

DATE 10/23/21

1. NAME ALLEN, James L SERIAL No. 3487040

RANK Pvt. 1st ORGANIZATION CO. M 47th Inf. 8th DIVISION 4th Div.

GRAVE LOCATION Meuse Argonne Amer. Romagne-sous-Montfaucon - Meuse 1232 - Sec. 65

CTY. NAME NUMBER

118 - Sec. 65 3

GRAVE ROW PLOT

2. ORIGINAL BATTLE AREA GRAVE LOCATION Bac 3, Septsarges Meuse. ety #702

GRAVE COMMUNE DEPT.

COORDINATES Verdun 35NE 280.9 N 313.15 E

CONCENTRATED TO 5-20-19 118 65 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.

Tag on body DATE OF DEATH September 27, 1918

STATE FROM WHICH HE CAME Alabama Ohio's

Data form 1 MEDALS OR DECORATIONS AWARDED None

SUBSEQUENT REBURIALS DATE GRAVE ROW PLOT CEMETERY

DATE GRAVE ROW PLOT CEMETERY

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

SIGNATURE, AREA SUPERVISOR M.B. Birdseye

3. FINAL GRAVE LOCATION 10/23/21 5 42 A. Block

DATE GRAVE ROW Block

Meuse Argonne Amer. Cty. #1232 Romagne-sous-Montfaucon. (Meuse)

Rec'd World War Div. CEMETERY Robert C. Dyer's World War Div. Major General.

5 MAR 30 1928

Verified 3/17/26. G.C.

The Adjutant General's Office MAR 14 1925

By [Signature] MAR 18 1925



## INSTRUCTIONS FOR PREPARATION OF FORM 114 B

1. Forms 114-B are to be prepared by Registration Branch in quadruplicate, three copies to be forwarded to Area Supervisor who will accomplish paragraph 2 and return all three copies to Headquarters, American Graves Registration Service.

2. Paragraphs 1 and 3 will be accomplished by Registration Branch, Headquarters, American Graves Registration Service, Q.M.C., in Europe.

3. Paragraph 2 will be accomplished by Area Supervisor from data on file in his office.

4. If data is entered on Form 114-B from Form 1, Form I6, Form 1-A or Form 16-A, statement to this effect will be made on Form 114-B STATING WHICH G.R.S. form data is taken from. If data concerning co-ordinates is approximate and NOT accurate, statement to this effect will be made on these forms.

Akron, Ohio.

By order of the Secretary of War.

1st Ind.

WW WS 6-3

G. O., April 2, 1928 - To The Quartermaster General.

The records of this office show that James L. Allen, Army Serial Number 3,487,040, gave his residence at time of entry into service as Akron, Ohio.

By order of the Secretary of War:

*J. C. Keenan*  
Adjutant General.

*OK on H.L.*

Place EUPOUILLEBAU

Date 9th June, 1919

REPORT OF DISINTERMENT AND REBURIAL.

Number: 3487040

Name: ALLEN James L.

Rank: Unkn

Organization: Unkn

Disinterment and Reburial made by Group \_\_\_\_\_ Unit \_\_\_\_\_

Disinterred (Date) \_\_\_\_\_ From: (Give complete location)

20th May, 1919 B/A Cty Grave No. 3 SEPTSBARGES MEUSE

35 NE E 313.15 N 280.9

Reburied (Date) \_\_\_\_\_ in: (Give complete location)

20th May, 1919 Grave No. 118 Sect. 65 Plot 3

ARGONNE AMERICAN CTY NO. 1232

ROMAGNE MEUSE

1232

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

Body buried in uniform; body decomposed. ✓

Was one identification tag found upon the body? Yes

What other means of identification were found on the body? None

Note:

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: Lt. Caswell

C.O. Group \_\_\_\_\_ Unit \_\_\_\_\_

12007  
CONFIRMED No. D

Party-P.  
P. Handley R.H.

# MEDICAL RECORD

Allen, James, Room 130

Post Co M 47 Inf.

Station: Hotel Ambassador

Date: Aug. 23, 1931

Name Allen, Mrs Essie Dunn

Home address Route 1, Choccolocco, Calhoun County, Alabama

Address of Nearest friend or relative Husband, J. G. Allen

Same address.

Religion Prot.

Age 57.

History of Present complaint: Aug 23. Fatigue - headache - "dizzy spells". Aug 24 nervous

poor, abd. - Bowels regular. Pulse 64.

Aug 28 Very tired after journey to Verdun - Aug 27 Complaints continually of being  
Cold - to bed to hot bottles - extra electric heat in room. - Aug 30 Feeling better.

Aug 31 Has acute cold in head sore throat. Temp. 100 at 8 p.m. Pulse 80.

Sept 1. Slept fairly well. - coughing. Temp. 99.8 p. 68 at 8 a.m. Temp. 100.4 p. 72 at 2 p.m.

Sept 2. Good night. Temp. 98.4 -

(over)

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Diagnosis and complications: (include dates)

Myocarditis Ch. <sup>an</sup>  
Bronch. acuta Cat <sup>an</sup>

~~Op. Pul. Phlegmon~~  
~~Septicemia Anaphylactoid?~~

Treatment and Progress: (include dates)

Aug. 23

Bromide T. B.P.  $\frac{116}{60}$  P. 60 Brandz. <sup>awa</sup> 12cc Bot.

Aug. 24: Seen by Maj. Kerner. Hot compresses to side - Selected diet.

Aug. 25: By train to Verdun.

Aug. 26: Complaining of the cold. put to bed with hot bottle. pulse. good vol. 64.

Seen by Major. Campbell.

Aug. 31

Seen by Dr. Merrill - Throat painted - Vicks to chest.

Sod. bicarb. T. r. d - Cold capsules

Suminal at 8 p.m. - 11 p.m.

Sept. 1: Seen by Maj. Kerner - Digalin 1/8

T. r. d. - Orange juice 3 or 4 a day - Vitel water, with of mag - Vicks to chest. 1/2 doz to throat. Cough treat. 1/2 of 3 b. p. r. n.

Disposition: (include dates)

To return Paris by train 27

Remarks:

P. P. r. n. recovered from Bronchitis <sup>awa</sup>

Sept 3. To Chexbourg - Braach

Allen, Jas. L.  
Pot.

