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PIR Seryt 705841 Ashley A. M.M

Royal Field Artillery

DUEville Communal Cemetery EXT. Italy

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Ashley Jkr Seryt. Arthur 705841, M.M. "B" BR.
102nd Bde. Royal Field Artillery. Killed in action
18th Nov. 1917. Age 33

Husband of Annie Elizabeth Ashley of 24, New St.
Altrincham Cheshire

Durville Communal Cemetery Extension

Plot 1. Grave 2/1/1/1/71 (AA33937)



7th September, 1962

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Dear Mrs. Ashley,

I am writing to you about the grave of your husband, the late 705841 Fitter Serjeant Arthur Ashley, M.M., Royal Field Artillery, who was killed in action on the 18th November, 1917.

As you are no doubt aware, Serjeant Ashley was buried in Marcaria Communal Cemetery, Italy, Grave Number 94. His was the only war grave in this Italian communal cemetery, and I am sorry to say that it came to the Commission's notice that it had been permitted to fall into a very neglected condition.

It being evident to the Commission that there was no possibility of improving the standard of maintenance of the grave in its existing position, it was decided that the only satisfactory course would be to transfer the remains to a War Graves plot where security of tenure had been provided to the Commission.

Accordingly, your husband's grave was moved with care and reverence to Dueville Communal Cemetery Extension and the new location is Plot 1, Row C, Grave Number 13.

Dueville is a commune in the Province of Vicenza, 8 miles north of the town of Vicenza, in the middle of an agricultural district. The Communal Cemetery is a quarter of a mile north of the village and the British Extension lies on the west side of it.

Yours sincerely,

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Director-General

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