

## LIST OF PAPERS

File under No. 293.

293.

Ellie D. Adams #735900  
Put. cl. Co. G. 11<sup>th</sup> Inf.

3-6788

SERIAL NUMBER	FROM—	DATE	TO—	SYNOPSIS
Retuned.	Ft. Myer, Va.	4-30-24	Miss Sonder-	
7-28		7-27-30	Miss Kilmarin for Miss Muller	
			Records from European Claims Unit Ft. Myer, Va. No. 14	

**INSTRUCTIONS.**—When papers on a subject become numerous they will be numbered serially and brief entries made on this form.

File

In reply refer to:

293.8 G.R.

# 53368.

Nov. 25, 1922.

Mr. Wood Adams,  
R. F. D. # 3,  
Manchester, Tenn.

Dear Sir:

The Quartermaster General desires that you be informed that the permanent grave of the late Ellis D. Adams, Pvt. 1/c, Company G, 11th Infantry, is Grave 5, Row 15, Block B, Meuse-Argonne American Cemetery, Romagne-sous-Montfaucon, Department of Meuse, France.

This is one of the permanent American military cemeteries to be maintained by this Government in Europe. Each grave will be marked by a headstone of white marble, of suitable design, with name, rank, organization, date of soldier's death and State from which he came. The headstones will be placed at all graves in connection with the improvement work now in progress, as soon as possible and without waiting for special action or request on the part of relatives.

In effecting removal, the utmost care and reverence were exacted and more than willingly accorded by those performing this sacred duty. The grave of the deceased will be perpetually maintained by this Government in a manner befitting the last resting place of our heroes.

Very truly yours,

H. J. CONNER  
H. J. CONNER  
Assistant.

MAILED

NOV 25 1922

H. J. CONNER,  
Assistant.

22/1281/ARK

G.R.S.

gr.

G.R.S. Form #114-B

DATE March 10th 1922.

1. NAME ADAMS, Ellis D. SERIAL No. 735900

RANK PFC. ORGANIZATION Co. G, 11th Inf.

GRAVE LOCATION Meuse-Argonne Amer. Cty., Romagne s/s 1232 Sec.1  
CTY. NAME Montfaucon, Meuse. NUMBER

144 Sec.1 3  
GRAVE ROW PLOT

2. ORIGINAL BATTLE AREA GRAVE LOCATION BAC 39 Remagne-sous-Montfaucon, Meuse

COORDINATES 35NE 285.2N 308.2E GRAVE COMMUNE DEPT.

CONCENTRATED TO 3/14/19 144 1 3  
DATE GRAVE ROW PLOT

Meuse Argonne 1232

CEMETERY CTY. NUMBER

Data concerning any identification found on remains when concentrated, such as collar insignias, letters, broken bones, missing parts, etc.

None available

data f-1/pfb

SUBSEQUENT REBURIALS

DATE GRAVE ROW PLOT CEMETERY

DATE GRAVE ROW PLOT CEMETERY

SIGNATURE, AREA SUPERVISOR

*M. B. Birdseye*

M. B. BIRDSEYE  
1st Lt., Q.M. Corps, U.S. Army

3. FINAL GRAVE LOCATION March 10th 1922.

DATE GRAVE ROW PLOT  
5 15 B  
PLEX BLOCK

*AUDITED BY*  
M. M. G. 4-21

Meuse-Argonne American Cemetery #1232, Romagne-sous-Montfaucon (Meuse).

CEMETERY

Adams,

Ellis D.

735,900

(Surname.)

(Christian name in full.)

(Army serial number.)

Pvt. 1cl.

Co. G, 11th Inf.

(Rank and organization.)

State your relationship to the deceased

*father and mother*

Do you desire the remains brought to the United States?

*No*  
(Yes or no.)

If remains are brought to the United States, do you

wish them interred in a national cemetery?

*No*  
(Yes or no.)

