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**2758 Private
Wilfred Reginald
Woodward**

50th Battalion



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A.I.F. 50th Battn.

WOODWARD
Wilfred Reginald
2758

Killed in action 26.9.17

Buried nr Westhoek 2 miles S.W. of Zonnebeke Sh. 28.5.E.J.1.B.7.9
Lt Speddings List.

London
6.5.19

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50th Battn.
A.I.F.

WOODWARD
W.R. 2758

"Killed 26-9-17"

I saw him killed Sep. 26th 1917, at Polygon Wood, a $\frac{1}{2}$ of an hour after our barrage opened. We had started the advance. He was killed by a shell instantly, apparently no mark upon him and probably killed by concussion. I was wounded by the same shell. I do not know about his burial, but I am sure he would be buried, as we held the ground. He was in my Sect. I am writing to his people, Nedinde, S. Australia, G.W. Woodward.

Informant \times Hodge R.G.C. 6666 L/Cpl.
HAREFIELD.

T.St.J.P.P.
London
19-3-18

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50th Batt. A.I.F.

Woodward. W.R. Pte. NO. 2758.

NO. 13. Plat. D. Coy.

Killed Sept 26th 1917. Det. D.B.

I saw him killed by a shell during the hop over at polygon Wood. I was wounded shortly after, so could not say what became of his body. I knew him well in Micham Camp S.A. He came over with the 4th reing of the batt.

Description. Height. 5-10. Complexion. Fair. Slight built.

Witness. Pte. Schueza. A.E. NO. 2975. D. Coy. 50th Batt.

Taken at
NO. 4. C.D. Hurdcott.
7-5-18.
S.W.

S. Whitmee.
NO. 4. Command Depot
Hurdcott.

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WOODWARD
W.R. 2758

"Killed 26-9-17"

At Polygon Wood, just after leaving first line, killed by shrapnel at once. I did not see where buried, I had to go on past where he was killed.

Informant. Healy Cpl. 6278
Ward 39.
HAREFIELD.

D.P. Dickson
London
25-4-18

Boul. & A.

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4th. May. 1918.

50th. Australians.

Woodward, W. R. 2758.

K. September 26/1917. Dets. D/B.

He was in D. Company, and was a Signaller. I heard it read out in order in November that Woodward had been killed. Woodward was tall, clean-shaven, I did not know him very well.

Inf:- Private. F. D. O'Neill. 4241.
50th. Australians. D. 13.
H. S. "Grantully Castle".

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A. I. F. 50th Bn.

WOODWARD, W. R. 2758.

True

K. Sept 26/17. Det. D/B.

This was the first time Woodward had been in action. He was killed in the same action as Pridham and in the same way, so the date in the book must, for one or the other, be an error. Woodward had a mate named McDonald, Corpl. T. W. who is still with the Coy. He saw Woodward killed and told me. Woodward came out with the 9th Reinforcement of the 50th Battn. It was just about this time last year when they joined us. He was a tall, fair fellow, rather thin and I fancy he came from Adelaide.

Reference: Pte. J. Scott, 3900A, D. XII.

No. 1 Aust. General, Rouen, 23.8.18.

GPO.

Boul

J. E. D.

*Written by Cpl T. W.
McDonald. 2.9.18*

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Cpl T. W. McDonald

50th Battery

A. I. F.

About

2758 Pt W. R. Woodward

50th Battery

A. I. F.

K Sept 26/17

Written 2-9-18

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