

Australian Red Cross Society Wounded and Missing
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2520 Corporal
Roy Wesley George

45th Battalion



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Havre

10th June 1918.

A.I.F. 45.

George R.W. No. 2520.

K. 5th April 1918. Dot D/S.

I know George well. He was Corporal and I was in his section. His initials were R.W. He was fairly tall, clean shaven, and about 27/28. We called him 'Roy'. He was with us at Bailloult and came to Albert on the Somme. We went over the top and he went with us. All of a sudden he went down, shot between the eyes. I was about 4 yards from him and passed by him and saw the wound. He got pushed back. George was left in No Man's Land and we could not get to him.

Inf:- Pte R.W. Ryan No. 2710.

A.I.F. 45. A. I.

H.S. 'Western Australia'.

Note:- This report was confirmed by Cpl North No. 1973. of the 48th Battalion Coy. on the H.S. 'Western Australia'.

SJ.

Havre

26th June 1918.

A.I.F. 45.

R. E. L. 1520
George R.R. No. 2320.

K. 5th April 1918. Det D/B.

He was Corporal in A.Co. IV Pltn came from near Sydney, single and was close to me when he was killed. This was on the counter-attack close to Albert about 6 p.m. while out in the open, and we did not succeed in our objective, and the dead we were left behind as we had to retire.

Inf:- Pte J. Patrick No. 1711.
A.I.F. 45. A.
No. 29 Amb. Train.

RBS.

J.E.A.

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45th Battn.
A.I.F.

GEORGE
Cpl.R.W. 2520

"Killed 5-4-18"

At Albert, to the right, in an advance, he was killed by a sniper. Killed at once, bullet in head. I saw him killed, but not buried. I knew him well in Australia before we came over.

Informant. Ansell. 3229
Ward 35,
HAREFIELD.

D.P.Dickson
London
5-7-18
J.E.A.

S.

45th Battn:

George, R.W. 2520.

K. 5/4/18.

I had been wounded while we were attacking between Albert and Dernacourt and was lying down when I saw Roy George just about to fire on the enemy. At that moment he was sniped through the brain and died instantaneously. I do not know where he is buried.

45th Battn:

Murphy, G.R.Pte. 5128.

16 A. Dartford. 18/7/18.

R.D.B.

W.T.D.

Havre.

23rd. July. 1918.

45th. Australians.

George. R. W. 2520.

K. April. 5/1918. Dets. D/A.

This man was a Corporal. I knew him well but am not sure of his initials. He was tallish & athletic & full of fun. On April 5th. we were at Dernicourt holding the line. In the afternoon we attacked & got to our objective. We then withdrew some way to a stock yard & near there ~~George~~ George was hit by a bullet in the stomach & killed right out. His body was left by the side of the stock yard. I went out to try & get the body but the M. G. Fire was too heavy. As far as I know it was not buried.

Inf:- Private. J. Hines. 2296.
45th. Australians. A. 2.
Australian Conv. Camp.
Rouelles.

J.F.A.
P CWSG.

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OP.

45th Battn.
A.I.F.

GEORGE
Cpl.R.W. 2520

"Killed 5-4-18"

George was a Cpl. and was killed by a machine gun bullet near the stock yards, Pioneer trench, between Albert Road and Dernancourt. Hit in head and body, and killed outright. I saw him killed. He was left on the field though we intended going out that night to get his body, but were relieved before we could do so. He was in "No Man's Land".

Informant. Hines. J. 2296
45th Battn. A.Coy.,
Hut 12,
WESTHAM.

W.A.Rand
London
6-8-18
H.G.

S.

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Havre
A.I.P. 45.

10th August 1918.

George Opl R.W. No. 2520.

K. 5th April 1918. Det D/B.

He was in A Coy. 14 Pltn. single. He was shot through the heart in the attack at Dernacourt, and killed instantly, and was buried just behind the trench there, and his name was on a cross erected for the Battalion.

Inf:- Opl R.J. White No. 3496.

A.I.P. 45. A.

No. 20. Amb. Train.

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2P.

45th BATTALION. A.I.F.
(late 13th Batta).

GEORGE.
Corporal R.W. 2520.

"KILLED. 5.4.18."

George was in "C" Company. I was in "D" Company. I first met him about 7 years before the War started. He lived in my District. He had fair hair and was about 5 feet 10 inches or 11 inches in height.

At the end of July, or the beginning of August I saw his grave in the Cemetery at Mallincoort. I recognised it by the cross on the grave.

INFORMANT: Private B. Price, 3649,
D.Coy: 45th Battalion, A.I.F.

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12.5.19.

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