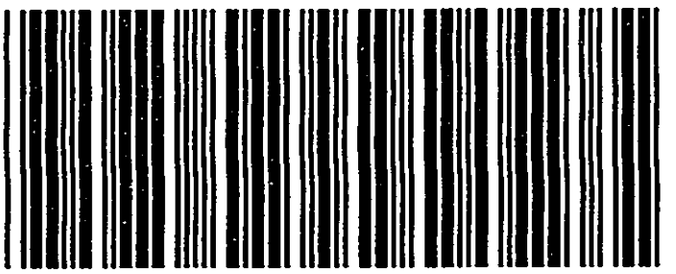
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1829 Gunner
Homer Horace Rogers

10th Field Artillery Brigade



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A.I.F. 37th Bty A.F.A.

ROGERS
H.H. 1829

"D. of Wds 25-4-17"

Died of wounds received in action 25-4-17
Cert. by Hpl Index & A.I.F.Hqrs 3-8-17.

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AUSTRALIAN FIELD ARTILLERY ROGERS. H.H. 1829
10th Bgde., 37th Batty.

D/W. April 25th.1917. Det. D/B.

He died of wounds just as he reached the Dressing Station at the Village of Ecoust near Bullecourt. There was a Cemetery close to the gun pit of the 37th Batty. and he was buried there. He was hit while he was at his gun.

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Informant: W.O. Carroll, 1620
10th Bgde., 37th Batty.
Australian Field Artillery.
H.F."Warilda" Havre.

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10th A.F.A. 37th BATTY. ROGERS H.H. No.1829.

D/W 24th April 1917. Det D/B.

At Bullecourt they were standing round the cook house which was part of a big building. A shell wounded him and killed several of them. They took him to the D/Station and I think he died before he got there. I saw him being carried out. He came from Sydney was a Clerk in a Government Office, just about of age, stout and dark. He went to England about September 1916 with Spasmodic Asthma. He had only just returned and ought not to have come back at all.

Inf:- Gunner Docker No.3746. 37th Batty.
Amb.T. 'Newhaven'.
Calais. -25.9.17. CR.

10th A.F.A. 37th Batty ROGERS H.H. No.1829.

D/W 25th April 1917.

He went to England and came back with only one lung: then at Bullecourt he got a piece of shrapnel in the other lung and bled to death in half an hour. It was in the attack on Bullecourt, he was in the same sub-section as me 'H', and I saw him hit. They took him to the D/Station but couldn't do anything with him. He was buried in front of the Battery position behind the Railway line between Ecoust and Bullecourt. He came from Sydney, I believe from Waverly, was only about 18, and weighed about 10 stone. He always suffered badly from Asthma.

Inf:- Pte Inrlacre No.1575.
Amb.T. 'Newhaven'.
Calais. 2.X.17. CR.

A.I.F. A.F.A. 10 Bde. 37Btn. ROGERS, H.H. 3829

D/W. Apl 25/17. Det D/B.

It was sometime in April, our battery was in a corner of Ecoust. Rogers who had not long rejoined from hospital was walking down the road from a big German dugout and when a shrapnel shell burst in the air and wounded him. We thought he had got a Blighty one, but a pellet hit him in his only sound lung and he died in two hours at the D/S. I saw him hit. The D/S was only a hundred yards from the Battery, and the chaps from the D/S. told us he was dead and our fellows went up and buried him behind the Railway embankment in the Northern corner of Ecoust - only about 60 yards from the battery I never went up to the grave, but you could see it from the battery.

Informant. Bombr. C.A.Douglas 4300.
54 Gen Hosp.
BOULOGNE. 6.10.17.

JT. S

A.I.F. A.F.A. 37/10. ROGERS H.H. 1829.

D/E. 25.4.17.

Cpl. Knight told me he saw him wounded by a piece of shrapnel which penetrated his lungs and he died shortly after being hit. I belonged to the same battery but at this time happened to have gone back to the wagon lines. This was at Bullecourt.

Reference: Gnr.H. Danvers. 37/10.Bdo. FJE.
St. John's Hpl.

Staples.
8.10.17.

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10/37 A.F.A. Rogers H.H. 1829.

(D/W Apl. 25/17 Det D/B)

"Rogers was wounded by shrapnel in the lung and died at the Dressing Station. He was buried just below the railway embankment at Fecust, in front of Fullecourt 400 yds. below the cemetery, with four others in the same Battery. There is a cross on the grave with all the names".

Eye-witness:

Description:

Informant: Cnr E. Green 2595,
10/37 A.F.A.,
2nd Southern Gernal Hospt,,
Bristol.

Home address:
Southlead,
Forbes, N.S. Wales.

Oct. 9th 1917,
J.A. Hall.

57th Battery,
10th Bgde
A.I.F.

ROGERS
H.H. 1829

"Died of Wounds 26.4.17."

