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2816 Corporal Frederick William Tooth

59th Battalion



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A.I.F., 59th Bttn.

TOOTH.
Cpl. Frederick William.
2816.

Killed in Action. 26.9.17.

No trace Germany.
Cert by Capt. Mills. 10.10.19.

London.
24.10.19.

H & S & P. I.

59th Battn.,
A. I. F.

TOOTH,
F.W. 2816.

Wounded July-Aug-16.

No report.
Cert. by - A.I.F. Headquarters 19-8-16 and 21-9-16.

Admitted to 2nd. Gen. Hosp. Sheffield 31-7-16 suffering from shell shock.

Transferred to Lydgate Lane Aux.Hosp. Sheffield 18-8-16.
Cert. by - Hospital Index 3-10-16.

Discharged 18-8-16.
Cert. by - Letter from O.C. 4-10-16.

M.

London,
5-10-16.

59th. Battn. A. I. F.

Tooth. F. W. Cpl. No. 28I6.

No. 5. Platoon. B. Company.

Killed Sept. 26th. I9I7. Det. D/B.

He was killed by a shell near Anzac House, Polygon Wood. I helped to bury him near an ammunition dump, just in rear of Anzac House. I could not say if any cross was erected. I knew him well in the company. I could not say where he came from.

Description. Age. 22. Height. 5-0. Complexion. Fair. Nuggety Build.

Witness. Pte. Davies. W. F. No. 4784. B. Company. 59th. Battn.

Taken at.
No. 4. C. D. Hurdcott
I3. 6. I8.
S. W.

S. Whitmee
No. 4. Command Depot
Hurdcott.

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P.I

59th. Battn. A. I. F.

Tooth, Cpl. F. W. No. 28I6.

B. Company.

Killed Sept. 26th. I9I7. Det. D/B.

I saw him killed by a shell during the hop over at Polygon Wood. I could not say if he was buried. I knew him well in the Company. He came from Victoria.

Description. Age 26. Height. 5-6. Complexion. Dark. Slight Build.

Witness. Pte. Boyle, T. F. No. I666. B. Company. 59th. Battalion.

Taken at.
No. 4. C. D. Hurdcott.
II. 7. I8.
S. W.

S. Whitmee.
No. 4. Command Depot.
Hurdcott.

M
P.I

59th Battn:

Tooth, Cpl. F.W. 2816.

K. 26/9/17.

I saw his grave at our reserve line at Kemmel near the old trenches.

I read his name on the cross.

59th Battn:

Cops, A.E.Pte. 2847.

B 20. Dartford. 20/8/18.

R.D.B.

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Enquiry for

2816

Cpl F. W. TOOTH

5-9 Battn

C KA-26.9.17 D. D/B.

✓ HQRs information

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Enquirer Miss VIZARD

51 Kyrle Road

Clapham Cm.

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19-6-17

26th June, 1918.

Miss Vizard,
51, Kyrle Road,
Clapham Common. S.W. 11.

Dear Madam,

We beg to inform you we have at last been able to secure some unofficial information from a man of the same unit concerning your friend, 2816 Cpl. F.W. Tooth, 59th Infantry Batt. A.I.F. who was killed in action on 26.9.17. Our informant 4784 Pte. T.F. Davies who was interviewed when in camp at Hurdcott stated that he knew Cpl. Tooth well, and that he was killed by a shell near Anzac House, Polygon Wood. He helped to bury him at the rear of Anzac House.

We are pursuing our enquiries, and will advise you of anything further.

With sincere sympathy,

Yours faithfully,

(Miss)

Secretary.

Miss McConnell

July 29th, 1918.

Miss Vizard,
51, Kyrle Road,
Clapham Common, S.W.

Dear Madam,

In further answer to your enquiry for -

2815 Cpl. F.W. TOOTH, 59th Battalion, A.I.F.

We beg to inform you of another unofficial report we have received from a man of his unit. When in No 4 Command Depot Hurdcott, informant - 1666 Pte.T.F.Boyle - stated that he saw Cpl. Tooth killed by a shell when they went over the parapet at Polygon Wood on Sept 26th., but he does not know if he were buried. He knew him well in the company and describes him as 5'6" in height, of dark complexion and slight build, and about 26 years of age.

We are continuing our enquiries and as soon as we obtain further particulars we shall advise you.

Trusting that this report has been of some assistance to you.

Yours faithfully,

(Miss)

Secretary.

L.A.W.

51, Hyple Road.

Clapham Common.

London. S.W. 11.

August 1st/1916.

Dear Miss. Deakin.

In answer to the report concerning my cousin-2816. L/pl. F. W. Tooth. 59, Battalion. A.I.F. R. in. A. on Sept. 26th we are indeed grateful to the Society for the information, and sympathy they have shown us, we know nothing can bring the dear lads back to us, but it is a great comfort especially to the parents to know what has been done for them by the Red Cross either in hospital or many other various ways.

I am a V.A.D. worker of Battersea. L/84. so know what the work is, also the spirit in which the work is done.

His father and mother are many miles away in Australia hence the reason I made the

enquiry, otherwise they would have written.
If you should have any other report of course
we shall be glad to hear, but I think now
we have heard all we can, and as I said
before it is a great comfort and relief to know
though the Red Cross that the poor lad did
not suffer and also that he was buried.

Again many thanks.

Yours faithfully.
E. Vizard.