If you desire the remains interred at the home of the deceased, give full information below as to where they should be sent:

(Name of person to receive remains.)

(Express office.)

(Telegraph office.)

*M. Wood*

*Adams*

(Number and street.)

(City or town.)

(State.)

(Sign here)

*Manchester Penn R#3*

(Number and street or rural route.)

(City, town, or post office.)

(State.)

Read carefully the letter accompanying this card.

3-6713

Drawn by

M.E.H. 3-14-21

1232. Sect 1. - ~~2~~

1000 ft. elev.

10 min.

## Concentration.

G. R. S. Form. No. 16-A

Place Romagne 1232.

## REPORT OF DISINTERMENT AND REBURIAL

Date Mar 9, 1922.

1. REMAINS OF ADAMS, Ellis D. SERIAL NUMBER 735900

RANK Pfc. ORGANIZATION Co. G, 11th Inf.

2. Disinterred (date): From (give complete location):

Mar 9, 1922 gr 144, sec 1, plot 3. Cty. 1232.

By : Group 4 Unit sec 1

3. Reburied (date): In (give complete location):

Mar 10, 1922, Meuse Argonne Cty 1232, gr 5, bl B, row 15

Reburial S Unit Nature of reburial unlinedasket  
By : Group

4. Report as to nature of original burial and condition of body upon disinterment:

wooden box and burlap and U.S. uniform, badly decomposed, features unrecognizable.

5. (a) Identification tags: Buried with body? yes. On grave marker? no

(b) Other means of identification found upon disinterment, and general remarks:

Disc on body reads: E.D. Adams. 735900 G.R.S. plaque on body checks.

6. What does examination of body show as regards the following identifying items?

(a) Height (actual measurement) impossible to determine.

(b) Weight (estimated) do

(c) Hair—Color do

Quantity do

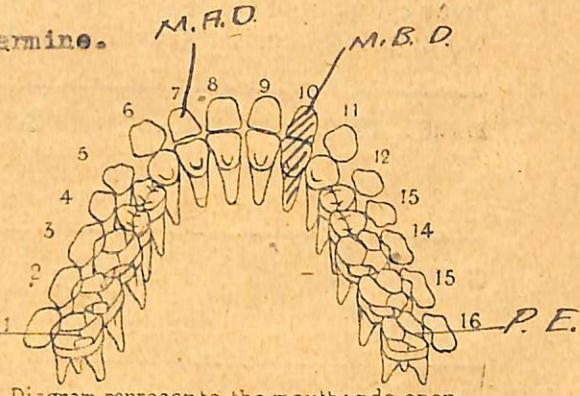
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(d) Hair on face—Color do

Location do

Quantity do

(e) Permanent marks on body (old scars, peculiarities, or missing parts) do



(f) Wounds or missing parts (received at time of casualty)

none visible.

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7. Disinterment  
supervised byRoy N. Perry  
R. N. Perry

Approved:

Geo. C. Bland 1st Lt., M.C.  
(Title)

8. Reburial

Supervised by

W. B. Sheild  
W. B. Sheild

Approved:

A. E. D. Dewey, 1st Lt., QMC.  
(Title)

gr.

G.R.S. FORM #114-A.

STATION Romagne 1232

To be prepared in triplicate.

DATE March 9 1922

REPORT OF DISINTERMENT, PREPARATION, SHIPMENT AND REBURIAL OF BODY

DISINTERMENT

COMPARATIVE REPORT

Records of G.R.S. Headquarters, Discrepancy found upon exhumation of body

1. Name	ADAMS, Ellis D.	10. Name	
2. No.	735900	11. No.	
3. Rank	PFC.	12. Rank	
4. Org.	Co. G, 11th Inf.	13. Org.	
5. D.D.	Oct. 16th.	14. (a) D.D.	
6. C.D.	KIA	(b) D.B.	

