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3906 Private Francis Joseph Sullivan

17th Battalion



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A.I.F.1[illegible]th Bttn.

SULLIVAN.
Francis Joseph.3906.

Killed in Action.16.7.18.

Re-buried Villers Bretonneaux Military Cemetery. 62D.O.17.c.4.3.
Plot 3. Row A. Grave 2.
Cert by Captain Spedding's List.26.7.19. Sheet 139.

London.
1.8.19.

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17th. Battn. Sullivan, F.J. 3906.

K. 16/7/18.

I was on the next post and saw Sullivan, (A. Coy), immediately after he had been killed at about 3.30 am. by a bomb at Villers Bretonneux. He had been hit on the upper part of the body. I do not know where he was buried.

17th. Battn. Sullivan, F.J. Pte. 4235.

A. 15. Dartford. 10/8/18.

R.D.B.

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17th Battn.
A.I.F.

SULLIVAN.
F.J. 3906.

"Killed in Action 16-7-18"

At Villers Bretonneux. we were on Bombing raid and he was either sent out or volunteered to go out with a box of bombs. About 20 yards away from our own trenches he was shot by a sniper and died at once. It was through the head. He fell quite near me. I was in a shell hole wounded at the time, he was in my platoon. Knew him well, his people have a ~~xxxx~~ hotel at ~~Victoria~~ now?
Katoomba

Informant :- A.H.Smith. 6885.
W.42.HAREFIELD.

D.P.Dickson.
London.
15-10-16.
M.I.S.

S.

Havre 16th Octr 1918.

Australians. 17. Sullivan F.J. 3906.

K. 16th July 1918. Det D/B.

I saw him killed by a bullet in the head just outside Villers Bretonneux on the 16th July 1918 (about). He was buried at the same place. I knew him. About 5 feet 10, medium built, about 33 years and single. He was an R.C., and was in A.Coy. II Pltn.

Inf:- Pte B.E.T.Weedie No. 6634.
A.I.F. 17. D.
No. 74 General Hospital.

HJG.

PP.

17th Battn
A.I.F.

SULLIVAN
F.J. 3906

"KILLED 16-7-18"

At Villers Bretonneux we were making a Raid on one of Fritz's outposts and he was killed by a Stick Bomb. I was on the raid and saw him killed. We took that post - went on took another. Stretcher bearers took him back and they told me he was buried. I knew him well and asked about him.

Informant - Johnson.Pte. 7062
17th Battn.
HARFFIELD.

D.P.Dickson
London
25-10-16
H.G.

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A.I.F. 1st Bat. Sullivan, P.J. 3906

K. July 19/16

I saw Sullivan killed in a raid in front of Villers Bretenneux. He was shot through the chest by a bullet, dying instantly.

I do not know where he is buried, but some of the fellows in the Bat. told me they were writing to his people to give them particulars of his grave.

Inf. Grant, H.F. priv. 6305, 17 Bat.

A.F.H.
Westhem, 26/10/16.

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17th.Batt'n. A.I.F. — Sullivan,F.J.3905 "A"Coy.

Killed July 16/18.Det.D/B.

During a raid at Villiers-Brettenoux, He was hit by a bomb and killed instantly. He was buried where he fell,"No Man'sLand", andthe usual cross put up over his grave,with all details on it.
He was well liked in the Coy.by all.

Age 28. Height 5-7. Fair com.

Witness. Jones,R. 6323. "A"Coy. 17th.Batt'n.

Taken at
No.4 C.D.
Hurdcott.Nov.1/18.

By
C.H.Brown,
No.4 C.D.
Hurdcott.

Sgt. C. Sullivan

Havre. 2nd. November. 1918.

17th. Australians. Sullivan, F. J. ~~3906.~~ (3906)

K. July. 16/1918. Dets. D/B.

I knew Private Frank Sullivan, A. Coy, he was a Sydney chap and worked, I think, on the Government Trams in Sydney. I saw the Cross which was made for his Grave at Villers Bretteneux. Sergeant Jack Rees, Pioneer Sergeant, 17th. Battalion, will be able to give location of Grave and other details.

Inf:- Private. A. Patterson. 3151.
17th. Australians. H.Q.
Australian Conv. Camp.
Rouelles.

RDM. CP.

17th Battn. A.I.F.

Sullivan
P.J. 3906.

Killed in Action 16.7.18.

At Villers Bretonneux, near there he was killed by Machine Gun fire in attempting, with 3 other to rush a German trench in daylight. He was buried near where killed. I saw the grave, put the cross up, at approximately, sheet message Map No.11. of attack 8.8.18 P.26.d.C.6.

Informant:- Sgt.Roberts.1763.
W.I. 1st A.A.H.
Harefield.

D.P.Dickson,
30.10.18.
London,
8.11.18.
M.D.S.

S.