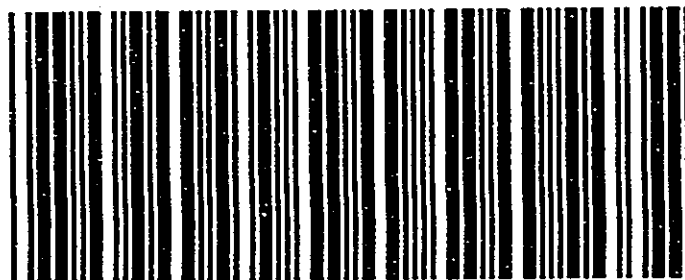


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**3297A Private
Jack Edward Swinfield**

53rd Battalion



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53rd Battn
AIF C Coy

SWINFIELD
L/Cpl. Jack 3297a

"Missing 19.7.16"

Killed in Action 19.7.16. prev. reported Missing

Cert. by AIF HdQtrs 16.1.18

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13th June. 1917.

53rd AUSTRALIANS

SWINFELD, L.Cpl. J.E. 3297A

11. July 20th. 1916.

I know L.Cpl. J.E. Swinfield in private life, and also his brother. They lived at Auburn in N.S.W. where I also live. I know them before the war. I met L.Cpl. Swinfield's brother Jack at Staples in January, 1917, who told me that he had received a letter from his brother saying that he was a prisoner in Germany. Jack Swinfield was in the 15th Brigade, 59th Batty, Field Artillery, A.I.F. at the time, but has now been sent to another Batty; I do not know which. He informed me that his brother had been in the attack on the Germans on the 19th July at Fromelles.

Informant: Driver H.J. Barnes 3251

3rd Brig. 7th Batty, Field Artillery
A.I.F.

Australian Camp, Fromelles.

*Jack's address
at HQ. W*
Written by Swinfield 10.8.17

Not sent on.

53rd Bttn
A.I.F.

SWINFIELD
L/c J.E. 3297a

"Missing 19.7.16."

Concerning my brother 3297a L/C J.E. Swinfield 53rd Bttn A.I.F.
Missing 20.7.16. I wish to state that your informant of the A.I.F.
has made an incorrect statement when he said that I told him, that
I received a letter from my brother saying he was a prisoner in
Germany. Sorry to say the last I saw or heard of him was going into
the line on the 19th of July 1916. I have been enquiring at his
Bttn but no result.

Letter from:- Dvr. P.F. Swinfield. 3184
17th Battery 6th Bde
A.F.A. France 16.10.17.

London.
26.10.17.

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Swinfild (Ct) 3184
J Percy James 59 Battery
5 Bqde
19.6.17 5' A.F.A

Address wanted for inquiries re
brother — Has he been transferred to
another battery?

W. W. L. L. } Reports Dpt. 28.7.17

11.8.17.

3184. Driver P.F. SWINFELD. ~~53~~ Battery A.F.A. Westham Camp. Weymouth.

Dear Driver Swinfield,

We have been making enquiries on behalf of our Sydney Bureau concerning:- your brother, 3297A L/cpl J.E. SWINFELD Swinfield
53 Battn. A.I.F. H.20.7.16.

and have lately been told by a man of the A.F.A. in Hospital that in January 1917 he had met you at Etaples and you had then told him you had received a letter from your brother saying he was a Prisoner in Germany.

We should be very grateful if you would write without delay and tell us if our informant was correct in his statement and if so, send us the letter or the name of the camp from which your brother had written and also the date on which this letter was written. For so far we have never received his name on any of our Lists of Prisoners of War nor has he communicated with the Red Cross: so that he is not receiving any of the weekly parcels of food and comforts sent by the Red Cross to every Australian known to be interned at a definite address in Germany. Trusting to hear from you shortly,

Yours faithfully,

Secretary.

V.D
JL

3297^E
L/C J.E. SWINFELD
53 Bath
16-10-14
19-7-16
S. France

Dear Madam

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Cd 1917
June

In reference to your letter
dated 11-8-14 concerning my Brother
3297A L.C. J.E. Swinfield 53rd Bath
S.D.F. M. 20.7.16. I wish to state that
your informant of the S.D.F., has made
an incorrect statement, when he said
that I told him, that I received a letter
from my Brother, saying he was a
prisoner in Germany. Sorry to say
the last I saw or heard of him, was going
into the line on the 19th July 1916. I have
been enquiring at his Bath, but no
result. I thoroughly appreciate your kind
work, & thank you warmly for the trouble
you are taking, on behalf of my Brother.

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Yours faithfully

Pos. 1848. J. H. Garnfield

17th Battery 6th Regt
N. Y. A.

Yours

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October 26th, 1917.

3184 Driver T.F. Swinfield,
17th Battery, 6th Anstfield Artillery Brigade,
A. I. F., B. E. F.

Dear Driver Swinfield.

We have to thank you for your reply in answer to our
enquiry concerning No 3297A L/Cpl. J.E. Swinfield.
5th Battalion,
A.I.F.

We regret to hear that the report we forwarded to you has
proved incorrect and that nothing further has been heard of
your brother.

Assuring you of our sympathy in your great anxiety.

Yours faithfully,

SECRETARY.

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