Discrepancy found upon disinterment

7. Grave No.	144	Sec.	1	15. Grave No.	Sec.
8. Plot	3	Row		16. Plot	Row
9.				17.	none
18. Cemetery	Meuse-Argonne Amer.	19. Commune or town	Romagne s/s	Montfaucon	
20. Dept. or County	Meuse	21. Country	France		
22. G.R.S. Hdqrs. Code No.	1232 Sec. 1				
23. Disinterred (Date)	March 9 1922	By	Roy M. Perry		
24. Inscription on grave marker:					

Name	Ellis D Adams	Serial No.	735900
Rank	PFC	Organization	Co G 11th Inf

25. Was identification disc found on grave marker?  No  Yes  
Ray Brown  
Signature Junior Technical Assistant

PREPARATION

Ray Brown

26. What other means of identification were on body? (If no disc or other means of identification on body, give description of body in detail).

Ed Adams 735900 GRS plaque on body checks

27. Condition of body  Badly decomposed, features unrecognizable

28. Nature of burial  Uniform, burlap and wooden box

29. Any discrepancy noted upon examination of body, as compared with G.R.S. records quoted above?

30. Body prepared and placed in casket: Date  March 9 1922 By Roy M Perry

31. Casket sealed by Roy M Perry

Signature of Embalmer, (Supervisor) Roy M Perry

Roy M Perry

SHIPMENT. (Show actual marking of box.) Box No. **C-25752**

32. Designation of body:

Name **Ellis D. ADAMS**

Serial No. **735900**

Rank **PFC.**

Organization **Co. G, 11th. Inf.**

33. Consigned to:

Name of Permanent Cemetery **Meuse-Argonne Amer. Cty. 1232,  
Romagne S/s Montfaucon, Meuse.**

34. Casket boxed and marked (Date) **March 9 1922** By **Roy M. Perry**

35. I hereby certify that all the foregoing operations were conducted and  
accomplished under my immediate supervision and that the report above  
is correct.

Signature of G.R.S. Inspector

*Geo C Bland*

**Geo C Bland 1st Lt. QMC**

36. Remarks

37. Shipped from point of Operation: (Date) **March 9 1922**

To point of Concentration **Morgue Romagne**

(Name)

Convoyer **H E Dunton** Signature Shipping Officer **G F Spann, Capt. QMC**

38. Received at Railhead or Point of Concentration: Date

By G.R.S. Representative

39. Shipped from Railhead or Point of Concentration: Date

To Permanent Cemetery

(Name)

Convoyer Signature Shipping Officer

40. Received: Date

G.R.S. Representative

41. Reinterred **Meuse Argonne Cty 1232, Mar 10, 1922**

(Date)

42. Grave No. **5** Section

**15**

43. Plot **Block B** Row

G.R.S. Representative

*A E Dewey*

**A. E. Dewey, 1st Lt, QMC**



# COMPILED OF DISPOSITION OF REMAINS DATA

File #53368 ✓

## I. LOCATION INDEX CARD:

(a) Name <u>ADAMS, Ellis D.</u>	Ser. No. <u>7359000</u>		TYP. <u>evs</u>
(b) Rank <u>Pvt. 1/c</u>	Organization <u>Co. G, 11th Inf.</u>		CKR. <u>13.7</u>
(c) Date of death <u>10/16/18</u>	(d) Cause of death <u>K/a</u>		

## II. REGISTRATION CARD.—(Check Reg., Card Inf. against Loc., Ind., Inf.):

(a) Grave No. <u>144</u>	Row <u>-</u>	Plot <u>3</u>	Sec. <u>1</u>	TYP. <u>evs</u>
(b) Emerg. Address <u>Wood Adams (Father), RFD #3, Manchester, Tenn.</u>				

III. Files of soldiers dying from contagious diseases \_\_\_\_\_ CKR. 13.7

## IV. A. G. O. DISPOSITION CARD:

Date of receipt none

(a) Name <u>Mr. Wood Adams</u>	(b) Relationship <u>Father &amp; Mother</u>
(c) Address <u>Manchester, Tenn. R #3</u>	
(d) Remains to be brought to U. S.? <u>No</u>	
(e) To be interred in National Cemetery in U. S. at _____	
(f) Shipping instructions upon arrival of body in U. S. _____	
(g) Disposition instructions if not brought to U. S. _____	

Examiner's Initials MEH Date 3-14-21, 1920.

