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**2701A Private
Reginald Cole Kenny**

3rd Battalion



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3rd Batta.

KENNY, R. C.
2701a

K. 27/7/16

I knew Kenny well. He was a Yass lad, and we went to school together. We left Sydney in the same reinforcements. We were rescuing mates who had been buried by an explosion during the afternoon of 27th July 1916 at Pozieres. Whilst so engaged another shell lobbed near us and Kenny had the misfortune to be partially buried. However his position was not serious and he told us to proceed with the rescue of the others who were in a more serious predicament as he was O.K. for the time being. We proceeded with our work and shortly after another shell burst near Kenny and he was killed outright - death being instantaneous. I have no idea as to where he was buried. Kenny was of medium height - fair complexion. He was a bandsman in the battalion band and was extremely popular among the boys.

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3rd Battn., A.I.F.
'D' Company.

KENNY, R.C.
2710A. Pte.

KILLED IN ACTION. 27/7/16.

Kenny joined up with the Battalion at Tel-el-Kebir. He was a country lad, about 20 years old, medium height, ginger hair, known as 'Bluey'. He was attached to the Band.

I was with him after Fleurbaix, and we went on to Pozieres. Between 20th and 22nd July we were in the trenches, when a shell burst and buried three men, Kearney, Patterson and Kenny. We dug them out, and found Kenny had been killed instantaneously. He was buried there.

Kearney and Patterson are both returned. Kearney is back at Liverpool on duty. - I remember seeing Kenny's disc on his arm, and then identified him. I believe he came from Yass.

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KENNY
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"K. in A 27-7-16"

No report

Cert. by A.I.F. Headquarters 22-6-17

Killed in Action 22-27-7-16

Cert. by A.I.F. Headquarters 26-6-17.

No report of burial

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3rd A.I.F.

Kenny Pte. 2701 R.C

(K. 27/7/16 Det. D/B)

"Kenny was killed at the 2nd battle of Pozieres and was buried there".

Eye-witness:

Description: Aged abt. 28, fair complexion, red hair, home at Tass Canberry, N.S.W.

Informant: Pte. Walter Bishop 2577,
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