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Title: 609 Private Aley, Frederick Roger



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A.I.F. 31st Btn
late 44th Btn

ALEY
Fredk. Roger 609

"WOUNDED"

D/Wounds 17th C.C.Stn 15-10-17
Cert. by A.I.F.Hqrs 25-10-17.

London
26-10-17

P.I

My Son was wounded
first time.

I remain yours
respectfully

Ann Aley

find

Private F. R. Aley
609) A. Company.
31st Battalion
Australian Imp.
Forces
France

I expect he will be
at the Base soon

pc 10¹⁰ Mrs. A. Aley

3 Butts Green

Hornchurch

To the Red (S.T. Oct 16
1917)

Cross.

Dear Madam

I am sorry to trouble you
but I have had bad
news concerning my son
Private F. R. Aley 609,
very seriously wounded in
the chest & right arm
in France. I shall be very
grateful to you if you can
give me more news when
and I thank you for
helping me before when

Saying he is quite
well and not been
wounded at all.

I am very grateful
and I thank the
Red Cross once
more for their kind
ways. Thank God
for the Red Cross
it's a grand work.

I remain very
gratefully once
more

Annie Aley

Mrs A. Aley
3 Bulls Green
Hornchurch
Essex

Mrs A. Aley
wishes to thank
the Red Cross for
the kind interest
and inquiry for
her missing son
Private F. R. Aley
I have since had
letter from him

31st Batn
A. I. F.

ALEY
Pte. F.R. 2/609

2/609

"Died of wounds"

He was admitted to this hospital on the 14.10.17. suffering from severe shell wounds in back, chest and arms, and died at 4.a.m. the following morning as a result of these wounds. He was buried on the 15.10.17. in the Soldiers' cemetery near this Hospital and his grave duly marked and registered.

Letter from O.C. Commdg. 17th C.C.Stn.
9.11.17.

London.
16.11.17.

P.I.

AUSTRALIANS. 31.

ALEY, F.R. 609.

D/W Oct 15th 1917. Dets D/B.

Aley was in my platoon and section - Rifle Grenadiers. His number was 609. He was wounded in supports to the left of Polygon Wood about 15th-20th of October. We were in a trench just behind a pillbox which was being shelled pretty heavily. Aley was at the end of my section with a man named Martin. A shell bobbed on the parapet and killed^x them both. We got them out - Martin first, who went down the line with shell shock. Aley was hit in the chest and ~~arm~~ leg, and was carried down to the Reg Aid Post. which is all I know. He was an English chap, short and nuggety, but a fine good fellow.

InfL Pte M.D.Middleton. 2961. A.III.
No. 54 Gen Hosp.

Boulogne. 20.11.17.

JT

P.1

ack Mrs A. Aley ARC
3 Butts Green

Hornchurch
Nor 11th Essex
1917

Sir

Will you please
give me Information
about my son, Private
Frederick Roger

Aley
I had news from
your office 30 Jan
about 6 weeks ago
and I heard no
more I am very

anxious about him.
He was in France at
the time his number
is 609. 31st Batt
Cali 44th. Australian
Imperial Forces, Cam-
bier from Australia
last July and was
stationed at Salisbury
Plain. Is if you
can find out for
me I shall be
very grateful
to you. Yours
Address I got
but of M. M. M.

weekly.

Sis

I want
anxiously for
any information
from you

His Mother

Amie Alex

Private Frederick
Moses Alex. 609
Australian Imperial
Forces. 31st Battalion
Cali 44th. France.

Went To France
About 10 November
and reported Acc
It ended

21st March 1917.

Mrs. A. Alez,
3 Butts Green,
Hornchurch,
Essex.

Dear Madam,

With reference to your inquiry for your son -
609 Pte Fred. R. Alez, 31st Battalion, A.I.F., we beg to inform
you that he re-joined his unit in France on 12-1-17.

There is no further report so he is evidently
quite well. Letters fully address^d to him to his battalion
should reach him.

Trusting you soon hear from him personally.

