

Australian Red Cross Society Wounded and Missing
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**6058 Private
Austin Griffiths**

24th Battalion



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A.I.F. 24th Btn

GRIFFITHS
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"D/Wounds 7-10-17"

Died of wounds 26th Gen. Hpl Staples 7-10-17
Cert. by Hpl Index.

London
25-3-18

24th Battn.
A.I.F.

Griffiths.
Pte.A. 6058

"Died of Wounds"

Pte A. Griffiths was admitted to this Hospital on 4.10.17 from No. 26 Amb. Train through No. 10. Cas. Clearing Station suffering from severe wounds due to being blown up by a shell and died very suddenly on 7.10.17 from shock. He was buried the following day in the British Military Cemetery, Etaples and his effects, if any, were forwarded to the Aust. Records Section G.H.Q. 3rd Echelon B.E.F. for transmission to the next of kin.

Letter from:- The Registrar
26th Gen. Hospital
Etaples.
29.3.18.

London.
17.4.18.

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24th BATTALION A.I.F.
17th Reinforcements

No. 6058. Private A. GRIFFITHS

"Died of Wounds 7-10-17."

Informant described Griffiths as about 5'10" high, fairly stout build, dark hair, about 27. Came from the Orange District. Left Australia with Informant per "Argyllshire" in October 1916.

Informant states that while he was in billets behind the lines in France, he was told by an eyewitness, whose name he could not remember, that Griffiths had been wounded during an engagement by a machine gun bullet. The eye-witness also told Informant that so far as he could judge Griffiths was barely alive when he saw him, but it afterwards was made known in orders that he had died in hospital. Informant was not told the date when Griffiths was hit, but the stunt was somewhere in the Ypres Sector.

Informant. Private R. Burton, No 6189,
"A" Company, 24th Battalion.
Present address "Q" Ward, Randwick Military Hospital.
Home address...124, Arden Street, North Melbourne.

W.E.G.

① No 4, Australian General Hospital,
SYDNEY, 5-8-18.

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6058. Private A. Griffiths. 24th Battⁿ A.I.F.

The Officer Commanding

26th General Hospital. B.E.F.

Dear Sir,

We have been asked by the relatives in Australia to obtain the fullest details possible of the wounds, death and burial of the above who died in your Hospital on *7.10.17.* and would greatly appreciate any information that you may send us.

With apologies for troubling you.

I remain,

Yours faithfully,

Kera Deakin.

SECRETARY.

NOTE. We have been informed by various C.O's and Adjutants that the receipt of notes of thanks only causes them unnecessary inconvenience. Unless you ask us to acknowledge your reply to the above, we will not do so, and trust that you will understand that we appreciate it none the less.

The Secretary,
Australian Red Cross Society
(Missing & Wounded Dept)
36 Grosvenor Place LONDON S.W.1.

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Reference-reverse. No. 3058 Pte A. O'LEARY, 4th A.I.F.

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No. 26
GENERAL HOSPITAL.
No. 1
Etaples
23-3-1918.

John H. H. H.

Major, R.A.M.C.
Registrar for O. Comdg. 26 Genl. Hospl.