

DATE Sept. 29th 1921.

1. NAME ALLEN, Cleveland SERIAL No. 1872275  
 RANK Pvt. 1st cl. ORGANIZATION Co. B 371st Inf. 93rd Div  
 GRAVE LOCATION Argonne, Amer. Romagne/s/Montfaucon 1232 Sec. 94  
 CTY. NAME NUMBER  
120 Sec 94 3

2. ORIGINAL BATTLE AREA GRAVE LOCATION 11 Nothing of record B. 19 city. Sechault, Ard  
 GRAVE COMMUNE DEPT.  
 COORDINATES 277.N 280.5E 35-S.W.

CONCENTRATED TO 6-3-19 120 Sec. 94 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.

DATE OF DEATH Sept 28 1918  
 STATE FROM WHICH HE CAME South Carolina  
 MEDALS OR DECORATIONS AWARDED None

Data from Form 1  
 SUBSEQUENT REBURIALS

| DATE | GRAVE | ROW | PLOT | CEMETERY |
|------|-------|-----|------|----------|
|------|-------|-----|------|----------|

e jr. tm

| DATE | GRAVE | ROW | PLOT | CEMETERY |
|------|-------|-----|------|----------|
|------|-------|-----|------|----------|

SIGNATURE, AREA SUPERVISOR Wm M. CLINE M. B. BIRDSEYE  
Captain Q.M.C. 1st Lt., Q.M. Corps, U.S. Army

3. FINAL GRAVE LOCATION Sept. 29th 1921 27 37 F  
 DATE GRAVE ROW PLOT Block  
Meuse-Argonne Amer. Cty #1232, Romagne sous-Montfaucon, Meuse.  
 CEMETERY

Rec'd World War Div  
 APR 4 1928  
 8971  
 8-3  
 AUDITED BY  
 \$400 5/1/23  
 WS 4-11-24

A.G.O.  
 AUG 11 1928  
 WORLD WAR DIV.

WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

July 13, 1932.

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-M  
Allen, Cleveland, (MA) X

Mrs. Mary Martin,  
RFD 4,  
Level Land, S. C.

Dear Madam:

The Act of Congress of March 2, 1929, as amended May 15, 1930, authorizes pilgrimages to the cemeteries Of Europe during the years 1930, 1931, 1932 and 1933 for the mothers and widows of deceased members of the American forces who were lost or buried at sea or whose remains are interred in Europe.

Your attention is particularly invited to the fact that this is the last opportunity you will have to make the pilgrimage under the provisions of the above mentioned Act. Unless you take advantage of this LAST chance to make a trip in 1933 you will receive no benefit from the Act. There is no provision of law which will permit the Government to make a money allowance to any mother or widow who does not choose to make the pilgrimage.

IT IS REQUESTED THAT YOU GIVE THE MATTER YOUR MOST CAREFUL CONSIDERATION BEFORE REACHING A DECISION, BEARING IN MIND THAT THIS IS THE LAST OPPORTUNITY YOU WILL HAVE TO MAKE THE TRIP AT GOVERNMENT EXPENSE.

In order to assure proper and satisfactory accommodations for the mothers and widows making the journey in 1933, reservations for steamship transportation must be made by this office several months in advance. It is requested that you answer the questions below by writing "Yes" or "No" or "Undecided" in the blank space following the question. When you have answered the question, sign your name and return this sheet in the enclosed addressed envelope which requires no postage. PLEASE DO NOT DELAY, as it is essential that the information be in this office promptly.

This letter is being sent to all eligible mothers and widows who did not make the pilgrimage during the years 1930, 1931 or 1932. There is enclosed a circular of information WHICH YOU SHOULD READ VERY CAREFULLY BEFORE MAKING YOUR DECISION.

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

CHAS. W. DIETZ,  
Captain, Q. M. Corps,  
Assistant.

2 Encls.

DO YOU DESIRE TO MAKE A PILGRIMAGE DURING THE YEAR 1933? \_\_\_\_\_

(Write answer here)

(Sign here) \_\_\_\_\_

WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-M

August 10, 1931

Allen, Cleveland Pvt. 1cl (U-A) ME

Mrs. Mary Martin,  
RFD #4,  
Level Land, S. C.

Dear Madam:

0431  
Receipt is acknowledged of your reply to form letter forwarded you under recent date relative to the pilgrimage to the Cemeteries of Europe, wherein you advise that your health will not permit you to make a pilgrimage during the year 1932.

Competent personnel will be provided to care for the mothers and widows from the time of their arrival in New York until their return thereto. Medical attendants and all other necessities will be arranged for and in the event you decide to make a pilgrimage, you are assured everything possible will be done for your care and welfare. During the summers of 1930 and 1931 many mothers of advanced age and in poor health made the pilgrimage and appear to have benefited therefrom.

