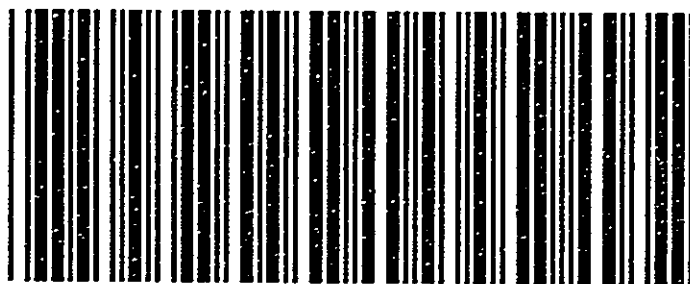


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**3518A Private
James Maver**

52nd Battalion



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52nd Battn.
A.I.F.

MAVER
J. 3518

"Killed 5-4-18"

He was in A.Coy., and I saw him killed near Dernancourt, when he was hit by a M.gun bullet through the head, and died instantly. He was in action at the time, and casualty occurred about 5-30 p.m. I knew him well, and he came from Queensland. I cannot give any details of burial, but I heard he was buried later. I cannot refer to anyone further.

Informant. Piper. Pte.J.H. 1718
A.Coy. 52nd Battn.,
3rd A.A.H.,
DARTFORD.

W.Oman
London
22-6-18

B.

52nd Battn.
A.I.F.

MAVER
J. 3518

"Killed 5-4-18"

He was killed instantly next to me, the top of his head being taken off by 4 M.G. bullets, on the railway line just outside Buire, in the direction of Dernancourt, at about 5 p.m. on 5-4-18. He had a young brother who joined the 52nd Battn., but was too young for the line and was sent from Ridgewood Camp, Dickebusch to the Aust. Base Depot, at Le Havre. J.Maver's name was Jim. He was short, fair, looked about 21, and had a peculiar walk. He came with the 9th Rft. and belonged to A.Coy. 4th Pltn.

Informant. Owen. Pte.W. 2954
2nd Battn. A.Coy. 4th Pltn.,
HAREFIELD.

A.G.Campbell
London
25-6-18
H.W.

B.

52nd Battn.
A.I.F.

J. HAVER.
3518.

"Killed in Action" 5-4-18.

I did not know his Company nor did I see him killed, but I saw him shortly afterwards dead, he having been hit by a bullet in the head. Casualty took place at Dernancourt about 11 a.m. on April 5th 1918 at which time he was in action. I did not know him very well. I assisted to bury him alongside railway line between Dernancourt and Buize on the field. Grave was marked by a cross, bearing full details.

Informant:- Pte Joneour. M.D. 2191.
C. Coy. 52nd Battn.
No 6 A.A.H. DARTFORD.

H. Gman.
Ecndoc.
27-6-18.
H.W.

BX

Havre.

10th. July. 1918.

52nd. Australians.

Maver, J. 3518.

K. April. 5/1918. Dets. D/B.

J. J. Reeves, A. Coy. 3rd. Pltn. 49th. Battalion, ~~was with Maver~~
was with Maver when he was shot through the head by a Sniper at
Barnicourt. There was no chance of burial as we had to retire. The
Germans were pressing too hard.

Inf:- Private. C. H. McKillop. 3449.
49th. ~~52nd~~ Australians. A. 3.
H. S. 'Guilford Castle'.

WMB.

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Written Reeves
31. 7. 18.

61st Battn.
A.I.F. *Regt.*

MAVER.
James. 3518.

"Killed 5-4-18"

^{*snipe?*}
At Buerre, Maver was walking up the line when a sniper's
bullet hit him in the head killing him instantly. I was 7 yards away
at the time and he was buried by some picneers. I knew him well, but
cannot say just where he was buried. The ground was held.

Eye-Witness:- Yes.

Description:-

Home Address:-

Informant:- Maddox Abel. 3575. Pte. (Reliable)
51. A.I.F.A. Co. III.
Great Western Red Cross.
Cheltenham Area.
2nd South: Gen: Hpl.

John. W. Barnett.

London.

22-7-18.

C.F.J.

B.

52nd. Battn. A. I. F.

Maver, J. Pte. No. 3518.

Killed. April 5th. 1918. Det. D/3.

I was told by a mate of mine Pte. Affleck 52nd. Battalion. that Maver was killed by a machine gun bullet, but did not give me any particulars. By writing to him all particulars could be obtained.

Witness. 345. Pte. Paine, S. R. C. Company. 52nd. Battalion.

Taken at. *N.W.*
No. 4. C. D. Hurdcott.
31. 7. 18.
S. W.

S. Whitmee,
No. 4. Command Depot,
Hurdcott,.

William Affleck
8.8.18

Havre.

8th. August. 1918.

52nd. Australians.

Maver, J. 3518.

K. April. 5/1918. Dets. D/B.

I know him from being in the Company. He came from Australia with me in the 'Argentine' from London to January 1917. He had been a plumber & his people live near Southport, Brisbane. On April 5th, we were at Villers-Bretonneux holding the line. In the early morning Fritz broke through & Maver was hit in the head by a G.I. bullet & killed right out. I was close by & saw it. We were relieved the following night so I don't know about burial.

