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2447 Corporal Francis Charles Wrightson

21st Battalion



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21st Batt.
A.I.F.,

WRIGHTSON
F.C. 2447

"Killed Aug.5/16"

I saw this man just after he had been killed by a shell near Pozieres on Aug.5th 1916 He was a L/Cpl when the casualty occurred. He was actually blown to pieces. He was about a mile behind front line on "Ration fatigue" duty when he met his death. The ground was held. His remains were buried in a shell hole in Sausage Gully near Pozieres. He was an Englishman, but enlisted in Victoria. He came over in the troopship "Osterley" with the 5th reinf. of the 21st Batt. He was tall and slim about 5.8 or 5.9, dark complexion, about 33 years of age.

Reference:- R.A.Williams, 2436
21st Batt. A.I.F.,
Pernam Downs Camp,
6.4.17.

London
23.4.17.
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21st Btn.

WRIGHTSON, F.C.
Pte. No. 2447.

Killed in action 5/8/16.

"Casualty was destroyed by shell fire at Pozieres on the 5th August according to Pte. Chapman in Harefield Hospital in January this year, 1917."

Informant:- A.R. Brien,
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22/6/17.

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21st A. I. F.

Wrightson. L/Cpl Frank, 2447.
C Coy. 12. Pl.

(K. 5. 8. 16. Det: D & B.)

"L/Cpl Frank Wrightson was killed by shell at Pozieres (K. Sap) about 5th August."

Informant:-- Cpl John L. Ward 2448,
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Jan: 17th
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