

Australian Red Cross Society Wounded and Missing
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**18017 Sapper
Mervyn Richards**

1st Field Squadron Engineers



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1st F. Sq. Engrs.

RICHARDS, M.
Spr. 18017.

Died 11/7/19.

"Sapper M. Richards died on 11th July, 1919, from Pneumonia, in hospital on the voyage from Egypt to Australia, on board the transport "Halta". He was ill for six days before his death and the terrific heat coming through the Red Sea went very much against his recovery. He was buried at sea the same day he died and a photo of his burial was taken by J. Baker, whose address I give below. His death was a sad event to his troop who were all his pals and they and the hospital staff did everything they could for him until the last. He was one of the best and popular with all and a nice fellow."

Informant:- Sgt. H. Stott, B Troop.
1st Fld. Squadron.

From whom to obtain photo:-

16090. Driver J. Baker.

C/o Mrs. A. McDonald.

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30/8/19.

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