

G.R.S. Form #114-B

CAUSE OF DEATH *Died of wounds*

FULL NAME... *Allen, Lester W. Williams*

RANK... *Private* SERIAL... *305856*

DIVISION & ORGANIZATION... *44<sup>th</sup> Regt. Co. B 5th Marines 2<sup>nd</sup> Div*

DATE OF DEATH... *10-3-18*

STATE FROM WHICH HE CAME... *Illinois*

MEDALS OR DECORATIONS AWARDED... *None*

FINAL GRAVE LOCATION. *12-11-22* Date *58* Grave *2* Row *B* Block

*1764*  
Cemetery

24/292/EYS

*ADDITIONAL*



# GRAVE LOCATION BLANK

LOCATION OF THE GRAVE OF

ALLEN,

LESTER W.

(Surname.)

(Number.)

(First Name and Initials.)

Pvt. 49th Co. 5th Marines.

(Rank.)

(Organization.)

DATE OF BURIAL. Oct. 4, 1918.

PLACE OF BURIAL. Miomandre Military

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

Cemetery at Miomandre Central

Hospital No. 101, Marne, France.

GRAVE NUMBER. 66.

HOW MARKED: Name Peg? Yes Cross?

Headboard? Bottle?

IDENTIFICATION TAGS:

Was one buried with body? Yes

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

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

REPORTED BY:

*J. C. Johnson*

Chaplain, U.S.A.

(Signature and Rank of Reporting Officer.)

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

49th. Co. 5th. Marines.  
2nd. Division.

ALLEN, Lester W., Pvt; 305856  
HOME: No address given.

DIED OF WOUNDS OCTOBER 4th. 1918.

Private Lester W. ALLEN was severely wounded by fragment of enemy shell in trench the morning of October 3rd. 1918 as company was preparing to go over the top. in the Champagne Sector near Saint Etienne, France. Evacuated to Field Hospital where he died October 4th. 1918. Place and date of burial not reported.

INFORMANT: MUNNEY, Robert., Pvt; 4605725  
~~NAME~~ 49th. Co. 5th. Marines  
HOME: 507 Turin Street  
ROME, N.Y;  
Signed: Pvt. Robert Munney.

Next of Kin:  
None name nor address given.

/MJM/

Allen, Lester W.

Pvt.

WESTERN MILITARY BUREAU

ROUTE AND SCHEDULE

EUROPEAN PILGRIMAGE SAILING FROM NEW YORK CITY May 21, 1930

Los Angeles County, State of California

Name Allen, Mrs Katherine Stack

Address 5230 El Rio Ave, Eagle Rock, Calif.

Route going: Un Pac Omaha, C&NW Chicago, NYC New York

Return: Same route

(Rail transportation request to read from Glendale to New York and return. Only passengers holding tickets to or from Glendale will be honored by Un Pac on train 108. Un Pac will pick up passenger at Eagle Rock.)

		ROAD	TRAIN	TIME	DATE	
Itinerary going	Lv	Eagle Rock	Un Pac	108	5:24PM	May 15
	Ar	East Los Angeles	"	"	6:15PM	" "
	Lv	East Los Angeles	"	8	6:28PM	" "
	Ar	Omaha	"	"	8:35PM	" 17
	Lv	Omaha	C&NW	"	9:00PM	" "
	Ar	Chicago	"	"	9:20AM	" 18
	Lv	Chicago	NYC	10	10:35AM	" "
	Ar	New York	"	142	3:45PM	" 19
	Lv	(Grand Central Sta)				
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Accommodations: Coach Eagle Rock to East Los Angeles, standard sleeper East Los Angeles to Chicago and Chicago to New York.

Elapsed Time: 93 hrs:21 minutes

Extra Fare:

15

Allen, Lester W.

WESTERN MILITARY BUREAU

Pvt.

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Elapsed Time: 93 hours, 21 minutes. 4

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*B-15*

# Signal Corps, United States Army

Received at

War Department Message Center,  
Room 3441, Munitions Building,  
Washington, D. C.

WESTERN UNION TELEGRAPH CO.

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CHICAGO ILL 249P APR 30 1930

THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHN DC

PILGRIMAGE SAILING NEWYORK TWENTY FIRST STOP RAIL TRANSPORTATION FOR  
MRS CATHERINE ALLEN SHOULD READ FROM GLENDALE STOP REVISED ROUTING  
SHEETS MAILED TODAY B HUNDRED TWO

H W SIDBALL

415PM



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2  
3  
091 - Pilgrimage - J.S.Dm.

# WESTERN MILITARY BUREAU

COMMITTEE:

H. W. SIDDALL, CHAIRMAN  
J. E. HANNEGAN  
T. THOMPSON

SOUTHWESTERN PASSENGER ASSOCIATION  
TRANS-CONTINENTAL PASSENGER ASSOCIATION  
WESTERN PASSENGER ASSOCIATION

ROOM 428 NEW UNION STATION  
516 WEST JACKSON BOULEVARD  
(CANAL STATION)  
CHICAGO, ILL.

H. P. BRONSON,  
SECRETARY  
CHICAGO

G. C. RONEY,  
PASSENGER TRAFFIC REPRESENTATIVE  
2317 MUNITIONS BUILDING  
WASHINGTON, D. C.

ADDRESS ALL COMMUNICATIONS  
TO CHAIRMAN OF COMMITTEE

April 30, 1930

GOLD STAR MOTHERS

Pilgrimage sailing from New York City, May 21, 1930

The Quartermaster General  
U S Army  
War Department  
Washington, D C

Attention: Captain R E Shannon

Dear Sir:-

Referring to our letter of the 28th inst relative to subject indicated in heading hereof:

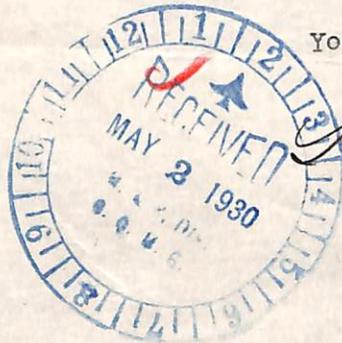
We shall appreciate it if you will kindly substitute the attached routing sheets for those forwarded with our letter referred to above.

Attention is invited to the ticketing arrangement for the passenger from Eagle Rock, as the Union Pacific require passengers boarding Train 108 to hold tickets to or from Glendale.

Yours truly,

Copy to Messrs:

C M Burt  
C A Fox



*H. W. Siddalls*  
Chairman

11-cc  
Encl

523.091 Western Military Bureau

REPORT OF DISINTERMENT AND REBURIAL.

Remains of:

Name: ALLEN, Lester W

Number: 305886

Rank: Pvt.

Organization: Co B, 5th Marines

Disinterment and Reburial made by Group

Unit

Disinterred (Date) Nov.11, 1919

From: (Give complete location)

Grave #10, Cemetary de Miomandre, commune de  
Suippes, Marne.

Reburied (Date) Nov.15, 1919

in: (Give complete location)

Grave 69, Section W, Plot 2, Belleau #1764

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

Complete body

Was one identification tag found upon the body? No

What other means of identification were found on the body?

Cross over grave with identification tag on cross.

20040

Note:

CONFIRMED No. D.....

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, G.R.S.

Supervised by: F.M. Van Natter

Capt. Inf.

