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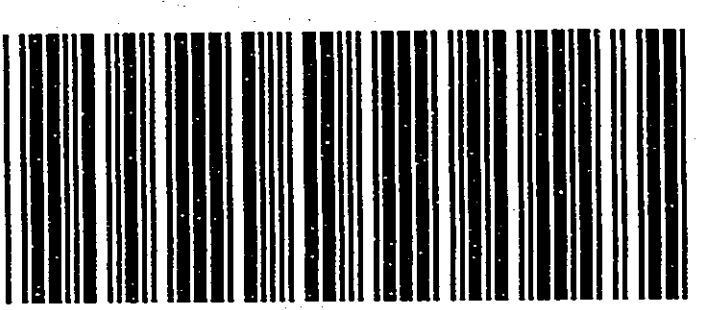
# 18752 Gunner John Edmond Wallace Tindale

## 7th Field Artillery Brigade



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A.I.F. 7th Fld. Art: Bgde

TINDALE
Cpl J.E.W. 18752

"2nd A. Cas: Clear: Stn 23rd May"

Died of wounds received in Action
Cert. by Hospital Index

Buried - Trois Arbres
Cert. by A.I.F.Headquarters 14-6-17.

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London
14-6-17

7th Fld. A. Brigade,
A. F. A.

Tindale.
Cpl. J E.W. 18752.

"Died of Wounds 23.5.17."

In reply to your enquiry of 16th inst., in regard to the above named soldier, I have to advise you that he was admitted to this Station late on the night of 22.5.17 suffering from G.S.W. Head, and that he died here at 3.a.m. on 23.5.17. His grave is in the Military Cemetery at Trois Arbres and should any further particulars regarding it be desired application should be made to O.C. Second Army Mobile Graves Registration Unit, B.E.F.

Letter from:-
Capt. R. Craig.
O.C. 2nd A. C. C. S.
21.6.17.

London.
27.6.17.

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3rd DIVISIONAL ARTILLERY

TINDALE J.E.W. Cpl
No 18752

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DIED OF WOUNDS 23/5/17.

Informant described Tindale as about 5 ft. 11 inches high, medium build, fair complexion, and aged about 22. Left Australia with Informant in the "Argyllshire" on 11/5/16.

Informant states that he used to see Tindale often. He was Informant's Corporal for a time and they used to occupy the same hut. He had thrown in his Corporal's stripes and at the time of his death was a Gunner. They both belonged to the 26th Battery.

On 23/5/17 the 26th Battery was in action against Ploegsstreet. At the time Tindale was hit Informant was at the Waggon lines about 2½ miles from the guns. Tindale was at the guns. Informant was told by eye-witnesses that the Battery got shelled out. Tindale went to a small dug-out for shelter and a piece of shell hit him on the head. He died the next day and was buried at No.1 Casualty Clearing Station at Steenwerke. Informant saw his grave over which a wooden cross, with name etc. thereon, had been placed.

Informant added that Tindale was a fine fellow and well liked in the Battery.

INFORMANT:- Bombr A. J. Clark,
No.18644. 26th Battery, 7th Field Artillery Brigade.

W.E.G. 1/3/18.
No. 4 Australian General Hospital.

Home Address:- Swanson Street, Erskineville.

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3rd DIVISIONAL ARTILLERY
7th Brigade.

TINDALE J.E.W. Cpl.
No. 18752.

Died of Wounds 23/5/17.

Informant described Tindale as about 5 ft. 6 inches high, of slight build, with dark complexion, aged about 25/26 years of age. He left Australia with Informant in the "Argylshire" on 11/5/16.

Informant states that they both belonged to the 7th Brigade, 26th Battery. On or about 23/7/17, the Battery in question was at Ploegstert in action, and preparing for the Messines stunt. He was told that Tindale was hit by a shell and died either on his way to the Dressing Station, or after reaching there. He afterwards saw his grave at the Commonwealth Military Graveyard at Steenwerke near Armentieres There was a cross on the grave with name, etc. thereon.

