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**MILITARY FORCES.**

**AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE.**

**ATTESTATION PAPER OF PERSONS ENLISTED FOR SERVICE ABROAD.**

No *9470* Name *BAKER Thomas Charles Richmond* *M.M.*  
 Unit *6th F A B*  
 Joined on *July 29th 1915* *AFC Detach*

*AF Corps*

**Questions to be put to the Person Enlisting before Attestation.**

1. What is your Name? ... *Thomas Charles Richmond Baker*
2. In or near what Parish or Town were you born? ...  
 near the Town of *Smithfield*  
 in the County of *South Australia*
3. Are you a natural born British Subject or a Naturalized British Subject? (N.B.—If the latter, papers to be shown) ... *NO*
4. What is your age? ... *18 1/2 yrs*
5. What is your trade or calling? ... *Clerk*
6. Are you, or have you been, an Apprentice? If so where, to whom, and for what period? ... *NO*
7. Are you married? ... *NO*
8. Who is your next of kin? (Address to be stated) ...  
*Mother Mrs Annie Martha Baker*  
*113 South Terrace Adelaide*  
*South Australia*
9. Have you ever been convicted by the Civil Power? ... *NO*
10. Have you ever been discharged from any part of His Majesty's Forces with ignominy, or as incorrigible and worthless, or on account of conviction of felony, or of a sentence of penal servitude, or have you been dismissed with disgrace from the Navy? ...  
*55 Park Terrace*  
*Unley St. Aust*  
*4 1/2 yrs 2 1/2 yrs*  
*NO*
11. Do you now belong to, or have you ever served in, His Majesty's Army, the Marines, the Militia, the Militia Reserve, the Territorial Force, Royal Navy or Colonial Forces? If so, state which, and if not now serving, state cause of discharge ...  
*78th A. Batt. Senior Cadets Down*  
*11th A. Engineers still serving*
12. Have you stated the whole, if any, of your previous service? ... *Yes*
13. Have you ever been rejected as unfit for His Majesty's service? If so, on what grounds? ... *NO*
14. (For married men and widowers with children)—Do you understand that no Separation Allowance will be issued to you either before or after embarkation during your term of service? ...
15. Are you prepared to undergo inoculation against Smallpox and Enteric Fever? ... *Yes*

*Thomas Charles Richmond Baker* do solemnly declare that the above answers made by me to the above questions are true, and I am willing and hereby voluntarily agree to serve in the Military Forces of the Commonwealth of Australia within or beyond the limits of the Commonwealth.

And I further agree to allot not less than two-fifths of the pay payable to me from time to time during my service for the support of my wife and children.\*

Date *14-7-15*

*T. C. Baker*

Signature of Person enlisted.

\* This clause should be struck out in the case of unmarried men or widowers without children under 18 years of age.

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CERTIFICATE OF ATTESTING OFFICER.

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The foregoing questions were read to the person enlisted in my presence.

I have taken care that he understands each question, and that his answer to each question has been duly entered as replied to by him.

I have examined his naturalization papers and am of opinion that they are correct.

(This to be struck out except in the case of persons who are naturalized British Subjects).

Date ~~28 JUL 1915~~  
29 JUL 1915

*A. R. Corps* <sup>VC</sup> *Capt*  
Signature of Attesting Officer.

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OATH TO BE TAKEN BY PERSON BEING ENLISTED.\*

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I, *Thomas Charles Richmond Baker* swear that I will well and truly serve our Sovereign Lord the King in the Australian Imperial Force from ~~28 JUL 1915~~ until the end of the War, and a further period of four months thereafter unless sooner lawfully discharged, dismissed or removed therefrom; and that I will resist His Majesty's enemies and cause His Majesty's peace to be kept and maintained; and that I will in all matters appertaining to my service, faithfully discharge my duty according to law.

SO HELP ME, GOD.

*T. C. R. Baker*  
Signature of person enlisted.

Taken and subscribed at *Keswick* in  
the State of *South Australia*  
this ~~28 JUL 1915~~ day \_\_\_\_\_ of  
\_\_\_\_\_ 1915, before me—

*A. R. Corps* <sup>VC</sup> *Capt*  
Signature of Attesting Officer.

\*A person enlisting who objects to taking an oath may make an affirmation in accordance with the Third Schedule of the Act, and the above form must be amended accordingly. All amendments must be initialled by the Attesting Officer

Description of Thomas Charles Richmond Baker on Enlistment

Age 18 years 3 months  
 Height 5 feet 10 $\frac{1}{4}$  inches  
 Weight 148 lbs.  
 Chest Measurement 32 $\frac{1}{2}$  ~ 34 $\frac{1}{4}$  inches  
 Complexion Medium  
 Eyes Blue  
 Hair Brown  
 Religious Denomination Cap Eng

## DISTINCTIVE REMARKS.

Viz. R  $\frac{1}{6}$ . L.  $\frac{1}{6}$   
Vacc. Nil

## CERTIFICATE OF MEDICAL EXAMINATION.

I HAVE examined the above-named person, and find that he does not present any of the following conditions, viz.:—

Scrofula; phthisis; syphilis; impaired constitution; defective intelligence; defects of vision, voice, or hearing; hernia; hæmorrhoids; varicose veins, beyond a limited extent; marked varicocele with unusually pendent testicle; inveterate cutaneous disease; chronic ulcers; traces of corporal punishment, or evidence of having been marked with the letters D. or B.C.; contracted or deformed chest; abnormal curvature of spine; or any other disease or physical defect calculated to unfit him for the duties of a soldier.

He can see the required distance with either eye; his heart and lungs are healthy; he has the free use of his joints and limbs; and he declares he is not subject to fits of any description.

I consider him fit for active service.

Date 14-7-15

Place Kerwick

J. B. Brown } Capt  
C. Corbin } Lt Col  
 Signature of Examining Medical Officer.

## CERTIFICATE OF COMMANDING OFFICER.

I CERTIFY that this Attestation of the above-named person is correct, and that the required forms have been complied with. I accordingly approve, and appoint him to B Coy. BASE INFANTRY DEPOT.

Date MITCHAM.

Place 29/7/15.

A. H. Harper  
 Commanding  
 Major.

CAMP COMMANDANT.

Statement of Service No. 9470

Name J. C. R. Baker

Unit in which Served	Promotions, Reductions, Casualties, &c.	Period of Service in each Rank		Remarks
		From	To	
B. Coy 3 <sup>rd</sup> Depot Batten		29.7.15	31/8/15	
Field Artillery Bde (Gunner)		1/9/15	30.9.15	
6 <sup>th</sup> F. A. Bde		1.10.15	20.10.15	
Base Details, 6 <sup>th</sup> F. A. Bde 1 Rem	Gunner	21.10.15		
<b>1st REINF 6th F A BDE</b>				
Awarded Military Medal vide <i>London Gazette</i> 29953. 16/1/17				
Awarded Bar to Military Medal <i>cas</i> 219/17 <i>no</i> 577/1798				
6 <sup>th</sup> F. A. Bde.	Gunner ?		24.9.14	<i>Trans. B.A.R. 19/129</i>
A.F.C. Details	Private	25.9.14		
<del>6<sup>th</sup> F. A. Bde</del>	<del>Gunner</del>	<del>5.10.14</del>	<del>4.10.14</del>	<del>Trans. B.A.R. 123/10</del>
do	Bowlds. (te. p.)	24.10.14		

*23.11.15*  
*Gunner*

I have examined the above details and find them correct in every respect.

Major,  
CAMP COMMANDANT.

1st Reinf  
 F.A. Brigade  
 6th F.A. Brigade  
 Cadets



MILITARY FORCES.

# AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE.

## ATTESTATION PAPER OF PERSONS ENLISTED FOR SERVICE ABROAD.

No 9470

Name BAKER Thomas Charles Richmond

Unit 6th F.A. Bde 1st Reinforcements

16 Battery Joined on July 29<sup>th</sup> 1915

6th Fld Art, Bde  
 1st Reinf's

### Questions to be put to the Person Enlisting before Attestation.

1. What is your Name? ... 1. Thomas Charles Richmond Baker
2. In or near what Parish or Town were you born? ... 2. In the Parish of \_\_\_\_\_ in or near the Town of Smithfield in the County of Sh Aust.
3. Are you a natural born British Subject or a Naturalized British Subject? (N.B.—If the latter, papers to be shown) ... 3. NB
4. What is your age? ... 4. 18 3/4 yrs
5. What is your trade or calling? ... 5. clerk
6. Are you or have you been, an Apprentice? If so where, to whom, and for what period? ... 6. No
7. Are you married? ... 7. No
8. Who is your next of kin? (Address to be stated) 8. (Mother) Mre Annie Riggs Baker  
113 South Terrace  
Adelaide Sh Aust
9. Have you ever been convicted by the Civil Power? 9. No
10. Have you ever been discharged from any part of His Majesty's Forces with ignominy, or as incorrigible and worthless, or on account of conviction of felony, or of a sentence of penal servitude, or have you been dismissed with disgrace from the Navy? 10. No
11. Do you now belong to, or have you ever served in, His Majesty's Army, the Marines, the Militia, the Militia Reserve, the Territorial Force, Royal Navy or Colonial Forces? If so, state which, and if not now serving, state cause of discharge ... 11. 78th ABAn. Senior cadets  
& now 11th R.A. Engineer still serving
12. Have you stated the whole, if any, of your previous service? ... 12. Yes
13. Have you ever been rejected as unfit for His Majesty's service? If so, on what grounds? ... 13. No
14. (For married men and widowers with children)—Do you understand that no Separation Allowance will be issued to you either before or after embarkation during your term of service? 14. No
15. Are you prepared to undergo inoculation against Smallpox and Enteric Fever? ... 15. Yes

I, Thomas Charles Richmond Baker do solemnly declare that the above answers made by me to the above questions are true, and I am willing and hereby voluntarily agree to serve in the Military Forces of the Commonwealth of Australia within or beyond the limits of the Commonwealth.

And I further agree to allot not less than two-fifths of the pay payable to me from time to time during my service for the support of my wife and children.

Date 14. 7. 15

T.C.R. Baker  
 Signature of Person enlisted.

\* This clause should be struck out in the case of unmarried men or widowers without children under 18 years of age.

CERTIFICATE OF ATTESTING OFFICER.

