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3126 Corporal
Herbert Butler

52nd Battalion



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52nd A. I. F. Pte. H. BUTLER, 3126

Missing 4.9.16.

Informant was a brother of H.Butler and in the samd Coy. (A.Coy.) The Coy. went over near Mouquet Farm in the early morning of Sept.3rd, H.Butler being with them. Informant was told by Corpl. Dinney (Informant was uncertain how this name should be spelt) A Coy. 4 Pl. now a 2/Lieutenant, that he saw H.Butler in a shell hole badly wounded. There was a heavy bombardment on and Dinney could not do anything for him. We held the ground.

Reference: Corpl.M.L.Butler, 3120, A Coy. 2 Pl.

N°6 General, Rouen, 14.11.16.

RHL.

52nd Australians

Butler, H. 3126,
Butler, C.H. 3119,
A. Company

(M. 4th Sept/16)

Informant states that "On 4th September 1916 at Mouquet Farm A. Company of the 52nd Batt. made a charge and Informant saw the two brothers killed by the same shell. Informant further states that there was a cousin of the same name (Butler) in the Company, but that it was the two brothers whom he saw killed. He is not certain that the number s are approximately correct."

Informant: George Christison, 3786,
52nd Australians, A. Coy,
Beech House Military Hospital,
16, The Avenue, Brondesbury, N.W.

Home address:
Top of Tribune Street,
Brisbane,
Queensland,
Australia.

28th Dec. 1916.
E. Davidson.

A.I.F. 52. BUTLER, H. 3126.

E. Sept.4. 1916.

I was with him in the front line trench at Mouquet Farm on Sept.5th. A shell came over and wounded both of us. He was badly wounded and was still in the trench when I was helped out. That is the last I know of him. He belonged to IV Bl, A.Co.

References: Pte. S.G.Bould, 3896, A.Co.
No 4 A.D.B.D.
Staples. 16.1.17.

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52nd Batt.
A.I.F.,

BUTLER
H. 3126

"Missing 4/9/16"

He was my brother as was also Vpl Butler 3119 the name just above his. My brother H Butler was blown up by a shell at Mouquet Farm. I was with him at the time. We were both A.Co., My people have been written to.

Reference:- 3126 N.L.Butler,
52nd Batt. A.I.F.,
Harefield Hospital.
8.2.17.

London
12.2.17.
QLP.J

Off H.

A.I.F. 52nd Battn. BUTLER
H. 3126

Missing 4-9-16

Killed in Action 4-9-16 - previously reported Missing
Cert. by A.I.F.Headquarters 29-3-17.

London
3-4-17

OFF.M.

52nd Btn.

BUTLER, H.
Pte. No. 3126

Killed in action 4/9/16.

" I saw Casualty killed by 5.9 H.E. shell at Harncourt on the 4th September, 1916 in the support trenches. He was badly smashed and taken to the D.S. where he died."

Informant:- L.W. Tillman,
No. 3914 52nd ~~xx~~ Btn.

Private address
2 Brooks Street,
Ravenshills,
Brisbane.

H.A.B.
25/10/17.

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52nd Btn.

BUTLER, H.
Cpl. No. 3126

Killed in action 4/9/16.
prev. reported missing.

"Casualty was killed at Bouquet Farm on the 3rd September. I saw him wounded in the morning of the attack. Cpl. Denny told me subsequently he saw Casualty killed by H.E. shell in the afternoon. Cpl. Denny is now with the unit in France."

Informant:- Cpl. M.L. Butler,
52nd Btn.

Private address
Gawler
Tasmania.

H.A.B.
2/7/17.

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