C.O. Group

Unit

*File*  
*4-15-27*  
*tail*

# REPORT OF DISINTERMENT AND REBURIAL

Date 6.7.21

1. REMAINS OF ALIEN, LESTER W. SERIAL NUMBER 305886  
RANK PVT. ORGANIZATION CO. B. 5th. MARINES.

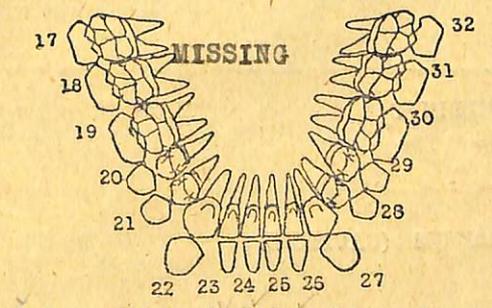
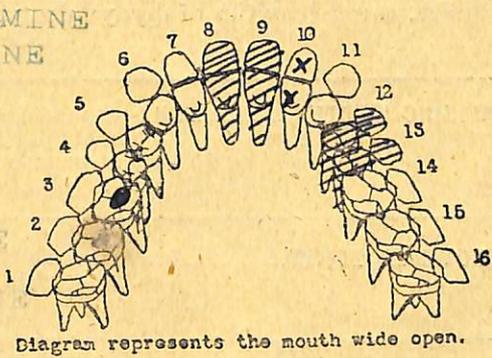
2. Disinterred (date) : 6.7.21 From (give complete location) : Gr. 69 Sec. W. Pt. 2.  
FIELD SECTION # 7  
By : Group Avery Unit \_\_\_\_\_

3. Reburied (date) : 6.7.21 In (give complete location) : Gr. 69 Sec. W. Pt. 2.  
FIELD SECTION # 7 Nature of reburial BOX & BURLAP  
By : Group Avery Unit \_\_\_\_\_

4. Report as to nature of original burial and condition of body upon disinterment :  
BADLY DECOMPOSED FEATURES UNRECOGNIZABLE  
Blanket, burlap and box.

5. (a) Identification tags : Buried with body ? YES On grave marker ? NO  
(b) Other means of identification found upon disinterment, and general remarks :  
Body tag reads "W. ALIEN -----4-24-1918, Pvt., 157. a. REPL. BN. USMC" balance illegible.

6. What does examination of body show as regards the following identifying items ?  
(a) Height (actual measurement) IMPOSSIBLE TO DETERMINE  
(b) Weight (estimated) IMPOSSIBLE TO DETERMINE  
(c) Hair—Color IMPOSSIBLE TO DETERMINE  
Quantity IMPOSSIBLE TO DETERMINE  
Characteristics IMPOSSIBLE TO DETERMINE  
(d) Hair on face—Color IMPOSSIBLE TO DETERMINE  
Location IMPOSSIBLE TO DETERMINE  
Quantity \_\_\_\_\_



3, met. fil; 8, 9, 12 mis. a. d.;  
10 art. piv on base; 15 ext.

LOWER JAW AND ONE RADIAL MISSING.

7. Disinterment supervised by G. F. Avery Approved : M. B. Birdseye  
G. F. AVERY, SUP. EMB. (Title) MS. BIRDSEYE, 1st. LT. QMC.  
8. Reburial supervised by G. F. Avery Approved : M. B. Birdseye  
G. F. AVERY, SUP. EMB. (Title) M. B. BIRDSEYE, 1st. LT. QMC.

10-51088

Allen, Lester W<sup>m</sup>

Party "D" - Itinerary - Aisne-Marne Group

Sailed May 21st on GEORGE WASHINGTON. Maj. F. D. Carlock in charge. General Cheatham accompanied as observer.

Arrived Cherbourg 11.30 pm, May 29th.

May 30th. Debarked. Maj. Bailey, Capt. Kinderman, Lt. Freeman, 9 nurses and other personnel went out to ship on tender. Met at Dock by Col. Ellis. Arrived Gare des Invalides, Paris, at 2.05pm. Met by Col. Bartlett and detail of officers, interpreters and nurses. Taken to hotel in bus.

May 31st. Morning devoted to transaction of personal business. Visited Arc de Triomphe in afternoon. Mrs. Eliza Wilson laid official wreath for party. Reception at Restaurant Laurent. Returned to hotel.

June 1st. Morning free. Left 2.15 pm for La Ferté - Chateau Thierry.

June 2nd, 3rd. Visited Aisne-Marne Cemetery.

June 4th. Visited Cemetery and Reims.

June 5th. Visited Reims Cathedral - Chemin des Dames - Soissons - Compiègne.

June 6th. Visited Carrefour de l'Armistice - Compiègne - Chantilly - Returned to Paris.

June 7th. Notre Dame in morning - Versailles - Belle Cycliste in afternoon.

June 8th. Free in morning (Church). Sacre Coeur at night.

June 9th. Free in morning. Napoleon's Tomb in afternoon.

June 10th. Left hotel between 9 and 9.30 for Invalides Railway Station - entrained for Cherbourg. Accompanied by 2 conducting officers, Capt. Kinderman, 5 nurses, and 2 civilian employees. Arrived Cherbourg 4.11 pm. Boarded PRESIDENT ROOSEVELT at 5.05pm. Sailed at 6. Arrived U. S. June 16th.

Mrs. Katherine S. Allen

WAR DEPARTMENT  
 "PILGRIMAGE, WAR MOTHERS AND WIDOWS"  
 -- ROOM 901 --

225 West 34th St., New York, N.Y.

Party "D"  
 Number 581

ALLEN, LESTER WILLIAM - AM

REQUEST FOR PULLMAN RESERVATION

S.  
MRS. KATHERINE ALLEN  
 Name of Traveler

Estimate cost of through Pullman.

EAGLE ROCK,  
 Home Address

New York, to GLENDALE, CALIF.

CALIF,

\$ 32.63

New York, to GLENDALE  
 Destination.

Via NYC to CHIC - CANW to COUNTY BLUFFS - U.P. to dest.

JUNE 19th  
 Date of Departure

	Road	Tr. NO.	Date	Time	Lower or Seat	car	U.S.G. Order NO.	Est. Cost
LV	<u>NYC</u>	<u>7</u>	<u>6/19</u>	<u>7:04P</u>	<u>Co. 1</u>	<u>196</u>		
AR	<u>Chicago</u>		<u>6/20</u>	<u>4:48P</u>				
LV	<u>"</u>	<u>7</u>	<u>6/20</u>	<u>7:30P</u>	<u>Co. 11</u>	<u>11-32</u>		
AR	<u>Los Angeles</u>		<u>6/22</u>	<u>8:30A</u>			<u>107-1,020,558</u>	
LV	<u>Glendale</u>			<u>9:19A</u>				
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TOTAL

Remarks::

Use

Receipt: Capt. Hanes

*Valentine*

1-581

NAME *Allen, Hammering*

S.S. *Roosevelt*

HOME *Eagle Rock Cal*

R.R. *NYC to Chicago*

STATION *Cozy W to Convent*

TRAIN # *U.P. to Glen*

CAR #

BERTH OR SEAT

TIME

DATE

WAR DEPARTMENT

PILGRIMAGE. WAR MOTHERS & WIDOWS

225 WEST 34TH ST. N.Y., N.Y., Room 901

OFFICIAL BUSINESS

*Am. Wm T. Allen  
52 El Paso  
Eagle Rock  
Los Angeles  
Cal*

*23  
96*

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

Name ALLEN, Mrs Katherine Stack

Paris Hôtel HOTEL CARLTON

AV. DES CHAMPS-ÉLYSÉES

Home address 5230 El Rio Ave., Eagle Rock, Los Angeles County, California

Party D Group 4 Unit S.S. WASHINGTON

Date of arrival 30 Mar 1930 Date of departure S.S. ROOSEVELT-June 10th 1930

Relationship Mother

Name of deceased ALLEN, Lester William

Rank Pvt. Organization 49th Co., 5th Regt U.S.M.C

Cemetery Aisne-Marne

REMARKS



WAR DEPARTMENT  
"PILGRIMAGE, WAR MOTHERS AND WIDOWS"  
--- ROOM 901 ---  
~~225 West 34th St.~~, New York, N. Y.

