BRIGADIER GEORGE VICTOR MICALLEF, MOM, CBE, on October 10, 2012, passed away peacefully, comforted by the rites of Holy Church. Brigadier George Micallef was commissioned into the Royal Malta Artillery almost direct from University in 1939, George Micallef took part in the first phase of the defence of Malta. He served with 5 Anti-Aircraft Battery of 2 AA Regiment RMA at AA Position Delimara at a critical time before being posted to Egypt in May 1940. He returned in May 1942 to serve as battery commander with the 2 AA Regiment until 1945. He had a distinguished post-war military career including command of the Royal Malta Artillery.
Brigadier George Micallef at Aboukir, Egypt, 1940.

The Officers of 5th HAA Battery RMA at one of the anti-aircraft sites near Aboukir, Egypt, 1940. Left to right: 2/Lt (later Major) E.J. Axisa, 2/Lt (later Lt Col) E.J. Gatt, Capt (later Lt Col) G.C. Micallef Eynaud, Lt Col G.L. Stanley-Smith (Commanding Officer 9th Regiment RA), Major (later Lt Col) J.V. Abela (the Battery Commander), Lt (later Lt Col) R.F. Jacono, 2/Lt (later Brigadier) G.V. Micallef, 2/Lt (later Capt) M.P. Mifsud (died in Egypt in 1942).

5th Heavy AA Bty from No 2 Regt RA was on service in Egypt between 7 May 1940 and March 1943. The Bty was composed of 216 volunteer officers and gunners. It was the only Maltese unit to serve outside Malta in WWII. It first deployed to Aboukir and then to the Suez Canal area. The Bty was commanded by Maj J. V. Abela MBE RMA.