Your name is being placed on the list of mothers and widows who are eligible to make a pilgrimage in 1933. However, should you change your mind in view of the above, and desire to make a pilgrimage during the summer months of 1932, it is requested you advise this office in order that arrangements may be made for you.

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM-293-AM

Allen, Cleveland Pvt 1 cl (M-A) Mx

June 19, 1931.

Mrs. Mary Martin,  
R. F. D. #4,  
Level Land, S. C.

Dear Madam:

Arrangements are now being made for conducting pilgrimages during the year 1932 to the cemeteries in Europe under the provisions of the Act of Congress of March 2, 1929, as amended.

To assure proper and satisfactory accommodations, reservations for steamship transportation required during the summer of 1932 must be made by this office not later than August 1st of this year. It is therefore desired that you answer the question below by writing either of the words "Yes", "No", or "Undecided" in the blank space following the question.

As soon as you have answered the question, please sign your name and return this sheet in the enclosed addressed envelope which requires no postage. Do not delay, as a prompt reply is essential.

This letter is being sent to all eligible mothers and widows who did not make a pilgrimage at the expense of the Government during 1930 and are not making the journey in 1931.

For The Quartermaster General.

Very truly yours,

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

DO YOU DESIRE TO MAKE A PILGRIMAGE DURING THE YEAR 1932? \_\_\_\_\_

Write answer here

\_\_\_\_\_  
Sign here

0475

RECEIVED - AM 11 11 31  
COMMUNICATIONS SECTION

QM 293 A-M

May 12, 1931

Allen, Cleveland PFC (MA) M X

Mrs. Mary Martin,  
R. F. D. #4,  
Level Land, South Carolina.

Dear Madam:

In order that the records of this office may be complete and correct, it is requested that you advise whether or not the late Private 1st class Cleveland Allen was married and is survived by a widow, and if so her name and address.

For your convenience in replying, there is enclosed herewith a self-addressed envelope which requires no postage.

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

Enclosure  
Envelope  
cm

1931 MAY 13 - AM 10:00

WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

June 7, 1930.

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

Allen, Cleveland-1232 N

Mrs. Mary Martin,  
RFD #4  
Level Land, S. C.

Dear Madam:

Arrangements are now being made for conducting pilgrimages during the year 1931, to the cemeteries in Europe under the provisions of the Act of Congress of March 2, 1929.

To assure proper and satisfactory accommodations, reservations for steamship transportation required during the summer of 1931 must be made by this office not later than August 1st of this year. It is therefore desired that you answer the question below by writing the word "Yes" or "No" in the blank space following the question.

As soon as you have answered the question, please sign your name and return this sheet in the enclosed addressed envelope, which requires no postage. Do not delay, as a prompt reply is essential.

This letter is being sent to all mothers and widows who are not making the pilgrimage in 1930, regardless of whether or not they have expressed a desire to make the pilgrimage.

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

DO YOU DESIRE TO MAKE THE PILGRIMAGE DURING THE YEAR 1931? \_\_\_\_\_

(Write answer here)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Sign here)

**WAR DEPARTMENT**  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

October 7, 1929.

**Allen, Cleveland 1232 -M**

**Mrs. Mary Martin,**  
**R. F. D. #4,**  
**Level Land, S. C.**  
Dear Madam:

The Act of Congress which provides for pilgrimages to cemeteries in Europe by mothers and widows of members of the military or naval forces of the United States who died in the military or naval service at any time between April 5, 1917 and July 1, 1921, and whose remains are now interred in such cemeteries, all necessary expenses of which pilgrimages are to be paid by the United States Government, requires that the Secretary of War make an investigation and submit the results of such investigation in a report to Congress not later than December 15, 1929. The purpose of the investigation is to determine the total number of mothers and widows entitled to make the pilgrimages, the number of such mothers and widows who desire to make the pilgrimages, the number who desire to make the pilgrimages during the calendar year 1930 and the probable cost of the pilgrimages to be made.

