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7530 Private
Cecil Joseph Rice
North

10th Battalion



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A.I.F. 10th Btn

NORTH
Pte.Cecil Joseph Rice 7530

"Rep: E/A.last June det: D/B"

Killed in action 4-6-18 - buried Borre British Cemetery 1½ miles E. of Hazelbrouck
Cert. by A.I.F.Hqrs 11-1-19.

P.I.

London
13-1-19

A.I.F.
10th Bttn.

NORTH.
C.J.R. 7530.

Killed 4.6.18.

Was a Pte. in A.Coy. 2nd Pltn. 10th Bttn. med Height, and build, dark, We were in a trench at Morris on 4th June about 3 p.m. and a shell landed in his dugout and blew him to pieces. The man next to him - Pte. Gill - was also killed. I was a few yards further along and saw his remains immediately afterwqrds. He was buried just outside the trench and a small cross put up. It was in the front trench and Fritz had been shelling us heavily all day.

Informant - Cpl. H.C.M. Harvey. 5110.
A.Coy. 2nd Pltn. 10 Bttn.

H.S. Cowan.
London.
21.3.19.
J.E.A.

P.I.

T.C.
9.1.19

France
Dec 30th 1917

Dear Sir.

Just a few lines asking if you could find out any particulars of my brother's death. He was reported killed last June. Could you find out the place & time he fell & where he is buried. His address No 7530 Pte C/R North 10th Batt. A.I.F.

Remain
Yours truly
35244 Gnr. C/R North
47th Battery A.F.A.
Aust Imperial Forces
France

Moriaime
Belgium
April 3rd 1919.

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Secretary of Aust. Red Cross Society.

Dear Mrs

Your letter of March 26th to hand,
thanks very much for the information
you have given me about my
brother 7530 Pte J. North, 10 Bttn.
I have put in an application for
leave to go down to Boire Division
this week.

Again thanking you for the trouble
you have gone to, also for your
sympathy in my loss

Yours faithfully
Frank North
47th Bty A.F.A.

14th January 1919.

35214 Gnr. C.F.R.North,
47th Battery,
A.I.F. B.E.F.

Dear Sir,

With reference to your enquiry of 30-12-18, about your brother - 7530 Pte. C.J.R.North, 10th Bn. A.I.F., who is officially reported killed in action 4-6-18, we have been informed officially that he was buried at Borre British Cemetery 1½ miles E. of Hazelbrouck. We hope that it may be some consolation to you to know where he is buried.

We are continuing our inquiries and hope soon to obtain further particulars for you.

Assuring you of our sympathy,

Yours faithfully,
(Miss) I.A. Doughty
Secretary.

35214 Gnr. C.F.R. North.
47th Battery. A.F.A.,
B. E. F.

March 26th, 1919.

Dear Sir,

In further reference to your enquiry for details of the death and burial of 7530 Pte. CECIL JOSEPH RICE NORTH. 10th Battalion. A.I.F. ~~who was killed~~ in Action on 4.6.18. We beg to inform you that we have received an unofficial report from 7571 Pte. W. Byrne of the same Unit. He stated that he knew Pte. North as they came over together from Port Melbourne on 31.10.17. and that he was close by and saw his body buried.

Should we obtain further particulars we will advise you immediately. With sincere sympathy in your loss.

Yours faithfully,

(Miss)

SECRETARY.