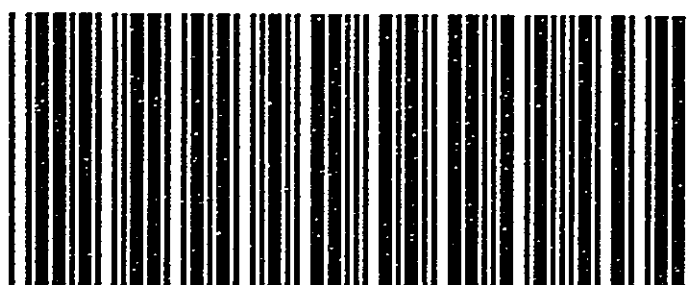


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**494 Private
Frank Robert Moore**

25th Battalion



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A.I.F. 35th Bttn.
B. Coy.

MOORE.
F. R. 494.

Killed in Action. 14.3.17.

Buried in the Honour Cemetery Armentieres in Grave 36, Section 4, Row B.

Cert by German List of graves in Cemetery. See letter from Captain Mills. 28.7.19.

London.
7.10.19.

P.I.

A.I.F. 35th Btn B. Coy.

F.R. MOORE
494

"K. 14-3-17"

Killed in Action 14-3-17 - Buried at Cite Bonjean M. Cemetery
Armentieres
Capt. by A.I.F. Hqs 2-8-17.

P.I.

London
2-8-17

35th Battn
A.I.F.

Moore.
F.R. 494

"Killed 14.3.17."

He was or had been a Sergt. I was close to him when he was killed by a shell. He was inside a dugout and the shell fell right in the doorway and killed him and three others and wounded several. It was in a communication trench seldom shelled. I saw him dead afterwards. I know he was buried in the cemetery at Armentieres and prayers said, but I did not see it. I think he came from Stockton N.S.W. was about 5'6" with Ginger col. hair. We used to call him "Bluey". The men all liked him.

Witness:-

I/Cpl. A. Lord. 487
35th Battn
No 2 Hedlands.
- Reading.

W. Alison.
London.
7.9.17.

P.I.

35th Batt. A.I.F.

Moore, F.R. Pte. NO. 494.

B. Coy.

Killed March 14th 1917. Det. D.B.

I saw him killed by a shell, while we were in the Willow Walk, Hooplins, Armentieres. He was buried in the large cemetery at Armentieres, by a party from the Batt. A cross was erected bearing his name, number, and Batt. He was an original Batt man. I knew him in civilian life, he came from Newcastle, N.S.W. He was a Wharf Labourer in civilian life.

Description. Age. 25. Height. 5-6. Complexion. Ginger. Muscular Build

Witness. Pte. Read, R.H. NO. 521. B. Coy. 35th Batt.
Pte. Kent, V. NO. 472. -----

Taken at
Westham Camp Weymouth.
. 20-9-17.
F.G.E.

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

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35th Battn.
A. I. F.

Moore.
Pte. F.R. 494

"Killed 14.⁵.17"

Knew Moore. He was killed by a shell with 2 others in a dug-out. They were blown to pieces at Square Farm near Armentieres. I believe he was buried.

Eye-witness:

Description:

Informant:- Cpl. A.G. Beale

Chas. Zeffertt
20.9.17.

35th Battalion. A.I.F. A.Coy. Ist Plt
1st City of London Mil Hospital.

London.
1.10.17.

P.I.

95th. A.I.F.

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MOORE R. E. No. 484.

14th March
K. Det 1917. Det D/3.

He was killed at Houplines by a piece of shrapnel hitting him in the back of the head. I saw him after he was killed. A raid was on and he was in a communication trench in a dug out. He didn't go over. H. Bright and Johnson were also killed out right at the same time. All three were buried at Bongeas on the edge of Armentieres. I have seen the grave. He came from Merryweather, Newcastle, N.S.W., was small and about 25.

Inf:- Pte Lilly No. 484.
Amb. F. 'Ville de Liege'.
Calais. 9.A.17. OR.

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P.C. 23-9-17 Information Wanted

494 Private F. R. Moore 35 Bata B. Company number

killed 14th March 1917, with details of death & burial
if you cannot give same, will you please include
his name on the next month's list & oblige.

