

Australian Red Cross Society Wounded and Missing
Enquiry Bureau files, 1914-18 War
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**3020 Private
Maurice Rexworthy
Brown**

13th Battalion



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13th Batt
A.I.F.

BROWN,
M.R. 3020

"Died of Wounds 25.9.17."

Was in A.Coy, called Morris. He was blown to pieces by shell at Polygon Wood on Sept. 26th. I was just behind him at the time. He was the only one killed by that shell. There was nothing found of him, so it was impossible to bury him. He came from Sydney.

Informant:- A.J.Day, 3161,
13th Batt,
Barefield.

W.G.J.

London.

25.4.18.

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Havre.

29th. April. 1918.

15th. Australiens.

Brown, M. 3020.

D/s. September. 25, 1917. Date. D, B.

I knew Private. Lorans B. Brown, A. Company, attached to Company H. B. as a Sanitary man; he came from Sydney and was I think a prospector and accustomed to the Bush. He came with the 10th to the 15th reinforcements from Sydney about the 20th. September 1915. I saw him in the front line trench at Zonnebake on September 25th. 1917, his body was carried out of the sap and buried in the rear. I saw the Grave but cannot say whether a Cross was put on. The ~~xxx~~ position was heavily shelled the next day.

Inf:- 1/Corporal. B. Lee. 2365.
15th. Australiens. A. H.Q.
Australian Camp.
Aouelles.

RM.

13th Battn.
A.I.F.

BROWN,
Maurice Rexworthy 3020

"Killed in Action 25.9.17."

I saw him blown up by a shell which killed two others.
We couldn't find anything to bury. This was at Polygon Wood.
5ft 7ins and brown.

Informant:- Cpl. H.C. Dickson, 1334,
13th Battn.
Anzac Buffet.

I came over in the Argyle with M.R. Brown. He came from
Sydney N.S.W. Malcolm was his name.

Informant:- A.J. Day, 3161,
13th Battn.
W. Alison. Anzac Buffet.

NOTE 3020 Maurice Rexworthy Brown, 13th Battn.
Killed in Action 25.9.17. No report of burial.
Cert. by M.A. Searcher at A.I.F. Hqs 1.5.18.

London.
16.5.18.

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13th Battn.

A.I.F.

BROWN.

M.R. 3020.

"Died of Wounds" 25-²8-17.

I helped to bury him with three others whom I did not know in the same hole at Polygon Wood. I knew him well. He came from the county in New South Wales. I heard him mention that he was an Hotel Keeper with a wife and one or more children. He was a Head Quarter stretcher bearer. I handed in his things.

Informant. Beard. H. 4151.

A. Coy. 13th Battn.

ANZAC BUFFET.

W. Allison.

London.

14-5-18.

S.

15th Battn.

BROWN.
M.R. 3020.

"Killed in Action 25.9.17."

I knew Maurice Brown well. He was wounded very badly in body and legs by a shell in front line trench, Polygon Wood stunt, and died very shortly after being hit - almost immediately. Pte. Kane (both A.Co.) was killed by same shell and they - Kane and Brown were buried in a shell hole just outside in front of the trench. Col. Marks ordered the burial.

I saw Brown lying dead but did not actually see casualty or burial.

Informant:- Merchant. W. 6284.
15 Battn. A. Co.
Hut 79.
WESTHAM.

W.A. Rand.
London.
2.7.18.
J.E.A.

S.

Brown

Sept 29. 82

3020

Maurice Roseworthy

13 Bth

Rm a 25.9.17

D/w 25.9.17. Where? burial?
hames? no rep of burial

M.D.S. 30.4.16

Hanson
of Herbert.

3016
58th Bt

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