

Australian Red Cross Society Wounded and Missing  
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2nd Lieutenant  
Reuben Parkes

34th Battalion



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A. I. F. 34th Battn.

PARKS  
R. 2nd Lt.

KILLED 30/3/18.

We were trying to capture a machine-gun post in Hangard Wood (in April (18?) and he volunteered to go and was killed instantly at about 2 a.m. by Machine Gun bullets in the body when about 6 yards from me. I went over to see him but he had been killed outright. We had to retire about 4 hours later and were not able to bury him. We went back about 700 yards. I believe the ground is still occupied by the Germans. Ground was lost.

Eye-witness:- Yes.

Description:- He belonged to A Company.

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