The foregoing questions were read to the person enlisted in my presence.

I have taken care that he understands each question, and that his answer to each question has been duly entered as replied to by him.

I have examined his naturalization papers and am of opinion that they are correct.

(This to be struck out except in the case of persons who are naturalized British Subjects).

Date ~~28 JUL 1915~~  
29 JUL 1915  
ARC

*J. P. Corps Lt*  
Signature of Attesting Officer. CAPTAIN

OATH TO BE TAKEN BY PERSON BEING ENLISTED.\*

I, Thomas Charles Richmond Baker swear that I will well and truly serve our Sovereign Lord the King in the Australian Imperial Force from ~~28 JUL 1915~~ 29 JUL 1915 until the end of the War, and a further period of four months thereafter unless sooner lawfully discharged, dismissed or removed therefrom; and that I will resist His Majesty's enemies and cause His Majesty's peace to be kept and maintained; and that I will in all matters appertaining to my service, faithfully discharge my duty according to law.

SO HELP ME, GOD.

*T. Baker*  
Signature of person enlisted.

Taken and subscribed at KESWICK in

the State of SOUTH AUSTRALIA

this ~~28 JUL 1915~~ 29 JUL 1915 day \_\_\_\_\_ of

19 \_\_\_\_\_, before me—

*J. P. Corps Lt*  
Signature of Attesting Officer. CAPTAIN

\*A person enlisting who objects to taking an oath may make an affirmation in accordance with the Third Schedule of the Act, and the above form must be amended accordingly. All amendments must be initialled by the Attesting Officer

Description of Thomas Charles Richmond Baker on Enlistment

Age 18 years 3 months  
Height 5 feet 10 1/4 inches  
Weight 148 lbs.  
Chest Measurement 32 1/2 - 34 1/2 inches  
Complexion Medium  
Eyes Blue  
Hair Brown  
Religious Denomination C of E

DISTINCTIVE REMARKS.  
Vis R 6/6 L 6/6  
Vacc NIL

CERTIFICATE OF MEDICAL EXAMINATION.

I HAVE examined the above-named person, and find that he does not present any of the following conditions, viz.:-

Scrofula; phthisis; syphilis; impaired constitution; defective intelligence; defects of vision, voice, or hearing; hernia; hæmorrhoids; varicose veins, beyond a limited extent; marked varicocele with unusually pendent testicle; inveterate cutaneous disease; chronic ulcers; traces of corporal punishment, or evidence of having been marked with the letters D. or B.C.; contracted or deformed chest; abnormal curvature of spine; or any other disease or physical defect calculated to unfit him for the duties of a soldier.

He can see the required distance with either eye; his heart and lungs are healthy; he has the free use of his joints and limbs; and he declares he is not subject to fits of any description.

I consider him fit for active service.

Date 14. 7. 15

Place KESWICK

J. B. Corbin } CAPTAIN  
A.A.M.C.

Signature of Examining Medical Officer.

CERTIFICATE OF COMMANDING OFFICER.

I CERTIFY that this Attestation of the above-named person is correct, and that the required forms have been complied with. I accordingly approve, and

appoint him to B Coy 13th Base Infantry Depot  
Artillery

Date 14. 7. 15

A. F. L. Harper

Place Mitcham

Commanding for major  
Camp Commandant



B/13103 long list 15/92 5 5/5  
24/10/17

4 31

Statement of Service No. 9470

Name J. C. R. Baker

Unit in which Served	Promotions, Reductions, Casualties, &c.	Period of Service in each Rank		Remarks
		From	To	
B. Coy 3 <sup>rd</sup> Dep Batt		29.7.15	31.8.15	
Field Artillery		1-9-15	30-9-15	
6 <sup>th</sup> F.A. Bde		1-10-15	20.10.15.	
Base Details, 6 <sup>th</sup> F.A. Bde	<b>Gunner</b>	21.10.15.		
	<i>attached 16<sup>th</sup> Bakery</i>	26.12.15		P. 2 1/8 4/2/16
	<b>TRANSFERRED TO 16<sup>th</sup> Battery</b>	10 3 16		" 6/02 15 3/16
	<i>Gaume In the Field - Failing to attend a Guard mounting parade after being duly warned 10/7/16 Award: 4 days F.P. No 2 by G.O. 6<sup>th</sup> F.A. Bde A.I.F</i>	15 7 16		" 20/1875. 27/7/16
	<i>Awarded Military Medal. (1<sup>st</sup> Angac Coy. R. 20/1/14) (6<sup>th</sup> F.A. Bde) France</i>	20.1.14	5/1/14	1/2/17
	<i>Ynr. To Hosp. Sick.</i>	"	16.3.14	23/1626 7/6/14 6 <sup>th</sup> F.A. Bde 870
	<i>Ynr. Rejoined Brigade from Hosp.</i>	"	22.3.14	23/1632 7/6/14 6 <sup>th</sup> F.A. Bde 870
	<i>6<sup>th</sup> F.A.B. Ynr. Awarded Bar to Milit. Medal Support London Gazette No 30243. dated 21.8.17</i>			" 35/2638 30.8.17
	<i>Gunner. M/in to A.F.C. 8th Wendover</i>	5.10.17		LK9567
	<i>from Adm Hdqrs London</i>			27/1411E 3/1/17.
	<i>Gunner. M/out to S.7th A. Reading</i>	5-10-17		LK9567
				27/1431E 3/1/17.
	<i>Ynr. Prom. 1<sup>st</sup> Bde: vice Tdr Harold Bond</i>	27.10.17		20.10.17/14065. 20/11.17.
	<i>Ynr. S.O.S. of AFC 8th from 6<sup>th</sup> F.A.B. mustered 2/A.M. 7 M/O to S.M.A.</i>	Reading	5-10-17	3/508E 21/1/17. 28/10922. (AFC 8th)
	<i>To Aust: Ply: Corp. Field</i>	25-9-17		26/43/3368 (6 <sup>th</sup> F.A.B)

Posted to. No 578 A.F.C. on graduation.  
I am. Having grad. is applied. Flying Officer 157  
(Pilot) of to be 2. Served in B.F. (P.F. 14/13/17)  
I have examined the above details and find them correct in every respect.  
27.3.18  
Squad. 1918  
Squad. 1918  
Squad. O. 83. 5. T.S.

Attach to 5 J.S.  
for instruction  
28/1/18 13213  
28/1/18

(1) PRESENT UNIT  
*Aust Flying Corps*  
 22870  
 (2) Regtl. No.

(3) Present Rank  
*T/Capt.*  
 (4) SURNAME  
*Baker*  
 (5) Decorations  
*M.M.+Bar D.F.C.*  
 (6) Christian Names.  
*Thomas Chas Richmond.*

Particulars.

(7) Date of Enlistment  
*29/7/15*  
 (8) Place of Enlistment  
*Newport South Aust*  
 (9) Age on Enlistment  
 18 Years 5 Months  
 (10) Any subsequent claim as to age after verification of Birth Certificate  
 (11) Birthplace  
*Smithfield South Aust*  
 (12) Religion  
*C of E.*  
 (13) If Married  
*No*  
 (14) Trade or Calling  
*Clerk*  
 (15) If an Apprentice  
*No*  
 (16) Date of Embarkation from Australia  
 (17) Whereabouts of Next of Kin, i.e. Australia or Abroad  
*Aust*  
 (18)  
 (19)  
 (20)  
 (21) Special Notification Card No.  
 (22)

Nothing to be written in this Margin.

Regtl. No.

SURNAME

CHRISTIAN NAMES


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*Quest of Flying Corps Australian Flying Corps*

Army Form B. 103.

*Casualty Form—Active Service. M.M. (Bar to M. S.) 9470*

*16th Battalion, 6th F.A. Brigade*

*16th Battalion, 6th F.A. Brigade*

*Rank ~~Private~~ Name Baker, Thomas Chas. Richmond*

*Enlisted (a) 29.7.15 Terms of Service (a) War & 4 months. Service reckons from (a) 29.7.15*

*Date of promotion to present rank } Date of appointment to lance rank } Numerical position on roll of N.C.Os.*

*Extended } Re-engaged } Qualification (b)*

Record of promotions, reductions, transfers, casualties, etc., during active service, as reported on Army Form B. 213, Army Form A. 36, or in other official documents. The authority to be quoted in each case.

Report From whom received Date

Place Date Remarks taken from Army Form B. 213, Army Form A. 36, or other official documents.

1 *C.O. Disembarked at SUEZ 21.12.15 & Proceeded to join M.E.F.*

2 *C.F.A. Bde Attached to 16th Battalion Tourra 26.12.15 1/8 ✓*

3 *C.O. Trans. to 16th Battalion Semilia 10.3.16 Nominal Roll 6/602.*

4 *Embarked for Overseas per H.T. "Arcadian" Alexandria 17.3.16 } Proceeded to join B.E.F.   
 6th F.A. Bde ~~Disembarked~~ Marseilles 23.3.16 }   
 *L.R./5079.**

5 *C.O. Awarded 4 days F.P.No.2 for 15.7.16   
 6th F.A. Failing to attend a guard mounting parade after being ill, named, 10.7.16   
 Bde*

6 *20-1-17. 1st ANZAC Corps R.O. Awarded Military Medal.*

7 *27-5-17 C.O.6 FAB. To hospital, sick.*

8 *17-3-17 5th D.R.B. Alv abscess. Admitted.*

9 *24-3-17 do Tr fever. Dis to duty.*

10 *27-5-17 C.O.6 FAB. Rejoined from hospital.   
 *Do. 29 1626*   
 *Do. 23 1682**

(a) In the case of a man who has re-engaged for, or enlisted into Section D, Army Reserve, particulars of such re-engagement or enlistment will be entered.

(b) e.g., Signaller, Shoeing Smith, etc., also special qualifications in technical Corps duties.

F.T.O.

