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**26645 Gunner
Elmglade Webb**

2nd Field Artillery Brigade



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A.I.F. 2nd F.A.E.

WEBB
R. 28645

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killed in action 30/9/17

Buried the Rush Military Cemetery 8 miles S.W. of Exeter.
Cert. by A.I.F. Hdqrs list for Capt. Spedding.

Cause of Casualty	Casualty	Unit	Name
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London
4/9/19

A.F.A. 2 Bde

WEBB, E. 26645.

K. Sept 30th 1917. Dets.

I have a note in my book of Webb being killed on Oct 1st. This was at Anzac Ridge, Ypres which probably refers to the man in the book. I did not see it but the news came from the gunners that he was helping to bring down Driver Powell who was wounded, to the Menin Road D/S. A shell landed and killed both of them. I think he was buried at Reninghelst but have not seen the grave. Our Padre would have a record of it. Joined at Hametz Nov. 1916 from the 24th Bty. He was 23, rather thin and clean shaven. He was in 5 Bty

Inf: Dvr J. Summersgill. 4020. 2/5 Bty
No. 83 Gen Hospital,
BOULOGNE. 10.1.18.

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2 Brigade,
5 Battery.
A.I.F.

WEBB.
E. 36645
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KILLED 30.9.17.

I did not see the actual casualty, but saw him in his dugout and a few moments after it happened. He and another man named Baine, were caught by a shell and killed instantly. They were both very badly knocked about. Casualty happened near Ypres. I knew him very well, he was the only man of this name in Battery. I did not see his grave, but I know his body was taken back to our waggon lines at Dickebusch, and buried in the Military Cemetery there. Refer to Sgt Major J. Street, 5 Btty, 2 Brigade who is in France, he gave all orders for the burial, and can give all details.,

Informant:- Payne. Cpl. G. W. 3212.

2. Brigade, 5 Battery.

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Dartford..

NOTE written Sgt. Maj. Street. 18.2.18

W. Oman.

London.
18.2.18.

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20th. March. 1918.

2nd. A. F. A.
5th. Battery.

Webb. E. No. 26645.

X. 30th. September 1917. Dets. D/B.

I knew an E. Webb in our Battery, he was killed on September 30th. at Westhooke Ridge by a shell, he had just been stretcher bearing out of a dug-out. I saw him dead the next day. They were taking him away for burial to Dickiebusche. I knew Webb fairly well, he was a tall, thin, chap, dark, came from Sydney.

Inf:- Gunner. C. R. Dean. No. 4600.
2nd. A. F. A.
5th. Battery.
Australian Camp.
Fouelles.

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CES.

2nd Flt. Art. Bgd
A.F.A.

Webb.
E. 26645

"Killed 30.9.17"

Talking over things with mates at No.1 Com. Depot I learnt that my friend Webb was helping to get in Dvr. Powell 5th Bty when a shell got them and killed them outright. I do not remember place but think would be about Zonnebeke. I understand they were both buried at Dickebusch. Sgt. Ibbison 5th Bty. (same subsection as Webb) is now at No.8 Camp No.1 Com Depot. Sutton Veny. and can give information.

Informant:- Gnr. T.P. Egan 1577
5th Batty.

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E.A. Rand

London
25.3.18.

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Note Written Sgt. Ibbison 25.3.18.

10th returned with 6th Bty 10/10/18

note in file

A.F.A. 2.5.

WEBB, W. 26645.

K. Sept 30th 1917. Dets D/B.

Webb was in my battery and I knew him very well. On Sept 30th he was taking a wounded man into a pill-box to have him dressed and just as he reached the pill-box a Boche shell landed on the spot and killed Webb and his companion, death being instant in each case. I saw the occurance and he was buried on the field at Westhoek Ridge, Ypres. He had not been with us long.

Inf: Gnr F.J.Hoyle. 10534. 2/5.
No. 53 Gen.Hosp.
BOULOGNE. 26.3.18.

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A.F.A. 2 Bde.

WEBB, E. 26645.

K. Sept. 30th, 1917 Det. D/B.

There was a Webb in the 5th Bty. who was killed about the beginning of Oct. in a valley where the guns were between Chateau Wood and Westhoek Ridge. A shell killed him and another gunner outright. I was in the position when he was killed but about 200 yards away. I don't think he was buried at the position, but away back at Rehinghelst. Webb was a transfer from the 24th Bty. He had been Secretary to some Victorian union I think.

Inf. Gunner H. W. McKellar, 30328 5/2 Bde.

32. Stat. Hosp.

BOULOGNE. 2.4.18.

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16.2.58

Sgt. Major J. Street

S. Batty

2 Brigade

G.I.F.

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20/3/18.

To

Sgt IBBISON.

5th Batty

2nd F. A. Brigade

A. I. F.

B. E. F.

About.

26645. E. WEBB.

2nd Field Artillery Bde

A. I. F.

G. 30/9/17.

25-3-18.
A. I. F.

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LONDON, S.W. 1.

22/3/18.

Sgt. Whison
5th Batty
2nd F.A. Brigade
A.I.F. B.E.F.

Dear Sir,

We are making enquiries about a man of your unit,

26645 E. Webb
2nd F.A. Brigade
A.I.F.

Killed 30/9/14

and have been told that you may be able to help us by supplying some information.

We should be most grateful for any details you can send us concerning him, but our enquirers wish especially to know whether he was buried, if so, whether it was on the field, or in a soldiers' cemetery where the grave would be registered. We would also be glad if you could add a short description of his personal appearance or any points that might help to prove his identity.

In your reply kindly quote name, initials and number, as without these particulars delay and confusion might be caused in identifying the soldier about whom you have written.

Yours faithfully,

(Miss) *Vera Seakin*

Secretary.

Jr. MmC.