

Australian Red Cross Society Wounded and Missing
Enquiry Bureau files, 1914-18 War
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4112 Private
Percy Leonard Cooney

26th Battalion



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26th Batta.
A.I.P.

COONEY
P. 4112

"Died of Wounds 11-3-18"

Re the death and burial of 4112 Pte. P. Cooney, 26th Batta.
I have to inform you that he was admitted to this Ambulance on
11-3-18 suffering from G.S.W. of head, and died on this account
the same day. He was buried in the Military Cemetery on the
outskirts of the village of Lamotte-en-Santerre, which village
is situated on the main road from Villers-Bretagneux to Peronne.

Letter from:- The C.O.,
7th Aust. Fld. Amb.,
12-10-18.

London
25-10-18

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P. 4112

"DIED OF WOUNDS 11/8/18"

I remember that Cooney was struck in the head by a shell on 11th August in front of Harbonnières (~~2 1/2 miles East of~~ i.e. 2 miles East of Harbonnières). Ground was held - advanced. He was buried but I don't know where. His Christian name was Percy.

Eye-witness:- No. Heard from comrades.
Description:- Short, dark, clean-shaven and about 22.

Informant:- 5069 Pte. John Campbell, (Intelligent)
B Coy.,
Red Cross Hq. Christchurch.

Home address:- John Ryan,
C/o Scots Hotel,
Winton, Queensland.

F. J. Lord,
22/10/18
London
29/10/18.

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25th Octr 1918. c/f.

Australians. 26.

Cooney P. 4412.

L/W 11th August 1918. Det D/B. 4112

He was in B. V. On the 11th August at Veuve Hillers, while we were attacking Cooney got hit in the head by a ~~smoke~~ shell. ~~He~~ All his brains were laid open, but he didn't quite die. The S/Bs Pte F.E. Lowman, of D Coy., and another S/B told me they got him to the A.P. and left him there, but he couldn't have lived many minutes they say.

Inf:- Pte T.E. Green No. 6455.
A.I.F. 26. B. H.Q.
Hospital Ship

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A.I.F.
26th. Batta

COOBY,
COONEY,
P. 412.

" Wounded "

Admitted St. Johns Hospital Cheltenham Gun-shot wound head.
5.5.17.

Cert. by Hospital Index.

Suffering from Gun-shot wound head - He is getting on extremely well.

Cert. by letter from O. C. 5.6.17.

London.
6.6.17.

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A.I.F. 26th Batta.

1918
JONES
4112

"DIED OF WOUNDS"

Died of wounds 11/8/18 at 7th Aust. Fld. Amb.
Cert. by Hpl. Index

Details not stated.
Cert. by A.I.F. Hqs. List 20/9/18.

London
20/9/18.

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P. Cooney
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D.O.W. 11-8-17

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The Secretary,
Australian Red Cross Society,
36, Grosvenor Place,
LONDON, S.W. 1.

Dear Madam,

Yours of the 23rd September last asking for particulars of the death and burial of No 4112, Private P. Cooney of the 26th Battalion, is to hand, and in reply I have to inform you that he was admitted to this Ambulance on 11-8-1918 suffering from G.S.W, of head, and died on this account the same day.

He was buried in the Military Cemetery on the outskirts of the village of LAMOTTE-en-Santerre, which village is situated on the main road from Villers-Brettoneux to Peronne.

Trusting these particulars will be of assistance to you

I am, dear Madam,
Yours faithfully,

A. M. W. J. M. Lieut. Col.,

C. O. 7th Australian Field Ambulance,

7th AUSTRALIAN FIELD AMBULANCE.
No. 12-10-1918.
Dist.