## V. A. G. O. CORRESPONDENCE shows communication from \_\_\_\_\_

, dated \_\_\_\_\_

confirming request in Par. IV., item \_\_\_\_\_, above, or requesting that \_\_\_\_\_

No correspondence

Examiner's Initials MEH Date 3-14-21, 1920.

## VI. G. R. S. FILES, CORRESPONDENCE—shows as follows: \_\_\_\_\_

No request for disposition

(a) Cancellation memos referred to? Yes

Examiner's Initials MEH Date 3-14-21, 1920.

COUNTRY FRANCE

CEMETERY No. 1232 Sec. 1 SHEET No. 2

Make Form No. 114

G. R. S. Form No. 115  
Amended April 6, 1920

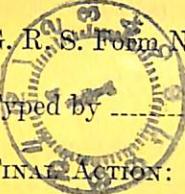
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FORM 115-A COMPLETED

MAR 25 1921 F. L.

RECARDED

RECARDED  
3-14-21



VII. G. R. S. Form No. 1 made \_\_\_\_\_, 1920.

Typed by John H. Johnson, Checked by John H. Johnson, RECEIVED John H. Johnson, 1920.

RECEIVED, 1920.

## VIII. FINAL ACTION:

APR 28 1921

Following advice forwarded to Europe by cable on \_\_\_\_\_, 1920  
3/23/22 11:15 A.M. 1920

cable on -----, 1920

letter on 5/23/21 <sup>DETERIORAL DIVISION</sup>  
~~5/23/21~~ <sup>OFFICERS PROJECT SUB-SEC.</sup>, 1920

Section # 1

Part # 2- Not to be returned - ~~15~~

IX.

## CORRECTIONS

CHANGE OF ADVICE.	ACTION TAKEN.
Desires body be _____ _____	_____
Body to be shipped to _____ _____	_____

## X. SUSPENSION REMARKS:

## COMPILATION OF DISPOSITION OF REMAINS DATA

File #53368

I. LOCATION INDEX CARD:

(a) Name <u>ADAMS, Ellis D.</u>	Ser. No. <u>735900</u>	evs TYP. <u>B. J.</u>
(b) Rank <u>Pvt. 1/c</u>	Organization <u>Co. G, 11th Inf.</u>	
(c) Date of death <u>10/16/18</u>	(d) Cause of death <u>K/a</u>	

II. REGISTRATION CARD.—(Check Reg., Card Inf. against Loc., Ind., Inf.):

(a) Grave No. 144 Row 5 Plot 3 Sec. 1 TYP. evs  
(b) Emerg. Address Wood Adams (Father), RFD #3, Manchester, Tenn.

III. Files of soldiers dying from contagious diseases — CKR. B. T.

IV. Information on which advice to Europe in letter of transmittal was based:

A. G. Card - Mr. Wood Adams (father) R. J.  
Manchester, Tenn. regulates body not to be  
returned to U. S. MB. 3-25-21

V. Following advice forwarded to Europe by 

cable on	192
letter of transmittal on	3/23/21 192

VI. Form 115 forwarded to G. R. S., Hoboken, N. J., APR 8 1921, 192

## VII. SUPPLEMENTARY REQUESTS.

Date of and source. Relationship and name. Desires. Action taken.

VIII. Form 115 received from G. R. S., Hoboken, N. J. , 192

COUNTRY CEMETERY No. SHEET No.

