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2465 Private Stanley Maurice Wilson

58th Battalion



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58th Battn.
A.I.F.

Wilson.
S.M. 2465

"Died of Wounds 26.9.17"

NOTE TO MELBOURNE

The attached card was found by W.J.Pierce 58th Battn.in the late Pte.S.M.Wilson's pack, addressed to his sister, and should have been forwarded to you with his report of 19.2.18.

London.
8.3.18.

58th Battn.
A.I.F.

Wilson. 2
Pte. S.M. 3465

"Died of Wounds"

re 3465 Pte. Wilson S.M. He was admitted here on 25.9.17 with shell wounds Leg L. Fracture and wrist R. He died 26.9.17 at 5.30.p.m. and was buried on 27.9.17 in Lijssenthoek Military Cemetery Belgium. Grave Rep. Plot. 19. C.17.A.

Letter from:-
The O.C.
2nd Can.C.C.Stn.
10.2.18.

London.
14.2.18.

M.

58th Battn.
late 59th
A.I.F.

WILSON,
S.M. 2465

"Died of Wounds 26.9.17."

Reference 2465,Pte.S M.Wilson, 58th Battn, A.I.F. D/W 26.9.17. am glad to be able to give you the necessary information for which you are seeking. Pte.Wilson was a HdQr runner and was employed with me, in running messages between battalion Hd Qrs and Bgde Hd Qrs on the date he was wounded, and while returning to battn Hd Qrs, under a very heavy enemy barrage, we took shelter in a pillbox for a few minutes rest, when a shell landed almost on top of our shelter, with the reslut that Pte.Wilson was severely wounded, having his left leg practically blown off, right foot shattered, and minor wounds in the hands and face. He was immediately attended to by our regimental Medical Officer and was evacuated to C.C.S. where he died of wounds two days later. I am informed that he was buried in the military cemetery attached to the 2nd Canadian Casualty Clearing station near Popperinghe, and the C.O. of that hospital would be able to give you more particulars of his burial and map reference of cemetery in which he was buried. I am adding a short description of Pte.Wilson and am also forwarding the only article of any value. which I discovered in pack, after coming out of the battle of Polygon Wood, in

58th Battn
late 59th
A.I.F.

which he received his wounds.
Description of Pte.S.M.Wilson 2465
Height about 6 ft.
Age " 21 years
Complexion Fair.
Hair Fair and curly.
Eyes Brown
Cleanshaven.

Letter from :- W.J.Pierce.
A I.F. 19.2.18.

London
27.2.18.

H.

A.I.F. 58. WILSON, S.M. 2465.

D/W Sept 26th 1917. Dets.

I knew a man called Stanley Wilson who was a HS runner and who was attached to D.Co. I do not know his number. He came from Victoria. was about 6ft, inclined to be fair, clean shaven, about 20 and slim. I was told by his mate Pte W.Pearce, who was also a HQ runner, that he was with Wilson when he was badly wounded in the leg during the ~~fith~~ fighting at Polygon Wood about the 26th Sept. Wilson was wounded by a H.E. shell. Pearce told me that Wilson afterwards D/W. I do not know where he was buried.

Inf: ~~Pte~~ L/Cpl.A.L.Campbell 2983. HQ
No. 3 Can Gen Hosp.
BOULOGNE. 14.1.18.

AGL

Written Pte. Pearce 4.2.18.

Duplicate

A. I. F. 68. WILSON, S.H. 2403.

D/W. September 28th, 1917.

I saw him hit by a shell at Gloncorse Wood on September 28th. He was in our aid post at the time. A shell blew in through the doorway. He was very badly wounded in the legs. I saw him still there when we were relieved that night. He was taken away later. We could not get him out that day because of the heavy shelling.

References:- J.Thomson. 1273. A.M.C. Det.

I saw him carried out on a stretcher to the D/S. He was pretty bad when he passed me with a big leg wound. That is the last I know of him. He was a HQ runner.

SA.

References:- P.A.Duffy. 1900. D.Coy.
Cornet.

Identity cert. from Batn records.

Etaples
28.1.18.

4.2.18.

Pte. W. Pearce
5-8th Battn. A.I.F.
B.9.7.

A.I.F.
2465 Pte. S. M. Wilson
5-8th Battn. A.I.F.
late 59th
D/W 26.9.17.

5.2.18.
A.I.B.

O. C.'s Draft - 5/2/18.

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2465.
S. M. Wilson. 58th Battn. late 59th Battn.

D. of W. 26/9/17.

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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 Lyssenthoek 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.

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Telegraphic Address:
"QUESTMAN, LONDON."

2465. Private S.M. Wilson. 58th Batt'n

5/2/18.

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 26/9/17. and would greatly appreciate any information that you may send us.

With apologies for troubling you.

I remain,

Yours faithfully,

Vera Deakin.

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.

The O.C.
2 Can. C.C. Sl'n
B.E.F.

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D/W

10 FEB 1918

Secretary
Australian Red Cross Society.
Wounded & Missing Enquiry Bureau
36 Grosvenor Place. London. SW.1.

Reference above enquiry. 2465. Pte WILSON SM 58 Bn AIF. was admitted here on 25.9.17 with Shell wd L. Fract. and wrist R. He died 26.9.17 at 5.30 pm + was buried on 27.9.17 in ADSEMTHEEK Military Cemetery Belgium. Grave Ref Pt 19 C. 17.A.

Lt Col. O.C. 2 Can. C.C.S.

2465 S. M. WILSON
58th Battn
Ack. p.c. 24.2.18

France.
19/2/18

To,
The Secretary,
W.O. Enquiry Bureau,

I am in receipt of your letter of the 5th inst, reference 2465. Pte S. M. Wilson 58th Battn A.I.F, D/W. 26/4/17 and am glad to be able to give you the necessary information for which you are asking. Pte Wilson was a Harrumner & was employed with me, in running messages between Brigade Headquarters & Brigade Headquarters on the day he was wounded, & while returning to Brigade Hqrs, under a very heavy shell fire, we took shelter in a gully for a few minutes rest, when a shell landed almost on top of our shelter, with the result that Pte Wilson was severely wounded, having his left leg practically blown off, right foot shattered, & minor wounds in the hands & face. He was immediately attended to by our regimental Medical Officer, & was removed to C.C.S, where he died of wounds two days later. I am informed that he was buried in the Military Cemetery attached to the said Canadian Casualty Clearing Station, near Poperinghe & the O.C. thereof should be able to give you particulars of his burial, & map reference of cemetery in which he was buried, & any other description of

Pte Wilson, & am also forwarding the only article of any value, which I discovered in pack, after coming out of the battle of Polygon Wood, in which he received his wound.

— Description of Pte A/M Wilson, 2465.

Height, about 6 ft,
Age, " 21 yrs,
Complexion, — fair,
Hair, fair & curly,
Eyes, brown,
Clean shaven.

Trusting that these particulars will reach you safely,

I am,
yours faithfully,

W. J. Pierce