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Enquiry Bureau files, 1914-18 War  
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**2736 Lance Sergeant  
Horace William  
McCarthy**

**27th Battalion**



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A.I.F. 27th Bn 6th Apts

McCARTHY  
Harold W. 2736

"Died"

Died of Pneumonia at H. Spl Fovant 8-6-18.  
Cert. by A.I.F. Mors 8-6-18.

London  
8-6-18

A.I.F. 27th Battn.

McCARTHY  
H.W.2736

"Died of Disease" 8/5/18"

Re Sgt. McCarthy, he was admitted into Hospital on the 8/5/18, he did not appear very seriously ill. He was seen by the Medical Officer who prescribed treatment. He changed suddenly about 7 o'clock and died at 7.58 same day of failure of the heart muscle. He was buried at Compton Chamberlayne. As he was in such a short time I regret I am unable to give you any more details.

Letter from:- O.C.,  
Military Hospital,  
Fovant.  
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c/o Y.M.C.A.

Command Depot.

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Sept. 3<sup>rd</sup> 18.

Dear Sir,

I have just received word from Australia of the death of a very great friend of mine who died here in England sometime last April. I cannot think of his number, but his name is <sup>2736</sup> Pte Horace McCarthy of the 27<sup>th</sup> Battalion.

Would you kindly get the best information as to where his is buried as I would very much like to visit his grave & do what I can to his grave. By doing this you will kindly oblige.

Yours Etc.

NO 3446

Pte W. G. Nicholls

50 Battalion

address above.

acknowledged.  
5.9.18

2736 H. W. MCCARTHY

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Military No. 1  
Dental -  
24/6/18

Dear Madam

I have been away & should  
have answered your Enquiries sooner  
re Sgt. W. McCarthy - He was admitted  
into Hospital on the 8/6/18. He did  
not appear very seriously ill. He  
was seen by the Medical Officer who  
prescribed treatment. He changed  
suddenly about 7 PM and died at  
<sup>same day</sup> 7.55 PM of failure of the heart muscle.

He was buried at Compton Chamberlayne.  
As he was in such a short time I  
regret I am unable to give you any  
more details.

Yours faithfully,  
P. Chamberlayne.

Net 9.8.4  
Marsh Barn Farm  
Horsington  
Templecombe  
Somerset  
England  
6. Aug. 1918

To:-

Lieut Col Mirdock

Dear Sir

Having had news by letter from Australia to day that a friend of mine & a member of the Australian Imperial Force, had died in a London hospital on the 8th May 1918, I am writing to ask if you will be kind enough to make a few inquiries about him. The person I refer to is Lance Sergt Horace W. McCarthy No 2736, 6th Training Bath, Bath Orderly Room, Tarrant Camp, Wilts & who died of Consumption in the Alexandra Hospital, London. I should very much like to know where he lies buried & if there is anything erected over the grave, whether he was long in hospital & suffered much & if any friends of his was near him towards the end. I shall feel most grateful to you for any information you can get from the hospital matron or anyone who knows anything about the deceased. I have enclosed a stamped envelope for your kind reply.

P.S.

The last news I received from him was in Feb. from Tarrant & was surprised to hear of his death.

Thanking you in anticipation

I am  
Yours Truly  
Percy. A. J. Parsons.



August 9th, 1918.

P. A. J. Parsons. Esq.  
March Barn Farm.  
Horsington. Templecombe.  
SOMERSET.

Dear Sir.

In answer to your enquiry for -

2736 L/Sgt. H.W. MCCARTHY. 27th Battalion. A.I.F

We regret to inform you he died of phthisis at the Military Hospital, Fovant, Salisbury, 8-5-18. We have received the following information from the O.C. of the hospital. He states Sgt. McCarthy was admitted into Hospital on the 8-5-18. He did not appear very seriously ill and was seen by the medical officer who prescribed treatment. He changed suddenly about 7 p.m. and died at 7-55 p.m. same day of failure of the heart muscle. He was buried at Compton Chamberlayne. As he was in such a short time the O.C. regrets he is unable to give any more details.

We feel sure that the Matron following the usual course would have sent particulars to his relatives in Australia.

Assuring you of our sympathy in the loss of your friend.

Yours faithfully.

(Miss) *Ann Bahr*

SECRETARY.

September 6th, 1918.

3445 Pte. W.G. Nicholls.  
50th Battalion. A.I.F.  
C/o Y.M.C.A.  
No 3 Command Depot.  
Hurdcott. Wilts.

Dear Sir.

In reply to your enquiry dated 3-9-18, regarding -

2736 L/Sgt. H.W. McCARTHY. 27th Battalion. A.I.F.

We beg to inform you that we received the following letter from the O.C. Military Hospital, Fovant, where he died of phthisis on 8-5-18.

"Sgt. McCarthy was admitted into hospital on 8-5-18, he did not appear very seriously ill. He was seen by the medical officer who prescribed treatment. He changed suddenly about 7 O'clock and died at 7-55 same day of failure of the heart muscle. He was buried at Compton Chamberlayne.

Hoping that the above information will be of some assistance to you, and assuring you of our sincere sympathy with you in the loss of your friend.

With all good wishes.

Yours faithfully,

(Miss) *Mrs Macmillan*  
Secretary.