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5076 Private Reginald Wills Ramage

24th Battalion



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A.I.F. 24th Btn

RAMAGE
Reginald Wills 5076

"Wded & Missing"

Killed in action 2-5-17 - previously reported Wded & Missing
Cert. by A.I.F.Hqrs 8-1-18.

M &
BOUL:

London
18-1-18

A.I.F. 24th Bttn,

RANGE.
Reginald Willis. 3076.

Killed in Action. 2.5.17.

No trace in Germany.
Cert by Captain Willis. 14.10.19.

London.
17.10.19.

M. & B'logne.

24th Battn.
A. I. F.

Ramage.
R. W. 5076

"Wounded & Missing 2.5.17"

5076 Pte. R. W. Romage is still wounded and missing. Probably the name has been confused with 4764 Pte.C.J. Romage who returned to Australia on 22.7.17 or 5075 Pte.A.Ramage who was struck off our strength to hospital on 9.8.17.

Letter from:-
The Adjutant,
24th Battn.
A.I.F. 31.8.17.

London.
24.9.17.

Note In the Adjutant's letter the name is clearly printed Romage.

M.

24th Battn.
A. I. F.

Ramage.
R. W. 5076

"Wounded & Missing 2.517"

Referring to my cousinPte. Ramage 5076. Your informant's statement regarding his whereabouts is entirely incorrect as I know he is officially posted as Missing since 3rd of May at the operation at Bullecourt. This is all the information that I can give concerning my late cousin.

Letter from:-
Pte. Ted Ramage
24th Battn.
France. 12.8.17.

London.
20.8.17.

H.

A.I.F. 24th Btn

RAILAGE
R.W. 5076

"Wded April-May"

Adm. 2nd Birmingham War Hpl 7-2-17 - Pleurisy acute

Trans - Dartford 2-3-17

Discharged furlough and report No. 1 Aust: Command Depot
Perham Downs 7-3-17
Cert. by Hpl Index

Wounded 2-5-17
Cert. by A.I.F. Headquarters 25-6-17

Wounded & Missing 2-5-17
Cert. by Rouen letter 28-6-17.

H.

London
2-7-17

Havre 24th July, 1917.

24th AUSTRALIANS RAMAGE, R.W. 5076

W & E. 2.5.17.

I knew a Ramage with the same initials ~~RWR~~ who is in C Co, but I do not know his number, or if it corresponds to the above. I knew he was wounded, and was sent to England, and I know he is back now with the battalion. I saw him a few days ago. There is no other of that name that I~ know of. The man I refer to is short, of medium build, fair-haired, and was married before he joined. He came from Victoria.

Informant: Pte. W.A. Bolton, 1883
24th Australians, B Co., 5th Fltn.,
No. 1 Gen., Etretat.

L de D.

A. Ramage 24 Batt^n Dis. to F. Downs 7.3.17

ORIGINAL STATEMENT KOHELON. 2544/16/11

(COPY)

Statement made by No.1883 Pte Bolton W.A. 24th Btn

re No.5076 Pte Ramage R.W. 24th Btn
Wounded & Missing 2.5.17

I knew a man by the above name in C.Coy 24th Btn I last saw him in July with his Btn. He had been wounded which I told the officer but I did not know if the Pte Ramage I know is the one referred to as wounded & Missing.

Dated at Tooting this 21st day of August 1917.

(Sgd) W.A. Bolton

Statement made and signed before me (Sgd) N. Thorne. Capt.

24th A.I.F. R. H. RAMAGE. 5076.

W & H. 2.8.17.

Ramage was in C Co. He was missing after Bullecourt but has now rejoined and I saw him about the 18th July in good health.

Reference: Pte. A. Milne, 1727.

No.12 General, Rouen. 28.7.17.

FS.

Written Adjt. 18.8.17

24th Battn.
A. I. F.

Ramage.
R. W. 5076

"Wounded & Missing 2.5.17"

Refer to his cousin, Pte. E. Ramage, 24th Battalion Transport Section who is still in France and who told me he was wounded, and in a hospital in England.

