliher VC will tomorrow visit the Australian War Memorial; the first of his British relatives to do so.

They will view his Victoria Cross and show Memorial curators photographs and relics of Kelliher's.

Private Kelliher VC was born in Ireland in 1918 and immigrated to Australia, before enlisting for the Second World War.

Private Kelliher VC was awarded his Victoria Cross for actions on 13 September 1943 in New Guinea, when he charged a machine-gun position and carried his wounded section commander, Corporal Richards to safety.

After returning to Australia, he died in 1963 and it is believed that none of his Irish family have ever seen his Victoria Cross.

What:	Great niece of Kelliher VC Great great niece of Kelliher VC
Where:	Administration Building Australian War Memorial Treloar Street Campbell ACT
When:	11.30am Friday 3 April 2009

Further information:

Kelliher VC <http://www.awm.gov.au/atwar/remembering1942/kelliher/index.asp>

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