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3356 Private
Walter Ward Worley

29th Battalion



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FRANCE.

29th BATT. A.I.F. WORLEY. W. W. 3356.

K.May 19th.1918. Det.

He was in D.Coy, XIII Platoon and he was killed by one of Fritz' shells in the reserve line at Sailly-le-Sec. A piece of the shell penetrated his heart. He was carried out for burial. He came from South Melbourne and he had been married just before coming away. We came over together to the 29th Battalion in the 7th reinforcements.

WSI

Ref --- Pte W.H.Lynch. 3256. Stretcher-bearer
No 47 Gen. Hospital. May 23rd.1918

NOTE Given as a No Enquiry on May 23rd.

Le Treport. July 19th.1918

A.I.F. 29. WORLEY, W.W. 3356.

K. May 14th 1918. Dets.

He was killed at Sailly le Sec. I did not see anything of it but he was with Sgt ~~Amos~~ Amos, D.XIII. (still living) who can give further information.

Came from Melbourne, 33 or 35, married, moustache, not wounded before(?).

Inf: Sgt A.H.Avery. 1053. D.XIV.
Billets,
BOULOGNE. 22.7.1918.

WG

Written Amos. 31.7.18

29th. A. I. F.

Worley W. W. Pte. 3356
D Coy. 13 Platoon.

(Killed) 19-5-18

"We were back in support and Pte. Worley was running for cover when a shell burst about 5 yards away and a piece of shrapnel knocked him right in the heart, he never moved again"

Eye Witness - Yes

Description - Red thin face, ginger moustache.

Informant:- Sgt. McClellam Herbert 1194
29th Batt. A. I. F.
D. Coy. 13 Platoon,
Ford House Hospital
Devonport.

Home address:- 20 Laverton Street
Williamstown,
~~Melville~~, Melbourne
Victoria, Australia.

July 24th, 1918
Eleanor C. Coates.

W29

Havre. 27th. July. 1918.

29th. Australians. Worley, W. W. 3356.

K. May. 19/1918. Date. D/B.

We were in reserves at Bailly & Bec. This man was in the 13th. pltn, D. Company (mine) A shell came over into the Valley; the only one the whole time we were there; he was hit on the left side & killed outright. It was quite a stray shell. He was taken away to the rear of Battalion H.Q. near the Cemetery at Corbie. This is all I know. Medium height, fairly stout, dark, clean-shaven.

Inf:- Corporal. J. Shineberg. 2139.
Hospital Ship.

WHB.
W29

CP.

Havre 5th August 1918.

A.I.F. 29. Morley W.W. 3356.

K. 19th May 1918. Det D/B.

He was in D.Coy, came from Victoria, married. He was killed by a shell in reserve lines near Sailly le Sec about 11 a.m. His body was taken out and I think buried in the Cemetery at Corbie.

Inf:- Pte C. McCabe No. 4337.
A.I.F. 29. D.
A.H. 'Carrisbrooke Castle'.

RBS.

PP.

Havre. 5th. August. 1918.

29th. Australians Morley. W. W. 3356.

K. May. 19/1918. Dets. D/B.

I knew a man of this name in D. Company, 13th. Platoon, came from Victoria, fair, fair moustache, thin face, medium build, about 30. I think married. He were in reserve ~~near~~ a gulley at Sailly-le-Sec. he was hit by a shell & killed outright. I saw this. He was at C.H.Q. at the time. He was taken back & I believe he was ~~taken~~ buried at Corbie.

Inf:- E. L. Lee. 4325.
H. S. 'Carrisbrooke Castle'.

WHB.

CP.

FRANCE.

29th BATT. A.I.F. WORLEY. W.W. 3356.

K.May 19th.1918. pet.

Wewere in the same Platoon, No XIII. He took No 2 on my gun when Pollard, about whom I have told you, was killed. We were in reserves near Corbie, by Batt.Headquarters The Germans opened up a bombardment on the valley where we were and Worley was hit by a piece of shell, about his waist. The pieve of shell passed through him killing him insatntly. I was close to him at the time but there were one or two men between us. However I saw him directly after and he was dead. He was buried at Corbie.

WSI.

Ref ---L/Cpl H.C.Mather. 1296.
No 3 Gen. Hospital.

Le Treport. August 8th.1918

Havre 10th August 1918.

A.I.F. 29. Worley W.F. 3356.

