

Australian Red Cross Society Wounded and Missing  
Enquiry Bureau files, 1914-18 War  
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**26A Private  
Clive Russell Bray**

**9th Battalion**



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Royal Victoria Hospital

Netley

23.4.17.

The Matron desires to say  
in answer to your letter  
of April 20<sup>th</sup>, that she has  
made enquiries concerning  
the illness, death & burial

of 2<sup>nd</sup> Lt C. R. Bray  
9<sup>th</sup> Batt<sup>n</sup>  
A.I.F.

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Miss Tera Deakin

9th Batt.  
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BRAY  
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Cert. by letter from The Matron,  
Royal Victoria Hospital,  
Netley,  
23.4.17.

London  
24.4.17.

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A.I.F. 9th Btn

C.R. BRAY  
26

"Died at Netley Hpl. 13-3-17"

Died at Netley Hospital 13-3-17 - gun shot wound leg,  
chest right hand and shoulder

Admitted Royal Victoria Hospital Netley 7-3-17

Died - 13-3-17

Cert. by Hospital Index & A.I.F.H.O's 17-4-17.

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London  
18-4-17

20th April 1917.

To The Matron,  
Royal Victoria Hospital,  
NELBY.

Dear Madam,

We would be most grateful if you could give us any details of the sufferings death and burila of - 26 Pte C.R. Bray, 9th Battn, A.I.F, who is reported as having died of wounds at your hospital on 13-3-17.

We are making these enquiries on behalf of his relations in Australia, to whom any particulars will be of the greatest value.

With many apologies for troubling you and thanking you in anticipation,

Yours faithfully,

Secretary

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