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# 4063 Private Sidney Herbert Gadsby

## 31st Battalion



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Sjt. Cain
A.I.F.

GADSBY
S.H. 4063

"Missing 27.9.17."

Killed in Action 27.9.17. previously reported Missing
Cert. by A.I.F.HdQtrs 8.11.17.

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London,
16.11.17.

31st Battn.
A.I.F.

GADSBY.
S. H. 4065.

"Killed in Action 27.9.18."

I was told by a mate of Private Gadsby that he was wounded as he was coming out of the First Aid Dressing Station, and I cannot tell you whether he is buried in the field or a registered cemetery. but if we go back to the same area I will do my best to find his grave.

Informant:- By letter, Pte. T.W. Noland.
FRANCE.

London.
6.10.18.
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FRANCE.

31st BATT. A.I.F.

K.Sept 27th.1917.

S.H
GADSBY. (~~T.H.~~) 4063.

GILL. H.J. 3357.

COGNET. J. 2124.

Cognet came from Newcastle, Gadsby and Gill from Queensland and all were in B.Coy, VIII Platoon. I saw them all lying dead, killed by shell or rifle fire during our advance on Sept 26th to Polygon Wood. They would be buried where they fell as there was no chance of carrying their bodies back.

WSI.

Ref ---Pte J.Anderson. 4012.
No 16 Gen. Hospital.

NOTE. Informant gave five other reports.

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Le Treport. July 5th.1918

FRANCE.

31st BATT. A.I.F.

Sept.
~~April~~ 27th.1917. Det.

GADSBY. S H ~~I.H.~~ 4063.

GRANT. A.G. 4533.

Both were in C.Coy and came from Queensland. They were blown up by a shell at the same time as another man named Wells. A shell dropped into the Platoon just before we were relieved at Polygon Wood. Nothing remained of them for burial. Wells came from Adelaide and he and Grant were particular friends of mine and I had a look round for them myself but found no trace.

WSI.

Ref ---Pte E.Scanlon. 4132.
No 16 Gen. Hospital.

Le Treport. August 2nd.1918

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S.H Gadsby
31 Battn
K in A 27.9.18

Lance
Sept 9/9/18

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Dear Miss. V. Deaken

In answer to your letter of inquiry of the 9/8/18 in regards 4063 Pte S. H. Gladsby 31st Batt B. Coy. ct. S. Ft. Well Miss Deaken I am very sorry to say that I have been to his Coy. H.Q. to get Particulars about him & I failed. the only Information I can get is that one of his mates I was talking too told me that he got wounded & he was coming out for the first aid dressing station & I cannot tell you whether he is buried in the field or a regular cemetery & if we go back to the same place I will do my best to find his grave. so I will let you know later on. So I will conclude with my best Respect So good bye for the present.

Yours Sincerely
Pte J.H.P. Nolan

You will escuse me for not answering this letter before this as we have been very busy as you know the rest.