

Australian Red Cross Society Wounded and Missing
Enquiry Bureau files, 1914-18 War
1DRL/0428

4441 Private
Thomas Horace Gillin

22nd Battalion



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Gillin Pte. T. H.
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He was very patient and good about it all & did not suffer much at the end. It is very hard for his people & I am only sorry I cannot do more to help them.

Reference. Matron,
No.5 General Hospital,
B.E.F.
France. 19/9/16.

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16th Sept. 1916

The C.O.,

5th General Hospital

ROUEN, FRANCE.

Dear Sir,

Can you give us an account of the death, last moments, and place of burial of No. 441 Pte. F. H. Gillin, 22nd Aust. Inf. Bn. who died of wounds in your hospital on August 28th. We have received a cable from his people in Melbourne asking for particulars and we shall be very grateful if you can furnish us with them.

Apologising for troubling you and thanking you in anticipation,

Yours faithfully,

F. D.
per F. D.

Secretary.

No 5 General Hospital
10.9.7 19-9-16

Dear Miss Beakin,

Your letter to our C.O. arrived today
& has been handed to me to answer.
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