Date	Report		Record of promotions, reductions, transfers, casualties, etc., during active service, as reported on Army Form B. 213, Army Form A. 36, or in other official documents. The authority to be quoted in each case.	Place	Date	Remarks taken from Army Form B. 213, Army Form A. 36, or other official documents.
	Date	From whom received				
11 21.8.17.	Subb London Gazette. 30243.	AWARDED BAR 10 MILITARY MEDAL.	Field.	-	AK. 1522/199. Do. 36. 2638.	
12 29.9.17	60.6 (Army) Bde. A.F.A.	To Aus Flying Corps.	do.	25.9.17	B213. B 28/39. Do. 43. 3868.	
13 4.10.17.	A.F.C. 2116	Lt. Tryin from Adm Hdqrs London	Wendover	5.10.17	B213. 219 5664 D.O. 5E 1411 3.11.17	
14 4.10.17.	A.F.C. 2116	<del>Wendover</del> M.A.	Reading	5.10.17	B213. 219 567 D.O. 5E 1431 3.11.17	
15 25.11.17.	A.F.C. 2116	Lt. J.O.S. as Spam	Wendover	5.10.17	B213. 219 567 D.O. 5E 1431 3.11.17	
16 20.1.18	"	Spam (cadet) M from Reading	Reading	15.1.18	B215 7429	
17 28.1.18.	5th Lt. Spd.	Spam (Cadet) att: for Elementary Inst: in Aviation	Shawbury	23.1.18.	B213 2. 1000.	
17 27.1.18.	A.F.C. 2116	2nd Lt. (Cadet) M from Reading	"	22-1-18	F 1145 B 212	
19	A.F.C. 2116	2nd Lt. (Cadet) M from Reading	"	27.3.18	D.O. 15E 2000. 25.4.18	
20 26.5.18	60.6 (Army) Bde. A.F.A.	Att: for Elementary Inst: in Aviation	Shawbury	21.5.18	D.O. 15E 2000. 25.4.18	
21 24.6.18	A.F.C. 2116	Att: for Elementary Inst: in Aviation	Shawbury	15.6.18	D.O. 15E 2000. 25.4.18	

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Per Air (Panel Floor)

Army Form B. 103.

No 4 SQUADRON

Regimental Number

Casualty Form Active Service.

Regiment or Corps AUSTRALIAN FLYING CORPS

Rank *Lieut*

Surname *Baker*

Christian Name *Thomas Glas Richards*

Religion

Age on Enlistment

years months

Enlisted (a)

Terms of Service (i) Service reckons from (d)

Date of promotion to present rank

Date of appointment to lance rank

Extended

Re-engaged

Qualification (b)

or Corps Trade and rate

Occupation

Signature of Officer

Report

Record of promotions, reductions, transfers, casualties, & other service, as reported on Army Form B. 213. Authority to be quoted in each case.

Place of Casualty

Date of Casualty

Remarks

Taken from Army Form B. 213, Army Form A. 36, or other official documents.

Date

From whom received

*C.O.*

*17* 17.6.18 *4<sup>th</sup>* SQUADRON L.R.

*France*

*15.6.18* *AK 16705*

*23* 23.6.18 *No 4* SQUADRON

*Field*

*16.6.18* *877/26*

*Bn 3*

*24* 2.8.18 *A.I.F. List*

*Disembarked*

*Disembarked*

*DO 27/596*

*365*

*No 4* SQUADRON

*Lieut I.O.S. from Home*

*Field*

*27.6.18* *AK 3013/19*

*25* 1.9.18 *No 4* SQUADRON

*On leave to W.K.*

*Field*

*DO 27/596*

*26* 22.9.18 *Bn 3*

*Rejoined from leave*

*Field*

*31.8.18* *677/36*

*27* 29.10.18 *A.I.F. List 403*

*Lieut to be Temp Flight*

*Field*

*15.9.18* *877/39*

*27*

*Commander and Temp Captain*

*Field*

*24.10.18* *AK 3367/6*

*27*

*via Lt. (Capt) H.G. Watson D.F.C. to*

*Field*

*DO 43/949*

*27*

*Duty in England*

*Field*

*(1918)*

(a) In the case of a man who has re-engaged for, or substituted into Special Reserve, particulars of such re-engagement or enlistment will be entered.  
(b) Signaller, Signalling-Squad, etc.

Date	Report From whom received	Record of promotions, reductions, transfers, casualties, &c., during active service, as reported on Army Form P.213, Army Form A. 36, or in other official documents. The authority to be quoted in each case.	Place of Casualty	Date of Casualty	Remarks Taken from Army Form B.213, Army Form A. 36, or other official documents.
7-11-18 28	M.A. G. A.F.C. List 91.	Capt. Missing in Action whilst on Offensive Patrol	Field	4/11/18	P.F. AT 26499 20 44/859 (1918)
29.11.18	A.S.F. Orders	Awarded D.F.C.		29.11.18	Dist. 4.15
7.1.19	A.I.F. List 429				
30					<p>Presumably Reported Missing on 4/11/18 (C.I.B. 2962)</p> <p>Now Reported Killed in Action on 4.11.18 by</p> <p>Board of Enquiry held at Bangalore (Summary on 14.2.19)</p> <p>(Ref C.R. 10000/B/14) (Ref 8.10.25.383)</p> <p>C.I.B. 3275</p> <p>Capt. Officers. de Records.</p> <p>Adm. Hqs. London.</p>

(SERVICE AND CASUALTY FORM Part II).

Regiment or Corps **6th F.A.B.** **AFC** **9470-** Regimental Number  
**-Capt** **BAKER** **Thomas Chas Richmond** Christian Names  
 \*Substantive Rank **D.F.C., M.M.V.B.**

\*Acting Rank  
 (\* To be entered in pencil to facilitate alteration.)

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Date.	From whom received					
26/12/15	0.6 F.A.B.	<b>Disembarked &amp; proceeded to</b>	<b>Suez</b>	<b>Suez</b>	<b>21/12/15</b>	
11/3/16	do	<b>Join M.E.F. at</b>	<b>Tbura</b>	<b>Tbura</b>	<b>26/12/15</b>	
		<b>Att'd to 16th Bty</b>	<b>Ismailie</b>	<b>Ismailie</b>	<b>10/3/16</b>	
		<b>Trans to 16th Bty</b>	<b>Alex</b>	<b>Alex</b>	<b>17/3/16</b>	
		<b>Embarked O/Sess per H.T.</b>	<b>Mars</b>	<b>Mars</b>	<b>23/3/16</b>	
		<b>Arcadian Disemb</b>	<b>OFFENCE</b>	<b>France</b>	<b>15/7/16</b>	<b>DO. 20/1875</b>
		<b>OFFENCE</b>	<b>guard mounting parade after</b>			
		<b>being duly warned 10/7/16.</b>				
		<b>AWARD 4 days F.P.No.2.</b>				
		<b>AWARDED Military Medal</b>				
		<b>To Hosp sick</b>				
20/1/17	1 A.O.R.O.					<b>DO. 5/149</b>
27/5/17	0.6 F.A.B.					<b>DO. 23/1626</b>
17/3/17	5th D.R.S.					
24/3/17	do					
27/5/17	0.6 F.A.B.					<b>DO. 23/1632</b>
21/8/17	Supp L'Don Gazette					<b>DO. 35/2638</b>
29/9/17	0.6 BA.F.A.					<b>DO. 43/3368</b>
7/10/17	A.F.C.DtIs					<b>DO. 5/1411A</b>
7/10/17	do					<b>DO. 5/1431</b>
25/11/17	do					<b>DO. 3/508A</b>
20/1/18	do					
27/1/18	do					
28/1/18	5 Tng Sqdn					



AIF L. 315 27/3/18 DO.15/2003  
 26/5/18 5 Trg Sqdn 21-5-18 DO.16/441  
 24/6/18 AFHQrs 15/6/18 DO.25/E  
 Daily Memo per Air (Camel Pilot) 4/7/18  
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23/6/18	No.4. Sqdn	T.O.S. from Home Establishment	ex Rfts	Field	16/6/18	
2/8/18	A. I. F. L.	To be Lieutenant		"	27/6/18	D. O. 27/596
1/9/18	No.4. Sqdn	On leave to U.K.		"	31/8/18	D. O. 32/752
22/9/18	213	Rejoined from leave		"	15/9/18	
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				for Officer		H. T. CRAWFORD CAPT i/c Records, Adm Hqrs, LONDON.

(SERVICE AND CASUALTY FORM Part II).

Regiment or Corps 6th F.A.B. A.F.C. Regimental Number 9470-

\*Substantive Rank Capt T/Capt BAKER Christian Names Thomas Chas Richmond

*D.F.C. M.M. bar*

\*Acting Rank  
(\* To be entered in pencil to facilitate alteration.)

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Date.	From whom received					
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11/3/16	do		Att'd to 16th Bty	Tours	26/12/15	
			Trans to 16th Bty	Ismaillia	10/3/16	D.O. 6/602
			Embarked O/Seas per H.T.	Alex	17/3/16	
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27/5/17	CO. 6 F.A.B.		AW. Abscess Admitted	"	17/3/17	
17/3/17	5th D.R.S.		Tr fever Dis to duty	"	22/3/17	
24/3/17	do		Rjd from Hospital	"	22/3/17	D.O. 23/1632
27/5/17	CO 6 F.A.B.		Awarded Bar to Military Medal.	Field	22/3/17	D.O. 35/2638
21/8/17	Suppl L'Don Gazette		To Aus-Flying Corps	"	25/9/17	D.O. 43/3368
29/9/17	CO 6 BA.F.A.		M/In from Adm Hqrs Lo don	"	5/10/17	D.O. 5/1411E
7/10/17	A.F.C. Dtls		M/Out to S.M.A.	Reading	5/10/17	D.O. 5 1431
7/10/17	do		T.O.S. as 2/A.M.	W'dover	5/10/17	D.O. 3/508E
25/11/17	do		M/In from Reading	"	15/1/18	
20/1/18	do		M/O to 5th Tng Sqdn	S'bury	22/1/18	
27/1/18	do		Att'd for Elementary Inst in Aviation.	"	23/1/18	
28/1/18	5 Tng Sqdn					

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27/3/18 DO.15/2003

Apptd Flying Officer (Pilot)

& to be 2/Lieut in A. I. F.  
S.O.S. of No.5 T.S. (A.F.C.)  
on proceeding to No.2. Schl  
of Aerial Fighting & Gunnery  
Turnberry.

Proceeded O/Seas France  
per Air (Camel Pilot)  
Disembarked

21-5 DO.16/441

15/6/18 DO.25/E  
4/7/18.

France 15/6/18.