K. 19th May 18. Bot D/B.

He came from Port Melbourne, or there abouts, and I think had been a Mechanic. He was medium build, fair, and had a moustache. About the 19th May we were in reserve near Sailly le Sec. During the day there was were a few shells coming and Worley thinking our position was safer than where he was, came to us. He was lying down when he was hit by a shell and killed right out. His body was taken away on the limber and probably buried at Corbay. I was close to him when he was killed.

Inf:- Pte E.C.Elkinson No.3889
A.I.F. 29. D. XVI.
Australian Conv. Depot.
Rouelles.

CWEG.

WJS.

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Havre

29th August 1918.

Australians. 29.

Worley W.W. 3356.

K. 19th May 1918. Det D/B.

I knew him well. He came from South Melbounre. He was a tall, very thin fellow, fair, and generally had a moustache, was about 33 years of age. About the 19th May we were in support behind Sailly le Sec. In the day Fritz was shelling us ~~xxxx~~ heavily and Worley was making for a dug out when he was hit by a piece of shell and killed outright. I saw the body wrapped in a blanket and it was buried later near the Civilian Cemetery at Corbey. There are about 15 of our boys buried there.

Inf:- Pte E.C.Coyle No.1847.
A.I.F. 29. D. Hill.
Australian Conv. Depot.
Rouelles.

OESG.

PP.

29th Battn.
A.I.F.

WORLEY.
Walter.W. 3356.

"Killed in Actien 19-5-18"

Re 3356.Pte.W.W.Worley. of whom you are asking information. I hope I can give you all details to your satisfaction. Above you will find his correct number, initials and name. I was Platoon Sergeant at time he was killed. He belonged to D.Company. 13th Platoon. 29th Battn. also a Lewis Gunner. He was killed by a shell splinter on the 29th May 1918 and was buried in a Soldiers Cemetery in a Small French Town called Corbie, where his Grave will be registered. His appearance was as follows:- about 5ft 10. or 11 in height, fair complexion, with a reddish brown hair, and a moustache of same colour. Blue eyes, age 27 or 28 years. I may state also hat he was a man of great courage and always fulfilled his duties as a soldier should. He was well respected by all whom knew him.

Letter from:- W.J.Ames. Sgt.
A.I.F.FRANCE. 1-10-18.

London.
6-10-18.
D.W.B.

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29th Btn.

WORLEY, W.H.
Pte. No. 3356

Kld. in act. 19.5.18.

"I knew Casualty. He was a man about 5' 8", well built, fair complexion, about 29 years of age. Casualty was going over to Battalion Headquarters, Scilly le Sec. An H.E. shell exploded near Casualty killing him instantly. I was 50 yards away at the time the shell exploded, and I saw his body immediately afterwards and took charge of his personal effects and handed same to A/Sgt. Major McLennan. He was most severely wounded in the body. He was buried at Corbie Cemetery and a cross was erected with his name, number and unit on it."

Informant:- Sgt. J. Grogan
No. 1124.

Private address
61 Autumn Street,
Geelong West.

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C/o Sup

T.C.F.
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29th Btn.
A.I.F.

WORLEY, W.W.
Pte. 3356

K. 19/5/18

I knew casualty. He was a tall man, well built, fair complexion, about 34 years of age, 7th/29th Btn., embarked on the Troopship "Berrina". Casualty was in Support Lines behind Sailly le Sec. He was sitting down behind a bush when a H.E.Shell exploded near him killing him instantly. I was 5 yards away at the time the shell exploded and I saw his body immediately afterwards. A piece of the shell entered his Right side, and I did all I could for him but he was beyond all aid. He was carried out for burial, and was buried in the vicinity but I do not know the exact spot.

Informant:- Pte.J.Scholes, 3305
29th Btn.

M. C. Pym

T.C.F.
25/4/19

Home address:-
330 Station St.,
Box Hill.

AUSTRALIAN RED CROSS INFORMATION BUREAU-MELBOURNE.

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29 Batt
Killed in Action 3.5.18

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Pte Wirral
in 5th
Melbourne
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I am in receipt of your letter of 21/7/18 to
Head. Re 3356. Pte W.W. Worley of whom
You are seeking information & hope I can
Give You all Details to Your Satisfaction
Above You will find his correct Number
Rank, Initials & Name. I was Platoon Sergt of his
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Your enquiries & D.W.B. Yours Sincerely