Yours faithfully,

V.D.
Secretary.
J.A.K.

Mrs. A. Aley,
3 Butts Green,
Hornchurch.

Oct. 27th, 1917.

Dear Madam,

We deeply regret to inform you that -

No. 609 Pte. Frederick R. ALEY - 51st Battalion. A.I. F. died of wounds on 16.10.17 in the 17th Casualty Clearing Station and we have written to the O.C. for a detailed account of his death. As soon as we receive further news we shall advise you.

May we express our sincere sympathy with you in your great loss.

Yours faithfully,

V.D.

Secretary.

Pa. Lee.

Oct 31 1917 (Mrs A. Alex.
3 Bulls Green, Hornchurch
Secretary of the Australian S.K.
Red Cross.)

Dear Miss Deakin.

I have to thank you
for your kind enquiry concerning
my son, Private Frederick
Roger Alex. 609. 31st Batt. A Corps
C. I. Forces. France, I am dis-
tressed at the news. To say much
but may I ask if you please
Miss, if there is any message
or any thing left on me will
you kindly let me know. Also
please Miss where my son's body
is buried and number of
his grave, if it is possible
in me to have photo of his
grave, I shall be so grateful
in any of his matter if they
can. let me know anything

and It is very hard
on me to lose him as
he was such a good boy
to me. But I know
you was good to him
I hope Miss Deakin
not worried you too
much. So thank you
you once more for
your kind letter

please Miss Deakin
Fremont. Minn
respectfully

Annie Aley

there are a few
family pictures
at home

To:

Secretary

Australian Red Cross Society,
London



by web.

Dear Madam,

In reply to your enquiry regarding the death of No 3609 Pte F. W. Alley, 51st Palt., A.I.F.;

He was admitted to this Hospital on the 11.10.17 suffering from severe shell wounds in Back, Chest and Arms, and died at 11.0 am the following morning as a result of these wounds.

He was buried on the 15.10.17 in the Soldiers' Cemetery, near this Hospital and his grave duly marked and registered.

9/11/17

W. H. R. G. G. G.

LT COLONEL, R.A.M.C.

COMDR No. 17 CASUALTY CLEARING STATION

P.I.

November 23rd, 1917.

Mrs. A. Aley,
3, Butts Green,
Hornchurch, Essex.

Dear Madam,

We are sending you a report given by the O.C., of the
17th Casualty Clearing Station, about the death of your son

No609 Pte. F. R. ALEY,
31st Battalion,
A.I.F.

and trust that they will be of some assistance to you.

He writes to this effect "Pte. Aley was admitted to
this hospital, on the 14.10.17, suffering from severe shell
wounds in back, chest, and arms and died at 4.30 a.m. the
following morning as a result of these wounds. He was
buried on the 15.10.17, in the Soldiers Cemetery near this
hospital and his grave duly marked and registered."

We are still continuing the inquiry and as soon as further
news is received we shall advise you as we realize how anxiously
you must await details.

Assuring you of our sincere sympathy.

Yours faithfully,

LAW.
SECRETARY.

December 19th. 1917.

Mrs. Aley,
3, Bette Green,
Hornchurch,
Essex.

Dear Madam,

In further answer to your enquiry concerning the death of your son, 609, Pte. F. R. Aley, 31st. Battn. A.I.F. we beg to forward the following unofficial report that has come to hand.

1901, Pte. H.D. Middleton said that Aley was in his platoon and section and that he was wounded while in support to the left of Polygon Wood about 12th.-20th. of October. They were in a trench just behind a pillbox which was being shelled pretty heavily. Aley was at the end of the section with a man named Martin. A shell on the parapet killed them both. They got themselves out, Martin first, who went down the line with shell shock. Aley was hit in the chest and leg and was carried down to the regimental aid post. Informant knows nothing further. He adds that Aley was an English chap, short and raggedy and a fine good fellow.

As soon as any further particulars come to hand we shall advise you.

Yours faithfully,

Secretary.