PARTY P  
S. S. America - August 12, 1931

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ALABAMA  
Calhoun County

Allen, Mrs. Essie D., (P 2)  
Choccolocco, Ala.  
*Choccolocco*

Lv. Choccolocco	SoRy	#40	9:48 AM (CT) Aug. 9
Arr. New York	PaRR	124	12:20 PM (ET) Aug. 10

Route Going: SoRy Washington, PaRR ~~New York~~.

Return: *Same route*  
~~PaRR Washington, SoRy Choccolocco.~~

→ Sleeper to New York.

Elapsed time - 25 hours, 32 minutes.

1/4

*Handwritten initials/signature*

Allen, Jas. L.

Party "P" - Itinerary - Meuse-Argonne Group

Sailed August 12th, 1931, on AMERICA. Lt. Chas. R. Smith in charge. Arrived Cherbourg Harbor 2:05 pm August 20th. Special tender arrived 2:25 pm, bearing Maj. Francis M. Fitts and Ray C. Rutherford; Capt. M. J. Conway, R. Orsinger and Wm. Hesketh; Lt. H. F. T. Hoffman; four nurses and two civilian employees. Train left Cherbourg 3:47 pm and arrived Gare des Invalides, Paris, 9:53 pm. Met by Col. Ellis and members of his staff, interpreters and nurses.

- August 21st: Rest in morning. Sightseeing trip about Paris in afternoon.
- August 22nd: Conference with Conducting Officer in morning. Lunch at hotel. Afternoon - Arc de Triomphe; wreath laid by Mrs. B. J. Ottum. Tea and reception at Restaurant Laurent. Dinner at hotel.
- August 23rd: Church or free. Lunch at hotel. Visit to Sacre Coeur in afternoon. Dinner at hotel.
- August 24th: Morning free. Lunch at hotel. Visit to Notre Dame in afternoon. Dinner at hotel.
- August 25th: Left Paris for Verdun via Porte de Pantin to Montmirail (rest stop Hotel Vert Gallant). Lunched in Chalons s/Marne at Haute-Mere-Dieu and on to Verdun. Quarters Hotel Nouvel.
- August 26th; 27th & 28th: Daily visits to Meuse-Argonne Cemetery. Lunches at cemetery and dinners at Verdun.
- August 29th: Left Verdun for Paris via R.N. 3 to St. Menehould (rest stop Moderne Hotel). On, via Suippes, to Reims (lunch at Hotel Bristol Crystal) and Chateau Thierry (rest stop Hostellerie du Bonhomme). On to Paris via Hill 204 and Montreuil. Dinner at hotel, Paris.
- August 30th: Church or free. Lunch at hotel. Paris sightseeing trip. Dinner at hotel.
- August 31st: Colonial Exposition in morning. Lunch at hotel. Visit to Napoleon's Tomb in afternoon. Dinner at hotel. Night sightseeing trip.
- Sept. 1st: Morning free or visit to Louvre. Lunch at hotel. Versailles in afternoon. Dinner at hotel, Paris.
- Sept. 2nd: Shopping or free. Lunch at hotel. Afternoon free. Dinner at hotel.
- Sept. 3rd: Boat train for Cherbourg left 9:43 am, arrived 3:42 pm. PRESIDENT ROOSEVELT sailed 6:30 pm. Arrived New York September 11th, 1931.

Mrs Essie D Allen

ALLEN, JAS. L.

Name ALLEN, Essie D.

Paris Hôtel HOTEL AMBASSADOR  
BOULEVARD HAUSSMANN

Home address Choccolocco, Calhoun Co., Alabama

Party P Group Unit SS. AMERICA

Date of arrival August 20, 1931 Date of departure SS. ROOSEVELT, Sept. 3, 1931

Relationship Mother, age 53

Name of deceased Allen, James L.

Rank Pvt. 1 cl. Organization Co. M. 47th Inf.

Cemetery Meuse-Argonne G - 5 - A - R 42

REMARKS

On account of physical condition Mrs. Allen was taken to Verdun by train accompanied by Miss Fitts, nurse. On Aug. 25th.

Returned from Verdun Aug. 29th, accompanied by Miss Fitts.



WAR DEPARTMENT  
PILGRIMAGE WAR MOTHERS AND WIDOWS  
225 West 34th. St. New York, N.Y.

Party "P"  
Number 1541

REQUEST FOR PULLMAN RESERVATIONS.

Allen, Mrs. Essie D.  
Name of Pilgrim  
Choccolocco, Alabama  
City Home Address County  
State

Actual cost of  
Through Pullman at the  
Lower Berth Rate.

New York, to Choccolocco, Ala

Destination of Ticket ... Choccolocco, Ala.

\$ 10.50

via Penn. to Washington - So. to Choccolocco.

Sept. 12, 1931

Oct. 18, 1931

Date of Departure

Expiration Date of Ticket

	Road	Tr. No.	Date	Time	Lower Seat or Coach	Car	U.S.G. Order No.	Actual Cost
Lv. PENN STATION	PRR	139	9/12	6.40 P.	L		1027617	
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Excess Fare New York, to.

Cost \$

Total

Stop Over

Escorted to train by Capt. Busch

Through Rate

Excess

PARTY *P* FILE NO.

NAME *Allen, Mrs. Essie D.*  
*Choccolocco, Alabama*

ROUTE OF TICKET

..... to .....

*Penn* to *Washington*

*So* to *Choccolocco Ala*

..... to .....

Expiration date *Oct - 18 - 31*

The following stop overs are requested.

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(Signature of Pilgrim)

*T. M.*

Allen, James L.

MIA

*James L. Allen*

Mr. J. A. Allen,  
Route #1,  
Choccolocco, Alabama.

September 11, 1931

MRS. ESSIE D. ALLEN WILL ARRIVE CHOCOLOCCO VIA SOUTHERN RAILROAD AT  
SEVEN EIGHT SUNDAY NIGHT SEPTEMBER THIRTEENTH PLEASE MEET HER

MAJOR COTHELL

PP 43

2 Boys  
Mch by Capt Basch

PARTY "P"  
July 24th, 1931

Mrs. Essie D. Allen,  
Choccolocco, Ala.

Dear Madam:

There are enclosed herewith two tags and four identification pasters which have been prepared for the purpose of protecting your baggage while in transit, and to insure its safe arrival at the hotel where you are to stop in New York City. Please attach the tags to the handle of each piece of your baggage and place a paster on each end of each piece of your baggage before leaving your home.

