

Australian Red Cross Society Wounded and Missing
Enquiry Bureau files, 1914-18 War
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6384 Private
Henry Stevens

24th Battalion



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24th Battn.
A.I.F.

Stevens.
Pte. H. 6384

"Whereabouts"

Pte. Stevens was admitted to this C.C.S. 21.9.17 with severe shell wound hip Right. He died on 23.9.17 and was buried in Lysseenthoek Military Cemetery, Belgium on the following day by the C. of E. Chaplain. Grave reference is Plot 24 C.14.B.

Letter from:-
The O.C.
2nd Can.C.C.S.
27.1.18.

London.
1.2.18.

P.I.

A.I.F. 18/24th Stn

Henry STEVENS
6384

"WHEREABOUTS"

Died of wounds 23-9-17 2nd Canadian C.C.Stn
Cert. by Hpl Index

Died of wounds 23-9-17 -at. 2nd Canadian C.C.Stn - S.W.R.Thigh
No report of burial.
Cert. by A.I.F.Hqrs 19-1-18.

London
21-1-18

P.I

D/7 Sept. 23rd, 1917. Det.

I knew a man called Stevens. I believe he was in C. Coy. I don't know his pltn. I think his Christian name was Harry. He left Australia on 23rd Nov. 1916. On the transport Horata. His number was something over 6000. He was dark, clean shaven, ruddy complexion, about 5ft. 8. or 9. and about 23 or 24 and single. He had a peculiarity in one foot which made him walk with his toes turned in. He was an Englishman. I was told by some of the boys in his coy. that they had seen him mortally wounded on 23rd Sept. during the fighting round Ypres. They also told me that he died of wounds afterwards. I never heard where he was buried.

Inf. Pte. R. D. Gladstone, 6315.D. Coy. runner.
No.3. Gen. Gen.
BOULOGNE.. 15.3.18.

AGL.

PI

6384

Jan 21

The O.C.

2nd Can: Cas

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6384 Henry P. Stevens

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12th Bn. C. Coy. ? XII Pltn.
A.I.F.

ALLSOP, Cpl.

Missing 2.11.17

We were at Zonnebeke on Novr. 4th after which he was reported missing. He was actually killed between Anzac Ridge and Zonnebeke while on ration fatigue, after which he was reported missing. I later saw him lying on the side of the road by the duckboards, then dead, with part of his head blown away. I recognised him by his disc and clothes. I was gassed at the time so could not do anything and have not heard since where he was buried. He was an Anzac, about 5ft. 8", stiff built, 26 years, came from Tasmania. His officer at the time was Capt. Connell.

Informant:- Pte. T.H. Cowderoy, 2581 12.D.XV.
On leave.
BOULOGNE. 26.11.17

London.
11.1.18

Off. M.
P.I.D.

To Miss Beatrice Stevens
Parsonage Farm
Rednal
N. Birmingham

9.2.18

Dear Madam. With reference to your inquiry for
6384 Pte Henry Stevens 24th Bn. T.F. who is
officially reported to have died of wounds at
2nd Canadian Casualty Clearing Station on
23.9.17 we are forwarding an extract from
the letter of the Officer in Command of this
unit. It states: "Pte H. Stevens was
admitted to this Casualty Clearing Station on
21.9.17 suffering from a severe shell wound
to the right hip. He died on 23.9.17 and
was buried in the Lyscenthoek Military
Cemetery Belgium, on the following day by
the Church of England chaplain. His grave
reference is Plot 24.C.14.B."

ROBERTSON 31466

21st F. A. B.

D. of W. 7.10.17.

SALAMITO 7076

6th Battn.

D. of W. 20.9.17.

SCOTT 3257

58th Battn.

D. of W. 7.10.17.

SHEPHERD 6082

37th Battn. late
7th Battn.

D. of W. 7.8.17.

Referring to your inquiry for Mr Stevens
personal effects - we would advise you to
apply for information concerning them to
the A. I. F. Rif Stores

110 Greyhound Rd
Fulham

Should we receive further particulars of
his death & burial we will at once
advise you.

Assuring you of our sincere
sympathy
Y.

LAYCOCK 2729A

7th Battn.

D. of W. 23.9.17.

McINTYRE 7526

7th Battn.