AIF L. 315

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Daily Memo

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H. T. CRAWFORD CAPT  
i/c Records,  
Adm Hqrs, LONDON.  
for Officer

In all communications regimental number, rank, full name, and unit of Soldier referred to are to be stated. D T.

AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE.

BASE RECORDS OFFICE.

VICTORIA BARRACKS.

MELBOURNE. 24th December, 1919.

Dear Sir,

As requested in your communication of 19th December, I beg to enclose herewith certificate of report of death of the late T/Captain T.C.R. Baker, D.C.M., M.M. Australian Flying Corps.

Yours faithfully,

J. D. Grace, Esq.,  
McIlwraith, McEachern & Co. Pty. Ltd.,  
ADELAIDE. S.A.

Officer in Charge, Base Records.

Don't fail to send change of your address to Base Records, Melbourne,

2nd December, 1921.

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AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE

2 DEC 1921

Dear Madam,

I have to acknowledge receipt of your communication of the 25th November and in reply to state the

If not Delivered within 7 Days please return to

correct ~~Officer in Charge, Base Records~~ of your son, the late Victoria Barracks, Melbourne.

T.C.R.Baker, D.F.C., M.M., Australian Flying Corps, is

"CAPTAIN".

Yours faithfully,

Major,

Officer i/c Base Records.

Mrs. A.M. Baker,

55 Park Terrace,  
North Unley, S.A.

RECORDED

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AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE.

BASE RECORDS OFFICE.  
VICTORIA BARRACKS,  
MELBOURNE.

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Yours faithfully,

*J. Meehan* Major,

*Officer in Charge, Base Records.*

**Don't fail to send change of your address to Base Records, Melbourne.**

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**BRITISH RED CROSS SOCIETY**  
**BERLIN BRANCH**

Telegrams: Britishredcross, Berlin  
Telephone: Centrum 7488  
War Office: " 6900 (No. 772)

Your Reference .....  
Our Reference ..... *E List*

**BERLIN W. 8,**  
Wilhelm Straße 70

Mai 9. 1919

Flieger Leut. (T.Capt.) B A K E R, R.

No. 4 Geschw. A.F.C. A.I.F.

Gef. 4.11.18 bei BUISSENAL-LEUZE

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Waffen genommen*

Ref. II Grb. *14948* D/19 N.B.



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TELEGRAPHIC ADDRESS:  
"CROTONATE. ESTRAND. LONDON."

**COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA.**

GHP/MG.

ADDRESS ALL COMMUNICATIONS TO  
THE OFFICIAL SECRETARY  
AND QUOTE

NO A.G.S.3/4/10.

AUSTRALIA HOUSE,  
STRAND, LONDON, W.C.2.

3rd April, 1928.

RECEIVED  
AT 4 MAY 28  
CENTRAL REGISTRY

MEMORANDUM TO:-

The Secretary,  
Prime Minister's Department,  
CANBERRA.

(FOR TRANSMISSION TO THE OFFICER I/C BASE RECORDS, DEPT.  
OF DEFENCE.)

Forwarded herewith for your retention is  
location sheet No. AA/LS/5/12769, together with a copy  
of the covering letter received from the Imperial War  
Graves Commission in connection therewith.

The sheet has been checked with our records  
and amended where necessary.

BASE RECORDS  
MAY 14 1928  
RECEIVED

*J. Trumble*

OFFICIAL SECRETARY.



34.

Reference:- LS/AA/2614.

The Secretary,  
Australian Grave Services,  
(Room 609)  
Australia House, W.C. 2.  
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AA/LS/5/12789.

Will you please note that the grave of Captain  
T.C.R. Baker, M.M., D.F.C., has now been identified. He  
is buried in the Cemetery stated on the attached location  
sheet AA/LS/5/12789.  
...

I have to explain, however, that the reports  
rendered and crosses erected during the War nor infrequently  
shewed incomplete or slightly incorrect regimental  
particulars and careful investigation has consequently been  
necessary before the graves of the soldiers thus reported  
could be identified with certainty. It is as a result of  
these investigations that this officer's grave has been  
identified.

I am to add that Mrs. A.M. Baker, (Mother), of  
55, Park Terrace, North Unley, South Australia, has been  
informed direct from this office.

(sgd.)

for PRINCIPAL ASSISTANT SECRETARY.

I.W.G.C.,  
82, Baker Street,  
London, W. 1.  
30.3.1928.

# Information as to Location of Graves.

M.N.

AA/LS/5/12489

Place of Graves

ESCANAFFLES COMMUNAL CEMETERY.

Belgium

Reported by

GRAVES REGISTRATION UNIT.

Regiment.	No.	Name.	Rank and Initials.	Date of Death.
<p><i>4 Squad.</i> A.F.C. att. <del>4/Sqd. R.A.F.</del></p>		<p>BAKER, MM. <sup>Bar</sup> DFC., (Report Escanaffles 2.1/C.) Row "A", Grave 2.</p>	<p>Capt. T.C.R.</p>	<p>6.11.18.</p>

*Dr. ...  
was caused by  
wre. and  
S.*

"Binford"

113 South Terrace

Adelaide

July 28<sup>th</sup> - 1915.

Sir,

I give my consent  
for my Son Richmond Baker  
to join the Australian Imperial Forces  
for Active Service.

Annie M. Baker.

9470.  
27/8/18.  
A.F.C.

**AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE.**

Surname *Baker. D.F.C. M.M. & Bar.*  
 Christian Names *Thomas. Charles. Richmond.*

**Statement of Service.**

Rank	Unit	Date of Appointment to A.I.F.	Date of Subsequent Promotion	Reference to Commonwealth Gazette and other Authority	
<i>2/Lieut.</i>	<i>A.F.C.</i>	<i>27/3/18.</i>		<i>Dist 315. P.E. 15/2003E.</i>	<i>Pilot. 70</i>
<i>Lieut</i>			<i>27.6.18</i>	<i>Dist 368. P2 32/752</i>	
<i>Temp Capt.</i>			<i>24.10.18</i>	<i>A.I.F. 1st 403.</i>	

*18 3/12  
29 9 15*

*C of G*

**Casualties.**

DECEASED			SICK OR WOUNDED				RETIRED		
Date	Place	Cause	Date	Place	Nature	Returned to duty	Date	Cause	Authority
<del><i>4.11.18</i></del>	<del><i>France.</i></del>	<del><i>Reported Missing D.P.F. 396.</i></del>							
		<i>A.B. 607 2/11/18. CIBL 2962</i>			<i>Now reported MIA 4/11/18 by 6076</i>			<i>CIBL 3275 113680 3/2/19</i>	
			<i>4.11.18</i>		<i>Now Reported. Killed in Action</i>			<i>I.B. 680. 3/2/19</i>	
No. of Grave	Cemetery	Name of Clergyman				<i>CIBL. 3275</i>		<i>C.R. 10050/21/4</i>	

**F 28.**

**Personal.**

Civil Occupation	Date and Place of Birth	Married or Single	Relationship, Name and Address of Next of Kin	Remarks
		<i>S</i>	<i>Next</i>	

**Record of Service in the Field, also Reference to Decorations, etc., granted, and dates showing the period in each case.**

PARTICULARS	Reference to Orders or other Authority
Granted Graduation Leave from 4 to 7-4-18.	Sgdn. Orders. No 76. 5/4/18
9-4-18 Passed Buzzing Test.	Sgdn. O. No 78. 9/4/18. No 5 (1) Sgdn. A.F.C. (Mineshampton)
24-4-18 Passed Lewis Gun Test No. 6.	Sgdn. O. - 92. No 5 T.S. A.F.C. 26-4-18
20-5-18 Reported & is posted to No 1 Sch. of Fighting & Gunnery, for a course of Instruction. & No 5 T.S.	Orders. No 11. No 1 Sch. of Fighting etc. 22/5/18
21-5-18. Struck O.S. of No 5 Long Sqn A.F.C. on proceeding to No 2 School of Aerial Fighting & Gunnery, Turnberry. (4372)	Pz 14/411E. 15/6/18.
15. 24/6/18 <b>PROCEEDED O/SEAS, FRANCE</b> per Air (camel Pilot) Air Ministry list 43.	B 293249E. Do 25E. 4/7/18.
15. 6. 18. Prov. G/Seas. France	B 293249E 7/18
16. 6. 18. T.O.S. from Home Establishment of No 4 Sqn A.F.C. as reinforcements.	Pz 29/576. 11/7/18.
24-10-18 To be Temp. Flight Commander, and Temp Captain vice Lt (S/Capt.) H.G. Halson D.F.C. to duty in U.K.	D J F List - 403 29/10/18
4-11-18. Reported Missing in Action.	Do 43/949 4/11/18
<p><i>Previously reported Missing on 4/11/18 (1 B.L. 2962)</i>  <i>Now reported Killed in Action on 4/11/18 by Court of Enquiry held at Cologne Germany on 11/2/19 (Ref CR 10050/21/4) (C of G No 25353)</i>  <i>L.O. of G. 25383. (Classification Killed 4-11-18). (Awarded D.F.C.)</i></p>	<p>Do 111/859. 8-11-18.  C.I.A.L. 3275.  Lly. 31170 8/2/19.</p>

E.H.

3rd January, 1919.

Dear Madam,

I have to acknowledge the receipt of your communication of the 13th ult., concerning the case of Lieutenant T.C.R. Baker, M.M., 4th Squadron, Australian Flying Corps, and return herewith the letter which was enclosed.

Cabled representations have been made to Australian Imperial Force Headquarters, London, and as soon as any further information is received you will be promptly advised.

It is very much regretted that owing to a clerical error your son was quoted as Captain in my communication of the 10th ult. His correct rank is Lieutenant as stated by you.

Yours faithfully,

Mrs. A.M. Baker,  
55 Park Terrace,  
UNLEY, S.A.

Major,  
Officer i/c Base Records.

55 Park Terrace

Wm. Waley,

5th Ave. N.Y.C.

Nov. 25-1921

Major Leam,

Dear Sir,

I am having a memorial window in memory of my son, the late Captain

Baker, who was also

a Flight-Commander,

Would it be correct to

have the inscription to

Flight-Commander Captain

Baker or simply Captain?

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If you could tell me I should be glad, as I wish to be correct in

the matter.