May 10th, 1930

Mrs. Katherine Stack Allen  
5230 E. Rio Avenue  
Eagle Rock, Cal.  
Dear Madam:

*Party to be  
left Washington*

Please attach the enclosed tags to each piece of baggage, thus to protect the safe arrival of same in New York.

Upon your arrival in this City, you will be met at the Railroad Station by a United States Army Officer, in uniform, who will wear on the left sleeve of his coat a blue cloth band, showing a Gold Star and the word "Pilgrimage". This officer will escort you and your baggage to your Hotel in New York City.

For the Officer in Charge:

George F. R. Taylor,  
1st. Lieut., C. M. Corps,  
Assistant.

Enclosures  
2 tags.

COPY

Pilgrimage, War Mothers & Widows,  
Room 901, 225 W. 34th St.,  
New York City, N.Y.

VIA WESTERN UNION

L. F. Allen,  
5207 Cleveland Avenue,  
Niles Center, Illinois.

H. F. EMERY,  
1st Lt., Inf.

June 19, 1930

ARRIVE CHICAGO FOUR FIFTY EIGHT FRIDAY AFTERNOON VIA NEW YORK CENTRAL

MOTHER

Above message sent for Mrs. Katherine Allen, Party "D", from Hotel McAlpin.

Aug. 22, 1930.

Dear Sir:-

I have hadn detained in Chicago and will report to  
you as soon as I arrive home in California.

Sincerely yours,  
Katherine Stack Allen  
2312 Sunnyside Ave.,  
Chicago, Illinois.



201  
Allen,  
Mrs Katherine Stack

CODE SLIP

HEADING	SUB HEADING	NO. OF COLS	CODE
NAME	Allen, Lester W.	3	100
	ALL		22
BURIED	CEMETERY 1764	1	4
	GRAVE 58	2	58
	ROW 2	2	02
	BLOCK B	1	2
STATE	Illinois	2	13
RANK	Pvt.	1	4
DIVISION	2nd	2	02
ORGANIZATION	5	3	005
ARM		1	X
MARITAL	no	1	2
NAME	Mrs Katherine Stack Allen	3	100
	ALL		22
RESIDENCE	5230 - El Rio Ave -	2	04
	STATE Calif	2	19
	COUNTY Los Angeles	2	XXV
	CITY Eagle Rock	3	1
RELATION	mother	1	
OTHER		1	
ELIGIBILITY	yes	1	1
NATIVITY		1	
RACE		1	
ENGLISH	yes	1	1
ATTENDANT		1	
HEALTH	Good	1	
NO. OF SONS		1	
DATE OF TRIP	NO.	1	
ACCEPTANCE	YR. 1930	1	1
	yes	1	
	Age	1	

May 21, 1930

Sailed

**AUDITED**  
SEP 85 1951 RMD

59-

NAME

*Mrs. K. S. Allen*

ADDRESS

*5230 El Rio Ave. Eagle Rock, Calif.*

DATE

*Oct. 8 - 30.*

*ALLEN, LESTER W*

TO:

Officer-In-Charge,

*LOS ANGELES CO.*

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. K. S. Allen*

RPB-7-22-30-5M

*1764*

*AM*

WAR DEPARTMENT

Penalty for private use to avoid  
payment of postage, \$300.



OFFICIAL BUSINESS

**PILGRIMAGE, WAR MOTHERS AND WIDOWS**

**225 WEST 34TH STREET,**

**NEW YORK, N. Y.**

STATE

Allen, Lester W.

California

ALLEN, LESTER W.  
5230 El Rio Ave.  
Eagle Rock  
Los Angeles County

Mother  
NAME Allen, Mrs. K. S.

HOME ADDRESS

NAME AND ADDRESS OF NEAREST KIN

Mr. Wm. Allen - 52 El Rio Ave.  
Eagle Rock, Cali.

ARRIVAL IN NEW YORK

DATE May 19

HOTEL Roosevelt

ROOM NO. 524

DEPARTURE NEW YORK

DATE May 21, 1930

VESSEL Washington

CABIN NO. 447-A

DESTINATION Cherbourg

CEMETERY Aisne - Marne

RETURN NEW YORK

DATE JUN 18 1930

*Wade*

*5230 El Rio Ave  
Los Angeles County*

NAME *Allen, Mrs. Katharine Stach*

HOME ADDRESS *Eagle Rock, California*

RETURN ON S. S. **S/S ROOSEVELT**

HOTEL **MCALPIN**

ROOM NO. *1001-03*

DEPARTURE NEW YORK

DATE *6/19*

ROAD *NYC*

TRAIN *7*

CAR *196*

BERTH or SEAT *1*

REMARKS .....

710

1764

RETURN RECEIPT

Washington 1 2/21/30

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

Mrs. Katherine Allen

(Signature or name of addressee.)

(Signature of addressee's agent.)

Date of delivery, \_\_\_\_\_, 192

**Post Office Department**

**OFFICIAL BUSINESS**

**REGISTERED ARTICLE**

No. ....

**INSURED PARCEL**

No. ....

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*Return to* .....

**Q. M. GENERAL**  
(THIS SPACE RESERVED)

*Street and Number,  
or Post Office Box,* .....

**MUNITIONS BUILDING  
WASHINGTON,**

**D. C.**

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

**POSTMARK OF DELIVERING  
OFFICE**

**AND DATE OF DELIVERY**

710 - c Washington 5/21/30

RETURN RECEIPT

1764

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

*Matthew Stock Allen*  
-----  
(Signature or name of addressee.)

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(Signature of addressee's agent.)

Date of delivery, *5-10* -----, 192*30*

**Post Office Department**

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

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OFFICE

AND DATE OF DELIVERY

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(NAME OF SENDER)

Street and Number, }  
or Post Office Box, } MUNITIONS BUILDING

Post Office at Washington, D. C.

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State \_\_\_\_\_

Aug 20 - 30

Dear Sirs

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Home in California.

Sincerely yours.

Katherine Stack Allen.

2312. Sunnyside ave  
Chicago Ill.



201  
Allen Mrs Katherine S

Allen, Lester W. 1764

May 7, 1930

Mrs. Katherine Stack Allen,  
8230 El Rio Avenue,  
Eagle Rock, California.

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 tickets to you. Your route to New York will be as follows:

Lv. Eagle Rock	UP 36	No. 108	8:24 PM	May 15
Ar. East Los Angeles	"	No. 108	8:15 PM	May 15
Lv. East Los Angeles	"	No. 8	6:28 PM	May 16
Ar. Omaha	"	No. 8	8:35 PM	May 17
Lv. Omaha	CB&N	No. 8	9:00 PM	May 17
Ar. Chicago	"	No. 8	9:20 AM	May 18
Lv. Chicago	NYC	No. 10	10:35 AM	May 18
Ar. New York (Grand Central Sta.)	"	No. 142	3:45 PM	May 19

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, C.M. Corps,  
Assistant.