D. of W. Sept. Oct.

McRAE 5461

8th Battn.

D. of W. Sept.

MORSE 863

49th Bty. F.A.

D. of W. 2.10.17.

P.C. To Genl of Pargue
19.1.18.

170393 M & A
Military Head Quarters
Arklow
Co Wicklow

Dear Sir

Could you enlighten me
as to the whereabouts of my Brother
Private H. Stevens. No 6384

18/24 Battalion

Last heard of from 24 Camp. Larks
Hill Salisbury Plain. Wilts

This information would greatly
oblige

Yours Truly

Gnr R Stevens

PS He came over with the
Australian Expeditionary
Force

Memorandum.

From the St. John Ambulance Association,
St. John's Gate,
Clerkenwell, London, E.C. 1.

Director of the Ambulance Department:
THE RT. HON. THE EARL OF RANFURLY, P.C.(I.), G.C.M.G.

17th January, 1918
To Australian Red Cross Society,
Missing & Wounded Department,
Victoria Street, S.W.

Dear Sir,

I beg to enclose an enquiry just received about
a soldier who came over with the Australian Expeditionary F.
As you have the records of all such soldiers I should be
obliged if you will kindly answer it direct. I have
acknowledged the letter and informed the writer that I am
sending his letter on to you.

I am,

Yours faithfully,

RBell
For THE EARL OF RANFURLY.

Parsonage Lane
Preston
W. B. Kane
Jan 21-18

Dear Sir or Madam

If it is possible I should be greatly obliged of your kindness, if you could gather any tidings relating to the whereabouts of my Mother.

No 6384. Pte Harry Stercus, who arrived in England from Australia on the 29 day of January last 1914 and was stationed at Salisbury Plain until the 8th of May, whence he proceeded overseas to join the 24 Batta in the field, have received one field card since dated Ju 22nd when he was in good health, have since written to him, having no reply but letter returned stamped uncertain.

Address No 6384. Pte Harry Stercus
C. Coy 24th Battalion
A. I. F. France

Thanking you for any information of mine.

Yours Truly

Beatrice A. Stercus



AUSTRALIAN RED CROSS SOCIETY

(WOUNDED AND MISSING INQUIRY BUREAU).

~~54, VICTORIA STREET,~~

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

Jan 21st 1918

Telephones:

VICTORIA { 8576
8577
8578

Wobsey P.O. Henry Stevens 245 BL A.F.

Telegraphic Address:

"QUESTMAN. LONDON."

Dear Sir,

We have been asked by the relatives in Australia to obtain the fullest details possible of the wounds, death and burial of the above who died in your Hospital on *23.9.17.* and would greatly appreciate any information that you may send us.

With apologies for troubling you.

I remain,

Yours faithfully,

Kera R. A. Kier.

SECRETARY.

NOTE. We have been informed by various C.O.'s and Adjutants that the receipt of notes of thanks only causes them unnecessary inconvenience. Unless you ask us to acknowledge your reply to the above, we will not do so, and trust that you will understand that we appreciate it none the less.

Theo. C.

2nd Canadian Casualty Clearing Station

B. I. F.

P.T.O.

To. - Secretary,

Australian Red Cross Society,

36 Grosvenor Place,

London, S.W. 1

W

Reference reverse. No. 6384, Ctr, Strang, Lt.

24th Bn, A.I.F. was admitted to this C.O. 21/9/18
with severe Shell Wound Hip, Rt. He died
on 22-9-17 and was buried in Lijssenthoek
Military Cemetery, Belgium, on the following day
by the Chaplain.

Grave reference is Plot 24 C-14-B.



27-1-18

Major, C.M.S.
O.C. 2nd Canadian C.O.

P 1

170593. Cnr. R. Stevens,
R. G. A.
Military Head Quarters,
Arklow,
Co Wicklow.

22nd. January, 1918.

Dear Cnr. Stevens,

With reference to your enquiry concerning the whereabouts
of :-

6584. Pte. Henry Stevens, 24th. Battalion, A.I.F.

we regret to inform you that he died of gunshot wounds in the
right thigh, on the 25. 9. 17. at the 2nd. Canadian Casualty
Clearing Station.

We have no further information at present, but we are making
enquiries, and hope to send you the details of his death and
burial later.

With our sincere sympathy.