Yours sincerely

A. M. Baker,

Major Leam  
Base Records,  
Melbourne.

Captain

AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE.

RECORD OF OFFICERS' SERVICES.

Rank and Name BAKER T.C.R.

Staff or Unit AFCORPS.

Date of Appointment and Gazette \_\_\_\_\_

Promotion (date and Gazette) \_\_\_\_\_

Left Australia in Transport \_\_\_\_\_ on \_\_\_\_\_ 191

Record subsequent to embarkation:—

*27/3/18. AFC To be Flying Officer (Pilot) 92/18. Cal 179/22015 110 27/7/18*

~~*27.6.18 To be temporary Flight Commander and to be temporary Captain whilst so employed Cal 179/22015 110 27/7/18*~~

*27.6.18. To be Pilot (A.C.) Cal 179/22015 110 27/7/18*

*24. 10. 18 To be temporary Flight Comdr & Temp Captain (A.C.) Cal 179/22015 110 27/7/18*

*Awarded Distinguished Flying Cross Left Eng 7th 27/7/18*

Returned to Australia (Date, Transport, and any other details):—

Gazetted from A.I.F. \_\_\_\_\_

D. 607/10.15.—C.15886.



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BASE RECORDS OFFICE, A. I. F.  
31st July, 1917.

98921

Dear Madam,

I have much pleasure in forwarding hereunder copy of extract from Sixth Supplement No. 29955 to the London Gazette of 16th February, 1917, relating to the conspicuous services rendered by your son, <sup>no 9470</sup> Gunner T. C. R. Baker, 6th Field Artillery Brigade.

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AWARDED THE MILITARY MEDAL  
-----

" HIS MAJESTY THE KING has been graciously pleased to award the Military Medal for bravery in the Field to the undermentioned soldier :-

<sup>no 9470</sup> Gunner THOMAS CHARLES RICHMOND BAKER."

X X X X

The above has been promulgated in Commonwealth of Australia Gazette, No. 116 of 25th July, 1917.

Yours faithfully,

Major.

Officer i/c Base Records.

Mrs. A. M. Baker,  
113 South Terrace,  
Adelaide, S.A.

BB/308

BASE RECORDS OFFICE, A. I. F.  
14th January, 1918.

65707

Dear Madam,

I have much pleasure in forwarding hereunder copy of extract from Second Supplement No. 30243 to the London Gazette dated 21st August, 1917, relating to the conspicuous services rendered by your son, No. 9470 Gunner T. C. R. Baker, 6th Field Artillery Brigade.

X X X X

AWARDED A BAR TO MILITARY MEDAL  
-----

" HIS MAJESTY THE KING has been graciously pleased to approve of the award of a Bar to the Military Medal to the undermentioned soldier :-

No. 9470 Gunner T. C. R. BAKER. "

X X X X

The above has been promulgated in Commonwealth of Australia Gazette, No. 219 of 20th December, 1917.

Yours faithfully,

Major,

Officer i/c Base Records.

Mrs. A. M. Baker,  
113 South Terrace,  
Adelaide, S.A.

M. B. A.

Lieutenant,

----- Thomas Charles Richmond Baker, D.F.C., M.M.,  
4th Squadron, Australian Flying Corps,  
Australian Imperial Force.

xxxxxx was Killed in Action, -----

(No record available)

4th November,

18.

Cable No. C.I.R.D.

3275, from the Commandant, A.I.F. Headquarters, dated London,

28th February, 1919, confirmed by Mail from the Commandant, A.I.F.  
Headquarters, dated London, 3rd March, 1919. -----

12th May.

19.

Major.

DESPATCHED

E.H.

7th May, 1919.

DESPATCHED

Dear Madam,

You are recorded on the records as next-of-kin of the late Lieutenant T.C.R. Baker, D.F.C., M.M., but, in order that our file may be brought up to date, I shall be much obliged if you will let me know whether the father of this late soldier is alive, and if so, his address.

Thanking you in anticipation of the favour of an early reply,

Yours faithfully,

Major,  
Officer i/c Base Records.

Mrs. A.M. Baker,  
55 Park Terrace  
UNLEY, S.A.

*D. F. to  
Mrs. Baker  
reply  
referred  
to  
land*

EMR.

Q. M. S. BURNS -

ANY ADVICE OF THIS ~~EXXER~~ OFFICER  
BEING PROMOTED TO CAPTAIN, PLEASE.

W. O. MORGAN.  
14.4.19

To be temp. Hlt. Cmdr & temp Capt.  
24-10-18 C. G. 13/19

Relinq. temp rank of Capt.  
4-11-18 C. G. 28/19

On being reported  
missing

16.14/4

EMR

14th April 1919 .

Dear Madam,

I have to acknowledge receipt of your communication of the 8th instant and to state that your son, the late Lieut. T. C. R. Baker "D.F.C.", "M.M.", 4th Squadron Australian Flying Corps, was appointed Temporary Flight Commander and Temporary Captain on 24.10.18. A notification to this effect was published in the Commonwealth of Australia Gazette No 13, 1919. These ranks, however, were relinquished on 4.11.18 on the late Officer's being reported "missing" and an intimation to this effect appeared in the Commonwealth of Australia Gazette No 28, 1919. The rank therefore is now recorded as "Lieutenant".

Letters are returned herewith.

Yours faithfully,

Mrs A.M. Baker,  
55 Park Terrace,  
North Unley,  
S.A.

Major,  
Officer i/c Base Records.

Enc.2.

55 Park Terrace  
Rockdale  
Sth Australia  
8 April 1919

The Officer in Charge  
of Base Records  
Victoria Barracks  
Melbourne

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Dear Sir

Please inform me if my  
late son, Lieut J. C. R. Baker  
of the 4th Squad, A.F.C. who was  
reported missing on 11/1/18 &  
afterwards reported killed in  
action; was promoted to the  
rank of Captain, and if so when  
such appointment was gazetted.

Kindly also let me know  
what would be his correct title of  
rank.

Yours faithfully  
A. M. Baker.

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Enclose two letters one from the  
Commander of 4th Squad A.F.C. & one from the  
High Commissioner for Australia,  
which please return after perusal

To Mr. [unclear] 10/4 119

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# Bank of New South Wales.

Adelaide, 24th March 1919  
S.A.

The Officer in Command,  
Base Records Office,  
Victoria Barracks,  
MELBOURNE, Vic.

FORMAL ACKmt.  
SENT 27/3/19 AA  
n/c

Dear Sir,

We have recently seen a notice  
in the daily papers announcing the death  
of T.C.R.Baker, and shall be glad to  
learn if you are yet in a position to  
confirm same.

Abovenamed was at one time des-  
cribed as No.9470, Gnr. T.C.R.Baker, M.M.  
16th Battalion, 6th Field Artillery Brig-  
ade, Australians.

Yours faithfully,

*J. H. ...*



*P. Morgan 26/3 1919*

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**AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE.**

Base Records Office,

Melbourne, 10th December, 1917<sup>8.</sup>

1917.

Mrs. A.M. Baker,  
55 Park Terrace,  
UNLEY, S.A.

To

Officer i/c Base Records,  
Victoria Barracks,  
MELBOURNE.

(Kindly submit your reply hereunder.)

Dear ~~Sir~~ Madam,

I regret to have to inform you that no further official news has yet been received of  
Captain T.C.R. Baker, M.M.

4th Squadron, Australian  
Flying Corps,  
who was reported missing on  
4th November, 1918.

I shall be glad if you will return this letter to me with a statement as to whether you have obtained any news of the soldier from any other source.

If letters or post cards from the soldier have reached you SINCE THE DATE THAT HE WAS POSTED MISSING, the last you have received should be enclosed; it will be returned to you.

If you have received from soldiers or others reports that the soldier is dead or a prisoner of war, you should state the names and addresses of the people who informed you; if they were soldiers you should give their names, numbers, and regiments; if they sent you letters, the letters should be forwarded. Any letters you send will be returned to you in due course.

J. M. LEAN, Major,  
Officer i/c Records.

C.9145.

*I have not received any further information regarding my son Captain T.C.R. Baker M.M.*

*At your request I am enclosing the last letter from Captain Baker, which I received from him on Nov. 15<sup>th</sup>*

*Handwritten notes and scribbles, including "Capt Baker" and "able" with initials.*

*A.M. Baker* (Signature)

13.12.18. (Date)

55 Park Terrace,  
North Unley. S.A.

13.12.18

Major Lean,

Dear Sir,

I should be pleased  
if you could let me know on  
what date my son T. C. R. Baker M. M.  
was gazetted as Captain.

When reported missing he held the  
Rank of deputy Flight-Commander Lieut.

Thanking you in Anticipation

I remain

Yours Sincerely

A Baker.

55 Park Terrace

North Wulley

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Major Lean,

Dear Sir,

I wish to thank you  
for the care bestowed on  
the effects of my son  
the late Lieut. Captain Baker.  
Also I thank you for your  
personal note of sympathy  
in the great sorrow that  
has come to me through the  
loss of my dear son.

I remain,

Yours sincerely

A. M. Baker.

In all communications regimental number, rank, full name, and unit of Soldier referred to are to be stated.

AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE.

Don't forget to advise any change of address to  
BASE RECORDS,  
MELBOURNE.

BASE RECORDS OFFICE.

VICTORIA BARRACKS,

LMM.

MELBOURNE, 15th July, 1919.

Dear Madam,

I have despatched this day to the Senior Ordnance Officer, Ordnance Store, Keswick Bks, Adelaide, S.A. for transmission to your address, 3 packages containing the effects of the late Lieutenant T.C.R. Baker, DFC, MV & Bar, Aust. Flying Corps. D/S. 48902, 48903, 48904, as per inventory attached. All received ex Transport "Bulla" goods despatched from this office are securely fastened and sealed. BEFORE OPENING, KINDLY INSURE THAT SEALS ARE INTACT AND PACKAGE HAS NOT BEEN TAMPERED WITH. Any discrepancies to be immediately brought to notice, accompanied by the packer's note enclosed in the parcel.

Should these not come to hand within a reasonable time, after allowing for any delay occasioned by the restricted shipping facilities, it is suggested you communicate with the Senior Ordnance Officer above quoted on the subject.

(Enclosure.)