In order that the report referred to may be made and plans completed for conducting the pilgrimages, it is requested that you answer the following questions by filling out the blanks left therefor and return the letter to this office by return mail in the enclosed envelope which requires no postage.

|   |  |        |           |        |      |                |        |        |                           |  |  |
|---|--|--------|-----------|--------|------|----------------|--------|--------|---------------------------|--|--|
| 1. Do you desire to make this pilgrimage if eligible?   | (Yes)  | (No)   |           |        |      |                |        |        |                           |  |  |
| 2. Do you desire to make the pilgrimage in the calendar year 1930?  | (Yes)  | (No)   |           |        |      |                |        |        |                           |  |  |
| 3. Have you at any time made a previous visit to the grave of the deceased member of the military or naval forces in whom you are interested? | (Yes)  | (No)   |           |        |      |                |        |        |                           |  |  |
| 4. Please give your age and state of health.  | <table style="width: 100%; border: none;"> <tr> <td style="padding: 0 10px;">Age</td> <td style="padding: 0 10px;">Health</td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td style="padding: 0 10px;">(Years)</td> <td style="padding: 0 10px;">(Good)</td> <td style="padding: 0 10px;">(Poor)</td> </tr> </table>   |        | Age       | Health |      | (Years)        | (Good) | (Poor) |                           |  |  |
| Age   | Health   |        |           |        |      |                |        |        |                           |  |  |
| (Years)   | (Good)   | (Poor) |           |        |      |                |        |        |                           |  |  |
| 5. What language do you speak?  | <table style="width: 100%; border: none;"> <tr> <td style="padding: 0 10px;">English -</td> <td style="padding: 0 10px;">(Yes)</td> <td style="padding: 0 10px;">(No)</td> </tr> <tr> <td colspan="3" style="padding: 0 10px;">Other language</td> </tr> <tr> <td colspan="3" style="padding: 0 10px;">(Specify language spoken)</td> </tr> </table> |        | English - | (Yes)  | (No) | Other language |        |        | (Specify language spoken) |  |  |
| English -   | (Yes)  | (No)   |           |        |      |                |        |        |                           |  |  |
| Other language  |  |        |           |        |      |                |        |        |                           |  |  |
| (Specify language spoken)   |  |        |           |        |      |                |        |        |                           |  |  |

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

Encl.  
Act  
Envelope

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

B OH 293 A-C  
Allen, Cleveland

July 22, 1929.

Mrs. Mary Martin,  
R.F.D. #4,  
Level Land, S. C.

Dear Madam:

Receipt is acknowledged of your letter of recent date  
relative to the Gold Star Mothers' and Widows' Pilgrimage to Europe.

As the Act of March 2, 1929, does not contain any provisions  
that would permit of any member of the family other than the mother or  
un-married widow making the pilgrimage, I regret to advise you that it  
will not be possible for a substitute to make the pilgrimage at Government  
expense.

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

LEB

M E C DIV

SEP 10 4A

*[Handwritten mark]*

WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C  
Allen, Cleveland

June 29, 1929.

Mrs. Mary Martin,  
R.F.D. #4, Level Land,  
S. C.

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 Pvt. First Class Cleveland Allen, Co. B, 371st Inf., whose remains are now interred in the Meuse-Argonne American Cemetery, Remagne-sous-Montfaucou, 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 incls.  
Act of Congress.  
Envelope.

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

QM 293 C-R

October 3, 1923.

Mrs. Mary Martin  
R.F.D. #4,  
Level Land, S.C.

Dear Madam:

The Quartermaster General desires you to be informed that the permanent grave of Private, First Class, Cleveland Allen, Company B, 371st Infantry, is Grave 27, Row 37, Block F, Meuse-Argonne American Cemetery, Romagne-sous-Montfaucon (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, division, organization, date of soldier's death and State from which he came. 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.

You are assured in effecting removal of the remains, the utmost care and reverence were exercised and more than willingly accorded by those who performed 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.H. CHEAL  
Assistant.

WPK  
O. Q. M. G.  
GENERAL MAIL ROOM.



OCT 3 1923  
E. O. C.

23/592/ARK

RD

Grandchild

1252 Highland

37 1/2

1110 2nd St

18 11 24

Allen, Cleveland

1,872,273

(Surname.)

(Christian name in full.)

(Army serial number)

Pvt 1st Cl Co B 371st Inf

(Rank and organization.)

State your relationship to the deceased

*Mother*

Do you desire the remains brought to the United States?

(Yes or no.)

*No*

If remains are brought to the United States, do you wish them interred in a national cemetery?

(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.)

(Number and street.)

(City or town.)

(State.)

(Sign here)

*Mary Weston  
Sweet Land AB*

(Number and street or rural route.)

(City, town, or post office.)

(State.)

Read carefully the letter accompanying this card.

VII. G. R. S. Form No. 114 made \_\_\_\_\_, 192

Typed by \_\_\_\_\_, Checked by \_\_\_\_\_, 192

VIII. FINAL ACTION:

Following advice forwarded to Europe by { cable on \_\_\_\_\_, 192  
letter on **MAY 24 1921**, 192

*su 94*

**Par. 2 Not to be returned.** *LPW*

IX.

