

Australian Red Cross Society Wounded and Missing  
Enquiry Bureau files, 1914-18 War  
1DRL/0428

3301 Private  
Edward John Sadler

29th Battalion



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A.I.F. 29th Btn

E. J. <sup>L</sup>  
SADLER  
3301

"K in A 27-1-17"

Killed in action 27-1-17 - Buried near Road from Les Boeufs  
to Millers Daughter where Windwind Trench Course  $3\frac{1}{2}$  miles S.E.  
Bapaume <sup>near?</sup>

Cert by A.I.F.Hqrs 28-8-17.

London  
29-8-17

M

A.I.P. 29.

K. 27.1.17.

SADLER E.J. 3301.

I saw him in 27th. Jan. about 10 p.m. opposite Le Transloy. He was then on a stretcher, badly wounded in the legs by M.G. bullets. He was taken out of our front line after the return from the raid and died very shortly afterwards, probably at the advanced D.S. The S/B. was R.J. Shields, of B.Co. still up the line. I know nothing as to burial. I knew Sadler well and his number. He came out with me in July, 1916.

PHE.

Reference: 2 Lt. J. Anderson. A.Co.  
L.G. School.

Staples.  
3.10.17.

M  
written by Shields  
30.10.17.

Havro

8th Oct. 1917

29th AUSTRALIANS

SADLER E.J. 3301

2. 27th Jan. 1917 det D, B

I knew him; he came from Terang, Victoria. He was a Dairy Farmer before the War - Tall and dark. He was killed in January close by Zenith Trench on the Somme. He was shot through the knee by a bullet. He died coming out of the sap. They could find no other wound on him. I did not see him wounded but I saw his body at Battali on H.Q. which was used as an advanced Dressing Station. He was buried near by Battalion H.Q. I did not see the grave.

Informant: Pte. E. O'Malley 3292  
29th Australians B.Co. 8th Bn  
Australian Camp p Bouelles

GIF

M

Havro

11th Oct. 1917

29th AUSTRALIANS

SADLER E.J. 3301

2. 27th Jan. 1917 det D/B

He was tall and thin; age about 25 or 26. He came over in the 7th Reinforcements to the 29th Battalion. I saw him lying out dead in No Man's Land after a bombing raid at Zenith Trench at the end of January. He had the top of next his head blown off. We saw him the morning after the raid when we were back in the trench but had to leave him out there. We were relieved next morning by the 38th Bn A.I.F. I do not know if they were able to bury him.

Informant: Pte. E. Siddle 3261  
29th Australians C.Co. 11th Bn  
Australian Camp, Bouelles

GIF

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29th Batn  
B. Coy.,  
A.I.F.

SADLER  
E.J. 3301

"Killed 27.1.17."

I saw him wounded at Le Transloy. He was hit by bullets, one through the knee, and the other through the stomach. He only lived a little while after being hit, death occurring on the way to the dressing station. I saw his grave at a Sunken Road behind Zenith Trench near Lesbamp but it was not then marked. I knew him well he being the only man in the Coy of that name.

Witness:-

Sgt. W.W. Carruthers. 747  
29th Batn B. Coy., 6th Pltn.  
3rd A.A. Hospital,  
Wentford.

W. Oman  
London.  
15.10.17.

M

A.I.F. 29

Sadler E.J. 3301.

K. Jan 27th, 1917 Date D/B

I knew him well, his number is about that and we called him "Ned". He was hit during a raid in front of Le Transloy. He was hit in the knee, and I saw him being taken down to a D/S where he died. He spoke to me and said he had a Blighty. I know he was buried somewhere there and Pte O'Malley of B Coy his mate, told me he had seen his grave. I know a cross was made.

Inf. Pte A.E. Rosendale, 620, B Coy  
No. 3 Can. Gen. Hosp,  
BOULOGNE. 20.10.17

Sgt.

M  
for  
Sgt

29th Batt. A.I.F.

SADLER E.J. 3301.

"E" Coy., No 8 Platoon.

" K. Jan 27th., '17. Det D & E ".

" Sadler was hit in the knee cap by a bullet, during a raid we made on the German trenches on Jan. 27th., in front of Le Transloy. He died from the wound, and I heard that he was buried near the Bernafay Railway. The battalion Orderly room should have full particulars. Sadler came from Celao, Victoria, and was a lightweight boxer. I knew him quite well through being in the same Coy. "

Description. Hgt 5ft7. Dark complexion. Thick Set.  
Age about 23/24.

Witness. Williams D. 3891.  
29th Batt. "E" Coy.

Taken at No 3 Command Depot,  
Hurdcott. J.G.W.  
October 22nd., '17.

S. Whitmee.  
No 4 Command Depot,  
Codford.

M Ed  
Juff

29th Batn  
A. I. F.

SADLER  
E. J. 3301

"Killed Jan. 22nd 1917"

Left of Le Transloy on a bombing raid he was very badly wounded by bullet in the stomach. he was alive when we got him back to the line but died before reaching dressing station. He belonged to same Coy., as me. I knew him.

Witness:- C.R. Bennett 727  
Ward 34, Harefield.

D.P. Dickson  
London.  
25.10.17.

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29th Btn.

SADLER, E.J.  
Pte. No. 3301.

Killed in action 27/1/17.

"Casualty was killed on the 27th January. He was shot through the leg and was wounded in the body during a raid. I was S.B. at the time. I buried him in Thistle Trench. The grave was not marked."

Informant:- D.W. Douglas,  
No. 2893 29th Btn.  
Private address  
Prospect Road,  
Newtown,  
Gee long.

H.A.B.  
10/10/17.

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M b d  
Suff

29th Batn  
A.I.F.

SADLER  
E. J. 3801

"Killed 27.1.17."

He died of wounds received in a bombing raid at the right of Bapaume. St. Whitelaw D. Coy., was in charge and can probably give details as can also probably Sgt. Downer A. Coy., Saddler was A. Coy., I was in D. Coy., and in front line trench at the time

Witness:- R.L. Harris 2619

29th Batn Southall, 15.10.17.

London.  
25.10.17.

M

29th Batn  
A.I.F.

SADLER  
E. J. 3301

"Killed 24.1.17"

I saw him killed at Needle Trench near Le Transloy. He was hit by a piece of shell with in the body and died almost immediately. I knew him very well. I saw his grave at place of casualty and it was marked with a cross bearing his, number, name, and regiment.

Witness:- Pte. J.R. Mowart 5829  
29th Bat n A. Coy., 1st Pltn.  
3rd A A. Hospital,  
Dartford.

W. Oman  
London.  
25.10.17.

M

GC  
A. J. SHIELDS.

B. Wy S/B.

29 Batt.

G. I. F.

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E. J. SADLER

3301

29 Batt.

G. I. F.

Killed 27. 1. 17.

Sw.

30. 10. 17.

L-X

29.12.17

Cpl Leslie

LOVELL

15 Plat

D Co

54 Inf Bde

AIF  
abroad

abt

4242

G. W. SADLER

54 Bde AIF

K. 26.9.17

1-1-18  
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