Witness:-
Cpl. F. J. Orfcrd. 4005
24th Battn. A.Coy. 2nd Pl.
3rd Aust.Aux.Hospital.
Dartford.

W,Oman.

London.
10.8.17.

Note Written Pte. Ramage 6.8.17. M.

24th Battn
C. Coy.
A.I.F.

RAMAGE.
R.W. 5076

"Wounded and Missing" 2.5.17."

I saw him about three months ago at Bullecourt, in France, He was then quite well and still in the 24th Battn. I knew him well and am quite certain that it is the same man, His brother was with him, when I saw him, and I spoke to them both.

Witness. Pte. A. Milne. 1727
24th Batt. A. Coy. 3rd Pltn.
3rd A.A. Hospital,
Dartford.

W. Oman,
London.
20.8.17. M.

ORIGINAL STATEMENT EUHELON 2544/16/11

(COPY)

Statement made by No.1727 Pte Milne A. 24th Btn

re No.5076 Pte Ramage R.W. 24th Btn
Reported Missing & Wd 2.6.17

I left my Btn about 5 weeks ago. Twp days before I left I was speaking to Pte Ramage. He was then in the best of health.

Dated at Codford this 31st day August 1917.

(Sgd) A. Milne

Statement made and signed beforeme (Sgd) E.F. Playford

Evidently wrong letter

Havre 27th August 1917

24th AUSTRALIANS RAMAGE, R.W. No. 5076

W/E 2.5.1917

I had a Private A. Ramage in my Platoon (24th Btn. C. Co. 12th Platoon) but do not know of any R.W.Ramage in the Battalion. A.Ramage was away from the unit in May but has since returned and is there now; he has a brother E.Ramage in same platoon. A.Ramage is No. 5075; he came from Euroa District in Victoria, and they were I think farmers or farm hands.

Informant: Sgt. C. Stewart 1757
24th Australians C.Co. 12th Pltn
Australian Base Rouelles

RDM

Havre 10th October 1917

24th AUSTRALIANS RAMAGE, R.W. 5076

W/E 2nd May 1917

I know Private Ramage; his number was in the 5,000's. His cousin Private E. Ramage of C. Co. Transport, told me that his cousin Bob Ramage was killed. E. Ramage is with his unit.

Informant: L/C W.H.Hargood 4769
24 Australians C.Co. 9th Pltn
Australian Camp Rouelles

RDM

See letter from Pte E.Ramage 20.8.17

A.I.F. 24th RAMAGE, R. W. 5076.

W & M. 2.5.17.

We were told by our Co. H.Q. that he was killed, but I do not know any particulars.

Informant: Pte. C. Young. 5115. C Co.
No.8 Stat.Hpl.
Boulogne. 28.9.17.

Note. Informant could not give any personal description.

PRBL.

Written O/R. Sgt. 24 Batt
11-10-17

~~RAMAGE~~
A.I.F. 24. RAMAGE. R.W. 5076.

W. & M. May 2nd 1917.

He was in C.Cpy. IX. Pltn. and a great friend of mine. He was about 4 men away from me when we went over at Bullecourt on May 3rd, and I saw him lying dead out in no man's land. I am quite positive about it, and others besides myself saw his body. I think he was killed by a shell. We had to fall back and his body would be left out. Ramage has a brother in the 24th, but I think he is in hospital in St. Omer

Informant. Pte J. Wyatt. 4798. C. Coy. IX.
2nd Army Rest Camp.
BOULOGNE. 12. 10.17.

HHH.

24th Australians Ramage, R.W. 5076,

(W & H May 2nd/17)

Informant states that "late in August 1917 at St. Omer when I was on a day's leave, I met Ramage in hospital uniform. He told me he had been pretty bad and we chatted for a time. He came from Gippsland and was interested in horses. I used to be in D. Coy. I have not seen Ramage since."

Eye-witness:

Description: Short, very slight and fair complexion, "little Ramage"

Informant: R. Logan, 4455,
24th A. I. F., B. Coy,
Kitchener's Hospital,
Brighton.

Home address:
Drummond St,
Carlton,
Victoria.

