

Australian Red Cross Society Wounded and Missing
Enquiry Bureau files, 1914-18 War
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**3099A Private
Edwin Samuel Davis**

5th Battalion



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A.I.F. 5th Battn.

E.S. Davis,
3099.

"Killed 25/4/18."

This man was buried in the Cemetery of Blissy, outside of 59 Casualty Clearing Station just of Dehors. There is a fully decorated cross on his grave.

Informant:- Gr. Thomas Knight, 3090.

5th M.G.C. A.I.F.

58th Battn., 15, Batty,
Queens Ward,

British Royal Infirmary.

Home address:-

300, Queens Street,
Melbourne.

A.J. Nepean,

7/10/18.

London 2/11/18.

JEA.

M.

A. I. F. 58th Bn.

DAVIS, E. S. 3099.

D/W. April 25/18. Det.D/S.

I saw him being carried away on a stretcher at Vaux de Somme on the Canal. He had been hit in the stomach. He called out "Goodbye" to us as he passed. He was Corpl. of a M.G.Sect. in my Coy. He was buried all right but I did not see his burial. I did not know him very well but remember he was short, fair, and about 22 or 23.

Reference: Pte.N.R.Casey, 3372, C.XI.

No.11 Stationary, Rouen, 22.8.18.

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Havre. 12th. September. 1918.

58th. Australians. Davis, E. S. 3099.

D/H. April. 25/1918. Dets. D/B.

I knew a Davis a Corporal in C. Coy. I know he understood French as he translated a letter for me four days before he was killed. He was about 5 feet 6, well built, dark, clean-shaven; had a name for being a very plucky man. We were holding the line in front of Hamel when I saw him hit by a M.G. Bullet in the body very badly. L/Corporal Greenslade, C. Coy, picked him up first & helped him on a Stretcher; that is the last I saw of him.

Inf:- Private. G. Scanlon. 3450.
58th. Australians. C.
Hospital Ship.

WHB.

*J.P.A. Witness/cpl
Greenslade
19.9.18 CP.*

58th Battn.
A.I.F.

DAVIS
Cpl.E.S. 3099

"Died of Wounds 25-4-18"

Davis was shot through the stomach by M.gun bullet when the Battn. was holding the line in front of Hamel in April last. I was about 30 yds. off and saw him fall. L/Cpl.Greenslade went to his assistance. He was taken to the dressing station and that was the last I saw of him. I heard afterwards that he had died but cannot say where he was buried. He was a Cpl., and had a fair knowledge of French. Ground was held. L/Cpl.S.M. Greenslade, C.Coy. 58th Battn. can give full information.

Eye-witness:- Yes.

Description:-

Informant. Scanton. Pte.Gerald. 3450
Home address:- 55th Battn. C.Coy. 9th Pltn.,
77, Upper Leeson Street, Bath War Hpl.
Dublin.

F.J.Kingsley
20-9-18
London
7-10-18
J.E.A.

Note:- Written L/Cpl.Greenslade 1-10-18.

Letter returned marked not with 56. Bth 10-10-18. H. & H.

A.I.F. 59th Btn
late 5th Btn

E.S. DAVIS
3099

Wed-Sept-Oct

Wounded - discharged to duty 29-9-17 ex 6th A.Fld.Amb
ert. by A.I.F. Hqrs 9-11-17

London
13-11-17

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