36/1015/

WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

Allen, Lester W. 1764-M

May 5, 1930.

Mrs. Katherine Stack Allen,  
5230 El Rio Ave.,  
Eagle Rock, Calif.

Dear Madam:

There is enclosed herewith Check No. 313158 in the amount of \$ 40.00 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.

QM 293 A-C  
Allen, Lester William 1764

May 2, 1930.

Mrs. Katherine Stack Allen,  
5230 El Rio Avenue,  
Eagle Rock, California.

Dear Madam:

Referring to your request on the State Department for a stop-over in Chicago, Illinois, on your return trip from the Gold Star Mothers' and Widows' Pilgrimage, sailing on the SS WASHINGTON May 21, 1930, you are advised that arrangements have been made to route your ticket on the return via New York Central, Chicago, C&NW, Omaha and Union Pacific.

This will enable you to stop over at Chicago and entail no extra expense.

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

MMH/am

*Washington May 21*

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Please arrange for stop-over at  
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Sister William Allen Los Angeles Co.  
1764 Katherine Stack Allen M

WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C  
Allen, Lester William 1764 M

March 20, 1930

Mrs. Katherine Stack Allen,  
5230 El Rio Ave.,  
Engle Rock, Calif.

Dear Madam:

The following instructions prepared by the Secretary of State contain the necessary instructions to be followed by you in obtaining the passport or travel document to be utilized in connection with your pilgrimage to the cemeteries in Europe. Please read the directions carefully and call in person upon the nearest Passport Agent or clerk of a Federal or State court having jurisdiction to naturalize aliens. Passport Agencies are located in Boston, Chicago, New Orleans, New York City, San Francisco and Seattle. In large cities there are usually two or more courts and at each county-seat a state court authorized to accept these passport applications.

When you make this call be sure to take with you the four photographs called for in the instructions together with your invitation as a means of identification. You should take with you to the passport office at this time a friend who is an American citizen and who has known you for several years. The passport Agent or clerk of the court will mail your application to the Secretary of State in Washington, D. C., who will issue the passports and travel documents and will deliver them to The Quartermaster General to be held by him until your arrival in New York.

The instructions prepared by the Secretary of State are as follows:

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evidence of her American citizenship as she may have in her possession. In the absence of evidence of citizenship, her application should be witnessed by a credible person residing in the same community who is an American citizen, has known her for a long period of time and is able to swear to the best of his or her knowledge and belief that she is a citizen of the United States.

"A mother or widow who does not owe allegiance to the United States must apply to the Department of State for a Pilgrimage Travel Document through a clerk of a Federal court or a State court having jurisdiction to naturalize aliens or through a Passport Agent upon the form of application prescribed for that purpose, entitled APPLICATION FOR A PILGRIMAGE TRAVEL DOCUMENT, issued under the Act of March 2, 1929, submitting therewith four photographs on a light background and on thin paper not more than 3 x 3 inches in size and not less than 2½ x 2½ inches in size. When making application she should be accompanied by a credible witness who has known her for a period of two years or more.

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"Special Pilgrimage Passports and Pilgrimage Travel Documents when issued by the Department of State will be forwarded to the War Department.

"Applicants resident in Boston, Chicago, New Orleans, New York City, San Francisco and Seattle should execute applications at the Passport Agencies in those cities."

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

Washington  
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Allen, Sester Wm.

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 provisions of the Act of Congress approved March 2, 1929.

Mrs. Katherine Stack Allen

(Name)

Mrs. Katherine Stack Allen -  
5230 El Rio Ave., Eagle Rock, Los Angeles Co.,

(Town or City)

California.

(State)

5230 El Rio Ave., Eagle Rock Los Angeles  
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WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C  
Allen, Lester William 1764-M

October 7, 1929.

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Mrs. Katherine Stack Allen,  
5230 El Rio Ave.,  
Eagle Rock, Calif.

Dear Madam:

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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) <del>(No)</del>
2. Do you desire to make the pilgrimage in the calendar year 1930?	(Yes) <del>(No)</del>
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) <del>(No)</del>
4. Please give your age and state of health.	Age <sup>59</sup> Health (Good) <del>(Poor)</del>
5. What language do you speak?	English - (Yes) <del>(No)</del> Other language (Specify language spoken)

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

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WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

Allen, Lester William

July 29th, 1929

Mrs. Katherine Stack Allen  
5230 El Rio Avenue,  
Eagle Rock, Calif.

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 Lester William Allen, 49th Co. 5th Reg. U. S. Marines, whose remains are now interred in the Aisne-Marne American Cemetery, Belleau, Aisne, France.

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

Write answers in space below:

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

*No.*

2. If so, give her complete address.

3. Will you make the pilgrimage?

*Yes*

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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*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  
Allen, Lester William

June 11, 1929.

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M. Katherine Stack Allen,  
5230 El Rio Ave.,  
Eagle Rock, Calif  
Mrs. W.T.Allen,  
2310 Sunny side Ave.,  
Chicago, Ill.

Dear Madam:

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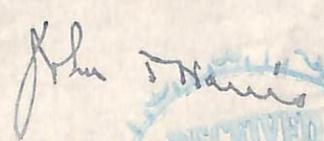
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For your reply, you may use the enclosed envelope which requires no postage.

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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



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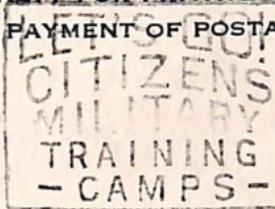


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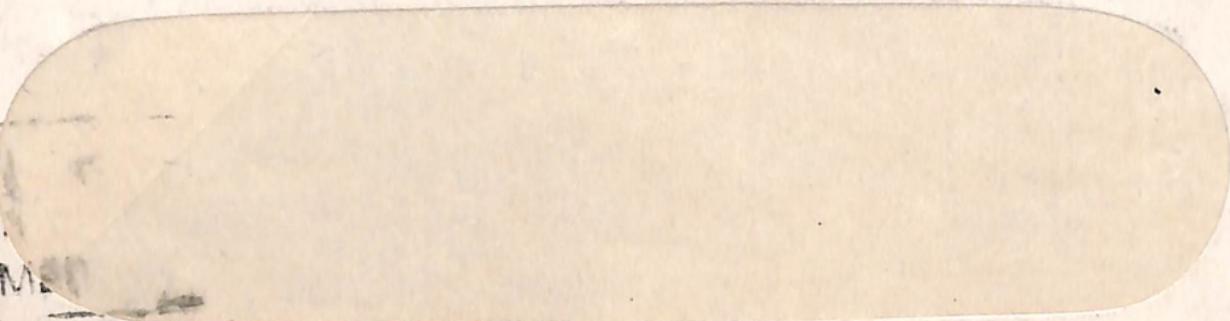


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May 13, 1930, Washington, D. C.