**REMARKS**

COMPILATION OF DISPOSITION OF REMAINS DATA

I. LOCATION INDEX CARD:

File # 63518

(a) Name ALLEN, Cleveland, Ser. No. 1872273
(b) Rank Pvt. Organization Co. B. 371st. Inf.
(c) Date of death 9-28-18 (d) Cause of death k/a

TYP. hmp
CKR. B. J.

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

(a) Grave No. 120 Row --- Plot 3 Sec. 94 TYP. hmp
(b) Emerg. Address Mrs. Mary Martin (Mother) RFD #4, Level Land, S.C.

III. Files of soldiers dying from contagious diseases / / / CKR. B. J.

IV. A. G. O. DISPOSITION CARD:

Date of receipt none

(a) Name Mary Martin (b) Relationship mother
(c) Address Level Land, S.C.
(d) Remains to be brought to U. S.? no
(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 H R Date 5-10, 1921

V. A. G. O. CORRESPONDENCE shows communication from

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

Examiner's Initials Date, 192

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

no request for disposition

(a) Cancellation memos referred to? yes

Examiner's Initials H R Date 5-10, 1921

COUNTRY FRANCE CEMETERY No. 1232 Sec. 94 SHEET No. 2

C-6529

SHIPMENT. (Show actual marking of box.) Box No. \_\_\_\_\_

32. Designation of body: **ALLEN, Cleveland.** Serial No. **1872273**  
Name \_\_\_\_\_  
Rank **Pvt. 1st Cl.** Organization **Co. B 371st Inf**

33. Consigned to: **Argonne, Amer. Romagne/s/Montfaucon 1232 Sec. 94**  
Name of Permanent Cemetery \_\_\_\_\_

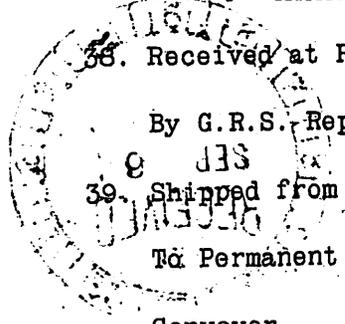
34. Casket boxed and marked (Date) **Sept. 22, 1921** By **G.S. Wright**

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 *F. B. Daniel*  
**F. B. Daniel**  
**Capt. MC**

36. Remarks \_\_\_\_\_  
**none**

37. Shipped from point of Operation: (Date) **Sept. 22, 1921**  
To point of Concentration **Morgue Romagne** (Name) *Albert M Jackson*  
Convoyer **W. J. Royed** Signature Shipping Officer **Albert M. Jackson**  
**Capt. CAC** **bea**



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 **Sept 22 1921**  
G.R.S. Representative *James Younger*

41. Reinterred. **Muse Argonne Cemetery # 1232** (Date) **Sept 29th 1921**  
42. Grave No. **Gr 27 block F row 37** Section \_\_\_\_\_  
43. Plot \_\_\_\_\_ Row \_\_\_\_\_

G.R.S. Representative *James Younger*  
**James H. Younger, Capt MC.**

jjt.

To be prepared in triplicate.

DATE Sept. 22, 1921

## 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 ALLEN, Cleveland

10. Name \_\_\_\_\_

2. No. 1872273

11. No. \_\_\_\_\_

3. Rank Pvt. 1st cl.

12. Rank \_\_\_\_\_

4. Org. Co. B 371st Inf.

13. Org. \_\_\_\_\_

5. D.D. 9-28-18

14. (a) D.D. \_\_\_\_\_

6. C.D. K.I.A.(b) D.B. No discrepancies

Discrepancy found upon disinterment

7. Grave No. 120 Sec. 94

15. Grave No. \_\_\_\_\_ Sec. \_\_\_\_\_

8. Plot 3 Row \_\_\_\_\_

16. Plot \_\_\_\_\_ Row \_\_\_\_\_

9. \_\_\_\_\_

17. No discrepancies18. Cemetery Argonne, Amer.19. Commune or town Romagne/s/Montfaucon20. Dept. or County Meuse21. Country France22. G.R.S. Hdqrs. Code No. 1232 Sec. 9423. Disinterred (Date) Sept. 22, 1921By G.S. Wright

24. Inscription on grave marker:

Name ALLEN, ClevelandSerial No. 1872273Rank Pvt. 1/cl.Organization Co. B, 371st Inf.25. Was identification disc found on grave marker? yes (on peg over body) no of body?C. T. Brown  
Signature Junior Technical Assistant

## PREPARATION

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) Tag on peg over body agrees with GRS records. Collar ornament reads: "B-371inf." No effects or other means of identification found on body.27. Condition of body Badly decomposed. Features not recognizable.28. Nature of burial Wooden box in uniform and burlap.29. Any discrepancy noted upon examination of body, as compared with G.R.S. records quoted above? none30. Body prepared and placed in casket: Date Sept. 22, 1921 By G.S. Wright

31. Casket sealed by \_\_\_\_\_

Signature of Embalmer, (Supervisor) G.S. Wright

REPORT OF DISINTERMENT AND REBURIAL

Date September 22nd 1921.