Upon your arrival in New York City, you will be met at the railroad station by an Army Officer who will be in uniform. During your sojourn in New York before sailing for Europe, and upon your return from Europe, you will stop at the hotel Astor, 45th Street and Broadway, New York City.

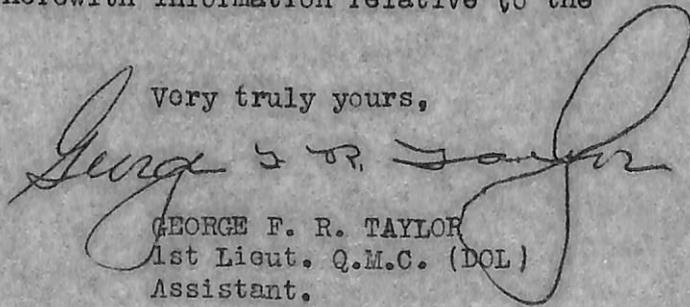
All mail intended to reach you between August 12th, 1931, the day you sail from the United States, and September 3rd, 1931, the day you leave Europe, should be addressed to you in care of American Pilgrimage, 146 Avenue des Champs Elysees, Paris, France; for example:

Mrs. Mary Smith,  
c/o American Pilgrimage,  
146 Avenue des Champs Elysees,  
Paris, France.

In making reservations for your journey home from New York City, it is necessary for this office to furnish the railroads with the exact time and date of your departure. The party you are to travel with will be disbanded in New York City on the day following your return from Europe and all arrangements for your accommodations will be made with the railroads by this office accordingly. Upon your return from Europe, it will therefore be necessary for you to remain in the hotel over night as a guest of the United States Government.

There is also enclosed herewith information relative to the cemeteries in Europe.

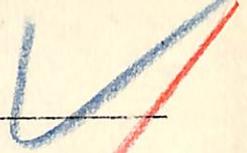
Very truly yours,



GEORGE F. R. TAYLOR  
1st Lieut. Q.M.C. (DOL)  
Assistant.

- 7 Incl:  
2 Baggage Tags  
4 Baggage Pastors  
1 Copy Cemeterial Information

CODE SLIP



HEADING	SUB-HEADING	NO. OF COLS	CODE
NAME	Allen	3	1 2 2
BURIED	CEMETERY 1232	1	1
	GRAVE 5	2	05
	ROW 42	2	42
	BLOCK A	1	1
STATE	Ohio	2	41
RANK	Port 1/c	1	2
DIVISION	4	2	04
ORGANIZATION	47	3	047
ARM	Inf	1	1
MARTIAL	Wid	1	2
NAME	Allen, Mrs Essie	3	1 2 2
RESIDENCE	10, D.	2	01
	STATE Ala	2	08
	COUNTY Calhoun	2	XXX
	CITY Choctawhatchee	3	
RELATION	Mother	1	1
OTHER		1	
ELIGIBILITY	yes	1	1
NATIVITY		1	
RACE		1	
ENGLISH	yes	1	1
ATTENDANT		1	
HEALTH	Bad	2	2
NO. OF SONS		1	
DATE OF TRIP	MO. YR. 1931	1	2
ACCEPTANCE	yes	1	1
	Age 53	1	53

*Sailed Aug 12, 1931*

**AUDITED**  
NOV 3 1931  
RS

20714/PJ.

*Rm*

Allen, Jos L - ma

From CHRONOLOGICAL REPORT PARTY "p" 1931

P. 2

Mrs. Wm. W. Moon was admitted to the American Hospital at 7 PM Sept 2 suffering from an acute exacerbation of a chronic Cholecystitis. Improved during the night and rejoined party in morning. Gave history of having about 20 similar attacks. See report.

Mrs. Eva Elliott, Chronic valvular heart disease with some Myocardial Decompensation was admitted to the American Hospital Aug 24. Remained in Hospital until Aug. 28 when she rejoined party at Verdun. Her activities were all supervised and at the time of leaving for the U S her condition showed marked improvement.

Mrs. Rose Shense suffering from dementia, type undertermined, was accompanied by a special nurse throughout her pilgrimage abroad, and on return trip to U S.

Mrs. Elizabeth Allen, suffering from Cardio-renal-vascular Disease, with marked general senile changes and a probable malignancy of the Cervix, was able to remain with the party under the constant supervision of a special nurse.

The following pilgrims sent to and from Verdun by train account physical condition:

Mrs. L. A. Norton

Mrs. Essie Allen (also spec. memo to ship's Surgeon)

Mrs. Elis. Allen

# MEDICAL RECORD

*ma*

Party: ..... P ..... Hotel ASTOR ..... "AMERICA" ..... S. S. ..... Eastbound Westbound

Name ..... Allen, Mrs. Essie D., ( Pvt. Jas. L. Allen, 5, 42, A.)

Home Address ..... Choocolocco , Ala.

Name and address of nearest relative or friend ..... Mr s. Rae Carmichael,  
122 E. 9th St., Anniston, Ala.

Religion ..... Age 53-M

History of present complaint:

INSTRUCTIONS: This card will be prepared for each Pilgrim treated on ship, east or west bound. Cards to be included in report of Liaison Officer upon return to New York.

# MEDICAL RECORD

Party P  
P. Handley, R.N.

Ambassador, Paris

Station :

Date : Aug. 23, 1931.

Name Allen, Mrs. Essie D.

Home address Rt 1, Choccolocco, Calhoun Co., Ala.

Address of Nearest friend or relative Husband, J.A. Allen,  
same address

Religion Prot.

Age

57

History of Present complaint : Aug. 23rd, Fatigue, headache. "dizzy spells"

Aug. 24th, Nervous, pain abdml. Bowels regular. Pulse 64.

25th Very tired after journey to Verdun. 27th: Complains continually

of being cold; to bed c HWB. Extra electric heat in room.

30th: Feeling better. 31st: has acute cold in head; sore throat

31st: T. 100 at 8 pm, pulse 80. Sept. 1st: slept fairly well,

coughing, T 99.8-68 at 8 am. 2 pm- 100.4-72

2nd: Good night, Temp 98.4

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(over)

*Diagnosis and complications: (include dates)* Sept. 4, 1931 Mal de  or. 

