

Australian Red Cross Society Wounded and Missing
Enquiry Bureau files, 1914-18 War
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**5421 Private
William George Millett**

12th Battalion



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Harro.

2nd. May. 1918.

12th. Australians.

Millett, W. G. 5421.

D/W. September. 20/1917. Detc. D/B.

I was told by Private. S. Carnell, 12th. Battalion, C. 9, on about September 27th when I was with the Battalion that he had seen Millett wounded at Ypres I think on September 20th. He saw him carried away to the D Station. I have heard that he has died since. I know Millett well, he was stout, dark, raggedy, came from Queensland. Carnell is still with the Battalion.

Inf:- Private: J. Fox. 5383.
12th. Australians. D. 15.
H. S. "St. Andrew".

CWS.

Written by *W. G. Millett* 13.5.18.

12th Battn.
A.I.F. Coy.

MILLETT.
W.G. 5421.

"Died of Wounds" 20-9-17.

Refer to Pte. Mc Donnell, 12th Battn. who is now in hospital in England and also Pte. P. Hembrow, 6th Coy, 12th Battn. who is now in France, they saw him wounded and can give full details of casualty.

Informant. Lamont. Sgt. H. 5415.
12th Battn. H. Qrts.
3.A.A.E. DARTFORD.

Note. Written Ptes. Mc Donnell. and Hembrow.

W. Oman.
London.
18-5-18.

P 1.

12th Battn.
A.I.F.

MILLETT
W.G. 5421

"Died of Wounds 20-9-17"

He was a mate of mine and came over in same Rfts. 17th, of 12th Battn. He was wounded just immediately before we hopped over in the Polygon Wood stunt on Sep. 20th. A shell got him and both his heels were blown off. He was in C. Coy., but I do not remember his Pltn. Tom Hartland, S/B. C. Coy. 9th Pltn., told me afterwards that he bandaged him up and took him to 1st Aid post, but I do not know what happened to him after, but I heard that he died. He came from Queensland.

Informant. Hey J.F. 5395
C. Coy. 9th Pltn. 12th Battn.,
NO. 1 Command Depot,
SUTTON VENY.

B.F. German
London
24-5-18

P. I.

Note:- Written Pte. Hartland 24-5-18

*Letter returned 16/7/18
cannot be traced*

A.I.F. 12th Stn

MILITARY
Im. G. 5421

"D/Wounds 20-9-17"

Died of wounds 20-9-17 10th C.C.Stn
ert. by A.I.F. Eqs 13-2-18.

London
14-2-18

P.I.

12th Battn.
A.I.F.

Mullett. (O.C.)
Malletts
Pte. W.G. 5421

MILLETTS.
Mullett

"Died of Wounds"

MILLETTS.

Pte. Malletts died on 20.9.17 from S.W. Both Feet. Buried at
Lyssenthoek Cemetery Plot 23 No.B 19.A

Letter from:-

The O.C.

No.10 C.C.S.

22.2.18.

London.
26.2.18.

P.I.

12^a
A.I.F. 7th Battn.

MILLETT

William George 5421.

Died of Wounds 20/2/18

Re No. 5421 Pte. W.G. Millett, the only information I can give you, is, he was severely wounded, in both feet, on the morning of 20th September 1917 "by shell fire". He passed through our own dressing station on to the "Field Ambulance" where he died of his wounds. There is no doubt he would be buried in a Military Cemetery, also his grave registered, being that far behind the line.

Letter from:- F. Hembrow,
France.

22/5/18.

Description of No. 5421 Pte. W. G. Millett - Height about 5' 10"
Medium build - very fair.

London
31/5/18

P.I.

22th Batta.
A.I.F.

W.G.

MILLETT.
5421.

"Died of Wounds" 20-9-17.

Millett was one of my Platoon and was wounded in both feet in Polygon Wood stunt, and taken away by the S/Es. I can't say when he was taken but word came back that he died but heard nothing of his burial.

Informant:- Lee. Sgt. T. 1737.
22th Batta. A.I.F.

WESTHAM.

W.A. Rand.
London.
3-6-18.

P I.

No. 5421st Wm. G. Mullett 12th Bth

No. 31218 G. E. R. E. Garraway



12th L. T. M. B.

109 & 110, Strand.

London, W.C.C.

31st May 18

ack. 1.6.18

The Secretary,

Aust. Red Cross

Dear Madam

Many thanks for
yrs of the 29th inst. cont^d,
information re the
death of Private Mullett.