23rd Oct. 1917.
Larpent.

24th Battn.
A.I.F.

Ramage.
Pte. R. W. 5076

"Wounded & Missing 2.5.17"

Regarding 5076 Pte.R.W.Ramage. I have to inform you that I cannot add any particulars more than you are already in your possession viz:- Wounded & Missing. With reference to his personal appearance I have interviewed his cousin who has furnished me with the following details. Age.22.Height 5'10", complexion fair, Build stout, features round.Clean shaven.

Letter from:-
E. Rattle.
Belgium.
16.10.17.

London.
24.10.17.

M.
Boulogne.

The Adj: C-C | 10.8.17
24 Batt AIF BEF

for
5076 R. W. RAMAGE
24 Batt AIF

W & M. 2.5.17

Tho' missing after Bullecourt
has now reported was seen in
duty in good health.

FM
25.8.17

(11-10-17

Orderly Room Sergeant
C. Co. 24 Batt.
A 17
B 17

Abt
5076 R. W. RANAGE
24 Batt.
A 17.
W/M 2-5-17

12.10.17.
A.J.B.

24TH AUSTRALIAN INFANTRY BATTALION
31/8/17

Secretary
Australian Red Cross Society
London

5076 Pte R W ROMAGE is still wounded and missing.
Probably the same man reported admitted Mob. #764 Pte ROMAGE who returned to Australia on 22/5/17 or
5075 Pte A RAMAGE who was wounded and died of wounds in Hospital on 9/5/17.

Yours faithfully
Adjt

5076 R W. RAMAGE
24 Batt
W. Aust

Note the Adjutants letter the name is clearly printed ROMAGE

6.8.17

Pte. E.RAMAGE
Transport Sect.
42 Battn. A.I.F.
B.E.F.

Dear Pte. Ramage,

We have been making enquiries for our Melbourne Bureau concerning your cousin: 5076 R.W.RAMAGE
24. Battn A.I.F.
W.and M. 2.5.17

and have lately been told that ~~he~~ you knew him to be wounded and in some hospital in England, We should be very grateful if you would kindly write and tell us if our informant was correct in his statement: and if so give us the name of the hospital in which your cousin is or was a patient in order that we might trace him and so relieve the anxiety of enquirers.

Trusting to hear from you shortly,

Yours faithfully,

V. D

Secretary

Back letter 23.10.17

Pelletier
16.10.17

From, Overland Camp
Cpl. 24th Batt.

5071 Pte R.W. RAMAGE.
24 Batt
W/M 2.5.17
M
B'lop
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The Secretary
Wounded Missing Enquiry Bureau
Victoria St London

Dear Madam.

In reply to yr. letter dated 14th inst. regarding 5071 Pte R.W. Ramage, I have to inform you that I cannot add any more than I have already in my previous letter.

"Wounded Missing"

With reference to the Personal appearance I have interviewed two Officers who furnished the same information details.

Age 22. Height 5ft. Complexion Fair. Hair, Light Features Round. Clean Shaven.

Yours respectfully
Cpl

G.C

October 23rd, 1917.

Q/M/Sgt. E.V.Rattle,
C.Coy, 58th Aust.Inf.Battn,
A.I.F., B.E.F.

Dear Sir,

We wish to thank you for your reply in answer to our enquiry concerning 5076 Pte.R.W.Ramage,
24th Battalion,
A.I.F.

The information you have given will be of assistance to us, and our enquirers, but regret that there is no further news of this missing soldier.

Yours faithfully,

SECRETARY.

OS.

France 18/8/17

Dear Mrs Tatlow

I beg to acknowledge receipt of the
6/8/17 Return & my cousin Pte R.W. Ramage.
5076. 24 Batt. Your informants
statement regarding his future death is
entirely incorrect as at present he is
officially posted as 'Missing' since
3 of May at the Operations at
Bullecourt. This is all the information
that I can give concerning my
late Cousin.

Respectfully Yours -

Mrs Fred. Ramage
901 24th Batt AIF.

5076
RAMAGE
24 BATT AIF