Australian Red Cross Society Wounded and Missing
Enquiry Bureau files, 1914-18 War
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3440 Private
Arthur John McArthur

50th Battalion



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Gen Corres.

McArthur.

Arthur John

3440

50 Bln

K. 15.10.01. H-3 29.4.15

Get date thanks.

Med S. 26: H. 18

50th Battn.
A.I.F.

MC ARTHUR,
A.J. 3440

"Killed 15.10.17."

He was very badly wounded by a "Whizz bang" shell in the side of the head and ribs at Polygon Wood on Sept. 25th (not in October) at about 10 a.m. We tried to put him on the stretcher but he kept on falling off, saying he wished to die in the trench and did die within a quarter of an hour. I helped to bury him behind the parados. The grave was not marked at the time. He belonged to C.Coy. I think his name was Alec. Red face and red hair. A good soldier with plenty of dash. His first time in the line. He belonged to the 9th Rfts. We called him Ginger. About 28, 5ft 6ins, strongly built.

Informant:- Pte.W.Bennetts. 3500.
50th Battn, A.Coy, 3rd Pltn,
Dartford.

A.G.Campbell.

London.
1.5.18.

NOTE 3440 Arthur John Mc Arthur P.
Killed in action 15.10.17.
(M.A.Searcher at Wars 29.4.18)

50th Battn. A.I.F.

McArthur. Pte. A.J. 3440.

(K. Oct. 15/17.)
Dets. D/B.

"I was a stretcher bearer and remember attending McArthur who was brought into a dug-out very badly wounded by a shell. He died in half an hour while being dressed. He was buried at dawn close to H.Qrs. over the ridge beyond Zonnebecke."

Eyewitness: Yes.

Description:

Informant: Pte. O.M. Pitts.
50th Battn. A.I.F.
Gillingham Hospital.

Home address:
Myponza,
S. Australia.

3/5/18.
H.Pinhey.

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A.I.F. 50th Battn.

McArthur
Arthur John 3440

Killed in action 15.10.17

Buried Mil. Cem. Brocdseinde Sh. 28.N.E.D.23.C.3.5.
Lt Speddings List,

London
6.5.19

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