

Australian Red Cross Society Wounded and Missing  
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1553 Private  
Allen William  
Hirschausen

10th Battalion



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A.I.F.  
10th, Battalion.

HIRSCHAUSEN. 1553.  
Allan William.

"Killed in Action 15.4.17".

Neutrality Germany.

Cert. by Capt. Mills. 10.10.19.

NAME

UNIT

Cause of Death

Cause of Discharge

AUSTRALIAN LIST

London.  
15.10.19.

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A.I.F. 27th Btn

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HIRSCHANSEN  
Sydney Ferdinand 4800

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Adm. 15 ~~No. 8 Aust:~~ Gen: Hpl 22-9-17 - G.S.W. Multiple mild  
ert. by A.I.F. Hqrs 26-10-17

Trans - Base 22-10-17  
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HIRSCHAUSEN, A.W. 1553

K. 15.4.17. Det. D/B.

He came in the 3rd or 4th Reinforcements to the 10th battalion. He came from S. Australia. He was thickset and dark. I saw him killed in one of Fritz's bunkholes at Iagnicourt. Fritz hopped over on us in the morning and we drove him back and took his line. We were sitting there having a yarn waiting to be relieved, and a shell burst right on it and buried us all. He was so much buried that he died before he could be got out. The rest of us were manly shaken up. He was smothered and was dead when we got him out. He was left there when we went out very soon afterwards.

Informant: Pte. T.S. Donlan, 5689  
10th Australians, C Co., 10th Pltn.,  
Australian Camp, Rouelles. A

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10th A. I. F.

A. W. HERSCHAUSEN, 1653.

K. 15.4.17. Det. D & B.

I was sitting with him and a Cpl. Neal of C Co. 10 Pl. (still there) in a funk hole in the German line which we had captured that morning. It was about 4 pm and we were just chatting. The main shelling was not on us but on our reserves, and we were waiting to be relieved. A shell blew the parapet in on the top of the three of us, the other two were buried out of sight and I up to the knees. I pulled the Cpl. out and the two of us set to work to get Herschausen out. It took us about half an hour. We only had our entrenching tools. He was quite dead when we got him, evidently smothered, not killed by the shell itself. His No. of 4 figures begins 15. His father had been in the same Bn. but had gone home wounded. The boy had been talking about his father just before the shell came. His age was about 24, dark complexion, about 5 ft.6 and very nuggetty.

Reference: T. S. Donlan, 5689.  
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HIRSCHBAUM, A.W. 1553

K7 15.4.17. Det. D/B.

He was a pal of mine, and came from N<sup>o</sup> Australia. His people  
father was in the Battalion too, but has gone back to  
Australia I think. I made enquiries about Hirschbaum and  
found that he was reported to have been killed in a dugout with  
3 others by a shell. This was at Lognicourt on the 15th April,  
or the 16th. He was buried just outside Lognicourt. I have  
not seen the grave, and can't give the name of anyone who gave  
me the particulars, but this is correct I am sure.

Informant: Pte. W. Graham, 6879  
12th Australians, A Co., 4th Pln.,  
Australian Camp, Ronelles.

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