

Australian Red Cross Society Wounded and Missing
Enquiry Bureau files, 1914-18 War
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2766 Private
Frank Randle

5th Light Trench Mortar Battery



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A.I.F.
5th Light Trench Mortar Battery,
(late 17th Battalion)

6 Rpts.

"Killed 3.5.17."

RANDLE - Pte. F.
No. 2766.

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Randle was one of my runners on the 4th May 1917. He and another man went out together. Randle nearly returned but the other man did return and reported that a shell burst near them and that he got clear but could not see anything of Randle. He said he must have been killed immediately.

Informant: Captain V.E.D. Crisp,
5th Light Trench Mortar Battery.

Home address: Grenfell.

S. T. M. Co

B.M.
Victoria Barracks, Sydney.
3.4.19.

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5th LTM. Battery
AIF

RUNDLE
Randle
F. 2766

"Missing 3.5.17."

Killed in Action 3.5.17. prev. reported Missing
Cert. by AIF Hdqtrs 17.12.17.

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London.
20.12.17.

5th L.T.M.Bty.
A.F.A.

Rundle.
F. 2766

"Killed in Action 3.5.17"

I knew Rundle well, and we joined the battery together. He was killed by shell fire, I heard the shells and the guns were utterly destroyed and no traces left from the explosion. It was on the 3rd of May at Bullecourt in the early morning and quite light. The ground was taken and re-taken within a short time, it was well in the front line of fighting.

Home address: Eye-witness:

Ripon St.,
Redfe- Description: Englishman. Dark, medium height, false
rn City. ⁿ teeth. "Girlye"
Informant:- C.P.Larsen 770

Home address:

C.Chapman
London. 22.12.17.
18.1.18.

5th L.T.M.Bty.
York Place Hospital Brighton.

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5th LIGHT TRENCH MORTAR BATTERY
late 17th Battalion
6th Reinforcements.

RUNDE 2766
RANDLE F. Private
No. 2766

"KILLED 3-5-18"

I knew the above Soldier. We were at Bullecourt on the above date in front of Noveul. It was the morning of the hopover. I was in the gun team on the left of Randle. It was in the early morning and it was half dark at the time. That was the last I saw of him and his gun team. It is presumed that the whole team was blown up soon after it took up position. We never saw Randle again. It was never proved that the gun was found, and we always hoped that he and the others were taken prisoners."

INFORMANT:- Private A. Martin, No. 4772
5th Light Trench Mortar Battery

Home address:- 22 Wilson Street Redfern.

W.M.I.
No. 4 Australian General Hospital
Randwick 15-9-18.

SYDNEY BUREAU.

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