

Australian Red Cross Society Wounded and Missing  
Enquiry Bureau files, 1914-18 War  
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**158 Corporal  
John Gordon Letcher**

**60th Battalion**



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60th Batt,  
A.I.F.

J.G. Letcher,  
158.

~~"Killed in Action" 11.19.16"~~

Killed in Action 19.7.16 - Previously reported Missing

Cert. by A.I.F. Headquarters dated 22.8.17

London  
27.8.17

Off M.

60th A. I. F.

J. G. LETCHER. 158.

Missing 19.7.16

I knew Letcher well, his No. was 158. On the 19th July the Co. went over at Fromelles at 7 o'clock p.m. When we were crossing No Man's Land I saw Letcher killed by a shell and blown to pieces. There were a very large number of casualties and we had to retire eventually.

Reference: Pte. W. Harrison, 1739, Signaller H.Q.Co.

No.9 General, Rouen. 21.11.16.

AGL. ✓

24/11

60th A. I. F.

J. G. LETCHER, 158.

Missing 19.7.16.

Informant knew Letcher who is now a Sgt. and says that he was with the Batt. at Estaires in October.

Reference: L/Opl. W. S. Cruise, C Co. 11 Fl. 3074.

No.6 General, Rouen. 7.12.16.

BRL.

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not seen on

O/H M

France.

A.I.F. Co.

ESTONER J.G. 186.  
and 2 others.

M. 19.7.16.

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These 3 men were in my platoon and section. When we were in No Man's Land on 19th. July a shell burst close to these three who were together in a bunch. Letcher (who was a Cpl.) was killed. I saw the remains of him afterwards but I saw nothing of the others. I feel sure they were killed.

ROP.

Reference: Pto. Eastern. 5343.  
5 A.D.B.D.

Staples.  
11.12.16.

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60th Battn.  
A.I.F.

Letcher.  
Cpl. J. G. 158.

"Missing 19.5. 16."

*Fleurbaey*  
We were advancing in the big stunt at ~~Flewers~~ *Fleurbaey* and were in  
Ho-mans-land. I was next to Jack Letcher when a shell blew him  
to pieces. I got shell shock same shell, and when I came to  
I had shock round and could only find a bit of his boot and bits  
of equipment. This was in July 1916.

Witness:-

Pte. A. C. Hordern. 3368.  
60th Battn.  
Southall.

Off.M.

P.C.  
London.  
15.5.17.