G. R. S. Form 115-A  
August, 1920

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FRANCE

1232--Sec. 1

MAR 25 1921 *P. L.*

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**GRAVE LOCATION BLANK**

LOCATION OF THE GRAVE OF

Adams 735900 E. N.  
(Surname.) (Number.) (First Name and Initials.)

R 11th Inf (?)  
(Rank.) (Organization.)

DATE OF BURIAL Oct 25th 1918

PLACE OF BURIAL 50 ft north of

(Give Cemetery, Town and Department.) Map reference  
must specify clearly what map is used.

road running east from  
Romagne  
co-ord pts 08-85

GRAVE NUMBER 39

HOW MARKED: Name Peg? *yes* Cross?

Headboard? Bottle?

IDENTIFICATION TAGS:

Was one buried with body? *no type*

Was one fastened to name peg or  
stake used as a grave marker?

If name unknown and tags missing, description and marks  
should be given here:

REPORTED BY: F. A. Major  
Cpl. pl. 357th Inf  
(Signature and Rank of Reporting Officer.)

This portion to be forwarded to Adj. Gen'l., G. H. Q., A. E. F.

1. G. R. S. Form No. 1.

73600  
Hq. G. R. S. File

2. Soldier's No. 735900

3. Adams E. D.

Surname (in block letters) First Name and Initials

4. Pvt. 11th, Inf.

Rank

Company

Regt. or Corps

5. ....

Date of Death

Cause, if known

6. 10/14/18 B.A.C.

Date of Burial

Cemetery

7. Romagne Meuse

Town or Commune (in block letters) Department

8. 39

Grave No.

Plot No. or Letter

9. Name Peg? Cross? 1 Headboard? Bottle? ....

Check Method of Marking

10. Buried with Body? Attached to Grave Marker? 1

Identification Tags

11. If name unknown and tags missing, give marks and description.

73600  
12. "A" sketch 19

Map Reference, if interment is outside of cemetery

13. Give name of Chaplain or Burial Officer

Capt. Easterday.....  
Signed.....

HEADQUARTERS Group.....Unit.....G. R. S.  
ROV. UNIT "A" G.R.S.

Date 3rd, May, 1919.REPORT OF DISINTERMENT AND REBURIAL.

Remains of:

Name: ADAMS, E. D.Number: 735900Rank: Pvt.Organization: 11th Inf.

Disinterment and Reburial made by Group

Unit

Disinterred (Date)

From: (Give complete location)

14th, March 1919.

Grave# 39, B/ A Cty. ROMAGNE, MEUSE.

Map 35 NE E 308.2 N 285.2

Reburied (Date)

in: (Give complete location)

14th, March 1919.

Grave# 144, Section 1, Plot 3.

Amer. B/ A Cty. 1232, ROMAGNE, MEUSE.

G.R.S. FORM NO. 16

Map 35 NE E 308. N 285.

Report as to nature of original burial and condition of body upon disinterment:

Body badly decomposed, burial very poor.

Remains of:

Was one identification tag found upon the body? NoWhat other means of identification were found on the body? None

Disinterred (Date)

10889

Note:

CONFIRMED N.D.

10889

If upon disinterment, effects are found upon bodies, they will be promptly sent to the Effects Depot direct as is required by G.O. 170, G.H., 2, 1918., after being carefully examined for clues to identity in doubtful cases, notation whereof will be made and reported to Chief, Graves Registration Service.

Supervised by: Lieut. Gove S. Wright.R. H. ROSENTHAL2nd Lieut. Q.M.C.U.S.A.C.O. Group Unit

Report as to nature of original burial and condition of body upon disinterment:



Co. G, 11 th Inf.  
5 th Div.

ADAMS, Ellis D - PFC 735900

Records show this soldier killed in action 10/16/18. There are no eye witnesses present with company. Argonne forest.

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No informant given.

Signed: John P. Laymire - Capt.  
11 th Inf.

Emergency address:  
Wood Adams (Father)  
RFD # 3, Manchester  
Tenn.

M.S.

