

NAME: **WORTHINGTON, REGINALD COLLINS**

SERVICE NO: 1029

ENLISTED: 02 FEBRUARY 1915 @ LIVERPOOL.

AGE: 21 YEARS 10 MONTHS (AS STATED) – **BORN TEMORA 10<sup>th</sup> MARCH 1893.**

FAMILY: FATHER – PERCIVAL JAMES WORTHINGTON – A STOREKEEPER – Born New Zealand 1866/Died 1936.  
(MARRIED @ PADDINGTON, SYDNEY 12 SEPTEMBER 1889).  
MOTHER – LUCY HARE – 1869/1941.

SIBLINGS: BROTHERS – GERALD 1890; CLIFFORD 1901; RAYMOND 1904; PERCY 1906 and MAXWELL 1909.  
SISTERS – DOROTHY 1897 and FRANCES 1899.

NEXT OF KIN: MOTHER – MRS LUCY WORTHINGTON – FARM 23, WILBRIGGIE near GRIFFITH.

EMBARKED: 12 JUNE 1915 ex SYDNEY.

MEMBER: 17<sup>th</sup> BATTALION – C COY – 5<sup>th</sup> INFANTRY BRIGADE.

GALLIPOLI: ARRIVED ON PENINSULAR SEPTEMBER 1915 & WHEN SICK IN OCTOBER WAS TRANSFERRED TO GIBRALTAR & THEN TO ENGLAND. SHIPPED BACK TO EGYPT FEBRUARY 1916 & THEN TO MARSEILLES MARCH 1916 & LATER TO BELGIUM SEPTEMBER 1917.

KILLED: KILLED IN ACTION IN BELGIUM 09 OCTOBER 1917 & IS BURIED NEAR BROODSEINDE.

**NOTES FROM RED CROSS FILES:**

1. I SAW HIM KILLED AT YPRES – HE WAS CAUGHT ABOUT THE HEAD WITH SHRAPNEL PELLETS & DIED INSTANTLY;
2. AT YPRES ON OCTOBER 9<sup>th</sup> WE WERE ATTACKING AT DAYTIME – WORTHINGTON WAS SNIPED BY A BULLET IN THE FOREHEAD;
3. IN THE YPRES DISTRICT WE HOPPED OVER ABOUT 5 a.m. & AFTER ABOUT TWO HUNDRED YARDS WORTHINGTON WAS IN A SHELL HOLE WITH TWO OTHERS – A SHELL DROPPED CLOSE BY & PIECES HIT HIM – HE STATED “ITS ALL OVER” & DIED.

**NOTE:**

ELDER BROTHER GERALD COLLINS WORTHINGTON ALSO KILLED IN ACTION AT HAMEL, FRANCE – 08 AUGUST 1918.