I saw him wounded at Ecourt near Bullecourt, he was caught by a shrapnel pellet in the back which penetrated his lung. He was taken to the dressing station near by, where he died an hour afterwards. He was fully conscious until a few moments before he died. He asked us did we think that the wound was going to prove fatal, but the M/O held out no hopes for him, and just a few minutes before he died he spoke again and asked one of the boys to hold his hand. I knew him very well he was only quite a lad of 19 years and very well liked by everyone. He had just returned from England from where he had been invalided with Asthma. I saw his grave at Ecourt near Bullecourt and it was marked by a cross bearing all his particulars.

Witness:-
Bdr. Thos. Salmond 895
57th Battery 10th Bgde
3rd A.A. Hospital,
Hartford.

Home address:- C/o Mr. G. Foster. Borliase Street,
Willoughby. Sydney.

London. 16.10.17.

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Field Artillery. A.I.F.

ROGERS H.H. I829.
37th Batty. IOth Bgde.

" "D/W. April 25th.,'I7. Det D & B ".

" Rogers was killed by shrapnel in the front lines at Bullecourt. He was taken to the Dressing station, and died there about an hour after he was wounded. His body was then brought back to the front line, and I helped to bury him there. The front line then was on the outskirts of the village of Ecoust. A service was held, and the IOth Field Artillery Padre officiated. He intended marking the grave later on with a cross, but I have not actually seen the grave since this should have been done. We came over together from Sydney on the S.S. Berrima., on I7/I2/'I5. "

Description. Hgt 5ft6. Dark complexion. Medium build. Age about 20.

Witness. McGinty F.T. I806.
37th Batty.

S. Whitmee.
No 4 Command Depot.
Codford.

Taken at No 3 Command Depot.
Hurdcott. J.G.W.
October I7th.,'I7.

15th Brigade. 37 Batt. A.F.A. Rogers. Gunner H.H. 1829

D/W April 25/17 Det D/B

"I saw H.H. Rogers buried, as I attended the funeral." Old cemetery Ecoust, Somme.

Eye-witness: of funeral.

Description: Could not describe him well, as he had been in England sick for some time and had only just joined the Battery.

Informant: Gunner Wilfred Witney, 1852,
15th Brigade, 37 Battery A.F.A.
Alexandra Hospital,
Cosham.

Home address: Sunnyside,
Melbourne.

23.10.17.
M.G.Webb.

S1 & Staff

10th Brde. 37th Batty. Rogers, H.H, Gnr. NO.1829.
Field artillary.

D/W. April 25th 1917. Det. D.E.

I saw him killed by a shell, at Becust. We were working on an Ammunition dump at the time. He died shortly after he was hit. He was Buried behind an old railway embankment On the left of this place was a large French cemetry. A cross was erected over his grave, bearing his name, number, and unit. A Pardre officiated at the grave.

Description. Height. 5-6. Complexion. Dark. Well Built.

Witness. Pte. Smith. A.H. NO. 3594. 37th Batty.

Taken at
NO.3.C.D.Hurdcott.
22-10-17.
A.S.

S.Whitmee.
NO.4.Command Depot
Codford.

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37th Batty
10th Bdge
A.F.A.

ROGERS
H.H. 1829

"Died of wounds 25.4.17."

Refer to Bombadier J. Salmond 37th Battery 10th Bdge A.F.A. who is now at Weymouth England. and who was with the Battery at time of casualty, and may be able to give particulars of death and burial.

Witness:- Bdr A.S. McCormick 950
10th Bdge 37th Battery
3rd A.A. Hospital,
Dartford.

W. Oman
London.
25.10.17. Note ~~written~~ See report by Homb. Salmond. 16.10.17.

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F.A. A.I.F.
10th Brigade. 37 Btty.

Rogers. H.H. 1829

D/W April 25/17 Det D/B

"At Bullecourt, H.H.Rogers was shot, I believe, in the stomach, they had not time to get him into the hospital before he died. He was buried probably near Bapaume."

Eye-witness: No, in the orderly Room I believe,

Description:

Informant: Bombadier L.R.H. Langtry, 1764
10th A.F.A.
3rd London Gen.Hos. Ward B.7.
Wandsworth.

Oct 29th 1917.
Ethel N.Wolmer.

Ed Swift

10th Bgde.
37th Battery.
A.F.A.

Rogers.
H. H. 1829

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"Died of Wounds 25.4.17"

I saw him wounded at Ecourt. He was wounded by a piece of shrapnel and died at the dressing station soon after his arrival there. I knew him well, he had not been with the Battery very long having only just returned from England. He was a very delicate chap and only had one lung.

Witness:-
Cpl.T.H.Humphreys 2894
10th Bgde.37th Battery.A.F.A.
3rd Aust.Aux.Hospital.
Dartford.

W.Oman.

London.
1.11.17.

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4th Divisional Artillery.
37th Battery.

ROGERS, H.H.
1829 Gunner

Died of wounds 25/4/17.

Rogers was killed the day before I re-joined at Ecoust on the 25th April 1917. I saw his grave just under the Railway embankment, just before Bullecourt. A number of his mates were buried there. A cross with his name on it was on his grave. I would like to see his people.

Informant: Morrison, J. 10066
No.4 Australian General Hospital,
RANDWICK.

Private address:- 131 Pitt Street, Redfern.

B.M.
5/12/17.

SYDNEY BUREAU.