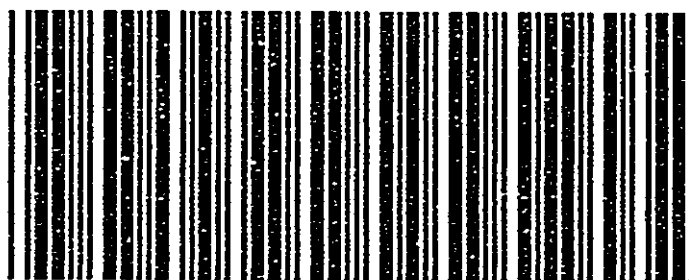


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**3114 Private
Fred Farmer Bassett**

50th Battalion



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*Replying your telegram 10th and
regret to inform you no
3114 private Bassett 7 died
this Hospital March 10th
1917 disease cerebro spinal fever
D/C Military Hospital Peronport.*

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29.3.17.

To
The Secretary
Aus. Red Cross Society

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Dear Madam.

In reply to your
letter asking for any
information regarding

3/11/17 Mr F. Bassett. I wrote
three times to his people.

The last letter was
dated 16.3.17. just the
day after the funeral,
so I told them all
I possibly could, but
there was so little
to tell. for he was

extremely ill on admission
or only conscious for
brief intervals. He
did not suffer much
pain of any kind or
had even to be roused
to take nourishment.

It is all so sad, &
one wishes there
were some messages
to send. but he was
not conscious enough
to even know where
he was.

He was
buried in Efford
Cemetery Church Ground
C. section. Grave no. 4937.

Yours faithfully

H. P.

for
The Matron

U.S. Army, 30th Medical Battalion

U.S. Army

"The Hospital Ship 'The USS' 18.2.17"

Admitted to Hospital - 1st Medical Battalion - 1st Medical Battalion

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A.I.F. 50th. Battn

BASSETT.
Pte.F. 3114.

"DIED"

I wrote three times to his people, the last letter was dated 16.3.17. just the day after the funeral, so I told them all I possibly could, but there was so little to tell, for he was extremely ill an admission and only conscious for brief intervals. He did not suffer much pain of any kind and had even to be roused to take nourishment. It is all so sad, and one wishes there were some messages to send, but he was not conscious enough to even know where he was. He was buried at Eford Cemetery Church Ground C.Section. Grave No. 4937.

Cert. by letter from The Matron.
Military Hospital.
Devonport.
29.3.17.

LONDON. 31.3.17.

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March 26th.1917.

The Matron.
Military Hospital
Devonport.

Dear Madam;

We have received an anxious cable of inquiry from Australia for 3114.Pte.F.F.Bassett,50th.Battn. A.I.F. saying the last news they had was that he was taken off the Army transport dangerously ill, and admitted to hospital 18.2.17.

We have since learned from the O/C.of the Devonport Hospital that Pte.Bassett died of cerebro-fever 10.3.17.

Could you supply us with any details of his illness, death and burial so that we may cable to his people who will be deeply grateful for any news?

With apologies for troubling you in the matter and thanking you in anticipation.

Yours faithfully,

V.I. Dyer
SECRETARY.