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7589 Private Thomas Reginald Wallace

5th Battalion



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A.I.F. 5th Battn.

WALLACE
T.R. 7569

"Killed 23.9.18"

I saw Wallace struck by the same shell that hit me. He died half an hour after. I was talking to him at the time we were hit. I was not badly hit myself, and was one of the firing party at his funeral at Tincourt. A Padre was at the burial. There were four killed by the same shell, and all were buried together. A large cross containing the four names was erected over the grave. Height 5ft.8ins. Fair, medium build, Age about 19-21. He was a signaller and this was his first time in the line after attending signal School in England.

Informant:- Pte. W.J. Thompson, 4330
5th Battn. B. Coy,
3rd A.A.H. Dartford.

Private address:-
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R.B. Davison,
Chaplain.
London
18.1.19.
J.E.A.

H.

Note:- See also previous report.

5th Battn.
A.I.F.

WALLACE.
T.R. 7589.

"Killed in Action 23-9-18"

At Rosiel. He was killed by shell when we were coming out. Killed at once. We went and got his body next day and he was buried at Tincourt. I saw his grave. Cross was put up T.Cleary is also buried here.

Informant:- Winchcombe.2096.
ANZAC BUFFET.

D.P.Dickson.
London.
20-1-19.
H.G.

M.

A.I.F.5th Battalion.

WALLACE
T.R. 7589.

"Killed 23.9.18"

After being relieved from the line, we were just passing through the village of Roselles, when a shell came over and lobbed right into the midst of our Platoon, causing 30 casualties. Wallace was one of those that were killed. I was about 50 yards ahead at the time, but his chum, Pte. Black (B. Headquarters Sigs.) came and told me he had seen him killed. Wallace was buried at Tincourt in the French Cemetery. He got a proper burial. Wallace belonged to B. H.Q. Sigs.

Informant:- 7557 Pte. Harold Walker Sole,
5th (not 2nd) Battn.
B. Coy, 7th Platoon,
Napsbury Hospital.

Home address:-
c/o Mrs. A. Sole,
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Eastbourne.

J.E. Norman.
London
20.1.19.
J.E.A.

Note. Written Pte Black.
17-1-19.

M.

5th Battn.
A.I.F.

"Killed 23-9-18"	WALLACE.T.R.7589½
"D/W 24-9-18"	Boyle.P.W.7200
"D/W 24-9-18"	Morris.D.L.7245.
"Killed 23-9-18"	Cleary.P.7468[illegible]

These men were all hit by the same shell as we were coming out of the line on evening of 23rd September about midnight. after being relieved. We were at Roisel about 9 kilos behind the line and about 4 00 yards from railway line. A big long range shell landed on the road and knocked 28 men, of whom 10 died. Cleary Wallace and 8 other men were buried in same grave, at Tincourt Military Cemetery with full Military Honors and a Padre conducted the service. A big cross was erected, and their names were all put on it Cleary and Wallace were both killed instantly. - hit in head and neck. Boyle and Morris were taken away by the stretcher bearers. Do not know nature of wounds. Stretcher Bearer H.L.Mc Ewan. AdminsHqrs. Horseferry Road. was one of the stretcher bearers to carry Morris out - believe badly hit in leg and thigh.

Informants:- Sgt.Mjr.J.Miller. 2627. 5th Battn.
Sgt.A.G.Stewart. 5768. B.Co.5th "
Pte.C.L.Bennett. 7446. B.Co.5th "

Note:- This report was given jointly. all the informants were there at the time. H.S.C.
H.S.Cowan.
London.
26-2-19.

M.

5th Battn.
A.I.F.

WALLACE.
T.R. 7589.

"Killed in Action 23-9-18"

Wallace was in B.Company. On Headquarters. I was one of the firing party at his burial at Tincourt end of September. He was killed outright at Roulles by high velocity shell. I did not know him by sight. It was an Australian Cemetery at Tincourt. I saw a good cross put on Wallace's grave 2 days later. The ground was held.

Eye-Witness:- Yes - of grave.
Description:-
Home address:-

Informant:- Thompson. W.J. 4330.
5th Battn. A.I.F. B.Co.
Netley Red Cross Hpl.
NETLEY.

G.R.B.
London.
30-12-18.
J.B A.

M.

To

Pte Black

Bth H.Q. Signallers

5. Bttn

A.I.F

Adm:

7589 Pte T. R. Wallace

5th Battn

A.I.F

K. 23. 9. 18

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10th December 1918.

Australians. 5.

Wallace T.R. No. 7589.

K. 23rd Septr 1918. Det D/B.

B.Coy., single. He was killed outright in the village of Roselles at night, about midnight while marching back after being relieved. He was buried with several others at Buire.

Inf:- Pte H. Mulvey No. 7514.
"A" I.F. 5. H.Q.
H.S. St. Andrew's

RBS.

PF.

5th Btn.

WALLACE T.R.
WALLACE, T.R.
Pte. No. 7589

Kld. in act. 23.9.18.

"I did not know Casualty well. He was a man of medium height about 22 years of age. He had just lately joined us up. Casualty was going upto the line at Tincourt. An H.E. shell exploded on the road near Casualty killing him instantly. I was 30 yards away at the time the shell exploded, and I saw his body lying on the road. He was brought in on a stretcher. He was most severely wounded all over. He was buried in a cemetery near Tincourt and I attended the funeral. A cross was erected with his name, number and unit on it."

Informant:- G.A. Ferguson.

Private address
53 Edward Street,
Elsternwick.

T.C.F.
30.5.19.

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H.Q. c/Bees.
Overseas Training Dep.t
Perham Down
Andover

8/7/17

Dear Madam,
Answered 20-7-17
Is it possible for me to obtain a photo of the grave of
No 1578 Pte Wallace W. 2-13K
who died in hospital at Camieres, France, about 12 months ago. His mother, in Australia, is a friend of mine & I promised to see the grave, but so far have been unable to do so, if I can send a photo I am sure she would be glad.

Yours faithfully,
C.M. Saincleugh
Lieut.