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3244A Private Thomas Tong

49th Battalion



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49th Battn.
A.I.F.

T. TONG.
3244A.

"Died of Wounds".

Died of Wounds 12-10-17, at 3rd C.C.S.(Can)

Buried Soldier's Cemetery B 646.
Cert: by A.I.F.Hors 17-6-18.

London.
17-6-18.

B. cable.

49th Battn
AIF

TONG
T. 3244

"Died of wounds Oct 12th 1917"

Three runners from A.Coy., Tong, Hay, and another were hit by a shel two killed and one wounded. I was about 20 yards away but did not know which was killed. Was wounded myself the same night.

Witness: J Warnock 3247
49th Battn A.Coy.,
Hut 9
Westham

W.Oman
London.
17.1.18

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28th January 1916.

49th A.I.F.

Tong T. No.3244.

D/W 12th Octr 1917. Det D/B.

I knew Tong since October 1916: we came in the same boat 'Demosthenes' from Australia. He was medium height, medium build, fair, about 26 and stuttered in talk.

On the 12th October in the support tr ench at Bonnebeke four men were going to H.Q. on Sig. duty when a shell fell and three of them were killed. Tong was one. I saw his body being carried away by S/Bs. They all had been badly cut about. The bodies most likely would be buried near the D/ Station where the graves would be marked, but I did not see the graves. About a week after we came out for good, but we held and still hold the ground.

Inf:- Pte Dixon No.3159.
49th Battn A.Co. Signaller.
Australian Camp.
Rouelles.

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