

Australian Red Cross Society Wounded and Missing  
Enquiry Bureau files, 1914-18 War  
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**1164 Lance Corporal  
Richard Stephens King**

**34th Battalion**



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34th. Battn.  
A.I.F.

King  
R.S. 1164.

Killed 7/6/17.

He was killed in the advance Messines Battle and buried along side R. Taylor and J. L. Sullivan, on the field near the Reg. Aid Post, Pessie Point by Rev. Osborn, Church of England Chap. of the 35th. Batt. who reported burial to me.

Inf: Capt. Chap. McCook,  
Formally O.P.D. Chap. 9th. Bgde.  
Now Res. Chap at No. 3. Command Depot  
Hurdcott.

G. W. Griffith  
London.  
20/11/17.

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34th. Battn.  
A.I.F.

KIMB  
1164 R.S.

Killed 7/6/17.

Was called 'Richard' B. Coy. 14th. Pltn. I saw him killed by a 7.5. shell during the hop over on June 7th. at Floegesteert. Was blown to pieces and died instantly. We advanced on so I did not know where he was buried, but I'm sure he was. He was a ration carrier before the stunt. I knew him personally. Was a L/Cpl.

Ref.: Purdon<sup>w</sup> T. 1544.  
34th. Battn.  
Harefield.

W.G.J.  
London.  
22.11.17.

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34th AUSTRALIANS

R KING, A.S. 1164 ✓

K. 7.6.17. Det. D/B.

I knew L/Opl. Mick King of D Co. He came from Cananook, H.S.W. and was a coal miner. He came across with me in the original battalion. He was a married man with two or three children. He was killed at Messines on the 7th June, 1917, and buried by the Battalion Military Police. They will be able to give all information as to location of the grave.

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34th Australians, D Co., 15th Bn.  
Australian Camp, Reuvelles.

RDM S.