(My nephew 31218

Emt. E. R. E. Garraway

was killed on the 11th October last.

Can you inform me
as to his effects.

His father writes to
me from Sydney that
so far he has rec'd
nothing;

are deceased soldier's
effects collected &
returned to the next
of kin? If not, would
it be possible for
me to obtain them?
I must apologise

if I am troubling
you about a matter
that does not concern
the Red Cross.

Faithfully,

A. E. Garraway

(24-5-18)

3/13 p/c Tom Hartland

C Coy. ~~IX~~ Pltn.

12th Battn. A.I.F.

abroad

abt.

S-421

p/c W. G. Millett

C Coy.

12th Battn. A.I.F.

D/W. 20.9.17.

24-5-18.
A.I.F.

(17) 5-18

Pt. McDonnell

12 Ballu a. 1.7

Abroad

G

abt

5421

Pt. W. G. Millett

C. Coy.

12th Ballu a. 1.7

D/W. 20. 9. 17.

17. 5. 18.
a. 1. B.

(1) 5-18

Pl P Hem 6402

C Coy

12th Battn A. 1.7

Abroad

abt

5421

Pl W G Millett

C Coy

12th Battn A. 1.7

D/W 20.9.17

17.5.18
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Pt. S. Carnell

C. Coq. TX Pllu.

12¹⁵ Ballu Q. 17.

Abroad

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5421

Pt. W. G. Millett

12¹⁵ Ballu Q. 17.

D/W 20. 9. 17.

14. 5. 18
Q. 1 B.

A.I.F. 12th Btn

MILLETTS
Wm. G. 5421

"D/Wounds 20-9-17"

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London
14-2-18

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Wm. G. 5421

10th C.C. Str.

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p.c. 12.2.18.

TELEGRAPHIC ADDRESS,
QUEENSLAND, WESTHARD, LONDON
TELEPHONE NUMBERS,
REGENT 3224, 3225, 3226.

THE SECRETARY TO
THE AGENT GENERAL FOR QUEENSLAND,
40 & 410 STRAND LONDON W.C.



40 & 410, Strand.

London, W.C.

11th Feb/18

The Secretary

Aust. Red Cross

Dear Sir Many thanks for the
information you have given me
re my nephew Gunter E H Garraway.
May I trouble you again
for information re

Private William G Millett

12th Battalion

5421

Died 20th Sept/17 - 10th Casualty Station
His father has asked me to
obtain some details of his
death if possible from some
of his late comrades.

Faithfully

W E Garraway



AUSTRALIAN RED CROSS SOCIETY

(WOUNDED AND MISSING INQUIRY BUREAU).

~~54, VICTORIA STREET,~~

36, GROSVENOR PLACE, LONDON, S.W. 1.

Telephones:

VICTORIA

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54. 21. St. W. G. Millett, 12th Battr. A.I.F. 16.2.18.

Telegraphic Address:

QUESTMAN, LONDON.

The O.C.

10th Casualty Clearing Station, B.F.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 20.9.17. and would greatly appreciate any information that you may send us.

With apologies for troubling you.

I remain,

Yours faithfully,

K. a. 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.

Secretary

Amst. Red Cross Society

D/W
Reference reverse.

Nº 5421

Pte Mullett H.G.
(O.C.)
Milletts

died on 20-9-17 from S.W. Both Feet. Buried
at Lutterbeck Cemetery Plot 23 Nº B19A.

NO. 10
CASUALTY
CLEARING STATION.
22-2-18

P1
W.C. Munn

Major Gen.
Lieut-Colonel R.A.M.C.
O.C. Nº 10 C.C.S.

February 18th, 1918.

H.E. Carraway, Esq.,
409-10, Strand,
W.C.

Dear Sir,

We deeply regret to inform you that

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5421 Pte. W.G. MILLET, 12th Battalion, A.F.F.

is now officially reported to have died of wounds at
the 10th Casualty Clearing Station, B.E.F., 20-9-17.

No details as to burial are reported, but we are
making further enquiries and will advise you at once of any
information we receive.

Yours faithfully,

Flora H. G. F. Geary
for SECRETARY.

Tel.: VICTORIA (8576
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8578

ALL COMMUNICATIONS
TO BE ADDRESSED TO

"THE SECRETARY,"
WOUNDED AND MISSING
— ENQUIRY BUREAU —

AUSTRALIAN RED CROSS SOCIETY.



24. 8. 18

AUSTRALIAN RED CROSS SOCIETY.

