

Australian Red Cross Society Wounded and Missing  
Enquiry Bureau files, 1914-18 War  
1DRL/0428

3041 Private  
Jep Francis Kenny

57th Battalion



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France.

A.I.F. 57.

KENNY, J.F. 3041.

D/W. August 17. 1916.

He was just stepping out of his dug-out in the front line at Pozieres on July 17th., when he was hit on the head by a piece of shell, and died a few moments afterwards on the stretcher, on which he was being taken away. I was there when his body was taken past. Signaller Oakes, A.Co., was with him and fainted at the time. He could give further details. Kenny was an A.Co. Signaller. I remember the casualty well. It occurred two days before the July 19. charge.

Reference: Pte. G. Robinson, 4896. A.Co.  
26 Gen.Hosp. Staples. 7.12.1915.

S.S.

*Written Sig. Oakes 13.12.16*

57th A.I.F.

Kenny, J.F. 3041

(D/W Aug./16) 1916

■ About July 18th we were in trenches near Armentieres and were being shelled. About 3.p.m. Kenny was struck by a shell splinter in the head and very badly injured. He was apparently dying when taken away on a stretcher. I heard he was buried at Laventie Cemetery. I was a few yards away from him when he was wounded.

Informant:- Pte. John Harold Fowler, 4400  
57th A.I.F. A.Co.  
2nd Southern General Hospital  
Southmead, Bristol

Home address:  
C/O Mrs. Fowler,  
Oxley via Wingaratta,  
Victoria, Australia.

Dec. 8th  
C.A.H. Fry

57th Battn.,  
A.I.F.

Pte. J.F. <sup>KENNY,</sup> 3041.

D/W on 17-8-16.

Pte. Kenny was a Signaller in A. Coy. of the 57th Battn and was seriously wounded by a piece of high explosive striking him on the head and penetrating his skull on July 17th, 1916; he died later and is now buried at Saily (France).

He was a lad of about 19 years of age, slight build and about 5' 7" in height - blue eyes and dark hair. His parents, as far as I know, reside at a place named Peechelbar, just outside Yarrowonga, Victoria.

Informant:- Sig. C.H. Oakes, A. Coy., 57th Battn. A.I.F.  
24-12-16.

London,  
8-1-17.

H.

57th Batt.  
A.I.F.,

J.F.

Kenny  
~~HENRY~~

3041

"Died of Wounds 17.7.16"

Informant states that on July 17th at Fromelles, near Arras, ~~Kenny~~ Henry was wounded by a shell in the head and died at the Dressing Station, and was buried in Laventie Cemetery. Informant saw the grave.

Eye-witness: Yes.

Reference:- 3643 B.J. Watson,  
57th Batt. A.I.F.,  
Kitchener's Hospital,  
Brighton.  
6.2.17

Home address:  
Victoria.

Informant - Intelligent.

London  
9.2.17  
A.H. Lay

H.

57th A.I.F.

Kenny J.F. 3041,

(D/V July 17/16 Det. D. & B.)

"I knew Jeff Kenny very well. He was badly wounded at  
Promelles. He was taken out of the firing line to the Clearing Station  
at "Estaires" where he died. He was buried in a Cemetery N.E. of  
Estaires towards "Sally".

Eye-witness:

Description:

Informant: Borber John Moloney 4972,  
57th A.I.F.,  
Harborne Hall V.A.D. Hospt.,  
Birmingham.

Home address:  
Colac,  
By Station,  
Victoria, Australia.

Feb. 16th 1917,  
Bullock.

M  
5/11/17

January 6th. 1917

SIG. C. H. OAKES  
A. Coy, 57th. Batt  
B. E. F.

Dear Sig. Oakes,

Very many thanks for your letters of Dec. 24th. in  
answer to your enquiry about 3041 PTE. J. F. KENNY, 57th. Batt. A. I. F.  
The information you have sent us will be of very great assistance.

With best wishes for Luck.

Yours faithfully,

V. D.

Secretary

*Katherine M. Hillas*

December 15th.

SIGNALLER OAKES.

A. Coy, 57th. Batt. A.I.F.  
B.E.F.

Dear Signaller Oakes,

We are making enquiries for a man of your Battalion  
3041 PTE. J.F. KENNY. 57th. Batt. A.I.F. reported died of wounds  
17-8-16 and have been told that you may be able to help us by giving  
us some information.

We should be most grateful if you could give us some  
details concerning PTE. J.F. KENNY, and would also be glad if you  
would add a short personal description of the man, so that we  
may satisfy his relatives that no error has been made.

Yours faithfully,

Secretary

*W.D.*  
*J. He-*

Dec 21 1916

To the Secretary Wounded & Missing  
Enquiry Board

Dear Sir

I received your letter dated Dec 15 1916  
enquiring after 3041 Pte G. F. Kenny 57<sup>th</sup> Batt

A. J. F. reported died of wounds 17-8-16.

Pte Kenny was a signaller in A. Company  
of the 56<sup>th</sup> Battalion & was seriously  
wounded by a piece of High Explosive  
striking <sup>him</sup> on the head & penetrating his  
skull on July 17<sup>th</sup> 1916 & died later & is  
now buried at Sailly (France)

He was a lad of about 19 years of age  
slight build & about 5ft 7 inches in height  
Blue eyes & dark hair.

His parents as far as I know reside at a  
place named Pechelbar just outside  
Yarrawonga, (Victoria)

3041 G. F. Kenny  
57<sup>th</sup> Batt

Yours Faithfully  
Sig. G. H. Baker  
of Coy 57<sup>th</sup> Batt.  
A. J. F.

DW. 17-8-16

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