MRS KATHERINE STACK ALLEN  
5250 EL RIO AVENUE  
EAGLE ROCK CALIFORNIA

IDENTIFICATION BADGE TO BE WORN ON PILGRIMAGE WILL BE DELIVERED  
TO YOU BY RAILROAD REPRESENTATIVE AT CHICAGO

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QM 293 A-C

*Allen, Lester William 764*

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Allen, Lester W. 1764

May 7, 1930

Mrs. Katherine Stack Allen,  
5230 El Rio Avenue,  
Eagle Rock, California.

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. Eagle Rock	UnPac	No. 108	5:24 PM	May 15
Ar. East Los Angeles	"	No. 108	6:15 PM	May 15
Lv. East Los Angeles	"	No. 8	6:28 PM	May 15
Ar. Omaha	"	No. 8	8:35 PM	May 17
Lv. Omaha	C&NW	No. 8	9:00 PM	May 17
Ar. Chicago	"	No. 8	9:20 AM	May 18
Lv. Chicago	NYC	No. 10	10:35 AM	May 18
Ar. New York	"	No. 142	3:45 PM	May 19

(Grand Central Sta.)

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.

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QM 293 A-C  
Allen, Lester William 1764

May 2, 1930.

Mrs. Katherine Stack Allen,  
5230 El Rio Avenue,  
Eagle Rock, California.

Dear Madam:

Referring to your request on the State Department for a stop-over in Chicago, Illinois, on your return trip from the Gold Star Mothers' and Widows' Pilgrimage, sailing on the SS WASHINGTON May 21, 1930, you are advised that arrangements have been made to route your ticket on the return via New York Central, Chicago, C&NW, Omaha and Union Pacific.

This will enable you to stop over at Chicago and entail no extra expense.

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

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WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

Allen, Lester William 1764-M

March 21, 1930.

Mrs. Katherine Stack Allen,  
5220 El Rio Ave.,  
Eagle Rock, Calif.

Dear Madam:

This letter, which contains general information regarding the pilgrimage to the cemeteries of Europe, is being sent to each mother and widow who has expressed a desire to make the pilgrimage during the calendar year 1930. The general plan for the conduct of the pilgrimage is shown in the Pilgrimage Regulations, a copy of which is enclosed herewith. In addition to the information shown in the regulations, the following explains in detail some of the most important things connected with the pilgrimage.

Formal invitations are being extended to each mother and widow who has expressed a desire to make the pilgrimage during 1930. In so far as practicable, these invitations are being extended with a view to keeping the women from each state together and the order in which the invitations to the women from the several states are issued is based on a drawing by lot which was held about one month ago. Inclosed with each invitation is a card for acknowledgment and it is quite important that you accept or decline this invitation promptly in order that the necessary railroad, steamship and hotel reservations may be arranged. The government will defray all the necessary expenses of the pilgrimage, including railroad fare, hotel accommodations, steamship fare and all other incidental expenses. It will not provide anything other than the necessary expenses so that you should bring with you such funds as you may desire to use for making small purchases and for other uses distinctly of a personal nature.

Arrangements have been made with the American Railroad Association which assures us the united support and cooperation of all of the railroads in the United States in handling the movement to and from New York City. The local ticket agent will secure your railroad and sleeper ticket and will make the necessary pullman reservations. Before your departure from your home we will mail you a check, sufficient to pay for your meals and other travelling expenses while enroute to New York. Your railroad ticket will provide for a round trip from your home to New York and upon arrival in New York the army officer in charge of the New York office will collect the return trip stub and hold it until your return to New York from Europe.

Upon arrival in New York, you will be met by an army officer

and escorted to a first class hotel. where reservations have been made. The duration of your stay in New York will be from 24 to 48 hours. At the proper time, you will be escorted to the steamship upon which passage has been engaged for Europe. All of the women making this trip will be provided with cabin class accommodations aboard steamers which means that from two to four will be quartered in the same stateroom. If you have any friend that you would like to be quartered with we will endeavor to arrange it if you will communicate with this office.

The ocean voyage will last about 8 days and when the ship docks at Cherbourg, France, each party will be met by officers especially detailed for the purpose and taken in a special train to Paris where first class hotel accommodations have been reserved. The first day in Paris will be a day of rest. On the 2d day, the women of each party will place a wreath on the tomb of the French unknown soldier. In the afternoon there will be a reception in which the French war mothers, government officials, and prominent civilians will participate. The following morning the groups going to the different cemeteries will leave Paris, travelling in motor busses, and proceed to the cemeteries where they will remain for about 7 days. Twenty-five women will be assigned to each bus and an army officer will have charge of the bus. The itineraries to and from the cemeteries and the daily itineraries while at the cemeteries have been varied so as to take in points of historical interest as well as some parts of the battlefields where American troops were engaged. Upon return to Paris, each party will remain for about 5 days and during this time an opportunity will be given to see the points of historical interest in Paris and vicinity. The entire duration of your stay in Europe will be 14 days, and the itineraries have been so arranged that each day will be provided for. Except in case of illness or other unavoidable cause it will not be possible for any woman making the pilgrimage to remain in Europe for a longer period than 14 days nor to leave the party with which she is travelling unless she is prepared to pay all of her expenses after leaving the party since the Act of Congress authorizing the pilgrimage specifically states that the government shall not pay the expenses of any woman who willfully leaves her party.

Upon return to the United States each ship will be met in New York City by army officers who will escort the mothers and widows to the trains which will take them home. Before leaving New York each woman will be provided with her return railroad ticket, a sleeping car ticket and funds to cover the cost of meals and other travelling expenses.

Army officers are being used as guides and escorts throughout this entire movement and care has been taken to select officers who will see that proper care is taken of the women who are entrusted to their charge. Arrangements have been made for taking care of women who may be taken sick during the pilgrimage and also to care for the remains of any who may die and provision has been made for returning the remains of any who may die to their homes. It is essential that each woman making the pilgrimage furnish The Quartermaster General with an emergency address of some relative or friend to be notified in the event of an emergency. Medical care will be provided by civilian agencies. If such care is needed in New York City it will be furnished by the hotel physicians or

by local hospitals. Aboard ship, medical care will be provided by the ship's doctors and in Paris arrangements have been made with the American Hospital for the hospitalization and treatment of any women who may need it. In addition to this, six doctors of the regular army will be on duty throughout the pilgrimage.

Baggage will be limited to not to exceed two pieces of hand baggage and the articles taken should be such as will be required for a trip of about one month. Laundry service can be obtained in New York and Paris. Since the climate of Europe is much colder than that of the United States, each woman should provide herself with sufficient warm clothing to stand the motor bus trip and the visit to the cemeteries.

Since it is necessary for this office to make all reservations for your accommodations throughout this pilgrimage, it will be greatly appreciated if you will make prompt reply to any communications received from this office.

For The Quartermaster General:

Very truly yours,

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

1 Enclosure.  
Regulation.

WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C  
Allen, Lester William 1764 E

March 20, 1950

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

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

October 7, 1929.

**Allen, Lester William 1764-M**

**Mrs. Katherine Stack Allen,  
5230 El Rio Ave.,  
Eagle Rock, Calif.**

Dear Madam:

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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 (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

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Allen, Lester William

July 29th, 1929

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The records of this office show that you are the mother of the late Private Lester William Allen, 49th Co. 5th Reg. U. S. Marines, whose remains are now interred in the Aisne-Marne American Cemetery, Belleuz, Aisne, France.

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

Write answers in space below:

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

2. If so, give her complete address.

3. Will you make the pilgrimage?

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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JOHN T. HARRIS,  
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WAR DEPARTMENT  
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Allen, Lester William

June 11, 1929.

