

Rupert Oliver Aiden Sandy was born in Dusseldorf, Germany on 16 July 1948 and completed his secondary education at Downside Abbey High School, Somerset, England. Before commencing his National Service as 1736325 on 28 January 1970, Rupert was employed as a Fitter's Assistant by Wormald Brothers. He commenced at OTU on 13 February. Whilst at OTU, Rupert was a member of 5 Platoon, Chauvel Company.



Rupert graduated with Class 1/70 on 15 July 1970, was allocated to the Royal Australian Provost Corps and posted to the Provost School at Holsworthy, NSW, from where he was allocated to 1 Division Provost Company on 16 September 1970. On 29 December 1971 Rupert was posted as 2IC of the PNG Command Provost Company. Rupert remained in the Army after his NS ended and transferred to the Australian Staff Corps on 2 February 1974. On 25 February 1974 he was posted to 2 Field Engineer Regiment. Promoted to Captain on 2 February 1978.

Rupert married Fay, and was an adored and adoring father to Emma, Pru and Oliver and a grandfather to Kahn, Sofia and Matilda.

Sadly, Rupert passed away on 29 March 2022 in Tasmania as a result of a long illness diagnosed as Mesothelioma (a cancer inside the body). The RACMP Association reported that Rupert is remembered as a cheerful and very likeable officer. A Memorial Service was held for Rupert at Turnbull Funerals in North Hobart on Friday, 8 April 2022. A beautiful man, loved and missed by all.