I shall be much obliged if you will kindly let me know whether ~~same~~ come safely to hand, by signing and returning enclosed printed receipt slip.

Yours faithfully,

*J. J. J. J.* Major,

Officer in Charge, Base Records.

AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE

Mrs A. M. Baker,  
55, Park Terrace,  
North Unley,  
Adelaide, S.A.

*Handwritten signature*

In all communications regimental number, rank, full name, and unit of Soldier referred to are to be stated.

D.T. AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE.

BASE RECORDS OFFICE,  
VICTORIA BARRACKS,  
MELBOURNE. 31st May, 1919.

Dear Madam,

As requested in your communication of 22nd instant,  
I beg to enclose herewith certificate of report of death of  
the late Temporary Captain, T. C. R. Baker, D.F.C. M.M.,  
Australian Flying Corps.

Yours faithfully,

*J. Mean* Major,  
DESPATCHED

Mrs. A. M. Baker,  
55 Park Terrace,  
North Unley, S.A.

Officer in Charge, Base Records.

Don't fail to send change of your address to Base Records, Melbourne.

D.T.

-----Thomas Charles Richmond Baker, D.F.C., M.M.,  
Temporary Captain,  
Australiah Flying Corps,  
Australiah Imperial Force.

mxmxmx was killed in action. Finding of Court of Enquiry,--

(No record available)

4th November, 19.

Cable No. C.I.R.L.

3275, from the Commandant, A.I.F. Headquarters, dated London,  
28th February, 1919, confirmed by Mail from the Commandant, A.I.F.  
Headquarters, dated London, 3rd March, 1919, and Army Form B.103.

31st May, 19.

Major,

O.H.M.S.

AM109

I certify that this Telegram is sent on the service of the

AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE.

To Page 22

Colonel,  
Commandant, Administrative Headquarters,  
AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCES.

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55 Park Lane  
W<sup>th</sup> Anley.

S. Aus.

May 22<sup>nd</sup> 1919.

Dear Sir,

In answer to your letter of May 7<sup>th</sup>, I regret to state that my late husband, Richmond Baker, Father of the late <sup>friend</sup> J. C. B. Baker R.F.C. M. M. died on Nov. 4<sup>th</sup> 1908.

Will you kindly forward to me a Military Certificate of Death? as the Insurance Co demand one before paying any money on my late Son's Policy. Also will you kindly forward any particulars concerning his latest Decoration of the R.F.C.?

Yours Sincerely,  
A. M. Baker,

Major Lean,  
Officer in Charge Base Records,  
Melbourne.

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E.H.

28th May. 1919.

Dear Madam,

I am directed to transmit herewith one Congratulatory Card and Army Order, issued by the General Officer Commanding 5th Army, British Expeditionary Force, referring in laudatory terms to the conspicuous manner in which your son, the late Lieutenant T.C.R. Baker, D.F.C., M.M., 4th Squadron, Australian Flying Corps, conducted himself in the face of the enemy.

The award of the Distinguished Flying Cross, it is understood, will shortly be promulgated in Commonwealth of Australia Gazette, when you will be duly advised.

I shall be much obliged if you will let me know whether this comes safely to hand by signing and returning the enclosed receipt form, and deeply regret that Lieutenant Baker has not been spared to participate in the honours conferred upon him.

Yours faithfully,

Mrs. A.M. Baker,  
55 Park Terrace,  
North Unley  
SOUTH AUSTRALIA.

Major,  
Officer i/c Base Records.

In all communications regimental number,  
rank, full name, and unit of Soldier referred  
to be stated.

B.R. Form No. 6.

**AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE.**

**M. B. A.**

BASE RECORDS OFFICE,  
VICTORIA BARRACKS,  
MELBOURNE.

12th May, 1919.

Dear

As requested in your communication of

I beg to enclose herewith certificate of report of death of ~~late~~  
late

Lieutenant T. C. R. Baker, D.F.C., N.M. 4th  
Squadron, Australian Flying Corps.

Yours faithfully,

*J. J. J. J. J.*  
Major,  
Officer in Charge, Base Records.

The Manager,  
Bank of New South Wales,  
ADELAIDE,  
South Australia.

Do not forget to advise any change of address to Officer i/c, Base Records, Melbourne.

D.1481/9.18.—C.14234.—5K.

**Australian Imperial Force.**



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A.I.F. KIT STORE,  
110. GREYHOUND ROAD,  
HAMMERSMITH,  
LONDON, W. 6.

EX. 19.

Inventory of Effects of - Captain. T.C.R. Baker, Aust. Flying Corps.

Forwarded to - N.O.K. Mother,  
Mrs. A.M. Baker,  
113, South Terrace,  
Adelaide,  
South Australia.

Received from the  
field, 28.11.18.

ONE LEATHER SUIT CASE (sealed) Containing:-

Socks, 1 Tunic (Officer's Pattern), 1 Cap, Collars, 1 Pr Puttees, 2  
Brushes & Comb in Case, 2 Prs Underpants, 1 Towel, 1 Case of Instruments,  
1 Bathing Costume, 1 Shaving Brush, 2 Cigarette Cases, 1 Pr Spurs, 1  
Pocket Knife, 1 Photo Frame, 1 Watch, 1 Singlet, 1 Photo Album.

BULLAKE

No. of Package

D/S. 48903 in Case No.2013.

Checked by

*Handwritten initials*

**Australian Imperial Force.**

AK 22.



519  
A.I.F. KIT STORE,  
110, GREYHOUND ROAD,  
HAMMERSMITH,  
LONDON, W. 6.

Inventory of Effects of - Captain. T.C.R. Baker, Aust. Flying Corps.

Forwarded to - N.O.K. Mother,  
Mrs. A.M. Baker,  
113, South Terrace,  
Adelaide,  
South Australia.  
Received from the field, 28.II.18.

ONE FIBRE SUIT CASE (sealed) Containing:-

12 Books, 2 Pocket Wallets, 1 Pr Flying Goggles, 1 Tie, 1 Pr Scissors,  
1 Handkerchief, 1 Packet of Letters, 1 Cigar Box, Containing Letters,  
1 Pr Braces, 1 Pr Socks, 1 Pipe, 1 Towel, 1 Scarf, 1 Pr Underpants, 1  
Singlet, 1 Tea Strainer, 1 Pr Goggles in Case.

ABULLAKE

No. of Package

D/S. 48904 in Case No.2013.

Checked by  
H.H.

**Australian Imperial Force.**

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A.I.F. KIT STORE,  
110, GREYHOUND ROAD,  
HAMMERSMITH,  
LONDON, W. 6.

Inventory of Effects of -

Captain. T.C.R. Baker, Aust. Flying Corps.

Forwarded to -

N.O.K. Mother,

Mrs. A.M. Baker,

Received from the  
field, 28.11.18.

113, South Terrace,

Adelaide,

South Australia.

ONE VALISE (sealed) Containing:-

- 1 Sleeping Bag, 1 British Warm, 1 Tunic (Officer's Pattern), 2 Prs Breeches
- 1 White Sweater, 2 Suits Pyjamas, 2 Towels, Handkerchiefs, 6 Collars, 3
- Khaki Shirts, 2 Singlets, Socks, 1 Bag of Laundry, 1 Sam Browne Belt,
- 2 Prs Ankle Boots, 1 Pr Tennis Shoes, 1 Pr Brown Leather Shoes, 1 Pr
- Rubber Slippers, 1 Woollen Scarf, 1 Haversack, 2 Prs Underpants, 1 Kodak
- Camera, 1 Fountain Pen, 1 Pr Gloves, 1 Mirror, 1 Mandoline.

BULLOCK

No. of Package

D/S. 48902 in Case No.2013.

Checked by

*[Handwritten signature]*

AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE.

**Receipt for Consignment from Defence Department.**

I hereby acknowledge having received from the Officer in Charge of Base Records the undermentioned ( 1 ) Package , being the effects of the late Lieutenant T.C.R. Baker, D.F.C., M.M., 4th Squadron Australian Flying Corps consigned to me.

Signature *A. M. Baker,*  
Date *June 17 - 1919.*

NOTE.—This Receipt should be Posted to—

The Officer in Charge,  
Base Records,  
Victoria Barracks,  
Melbourne, Victoria.

No. Description,  
1 Congratulatory Card

Army Order.



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*Deceased*

BASE RECORDS OFFICE, A.I.F.,  
2nd July, 1919.

Dear Madam,

I have much pleasure in forwarding hereunder copy of extract from Second Supplement, No. 31170, to the London Gazette, dated 8th February, 1919, relating to the conspicuous services rendered by your son, the late Captain (temporary) T. C. R. Baker, M.M., 4th Squadron Australian Flying Corps.

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AWARDED THE DISTINGUISHED FLYING CROSS

" HIS MAJESTY THE KING has been graciously pleased to confer the above award on the undermentioned officer of the Royal Air Force in recognition of gallantry in Flying operations against the enemy :-

Lieutenant THOMAS CHARLES RICHMOND BAKER, M.M.

x x x x  
This officer has carried out some forty low-flying raids on hostile troops, aerodromes, etc., and has taken part in numerous offensive patrols; he has, in addition destroyed eight hostile machines. In all these operations he has shown exceptional initiative and dash, never hesitating to lead his formation against overwhelming odds, nor shrinking from incurring personal danger. "

x x x x

The above has been promulgated in Commonwealth of Australia Gazette, No. 61, dated 23rd May, 1919.

Yours faithfully,

Mrs. A. M. Baker,  
55 Park Terrace,  
North Unley,  
SOUTH AUSTRALIA.

Major.  
Officer i/c Base Records.



**AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE.**

**Receipt for Consignment from Defence Department.**

I hereby acknowledge having received from the Officer in Charge of Base Records the undermentioned ( 1 ) Package , being the effects of the late **Captain T. C. R. Baker, D.F.C., M.M., Australian Flying Corps** consigned to me.

No.	Description,
1	Military Medal & Bar.

Signature *A. W. Baker.*

Date *14.9.19*

NOTE.—This Receipt should be Posted to—

**The Officer in Charge,  
Base Records,  
Victoria Barracks,  
Melbourne, Victoria.**



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AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE.

Receipt for Document from Defence Department.

I hereby acknowledge having received from the Officer in Charge of Base Records the undermentioned document on account of the late

Lieutenant T.C.R. Baker, D.F.C., M.M., 4th Sqdn. A.F.C.

