

Australian Red Cross Society Wounded and Missing
Enquiry Bureau files, 1914-18 War
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3621B Private
Reginald Samuel
Thorn

10th Battalion



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10th Btn.
A. I. F.

THORN
Redinald Samuel 3621, late 27.

"Killed in Action 24.7.16"

No trace Germany

Cert. by Capt. Mills, 10.10.19.

London.
15.10.19.

P. I.

A. I. F. 10.C.

THORN, R.S. 3821.

H. July 24th, 1916.

His casualty date should be July 24th, 1916. He was guiding Major Shaw about the trenches at Pozieres on July 24th, 1916 (not 1917 as given). He left us and went back to have a shot at a sniper who was worrying us. While attempting to do so he was shot through the head and killed outright. This was reported to me the day it happened. His body was buried just at the rear of Battn HQ at Pozieres. This was reported to me also. He belonged to C.Coy.

Reference:- Sgt-Maj. H.C.Harren. 3839. C.Coy.
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Name, number &c. checked from Battn records.

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Etaples
8.12.17.

2120 Dor Bond

C. Coy. 7th Training Bn AIF
Rollerton

Sept 20th

The Secretary
First Red Cross Society
London

Sir

I should be greatly obliged
if you could inform me of the localities etc
of grave number ^{etc} of Left No 3621 R. S. Thom
C Company 10th Battalion A. I. F. killed in action
about July 23rd 1916 somewhere near Pozieres

Thanking you in Anticipation

Yours faithfully
Giles Dor Bond

2120 Dvr. A.F.W. Bond,
C. Coy, 7th Training Bttn,
A.I.F., Rollestone Camp,
Wilts.

January 30th, 1918.

Dear Sir,

In answer to your enquiry for information of the burial
of ³⁶²¹ No 382B Pte. R.S. THORN, 10th Battalion, A.I.F.

We regret to inform you of the following unofficial report
given by Sgt. Major M.C. Harren when at a Base Depot in France.

He stated "Pte. Thorn was guiding Major Shaw and me about
the trenches at Pozieres on July 24th, 1916. He left us and
went back to have a shot at a sniper who was worrying us. While
attempting to do so he was shot through the head and killed
outright. This was reported to me the day it happened. His
body was buried just at the rear of Battalion Headquarters at
Pozieres. This was reported to me also. He belonged to C. Coy."

We have applied to the Graves Registration Bureau for
information as to the registration of his grave and as soon as
a reply is received we shall advise you.

Yours faithfully,

L.A.W.

SECRETARY.