774 Private Albert Greenfield, 34th Battalion AIF

Killed in Action 16 December 1916

Mrs. Greenfield, of Killingworth, has received letters relating to the death of her son, Private Albert Greenfield, who was killed in action in France. Private Lyle Murray, who was a great friend of Private Greenfield, states that he was killed as he was getting over the parapet after doing duty at a listening post in No Man's Land. He was to get a spell of two hours but was caught by German machine gun fire.

Private Murray hastened to get assistance to convey him to a dressing station, but he died before the A.M.C. was reached. His personal effects were to be forwarded to his relatives. Sergeant Robert J. Kay, in his letter, says that Private Greenfield was struck in the back by four bullets. He speaks most highly of his character as a man and as a soldier, and states that his end was greatly regretted. Chaplain, the Rev. A. L. M. Cook, also writes, expressing his sincere regret, and offering his condolences to the relatives of the deceased soldier.

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