

Australian Red Cross Society Wounded and Missing
Enquiry Bureau files, 1914-18 War
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4489 Lance Corporal
John Alfred Martin

28th Battalion



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28th A.I.F.

MARTIN, J.H. 4489, ^{AM}

K. May 22/18. Det.D/B.

"I believe that L/Cpl. Martin (28.A- att H.Q. the gas H.C.O) was killed almost instantaneously, one night about May 22nd, at Villers-sur-Ancres while we were holding the line. I was on another Post when word was passed along that he had been shot by a sniper. I know he was carried out and buried. I am not certain where but I believe it was at Heilly." *Heilly*

Eye-witness:- Ho. Word was passed along.

Description:- I can give no particulars as I did not know him personally.

Informant:- Pte. George Kingman, 888,
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Aug. 13/18. *N.W.*
H.M.P. Cambridge.

28th A.I.F.

Martin. L/C. J.H. 4489 ^{AM}
A Coy. 3 Pl.

(K. May 22/18)
Dets. D/E.

Ribemont "I saw L/C. J.H. Martin killed by sniper whilst holding the line in Morlancourt Sector on the 22nd May/18. He was buried at Ribemont Cemetery."

Eyewitness: Yes:

Description: About 5'7-8" fair, medium build, quiet disposition.

Informant: Pte. S. Harmer. 5721A.
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East Narrogon,
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16.8.18.
E. Rice. *N.W.*

Bayre. 26th. August. 1918.

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26th. Australians. Martin, J. ^{A M} H. 4489.

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I saw him after he was killed at Villiers-sur-encree; he was sniped & I think he was buried there. He was an Englishman & was married. His wife is still in England. 5 feet 9, fair, deaf in one ear, age about 22/23.

Inf:- Private. J. R. Williams. 5109.
26th. Australians. A. 2.
Australian Camp.
Roulers. P

(S/H)
GRR.

CP.