1. REMAINS OF ALLEN, Cleveland. SERIAL NUMBER 1872273

RANK Pvt 1/c ORGANIZATION Co.B. 371st Inf.

2. Disinterred (date): September 22nd 1921 From (give complete location): Grave 120. Sec. 94. Plot 3. Cem. 1232.

By: Group 1 Unit F.S. 2..

3. Reburied (date): Sept. 29th 1921 In (give complete location): Meuse Argonne Cemetery # 1232 Gr 27 block F row 37

By: Group re-burial S Unit Nature of reburial unlined casket

4. Report as to nature of original burial and condition of body upon disinterment: Uniform burlap and wooden box. Body badly decomposed, features unrecognizable.

5. (a) Identification tags: Buried with body? No On grave marker? No. On peg over body? Yes.

(b) Other means of identification found upon disinterment, and general remarks: Tag on peg over body agrees with G.R.S. records. No effects or means of identification found on body, Collar ornament reads, "B-371 Inf."

6. What does examination of body show as regards the following identifying items? 2-3-15-M.B.D. 5-8-9-12-14-Broken.

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

(b) Weight (estimated) do

(c) Hair—Color do

Quantity do

Characteristics do

(d) Hair on face—Color do

Location do

Quantity do

(e) Permanent marks on body (old scars, peculiarities, or missing parts) None visible.

(f) Wounds or missing parts (received at time of casualty) 19-30-Broken. 20-23-24-25-26-27-M.A.D.

None visible.

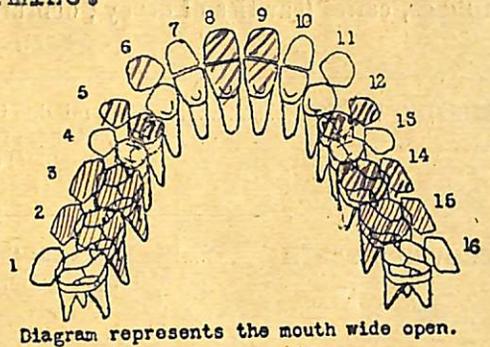
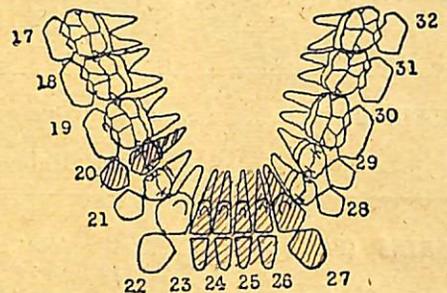


Diagram represents the mouth wide open.



19-30-Broken.

20-23-24-25-26-27-M.A.D.

31426

7. Disinterment supervised by G.S. WRIGHT

Approved: F.B. DANIEL Capt. Q.M.C. (Title) ewr

8. Reburial supervised by W. B. Shields

Approved: James W. Younger, Capt QMC. (Title)

# COMPILATION OF DISPOSITION OF REMAINS DATA

I. LOCATION INDEX CARD:

File # 63518

(a) Name ALLEN, Cleveland, Ser. No. 1872273  
 (b) Rank Pvt. Organization Co. B. 371st. Inf.  
 (c) Date of death 9-28-18 (d) Cause of death k/a

} TYP hmp  
 } B. J.

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

(a) Grave No. 120 Row --- Plot 3 Sec. 94 TYP. hmp  
 (b) Emerg. Address Mrs. Mary Martin (Mother) RFD #4, Level Land, S.C.

III. Files of soldiers/dying from contagious diseases /// CKR. B. J.

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

-----  
 -----  
 -----  
 -----

V. Following advice forwarded to Europe by { cable on \_\_\_\_\_, 192  
 { letter of transmittal on MAY 24 1921, 192  
Sec 94  
Par. 2 Not to be returned. LPW

VI. Form 115 forwarded to G. R. S., Hoboken, N. J., \_\_\_\_\_, 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. \_\_\_\_\_

63518

WAR BUREAU

# GRAVE LOCATION BLANK

LOCATION OF THE GRAVE OF

ALLEN, 1872273, Cleveland

(Surname). (Number). (First Name and Initials).

Pvt. 1cl. Co. B 371st., Infantry

(Rank). (Organization).

PLACE OF DEATH: .....

