

Australian Red Cross Society Wounded and Missing
Enquiry Bureau files, 1914-18 War
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1091 Private
William Henry Minett

28th Battalion



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28th Australian Inf.

Minett Pte. W.H. 1091,
C. Company.

(M. July 29th 1916)

Informant states that on July 29th 1916 near Pozieres, W.H. Minett (known as Tim) was lying very badly wounded about 100 yds from our trenches in No Man's Land. Informant was an eye-witness.

Reference: Pte. F. Baker 1509,
28th Australians,
Northants War Hospt.,
Duston.

Nov. 18th 1916,
G. MacKinnell.

28th Battn.
A.I.F.,

"Missing 29-7-1916"
"Killed in Action 16-10-16"

W.H. 1091 Minett
S. 3205 Minett

There were two Minetts on the Ball, which
ever one was signaller, was killed at Pozieres by a bullet about
two yards from the Parapet and he was buried a few days after by
a man of 27th Battalion who came and reported this to our officer.

Reference;- Baker,
Ward 24,
Harefield Hospt.
2-12-16.

London
13-12-16.
D.P.Dickson.

P.

Havro

Dec., 15th 1916

AUSTRALIANS 28

MINETT W.H. 1091

21 July 29/16

He was in B Co. Signallers. I was told by Pte. F. Callboy 28th A.I.F. B Co. Signallers that at Pozieres on the 29th July when we were attacking the German first line a shell blew up a group and Minett was amongst them. I saw Callboy afterwards about 10th Nov. ; he was wounded in the arm and went to a hospital at Staples and I heard that he was afterwards sent to a hospital in England. He could give full information.

Informant Cpl. F. Steele 1996

28th Australians B Co. V pltn.

No. 2 Gen. Hosp. (Palsie)

H.P.G.

Written Pte Callboy 1.1.17.

28th Batt.
A.I.F.,

NINETT
W.H. 1091

"Missing - 29/7/16"

I have seen his name in the Gazette as reported officially as killed. Also in a South Australian paper.

Reference:- H.W. Tomkins,
2nd Pioneers, A.I.F.,
Ward 26
Harefield Hospital,
22.1.17

Note: Asking Hqrs to verify. 31.1.17

London
1.2.17
W. Alison

P

28th Batt.
A.I.F.,

NINETT
W.H. 1691

"Missing 29.7.16"

Missing 29.7.16. no later report.

Cert. by A.I.F. Headquarters,
31.1.17

London
6.2.17

P.

A.I.F. 28th. Battn.

MINETT
W.E. 1091.

MISSING 29.7.16.

Refer to Pte. Thomas Wilson No. 719(?) who saw him lying dead on the field. Wilson was in 1st. S. General Hospital, Birmingham, two weeks ago and is now on furlough. Minett was my mate. We came from W.A. together.

Ref. ~~letter from~~ J.S. Healy, 4429.
18th. Fld. Co. Engrs.
Dartford. 9.3.17.

Note Written Pte. Wilson. 24.3.17.
Asking H.Q. verify. 26.3.17.

L.P.J.
LONDON.
27.3.17.

28th. Battn.

W.E. Minett.
1091.

29.7.16.

Any further report? Is he now Killed in Action?

Now reported Killed in Action 29.7.16. previously reported Missing.

Cert: by A.I.F. Headquarters. 26.3.17.

London
13.4.17.

P.

A.I.F.
28th. Battn.

MINNETT
Pte. W.H. 1091.

in action
"Killed 29.7.16."

There were two brothers of them and as far as I know they were both killed. I saw them myself just as we charged but never seen or heard of them since, that was on the 29 July, 1916. I could not give you any description of W. Minnett as it is ^{such} a long time since it happened and we had some terrible rough times since. I will enquire of some of the boys in camp and see if I can find out anything about him and write later.

Cert by letter from 719 Pte. T. Wilson,
28th. Battalion,
Weymouth.

19.4.17.

P.

London .
25.4.17.

A. I. F. 28th Btn

MINETT

MINETT/
Wm. Henry 1091

"K/A. 29-7-16"

No trace Germany
Cert. by Capt. Mills 10-10-19.

London
21-10-19

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719
R. Thomas Wilson
28th Batt. A. I. 7
D. E. 7

for 1091
W. H. Minett
28th Batt. A. I. 7

m . 29-9-16

Y. H.
29. 3. 17.

January 3rd, 1917 ----

Pte. T. Callboy
B. Coy. Signallers
28th. Battn. A. I. F.
B. E. F.

1091. W. H. Minett. 28th. Battn. A. I. F.

reported Missing 29-7-16;

W. H. Minett,

*W.D.
H.L.*

25rd April 1917.

No. 719. Pte. G.S. Wilson,
28th Australian Inf. Bttn.
Co. 13. Bat.
A. Group.
Westham Camp.
Weymouth.

Dear Private Wilson,

Very many thanks for your letter of April 19th
in answer to our enquiry for:-

No. 1091. W.H. Minett, 28th Bttn. A.I.F.

We shall be very grateful if you would, as you suggest, write
us later should you be able to find out anything definite about
Pte. Minett.

With best wishes.

Yours faithfully,

V.D.
Secretary. *flu*

Oct 18 1916

St. George
Hospital Camp
Hagman



April 19/4/1917

Dear Madam

Your letter to hand
this morning I am sorry I did not receive it sooner
as I could have told you all the information
you require I know the 1st Lieut well there were
two brothers of them and has I know they
were both killed I don't know myself just as it
charged but never seen or heard of them since that
was on the 29/July 1916. I could not give you any
description of W. Minett has a sick long time
since it happened and we had some terrible
times since I was injured & some of the boys
in camp included I can find out anything about
it and write later hoping you need them
all right with my best respects

Yours faithfully

1091 TH
W. MINETT

419 T.
J. Wilson

17-29-7-16
K.A. 29.7.16

P. (col)
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28 Batt
Hagman