

from M^{rs} Lyle M Clarke
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Dear M^r Smith,

Enclosed is a short letter
of information about Robert my brother.
I hope this will be something
you can use for the memorial.
I had 2 other brothers also who were
in the army. and another one also who
went to Vietnam. So our certainty
came from a family who wanted to
help their country out. Like many
other I guess. Excuse my scribble,
need to send letter.

Yours Sincerely

M^{rs} Lyle M Clarke

my brother James Kennedy served on the
Royal Navy Ship the H.M.A.S. Sydney.
Robert was the Eldest of
7 children. we came from a big family
4 boys 3 girls. my eldest Brother joining the
navy. my father Leslie John, Richard Kennedy
was a Bin in the first world war. He
was sent home with war injuries, and passed
away on the 25th April 1936 in an amyc
march at (The Entrance) n.s.w.
my Brother Robert was engaged to be
married before going to sea He was 21
~~at the time~~. His fiancés name is Marea and
lives in tesca (over seas) I've been told.
I'll never forget the day. that mum answered
the door with me by her side to be
told that her son was lost at sea.
There were so many stories those days.
with no word of finding anything. only the
washed up clothing. all of us hoping
for news. we never gave up hope.
There is two things that have been
great. Finding the H.M.A.S. Sydney 11.
and the great news that out of all
this. that we have found out that Robert's
fiancés. had a baby girl and she has
finally found her relations that she
didn't know she had. and we all have
a niece. Her name is Heather. and at last
all the boys on the H.M.A.S. Sydney 11
may now all Rest in Peace.
god love them.