Inf:- Private Reeves. 3521.
49th. Australians. A. 4.
Havre Hospital.

N.W.

CHSG.

CP.

Havre.

18th. November. 1918.

52nd. Australians.

Maver, J. 3518.

K. April. 5/1918. Dets. D/B.

He was in A. 4. I saw him lying dead at Dournaugh; he was killed by a shell. He was buried by the Reverend Blackwood at Dournaugh. He came from Queensland, dark hair, clean-shaven, about 5 feet 6, very slight, about 23/24.

Inf:- Private. R. A. Harvey. 3178A.
52nd. Australians. A. 4. (Now 549. A. 4.)
Havre Hospital.

HJB.

CP.

A.I.F. 52nd Battn.

HAVER

J. 3518.

"Killed 5/4/18."

I knew Haver well. He came from Queensland. I know nothing personally of the manner of his death, but I was present at his burial on or about 6th April 1918, in a Military Cemetery at Dancours. A cross was erected.

Informant:- Cpl. W. Gee, 719,
49th Battn. B. Coy,
7th Platoon,

W.M.K.
London
29.11.18.
J.E.A.

B.

TELEPHONE: VICTORIA 8858.

Wounded and Missing Enquiry Bureau,

AUSTRALIAN BRANCH,

British Red Cross Society and Order of St. John,

54, VICTORIA STREET. S.W. 1

To the Officer Commanding

2nd Military Hospital
Old Park Canterbury

27th Nov, 1917.

Dear Sir,

We have been requested by our Australian Bureau to obtain a bulletin and ascertain the nature of the sickness or

wounds of 3518 Pte J. Mawer A.I.F. 52 Battalion

who was admitted to your hospital. 22.10.17

We should be most grateful for any particulars you can supply at the earliest possible moment.

We regret having to trouble you in the matter, but are desirous of allaying the anxiety of the relatives in Australia.

Yours faithfully,

JGR
for

The Secretary.

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Australian Branch D.B.C.

54 Victoria St.

London S.W.1



of medical treatment and to be discharged from duty as

This man was discharged to duty

73/11/17 & reported to Headquarters, 130

Moreferny Road, London

and further etc. to be discharged from duty as

28/11/17

L. H. C. R. A. M. B.
06.

Yo
M. J. J. Reeves.
III Platoon - A. Co
49 (52nd) Battalion
A. I. F.

About
3518 P. J. Haver.
52nd Battalion
A. I. F.

K. Apr. 5. 18

Written 31. 7. 18
M. J. J.

HOSPITAL 5th Southern General Portl...

Fill in exactly as List.	INFORMATION	
	SURNAME.	Christian Name.
	Maulsdale	F. W.

GIVEN	INFORMATION	
	SURNAME	Christian Name.
	Dawson	W. E.

STATEMENT OF

NOTE: In all cases state fully what Informant says he saw or heard and give DATE AND PLACE of occurrence.

I brought Capt. Maulsdale in Buis and he was buried in cross was made by the Co. particulars could be had Mr. G. E. A. I. F.

PLEASE ALSO ANSWER

1. Was Informant Eye-Witness?	2. If not, of the
3. Was the ground held or lost?	4. If Informant was d. the bc
5. Did Informant know Christian Name, Initials or No. of man enquired about?	6. Was the name
7. Give Informant's description of man enquired about—any nickname, marks, scars, etc.	

8. Searcher's opinion of Informant's accuracy and intelligence

Quite reliable

Rec: 27/7/18 96210 C. R.

Affleck. Rec

3102 52nd Blk
49th Blk

Present address wanted
reported machineable 15 Aug.

Line from France 12-1-45 -
not used -

File under

3514

Rec. moved

52nd Blk

Kim A. 5.4.15

Report section

4884

51st Bn

C Coy

Robinson
Harold George (Jamaica)

off at 3/9/16

missing 3/9/16 - HE Qrs 10.10.16

10.10.16

Rm A 3.9.16 P.R. M.H.Q. 5.5.17 3B/220

Mr. E. G. Robinson
Shepherdsgate, Felney
all saints, Kings Lynn
Norfolk 6/4/16

To

Pit. Affleck

52nd Battery

A. I. F

about

3518 Pt. J. Mares

52nd Battery

A. I. F

th

Apr 5/18

Written 8.8.18

Mary

Front France.

INFORMANT		BY		AS TO	
Battalion and Regiment.		Co.	Platoon	Casualty.	
54 / A. J. F.				D/W. April 19 / 18 Det D/B.	
Battalion and Regiment.		Co.	Platoon	Home Address.	
54 / A. J. F.					

first person).

died either in hospital or near & gave him a drink out. It was near Corby.

THE FOLLOWING :-

give name, number, etc.,
the man who told him.

Informant says a man was killed,
death instantaneous?
the body buried, & if so where?

Are any other man of same
in Co. or Battalion?

RECEIVED
- 1 JUL 1918
HOUNSLOW HOUSE TERRACE

Signature of Searcher Gladys W. Bawstow
Date of Report July 29th 1918