*Treatment and Progress: (include dates)* Sept. 4, 1931 Chloretone gr.v q 4 h

*Disposition: (include dates)*

*Remarks:*

Diagnosis and complications: (include dates)

Myocarditis, Chr. A.W.K.

Bronch. acute, catl A.W.K.

~~Sept. 1st to 3rd to Cherbourg. Beach.~~

Treatment and Progress: (include dates) Aug. 23rd, BP 116/60 P 60, Bromides i, Brandy 12 cc

Aug. 24th seen by Maj. Kenner. Hot compresses to side, selected diet. D.C.C. AWK

26th complaining of the cold; Seen by Major Campbell. Put to bed.

31st, Seen by Dr. Merrill, Throat painted. Vicks to chest. Soda bicarb.  
c cold capsules tid. Luminol at 8 pm and 11 pm.

Sept. 1st Seen by Maj. Kenner. Digalene gttm viii, tid. Orange juice 3-4 daily  
Vittel water, milk of magnesia. Vicks to chest. HWB to throat.  
cough mixture tsp i q 3 h prn.

Disposition: (include dates)

To and from Verdun by train. AWK DCC

Remarks:

Pilgrim recovered from Bronchitis. A.W.K.

Sept. 3rd to Cherbourg. Beach.

PARTY  
P

EASTBOUND  
STATE

GROUP  
M.A.

53 M

ALABAMA

Mrs. Allen, Mrs. Essie D.  
(Name of Pilgrim)

Address .....  
(Street & No.)

Choccolocco

(City or Town)

Alabama

(State)

Calhoun

(County)

Mrs. Rae Carmichael  
(Name of Nearest Kin)

Address 122 E. 9th St.  
(Street & No.)

Anniston

(City or Town)

Alabama

(State)

(County)

### ARRIVAL NEW YORK

VIA R.R. Penn ..... Train No. 124 ..... Date Aug. 10, 1931 - 12:20 PM E.S.T.  
Hotel Astor ..... Room No. 356  
Roomed with Mrs. Margaret Sexton .....

### DEPARTURE NEW YORK

Date August 12, 1931 ..... Vessel AMERICA ..... Cabin No. 281 C  
In Cabin with Mrs. Emma F. Newman .....

(Over Westbound)

**WESTBOUND**  
**ARRIVAL NEW YORK**

Date **September 11, 1931** Vessel **ROOSEVELT** Cabin No. **102 F**  
In Cabin with **Mrs. Emma P. Newman & Mrs. Eula Wier**  
Hotel **Astor** Room No. **226**  
Roomed with **Mrs. Emma Pike Newman**

**DEPARTURE NEW YORK**

VIA. R.R. **Penn** Train No. **139** Space **L 9** Car No. **K 65** Date **9-12-31**

**REMARKS**

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(O Eastbound)

Allen, Jas. L.

M.A.

P

M ●  
NAME ALLEN, MRS. ESSIE D. ....

ADDRESS Choccolocco, Alabama .....

DATE .....

TO: Officer-In-Charge,  
PILGRIMAGE, WAR MOTHERS AND WIDOWS

I beg to inform you that I have returned to my  
home safely and in good health.

Sincerely,

(Signed) Mrs. Essie D. Allen

5433-c

1232

~~1289~~

RETURN RECEIPT

S. S. Annitta 8-12-31

Received from the Postmaster the Registered or Insured Article, the original number of which appears on the face of this Card.

5433-c Mrs. Essie D. Allen

(Signature or name of addressee)

(Signature of addressee's agent)

Date of delivery 7-18, 1931

Form 3811

U. S. GOVERNMENT PRINTING OFFICE

Allen J. G.

05-0716

5433

1232

RETURN RECEIPT

*S. S. America* ~~F-12-31~~

Received from the Postmaster the Registered or Insured Article, the original number of which appears on the face of this Card.

X *Mrs Essie D Allen*  
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(Signature or name of addressee)

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(Signature of addressee's agent)

Date of delivery

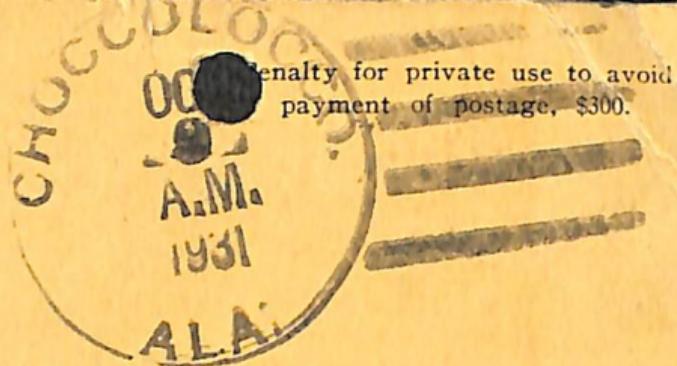
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*7-21*, 19*31*

WAR DEPARTMENT

OFFICIAL BUSINESS



**PILGRIMAGE, WAR MOTHERS AND WIDOWS**

**225 WEST 34TH STREET,**

**NEW YORK. N. Y.**

Post Office Department

OFFICIAL BUSINESS

REGISTERED ARTICLE

No. 926462

INSURED PARCEL

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

Return to \_\_\_\_\_

**O. M. GENERAL**

Street and Number,  
or Post Office Box, \_\_\_\_\_

(NAME OF SENDER)  
**MUNTTIONS BUILDING**

**WASHINGTON,**

**D. C.**

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

POST MARK OF DELIVERING  
OFFICE

1931

ALABAMA

AND DATE OF DELIVERY

Post Office Department

OFFICIAL BUSINESS

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

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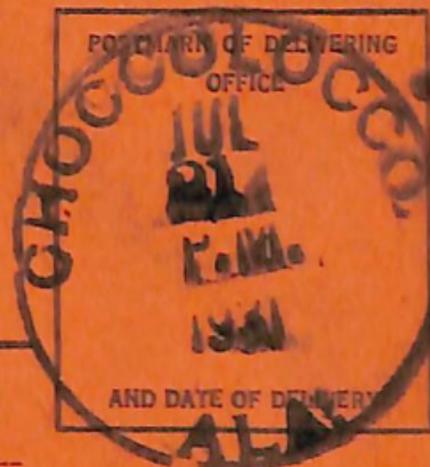
(NAME OF SENDER)

Street and Number,  
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TO AVOID PAYMENT OF  
POSTAGE, \$300.



WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

Allen, Jas. L. Pvt. (M-A) H

July 21, 1951

Mrs. Essie D. Allen,  
Choccolocco, Alabama.

Dear Madam:

Arrangements have been completed for your transportation to New York City on your pilgrimage to the American Cemeteries in Europe. One week before your departure the railroad ticket agent, of the first road shown below, will deliver your railroad and pullman ticket to you. Your route to New York will be as follows:

Lv. Choccolocco	So. Ry.	#40	9:48 AM (ET)	Aug. 9
Ar. New York	Penna.	124	12:20 PM (ET)	" 10

Accommodations: Sleeper to New York.

All railroad employees have been instructed by their officials to see that you are shown every courtesy and given assistance, particularly at points where it is necessary to change cars.

Should you not receive your ticket six days before the date shown for your departure please take up at once with the ticket agent and if he does not have your ticket, telegraph this office, collect, to that effect.

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

R. E. SHANNON,  
Captain, Q. M. Corps,  
Assistant.

WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

Allen, Jas. L. Pvt. (MA) M

July 16, 1931.

Mrs. Essie D. Allen,  
Choccolocco, Ala.

Dear Madam:

There is enclosed herewith Check No. <sup>673,231</sup> in the  
amount of \$ 12.50, to pay for your meals and incidental  
expenses from your home to New York on the pilgrimage  
authorized by the Act of March 2, 1929.

UNDER NO CIRCUMSTANCES MUST THIS CHECK BE CASHED  
AND USED FOR ANY PURPOSE OTHER THAN THAT SPECIFIED.

If for any reason, you are not able to sail on  
the date mentioned in your invitation, the check must be  
returned to this office immediately.

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

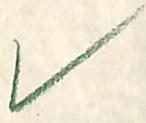
A. D. HUGHES,  
Captain, Q. M. Corps,  
Assistant.

1 Incl.  
Check No.

*arranged but  
not all payed*

Mrs. Essie D. Allen, M  
Choccolocco, Alabama.  
Calhoun County.  
Allen, James L.  
Pvt. Co. M, 47th Inf.

1232



WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

PLEASE FILL IN THE INFORMATION CALLED FOR BELOW,  
AND MAIL THIS LETTER PROMPTLY IN THE ENCLOSED  
ENVELOPE WHICH REQUIRES NO POSTAGE.

Quartermaster General,  
Washington, D. C.

Sir:

In the blank space below you will find  
the name and address of the person in the United  
States whom I desire to be notified in case I be-  
come seriously ill or other emergency arises while  
I am making the pilgrimage to Europe authorized by  
the Act of Congress approved March 2, 1929.

Mrs. Rae Carmichael  
Name

122 East 9th. street; Anniston, Ala.  
Address

Very truly yours,

Mrs. Essie D. Allen

(Your name)

Choccolocco, Alabama

(Your address)



WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

June 7, 1930.

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

Allen, James L. -1232 M

Mrs. Essie D. Allen,  
Choccolocco, Alabama.

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.

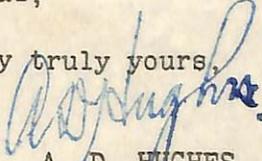
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As soon as you have answered the question, please sign your name and return this sheet in the enclosed addressed envelope, which requires no postage. Do not delay, as a prompt reply is essential.

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?

yes ✓  
(Write answer here)

  
Mrs. Essie D. Allen  
(Sign here)

America  
8-12-31  
1232

Allen, James L., Pvt.

I accept the invitation extended  
(Accept or decline)

me to make a pilgrimage to Europe at the expense of  
the Government of the United States under the pro-  
visions of the Act of Congress approved March 2, 1929.

Mrs. Essie D. Allen

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(Name)

Choocolocco, Calhoun County, Alabama

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(Town or City)

(State)

WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

October 7 , 1929.

Allen, James L. 1232 M

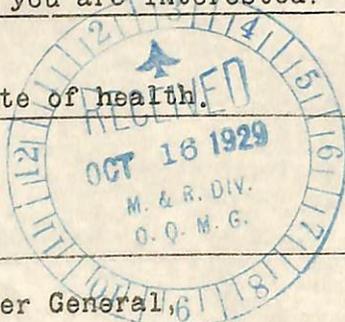
Mrs. Essie D. Allen,  
Choccolocco,  
Alabama.

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.	Age <u>53</u> (Years)	Health <u>Poor</u> (Good) (Poor)
5. What language do you speak?	English - (Yes) <u>yes</u> (No)	Other language (Specify language spoken)



For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

Encl.  
Act  
Envelope

WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

Allen, James L.  
1232

August 30, 1929.

Mrs. J. A. Allen,  
R.R. #1,  
Choccolocco,  
Ala.

Dear Madam:

The records of this office do not indicate that a reply has been received to our communication dated **June 27, 1929** making inquiry concerning the name and address of the mother and widow of the deceased service man above named. These addresses are desired with a view to ascertaining the number of mothers and widows who desire to make a pilgrimage to the cemeteries of Europe in which the remains of their sons and husbands are interred.

Will you please fill in the answers to the following questions in the space provided on this letter, and return the letter to this office in the enclosed envelope which requires no postage?

*yes*

Write answers in space below

1. Is the deceased survived by a widow who has not since remarried? If so, give her complete address:

*No He was not married.*

2. If he is survived by a mother, stepmother, mother thru adoption, or any other woman who stood in loco parentis to him, according to the terms of Section 4 of the enclosed Act, give her name, address, and relationship in the space opposite.

*Mrs. Essie D. Allen  
Choccolocco, Ala.  
Mother*

If survived by a widow or mother does she desire to make the pilgrimage?

*No*

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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



WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

June 27, 1929.

Allen, James L.

Mrs. J. A. Allen,  
R.R. #1,  
Choccolocco,  
Ala.

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 James L. Allen, Co. M, 47th Infantry, whose remains are now interred in the Meuse-Argonne American Cemetery, 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 an 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.

# American Gold Star Mothers

OF THE WORLD WAR, INC.

NEW YORK STATE



Headquarters: Pennsylvania Hotel, Seventh Avenue and 33rd Street, New York City

Quarter Master General  
Washington D. C.

