

Australian Red Cross Society Wounded and Missing
Enquiry Bureau files, 1914-18 War
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4519 Private
James Henry Jackson

46th Battalion



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A.I.F.
46th Battn.

Jackson,
J.H 4519

" Wounded Marah April-May "

Admitted 5th. General Hospital France 12.4.17. Gun-shot wound
knee.

Cert. by Hospital Index.

To Convalescent Camp 18.4.17.

Cert. by Rouen letter 28.5.17.

London.
31.5.17.

M.

A.I.F. 46th Btn

JACKSON
James Henry 4619

"W. March-April-May"

Adm. 5th Gen. Hpl France 18-4-17 - G.S.W. Knee
Cert. by Hpl Index

Trans - Convalescent Camp 18-4-17
ert. by Rouen letter 28-5-17

Rejoined unit 6-5-17
Cert. by A.I.F. Headquarters 13-6-17.

London
30-6-17

M.

46th Bttn. late 5th,
A.I.F.

J JACKSON.
W.H. 4619.
JTW

"Killed in Action" 5-4-18.

I would be glad if you could get manage to get a picture of his grave somehow and send it to my dear Mother, I have written to her telling that he was buried in a small town near Albert but I do not think she will think that I am telling her what is right, but I have met some of the lads who buried him there. They tell me he was hit by some pieces of shell and was killed outright so that is one good thing about it.

Letter from: - ^{A Kidd} W.H. Jackson. 4619.
~~46th Bttn. A.I.F.~~
FRANCE.

London.
28-5-18.

M.

46th Australian Infantry

Jackson, Pte. J.H.4519.

(K. April 5. 1918. Dets D &
B).

" We were in reserves about a mile out of Albert, on April 5th. A shell landed right into the trench, Jackson was in, killing him and L/Cpl. Archer outright. I got wounded very shortly after this. I saw Jackson lying dead, but did not see his grave. It would be at Menencourt. He belonged to B Coy. 5th Platoon, and was a stretcher-bearer. "

Eye Witness - Of death

Description - From Collingwood, about 5ft 8 ins. 26/27,
young, dark, known as " Jacko. "

Informant :- Pte. Robert F Allsop, 2814,
5th Pltn. B Coy. 46 Aus Infantry

Home address :- 5th Southern General Hospital,
30, Prentice Street Milton Section, Portsmouth
St. Kilda, Victoria.

5. 6. 18.
E. Hughes

46th Australian I. F.

Jackson, J. H. Pte. 4519.
B. Coy. 5th Ge Pl.

(K. April 5/18) Dets. D/B.

"I knew H. Jackson well for two years. He came from Melbourne, where his wife is living. He was a stretcher-bearer. On April 5th, Friday in Easter week - at Laville (?) the Germans were attacking 47th and 48th Battns. A.I.F., and drove them back a bit. We (46th) were "standing to" from 6.30.am. to 5.pm. During this time Jackson was killed by a shell splinter. I was not an eyewitness but Cpl. Mason, of our Coy. was, and told me. I think he is still with the Battn. I believe Jackson was buried in Mellincourt cemetery".

Eyewitness: Ho. (see above)

Description: Nothing special; nickname "Jacko".

Informant: Pte. Horace Brown, 4742,
46th A.I.F., B. Coy, 8th Pl.
Napsbury Hospital, St. Albans.

Home address:
220, Heath Road, Stapenhill, Burton-on-Trent.

Fras. Horner,
11/6/18.

46th Battn.
A.I.F.
8191

J.H.

JACKSON.
4519.

"Killed in Action" 5-4-18.

Just behind Melancourt waiting in reserves that were going up to relieve the 46th Battalion on 5th April. Killed by shell burst - top of skull lifted right off - not a spot of blood on him. I was about 6 yards off at the time. This was at 4.30. in the afternoon. He was S/B and buried in Melancourt Cemetery - cross erected. I was not at burial.

Informant:- Pte J. Forrest. 6504.
46th Battn. B.Co.
WEYMOUTH.

A.D.G.
London.
20-6-18.

M.

46th Btn.

JACKSON, J.E.
Pte. No. 4519

Kld. in act. 5.4.18.

"I knew Casualty. He was a man about 5' 6", slightly built, dark complexion about 25 years of age, known as Jack. Casualty was a stretcher bearer to B. Company and was in a dugout on the bank of the railway at Dernacourt. An H.E. shell exploded on the dugout killing him instantly. I had just been wounded and Casualty had dressed my wounds, when an H.E. shell exploded on the dugout killing him instantly. I saw his body laying outside of the dugout. He was most severely wounded all over. I do not know where he was buried."

Informant:- C. Sahin
No. 2974

Private address
289 Mt. Alexander Road,
Ascot Vale.

T.C.F.
20.6.19.

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4519 G.H. Jackson
46 Bl. l. 5
"K 5-4-18"

24/5/18.

France

Secretary.

Australian Red Cross Society

36 Grosvenor Place

London S.W.1.

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Your most kind
letter to hand dated 21st inst. & I
must thank you kindly for
the message which you have
sent to me. I heard of my
step-father's death about the end
of April, but was so far away
to go & visit his grave. But I
may have that good luck
in the near future, to get there.

I would be glad if you
could manage to get a picture
of his grave somehow & send it
to my dear mother, I have
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by some pieces of shell &
was killed outright so that's
one good thing about it. M3

So thanking you once
again for your kindness & with
all good wishes to you & your
staff.

Yours faithfully
W. A. Kidd.

My mother's address

Mrs E. J. Jackson

14 Rae Street

Geelong

Victoria

Australia

4519 M. P. Jackson

4519

May 21st, 1918.

26 Pte. W.A. Kidd,
3rd Divisional Headquarters,
Australian Imperial Force,
B.E.F.

Dear Pte. Kidd,

We regret to inform you that your step-father -
4519 Pte. W.H. JACKSON, 46th Battalion, A.I.F.
was killed in action on 5-4-18, this sad news having been
sent us by cable from our Melbourne Bureau with the request that
we forward it to you.

If you wish us to do so and will let us know we shall
make enquiries for details of his death and burial. Will you
be good enough to acknowledge the receipt of this letter so
that we may be certain the message has reached you;

Assuring you of our very sincere sympathy.

Yours faithfully,

(Miss)

L.W.

SECRETARY.