

Australian Red Cross Society Wounded and Missing
Enquiry Bureau files, 1914-18 War
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**598 Sergeant
Lachlan McInnes**

19th Battalion



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A.I.F. 19th Battn

McINNES
Sgt L. 598

Missing 14-11-16

Still reported Missing 14-11-16
Cert. by A.I.F. Headquarters 14-3-17.

London
15-3-17

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19th Battn.
A. I. F.

Sgt. L. McInnes.
598.

"Missing 14.11.16."

I saw this man killed almost instantly by shell fire, to the left of Le Transloy in the early morning of Nov. 14th 1916. I was officer of charge of right wing when we were making an attack. McInnes was bombing Sgt. next to me on the wing. He stepped forward to throw a bomb and I heard him scream, just as a shell caught him. I saw him disappearing in a shell hole. When taken out he moved his limbs slightly then died. It was impossible to remove him for burial. He was left in the trench into which he was taken. The ground was held 48 hours then lost. He was 5 feet 10 or 11" about well built 30-38 years, medium complexion. From New South Wales. in T.S. "Ceramic."

A.R. McPhee.

Witness:-

Lieut. G. F. Rouse.
19th Battn.

Perham Downs Camp.

London.

4.6.17.

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A.I.F. 19th Btn

McINNES
Sgt Lachlan 598

"MISSING"

Killed in action 14-11-16 - previously reported Missing
Cert. by A.I.F. Hqrs 8-1-18.

London
12-1-18

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A.I.F. 19th Btn

McMILLER
Sgt. Lachlan 598

"Action 14-11-16"

No trace in Germany
Cert. by Capt. Hills 10-10-19.

London
15-10-19

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19th A. I. F.

McInnes, Sergt. L. 598,

(Missing.) 12.11.16

Informant states that on Nov: 25th Nr. Fiers McInnes was killed by a shell. Informant saw him after he was dead. He was killed soon after the attack started (about 7. a. m.)

Informant:— Cpl. A. E. Hind, 572,
19th A. I. F.
Alexandra Hospital,
Cosham, Hants.

Home address:-- Australian H.Q.
Horseferry Road,
London, S.W.

Man: 16th
Webb.

19th A. I. F.

McInnes, Sergt. L. 596

(M. Nov. 14th/16)

"I knew Sergt McInnes. I was one of the men in a bombing party under his charge on the 14th Nov/16 near Fliers. We went out about 7 o'clock in the morning. The Sergt was hit by a piece of shell and fell mortally wounded. I do not think his body was ever brought in. If he was found he would be buried where he lay."

Eye-witness:

Description:

Informant: Bomber George Holland, 725,
19th A.I.F., B. Coy,
Harborne Hall V.A.D. Hospital,
Birmingham.

Home address:

Mrs. Holland,
5, Bitton Avenue,
Teignmouth, Devon.

16th Feb/17.
Geo. Bullock.

Asking HQ to verify 7-3-17