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6375 Private Joseph Simpson Walsh

4th Battalion



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Havre 21st June 1918.

A.I.F. 4. Walsh J.S. No. 6375.

K. 16th April 1918. Det D/B.

I knew Pte Jos Walsh of C.Co. XI Pltn, his number was about as stated. He was working in the 'Sydney Morning Herald' Office before the War. I was right alongside him between Strazeele and Merris moving up from supports to our front line about 7 p.m. daylight on the 16th April 1918 when he was killed instantly by M.G.Fire. I took his M.G.from him and carried on. We held the ground. I do not know where he was buried. I think the 6th Battn who relieved us buried him.

Inf:- Pte H. Hall No. 6998.
A.I.F. 4. C. XI.
Australian Camp.
Rouelles.

J.E.A.

RDK.

4th Battn: Walsh,J.J. 6375.

K. 16/4/18.

Joe Walsh came over with me in the S.S. Eurypedes in September 1916. We were attacking in front of Merres and he was working a Lewis Gun when a ~~shell~~ Hun M.G. bullet hit him on the head killing him outright. I do not know where he was buried.

4th Battn: Samuelson, A.F.Pte.6362.

12 A. Dartford. 16/7/18.

R.D.B.

Havre 28th July 1918.

A.I.F. 4. Walsh J.S. 6375.

K. 16th April 1918. Det D/B.

I knew him well. He came from Manly near Sydney, and ~~was~~ used to work on a Newspaper, at the Sydney Sun Office. On the 16th April we were at Strazeele holding the line. About 8 p.m. we attacked and got about ½ mile. During the attack Walsh was killed right out by a M.G.Bullet in the head. I was near him and saw it. He was a Lewis Gunner and I took the gun off him when he was killed. I am not certain about burial as I was hit myself the same day.

Inf:- Pte S. Steed No. 6096.
A.I.F. 4. C. H.
Australian Conv. Depot.
Rouelles.

CWSG.

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PP.

4th Battalion. A.I.F.

WALSH. J.S.
Private No.6375.

"KILLED. 16. 4. 18".

I knew Walsh fairly well. I met him in France. He came from somewhere near Sydney. He stood about 5'8" in height. Fair - clean shaved - of slight build.

I saw Walsh killed at Merris on the 16th April, 1918, by a Machine Gun. He was killed instantly.

Walsh was a very decent chap.

Informant:- Private R. Hall, 6997,
4th Battalion.

Home Address:- Dooralong,
Wyong.

Steed

F.B.W.
No.4, Australian General Hospital,
RANDWICK.

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SYDNEY BUREAU.

A.I.F. 4th Btn

WALSH
J.S. 6375

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Cert. by A.I.F.Headquarters list 24-3-17.

Now reported Sick in Hospital not Missing
Cert. by A.I.F.Headquarters ~~list~~ 29-3-17.

OFF.M.

London
3-4-17

A.I.F 4th Btn

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With unit 18-3-17
Cert. by Rouen letter 22-4-17.

London
25-4-17

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