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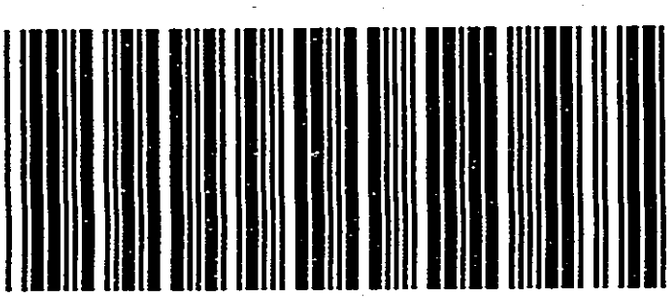
1242 Private Thomas William West Swift

12th Battalion



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A.I.F. 12th Btn.	SWIFT Thomas William West		1242

Killed in Action 25.4.15.

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Cert. by Hqrs list 25.8.19.

Name	Unit	Casualty	Cause of Casualty
London, 10.10.19.			S & M.

12 A.I.F. Infs

SWIFT Thomas William West
Pte T.W. 1242.

M. 2.5.15. K in A 25.4.15

Was seen dead by his friends in his dug-out on the 26th April. A shrapnel bullet appeared to have entered by way of the mouth and gone out through the back of the head. The dug-out was situated in Rest Gully now known as Shrapnel Gully and the body is supposed to have been interred somewhere in the vicinity.

Ref:- Pte E.A.Hall, 1228, 12 A.I.F.
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Thomas William West

12 A.I.F. 1 rfts M. May 2/16 T.W.Swift
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Witness knew Swift. Describes him as short and dark, and believes he had false teeth. He was single, and lived, he believes in Hobart. Certainly in South Tasmania. About the 2nd May he was shot in the mouth and killed. Witness was told by V. Woodberry and Hall(witness could not give their numbers). Hall was with Swift and saw him killed, just before the retirement from the third ridge at Anzac.

Pte G.A.Hensloy 1216
12 A.I.F. B Coy

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SWIFT Thomas William Weal
Pte T.W.W.W. 1242.

M. 2/5/15.

He was my son and enlisted in Tasmania. I have never seen him since he left home. Rupert Bradbrun Banks, his mate, has made a declaration that he saw him killed at Gallipoli. He was killed in Shrapnel Gully at 5 p.m. on the second day of the landing. He was shot through the head and lived a quarter of an hour. I could not find out where he was buried. I am quite satisfied that nothing more can be found out about him.

Ref:- Sgt I.Alexander Swift, 3899,
Aerodrome Camp, Heliopolis, Cairo.

J.B.D.
29/2/16.

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