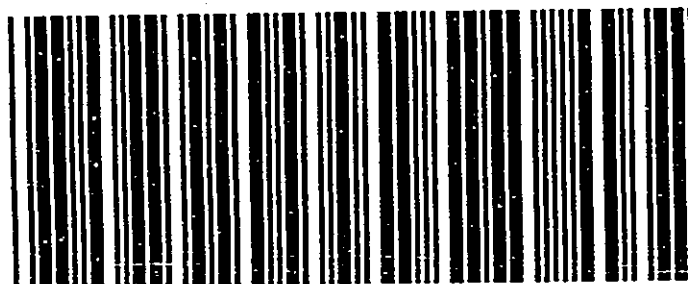


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**Lieutenant
Norman Ernest Wilson
Waraker**

25th Battalion



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A.I.F. 25th Btn

WARREN
Lieut Norman E.W.

"K. in Action"

Killed in action 24-9-17
Cert. by A.I.F. Hqs 19-10-17.

London
20-10-17

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25th Batn
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HARAKER
Lient. N.S.W.

"Killed Sep 2nd 1917"

I saw his grave up Cordroy Road there was a cross up. I came from Aust
with him used to know him as a geea footballer in Brisbane.

Witness:- Egert 4117
Ward S.
Harefield

D.P. Dickson
London.
18.11.17.

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25th A.I.F.

Waraker Lt. N.E.W.

(K. Sept. 24/17 Det D/B)

"I know that Lt. Jackson was buried by the Padre attached to the 25th A.I.F. (I can't remember his name) at Belvard Ridge. The Padre came to see me at the 10th Casualty Clearing Station and told me so himself".

Eye-witness: See above.

Description:

Informant: Lt. J.H. Jackson,
25th A.I.F.,
3rd London General Hospt.,
Wandsworth.

Nov. 27/17,
A.E. Long.

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25th A.I.F.

Waraker Lt. H.E.W.

(K. sept. 24/17)

"I used to be in 25th Batt: and I have seen Lt. Waraker's grave. It is on the Menin Rd. Birr Cross Rd, Bullecourt Circuit Rd. abt. the middle".

Eye-witness: Yes

Description:

Informant: Lt. S. McGaskill,
Pioneers A.I.F.,
3rd London General Hospt.,
Home address: Wandsworth.

Nov. 29th 1917,
C.W. Nelson Lowe.

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25th A.I.F.

WARAKNER Lieut. H.C.W.

Z. 24th September 1917.

I did not see him killed but he is buried. The Padre Captain McGregor buried him and I put up his cross. It was on the right of Gordroy Road the other side of Ypres. There are two others buried with him.

Inf:- Pte Brown No. 6048.
Amb. T. 'Newhaven'.
Calais. 7.11.17. RAK.

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25th A.I.F.

Waraker. Lieut. N.E.W.

K. Sept 24/17 Det D/B

"At Bellaward Ridge, Ypres Ridge, on 24th Sept, Lieut. Waraker was the Brigade Bombing Officer. He was on duty at the Brigade dump (where ammunition supplies were kept) A shell came over, exploding near the dump, and killing Lieut. Waraker. I saw the shell explosion, and running to the spot at once, saw Lieut. Waraker lying dead, a piece of shell had penetrated into his head. Probably he was buried in the cemetery on the outskirts of Ypres. I was attached to the Brigade headquarters at the time as runner."

Eye-witness: Yes.

Description: A well built, fairly tall, dark officer.

Informant: Pte Joseph Paterson, 1725,
Home address: 25th A.I.F., H.Q.,
Matheson St, 5th Southern Gen.Hos., Milton Sec.
Dalby, Portsmouth.
Queensland, Australia. B

11.11.17.

M.Walker.

85 Australian I.F.

Waraker, Lt.N.E.W.

K. Sept.24/17. Det. D/B.

" I saw the pioneers making a cross for the grave of Lt Waraker (att.Bgde H.Q.). His particulars were printed on it. I believe he was killed by a shell at Bgde H.Q., but I was not there at the time."

Eyewitness:- Only saw the cross.

Description:- Could give no particulars.

Informant:- Pte.John Elliott, 89,
25 A.I.F., A Co., H.Q.
3rd Southern Genl Hosp., Radcliffe Buildings,Oxford.

Home address:- 4, Dovemount House,
Hawick,
Scotland.