## CODE SLIP

HEADING	SUB-HEADING	NO. OF COLS	CODE
NAME	Adams	3	141
BURIED	Ellis S	1	1
	CEMETERY	1232	
	GRAVE	5	05
	ROW	15	15
	BLOCK	B	2
STATE	Tenn	2	48
RANK	Port ic	1	2
DIVISION	5	2	05
ORGANIZATION	11	3	011
ARM	Jay	1	1
MARTIAL	No	1	2
NAME	Adams	3	
RESIDENCE	Mr. A.W. (Father)	STATE	48
		COUNTY	SON
		CITY	
RELATION	mother	1	1
OTHER		1	
ELIGIBILITY	Dead	1	6
NATIVITY		1	
RACE		1	
ENGLISH			
ATTENDANT			
HEALTH			
NO. OF SONS			
DATE OF	MO.	1	
TRIP	YR.	1	
ACCEPTANCE		1	47
29/514/PJ.			

AUDITED  
MAR 26 1932  
FB 1

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WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

Adams, Ellis D. - 1232 F

July 3, 1930.

Mr. A. W. Wood Adams,  
Route # 3,  
Manchester, Tenn.

Dear Sir:

Your attention is invited to the enclosed copy of an Act of Congress of March 2, 1929, together with an amendment thereto, approved May 15, 1930.

This office has no record of any person entitled under the Act mentioned to make a pilgrimage to the cemeteries in Europe as the mother or widow of the above named deceased service man. To complete the list of eligibles and to assure that, if the above named man is survived by a mother or widow entitled to make a pilgrimage she receive an invitation to do so, it is requested you answer the following questions in the space provided on this letter and return to this office in the enclosed envelope which requires no postage.

1. Is the deceased survived by a mother?

If so, give her name and address:

2. Is the deceased survived by a widow who has not remarried?

If so, give her name and address:

3. Is the deceased survived by any woman who stood in loco parentis to him according to the terms of Section 4 (a) of the enclosed Act as amended?

If so, give her name and address:

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

Enclosures:  
Envelope  
Act  
Amendment

A. D. HUGHES,  
Captain, Q. M. Corps,  
Assistant.



Manchester, Rte. # 3, Tenn.  
July 8, 1929.

QM 293 A-C  
Adams, Ellis D.

In reply to your of June 27, 1929, will inform you that  
Ellis D. Adams, Co. G, 11th Inf't., whose remains are  
interred in France, was unmarried; and his mother,  
(my wife), is now deceased - as the Records there in  
Washington, D.C., will show.

So there is no one to make the pilgrimage you  
mention in your letter of inquiry to my address.

Yours truly,

A.W. (Wood) Adams.

Wood Adams.

WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

Adams, Ellis D.

June 27, 1929.

Mrs Wood Adams,  
RFD 3,  
Manchester, Tenn.

Dear Madam:

Your attention is invited to the enclosed copy of an Act of Congress approved March 2, 1929, entitled an Act "To enable the mothers and widows of the deceased soldiers, sailors and marines of the American forces now interred in the cemeteries of Europe to make a pilgrimage to these cemeteries".

The records of this office show that you are the mother of the late Private, 1st class, Ellis D. Adams, Co. G, 11th Inf., whose remains are now interred in the Meuse-Argonne Amer. Cty, Romagne-sous-Montfaucon, Meuse, France.

Will you please advise this office whether or not he is survived by a widow who is entitled under the provisions of the above quoted Act, to make the pilgrimage, and if so, will you please furnish her full name and address in order that action may be taken to extend invitation to her to make the pilgrimage. Both mothers and widows are entitled to make the pilgrimage.

In the event your son was survived by a widow who has since remarried it is requested that a statement to that effect be made.

For your reply, you may use the enclosed envelope which requires no postage.

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

2 incl.  
Act of Congress.  
Envelope.

JOHN T. HARRIS,  
Major, Q. M. Corps,  
Assistant.