Dear Sir:

293

I have been informed that I am entitled to an American flag from the Government in memory of

my beloved Son Name of Deceased James L. Allen  
SON OR DAUGHTER

Address of Deceased Choccolocco, Alabama  
NUMBER STREET CITY STATE

Army, Navy, Marine Private Co M 47th Inf  
RANK REGIMENT COMPANY

Stationed at \_\_\_\_\_

Lost at Sea \_\_\_\_\_ Among the Missing killed in action Or Unknown

Place and Date of Death Killed Sept. 27, 1918 at - (Can not remember where he died)

Where Buried Muse - Argonne

Name of Mother Mrs. Essie D. Allen

Address Choccolocco, Alabama  
NUMBER STREET CITY STATE

I will be very grateful if same will be forwarded to me.

Respectfully yours,

Mrs. Essie D. Allen

*File  
sent - 10/2/31*

WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

Allen, Jas. L. Pvt. (M-A) M

July 21, 1931

Mrs. Essie D. Allen,  
Choccolocco, Alabama.

Dear Madam:

Arrangements have been completed for your transportation to New York City on your pilgrimage to the American Cemeteries in Europe. One week before your departure the railroad ticket agent, of the first road shown below, will deliver your railroad and pullman ticket to you. Your route to New York will be as follows:

0571  
JUL-22-PM 2:20  
OCCASION MEMBER

Lv. Choccolocco	So.Ry.	#40	9:48 AM (CT)	Aug. 9
Ar. New York	Penna.	124	12:20 PM (ET)	" 10

Accommodations: Sleeper to New York.

All railroad employees have been instructed by their officials to see that you are shown every courtesy and given assistance, particularly at points where it is necessary to change cars.

Should you not receive your ticket six days before the date shown for your departure please take up at once with the ticket agent and if he does not have your ticket, telegraph this office, collect, to that effect.

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

R. E. SHANNON,  
Captain, Q. M. Corps,  
Assistant

WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

Allen, Jas. L. Pvt. (M), H

July 16, 1931.

Mrs. Essie D. Allen,  
Choccolocco, Ala.

Dear Madam:

There is enclosed herewith Check No. <sup>673,231</sup> in the  
amount of \$ <sup>12.50</sup>, to pay for your meals and incidental  
expenses from your home to New York on the pilgrimage  
authorized by the Act of March 2, 1929.

UNDER NO CIRCUMSTANCES MUST THIS CHECK BE CASHED  
AND USED FOR ANY PURPOSE OTHER THAN THAT SPECIFIED.

If for any reason, you are not able to sail on  
the date mentioned in your invitation, the check must be  
returned to this office immediately.

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

1 Incl.  
Check No.

WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

June 7, 1930.

Allen, James L. -1233 H

Mrs. Essie D. Allen,  
Choccolocco, Alabama.

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.

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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, James L. 1232 M

Mrs. Essie D. Allen,  
Choccolocco,  
Alabama.

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.

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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.	Age (Years)	Health (Good)      (Poor)
5. What language do you speak?	English - (Yes)      (No) Other language (Specify language spoken)	

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

Allen, James L.  
1232

August 30, 1929.

Mrs. J. A. Allen,  
R.R. #1,  
Choccolocco,  
Ala.

Dear Madam:

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1. Is the deceased survived by a widow who has not since remarried? If so, give her complete address:

2. If he is survived by a mother, stepmother, mother thru adoption, or any other woman who stood in loco parentis to him, according to the terms of Section 4 of the enclosed Act, give her name, address, and relationship in the space opposite.

3. If survived by a widow or mother does she desire to make the pilgrimage?

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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Act of Congress  
Envelope

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

Allen,  
(Surname.)

James L.  
(Christian name in full.)

3,487,040  
(Army serial number.)

Pvt.

Co M, 47th Inf.  
(Rank and organization.)

State your relationship to the deceased

Father.

Do you desire the remains brought to the United States?

yes  
(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:

J. A. Allen, Choccolocco,  
(Name of person to receive remains.)

(Express office.)

(Telegraph office.)

(Number and street.)

Choccolocco, Alabama  
(City or town.)

(State.)

(Sign here)

M. J. A. Allen.

rural route 11.  
(Number and street or rural route.)

Choccolocco, Alabama  
(City, town, or post office.)

(State.)

Read carefully the letter accompanying this card.

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1232-sec. 65-3

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In reply refer to:  
QM - 293 C-R

September 12, 1925.

Mr. J.A. Allen,  
R.R. #1,  
Choccolocco, Ala.

Dear Sir: The Quartermaster General desires that you be informed that the permanent grave of

Private James L. Allen, Company M, 47th Infantry, is  
Grave 5, Row 42, Block A, 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 headstone of white marble, of suitable design, with name, rank, division, 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.H. CHEAL

H. J. Conner,  
Assistant.

Q.M.G. ✓  
Central Mail & Files Bldg.



SEP. 12 1925  
H.H.

W.P.R.

RD 23/494/W.P.R.

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To be prepared in triplicate.

DATE Oct. 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, James L.  
 2. No. 3487040  
 3. Rank Pvt. ~~1cl.~~  
 4. Org. Co. M 47th Inf.  
27, 1918  
 5. D.D. 9-26  
 6. C.D. KIA

10. Name \_\_\_\_\_  
 11. No. \_\_\_\_\_  
 12. Rank \_\_\_\_\_  
 13. Org. \_\_\_\_\_  
 14. (a) D.D. \_\_\_\_\_  
 (b) D.B. \_\_\_\_\_

Discrepancy found upon disinterment

7. Grave No. 118 Sec. 65  
 8. Plot 3 Row \_\_\_\_\_  
 9. \_\_\_\_\_

15. Grave No. \_\_\_\_\_ Sec. \_\_\_\_\_  
 16. Plot \_\_\_\_\_ Row \_\_\_\_\_  
 17. No discp

18. Cemetery Meuse Argonne Amer.  
 20. Dept. or County Meuse  
 22. G.R.S. Hdqrs. Code No. 1232 - Sec. 65

19. Commune or town Romagne-sous-Montfaucon  
 21. Country France

23. Disinterred (Date) 10-22-21

By E. Maire

24. Inscription on grave marker:

Name James L. Allen  
 Rank Pvt. 1/cl

Serial No. 3487040  
 Organization Co. M. 47th Inf.

