Australian Red Cross Society Wounded and Missing
Enquiry Bureau files, 1914-18 War
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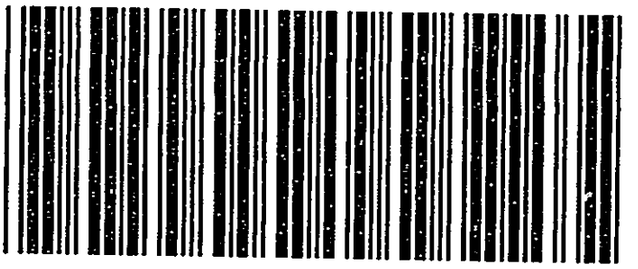
2581 Private John Longford Crossingham (John Leslie Crossingham)

4th Battalion



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A.I.F 4th Battn

CROSSINGHAM
J.L. 2581

Missing 22-27-7-16

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Cert. by A.I.F.Headquarters List 21-8-16

Killed in Action 23-7-16 Nicknames "Jock"
Cert. by A.I.F.Headquarters 25-10-16.

London
26-10-16

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4th A.I.F

Grossingham, J.L. 2581.

K. July 23rd 1916. Dets. D & B.

Informant states that "On Sunday morning in Pozieres village, which we were taking from the Germans, Grossingham was killed by a shell instantaneously. I saw him lying dead; but it was impossible to bury any that day."

Informant: Pte. R. Duff, 500,
4th Australians,
2nd London Gen: Hos:, Chelsea.

Home address: 35 Park Road,
Marrickville,
Sydney.

23.12.16.
K.G. Hamilton.

4th Batt.

CROSSINGHAM
J.L. 2581

Killed 23rd July 1916.

Belonged to Company D and was wounded at Posières. Had 7 or 8 wounds and lay for 5 or 6 hours waiting for stretcher. Nickname "Snowy". He asked me if I thought he would pull through and I answered "Yes", altho' I felt sure he would not. I heard he died on the way to the base.

Reference:- R. Hilson, 2468,
Dartford Hospital.
18.2.17.

London
22.2.17.
F.E.B.

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4th Batt.
A.I.F.,

J.T. Crossingham 2581

H.G. Turville 2815
L/Cpl R.G.Muller 1784 or 2784.

"Killed 23.7.16"
"Killed 22.7.16" to 27.7.16.
"Missing 22.7.16"- " "

Refer to Cpl Frank Vetter No 13 Platoon D.Co., who can tell you all there is known about them.

Reference:- 3945 H.H.Wells,
4th Batt. A.I.F.,
Dartford Hospital,
27.3.17.

Note:- Written Cpl Vetter 9.3.17.

London
26.3.17.
L.P.J.

S.

4th Battn.
A. I. F.

Crossingham.
J. L. 2581.

"Killed 23.7.16"

Was in D. Coy. Was killed at Pozieres. Chaplain McKenzie 4th Battn. now in France buried. Crossingham and can give all information regarding his death and burial.

Witness:-
H. G. Wells 3945.
4th Battn.
Dartford.

W. G. J.

London.
27.7.17.

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Note Written Chaplain McKenzie 20.7.17.

4th Battn
A.I.F.

Crossingham
J.L. 2581

"Killed in Action 23.7.16."

Re J.L. Crossingham. I beg to state that he was killed in action 23½7.16 by a shell-died instantly. He was buried in a soldiers grave near where he fell. Map reference Albert combined sheet map 1/40,000 -, X4A .

Letter from:-
W. ~~Benzie~~ McKenzie
Chaplain.
France. 4.8.17.

London.
15.9.17.

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THE SALVATION ARMY.

Headquarters: 69 Bourke St., Melbourne.

W. BRAMWELL BOOTH, General.
JAMES HAY, Commissioner.

SALVATION ARMY INSTITUTE,

MILITARY CAMP at France

4th – 8th 1917

Miss Vera Deakin
Austn Red Cross
Dear Miss Deakin

Re 2581 J.T. Crossingham 11th Bn

In reply to your enquiry re the above I beg to state that he was killed in action 23-7-16 by a shell - died instantly - He was buried in a soldiers grave near where he fell. Map reference - Albert combined sheet map - 1/40000 — X4A. Trusting this will meet your desire & praying God to richly bless you.

Yours sincerely
[illegible]
[illegible]
Chaplain

2581-L
J.T. CROSSINGHAM
23.7.16
4 Bn
S3 (Tel)