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6830 Lance Corporal Leslie James Scott

1st Battalion



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1st. Battn.
A.I.F.

SCOTT
Cpl. 6830. L.J.

Killed 3/10/17.

We were digging a communication trench on Pashendaele Ridge.
I saw him killed by shell, death instantly. I was hit just after
but do not think his body was recovered, he would be buried by
the shells as they were falling very fast.
He came from Sydney. His Mother's address was "Allgoa", Annandale
I knew him in Sydney, came over in the same boat, "Pt Nicholas"
left Sydney Oct. 8/16. He was Sgt. Major on the boat. He was a
very fine fellow.

Ref: Cosgrove F. 6716.
C.Coy. 1st. Battn.
No. 3. Command Depot.
Hurdcott.
16.11.17.

G.W.Griffiths.
London.
23.11.17.

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A. I. F. 1. SCOTT. (L.J) 6830.

K. October 3rd, 1917.

Scott was in my Coy. I knew him personally. We came over together. He had been CSM to 22nd reinf. at Ypres. He was killed instantly by a shell. I was near him, about 5 yards away. Three or four were wounded and three or four others killed by same shell. We went to them, but I saw Scott was already dead. That night their bodies were buried on same place where they fell. A cross was put up, with names put on. The ground taken on that day is still held by us.

PJ.

Reference:- Pte Atchison. G. A. 6704.
L/C School.

Staples
23.11.17.

Havre 30th Nov. 1917.

1st AUSTRALIANS SCOTT, 6830 L.S.

K. 3.10. 17. Det. D/8.

I knew L/Cpl. Leslie Scott of C Co. He left Australia on the 4th Nov. 1916 in the 22nd to the 1st Reinforcements, as a Sergt. Major. He lived at Annandale, N.S.W. He was thin, dark, aged about 28. He used to work in the Postal Service. I saw him killed by a shell as he was topping over up at Polygon Wood on the 4th Oct. He was recognizable, but was killed outright. I don't know if he was buried. We held this ground.

Informant: Pte. B.D. Fisher, 6808
1st Australians, D Co., 15th Pltn.,
Australian Camp, Rouelles.

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SCOTT, L.J.6830.
Goldsmith, F.H.334.

K. October 3rd, 1917.

They were killed at Broodseinde on 4th October by a shell out over the top. I saw them killed and saw their dead bodies. They were buried near where they fell, a spot about 100 yards W. of the Broodseinde-Nordringham Road. They belonged to C.Coy. I saw the burial.

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Reference:- Capt. C.B.Withy. C.Coy.
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N.B. Name, number and date of casualty checked from Battn records.

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6.12.17.

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A.I.F. 1st Battn. SCOTT, L.J. L/Cpl. No.6830

22R. K. 3/10/17.

Informant described Scott as about 5'7" high, medium build, fair complexion, aged about 24/25, was a telegraph operator in civil life.

Informant states that they both belonged to "C" Co., No.12 platoon, On 4/10/17 (not the 3rd as officially reported) the Battalion was at Passchendaele in action . They hopped over at about 6 a.m. About 2 hours after the hopover, and after they had got to their objective, and were digging in Scott was in the same shell hole with Informant and 3 others. They were digging a communication trench from the front line backwards, to cross a slight rise in the ground, when a shell lobbed right in amongst them and wounded informant so as to render him unconscious. He was dragged out of the shellhole before he regained consciousness, and did not see Scott, but others told him that ~~Xxx~~ Scott had been killed. Informant stated that Scott was very popular with the boys, largely by reason of the fact that he was always arranging sports etc.

Informant - Corporal J.M.Wood, No.3966,
1st Battalion, "C" Co.

Home Address - 143 Edgware Road,
Marrickville.

W.E.G.
No.4 Australian General Hospital,
Randwick. 18/7/18.

SYDNEY BUREAU.

1st BATTALION, A.I.F.

Lance/Cpl L.J. SCOTT. 6830.

"KILLED, 3.10.17."

Informant described Scott as about 5'9" high, well built, rather fair complexion, aged 24 to 25 years. They left Australia per "Port Nicholson" on 8.11.16.

Informant states that they both belonged to C. Company. On 4.10.17 the Battalion was in action at Passchendaele Ridge. They hopped over about 6 a.m. About 3 or 4 hours later, when they had captured their objective, Scott was killed outright by a shell. Informant never saw him hit, but saw him about half an hour later lying dead where he fell, and never saw him again. Burial parties went out that night, and very likely they picked Scott up and buried him.

According to Informant Scott was a well liked chap, and a good soldier.

INFORMANT: Private F.J. Hughes, 6853,
1st Battalion, A.I.F.

Home Address; Tooyal, COOLAMON, N.S.W.

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Victoria Barracks, SYDNEY.
10.3.19.

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