Description.

1 Commission Form.

Signature

A. M. Baker.

Date

11. 8. 19.

NOTE.—This Receipt should be Posted to—

The Officer in Charge,  
Base Records,  
Victoria Barracks,  
Melbourne, Victoria.



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AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE.

Receipt for Consignment from Defence Department.

I hereby acknowledge having received from the Officer in Charge of Base Records the undermentioned ( 3 ) Packages , being the effects of the late Lieutenant T. C. R. Baker, DFC, MM & Bar, A. F. C., consigned to me. ex "Bulla" D/S 48902, 48903, 48904

No.	Description,	Signature	Date
3,	Packages,	<i>A. M. Baker,</i>	<i>11. 8. 19.</i>

NOTE.—This Receipt should be Posted to—

The Officer in Charge,  
Base Records,  
Victoria Barracks,  
Melbourne, Victoria.

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BASE RECORDS OFFICE,

VICTORIA BARRACKS,

Melbourne, 29th July, 1919.


Dear Madam,

It is my painful duty to transmit herewith one form of Commission which has been issued by the British War Office, severing the appointment of your son, the late Lieutenant T.C.R. Baker, D.F.C., M.M., 4th Squadron, Australian Flying Corps, as a temporary Second Lieutenant in the regular forces of the British Army. This refers to first appointment to Commission, and not to his later rank.

Will you kindly let me know whether same comes safely to hand by signing and returning the enclosed receipt form.

Mrs. A.M. Baker,  
55 Park Terrace,  
North Unley, S.A.

Yours faithfully,

 Major,

Officer i/c Base Records.

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Proprietary, Limited.

Halladay

19<sup>th</sup> Decr 1919

The Officer in Charge  
Base Records  
Victoria Barracks  
Melbourne.

Dear Sir

At the request of Mr A M Baker  
of 55 Park Terrace, Halladay, I am  
writing to ask you to forward  
me certificate of death of her son  
the late Lieut Thomas Charles ~~Richard~~  
Baker of 4<sup>th</sup> Squad, Austn Shipping Corp.  
which is required for probate  
purposes.

This officer was reported missing  
on 4/11/1918 and later reported  
killed in action by the Military  
Authorities.

Thanking you in anticipation,  
Yours faithfully,

Jas. D. Grace

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Miss Blue  
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55 Park Ter.  
North Uley  
Sept. 5<sup>th</sup> 1919

Major Lean

Dear Sir,

In reference to your  
letter of Aug. 25<sup>th</sup> re the Military Medal  
and Bar, which were awarded to my son  
the late Captain T. C. B. Baker D. F. C. M. M.  
I should prefer to ~~have the decoration~~  
sent direct from the Base Records Office,

Yours sincerely  
A. M. Baker.



...ion, not only you, but the  
Australian Army has sustained by the death of Captain Baker  
whose magnificent conduct on the field of battle has helped  
to earn for our Australian soldiers a fame which will endure  
as long as memory lasts.

I shall be obliged if you will kindly let  
me know whether it comes safely to hand by signing and  
returning the attached receipt form.

Yours faithfully,

Mrs. A.M. Baker,  
55 Park Terrace,  
NORTH UNLIX. S.A.

Major,  
Officer i/c Base Records.

DESPATCHED

10th September, 1919.

V.H.

Dear Madam,

It is with feelings of admiration at the gallantry of a brave Australian soldier who nobly laid down his life in the service of our King and Country, that I am directed by the Honourable The Minister to forward to you, as the next-of-kin of the late Captain T.C.R. Baker, D.F.C., M.M., Australian Flying Corps, Australian Imperial Force, the Military Medal and Bar which His Majesty The King has been graciously pleased to award to that Gallant Officer for conspicuous bravery and devotion to duty while serving with the Australian Imperial Expeditionary Force.

I am also to ask you to accept his deep personal sympathy in the loss



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In all communications regimental number, rank, full name, and unit of Soldier referred to are to be stated.

AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE,  
BASE RECORDS OFFICE,

VICTORIA BARRACKS,  
MELBOURNE, 25th August, 1919.

DESPATCHED

Dear Madam,

I am in receipt of <sup>a</sup> Military Medal and Bar  
were  
xxx which was awarded to the late Captain T. C. R. Baker, DFC, MM.,  
4th Squadron Aust. Flying Corps, and shall be glad to

learn at YOUR EARLIEST CONVENIENCE whether you desire this decoration to be handed to you publicly on the first suitable occasion, or whether you would prefer it to be transmitted to you direct from this office.

The public presentation could possibly be arranged to fit in with some local function in your district.

Thanking you in anticipation of the favour of an early reply, in order that the necessary arrangements may be made.

Yours faithfully,

*B.F. to Min Blue  
when reply is  
recd.*

Mrs. A. M. Baker,  
55 Park Terrace,  
North Unley,  
SOUTH AUSTRALIA.

*J. Ingham* Major,

Officer in Charge Base Records.

C.7875.

AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE.

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Inventory of effects of the late Captain T.C.R. Baker, D.F.C., M.M. & Bar  
A.F.C.

CONTENTS :- Received ex "Coô-ee" Consignment.

1 Wristlet Watch & Strap, (damaged), Badges.

Checked by :-

*A. P. Demari.*

*Alfred*

*V. Anderson*

Base Records, Melbourne.

W<sup>o</sup>. A. M. Baker  
55 Park Terrace

Unley  
S. Aust.

CAPTAIN T. C. R. BAKER,  
D.F.C., M.M.

Mr. S. Howard, late 4th Squadron, A.F.C., writes:—I think the South Australian public should know something of the doings of the most gallant airman that left these his native shores to do battle with the Hun in France. From an intimate acquaintance with the man and a knowledge of his gallant feats, I can write an authentic account of the splendid deeds he did, and the fine influence he had, in the 4th Squadron, A.F.C., before he met his death on November 4, 1918. He commenced flying in January, 1918, and from the outset showed abilities as a pilot far above the average. When he received his wings, in April, 1918, he was offered a position as flying instructor, but this post he declined, preferring to go to France and fight, rather than take the comparatively safe job of instructing. He joined the 4th Squadron in June, 1918, and his sterling qualities were soon recognised. After very little experience he was leading patrols—a responsible position, as the responsibility of the lives of the whole patrol devolves upon the leader. In July he downed his first Hun, and having, so to speak, tasted blood, his progress was amazing. He grew utterly fearless, and in his wonderful confidence in himself and his machine he went into such corners from which only miracles could save him, and these miracles he achieved. After 2½ months with the fighting squadron he had seven Huns to his credit, and also two hostile observation balloons. His tactics in the air showed great originality, and on several occasions he saved his patrol from destruction by timely moves and counter-moves. He was the friend of all inexperienced pilots, because they knew that with Baker leading they would not be left long in any predicament. In a scrap, or "dog-fight," as we called them, his machine could be seen darting here and there, always to the help of those in difficulties. For his excellent work he was awarded the Distinguished Flying Cross and was also recommended for the D.S.O., but his untimely end prevented the award of the latter, as the higher command desired to watch his development still further before granting him this honor. He met his death in the defence of others from the attacks of greatly superior numbers, and he went down, as might be expected, colors flying, fighting to the last. His total bag of Huns was 15 machines and four balloons, and it is a splendid record. Let me say in conclusion that no news was received with greater concern by the pilots of our squadron than the news of the death of Richmond Baker. He left a splendid memory, of which his family is justly proud, and in this pride all grateful South Australians should share.

AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE.

In all communications regimental number, rank, full name, and unit of Soldier referred to are to be stated.

L. M.

BASE RECORDS OFFICE.

VICTORIA BARRACKS.

MELBOURNE. 28th July, 1940

Dear Madam,

Forwarded this day, per separate parcels ~~xxxxxxx~~ post, is one package containing personal effects of the late Captain T.C.R. Baker, D.F.C. M.M., Australian Flying Corps, received ex "Coo-ee consignment."

as per inventory attached. ALL GOODS DESPATCHED FROM THIS OFFICE ARE SECURELY FASTENED AND SEALED. BEFORE OPENING, KINDLY INSURE THAT SEALS ARE INTACT AND PACKAGE HAS NOT BEEN TAMPERED WITH. Any discrepancies to be immediately brought to notice, accompanied by the packer's note enclosed in the parcel.

I shall be much obliged if you will kindly let me know whether same come safely to hand, by signing and returning the enclosed printed receipt slip.

Yours faithfully,

*J. J. J. J. J.* Major,

*Parcel Post*

Officer in Charge, Base Records.

Don't fail to send change of your address to Base Records, Melbourne.

D.1578/4.10.-C.5517.

Mrs. A. M. Baker,  
55 Park Terrace,  
Unley.  
Sth Australia.

AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE.

Receipt for Consignment from Defence Department.

I hereby acknowledge having received from the Officer in Charge of Base Records the undermentioned ( 1 ) Package , being the effects of the late Captain T. C. R. Baker, D.F.C., M.M. & Bar., (A.F.C.) consigned to me. ex "Coc-ee" consignment

No. Description,

1 package

Signature A. W. Baker

Date Aug 5<sup>th</sup> 1920

NOTE.—This Receipt should be Posted to—

The Officer in Charge,

Base Records,

Victoria Barracks,

Melbourne, Victoria.



RECEIVED

D.1072/S.17.—0.10113.—50X.

BAKER

T.C.R.

2/Lt

4th Sqd AFC

Surname.

Other Names.

Regimental No.

Unit.

PAY BOOK No.

MIL. DIST.

AUTHORITY.

2nd Card.

16.6.18 TOS 4th Sqd AFC from Home establishment ex rfts (landed  
(Prev. 6th Army Pde A.F.A.) 15.6.18) (MH) REFC 27/1-18

15.6.18 Proc O/S to France per Air (Camel Pilot) (Sts A.F.C. Trng.  
Depot & Sch. of T.T.) (MH) BON 25/1-18

4.11.18 Missing France.

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IB.607/2-18

4/11/18 C of E. Cologne Prev rep Missing. Now KILLED  
IN ACTION (D.M)

IB 680/3-19



AUTHORITY.

PURPORT.

