

Australian Red Cross Society Wounded and Missing
Enquiry Bureau files, 1914-18 War
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**15818 Private
Alfred Leonard Shipley
Knight**

9th Field Ambulance



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A.I.F. 9th Fld.Amb.

KNIGHT
A.L.S. 15818

"WOUNDED"

Adm. Orpington Ontario Hpl 8-10-17 - suff: from G.S.W.Calf of
left leg 4-10-17 - piece of shrapnel removed at Boulogne 6-10-17
He made an eventful recovery & wound is now healed
ert. by letter from O.C. 19-11-17

London
20-11-17

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Aust. Field Amb. 9.

30th Sept 1918.

Knight A.L.M.S. No. 15618.

K. 29th July 1918. Det D/B.

He was carrying a case with an American S/B near Hamel when he was killed by a shell in the early morning about 7 a.m. He was hit in the head, and killed outright. He was buried in a cemetery at Bussy.

Inf:- Pte E.J. Rigden No. 12052.

Aust. Field Amb. 9.

Hospital Ship.

RBS.

PP.

J. A.

9th Battr. *Aus. F. Amb.*
A.I.F.

KNIGHT.
15816. Pte. A.L.S.

"Killed in Action 29-7-18"

I knew Pte Knight was killed July 29th and was buried in the Military Cemetery at Vaux Sur Somme about 31st July. For Grave registration apply Burial Officer, 3rd Australian Division. I saw his body - I packed up his effects. The ground was held.

Eye-Witness:- Yes.

Description:- He was a R.C.

Home address:-

44 Robe Street.

St Kilda.

Victoria.

C.M.Bird.

London.

10-10-18.

J.E.A.

Informant:- Mess Gordon. 11884. Sgt.

9th A.I.F. *Aus. Fld. Amb.*

(V. Accurate & Intelligent)

Section III.

Exeter War Hospital.

DEVON.

S.

9th Battr. *A.F. Amb.*
A.I.F.

KNIGHT.
Arthur. L.S. Pte 15816.

"Killed in Action 29-7-18"

I was with him on July 29th. I was waiting for him at a Relay Post. He was bringing along a wounded man. Assisted by a "Yank". Knight was hit in the femoral artery by a piece of shell. The "Yank" applied tourniquet and went back to the Relay Post for assistance. Knight was carried back to the Relay where he died from loss of blood about 9 o'clock p.m. He was buried by his own unit the next day in a mixed cemetery just outside the village of Vaux. The ground was held.

Eye-Witness:- Yes.

Description:- Middle sized, young fellow.

Home address:-

Russell Street.

Informant:- Howard. William. 11989. Pte.

Burwood. Sydney. *M.S. (quite genuine) A.F. Amb.*

9th Battr. A.I.F.

Edmonton Military Hpl.

M.H. Grove.

London.

10-10-18.

J.E.A.

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AUST. A.M.C. 9. Fla.Amb.

KNIGHT, A.E.S. 15818.

K. July 29th, 1918.

Knight was working with an American on a wheeled stretcher. There were a good many Americans with us just there and he changed ends. He had hardly done so when a shell came over and killed him while the American was not touched. When I say he was killed, he lived about 10 minutes. He died, it was said from the shock, but I think he died from loss of blood for the artery at the top of the left thigh was cut by a piece of shell. Knight was about 5. 9. or 5. 10, was well built and rather dark. He came from the Eastern States so far as I know and was about 20 to 23 years of age. He was buried at Dawes(?) and a cross *Jaurs* was put up. There is a big cemetery in the place I mean.

GPO.

Inf:- Pte. S.R. Rider. 14359. 9 F.Amb. Aust. Med. Cps.
Cyc. Base Depot.

Rouen
11.10.18.

J. A. C. S. W. S

9th Fld Amb.
A.I.F.

KNIGHT.
A.L.S. 15816.

"Killed in Action 29-7-18"

Hamel - just outside of he was taking up a stretcher to bring a man back. Was hit by a shell and died in about 10 minutes after the shell cut an artery in his leg and could not stop bleeding. He was buried in a cemetery behind, just near Dehors. We all marched to the funeral. I saw him buried. A padre was present. There was no cross put up then, but I heard one was put up next day. He was very well liked.

Informant:- Morris.9137.
Fld Amb. ON LEAVE.

D.F. Dickson.
London.
16-10-18.
J.E.A.

S.

A.I.F. 9th Field Ambulance.

KNIGHT
A.L.S.15818.

"Killed 29/7/18."

Knight was killed at Villers Bretonneux. He was carrying a stretcher with an American when a shell burst just behind him and killed him. He is buried at Dayours in the Australian Cemetery and we all went to the funeral. It was morning that it happened. I was not an eye-witness, but saw his body.

Informant:- 11977 Pte. C.W. Harrison, (Reliable.)
9th Field Ambulance A.I.F.
Duston War Hospital,
Northampton.

Gertrude MacKinnell.
16.10.18.
London
12.11.18.
H.G.

S.