Informant:-- Sergeant G.H.Brindley, No. 18640,
7th Brigade,
Home address:-- 4 Yabsley Avenue, Ashfield.

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W.E.G.
18/3/18
No. 4 Australian General Hospital,
RANDWICK.

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3rd DIVISIONAL ARTILLERY.
7th Brigade.

TINDALE J.E.W. CORPORAL
No. 18752.

DIED OF WOUNDS. 23/5/17.

Informant described Tindale as about 5 ft.10 inches high, slight build, fair complexion, aged about 22. He left Australia with Informant in the "Argyllshire" on 11/5/16.

Informant states that they both belonged to the 26th Battery. On 23/5/17 the Battery was in Ploeugstert Wood Messines. They had been shelled out of the Battery by hostile fire, and had returned to a flank about 50 yards away. Tindale had gone into a dug-out and while there was wounded by a shell. Informant was about 10 yards away at the time, and went into the dug-out with another chap and helped to pull Tindale out. He was unconscious and died on his way to the Clearing Station. He was buried at the Cemetery at Hyde Park corner Ploeugstert Wood, and although Informant did not actually see his grave, he saw a Cross which had been made for it with name, etc. thereon.

Informant added that Tindale was a "tip-top chap," very quiet and reserved.

Informant:- Gunner G. H. Carver,
No.18851. 26th Battery, 3rd Divisional Artillery.
Home address:- Hill End, N.S.Wales.

C.E.G.
25/3/18.
No. 4 Australian General Hospital,
RANDWICK.

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26th Battery,
7th Field Artillery Brigade.
3rd Divisional Artillery.

TINDALE.
Corporal J.E.W. 18752

"DIED OF WOUNDS. 23.5.17."

About the 20th May, the 26th Battery was being shelled by the Germans, and some of the men were shelling in a little Wood near "Plug Street". Some shrapnel fell on this wood, and Tindale was hit. Informant was alongside at the time, and saw Tindale being carried away. He was taken at once to the Casualty Clearing Station.

INFORMANT;- Gunner S.R. Glazier, 19279,
26th Battery,

D.W.
No.4 Australian General
Hospital, RANDWICK.
15.4.18.

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A.I.F.
3rd Divisional Artillery,
7th Brigade.

TINDALE.
Cpl. J.E.V. No. 18752.

"Died of Wounds 23.5.17."

I know Tindale who was with me in the 26th Battery. We went away together in that Battery. We were holding the line at Ploegsteert and about the 20th May Tindale was on the next gun to me. A shell burst and wounded Tidale very severely. He was taken to the dressing station where I saw him dead about four hours after he was wounded. He was a friend of mine. Later I saw his grave with a cross on it at Neuve Eglise Cemetery.

Informant: P.J. Harvey, No. 18873.
3rd Divisional Artillery.
No. 4 Australian General Hospital,
RANDWICK.

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3rd Divisional Artillery.
7th Brigade.

TINDALE J.E.W. Corpl.
No. 18752.

"Died of Wounds 23/5/17"

Tindale was in the 26th Battery of the 7th F.A.B. with me, he was a slim build, average height, and a good musisian (pianist) He was born on one of the Islands, Lord Howe Island, I think he worked with Henry Bull & Coy and was quite young about 21. He was wounded as he was getting into a rough shelter near Ploegstreet Wood towards the end of May 1917, we were being shelled out of our position at the time and ordered to retire. Hewas wounded in the vback and was carried back by Gunner Cecil Ross and another. He was taken back to the Clearing Station. Ross told me the same day, and that Tindale was unconscious. Ross is still with the Battery I believe.

Informant: Gunner F. Goldacre, 17226, 26th Battery,
3rd Divisional Art. 7th F.A.B.
No 4 Australian General Hospital
RANDWICK.

30/4/18
H.S.O.