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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,

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

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To be prepared in triplicate.  
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DATE Nov. 30, 1922

REPORT OF DISINTERMENT, PREPARATION, SHIPMENT AND REBURIAL OF BODY

DISINTERMENT

COMPARATIVE REPORT

Records of G.R.S. Headquarters.

Discrepancy found upon exhumation of body

1. Name ALLEN, Lester William  
 2. No. 305856  
 3. Rank Pvt.  
 4. Org. 49 Co. B. 5th Marines. *3 Reg. U.S. M.C.*  
 5. D.D. Oct. 3rd. 1918  
 6. C.D. DWRIA

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

Discrepancy found upon disinterment

7. Grave No. 69 Sec. W  
 8. Plot 2 Row  
 9.

15. Grave No. Sec.  
 16. Plot Row  
 17. no discrepancy

18. Cemetery Aisne-Marne Amer.  
 20. Dept. or County Aisne.  
 22. G.R.S. Hdqrs. Code No.

19. Commune or town Belleau  
 21. Country France  
 1764

23. Disinterred (Date) Nov. 30, 1922

By J.T. White

24. Inscription on grave marker:

Name Lester W. Allen  
 Rank Pvt.

Serial No. 305856  
 Organization Co. B. 5th Marines.

25. Was identification disc found on grave marker? no On body? yes

(corroded)  
*W.D. Wall Jr.*  
 Signature Junior Technical Assistant  
 W.D. Wall Jr.

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 agrees.

27. Condition of body Badly decomposed, features unrecognizable.

28. Nature of burial Burlap and wooden box.

29. Any discrepancy noted upon examination of body, as compared with G.R.S. records quoted above? no

30. Body prepared and placed in casket: Date Nov. 30, 1922 By J.T. White

31. Casket sealed by J.T. White

Signature of Embalmer, (Supervisor)

*J.T. White*  
 J.T. White

*9/21/27*  
*sub B*

SHIPMENT. (Show actual marking of box.) Box No. C-31125

32. Designation of body:

Name Lester W. ALLEN. Serial No. 305856

Rank Pvt. Organization Co. B. 5th Marines.

33. Consigned to:

Name of Permanent Cemetery Aisne-Marne Amer. Cty. 1764, Belleau, Aisne.

34. Casket boxed and marked (Date) Nov. 30, 1922 By J. T. White

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

36. Remarks none

37. Shipped from point of Operation: (Date) Nov. 30, 1922

To point of Concentration \_\_\_\_\_

Convoyer \_\_\_\_\_ Signature Shipping Officer \_\_\_\_\_ (Name)

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 Aisne-Marne Cem. 1764, Belleau (Aisne)

Convoyer \_\_\_\_\_ Signature Shipping Officer *A. E. Dewey*  
A. E. Dewey, 1st Lt., OMC. (Name)

40. Received: Date \_\_\_\_\_

G.R.S. Representative \_\_\_\_\_

41. Reinterred Dec. 11, 1922. Aisne-Marne Cem. 1764.  
(Date)

42. Grave No. 58 Section \_\_\_\_\_

43. Plot BLOCK B Row 2

G.R.S. Representative *W. D. Cleary*  
W. D. CLEARY, Lt. Chaplain USA

# REPORT OF DISINTERMENT AND REBURIAL

Place Belleau (Aisne)

Date Nov. 30, 1922.

1. REMAINS OF ALLEN, Lester W. *William* SERIAL NUMBER 305856  
 RANK Pvt. ORGANIZATION *Reg. U.S.M.C.*  
49 Co. B, 5th Marines

2. Disinterred (date) : Nov. 30, 1922. From (give complete location) : Grave 69, Sec. W, Plot 2, Cem. 1764.  
 By : Group 1 Unit F.S.I., Aisne-Marne Cem.

3. Reburied (date) : Dec. 11, 1922. In (give complete location) : Grave 58, Row 2, Block B, Cem. 1764.  
 By : Group re-burial group Unit \_\_\_\_\_ Nature of Reburial lined casket

4. Report as to nature of original burial and condition of body upon disinterment :  
Wooden box and burlap  
Badly decomposed. Features unrecognizable.

5. (a) Identification tags : Buried with body? Yes On grave marker? No  
 (corroded)  
 (b) Other means of identification found upon disinterment, and general remarks :  
Bottle record agrees.

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

(a) Height (actual measurement) Impossible to determine

(b) Weight (estimated) "

(c) Hair—Color "

Quantity "

Characteristics "

(d) Hair on face—Color "

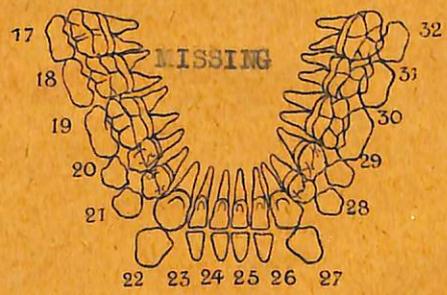
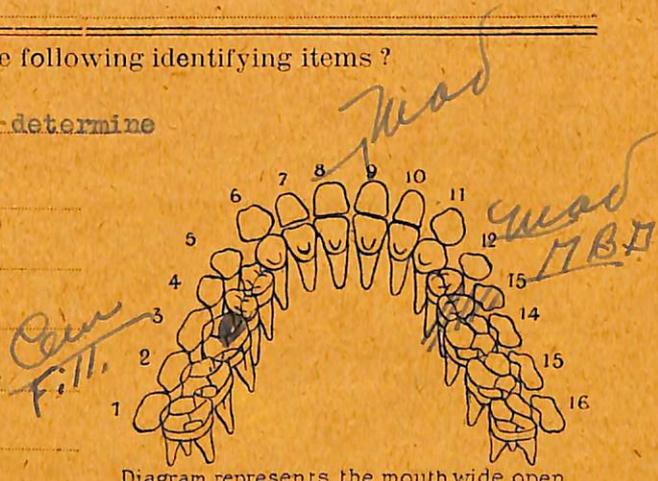
Location "

Quantity "

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

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

Lower jaw missing



V.D. Wall Jr., Checker.

7. Disinterment supervised by *J.T. White*  
J.T. WHITE, S.D.

Approved: *A.E. Dewey*  
A.E. DEWEY, 1st Lt. MC.  
 (Title)

8. Reburial supervised by *L.D. Hays*  
L.D. HAYS

Approved: *W.D. O'Leary*  
W.D. O'LEARY, Lt. Chaplain USA  
 (Title)

COMPILATION OF DISPOSITION OF REMAINS DATA

File #38877

(2/25/21) <sup>mes</sup> 5 Marine

I. LOCATION INDEX CARD:

(a) Name ALIEN, Lester W. <sup>WILLIAM</sup> Ser. No. 305886  
 (b) Rank Private Organization 49th <sup>Reg.</sup> U.S. M.C. } TYP. EK  
 (c) Date of death 10/3/18 (d) Cause of death DWR1A } CKR. 30

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

(a) Grave No. 69 Row -- Plot 2 Sec. W TYP. EK  
 (b) Emerg. Address Mrs. <sup>W</sup> H. T. Allen, c/o Mrs. James Kieley,  
721 McClellan, Wausaw,  
Wisc. CKR. 30

III. Files of soldiers dying from contagious diseases

Marine

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

Date of receipt none

(a) Name Mrs. W. J. Allen (b) Relationship mother  
 (c) Address { 2310 Sunnyside ave., Chicago, Ill.  
90 W. J. Allen  
 (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 Jmm Date 2-19-21, 1920.

