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3382B Private George Edward Stanbridge

46th Battalion



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A.I.F. 46th Bn.

STANBRIDGE(HQ)
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G.S. 33828(HQ)
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"K/Action"

"Killed in action 8-8-18 - details not stated
ert. by A.I.F. Hqrs 26-9-18.
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London
27-9-18

46th Battn.

Stanbridge G. E. 3382b.
Private D coy Xlll plat.

K Aug 8/18 Det D/B.

I saw him killed by one of our own shells which he had all to himself on the Sailly le Sec sector at 9 a.m. We were just moving through the 3rd Div and our own barrage fell short.

He had been with another Battn as I heard him saying he was goig going to write to the base to get his letters readdressed, having only bean with us four or five days.

2708 Pte Leake J. T. 46th Battn.

Dartford 19/10/18.

N. B. P.

46th Battn. A.I.F.

Stanbridge
G.E. 3382B.

Killed in Action 8.8.16.

Refer to Pte. Sacks, 46th Battn. and I think "D" Coy., who is now in France, for he saw him killed by bullet, when death was instantaneous, and can give full details of burial.

Informant:- Pte. Field. H.E. 3295.
"D" Coy., 46th Battn.,
3rd A.A.H. Dartford.

W. Oman,
22.10.16.
London,
8.11.16.
J.E.A.

M.

Note:- Written Sacks. 1.11.18.

46th Battn.
A.I.F.

STANBRIDGE
G.E. 3362B.

"Killed in Action 8-8-18"

He was of D.Company. XIII Platoon. On 8th August during our attack I kilo behind Hamel - was hit in legs and abdomen. I was about 20 yards away and saw it happen. He was unconscious. S/B took him away to Dressing Station, we heard he died afterwards. Know nothing of burial. Christian name George, came from Wimmera District, Victoria.

Informant:- Pte S.Wigg,3412.
46th Battn. D.Co. XVI Pl.
ANZAC BUFFET.

A.D.G.
London.
12-11-18.
J.E.A.

M.

46th Batn.,
A.I.F.

STANBRIDGE,
G.E., 3382B.

"Killed in action - 8-8-18."

"I do not know anything of casualty as I am in the Artillery, but I saw his grave to the right of Morecourt, on the field. near Peronne Wood and grave was marked by a cross having full details marked upon it. Casualty happened on August 8th 1918 and he was buried close to our Battery. Another chap by the name of Toy was killed on August 9th1918 and was buried beside him. The burial Service was read by a Padre but I do not know his Battalion.. Toy belonged to another Battalion, but I do not know which one.

Informant:- Gunner Lister, J.H., 37452,
41st Battery, 11th Brigade,
3rd A.A.H. Dartford.

W. Oman,
London,
27-11-18.
J.E.A.

M.

A.I.F. 46th Battn.

STANBRIDGE
G.E. 3382B.

"Killed in Action 8.8.18."

Re 3382B. Pte. G.F. Stanbridge. I beg to inform you that, although we were for a considerable time together, I can hardly give you any information whether he was buried on the field, or in a Soldiers Cemetery, as we were separated just a couple of days before we went up to the firing line, and I only heard of his death several days after he was killed. With regard to his personal description, he was tall and thin, dark, stammering, married, and wife and one child I believe (not sure whether boy or girl.) Very sorry that is all I can inform you about him, have tried to find out more, but could not. Please find enclosed, photo card which I found, that was taken on a march in Blighty. The one with the cross on is 3382B. Pte. G.F. Stanbridge.

Letter from:- B.S. Sacks,
46th Battn. D. Coy,
A.I.F.
B.E.F.

London
28.12.18.
I.E.D.

Photo attached to report
Sent to Melbourne.

M.

46th Btn.

STANBRIDGE, G. E.
Pte. 3382B.

Kld. in act. 8/8/18.

"I knew Casualty. He was a tall man, slightly built, dark complexion, about 25 years of age, known as "George". Casualty was advancing on the 8th August at Harbonnieres. I was in the same advance. One of our own shells fell short exploding near Casualty killing him instantly and Pte. W. T. Huth. I was 20 yds. away at the time the shell exploded and I saw his body immediately afterwards. He was buried at Harbonnieres and a cross was erected over the grave with his name, number and unit on it."

Informant:- Pte. C. J. Duke,
No. 3420, 46th Btn.

Private address:-
Smith Street,
Thornbury.