Home address:
"Penzance", School Parade, Marrickville.

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3rd Divisional Artillery,
7th Brigade.

TINDALE, J.E.W.
Corporal, No.18752.

"Died of Wounds.23.5.17".

Informant described Tindale as about 5'10" high, rather slight build, inclined to dark complexion, aged about 24/5. Left Australia with Informant per "Argyllshire" on 11/5/16.

Informant states that they both belonged to the 26th Battery. On or about 23.5.17 the Battalion was to the right of Ploeugstert Wood in action. During the night time while Tindale was in a dugout he was wounded by a shell. He was taken to a Casualty Clearing Station where he died. Informant did not see him but was at his funeral. He was buried with others in a Cemetery at the Casualty Clearing Station where he died. Informant could not remember the location of the cemetery but thought it was about 1½ miles from Steenwerke. It was the Cemetery where General Holmes was buried. A cross was made for his grave by the men of the Battery and Informant saw it before it was put on the grave.

Informant added that Tindale was very quiet and well liked.

Informant:- Driver E.J.Avard, No.18414,
16th Battery.

Home Address:- Post Office,
Somerton, N.S.W.

W.E.G.
No.21, Australian Auxiliary Hospital,
Georges Heights, Mosman.

SYDNEY BUREAU.

7th F.A.Bgde. A.I.F.

Tindall.
Cpl. J.E.W. 18752

Died of Wounds May 1917.

Cpl. Tindale was a chum of mine. He is buried in a Trois Arbres Military Cemetery, near Steenwerk, on the borders of Belgium and France. A well kept cemetery. Will you please send these photos of ~~his~~ his grave to his people from me.

Informant:- 18732. Bdr. Cecil Ross,
26th Batty. 7th F.A.B.
3rd A.A.H. Dartford.

London,
8.11.18

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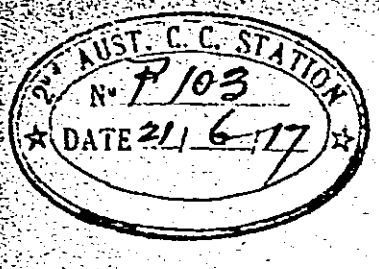


2nd AUSTRALIAN CASUALTY CLEARING STATION.

21st June, 1917.

The Secretary,

Wounded and Missing Enquiry Bureau,

A. R. C. S. 54 Victoria Street,

London, S.W.1

18752 Cpl J E. W. Tindale 7th A.F.B.

Dear Madam,

re Gunner TINDALE, W. of 7 F. A. B.

Dr wds 23.5.17.

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Ribton Craig Capt. C

.....Lt Colonel.

O. C. 2nd A. C. C. S.

Sec. Corps

Grave Photographs

Lieut P.R. Allworth

Lieut. Allworth. Gnr. ~~Cpl Tindale~~

Lieut Penny and Doughty posted are buried in graveyard. (MIL) near Steenwerke a borders of Belgium and France

Tindale (posted)

Cpl Tindale is buried in another graveyard near by in same location both almost all A.I.F. men in both cemeteries. well attended.

18753 Cpl Walter Tindale 26th Bty A.F.A.

+ Lieut Penny. 7th F.A. Bde

X Lieut Roy Allworth. 7th F.A. Bde

found out next of Kin and send to informed. done per W. Priddle

18732 Bdr. Cecil Ross

26th Bty 7 Bde

+ Ship

June 16th, 1917.

The O.C.
2nd Australian Casualty Clearing Station,
B. E. F.

Dear Sir,

Will you be kind enough to send us details of the nature of the wounds, death and burial of,

No 18752 Cpl. E. W. Tindale, 7th Aust.Fld.Art.Bgde.

who died of wounds at your Hospital on 23.5.17.

We have received an inquiry by cable from his relatives in Australia and will greatly value any information you can send us.

Thanking you in anticipation,

Yours faithfully.

V.B.

Secretary.

L.A.W.