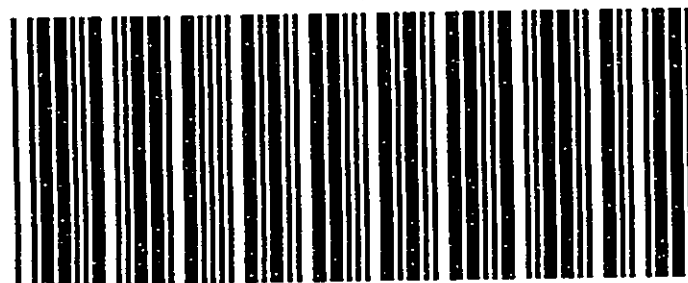


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**2215 Private
Ernest Andrew Smith**

19th Battalion



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SMITH

E.A. 2215

"MISSING"

Killed in action 3-5-17 - previously reported Missing
Cert. by A.I.F. Hqs 8-1-18.

London
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A.I.F. 19th Btn

SMITH
Ernest Andrew 2215

"K/A. 3-5-17"

No trace in Germany
Cert. by Capt. Mills 10-10-19.

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SMITH, Z.A. 2215

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M. May 3rd.1917.

I know him well; he was in A. Co., Battalion runner, and his number was 2215. I have been in communication with his mother who lives in London. I have lost the address. She has had word that he was killed. She wrote and told me this.

Informant: L.Cpl. H. Hollis, 1651
19th Australians, C.Co., XI. Pltn.
Australian Camp, Ronelles.

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SMITH, E.A. 2215.

M. May 3rd 1917.

I knew E.A. Smith. He was in A. Coy and I think No IV pltn and his number was about 2215. I knew nothing of him before joining up. He was inclined to be fair, clean shaven, rather bald in front, about 5ft 7 or 8, and from 25-30. On the morning of the 3rd May I was in a shell hole with Smith and another man waiting to advance when I saw both Smith and the other man wounded in the mouth. I think it was from M.G. fire. I bandaged Smith up and then was wounded myself. Smith's wound looked to me to be serious. I went to the D/S but Smith and the other man remained in the shell hole. I don't think they were capable of getting out of the shell hole. Heavy firing was going on all this time. I never heard what happened to Smith after that.

Inf: Pte S. Walsh. 5938. 19.A.IV.

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