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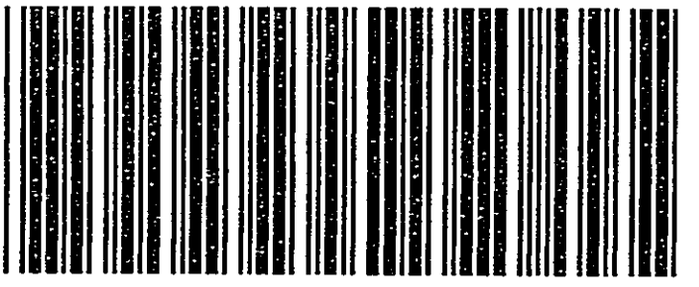
5702 Private Walter Leonard Gregory

1st Battalion



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1st A.I.F. GREGORY, W.L. 5702

K. March 11/18 Det D/B.

"I have no personal information, and I got my information mainly from Pte. Dawson, and Sgt. Hough, both of the 1st A.I.F. Gregory webt out on patrol with a D. Coy. Sgt. on Ypres salient He was shot through the stomach and died almost instantly. He was a personal friend of mine."

Eyewitness.

Description.

Informant. Cpl. J. McGuick,
1 A.I.F. B.Co.
King Georges Hospital;
Stamford St. S.E.

A.M. Bairstow.

H.G. Written Pte. Dawson + Sgt. Hough 26.6.18.

1st Australian Imperial Force — Gregory, Pte. W.L.5702.

(Killed March 11.18. Dets D & B).

" I helped to bury W.L.Gregory at Spoilbank Cemetery, March 12, 1918. I did not see his death but I know that he was killed by a machine gun. "

Eye Witness - Yes. of burial.

Description

Informant :- Pte. C.H. Dawson, 5681,
1st AusImp Force
Brook Hospital,
Shooters Hill,
London, S E

Home address :-
1st Aus Imperial Force

June 6. 18.
E J Bennett.

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21st June 1918.

A.I.F. 1.

Gregory W.L. 5702.

K. 11th March 1918. Det D/B.

I helped to make a cross for his grave He was buried by the first F.A.P. at Hill 60. His number was 5702.

Inf:- Pte W.J.Corrigan No.1374.
1st A.I.F. H.Q. Pioneers.
Australian Camp.
Rouelles.

RDH.

I saw the grave with the cross on. It is in a Military Cemetery against the Railway Line near Hill 60.

Inf:- Pte .T.Jarrett No. 7268.
A.I.F. 1. B. V.
Australian Camp. Rouelles.

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HG

RDH.

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A.I.F. 1.

27th June 1918.

GREGORY
~~Gergory~~ W.L. 5702.

K. 11th March 1918. Det D/B.

I knew Pte Gregory of D.Coy. about 25. medium height, thickset, dark, clean shaven. He was killed in front of Hill 60 on the 11th March 1918 by M.G. in the stomach. He lived for about 2 hours, after being hit, but was unconscious. I was with him when he died. He is buried in the Military Cemetery at Spoilbank, the Regimental S/Bs carried him there and he was buried by the Division Pioneers There is a Military Cross on the grave.

Inf:- Pte A. Jennings No. 6029.
A.I.F. 1. D. H.Q.
Australian Camp.
Rouelles.

RDM

1st Battn.
A.I.F.

GREGORY.
W.L. 5702.

"Killed 11-3-18"

Gregory was carrying a message from one outpost to another near Zonnebeke after dark when he was hit in the groin by a machine gun bullet. The S/Bs (I don(t know their names) carried him to the D/S but he died just as he got to No 2 Post where I was and which was on the way to the D/S, and I saw the dead body. He was conscious, I believe, till He died, but I don't know whether he spoke to the S/Bs. I know that his body was brought back to the rear and was buried though I didn't see either the burial or the grave.

Gregory was a young fellow of a little over 20, medium height dark eyes, and darkish hair. Came over from Australia with 18th Rfts of 1st Battn in Kyarra (Left June 1916) He was in my D.Company.

Informant:- Cpl.G.Fellows.5688
1st Battn. D.Co.
SUTTON VENY,

H.H.
London.
6-7-18.
H.G.

S.

1. A.I.F.

Gregory. Pte. W.L. 5702.
D Coy.

(K. Mar.11/18.)
Dets. D/B.

"Gregory was killed at Hill 60 on Mar.11/18. He was buried at Spoil Bank in the British Cemetery, he has a grave to himself with a good cross over it. I knew Gregory well."

Eyewitness: Has seen the grave and knows he was buried there.

Description:

Informant: Pte. L.A. Cross. 5667
1. A.I.F. D Coy.
Red X Hospital,
Christchurch.

Home address:
Balladean,
High St,
Ararat, Victoria.

18.7.18.
F.Watkinson.

1st Battn: Gregory, W.L. 5702.

K. 11/3/18.

I saw him killed instantaneously by a M.G. bullet which hit him in the stomach. I was not at his funeral but later in the day saw his grave at Spoil Bank (front of Hill 60). Up to the time I left no cross had been erected but I understood one was to be put up.

1st Battn: Simmons, W. Pte. 6563.

11 A. Dartford. 27/6/18.

R.D.B.

J.P.a.