



COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA
DEPARTMENT OF DEFENCE (ARMY)
DEFENCE (CERTIFICATION OF DEATHS) REGULATIONS

CERTIFICATE OF DEATH

I, Lieutenant Colonel Robert Paul McNaught being the person for the time being holding the office or performing the duties of the Deputy Officer in Charge of Central Army Records Office and being duly authorized by the Minister of State for the Department of Defence to issue certificates of death of members of the Military Forces for the purpose of the Defence (Certification of Deaths) Regulations,

HEREBY CERTIFY that VX27227 Private Sydney Clyde Batty
2/24 Australian Infantry Battalion

a member of the Australian Army, while on service:

- a. Died on the Twenty-Second day of July 19 42
- b. Died on or after the day of 19.....
- c. Died on or before the day of 19.....
- d. Became missing on the day of 19.....
and is for official purposes presumed to be dead.

Dated the Eighth day of May 19 84



AUSTRALIAN ARMY

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Info Svc/ex VX27227

29 November 1982

Mr Mark Batty
158 West Fyans Street
NEWTOWN GEELONG VIC 3220

Dear Mr Batty,

1. I refer to your undated letter received at this office on 12 October 1982.
2. According to records held at this office, the information you have requested is as follows:

VX27227 Sydney Clyde Batty

Stated on enlistment that he was born at Biregurra, Victoria on 15 January 1900.

Enlisted in the 1st Australian Imperial Force at Geelong, Victoria on 31 January 1918.

Allotted army number 60883.

Highest rank attained was that of private.

Embarked at Melbourne for England with the 9th General Service Reinforcements (Victoria) per HMAT "Barambah" on 31 August 1918.

Served overseas in England with the 12th Training Battalion.

Returned to Australia on 22 May 1919.

Discharged from the Australian Imperial Force in Melbourne on 6 June 1919.

Medals issued: British War Medal

Enlisted in the 2nd Australian Imperial Force at Caulfield, Victoria on 14 June 1940.

Allotted army number VX27227.

Embarked at Melbourne for the Middle East with the 2/24th Australian Infantry Battalion per HMT "Strathmore" on 16 November 1940.

/Killed

Killed in action in the Middle East on 22 July 1942.

Rank held at the time of death was that of private.

Buried at the El Alamein War Cemetery, Egypt, Plot 16, Row C, Grave 20.

Medals issued: 1939/45 Star

Africa Star

Defence Medal

War Medal

Australia Service Medal

3. This information is released pursuant to Australian Military Regulation 770.

Yours sincerely,



(B. SNEZWELL)

Major

for Commanding Officer