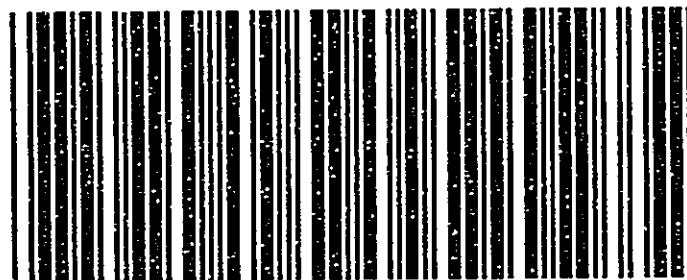


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**5067 Private  
Donald Leonard**

**26th Battalion**



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26th A. I. F.

Leonard, D. 5067

(M. Nov. 5th/18)

"I knew "Donald" Leonard. I identify him by his No. We were together in Egypt. We came to France in the same boat. When we landed at Marseilles he met with an accident, was knocked over by a tram car. He was taken to the Hospital where he died at  $\frac{1}{2}$  past 3 the next morning. I was with him at the time. It was some time in September, I cannot fix the exact date. I did not see him buried. I was wounded at Le Sars 3 weeks ago. There is some error of date. I am sure of my man."

Eye-witness:

Description:

*Asking HQ to verify 26.3.17*

*H.Q.*  
Informant: Virgel Charles Templeton, 5168,  
26th A.I.F., C. Coy,  
Harborne Hall V.A.D. Hospital,  
Birmingham.

Home address:

Miss Loma Templeton,  
New Farm,

10th March 1917.

Brisband, Queensland.

Geo. Bullock.

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26th. Battn.

Leonard.  
D. 5067.

"M.5.11.16 Any further report? Believed died as  
result of accident."

Still reported Missing.5.11.16.

C-rt: by A. I.F. Headquarters.26.3.17.

B.3.

London  
13.4.17.

26th A. I. F. A.Coy.

D. LEONARD, 5067

Missing 5.11.16.

I knew Leonard very well. He was blown to pieces by a shell at Fiers on Nov.5th. The same shell killed Sergt. Aitken of A.Coy. and Pte.Stamp and two or three others.

Reference: Corpl.A.Lyburn, 3507, A.Coy.

No.5 General, Rouen, 15.6.17.

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General  
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A.I.F. 26th Btn A.Coy.

Don LEONARD  
5067

"MISSING"

Killed in Action 5-11-16 - previously reported Missing  
cert. by A.I.F. Hqs 31-7-17.

S & Queensland

London  
2-8-17

A.I.F. 26.

LEONARD. D. 5067.

K. Nov. 5th 1916. Dets. D/B.

I knew him well. He was in A. Coy. I know that he was killed by a shell at Flers and that he was buried near there and that there was a cross erected.

Inf: Pte. W. Shoemith 2160.  
1, Con. Camp.  
BOULOGNE. 6.10.17.

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FRANCE

26th BATT. A.I.F.

LEONARD. D. 5067.

X. Nov 5th. 1915. Det.

He comes from Ballena, Richmond River, N.S. Wales, and was in A. Coy. He, Anderson and another man were caught by the same shell at Piers last November. Anderson was wounded and Leonard and the other man were killed outright. Anderson has just come back to us. I wrote and told Leonard's mother some two or three months ago, and when we were having a spell, I took a friend of Leonard's people who had come put afterwards, to show him the tombstone which we had put up over his grave near the trench where he was killed. JMA

Ref --- Pte Lavery. 6099. A. Coy.  
No 16 Gen. Hospital.

Le Grepert. Nov 5th. 1917

*Whitten Pl. Anderson 2000*

(20. 11. 17)

Pt. Anderson

C 26<sup>th</sup> Baltu. A. 1. 7.

B. 1. 7.

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abt.

5067 Pt. D. Leonard

26<sup>th</sup> Baltu. A. 1. 7.

C K. 5-11-16

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A. 1. 13.