CAUSE OF DEATH: .....

DATE OF BURIAL: .....

PLACE OF BURIAL: .....

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

GRAVE NUMBER: .....

HOW MARKED: Name Peg?.....Cross?.....

Headboard?..... Bottle?.....

IDENTIFICATION TAGS: .....

Was one buried with body?.....

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? .....

NEAREST RELATIVE: .....

ADDRESS: .....

RELATIONSHIP: .....

REPORTED BY: .....

(Signature and Rank of Reporting Officer).

This portion to be sent to Chief of Graves Registration Service.

G.R.S. FORM NO. 12

GENERAL HEADQUARTERS  
AMERICAN EXPEDITIONARY FORCES  
ADJUTANT GENERAL'S OFFICE

FROM : ADJUTANT GENERAL.

TO : C.O.Co. B 371st., Infantry

SUBJECT : Information for burial Register.

1. You are directed to transmit without delay to the Chief, Graves Registration Service, the information indicated on enclosed Grave Location Blank as necessary for the completion of official records.

By Command of General Pershing:

Robert C. Davis  
Adjutant General.

Note:

In case this item is checked, you will note hereon:

Nearest relative of deceased:

Relationship:

Address:

CODE SLIP

✓

| HEADING      | SUB-HEADING | NO. OF COLS | CODE  |
|--------------|-------------|-------------|-------|
| NAME         | Allen       | 3           | 1 2 2 |
| BURIED       | CLEVELAND   | 1           | 1     |
|              | CEMETERY    | 1232        | 27    |
|              | GRAVE       | 27          | 37    |
|              | ROW         | 37          | 6     |
| BLOCK        | F           | 1           | 6     |
| STATE        | DC          | 2           | 46    |
| RANK         | Pvt 1cl     | 1           | 2     |
| DIVISION     | 93          | 2           | 93    |
| ORGANIZATION | 371         | 3           | 371   |
| ARM          | Inf.        | 1           | 1     |
| MARTIAL      | No          | 1           | 2     |
| NAME         | Martin      | 3           | 3 1 8 |
| RESIDENCE    | STATE       | DC          | 46    |
|              | COUNTY      | Abbeville   | 01    |
|              | CITY        | Level Land  | xxx   |
| RELATION     | Mother      | 1           | 1     |
| OTHER        |             | 1           |       |
| ELIGIBILITY  | yes         | 1           | 1     |
| NATIVITY     |             | 1           |       |
| RACE         | BLACK       | 1           | 2     |
| ENGLISH      | yes         | 1           | 1     |
| ATTENDANT    |             | 1           |       |
| HEALTH       | Bad         | 1           | 2     |
| NO. OF SONS  |             | 1           |       |
| DATE OF TRIP | MO.         | 1           |       |
|              | YR.         | 1           |       |
| ACCEPTANCE   | No          | 1           | 2     |
| 29/514/PJ.   | Apr 64      |             | 64    |

**AUDITED**

MAR 15 1932

2/19/30

12/2/64

RM

WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-M  
Allen, Cleveland, (MA) x

July 13, 1932.

Mrs. Mary Martin,  
RFD 4,  
Level Land, S. C.

Dear Madam:

The Act of Congress of March 2, 1929, as amended May 15, 1930, authorizes pilgrimages to the cemeteries Of Europe during the years 1930, 1931, 1932 and 1933 for the mothers and widows of deceased members of the American forces who were lost or buried at sea or whose remains are interred in Europe.

Your attention is particularly invited to the fact that this is the last opportunity you will have to make the pilgrimage under the provisions of the above mentioned Act. Unless you take advantage of this LAST chance to make a trip in 1933 you will receive no benefit from the Act. There is no provision of law which will permit the Government to make a money allowance to any mother or widow who does not choose to make the pilgrimage.

IT IS REQUESTED THAT YOU GIVE THE MATTER YOUR MOST CAREFUL CONSIDERATION BEFORE REACHING A DECISION, BEARING IN MIND THAT THIS IS THE LAST OPPORTUNITY YOU WILL HAVE TO MAKE THE TRIP AT GOVERNMENT EXPENSE.

In order to assure proper and satisfactory accommodations for the mothers and widows making the journey in 1933, reservations for steamship transportation must be made by this office several months in advance. It is requested that you answer the questions below by writing "Yes" or "No" or "Undecided" in the blank space following the question. When you have answered the question, sign your name and return this sheet in the enclosed addressed envelope which requires no postage. PLEASE DO NOT DELAY, as it is essential that the information be in this office promptly.

This letter is being sent to all eligible mothers and widows who did not make the pilgrimage during the years 1930, 1931 or 1932. There is enclosed a circular of information WHICH YOU SHOULD READ VERY CAREFULLY BEFORE MAKING YOUR DECISION.