If any particulars of death please forward to his
Brother Private R. Moore B. 27 Ward
3 Aust Aust Hospital Dartford Kent, he
showed me a letter he had from his sister in
Australia, he had been a Sgt previously

Yours Truly

Dr. Mann

Dartford Hospital

20.7.17

14.3.17.

Pte. R. Moore,
B 27 Ward, 3rd. Australian Aux. Hosp. Dartford.

Dear Sir,

We regret to have to confirm the report that No. 494 Pte. P. R. Moore 75th. Bn. A.I.F. was killed in action on 11.3.17 and was buried in the *Cite Bonjean* Military Cemetery, Amantieres.

We have at present no further details but have added his name to our inquiry lists and will send you any information that we obtain as we realise how anxious you must be. Will you send us full regimental particulars so that we may the more easily trace you when you leave hospital?

Assuring you of our sincere sympathy with you in your great loss and trusting that it will be some consolation to know that he was buried.

Yours faithfully,

V. D.
Secretary.
L.M.

11th 9752nd St. Moor. St.
13th Ch. A.S. Co. (A.S. Co.)
1/3rd Australian Auxiliary
Hospital
Dartford
Kent.

Miss V. Leckie
Secretary

Christiana Red Cross.

21. Victoria Street

London. S.W.

Your most welcomed
letter to hand. I am much obliged to you for
your information re my brother Mr J. R. Moore
Esq. I am sure it will be a great
relief to my parents, and was also to me, as
we all recognise how our boys were suffering and
God only knows of their last resting place
I think we are fortunate to know of our
brothers resting place, and can assure you we
will never forget you, for the valuable news
related to us.

I Am.

Yours. Sincerely
J. R. Moore

September 22nd, 1917.

No 9752 Pte. R. Moore,
13th Coy Aust. Army Service Corps,
3rd Australian Auxiliary Hpl.,
DARTFORD.

Dear Sir,

We are writing to tell you of an unofficial report
which has been received about your brother

No 494 Pte. F. R. Moore,
35th Battalion,
A.I.F.

and we trust that it will be some consolation to you to
know that his death was instantaneous.

No 487 L/Cpl. A. Lord, of the same unit who was in
hospital in Reading stated that he was close to your
brother when he was killed by a shell which fell in the
doorway of his dugout when he was inside. The casualty
occurred in a communication trench which was seldom shelled
and he saw his dead body afterwards. He called your brother
"Bugs" said that he came from Stockton, New South Wales, that
he was about 5ft 6in ins in height, with red hair, and very
popular among his friends.

We are pursuing our inquiries as we realise how anxious

you must await details and as soon as we receive further information we shall advise you.

Assuring you of our sincere sympathy in your great loss.

Yours faithfully,

V.D.

SECRETARY.

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9752 Pte.R.Moore,
13th A.I.S.C.,
B 27 Ward,
3rd Aust.Aux.Hospital,
Dartford.

Oct.10th, 1917.

Dear Sir,

In reference to your inquiry for -

494 Pte.F.R.MOORE - 35th Battalion, A.I.F. - who is officially reported as having been killed in action on 14.3.17, we beg to forward the following unofficial reports concerning him.

521 Pte.R.H.Read B.Coy.stated "I saw him killed by a shell while we were in the Willow Walk, Hooplimes, Armentieres. He was buried in the large cemetery at Armentieres by a party from the Battalion. A cross was erected bearing his name, number and Battn. He was an original Battalion man. I knew him in civilian life. He came from New castle, N.S.Wales and was a wharf labourer". Informant describes Pte.Moore as 5'6" in height, and of a nuggety build and with redish colouring. He was 25 years of age.

Cpl.A.J.Beale also stated that he knew Moore, and that he was killed by a shell with two others in a dugout.

We are now closing our inquiries for Pte.F.R.Moore as it is very unlikely that we shall obtain any further information respecting him. If, however, any further details should come to hand, we shall at once advise you.

Assuring you of our sincere sympathy and with good wishes for your recovery.

Yours faithfully,

Mois Ryan
Secretary.