

Australian Red Cross Society Wounded and Missing  
Enquiry Bureau files, 1914-18 War  
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**2213A Private  
Robert William  
McGuinness**

**53rd Battalion**



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A.I.F. 53rd Btn

McGUINNESS  
R.W. 2213

"D/Wds about 29-5-17"

Died of wounds 26-5-17 at 3rd C.C.S. Buried at Grevillers  
British Cemetery 1 1/4 miles W. of Bapaume.

London  
30-4-18

P.I.

53rd Batta.  
A.I.F.

McGUINNESS  
Pte.R.W. 2213

"Died of Wounds"

Re 2213 Pte.R.W.McGuinness, 53rd Batta. He was admitted to this C.C.S. on the 23-5-18 suffering from G.S.W. Back (penetrating) He died on the 26-5-18, and was buried in the Military Cemetery at Grevillers, 26-5-18. The Rev.E.J. Cullen C.F. (R.C.) officiated at the burial service.

Letter from:- O.C.  
No.3 C.C.S.  
8-5-18

London  
13-5-18

P.I.

O.C. Draft.

1.5.18.

The O.C.

3<sup>rd</sup> Cas. Cl. for B.E.F.

2813. Pk R.W. H. C. Guinness

53<sup>rd</sup> Batta A.I.F.

D. of W. <sup>26</sup> 5.17.

THIS LIST CANCELS ALL PREVIOUS LISTS.

## AUSTRALIAN BRANCH

British Red Cross

AND

Order of St. John.

END

Mrs. Peenan,  
6, Hyde Street,  
Workington.

2nd May

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Dear Madam,

In answer to your enquiry about - 2213 Pte. R.W. MCGUINNESS, 53rd Battalion, A.I.F., We deeply regret to have to inform you that ~~he is officially reported~~ to have died of wounds at the 3rd Casualty Clearing Station, B.E.F. on April 26th, 1917, and was buried at Grevillers British Cemetery, 1 1/2 miles W. of Bapaume. We have written to the O.C. of the hospital for particulars of his death and burial and will at once advise you on receiving his reply.

With sincere regrets at having to send you such sad news.

Yours faithfully,

(Miss) F. J. G.

SECRETARY.

Tel.: VICTORIA 8578  
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ALL COMMUNICATIONS  
TO BE ADDRESSED TO:

"THE SECRETARY"

WOUNDED AND MISSING

— ENQUIRY BUREAU

AUSTRALIAN RED CROSS SOCIETY.



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36, GROSVENOR PLACE.

LONDON S.W. 1.

*2213. Private R. W. Mc Guinness. 53<sup>rd</sup> Batt. A.I.F.*

*1.5.18.*

*The Officer Commanding*

*3<sup>rd</sup> Casualty Clearing Station B.E.F.*

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

*26.5.17.* and would greatly appreciate any information that you may send us.

As 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.

With apologies for troubling you,

Yours faithfully,

(Miss) Vera Deakin

Secretary.

*7.5.18.*

Secretary Red Cross Society,  
Australia

26 Grosvenor Place,

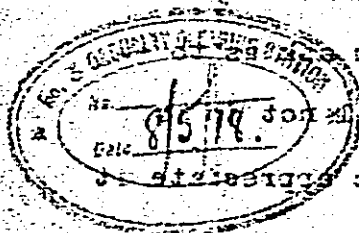
London SW1

D/W

No 2217 P. MCGUINNESS RN 53rd Bn A.H.F.

The above man was admitted to this C.S. on the 23<sup>rd</sup> 1917  
Suffering from Gas Back (contaminated). He died on the 26<sup>th</sup> 1917  
And was buried in the Military Cemetery at  
Greville-R.S. 26/5/17

The Royal Garrison Artillery (RGA) appreciated at  
the Royal Service.



With apologies for troubling you,

Yours faithfully,

Major (Miss) ...

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Mrs. Peenan,  
6, Hyde Street,  
Workington.

May 25th, 1918.

Dear Madam,

We beg to inform you that in answer to our enquiry  
respecting the death and burial of -

2213 Pte. R.W. McGUIHNESS, 53rd Battalion, A.I.F.

We have been informed by the D.C. of the 3rd Casualty Clearing  
Station, B.E.F. that he was admitted there on the 23rd May, 1917,  
suffering from penetrating gunshot wound in the back. He died on  
May 26th and was buried the same day in the Military Cemetery at  
Grevillers - the Rev. E.J. Cullen C.F.(R.C.) officiating at the  
the burial service.

We have now closed our enquiry as at this distance of  
time we do not think there is any chance of obtaining any  
further definite information but should any be received we will  
at once advise you.

With our sincere sympathy.

Yours faithfully,

(Miss) *Mrs St George*  
SECRETARY

pe 26.4.18

(Address to which  
information is  
to be sent)

Mr J. Penan  
6. Hyde Street  
Washington

To The Secretary.

British Red Cross and Order of St. John,  
Enquiry Dept. for Wounded and Missing,  
18, Carlton House Terrace,  
London, S.W. 1.

(Date) 23. 4. 1918

RECEIVED  
24 APR. 1918  
CARLTON HOUSE TERRACE

Dear Sir,

Please make enquiry for

Col. M. Guinnies R. H.

(SURNAME AND CHRISTIAN NAME, UNDERLINE SURNAME)

No. 2213 Rank Private Regiment 14<sup>th</sup> Brigade

Battalion 53<sup>rd</sup> Company 3<sup>rd</sup> Division Platoon

Force A. I. F.  
(B.E.F., E.A.F., ETC.)

reported to be ~~wounded~~ <sup>and was</sup> ~~on the~~ <sup>about</sup> 29 day of May 1917

(KILLED, WOUNDED OR MISSING)

(APPROXIMATE DATE OF CASUALTY)

The report is unofficial the information being received from

(STATE WHETHER OFFICIAL OR UNOFFICIAL)

No 3. C. C. Station B. E. F.

(SOURCE OF INFORMATION)

It took place on the

front at

Don't know.

(STATE LOCALITY IF POSSIBLE)

Add any  
remarks.  
If  
casualty  
is only  
wounded,  
or if no  
casualty  
reported,  
give reason  
for enquiry,  
stating  
when and  
where last  
heard from

Yours faithfully,

Mr Penan

Signature of Enquirer

Mrs. Penan

(State whether Mr., Mrs. or Miss)



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