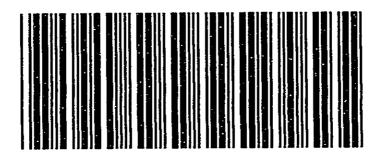
# Australian Red Cross Society Wounded and Missing Enquiry Bureau files, 1914-18 War 1DRL/0428

# 1062 Private Henry Max Stanford

43rd Battalion



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A.I.F. 43rd Btn

Henry Max

"K. in A. 24-4-17"

Killed in Action 24-4-17 - Buried just N. of Pleagatert 3 miles N. of Armentieres Cert. by A.I.F.Hqrd 3-8-17.

London

43rd Battn D. C.y., A.I.F.

Stanford. H.M. 1062

### "Killed 244.17."

I sew him killed at Pleogstreet Wood by a piece of shell which caught him in the need killing him instently. I saw him being taken away for burial, but cannot say where he was buried and cannot refer to anyone for further particulars.

Witness:-

Pte. L. Hogg. 685 45rd Battn D. Coy. 3rd A.A. Hospital, Dertford.

W. Omen, London. 10.9.17.

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45rd Battn A.I.F,

Stenford. H.M. 1062

# "Killed 2=. 4.17."

I buried a man of that name at Hyde Park Corner Plugstre t Wood.

I t was a new cemetery and he was about the fifth man buried there.

We marked the grave with a cross bearing all his particulars. He was a cook and I was told that at the time of casualty he and another man by the name of Robert Dunn were sitting in the cook house writing letters when a shell landed a few yards away and fragments of w which flew in the downway killed them both. Refer to Pte. H.W.G. Frastr 45rd Battn, HdOres Cook, who may be able to give further particulars of his identity death and burial.

Witness. Vensy.

1t. J.R.B. 195

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Dartford.

London. 17.9.17

Note written Pte. Fraser 10.5.17.

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STANFORD, H.M. 1062

### K. 24.4.17. Det. D/B.

I knew him well. He was in my company and plateon. I don't knew his initials or number? He was a cook attached I think, to the 15th plateon? We were entrenched at Plugstraet about April 24, 1917 and were being shelled. I was not near Stanford when he was killed but I was told about it afterwards by Pte. Player of D Co., (who was since died of wounds) that Stanford had been killed and was so badly knocked by a shell (while he was sitting writing home) that he (Player) thought they would have to bury Stanford close to where he was hit, which was in the near side of Plugstraet wood to irrecationes, but Player was not certain if he had been buried there.

Informant: Pte. J. Seranren; 5073 43rd Australians; D Co.; 11th Pltn.; H. S. Grantully Castle?

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STANFORD H.M. 1952.

" K. April 24th., 17. Det D & B ".

"I saw Stanford's body being carried out to the Point De He used to cook for "D" Coy., and was killed by a shell.

I knew him well through being in the same Coy.

Description. Hgt 5ft2. Dark complexion. Very Nuggetty build. Large mouth. Nicknamed "Froggy".

Witness.

Christie R. 2043. 43rd Fatt. \*D\* Coy.,

Taken at Westham Camp,
Weymouth. S.W.
September 20th., 17.

S. Wnitmes.
No 4 Command Depot.
Codford.

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## E.April 44th 1917.

He was a company cook, and had just written a lotter asying he was well, and would write again at the first opportunity, spo had not signed the letter, when a piece of chell came through the door of the cook-house, killing him and his mate, at Plospatreet wood. He was most probably haried at Hyderark Corner also.

Informat. ht A.H. Dalziel. Lewis Gun. School. The Lag. 15.9.17.

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K. April 24th 1917. Dets D/B.

I knew H.M.Stanford well. He was B.Coy Cook.

His number was something every over 1000. I didn not know anything about him before joining up. He was a short thick-set lad about 19 or 20, dark and clean shaven with a round face. I saw Stanford and Pte Dunn also a D.Coy Cook sitting together in the mouth of a dugout writingletters, when a shell fell about 75 yards from the dugout and killed them both instantly. They were both hit on the head. This occurred on the afternoon of the 24th April at Ploegateert. I was about 70 or 75 yards away and could see quite clearly what happened. I know that our Battn Pioneers buried them both in Ploegateert Wood. The Pioneers usually put up crosses but I cannot say if crosses were put up to these men.

Inf: Pte K.H.Day. 464. H.Q.Scouts. No. 7 C.C. BOULOGNE. 20.9.17. AGL

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Stanford. Athor. 43 Bertha Kett 4 11 Parts bonner, Plugsheet Hord. It was a new convertey, and he was about the fifth man hand there. We market the grand with a circ, beauty are has furticulars. He was a cook, and have that That at the time of casualty he another want by name of Robert Duran were Sitting in the cook house miching letters when a shee. flow we the doorway Killing them both. Refer I Private HW. G. Fracet, 43 4 Bather, Holghio Cont who may be able to que further particulars This identity, death and time is lute britten per known Wilias Venery J.R.B. 195 43 Batt, Holds Lum Bu and Mark Anthered.