25. Was identification disc found on grave marker? yes On body? yes

John H. Crawford  
 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).

Bottle record of original reburial

27. Condition of body Badly decomposed features unrecognizable

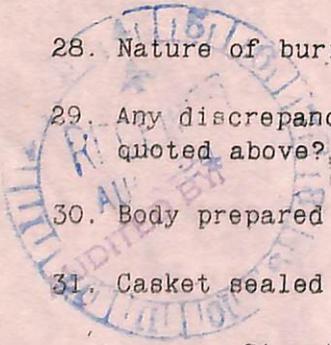
28. Nature of burial US Uniform, burlap and pine box.

29. Any discrepancy noted upon examination of body, as compared with G.R.S. records quoted above? None

30. Body prepared and placed in casket: Date 10-22-21 By E. Maire

31. Casket sealed by E. Maire

Signature of Embalmer, (Supervisor) Edmo Maire



SHIPMENT. (Show actual marking of box.) Box No. C-12001

32. Designation of body:

Name Allen, James L Serial No. 3487040

Rank Pvt. 1cl. Organization Co. M 47th Inf.

33. Consigned to:

Name of Permanent Cemetery Meuse Argonne Amer. #1232. Romagne-sous-Montfaucon-Meuse.

34. Casket boxed and marked (Date) 10-2-21 By H. Maize

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 R.C. Worthington, 1st Lt. QMC

36. Remarks

37. Shipped from point of Operation: (Date) 10-2-21

To point of Concentration Meuse Argonne Cem. #1232  
(Name)

Convoyer W.J. Royed 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 Oct. 25, 1921. Meuse Argonne (Date) 1232.

42. Grave No. 5. Section

43. Plot Block A. Row 42.

G.R.S. Representative JAMES W. YOU-GEN.  
Captain. QMC. USA.

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Place Romagne 1232.

# REPORT OF DISINTERMENT AND REBURIAL

Date Oct. 22, 1921.

1. REMAINS OF ALLEN, James L. SERIAL NUMBER 3487040  
RANK Pvt. 1/c ORGANIZATION Co. M. 47th Inf.

2. Disinterred (date): Oct. 22, 1921 From (give complete location): Gr 118, Sec 65, plot 3.  
By: Group Maire. Unit sec 1

3. Reburied (date): Oct. 23, 1921. In (give complete location): meuse Argonne Cem. #1232. Gr. 5. pl. A. row 42.  
By: Group Reburials: S. Unit unlined Nature of reburial Casket.

4. Report as to nature of original burial and condition of body upon disinterment :  
wooden box and burlap and uniform. badly decomposed, features not recognizable.

5. (a) Identification tags : Buried with body ? yes On grave marker ? yes.  
"Allen"

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

Bottle record of original reburial on body.

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

Characteristics do

(d) Hair on face—Color do

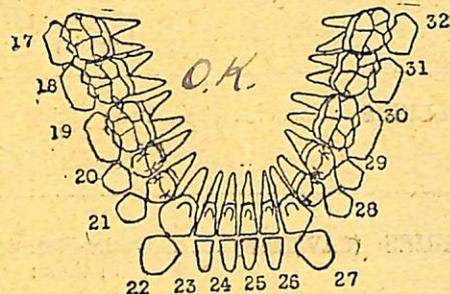
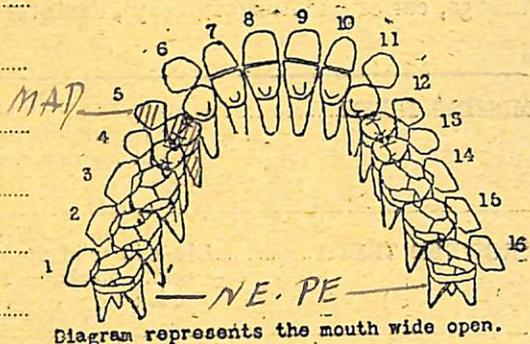
Location do

Quantity do

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

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

hole in back of skull.



7. Disinterment supervised by Edmo. Maire  
Edmo. Maire.

8. Reburial supervised by A. U. Dufault

Approved: [Signature]  
R. C. Worthington, 1st Lt. J. M. C.  
(Title)

Approved: [Signature]  
JAMES W. YOUNGER  
(Title) Captain. QMC. USA.



## INSTRUCTIONS FOR THE PROPER COMPLETION OF G. R. S. FORM NO. 16-A

Enter information, as noted below, on reverse side of sheet in the *corresponding numbered space*. This form is supplemental to and is to be forwarded with G. R. S. Form 1-a, reporting reburial locations. To be used in answer to Question 26, Form 114, in case no means of identification on body.

1. Show soldier's name, serial number, rank and organization, and by whom disinterred and reburied.
2. Give date and accurate information as to location from which the body was disinterred and the group and unit which made disinterment.
3. Give date and accurate information as to location of reburial and the group and unit which made reburial, and how reburial was made—in casket, wooden box, etc.
4. State to what degree decomposition has progressed, whether recognition is possible, and how the body was originally buried—in a casket, box, burlap, etc. This statement should be as complete as possible.
5. (a) State whether identification tags were found buried with body and on grave marker by reporting "Yes" or "No".  
 (b) State whether or not body appears to have been a hospital case. Were any identifying articles found in or on body or grave? List any personal effects, letters, money-order receipts, and the like found on body or in grave. Give any and all information which it is thought might be of use in identifying the body, other than that tabulated under Item No. 6.
6. Give all information as to body description and dental chart as nearly correctly as the condition of the body will allow. Items (e) and (f) under the body description are very important and should be very complete. The dental chart is also very important and should be filled in with great care. There are 32 teeth to be accounted for, as shown by the numbers on the chart. Beginning at the middle line in both upper and lower jaws, the teeth are arranged symmetrically on either side and classed as incisors (cutting teeth), cuspids or canines (tearing teeth), bicuspid (chewing teeth), and molars (principal chewing teeth). An examination should be made and findings charted to cover the following basic conditions: Lost teeth, crowned teeth, bridge work, fillings, caries (cavities of decay), dentures (plates), and any deformity of jaws found.

