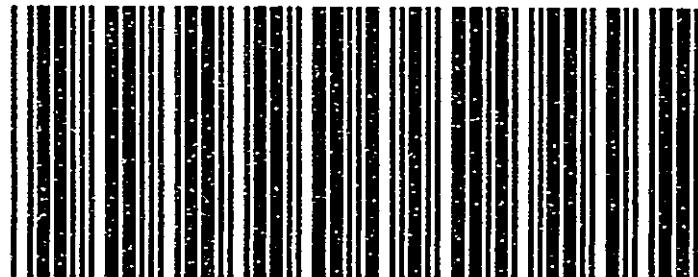


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**393 Corporal  
David Henry Coles**

**10th Field Artillery Brigade**



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COLS  
David - entry 685

D/WAS 20-10-17"

Adm. 10th O.C. Stn France - S.W. penetrating right lung  
no report of burial.  
Cert. by A.I.F. Hqrs 19-1-18.

H & Alex:

London  
22-1-18

57th Battery  
A.P.A.

Deles.  
Pte. David Henry 393

"Died of Wounds"

This C.G.O. was admitted Shell wounds Pen.L. Lung. Died 20.10.17  
and buried in Lyssenthoek Military Cemetery Plot No.25. Grave  
No.P. 17.B.

Letter from:-

The O.C.

Bo.10 Gas.C.Stn.  
26.1.18.

London.  
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DAVRS.

14th. March. 1918.

10th. A. F. A.  
37th. Battery.

Coles, P. H. No. 393.

D/V. 20th. October 1917. Date. D/B.

I was told by Corporal McMillan, about November 20th, when we were up at Ypres with the Brigade that they were making an attack on Ginchy 20th, and he saw Coles badly wounded by a shell. He saw the R.S./Bearers take him away to the D/Station. He saw it in orders that he had died. McMillan is still with the Battery. I know Coles well; he was medium height, dark, clean-shaven. He used to be a Grocer in Civil Life.

Inf:- P. Parsons. No. 2232.  
10th. A. F. A.  
37th. Battery.  
Australian Camp.  
Rouelles.

M.C. 24/1

GWS.

10th Bde. 37th Btty.  
A.Y.A. A.I.F.

COLES  
D.M. 393

Died of Wounds 20-10-17

I saw Coles after he was hit at the gun position at Ypres, between Zonnebeke and Passchendaele, being badly wounded through the shoulder. He was taken away by stretcher-bearers. It was read out to us that he died, but I do not know where, nor where he is buried.

Informant. Healy Dvr. P.J. 1746

37th Btty.,  
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WESTHORN.

W.A. Rand  
London  
18-3-18

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11th. March. 1918.

10th. A. P. A.  
37th. Battery.

Coles, D. H. No. 393.

D/H. 20th. October 1917. Dets. D/B.

I was told by Gunner Lever about October 82nd., when we were with the 37th Battery, that they were at Sonnebecke and had just finished firing when a H. B. Shell burst close to them, badly wounding Coles in the chest. Lever saw him carried to the D/Station where I learnt about a week after that he died. It also appeared in orders. I knew Coles, he was tall and thin, dark, clean-shaven. He came from Tasmania.

Inf:- Driver, D. L. Whatham. No. 227.

10th. A. P. A.  
37th. Battery,  
Australian Camp.  
Rouelles.

OSS.

Written by. Lever 19.3.18.

Hove.

13th. March. 1918.

Coles, D. H. No. 393;

10th. A. P. A.  
37th. Battery.

D/F. 20th. October 1917. Dets. D/B.

I was told by Gunner Green at Harfleur in February 1918 that they were in the wagon lines at Ypres, and were bombed by an aeroplane on October 20th., Coles being severely wounded. Coles was taken away. Green came away shortly afterwards himself. He is now in the Camp at Harfleur. Coles was a tall, dark chap, he was a bombardier when I last saw him.

Inf:- Gunner S. Robert. No. 970.

10th. A. P. A.  
37th. Battery,  
Australian Camp.  
Rouelles.

CWS.

M. C. F.