

Australian Red Cross Society Wounded and Missing  
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**1703 Lance Corporal  
Arthur Edward Miller**

**56th Battalion**



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56th Battn. A.I.F.

MILLER. A. E. 1703.

"Killed 15.5.17."

While we were holding the line between Reincourts and Queant, Miller was killed by a shell and was buried in the front line on the roadway about 500 yds. from Reincourt. There were 5 or 7 buried together & the C.O. held a burial service over them. The grave would be marked.

I did not see casualty or burial but know of it from hearsay and Coy. records.

L/Cpl. Mc <sup>Caugh</sup>en, Sgt. Cole and Sgt. Mc Intyre were some of those buried at the time. Cpl. C. Cryer, 56 Batt. D.Co. now with Coy. could confirm this.

Informant:- Elphinstone. Sgt. L. 2145.  
56th Batt. D.Co.  
WESTHAM.

W.A. Rand,  
London.  
5.7.18.  
H.C.

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50th BATTALION.  
late 55th Battalion.

MILLER A.E. Lance Corporal.  
No. 1703

"KILLED 15-5-17"

Informant states that Miller was killed at Bullecourt 14th May 1917 by a shell while in our trenches. Informant was the Sergeant in charge of the Platoon, in which Miller was at that time, and was in the trench when Miller was killed. When word was passed along that Miller was killed, Informant went to the place where Miller was lying, and saw him. He had evidently been killed instantly. The barrage was still proceeding, and it was then impossible to move Miller's body, which was then lying in the trench. A few minutes afterwards, Informant was wounded by the barrage, and cannot say where Miller's body was buried. The trench remained in our possession - Informant heard that Miller was buried the following day. Informant would be glad to communicate with Millers relatives. Miller was fair, clean shaven, medium height. Informant is leaving Sydney for Melbourne about 22nd October."

INFORMANT:- Sgt. E.A.W. Adams D.C.M., No. 2552  
56th Battalion.

Present address:- G. P. C. Sydney.

C.E.W.  
No. 4 Australian General Hospital  
RANDWICK 2-10-18.

SYDNEY BUREAU.

56th Battalion, A.I.F.  
late 55th Battalion.

MILLER A.I.F. 1/501. No. 170.

"Killed in Action, 15/5/17."

Miller's number was 1703, and he was in D Company 15th Platoon with me. He was a Lance-corporal and was about 5 feet 8 inches high, thick-set and fair, and I think he, or his mate called Burns, was a Barber. Miller was killed outright by a bit of shrapnel at Bullecourt when we first went into this stunt in May, 1917. I saw him just after he fell, he only lived a few minutes. He was conscious when I saw him, and did not seem to be suffering. He was buried that night in the cemetery we made at Bullecourt. I am certain this is the Miller referred to, as he was in my section, - No. 12, of the 15th Platoon.

Informant - H. J. Kerr, No. 3073.

56th Battalion, D Company, 15th Platoon.

Home Address - General Post Office,  
Sydney.

H.S.O.

No. 4 General.

Randwick.

3/1/19.

*S. T. H. 100*  
SIDNEY BUREAU.

56th Battalion.  
"D" Company.

MILLER, S.E. I/Cpl. No. 1703.

"Killed in Action. 15/5/17."

He was killed in the trenches at Bullecourt, on 15/5/17. I saw him after he was hit, but he could not speak, and I did not see him after.

His age was about 28/30. I think he came from the Queanbeyan district, N.S.W.

Informant - M.O'Brien, No. 810,  
56th Battalion, "D" Company,  
Private Address - Torrington Street,  
Glen Innes.

G.S.A.  
Victoria Barracks,  
Sydney, 24/3/19.

SYDNEY BUREAU.

*[Handwritten signature]*

A.I.F.  
56th Bn  
late 55th.

HILLER  
Arthur Edward 1703  
CANCELS

Killed in Action 15.5.17.

TSI I A I J A H T S U A  
No trace Germany.  
Cert. by Capt. Mills 10.10.19.

Causes of Cancells	Causality	Unit	Name
London. 22.10.19.		S.	