<p><b>MISSING TEETH</b>.....All teeth missing through previous extraction (not those fractured or displaced by recent wounds) should be scratched out, thus :</p>	 <p style="text-align: center;">TOOTH MISSING      TOOTH MISSING</p>
<p><b>CROWNED TEETH</b>.....Block in solid the crown of tooth (label gold, porcelain, or gold and porcelain), thus :</p>	 <p style="text-align: center;">GOLD CROWN      PORCELAIN CROWN</p>
<p><b>BRIDGE WORK</b>.....Block in solid the crown of tooth (label gold bridge, gold and porcelain bridge), thus :</p>	 <p style="text-align: center;">GOLD AND PORCELAIN BRIDGE      GOLDBRIDGE</p>
<p><b>FILLINGS</b>.....Draw filling on tooth accurately as possible (block in and label gold, silver, cement), thus :</p>	 <p style="text-align: center;">SILVER FILLING      GOLD FILLING</p>
<p><b>CARIES (CAVITIES)</b>.....Outline location and size of cavity, shade in thus :</p>	 <p style="text-align: center;">CAVITY DECAYED      DECAYED</p>
<p><b>DENTURES (PLATES)</b>.....Draw diagram of relative size and shape of plate, block in teeth attached and indicate retaining clasps on natural teeth with the word "clasp."</p>	

7. Show name of person supervising the disinterment and the name and title of the person approving same.

8. Show name of person supervising the reburial and the name and title of the person approving same.

# COMPILATION OF DISPOSITION OF REMAINS DATA

File 27103

I. LOCATION INDEX CARD:

(a) Name ALLEN, James L. Ser. No. 3487040  
 (b) Rank Pvt. Organization Co. M, 47th Inf.  
 (c) Date of death 9-27-18 (d) Cause of death k/a

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

(a) Grave No. 118 Row - Plot 3 Sec. 65 TYP. b

(b) Emerg. Address Mrs. Essie Dunn Allen (mother) R. 1, Choccolocco, Ala.

III. Files of soldiers dying from contagious diseases ||||| CKR. 3

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

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V. Following advice forwarded to Europe by { cable on \_\_\_\_\_, 192  
 { letter of transmittal on MAY 27 1921, 192  
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Par 2 Not to be returned. L.P.W.

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

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CEMETERIAL

June 24, 1920.

FILE

27103 Inquiry (Allen, James L., Pvt.)

The Quartermaster General, U.S. Army (Cemeterial Division)

Mr. James A. Allen, Choccolocco, Ala.

Disposition of remains

1. Receipt is acknowledged of your letter of May 11, 1920, requesting cancellation of your previous instructions for the return of the body of your son Pvt. James L. Allen and our records have been changed accordingly. Instructions have been issued to have the remains of this soldier permanently interred in France.

By authority of the Quartermaster General:

CHARLES C. PIERCE,  
Colonel, U.S. Army,  
Chief, Cemeterial Division

old BY: Charles J. Wynn,  
Captain, Q.M.C.

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C. S. S. MAILED

JUN 26 1920

2. Soldier's No. 3487040

3. Allen James L

Surname (in block letters) First Name and Initials

4. Rank Company Regt. or Corps

5. Date of Death Cause, if known

6. Date of Burial Cemetery

7. Brieuilles Meuse  
Town or Commune (in block letters) Department

8. 3 Grave No. Plot No. or Letter

9. Name Peg?  Cross?  Headboard?  Bottle?   
Check Method of Marking10. Buried with Body?  Attached to Grave Marker?   
Identification Tags

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

12. "A" sketch 47  
Map Reference, if interment is outside of cemetery

13. Give name of Chaplain or Burial Officer

Signed Sgt. Baker

GROUP No. 3 Group Unit G. R. S.

PROV. UNIT "A" G.R.S.

G.R.S. #106  
DISPOSITION OF BODY

War Department  
Office of the Quartermaster General.  
Graves Registration Service  
Washington, D.C.

June 24, 1920.

For information of:

- (a) The Adjutant General of the Army
- (b) G.R.S., Paris, France.
- (c) Office Files.
- (d) Photographic Section.

Case of:

Pvt. James L. Allen,  
#3487040  
Co. M. 47th Inf.

Grave Location:

Grave 118 Sec 65 Plot 3  
Argonne-Amer. Cty. Romagne-  
sous-Montfaucon, Dept. Meuse

Request for action checked below:

- (a) Return of Body to the U.S.
- (b) Permanent Burial in France.
- (c) Cancellation of former requests.
- (d) Change of address.
- (e) Photograph of grave.

has been made by:

Mr. James A. Allen,  
Choccolocco, Ala.

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By authority of the Quartermaster General

CHARLES C. PIERCE,  
Colonel, Q.M.G. U.S.A.  
Chief, Graves Registration Service.  
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War Dept., A.G.O., May 18, 1920 - To the Quartermaster General  
of the Army, Washington, D.C.

# 27103

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ING. BRANCH

MAY 20 1920

GENERAL  
D. Q. M. G.

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Choccolocco, Ala.

May, 11, 1920.

The Adjutant General of the Army  
Washington D.C.

Dear Sir -

We have decided since  
we filled in the card and  
sent you. that we would  
rather not have private  
~~James L. Allen (C M 47 Inf)~~  
~~body sent back to us~~  
where his soul has fled  
let his body lie

father James A. Allen.  
mother Essie D. Allen.

27103

WAR DEPARTMENT  
THE ADJUTANT GENERAL'S OFFICE  
WASHINGTON

WAR/EMS/ 1-213

IN REPLY REFER TO 201 (Allen, James L.) WW

February 18, 1920.

From The Adjutant General of the Army.  
To Quartermaster General.  
Subject Correct date of death.

1. Upon investigation it has been ascertained that Private James L. Allen, #3487040, Company M, 47th Infantry was killed in action September 27, 1918.

2. For purposes of identification you are advised that the deceased enlisted May 29, 1918, and the name of the person to be notified in case of emergency was given as: Mrs. Essie Dunn Allen, Mother, R. F. D. #1, Choccolocco, Alabama.

By order of the Secretary of War.

P. C. Harts,  
The Adjutant General.

WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

June 27, 1929.

Allen, James L.

Mrs. J. A. Allen,  
R.R. #1,  
Choccolocco,  
Ala.

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 James L. Allen, Co. M, 47th Infantry, whose remains are now interred in the Meuse-Argonne American Cemetery, 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 an 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.