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Enquiry Bureau files, 1914-18 War
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3778 Private
Arnold Locke Beattie

20th Battalion



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20th Battn.
A.I.F.,

Beattie
Pte.A.L. 3778

"Died of wounds"

In answer to your enquiry re No.3778,Private Arnold.L.Beattie, 20th Battalion of the A.I.F., I cannot give you as much information as I could have wished, as I was not the Chaplian who ministered to him. He was admitted to this hospital on August 6th with the left leg severed at the knee, and a compound fracture of the tibia of the right leg.

He died on August 8th and was buried with full military honours. A cross bearing his name etc. has now been erected over his grave by the Graves Registration Commissioners and marks his last resting place. The British Cemetery in which he was buried is on the outskirts of a little village called Daours,where we were then stationed.

Cert. by letter from R.H.Hearn, (Chaplain)
34th W.Lancs. Cas.Clg.Stan.
5-11-16.

London
11-11-16.

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20th Battalion A.I.F.
B. Co.

BEATTIE A.L. 3778

Died of Wounds 8.8.16.

I knew Beattie -- he and his brother J.R., were in B. Company, VIII Platoon.

On the Ridge beyond Pozieres, in front of Martinpuich, I saw him after he was wounded on the morning of 5.8.16, about dinnertime. He had been badly wounded by a piece of shell-- he was conscious and was asking for his brother J.R who had already been killed, but we would not tell him so. He was carried away on a stretcher.

They were the only Beatties in B. Co. A.L.Beattie had false teeth, was not very tall, but taller than his brother, of medium complexion and well built. I am quite sure it was he. In about October I heard he had died.

Informant:-- G.C.TULLY, 3273,
20th Battalion B. Co., VIII Platoon
No. 4 Australian General Hospital, RANDWICK.

A careful reliable witness.

H.S.O.
14/6/17.

SYDNEY BUREAU.

A.I.F. 20th Battn
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HEATTIE
Arnold 3778

Off. Died of Wounds 8-8-16.

Place of death ..... 34th Casualty Clearing Station France.
Cert. by A.I.F. Headquarters 26-10-16.

Cause of Death ..... Gun shot wound in leg.
Cert. by A.I.F. Headquarters 26-10-16.

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(W. LANCS.) CASUALTY CLEARING
R.A.M.C.
5 NOV 1916



Dear Madam,

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Yours faithfully,
Ernest H. Hearn,
Chaplain.

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3778 Pte A L. Brattie
D of W. 20 Battie

9th November

Rev. B.H. Hearn, C.F.
34th Casualty Clearing Station
B.E.F.

Dear Sir,

We are indeed grateful for your information about 3778 Arnold L. Beattie, 20th Battalion, A.I.F., and are sending a typed copy of your letter to his people in Sydney to whom the details will be of great interest.

With benjamin kinds Yours faithfully,

V.D

Secretary
L.A.W.

27th October

The Chaplain,
34th Casualty Clearing Station.
B. E F.

Dear Sir,

Will you be kind enough to send us all the information you can about No.3778 Pte Arnold L. Beattie, 20th Battalion, A.I.F., who died of wounds at your Station on August 8th 1916. We have been asked by his people in Sydney to get the details of his wounds, death and burial, and are anxious to send out all the information we can to them.

With apologies and thanking you in anticipation,

Yours faithfully,

V.D.

Secretary.
I.A.W.