Yours faithfully,

SECRETARY. *HC*

28th. January 1918.

Miss Beatrice A. Stevens
Parsonage Farm,
Rednal.
Br. Birmingham.

Dear Madam,

In answer to your enquiry about your brother 6591 Pte.
Henry Stevens, 24 Batt. A.I.F. we very much regret to inform you
that he is officially reported to have died of wounds 26.9.17.
at the Encl. Canadian Casualty Clearing Station suffering from
a shrapnel wound of right thigh. We have received no further
information but when we get any news of his burial will send
it on to you at once.

Regretting that we have such sad news to send to send
you and assuring you of our sympathy.

Yours faithfully,

Secretary.

L.B.

40 170393 R & A
Military Head Quarters
Arklow
co Wicklow
Ireland

Dear Secretary

6384

I beg to thank you
for the information received, regarding
the death of my youngest ⁶³⁸⁴ Brother
Pte H Stevens 24th Battalion A.I.F.

Would it be possible for you to inform
me of the whereabouts of any of his
belongings, or as to if he was wearing
a ring at the time he expired

Yours Faithfully

Gnr R. Stevens

A.L. 7 - Kist Stn
110 Greyhound Rd
Fulham

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1st February 1918.

No. 170395 Gnr. R. Stevens,
R.G.A. Military Headquarters
Acklow,

Co. Wicklow, Ireland.

Dear Sir,

In reply to your enquiry concerning the kit and ring belonging to your brother ⁶³⁸⁴ ~~No. 6387~~ 24th Batt. Pte R. Stevens, we regret that we are unable to give you any information in the matter but we would advise you to write to the-

Australian Imperial Force Kit Stores,
110 Greyhound Road,
Fulham, S.W.

With a renewal of our sincere sympathy,

Yours faithfully,

Secretary,

DM/B for AR.

Parsonage Lane
Preston

W Bham

Feb 5 / 1918

Q. S. 2.18

Dear Sir or Madam.

After enquiring for some time
of my Brother. Pte 6384 Henry Storrs 24^{Battn} A.I.F.
I have recently been informed of his sad death
from Shrapnel wound at the 2nd Canadian C.C.
Station on Sept 23/1917, last heard of him Jan 22
Field card. He landed in England from Australia
29 Jan 1917 after three years from home, and
completed his training at Salisbury Plain, whence
he proceeded over seas on 8th May to join the
24 Battⁿ in the field. I shall be pleased to receive
anything of his returnable home, also any news
of his burial. Thanking You.

Yours Truly.
Beatrice A. Storrs

Miss Beatrice Stevens,
Personage Farm, Rednal,
Nr Birmingham.

February 6th, 1918.

Dear Madam,

In answer to your enquiry about your brother.

6384 Pte. H. STEVENS, 24th Battalion, A.I.F.

We deeply regret to inform you of a report received from the O.C. 2nd Canadian Casualty Clearing Station. He stated that Pte. Stevens was admitted to this C.C.S. on Oct. 21. 1917, suffering from severe shell wounds in the right hip. He died on the 23rd October and was buried in Lyssenthoeck Military Cemetery, Belgium, on the following day by the Church of England Chaplain. The grave reference being Plot 24.C.14.B.

We are continuing the enquiry and as soon as further details are received we shall advise you.

With most sincere sympathy in your great sorrow.

Yours faithfully,

SECRETARY.

F. N. P. St George
L.B.

170395 Gunner R. Stevens,
R.G.A., Military Headquarters,
Arklow,
Wicklow, Ireland.

6.2.18

Dear Gunner Stevens,

In answer to your enquiry for the whereabouts of
6384 Pte. H. Stevens, 24th Battn. A.I.F., we deeply regret to inform
you that we have heard from the O.C. 2nd Can. C.C. Station that
Pte. Stevens was admitted to this C.C.S. on the 21st Octr. 1917 with
severe shell wound in the right hip. He died on the 23rd Octr. and
was buried in Lyssenthock Military Cemetery, Belgium, on the follow-
ing day by the Church of England Chaplain. The Grave reference is P
Plot 24. C. 14B.

Further enquiries are being made and as soon as we obtain
information we shall advise you.

With our sincere sympathy,

Yours Faithfully,

Secretary.

F. K. G. St. George
L. B.