

Australian Red Cross Society Wounded and Missing  
Enquiry Bureau files, 1914-18 War  
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**1243 Corporal  
James Albert Roberts**

**3rd Pioneer Battalion**



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A.I.F. 3rd Pioneer Batta.

ROBERTS  
J.A.1243

"DIED OF WOUNDS 29/9/18"

Died of wounds at 41st Casualty Clearing Station  
Cert. by A.I.F. Mjrs List 17/12/18

London  
19/12/18

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A.I.F. 3rd Pioneers

ROBERTS  
Cpl. James Albert  
1243

"Died of wounds 29/9/18"

Died of wounds at 41st Casualty Clearing Station (wounds not stated)  
29/9/18. Buried Doingt Com: Cem: Ext: 1 $\frac{1}{2}$  miles E. of Peronne D.G.R.E.  
L.S.S. 3273

Cert. by A.I.F. Hqs 19/3/19

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7th. March 1919.

3rd. Pioneers. A.I.F.

Roberts. J. A. 1243.

D/W. Sept. 29/1918. Det. D/B.

I was with him. He was wounded by a shell at Borey. I saw him carried back. He was hit about 6.30 a.m. on the above date. We went on and I cannot say where he was buried. He was in the same Platoon, and came from Western Australia and was originally a miner, married, with a family. His wife lives in Melbourne. He was 43 years of age, and had just come back after 6 months in England. He was a Corporal. He was buried at Dernigh Military Cemetery. There was a cross.

Inf:- L/Corporal P. Smith. 2300,  
3rd. Pioneer Battn. D. 16. A.I.F.  
Austr. Demob. Base.

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J.A.

RRB.

A.I.F. 3rd Pioneers

ROBERTS  
Cpl. J.A. 1243

"Died of wounds 29/9/18"

In reply to your enquiries Cpl. Roberts of the 3rd Pioneers was brought into this C.C.S. on the 29/9/18 mortally wounded in the head. He was unconscious and although everything possible was done for him he died the same day. He was buried in the Mil. Cem. at DOINGT (near Peronne)

Letter from:- O.C.,  
1st Casualty Clearing Station.

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ROBERTS.  
J.A. 1243.

"Died of Wounds 29.9.18."

I saw Cpl. Roberts. D.XVI. wounded by shell (hit in head) at Ronssoy about 6.30 a.m. alongside of me as we were marching up on road duty - Jacobson was killed by the same shell. I bound Roberts up but he was unconscious. S/Bs Jim.Stott and Priddeaux, took him away to D/3 where he died without regaining consciousness. He was buried in Doingt Mil. Cemetery and a cross has been erected.

Description:- Tall, dark, was born in Bendigo, but has been living in North Melbourne. Married man - has been working in West Australia.

Informant:- Cpl.C.H.Hohling. 1104.  
3rd Pion. Btn. D. XIII  
A.I.F. Le Havre 8.4.19.

H.E.H.  
London.  
14.4.19.  
HG.

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3rd Pns.

ROBERTS, J.A.  
Cpl. 1843

Died of Wounds 29/9/18

"Wounded on the 29/9/18 on the Yellow Road near Ronssoy. He was taken to the Dressing Station at Ronssoy and he there died of wounds received. He was buried in the cemetery at St.Emilie. I think the Padre's name was Thomas".

Informant:- Hannan, Sgt.  
207, 3rd Pns.

R.J.Beeston,  
4706, A.M.C.  
H.M.A.T. "Karagola"

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Cpl James Albert Roberts

3rd Pioneers

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29.9.18



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O. C. Staff:

41-1-18 O.C.  
Casualty Clearing  
Station  
B.S.Y.

1243 86: Y-A Robert  
310 Pioneer  
A.I.F.

discharged 29-9-18.

Tel.: VICTORIA (8576  
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8578)

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ENQUIRY BUREAU -

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36. GROSVENOR PLACE.

LONDON S.W. 1.

*To the Casualty Clearing Station B.E.F.*

*re 1243*  
*Cpl James Albert Roberts 3rd Pioneer A.I.F.*

*re 3972*  
*Pte Henry Martin Slater 2nd Pioneer A.I.F.*

Dear Sir,

We have been asked by the relatives in Australia to obtain the fullest details possible of the wounds, death and burial of the above, who died in your Hospital on 23rd 18 and would greatly appreciate any information that you may send us.

As we have been informed by various C.O.'s and Adjutants that the receipt of notes of thanks only causes them unnecessary inconvenience, unless you ask us to acknowledge your reply to the above we will not do so, and trust that you will understand that we appreciate it none the less.

With apologies for troubling you,

Yours faithfully,

(Miss)

*Miss Perkins*  
*R.N.S.W.S.*

Secretary.

Miss Vera Drake

4/1243 Cpl. J.A. Roberts  
3rd Pioneer  
D/H 29.9.18.  
M. 2.

Dear Madam,

In reply to your enquires overleaf  
Cpl. Roberts of the 3rd Pioneer  
was brought into this C.C.S. on the 29.9.18  
mortally wounded in the head. He was  
unconscious & although everything possible was  
done for him, he died the same day. He  
was buried in the military cemetery at  
DOINGT (near Peronne) X Ft H. M. Slater  
2nd Pioneer  
D/H 3.10.18  
M. 2.

He Slater of the 2nd Pioneer was  
admitted to this C.C.S. on the 30<sup>th</sup> Sep. last  
being mortally wounded in the head. He was  
given every attention by capable nursing sisters  
but I regret to say he died, in comfortable  
surroundings, on the 3rd Oct. He was  
buried the following day at Doingt (near  
Peronne)

Le Cateau  
28-3-19

41st CASUALTY CLEARING STATION.
No. ....
Date .....

X Slip

S. J. H. H. H.  
St. Col. R.A.M.C.  
O.C. 41 C.C.S.