T.C.F.
21/2/19.

AUSTRALIAN RED CROSS INFORMATION BUREAU—MELBOURNE.

46th Btn.

STANBRIDGE, C. F.
Pte. 3382B.

Kld. in act. 8/8/18.

"I knew Casualty. He was a man about 5 ft. 7 ins. slightly built, dark complexion, sharp featured, and had an impediment in his speech, about 26 years of age, known as "George". He was an 8th Rfcts. man of the 39th Btn. and embarked on the troopshire "Shropshire" He was transferred to the 46th Battalion in England. Casualty was advancing at a position in August, 1918, but I forget the name of the place and had got about 50 yds. from the tape when an H.E. shell exploded near Casualty killing him instantly. I was 20 yds. away from him but I saw him fall. He was carrying my rations that day. so I was keeping in touch with him. He used to take it in turns to carry rations. I went over to him and had a look at him when I saw him fall but he was quite dead. He was most severely wounded all over but I do not know where he was buried."

Private address:- G. P. O. Melbourne.
T.C.F.
21/2/19.

Informant:- Pte. C. Houston, No. 3310, 46th Btn.

AUSTRALIAN RED CROSS INFORMATION BUREAU—MELBOURNE.

46th Btn.

STAMBRIDGE, G. F.
Pte. 3382B.

Yld. in act. 8/8/18.

"I know Casualty. He was a man of slight build, about 5 ft. 7 ins. dark, about 23 years of age. Casualty was advancing at Villers Bretonneux and was killed by an H.E. shell a piece of which entered his chest just before reaching final objective. He was in my section. I was 15 yds. away at the time. The Platoon Officer went to his assistance but Casualty was quite dead. I do not know where he was buried."

Informant:- Pte. H. Connelly,
No. 4469, 46th Btn.

Private address:-
81 Marshall Street,
Ivanhoe.

N.A.T.
7/3/19.

AUSTRALIAN RED CROSS INFORMATION BUREAU—MELBOURNE.

46th Battn.
A.I.F.

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STOCKBRIDGE?
G.E. 3382.B.

"Killed in Action 8-8-18"

At Hamel, while advancing- killed by shell at once. I saw him killed. We went passed them. I did not see him buried. I knew him well - came from Australia with him.

Informant:- Wadden.3401.
W.21.HAREFIELD.

D.P.Dickson.
London.
7-11-18.
M.I.S.

M.

G. C

To

Pte Sacks

46 Battn -

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Abnt

Stanbridge

3382 B. Pte G. E. Stanbridge

46 Battn

a. 1. 7

K Aug 8/18

Written 1.11.18

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PLEASE REPLY TO THE SECRETARY.

Wounded and Missing Enquiry Bureau,

AUSTRALIAN BRANCH,

British Red Cross Society and Order of St. John,

36, GROSVENOR PLACE. LONDON, S.W. 1.

To the Officer Commanding

Graylingwell War Hosp

30.9.18

Dear Sir, 30-9-; 1918.

We have been requested by cable from Australia to obtain a bulletin and ascertain the nature of the wounds or sickness of

997 W.E. Stanbury 38 Bn. A.I.F.,

who was admitted to your hospital. 5.9.18

We should be most grateful for all particulars you can supply at the earliest possible moment.

We regret having to trouble you in the matter, but are desirous of allaying the anxiety of the relatives in Australia.

Yours faithfully,

VERA DEAKIN (Miss),

per AR. Secretary.

The Secy.
Enquiry Bureau,
36 Grosvenor Pl. S.W.1

Ref. reverse. This man was admitted into Pl. suffering from Shell Wounds of the left shoulder, right leg & Chest. He was transferred yesterday to the Aust. Auxiliary Hospital, Dartford.

[signature]
Bt. Lt. Colonel. I.M.S.
Registrar

Graylingwell War H.
Chichester
1.10.18

GRAYLINGWELL HOSPITAL
REGISTRAR

ack. p.c. 19.12.18 9.S.D.

In the Field,

9th November 1918

3382B
G.E. Stanbridge,
46 Bn
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To the
Australian Red Cross Society
London

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Yours faithfully
B. S. Sacks

46th Batt.
D. Coy.
A.I.F.

Turn Over

9.S.D.

In the Field.

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P.S.

Enclosed please find photo-card which I found that was taken on a march in Blighty the one with the cross on is 3382B Pt. G. E. Stanbridge.

B.S.S.