<p>B A K E R.</p> <p>Surname.</p>	<p>Thos. Chas. Richmond.</p> <p>Other Names.</p>	<p>Lieut</p> <p>9470 Gnr</p> <p>Regimental No.</p>	<p>1st Refts.</p> <p>6th F.A.B.</p> <p>Unit.</p>
<p>PURPORT:</p>		<p>4th M.D.</p> <p>AUTHORITY.</p>	
<p>Embkd at Melbourne per H.M.A.T. A34 Persic" 22/11/15.</p>			
<p>Undated Awarded Military Medal</p>			
<p>1/R 26/12/15 Attached to 6th Battery</p>			
<p>" 10/3/16 Trans to 16th Battery</p>			
<p>PUNISHMENT, AWARD - 4 days F.P. No 2 by C.O. 6th F.A. Bde (EMR)</p>			
<p>EEFO 5/1-17</p>		<p>MEFO 1/1-1916</p> <p>" 6/15-1916</p>	
<p>BEFO20/4 -16</p>		<p>BEFO20/4 -16</p>	

D. 825/2-16.-C. 2024.

PURPORT.	AUTHORITY.
16/3/17. To Hosp. Sick. (Sts. 6th A.F.A.B)	BEFO 23/2-17
22/3/17. Rejd. Bde. from Hosp.	"
AWARDED BAR TO MILITARY MEDAL	BEFO 35/5-17
5.10.17 Marched in to AFC Depot Halton Camp East Wendover from	BDN 5.9.17
C dford	
5.10.17 Marched out to S.M.A. No.1 Reading from A.F.C. Depot	LDB 5.9.17
Halton Camp East Wendover	BEFO 43.5.17
25.9.17 Trans. from 6th (Army) Bde AFA to Aust. Fly. Cps	BEFO 49/6-17
27.10.17. Promoted Tempy. Bdr.	
<del>xxxxxxx</del> 5/10/17 T.O.S A.F.C. Tng. Dep. Wendover. from 6th	
F.AB. and mchd 2nd A.M. and mchd out to S.M..A. Reading.	LDN3/14/18
27/6/18 To be Lieut.	BEFO 32/1-18
REF D.O 25/3249E amend date to read 15/6/18 (VT)	LON 27/1-18
27/6/18 To be Lieut.	
4/11/18 Reported Missing (Sts T/Capt)	AIF LIST. 365/3-2.8/18
24/10/18 To be T/Fight Comdr and T/Capt	BEFO 44/1/18
27/3/18 Appt. F.O. Pilot & to be 2/Lt. in AIF	BEFO 43/2/18
	(MH) LON 15/6-18

O.T.

Temporary Captain,

-----Thomas Charles Richmond Baker, D.F.C., M.M.,

Australian Flying Corps,

Australian Imperial Force.

mxmxcn was killed in action. Finding of Court of Enquiry..

(No record available)

4th November, 18.

Cable No. C.I.F.L.

3275, from the Commandant, A.I.F. Headquarters, dated London,

28th February, 1919, confirmed by Mail from the Commandant, A.I.F.

Headquarters, dated London, 3rd March, 1919, and Army Form B.103.

24th December, 19.

Captain,

for

66/21

25309

AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES.

4th MILITARY DISTRICT.

BRITISH WAR

RECEIVED ONE MEDAL for No.

*Late*

Rank

*Captain*

Name

*A. C. R. Baker*

Unit

*A. I. D. F.*

(Signature)

*A. M. Baker*

(Witness)

*R. Baker*

Place

*Adelaide, S.A.*

Date

*Nov. 8<sup>th</sup> - 1921*

Please return, duly signed and witnessed, by first post to

Medal Distributing Officer,

Keswick Barracks, Adelaide.

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TRAINEE SECTION.

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Record Book compared )  
and attached. )

Endorsed by

Checked by

No Book received.

Initials	.....	Date	29.9.19
Initials	.....	Date	30.9.19
Initials	.....	Date	14.10.19
Initials	.....	Date	.....

*[Handwritten signatures and initials]*

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RECEIVED from behl of befevee

One (1) 1914/1915 Star for the late no 94701

Gunner J. E. R. Baker, 627. A. B. de

Place... Kasaanish

Signature  
A. W. Baker

Accelancee

Witness  
A. K. Quinn

Date... 2/16/1915

RECEIPT FOR VICTORY MEDAL.

Received from the Officer i/c Base Records, Army Headquarters, one Victory Medal in connexion with the late

.....Capt. T.C.R. BAKER, D.F.C., M.M., A.F.C. ....

Signature .....

*A. W. Baker,*

Date .....

*23<sup>rd</sup> April 1923*

This slip to be returned to the Officer in Charge, Base Records, Victoria Barracks, Melbourne, Victoria, within seven (7) days.

D.2040/4.22.—C.5128.



RECEIPT SLIP FOR MEMORIAL SCROLL.

Received from the Officer i/c Base Records, Department of (AS)  
Defence, one Memorial Scroll and King's Message, in connexion  
with the late Captain, T. C. R. Baker, "DFC", "MM"

Australian Flying Corps.



A. M. Baker

(Date) 15/11/91

This slip to be returned to the Officer in Charge, Base Records, Victoria Barracks, Melbourne, Victoria,  
within seven (7) days.

D.1976/7.21.-C.10262.

*Captain*

*L. C. R. Baker / A. F. C.*

RECEIPT FOR MEMORIAL PLAQUE.

I hereby acknowledge having received Memorial Plaque No. 358513

Signature *A. W. Baker*

Witness *Ernest J. ...*

Date *2. 6. 23*

D. 2034/1. 22. - C. 1034. - 5M.

When both these forms are used

22820

BAKER (M.M.)  
T.R.C.R. Lieut.

A.I.F. 4th Squadron A.F.C.

"Missing 4.11.18"

I knew T.R.C.R. Baker. His rank was that of Captain and held the D.F.C. In a stunt in new snipe with eight others over Fritz's lines, bombing and machine gun - first visiting a Fritz drome and bombing it. On way back a large number of returning Fokker's flying high descended upon snipes and cated four; - Lieuts. Goodson, Symms, Palliser and Captain Baker. It was reported that Goodson and Palliser went down in flames, but our Squadron (4th) had it that Captain Baker was Prisoner of War.

Informant: -/Air Mechanic T.C. Windmill, 1951,  
4th Squadron, A.F.C.  
3rd A.A.H. Ward 27,  
Bartford.

R.P.T.  
London  
20.1.19.  
J.F.A. Note: - No trace of Prisoner of War.

AUSTRALIAN RED CROSS,  
WOUNDED & MISSING  
ENQUIRY BUREAU.

Z.A.K.

V. 14948.19.A.1.

den 5<sup>ten</sup> Februar 1920.

U.

an Abt. VII (Bearb. Fr. l. Krüger).

Der Australier Flieger Leut. (T. Capt.) Baker, R.,  
No. 4 Geschw. A.F.C. A.J.F., ist hier nicht gemeldet. Ermittlungen bei den s. Zt. in der fraglichen Gegend eingesetzten Formationen waren ohne Erfolg.

J.A.

*Handwritten signature*

*Willing*

St/K.

British Red Cross Socy. Berlin Branch.

9/5/19.

Flight Lieut: (V. Capt.) R. Baker,  
No. 4 Squadron, A.F.C., A.I.F.

Taken Prisoner 4/11/18 at Quissenal-d'euze.

5/2/20.

Austral: Flight Lt. (V. Capt.) R. Baker,  
No. 4 Squad, A.F.C., A.I.F., is not reported here.  
Inquiries in the neighbourhood in question  
without result.

Transferred to

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B.R. 66533 D

# AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE.

No. *2470*  
Rank *Private* Name **BAKER** *T.C.R.* (*MM*) & BAR

Unit *C 5578 Station 4<sup>th</sup> Sqn. A.I.F. Coy (6<sup>th</sup> F.A.B.)*

Casualty *Reported Missing* *4/11/18* *G.I.B.L. 3962, 3578A dated London 2/11/18. Received B.R. 2/11/18.*  
*Previously reported missing* *now reported Killed in action 4/11/18.*  
*462 R119A*  
*G.I.B.L. 3275, 5549 dated London 28/2/19. Received B.R. 28/2/19.*

**"WHERE THE AUSTRALIANS REST."**  
Pamphlet sent to *W. S. A. M. Baker on 5/1/21. A 48*

DATE	PURPOSE
NOV 18 1915	A.F. 3,103 Received
22.11.18	M.O. 4 ADVISED, MISSING. <i>4/11/18</i> <b>COPY MADE FOR WAR PENSIONS</b>
10.12.18	B. P. Form No. 14 (Missing cases) to N.O.K.
5.1.19	Cable to A.I.F. H'qrs. - Nothing to prevent finding Deceased.
4.3.19	M.O. 4 ADVISED Killed in Action 4/11/18. Gov. Gen. advised.
17.3.19	Pensions advised Casualty's Statement No. 214 CONFIRMATION RECEIVED OF
28.5.19	Medal received; Sent to Comd't. <i>W. G. R. M.D. BRM 41/705</i>
8.7.19	Circular B.R.M. 46/1366 & Booklet re C. aces despatched. <i>12/1/19</i> by printed card. <i>28.4.20</i>
6.7.19	Form of Commission to N.O.K. <i>239/1252</i>
29.7.19	M.M. & Bar Medal received; Sent to Comd't. <i>N. G. K. M.D. BRM 45/153</i>
10.7.19	C.M. Form 7. Not returned to <i>W. G. R. M.D. BRM 45/1275</i>
16.1.20	Medal received; Sent to <i>W. G. R. M.D. BRM 45/1275</i>

WAR HISTORY INDEX



4814/1915 Star Issued B.R.M. 48/12291 *A.D.P. 2*  
4620 To Comd't. *4/11/18*

(over)

29-7-20 PERSONAL EFFECTS EX *Kit Bags ("boo-ee" contents)*



30-9-21 BRITISH WAR MEDAL to Comdt ..... M.D.B.R.M. 53,745 1824



*10000/11/2021*



*10000/11/2021*

3 FEB 1923 VICTORY MEDAL to *Mother* ..... B. R. P. F. 42.  
Registered Post No. *2058* ..... G. P. O. Melbourne.

26 AUG 1924 REGISTER ORDER FORM despatched  
to *B. 367*