Australian Red Cross Society Wounded and Missing
Enquiry Bureau files, 1914-18 War
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2747A Private
Edwin Gordon Latimer

9th Battalion



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A.I.F.
9th. Btn.
late 26th. Btn.

LATIMER. 2747a.
Edwin Gordon.

"Killed in Action 23.7.16".

No trace Germany.

Cert. by Capt. Mills. 10.10.19.

London.
15.10.19.

Off. M. P.I.

9th. Battalion,
A.I.F.
M.G.S.

Latimer,
Pte. E. G. 2747.

"Missing July 22nd. 1916".

Killed at Armentieres while serving his gun. Sergeant Mossom and others of his platoon told informant that they saw this, shortly afterwards.

Reference:- Private A. W. Wood, 2821,
9th. Battalion,
B. Coy.,
Southall Hospital,
10-11-16

Note. Written to Mossom. 14-11-16

London,
20-11-16
P.C.

Off. M.

FRANCE

9th BATT. A.I.F. LATIMER. E. 7. 6747.

M.July 23rd. 1916.

A very thin, wiry little fellow. He joined the Batt. in Egypt. He belongs to A.Coy. He came out with the 6th Reinforcements of the 35th Batt. so he ought to have an A after his number. He was one of eight of us who were lying out in a shell hole in the 1st Pozieres stunt. We were a bombing party and were out a little too soon, so we took shelter in the hold during the bombardment. But the Germans spotted us and opened fire on us. We all made a dash together but only two of us got in unhurt. Two others are in England, but Latimer was never brought in as far as I could hear. We captured the ground but the shelling was very heavy so a man could easily be buried or not found. JJA

Ref --L/Cpl Hanlon. 2707.
No 2 Can. Gen. Hospital.
Le Treport. Nov 17th.1916.

France.

A. I. F. 9. LATIMER, H. G. 2747.

M/22nd. July 1916.

Latimer was never with us in France. He was transferred in Egypt to (I think) either the 47th. or the 49th.

Reference: O'Connor, W. 2810, O.X., No. 1 Canadian General.

Staples.
18.12.16.
FGF.

9th Australian I. F.

L. G. Latimer, 2747.
A. Company.

(K. July 22/16).

Informant states that Private E. J. Edwards of same Company, Platoon 2 (formerly Platoon 4) told him in July last that he saw Latimer killed at Pozieres 23/7/16. Edwards was in France still when Informant left. Lieut. Cameron (formerly Quarter-Master, A. Co. but now in the Transport Section) could also confirm.

Informant:- Cpl. J. H. Boreham, 2569,
9th Australian I. F.
Stourbridge Military Hosp,

Home address:-
Moore, Brisbane Valley, Mine,
Queensland.

19/12/16.
Percy H. Chappell.

Written Pte Edwards 2.1.17
" Lt Cameron "

9th A.I.F.

Latimer Pte. E. ~~George~~ No. 2747a

(K. July 22nd 1916)

Informant states "I saw Latimer killed on the 22nd July by a shell at Pozieres."

Informant: Pte. Alfred George Chipperfield 2334 A. IV 9th A.I.F
1st London General Hospital, Camberwell.

Home address: 2 Marshall Road,
Wandsworth,
London.

12.17.
H. Caldwell

Name Too Incorrect
Not Quite on

A.I.F. 9th Btn
late 25th Btn

LATIMER
Edwin Gordon 2747A

"H. 22-7-16"

Killed in Action 23-7-16 - previously reported Missing
Cert. by A.I.F.Hqrs 17-7-17.

OFF.M.

London
20-7-17

9thBATTALION.

E.G. LATIMER.
No. 2747A.

K/A 23.7.16.

He was a tall thin fellow with dark hair and he left Australia with the 5th Reinforcements of the 25th Battalion and joined the 9th Battalion on 26th February 1916 in Egypt. The Battalion did a stunt on the morning of the 23rd July and about noon, Informant saw Latimer after he had been killed in a trench. Witness was going up with bombs and did not return from the line, so cannot give any details of burial. Witness is quite certain of the man as they were pals in the Battalion.

Witness:- Corporal V.H. Phillips, No. 2813.
9th Battalion.

Home address:- Glanmire Road.
PADDINGTON, Q'LAND.

Sergeant B.J. Skilton.
H.M.T. "EURIPIDES".
11.4.19.

SYDNEY BUREAU.

18th Nov.,

Sgt. Mossom,
9th Battn,
A.I.F.,
Machine Gun Section.

Dear Sergeant Mossom,

We are making inquiries for a man of your section, 2747, Pte. E.G. Latimer, 9th Battn, A.I.F., M.G.S., who is reported Missing, 22.7.16, and have been told that if we apply to you you may be able to help us by giving us some information.

We should be most grateful for any details you could send us concerning Pte. Latimer, and would also be glad if you could add a short personal description in order that we may satisfy his relatives that no error has been made.

With best wishes.

Yours faithfully,

V.D

Secretary.

January 3rd 7

No. 2747, E. G. Latimer, A.Company, 9th Battalion, A.I.F.
"Missing 22-7-1916"

E.G.Latimer,

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F.Lu.

Private E. G. Edwards
2nd Platoon
A.Company
9th Aust. Inf. Battn
B.E.F.

January 3rd 7

Lieut. Cameron
Transport Section,
9th Aust. Inf. Battn.
B.E.F.

Dear Sir,

We are making enquiries for a man of your battalion No. 2747 E. G. Latimer, A.Company, 9th Battn, A.I.F., reported "Missing 28-7-1916, and have been told that you may be able to help us by giving us some information.

We should be most grateful for any details you could send us concerning E.G.Latimer, and would also be glad if you could add a short description of his personal appearance, or any points that would help us to satisfy his relatives that no error has been made.

With apologies for troubling you, and thanking you in anticipation.

Yours faithfully

Secretary.