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

  
CHAS. W. DIETZ,  
Captain, Q. M. Corps,  
Assistant.

2 Encls.

DO YOU DESIRE TO MAKE A PILGRIMAGE DURING THE YEAR 1933?

no  
(Write answer here)

(Sign here)

Mary & Martin  
Hes  
Marr

WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-M

August 10, 1931

Allen, Cleveland Pvt. 1c1 (M-A) Mx

Mrs. Mary Martin,  
RFD #4,  
Level Land, S. C.

Dear Madam:

Receipt is acknowledged of your reply to form letter forwarded you under recent date relative to the pilgrimage to the cemeteries of Europe, wherein you advise that your health will not permit you to make a pilgrimage during the year 1932.

Competent personnel will be provided to care for the mothers and widows from the time of their arrival in New York until their return thereto. Medical attendants and all other necessities will be arranged for and in the event you decide to make a pilgrimage, you are assured everything possible will be done for your care and welfare. During the summers of 1930 and 1931 many mothers of advanced age and in poor health made the pilgrimage and appear to have benefited therefrom.

Your name is being placed on the list of mothers and widows who are eligible to make a pilgrimage in 1933. However, should you change your mind in view of the above, and desire to make a pilgrimage during the summer months of 1932, it is requested you advise this office in order that arrangements may be made for you.

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM-293-AM

Allen, Cleveland Pvt 1 cl (M-A) Mx

June 19, 1931.

Mrs. Mary Martin,  
R. F. D. #4,  
Level Land, S. C.

Dear Madam:

Arrangements are now being made for conducting pilgrimages during the year 1932 to the cemeteries in Europe under the provisions of the Act of Congress of March 2, 1929, as amended.

To assure proper and satisfactory accommodations, reservations for steamship transportation required during the summer of 1932 must be made by this office not later than August 1st of this year. It is therefore desired that you answer the question below by writing either of the words "Yes", "No", or "Undecided" in the blank space following the question.

As soon as you have answered the question, please sign your name and return this sheet in the enclosed addressed envelope which requires no postage. Do not delay, as a prompt reply is essential.

This letter is being sent to all eligible mothers and widows who did not make a pilgrimage at the expense of the Government during 1930 and are not making the journey in 1931.

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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



DO YOU DESIRE TO MAKE A PILGRIMAGE DURING THE YEAR 1932?

Write answer here

*No my health is not good*

*Mrs Mary Martin*

Sign here

WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

May 12, 1931

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-M  
Allen, Cleveland PFC (MA) Mx

Mrs. Mary Martin,  
R. F. D. #4,  
Level Land, South Carolina.

Dear Madam:

In order that the records of this office may be complete and correct, it is requested that you advise whether or not the late Private 1st class Cleveland Allen was married and is survived by a widow, and if so her name and address.

For your convenience in replying, there is enclosed herewith a self-addressed envelope which requires no postage.

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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



Enclosure:  
Envelope

Dear Sir-

Replying to above, my son, Cleveland Martin was not married at time of his death, and not married at any time.

Respectfully

*Mrs Mary Martin*  
Mrs Mary Martin, *Level Land*

Level Land, S C Rt. #4,

May 15 1931

*Wm J. Perrin*  
*Chief Clerk*

WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

June 7, 1930.

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

Allen, Cleveland-1232 M

Mrs. Mary Martin,  
RFD #4  
Level Land, S. C.

Dear Madam:

Arrangements are now being made for conducting pilgrimages during the year 1931, to the cemeteries in Europe under the provisions of the Act of Congress of March 2, 1929.

To assure proper and satisfactory accommodations, reservations for steamship transportation required during the summer of 1931 must be made by this office not later than August 1st of this year. It is therefore desired that you answer the question below by writing the word "Yes" or "No" in the blank space following the question.

As soon as you have answered the question, please sign your name and return this sheet in the enclosed addressed envelope, which requires no postage. Do not delay, as a prompt reply is essential.

This letter is being sent to all mothers and widows who are not making the pilgrimage in 1930, regardless of whether or not they have expressed a desire to make the pilgrimage.

For The Quartermaster General,



Very truly yours,

*A. D. Hughes*  
A. D. HUGHES,  
Captain, U. S. M. Corps,  
Assistant.

DO YOU DESIRE TO MAKE THE PILGRIMAGE DURING THE YEAR 1931? No ✓

(Write answer here)

*Mary Martin*  
\_\_\_\_\_  
(Sign here)

WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON



IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

October 7, 1929.

