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36213 Gunner
John Edward Flanagan

8th Field Artillery Brigade



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Field Artillery A.I.F.

Flanagan, J.E. Pte, 36213,
8th Brigade.

(K. 24/4/18) Dets. B/B.

"I knew both Flanagan and Wallace personally. They were both killed in my presence; both, shell wounds, and both instantaneously; it was the same shell killed four at one go. I was a member of the burial party for both of them, and they were laid in separate graves at the Borney Military Cemetery, Borney village, near Villers Bretonneaux".

Eyewitness: Yes.

Description: Medium, fair.

Informant: Gunner Jos. W. O'Sullivan, 33802,
Field Artillery, A.I.F. 8th Brigade,
Dudley Road, Hospital, Birmingham.

Home address:
101, Barcom Avenue, Darlinghurst, Sidney, N.S.W.

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Arthur V. Blakemore. *Separate report for Wallace*

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Flanagan J.B. No. 36213.

K. 24th April 1918. Det D/B.

I did not know him well as he was a new man to our Battery, he came from Tasmania and was a short, dark, young fellow. On the 24th April we were in front of Bernay in action. In the morning a shell fell on the gun team and killed Flanagan outright. I was close by and saw his body but I don't know where it was buried.

Inf:- Gunner J.H. Airey No. 22233.

A.F.A. 8. 30.
Australian Camp.
Rouelles.

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13th June 1918.

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Flanagan J.E. 36813.

A.F.A. 8.

K. 24th April 1918. Det D/B.

He was in 30 Batty. I knew him by sight, he was about 5 feet 8, dark, between 26 & 30. He was a new reinforcement, his brother joined the Battery a few days after, J.E. Flanagan was killed. He will have found out all particulars about him I should think. We were in action near Sonet on the 24th April. I saw Flanagan hit by part of a shell in the side. I was told afterwards that he was taken down to the D/station and died there.

Inf:- Driver R.J. Hay No. 28297.
A.F.A. 8. 30.
Havre Hospital.

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15th June 1918.

A.F.A. 8.

Flanagan J.E. No. 36213.

K. 24th April 1918. Det D/B.

He was my brother, and came from Hobart, Tasmania. He was killed near Bonny and is buried in the Bonny Military Cemetery. I had a cross made and put it up there myself. He was killed instantaneously by a shell.

Inf:- Gunner J.T. Flanagan No. 36214.
A.F.A. 8. 30.
Australian Camp.
Rouelles.

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8th Bde.
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J.E. 36213

"Killed 24-4-18"

I saw him killed at the village of Heilly, which is between Albert and Amiens, and nearer to Albert. He was hit by pieces from a shell that landed in a trench beside us. He was very badly knocked and died instantly, while I myself was wounded by same shell. He was a Gur. and I knew him well, his address being 104, Park Street, Hobart, Tasmania. I did not see grave, but he would be buried at Heilly, and grave was sure to be marked. He was in 30th Bty., and if you refer to Lt. Johnson, 30th Bty. 8th Bde., I think he can give full particulars of burial.

Informant. O'Neil. Sgt. W.A. 22024
30th Bty. 8th Bde.,
3rd A.A.H.,
DARTFORD.

Note:-

Sufficient details without writing to Lt. Johnson.

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21st June 1918.

A.F.A. 8.

Flanagan J.E. No. 36213.

K. 24th April 1918. Det D/B.

I knew Gunner Flanagan of the 30th Batty who was killed on the 25th April in front of Bannay. He had come with a recent reinforcement. He has a brother in the 30th Batty now. Flanagan is buried in a Military Cemetery at Bannay along with three others from the same Gun crew. There was to be a cross erected.

Inf:- Gunner H.E. Airey No. 2552.
A.I.F. E. Art. 8. 3.0
Australian Camp.
Rouelles.

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