36, GROSVENOR PLACE,

LONDON, S.W. 1.

Pt. Tom Hartland

C Coy. 12th Batta. A.I.F.

Aboard

Dear Sir,

We are making enquiries about a man of your unit,

5421 Pt. W. G. Millett C Coy. 12th Batta. A.I.F.

D/W 20. 9. 17.

and have been told that you may be able to help us by
supplying some information.

We should be most grateful for any details you can
send us concerning him, but our enquirers wish especially
to know whether he was buried, if so, whether it was on the
field, or in a soldiers' cemetery where the grave would be
registered. We would also be glad if you could add a short
description of his personal appearance or any points that
might help to prove his identity.

In your reply kindly quote name, initials and number,
as without these particulars delay and confusion might be
caused in identifying the soldier about whom you have
written.

Yours faithfully,

(Miss) Mrs Drake

Pt. A.I.F.

Secretary.

AMERICAN CROSS SOCIETY

WOUNDED & MISSING

24 MAY 1918

24 MAY 1918



38, GROSVENOR PLACE
LONDON, S.W. 1.

Address unknown

Cd only

Pt. 1st Hartland 7/8/18

Stratford Beerer

Company Platoon

12th Infantry Battalion

Australian Imperial Force

abroad

UNDELIVERED
A. B. P. O. ELE
RETURN TO SENDER

5421

W. G. Smelt



20th May 1918

H.E. Garraway, Esq.,
409-10 Strand,
W.C.2.

Dear Sir,

In reply to your inquiry about - 5421 Pte Wm.G. Millett, 12th Btn, A.I.F., we beg to inform you that we have received a report from the O.C. of the 10th Casualty Clearing Station, stating that Pte. Millett died on September 20th 1917, from shell wounds in both feet and was buried in Iyjsenthoek Cemetery Plot 23. No.3 19A.

We have also received an unofficial report from - 5395 Pte J.F. Hey, 12th Btn, A.I.F., lately at No.1 Command Depot Sutton Veny, who stated that Pte Millet was very badly wounded in both feet by a shell just before the "hop over" at Polygon Wood on Sept: 20th.

Stretcher-bearer T. Hartland of the same coy, told Pte Hey that he bandaged him up and took him to the dressing station; he heard after 3 days that he had died.

We are continuing our inquiries and will at once forward you any information we may obtain. Trusting that these details will be of some assistance to you.

UFGI 7-21 10-3

Yours faithfully,

(LIS3)

~~Secretary~~ TO THE SECRETARY

7-8-9, 1-6-11

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(Description of No. 522, H. W. H. H. H.)

Height about 5 ft 10 ins.
Medium build, very fair.

France

May 22nd 1918

20 act. by
P.C. 79-5.18.



5724

William George Gullett

Notice

20 of 44 2023-10-17

The Secretary

Arch: Red Cross Society

St Grosvenor Place

London SW,

Dear Miss Leakin

I received yours of the 17th inst today; asking for any information concerning No 5421 Pte W.G. Killeth. The only information I can give you, is, he was severely wounded, in both feet, on the morning of Sept. 20th 1917. "by shell fire". He passed through our own Dressing Station on to the "Field Ambulance" where he died of his wounds. There is no doubt he would be buried in a Military Cemetery; also his grave Registered, being that far behind the line. Trusting these few details will be of assistance to you Yours faithfully, H. H. H. H.

Ly. Pembour

E.R. Garraway, Esq.,
409 & 410 Strand,
W.C.2.

June 3rd, 1918.

Dear Sir,

With reference to your enquiry concerning -

5421 Pte. WILLIAM G. MILLETT, 12th Battalion, A.I.F.

We have received the following unofficial report from Pte. F. Hembrow of the same unit. He states that Pte. Millett was severely wounded by shellfire in both feet on the morning of 20th September. He passed through our own dressing station to the field Ambulance where he died of his wounds. We have now concluded our enquiries and hope that the details we have been able to obtain may have been of some assistance to his friends.

Should we obtain further information we shall immediately advise you.

With reference to your enquiry concerning -

31218 Gnr. F.R. GARRAWAY, 12th Light Trench Mortar Bty, A.I.F.

We beg to inform you that it will be necessary for you to apply to the A.I.F. Kit Stores, 110, Greyhound Road, Fulham, for information regarding his effects as this matter does not come within our province.

Yours faithfully,

(Miss)

Mrs Craven
SECRETARY.