

Australian Red Cross Society Wounded and Missing
Enquiry Bureau files, 1914-18 War
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864 Private
Henry Gascoigne
Davies

59th Battalion



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France.

A.I.F. 59. C.

DAVIES H.G. 864.

H. 19.7.15.

Harry Davies was a friend of mine and when I returned to the Bn. in Aug. I asked my pal, R. Bryant (both Davies and I were with him in Egypt) about him. "Oh, he was killed in an attack we made at Fleurbaix, on 19th. July, at about 6.0, on a 400 yard front. I saw him shot myself." The bodies are still lying out there; it has been impossible to get them in. Our front is the same to-day.

BC.

Reference: Ets. L.C. Wright. 4631. C.Co.
1 Can.Gen.

Ets. lss.
29.11.15.

Written Pte Bryant. 9.12.16

Ref
RECEIVED
9 SEP 1916
CULTON HOUSE TERRACE.

*Offord Road
London
8.9.16*

*M. G. Davis, female
No 864 59 & Bellatun
15 infants, Brigade Ushalea
missing since 14th July
somewhere in France.
Any information kindly
renew to*

*L. Kimmis Ltd
Lieut A.S.I.*

Cassiers as above



AUSTRALIAN BRANCH, BRITISH RED CROSS SOCIETY.

Tel.: VICTORIA 8858.

ALL COMMUNICATIONS
TO BE ADDRESSED TO
"THE SECRETARY,"
WOUNDED AND MISSING
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AUSTRALIAN BRANCH B.R.C.S.

54, VICTORIA STREET,

LONDON, S.W.

December 12th, 1916.

Major Steel
C/O Mrs. Henderson.
Ravensby
Carnoustie
Scotland.

Dear Sir;

Re Pte. ^SHarry Davies. We very much regret we are unable to trace the above without further particulars. The next of Kin in this case has not been sufficient. If you can send any further details, we will be glad to try again

Yours faithfully,

W. F. D. Sturges

Secretary

The Secretary

Thank you.

The particulars are now available. Pte. Harry Davies "C" Co. 59th Bn., 15th Div. 3rd Division, A.P.C. 14.12.16

Major

December 18th

Major Steel
C/O. Mrs. Henderson
Ravensby Carnoustie
Scotland.

Dear Sir;

In reply to your enquiry for No. 864. Pte. Harry Gascoigne Davies 59th. Battn. (late 24th. Battn.) we have unofficial news from No. 4651. Pte. L.C. Wright. C. Company who states "Harry Davies" was a friend of mine, and when I returned to the Battn. in August, I asked my pal R. Bryant (both Davies and I were with him in Egypt) about him. Oh' he was killed in an attack we made at Fleurbaix on July 19th. at about 6 o'clock on a 400 yd front. I saw him shot myself.

The bodies are still lying out there; it has been impossible to get them in. Our front is the same to-day"

We have written Pte. Bryant & immediately any further particulars come to hand they will be sent on to you. Assuring you that every effort will be made to obtain news.

Yours faithfully,

E. C. C.
Secretary

8858

15th September, 1916.

Lieut. D. Norman Tod,
A. S. C.,
Offerd Lane, *Regd.*
L O N D O N.

Dear Sir,

We have received your inquiry for No. 864,
Pte. Henry Gascoigne DAVIES, and beg to inform you that
we have no information beyond the fact that he was offic-
ially "Missing" on July 19th. Should we hear anything
further we shall be pleased to communicate with you.

Yours truly,

Secretary.

L. A. W.

December 12th

Pte. R. Bryant
59th. Battn. A. I. F.
B. E. F.

Dear Pte. Bryant

We are making enquiries for a man of your battn. 864.
Pte. H. J. Davies. 59th. Battn. A. I. F. reported "Missing" 19-7-16. and
have been told that you may be able to help us, by giving us
some information.

We should be most grateful for any details you could
give us, concerning Pte. Davies, and would also be glad if you
could add a short personal description of this man, in order
that we may satisfy his relatives that no error has been made.

With best wishes.

Yours faithfully,



Secretary

December 14th

Lt.D.Horman God,
AS.C.
Offord Road.
London.

Dear Sir;

We regret to inform you that we have received the following unofficial report about No.864. Pte.H.G.Davies, 59th Battn.A.I.F., for whom you were inquiring on September 8th. Informant states that Pte.Davies was his pal, and he made inquiries from a friend as to what had happened to him, the friend, Pte.Bryant, said that he had seen Pte.Davies Killed in an attack at Fleurbaix on July 19th, at 6.p.m.

He adds that his body was never brought in, it was impossible to get it. The front has remained unchanged.

Should any further reports come to hand, we shall at once communicate with you.

Yours faithfully,

V.B

Secretary
LAW.

AUSTRALIAN RED CROSS,
WOUNDED & MISSING
ENQUIRY BUREAU.

~~AUSTRALIAN RED CROSS~~

36 Grosvenor Place,

S.W.1.

26-9-19.

Dear Sir,

We beg to inform you that this office is now closing down and all our records are being sent to Australia. If you wish for any further information concerning :-

864 Davis. H.G. 59th Bu.

we should be glad if you would advise us, as soon as possible, so that we may send your enquiry to our office in Australia. At the same time you will understand that it will take many months before you will receive any further information, as every enquiry will have to be sent to Australia and dealt with from there.

Yours faithfully,

(Miss) Lilian A. Whybrow.

Hon. Secretary.

Major Steel.

2002 Henderson.

Ravensley.

Campbell.

Scotland

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Fuller particulars need to be sent to
above address.