Allen, Cleveland 1232 -M

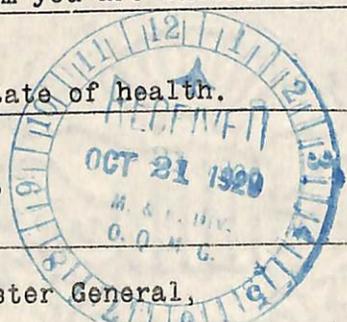
Mrs. Mary Martin,  
R. F. D. #4,  
Level Land, S. C.

Dear Madam:

The Act of Congress which provides for pilgrimages to cemeteries in Europe by mothers and widows of members of the military or naval forces of the United States who died in the military or naval service at any time between April 5, 1917 and July 1, 1921, and whose remains are now interred in such cemeteries, all necessary expenses of which pilgrimages are to be paid by the United States Government, requires that the Secretary of War make an investigation and submit the results of such investigation in a report to Congress not later than December 15, 1929. The purpose of the investigation is to determine the total number of mothers and widows entitled to make the pilgrimages, the number of such mothers and widows who desire to make the pilgrimages, the number who desire to make the pilgrimages during the calendar year 1930 and the probable cost of the pilgrimages to be made.

In order that the report referred to may be made and plans completed for conducting the pilgrimages, it is requested that you answer the following questions by filling out the blanks left therefor and return the letter to this office by return mail in the enclosed envelope which requires no postage.

|   |                           |                 |
|---|---------------------------|-----------------|
| 1. Do you desire to make this pilgrimage if eligible?   | (Yes)                     | (No)            |
|   |                           | NO              |
| 2. Do you desire to make the pilgrimage in the calendar year 1930?  | (Yes)                     | (No)            |
|   |                           | NO              |
| 3. Have you at any time made a previous visit to the grave of the deceased member of the military or naval forces in whom you are interested? | (Yes)                     | (No)            |
|   |                           |                 |
| 4. Please give your age and state of health.  | Age                       | Health not good |
|   | (Years)                   | (Good) (Poor)   |
| 5. What language do you speak?  | English - (Yes)           | (No)            |
|   | Other language            | English         |
|   | (Specify language spoken) |                 |



For The Quartermaster General,

My health is such that I am forced to decline, but appreciate the opportunity offerrex Very truly yours,

*John T. Harris*  
JOHN T. HARRIS,  
Major, Q. M. Corps,  
Assistant.

Encl.  
Act  
Envelope

QM 293 A-C  
Allen, Cleveland

July 22, 1929.

Mrs. Mary Martin,  
R.F.D. #4,  
Level Land, S. C.

Dear Madam:

Receipt is acknowledged of your letter of recent date  
relative to the Gold Star Mothers' and Widows' Pilgrimage to Europe.

As the Act of March 2, 1929, does not contain any provisions  
that would permit of any member of the family other than the mother or  
un-married widow making the pilgrimage, I regret to advise you that it  
will not be possible for a substitute to make the pilgrimage at Government  
expense.

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

LEB

**Court General Sessions**

*4th Monday in February  
1st Monday in June  
1st Monday in September*

**J. L. PERRIN**  
**CLERK OF COURT**

**Court Common Pleas**

*4th Monday in March  
1st Monday in June  
2nd Monday in October*

**ABBEVILLE COUNTY**

Level Land, S C July th 1929

Major John T Harris,

Washington, D C

in re, Allen, Cleveland

OM 293 A-C

6/29/29  
1232

Sir-

Replying to yours June 29th 1929, in re, offering trip to Europe to visit Cemetery where my son is buried. My health is such that I am unable to make the trip, but if it is possible to have a substitute, I would appreciate some member of my family taking the trip. My son was never married. It would be a great satisfaction for me to see my son's grave, but my physical condition is such that I know I would not be able to make the trip. Please advise if a substitute can go.

Respectfully

Mrs Mary Martin,

R F D 4, Level Land, S C



WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

29

Allen, Cleveland

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

June , 1929.

Mrs. Mary Martin,  
R.F.D.#4, Level Land,  
S. C.

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".

Pvt. First Class Cleveland Allen, Co. B, 371st Inf., whose remains are now interred in the Meuse-Argonne American Cemetery, Romagne-sous-Montfaucon, Meuse, France. The check and office show that you are the mother of the

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 use the enclosed envelope which requires no postage.

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

2 incls.  
Act of Congress.  
Envelope.

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

WAR DEPARTMENT.

PENALTY FOR PRIVATE USE TO AVOID  
PAYMENT OF POSTAGE \$300.

*Allen, Cleveland.*  
*1872273*  
*Priv. Co. B. 371 Inf.*

OFFICIAL BUSINESS.



*635-18*