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Enquiry Bureau files, 1914-18 War
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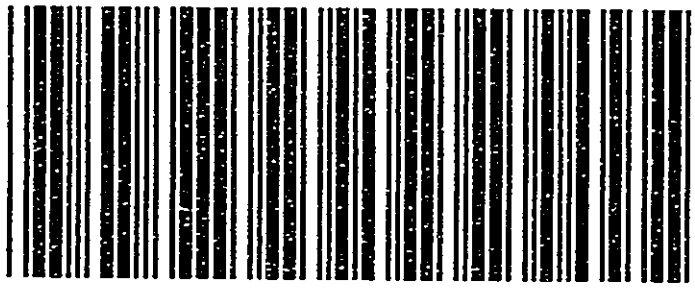
1633 Private
Alfred Chapman

49th Battalion



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49th Australian I.F.

Chapman, A. 1633.

Sept. 3.16.

Informant states that on 3rd September at Pomieres he saw Pte. Alfred Chapman killed about midday in the attack. He was blown to pieces by a shell. Informant was only a few yards away and knew the man well.

Reference: Pte. Roy V. Kellner 1762,
49 A.I.F., B.
Bradford Hospital.

Home address: Teron Creek,
Tallina,
N.S.W.

4.11.16.
E.C. Jeffery.

49th A.I.F.

Chapman A. 1633,
A. Company.

(M. 3/9/'16)

"I saw him killed by a shell at Monkey Farm (?Mouquet) and he was buried on the top of the trenches".

Reference: Pte. W.H. Gifford 5105,
49th A.I.F., A. Coy., IV. Plt.,
2nd Southern General Hospt.,
Southmead,
Bristol.

Home address:
Perkins Street,
South Townsville,
Queensland.

Nov. 9th 1916,
C. Strachan.

49th Australian Imperial Force. Chapman, A. 1633,

M Sept. 3/16.

Informant states that "Pte. A.A. Chapman, B Coy, was killed. I was told so by Pte. W.E. Matthews, 5124,
49th Australian Imperial Force,
2nd Command Depot. Monk Video,
Weymouth.

Referchce:-- Pte. W. Macpherson, 5150,
49th Australian Imperial Force, B Coy.
King George Hospital, Stamford Street.

Nov. 11th.
Parry.

Written Pte Matthews 23.11.16

49th Australian Imperial Force. Chapman, A. 1633.

(M. Sept. 3rd 1916.)

Informant states that: On Sept. 5th 1916, at Mouquet Farm, we made an attack at 6 a.m. It was successful, but we had a hard time. The Germans bombarded so heavily, any of our wounded left out must have been killed; it was too hot for the stretcher bearers to go out to the wounded, but as soon as possible they made a complete search of the ground but found all killed. In many cases the bombardment had been so heavy they were blown to pieces, and buried in. It was not possible for Chapman to have been taken prisoner.

Reference: Lieut. A.A.Divine,
49th Australian Imperial Force,
Moreton Gardens Hospital,
S.T.

Home address: c/o The Cemetary Lodge,
Toowoomba,
Qland,
Australia.

Nov. 21st 1916.
L.Burford.

49th Battn.
A.I.F.,

Chapman
.. 1633

"Missing Sept. 3rd 1916"

Witness states that he saw the above killed on the Somme on Sept. 3rd He was blown to pieces as soon as they got into the German trenches about 10 a.m..
Description. About 5ft.5ins high, thin, reddish hair, about 22years old, came from Lismore, N.S.Wales.

Reference;- R.O.Kellner, 1762
49th Battalion, A.I.F.,
3rd Aust, Aux. Hospt.
Dartford,
14-12-16.

B.

London
18-12-16
W.L.A.B.

A.I.F. 49th Btn

CHAPMAN
A. 1633

"Missing 3-9-16"

Missing believed Killed in action 3-9-16 - previously reported Missing
Cert. by A.I.F.Headquarters 9-5-17.

London
10-5--17

B.

49th Battn
A.I.F.

CHAPMAN,
A. 1633

"Missing 3.9.16."

Killed in Action 3.9.16. previously reported Missing believed Killed.
Cert. by A.I.F. HdQrts.16.8.17.

London.
24.8.17.

B.