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

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

no correspondence

Examiner's Initials Jmm Date 2-19-21, 1920.

VI. G. R. S. FILES, CORRESPONDENCE—shows as follows: Letter 3-1-1917 from brother,  
Howard J. Allen, 2108 Montrose ave., Chicago, Ill., requests  
grave location.

(a) Cancellation memos referred to? Yes - Jmm

Examiner's Initials Jmm Date 2-19-21, 1920.

COUNTRY France

CEMETERY No. 1764

SHEET No. 29

*Handwritten notes:*  
Checked 2/25/21  
Mesa

*Allen, Lester William*

IX.

**CORRECTIONS**

CHANGE OF ADVICE.

ACTION TAKEN.

Desires body be

Body to be shipped to

~~Form 124 to Marine Corps Form 840 From Marine Corps~~

X. SUSPENSION REMARKS: ~~Date Sent~~ *2/21/21* ~~Date Rec'd~~ *2/23/21*

*Form #840, 2/23/21 - To be left in France.*

*N. of K., Mrs. W. T. Allen, (mother) 2310 Sunnyside Ave., Chicago, Ill., 2/25/21 MEB.*

Location Index.....

..... Discrepancies.....

Name.....

Rank.....

Serial No.....

Org.....  
Remarks

.....  
A.G.O. Card & Corr.....

..... Discrepancies.....

Name.....

Rank.....

Serial No.....

Org.....  
Remarks *E.A. from W.R. required*

.....  
G. R. S. Corr.....

..... Discrepancies.....

Name.....

Rank.....

Serial No.....

Org.....  
Remarks

.....  
Checkers.....

..... Discrepancies.....

Name.....

Rank.....

Serial No.....

Org.....  
Remarks

*Handwritten signatures and initials in the bottom right corner.*

COMPILATION OF DISPOSITION OF REMAINS DATA

File #38877

*Marine*

I. LOCATION INDEX CARD:

(2/25/21 mes.)  
 (a) Name ALLEN, Lester WILLIAM Ser. No. 305806  
 (b) Rank Private Organization 49th Co. B, 5th Marines } TYPEK  
 (c) Date of death 10/3/18 (d) Cause of death DWRIA } *2/1*

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

(a) Grave No. 69 Row -- Plot 2 Sec. W TYP. EK

(b) Emerg. Address Mrs. <sup>w</sup>N. T. Allen, c/o Mrs. James Kieley,  
721 McClellan, Wausau,  
Wisc. CKR. *2/1*

III. Files of soldiers dying from contagious diseases

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

*Form 840-2-23-21. Mrs. N. T. Allen (mother)*  
*2310 Sunnyside Ave., Chicago, Illinois,*  
*requests that remains be left in*  
*France. -AP-3-18-21.*

V. Following advice forwarded to Europe by { cable on \_\_\_\_\_, 192  
 (marine) letter of transmittal on MAR 10 1921, 192 *ew*  
Par. 2 Not to be returned. Allen, Lester William

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.



# Headquarters U. S. Marine Corps,

Washington, February 23, 1921.

From: The Major General Commandant.

To: The Chief, Cemeterial Division, Office of Quartermaster General of the Army.

Subject: A.E.F. dead: Confirmation or revision of G.R.S. record of disposition status.

Reference: Form No. 124, File No. 38877 dated 2-21-21  
Case of ALLEN, Lester William, 305856, Private  
49th Co. 5th Marines, 1764-29

1. It is requested that the remains of the above-named man be disposed of as follows:

DISPOSITION: To be left in France

CONSIGNEE: Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Address: \_\_\_\_\_

NEXT OF KIN: Name: Mrs. W. T. Allen  
Relationship: Mother  
Address: 2310 Sunnyside Ave.,  
Chicago, Illinois.

REMARKS: \_\_\_\_\_

*H. Lay*  
H. LAY,  
Lt. Colonel, U.S.M.C.  
Asst. Adjutant & Inspector.

By \_\_\_\_\_  
~~Special Assistant to the~~  
~~Major General Commandant~~

*Rec 3-22-21  
E M*

305856

ALLEN, LEONER WILLIAM, PVT. 49TH CO.  
5TH REG., MARINES.

DISPOSITION: RETURN OF REMAINS NOT DESIRED.

NEXT OF KIN: MRS. W.T. ALLEN,  
RELATION, MOTHER.

ADDRESS: 2310 SUNNYSIDE AVE., CHICAGO, ILL.  
c/o WT. ALLEN.

CTY: 1764.

*[Faint, illegible handwriting]*

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1764 - 99  
© 1991 by [illegible]

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**GRAVE LOCATION BLANK**

LOCATION OF THE GRAVE OF

ALLEN,

(Surname.)

LESTER W.

(Number.)

(First Name and Initials.)

Pvt. 49th Co. 5th Marines.

(Rank.)

(Organization.)

DATE OF BURIAL... Oct. 4, 1918.

PLACE OF BURIAL... Miomandre Military

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

Cemetery at Miomandre Central Hospital No. 101. Marne, France.

GRAVE NUMBER... 66

HOW MARKED: Name Peg? Yes Cross?

Headboard? Bottle?

IDENTIFICATION TAGS:

Was one buried with body? Yes

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

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

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REPORTED BY:

J. C. Sobushy

Chaplain.

(Signature and Rank of Reporting Officer.)

This portion to be sent to Chief of Graves Registration Service

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1. G. R. S. Form No. 1. Hq. G. R. S. File

2. Serialer's No. 139-20

3. ALLEN, LESTER, W  
Surname (in block letters) First Name and Initials

4. Pvt REPLY U.S.M.C.  
Rank Company Regt. or Corps

5. Date of Death Cause, if known

6. Date of Burial Cemetery  
French Military

7. SUIPPES  
Town or Commune (in block letters) Department

8. #166 Baird Sketch # 27  
Grave No. Plot No. or Letter

9. Name Peg?  Cross? Headboard? Bottle?   
Check Method of Marking

10. Buried with Body? Attached to Grave Marker?   
Identification Tags

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

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12. Map 50 N.E., 262.5 N., 264.8 E.  
Map Reference, if interment is outside of cemetery

13. Give name of Chaplain or Burial Officer

Signed [Signature] epl. E. G. S. Slanger  
Group 11 Unit B G. R. S.



CEMETERY DIVISION  
REGISTRATION SECTION

**FILE**

April 10th, 1922

MEMO FOR:  
Cards Department.

1.  
CASE OF:

Co. B, 5th Marines.

ORGANIZATION (Old)

ALLEN, #305886, Lester W. - Pvt.

(Name)

Correction or additional data changes as shown below have been made on the Registration Card of the above-mentioned soldier and a corresponding change will be necessary on the Organization Card:

ORGANIZATION (New) 49th Co., 5th Marines.

FILE NO.

SURNAME

SERIAL NUMBER 305856

FIRST NAME AND INITIALS Lester William

RANK

DATE OF DEATH

CAUSE OF DEATH

	Date	Place	F-1A No.
Orig.			D-
1st Reb.			D-
2nd Reb.			D-
3rd Reb.			D-

(Note: In the above spaces below double line fill in ONLY the new date and data correcting previous information)

BY: Helen Fleming.

