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2894 Private Cecil Victor Prior

37th Battalion



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PRIOR Cecil Victor 2894

" K/A. 4-10-17"

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PRIOR, C.V. Pte. 2894 (B.Co.)

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"Prior came from Box Hill, Vic. He was a quiet, good living fellow. I think his father was a Butcher. He was killed on 4th Oct.1917 at Zornebeke. I did not see him killed myself, but was told that he had been killed.

Informant: 289x Sergt, R.G.Colee,

Home address: - 8 Union St., Northcote. Vic.

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Killed in Action 4/10/17.

I knew Casualty. He was a slight built man, 5'lo, fair complexion, 26 years of age. Casualty was in an advance at Zonnebeke Ridge and was attacking a pill box when an H.E. shell landed near him killing him instantly, a piece of shell entering his head. I saw him lying there as we passed on in the attack. He was a personal friend of mine in the battalion. He was buried where he fell and there was a cross erected over his grave.

Informant:- Pte. H.B. Williams, No. 2916,

Private address: McKay Street,
Rochester.

N.A.T. 25/7/19

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