

Australian Red Cross Society Wounded and Missing  
Enquiry Bureau files, 1914-18 War  
1DRL/0428

2740 Private  
Barrow Helbert Ellis  
Lousada

21st Battalion



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A. I. F. 21.

LONSADA, B.H.2740.

K. August 23th, 1916.

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I was told by Pte. Bell of A.IV. (now in hospital) that while advancing at Mouquet Farm about the date named he saw Lonsada shot through the head and killed. He said it was a sniper. Lonsada was 6th reinf.

Reference:- A. Reynolds. 276. A.IV.  
No. 51 Gen. Hosp.

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Etaples  
11.6.17.

*Written Re Bell 21.5.17*

Rt BELLY  
A Co.

21 Batt AIF

BEF

Joe

2740.

B. H. Lousada

LOUSADA

21 Batt AIF

K. 26.8.16

FM

21.5.17

FRONT

France

EDR-V. 1944

<b>AS TO</b>		Battalion and Regiment.		Co.	Pla- toon	Casualty.
k.		9 <sup>th</sup> A.I.F.		-		- 10 <sup>th</sup> M July 21/16
<b>BY</b>		Battalion and Regiment.		Co.	Pla- toon	Home Address.
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**INFORMANT.**

(first person).

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the same Coy. as Dyrah but  
 that he had heard from him  
 well treated. I suggest that  
 Lt. Sgt. Maddocks who will

RECEIVED  
 17 MAY  
 CARLTON HOUSE TERRACE.

**THE FOLLOWING :-**

give name, number, etc., of man who told him.

Informant says a man was killed, whether instantaneous, and was killed by bullet, and if so where?

Are any other man of same name in Co. or Battalion?

Signature of Searcher

*Jas. M. ...*

Date of Report

3 May 17

21st Battn.,  
A. Coy.,  
A. I. F.

B.H. <sup>11</sup>  
LONSADA,  
2740.

"Information wanted."

Killed in Action on 26-8-16.  
Cert. by - A.I.F. Headquarters on 1-2-17.

P.I.

London,  
5-2-17.

Havre.

14th April. 1917.

21st AUSTRALIANS

<sup>u</sup>  
LOUSADA, B.M. 2740

E. Ang. 26th. 1916. Det. D./ B.

His name should read LOUSADA not LOHSADA. He was in A. Co., IV. Pltn. He was killed by a piece of shell practically instantaneously when we were attacking near Moquet Farm. We had to retire not being able to obtain our objective. I saw him killed myself; the attack took place about 5 o'clock in the morning.

Informant: Cpl. E.R. No. 2760  
21st AUSTRALIANS, A. Co., IV. Pltn.  
No. 1. General Etrotat.

RGZ.

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7th February

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No. 2751. Etc. Robert William Leask,  
21st Australian Infantry Battalion.  
Gefangenenlager Munster,  
Westfalia.  
Germany.

Dear Sir,

With reference to your inquiry for No. 2740. Etc. B.H.  
Lonsdale, we are very sorry to inform you that he was killed  
in action on August 26th. 1916.

With best wishes and hoping x that you are receiving  
your parcels regularly.

Yours faithfully,

V.O.  
Secretary.  
LAW

1st. May.

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2734 Private Robert William Leask,  
21st. Australian Infantry Battalion,  
Gefangenlager,  
Munster,  
Westphalia, GERMANY,

Dear Sir,

In reply to your enquiry concerning the fate of  
2740 Pte. B.H. Lonsada, 12st. Battn, A.I.F.  
who was officially reported killed in action on 26.8.16, we  
beg to state that a further unofficial report has come to hand.

The informant, 2760 Cpl. E.R. McClure, of the same  
Battalion states that this Man's name should read "Lousada"  
not Lonsada. Informant says that he was in A Coy. , IV Platoon  
and that he was killed by a piece of shell practically instan-  
taneously when attacking near Mouquet Farm. Informant adds  
that they had to retire not being able to obtain their objective  
that he saw Lousada killed himself.

Should we receive any other definite information  
concerning your friend's death we shall advise you.

With every good wish to you,

Yours faithfully,

Secretary. *a.c.*