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12/11/17.
H.M.P.Cambridge.

25th A. I. F.

Waraker, Lt H.E.W.,

(K. Sept. 24/17)

"Lt Waraker was buried opposite 1st Dressing station which is situated about 1000 yards behind Belverde trench on the track leading to Westhoek Ridge. I saw the grave with the cross on it as I came out of the trench for the last time and remarked on it to a friend. Lieut Waraker was bombing officer for the division and I was cook for the officer's mess so that I had seen him frequently and knew him quite well."

Eye-witness:

Description:

Informant: Pte H.W.F. Helyer, 5026,
25th A. I. F.,
Kingsbury War Hospital,
St. Albans, Herts.

Home address:
Yearongpelly,
S.C.Line,
Brisbane, Queensland.

15th Nov. 1917.
E. Cooper.

25th Australian Imperial Force

Waraker, Lt. M.E.W.

(K. Sept. 24, 1917).

" Just before leaving France, I had a new cross put up over Lt. Waraker's grave which is situated with four others about two miles N.E. from Xpres by one of our temporary dumps. He was bombing officer and was killed while on duty in charge of the dumps. I knew him very well and was finding my way home and came across his grave. "

Eye witness - Of the grave- not of the action which killed him. Brother-officers told him.

Description - " Warry" Solidly built, about 5 ft 8 ins.

Informant :- Lt. H.M. Dunkerton, 26th Aus. I Force
No. 3 London General Hospt.

Home address :- Wandsworth, London, S.W.
26th Aus Imp Force,
B.E.F. France.

19. 11. 17.

W Arnott-Davis.

Bcd suff

25
20th A.I.F.

Waraker. Lt: N.R.W.

(K. Sept: 24/17)

"Lt. Norman Waraker was killed on Sept: 24 at the dump when he was bombing officer for the division, at Zonnebeke ? His body was taken back and buried at a place called Railway Dig Outs near Hooze and I saw his grave marked with a cross. He was buried by Padre MacGregor. I went to school with him and afterwards to the university. I have written to his people."

Eye-witness: No. Told by Padre MacGregor.

Description: Very tall; dark.

Informant: R.N. Ferguson.
25 A.I.F.

No. 3 London General Hospital.
Wandsworth.

Home address: Commonwealth Bank.

22.11.17.

New Broad Street.

W.Arroll Davis.

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Ed
Cuff

25th. Battn.
A.I.F.

WARATNER
Lieut. N.E.W.

Killed, 24.9.17.

I saw his cross and was told by Padre of the 25th. Battn. that he was buried the side of the Corduroy Road on the way to Polygon Wood along with two others. The Padre can give the map reference. Lieut. W. was a Brigade bombing Officer and had been Field Adj. over me at Rolleston. He was a very fine fellow and I made special enquiries about his grave etc.

Ref: Sgt. M. Schuman, 3905,
25th. Battn.
Dartford.

L.P.J.
London.
24.11.17.

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Havre

22nd November.1917.

25th AUSTRALIANS

WARAKER, Lt. M.E.W.

K. Sept. 24th.1917. Det. D/B.

He was attached to 7th Brigade, H.Q. ^{as} at Bomb Officer. I think he was killed at the Bomb Dump at Ypres on Sept. 23 or 24th, either by a shell or bomb. Everyone at Brigade H.Q. knows about it. I have not seen his grave. I was attached to 7th Brigade Sigs.

Informant: E.H. Hughes, 4239

26th Australians, A.Co., I.Pln.

Austrelia Camp, Honnelles.

GLT.

Bcd

25th A.I.F.

Waraker Lt. N.E.W.

(K. Sept. 24/17)

"I have seen Lt. Waraker's grave. It is not in a cemetery. Our Chaplain, Capt. Gregg McGregor could tell you exactly what it is. I cannot recollect with certainty myself".

Eye-witness:

Description:

Informant: Lt. H.C. Foxton,
25th A.I.F.,
3rd London General Hospt.,
Wandsworth.

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Nov. 6/17,
Hall.

Written Capt. McGregor 14.11.17.

(14.11.17)

Capt. Gregg McGregor

D

Chaplain to 25th Batta.

B. 1. 7.

A. 1. 7.

abt. (written officer)

Lt. N. E. W. Waraker

25th Batta. A. 1. 7.

C. K. 24. 9. 17.

14.11.17.
A. 1. 7.