Adjustment Branch.

(Department)

5 x 8 card was sent to file.

Corrections made  
on Organization  
File Card:

By A.B.  
S/3324/LML

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2/25/21  
Mr. Wilson

Allen, Lester William

Put., S# 305856

49th Co, 5th Marines

Adjustment Made

APR 10 1922

File No. 38877

Form 840 from Marine Corps

Date Rec'd 2/23/21

Beverly,

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FILE

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TOURS JULY 5.1919.

CENTRAL RECORDS OFFICE  
BOURGES

Retel GRC RC 2577 period Emergency address Pvt Lester W Allen  
305886 5th Marines comma Howard J Allen comma brother comma 2108 Montrose  
Avenue Chicago Illinois.

OFFICIAL

KNIGHT

C.M. NORZEL  
IST. LT. QMC. USA.  
GM. 11.55 a.m.

COPY TO T&C

GRC

SGT. DALY. REPLY TO T.

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TO:- REGISTRATION BRANCH, G.R.S.

FILE NUMBER 38847

FROM:-

DATE: 7/5/19.

Please furnish information as indicated below regarding the following soldier:

NAME ALLEN LESTER W.

NUMBER 305886.

RANK ORGANIZATION

Co. 12.

NO.	QUESTION	REPLY
1.	Do particulars of soldier given above agree with Records?	① Yes.
2.	Date of Death.	② 10-3-18
3.	Cause and place of Death.	③ W/A.
4.	Number of Casualty Cablegram	④ 296
5.	Date buried.	⑤ 10-4-18.
6.	Grave Location. (a) Complete record required. (b) Name of Cemetery or Commune only required.	⑥ Grave 66. Cty-422 MIOMANDRE HOSP SUIPPES. MARINES.
7.	Who reported burial.	⑦ name req.
8.	Has report been confirmed by G.R.S.	⑧ Yes buried with body
9.	Report as to grave marker.	⑨ Yes on marker (not in)
10.	Report as to Identification Tags.	⑩ HOWARD J. ALLEN
11.	Who is nearest relative?	2108 MONTROSE AVE.
12.	Has M/R been notified? (Give Date)	CHICAGO, ILL.
13.	Report the exact position of your inquiry on this case. (Reply in all cases if no information on record)	⑪ no record.
14.	What is the Photograph No.?	

N.B. All Proper names to be printed in PLAIN BLOCK LETTERS.

Signal Corps, United States Army.  
Telegram.

Received at

18RSWM 76 0B

PARIS JUL 3 1919

CHIEF GRAVES REGISTRATION SERVICE

TOURS

WIRE RECEIVED THIS OFFICE FOR YOUR INFORMATION QUOTE OFF BOURGES 463  
35 2 14 H 30. CRO RC 2577 WIRE EMERGENCY ADDRESS PRIVATE LESTER W ALLEN  
NO 305886 FIFTH MARINES BURIED CEMETERY 422 GRAVE. 66 GRS 302 SHEET ONE  
STONE UNQUOTE G 94 M

BAIRD

1215P

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FROM : G.R.S. OFFICER, ~~XXXX~~ Tours.

FILE NUMBER 38877

TO : Chief, G.R.S. (Registration Branch), ~~XXXX~~

DATE 5/7/19

SUBJECT : Location, grave of:

NAME Allen, Lester W.

SERIAL NUMBER 305886

RANK Pvt

ORGANIZATION Co B 5th Marines

NO.	QUESTION	REPLY
1.	Do particulars of soldier given above agree with records?	1. Yes
2.	Date of death.	2. 10/3/18
3.	Grave Location:	3. Grave No. 66, Mionandre Hospital Cemetery, Salpêtré (MARNE)
4.	Who reported burial?	4. Chaplain G.A. Blais, 4th Inf.
5.	Confirmed by G.R.S.?	5. No
6.	How is grave marked?	6. Name Peg
7.	Identification tags:	7.
	(a) Buried with Body?	a. Yes
	(b) Attached to grave Marker?	b. Yes
8.	Emergency address:	8. Howard J. Allen, (Brother) 2108 Montrose Ave., Chicago, Illinois.
9.	Has above been notified? (Give Date)	9. Yes 5/13/19

REMARKS:

Requested by Cpl. John B. Sitts.

European address Hq. Det. A.S.C. APO #717.

Relationship to deceased Friend.

Checked by \_\_\_\_\_

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AMERICAN EXPEDITIONARY FORCES  
HEADQUARTERS SERVICES OF SUPPLY  
OFFICE OF THE CHIEF QUARTERMASTER, A.E.F.  
GRAVES REGISTRATION SERVICE

Reference-38877.

May 6, 1919

FROM : Chief, Graves Registration Service, American E.F.  
TO : H.J. Allen, 2108 Montrose Avenue, Chicago, Ill.  
SUBJECT: Pvt. Lester W. Allen, Co. B, 5th Marines, American E.F.

1. In reply to your letter of inquiry, with reference to the regretted death of this soldier, according to the records at these headquarters he is buried in Grave No. 66, Miomandre Hospital Cemetery at STUPPES, Department of MARNE.

By direction:

CHARLES C. PIERCE,  
Lieut.-Colonel, Q.M.C., U.S.A.

(Enclosure G.R.S.) Per  
( 10-B. 004,5.)

MAURICE B. DIX,  
Captain, American Red Cross  
Representative assigned to  
Graves Registration Service.

MBD-jej.

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By direction:

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Lieut.-Colonel, Q.M.C., U.S.A.

(Enclosure G.R.S.) Per  
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HEADQUARTERS SERVICES OF SUPPLY  
OFFICE OF THE CHIEF QUARTERMASTER, A.E.F.  
GRAVES REGISTRATION SERVICE..

Reference-38877.

April 11, 1919.

FROM : Chief, Graves Registration Service, American E.F.  
TO : Private George E. Kolf, Co. D, 106th Supply Train, APO  
705, American E.F.  
SUBJECT : Private Lester W. Allen, Co. B, 5th Marines,  
American E.F.

In reply to your letter of inquiry, with reference to the re-  
gretted death of this soldier, according to the records at these headquarters  
he is buried in Grave No. 66, Miomandre Hospital Cemetery, at STUPPES, Depart-  
ment of the MARNE. One identification tag is buried with the body, another  
being attached to grave marker.

By direction

CHARLES C. PIERCE,  
Lieut.-Colonel, Q.M.C., U.S.A.

(Enclosures-G.R.S.)  
(10-B, .004.5)

MBD-dn

Per MAURICE B. DIX,  
Captain, American Red Cross  
Representative assigned to  
Graves Registration Service.

TO:- REGISTRATION BRANCH, G.R.S.

FILE NUMBER 38877

FROM:- *AKC*

DATE 3/3/19

Please furnish information as indicated below regarding the following soldier:

NAME ALLEN

NUMBER 11005  
7442

RANK

ORGANIZATION 49 Co. 5th MAR.

NO.	QUESTION	REPLY
1.	Do particulars of soldier given above agree with Records?	1. ALLEN. 305886. Lester W. Pvt. Co. B, 5th Marines.
2.	Date of Death.	2. 10-3-18.
3.	Cause and place of death.	3. DWRIA.
4.	Number of Casualty Cablegram.	4. 296.
5.	Date buried.	5. 10-4-18.
6.	Grave Location. (a) Complete record required, (b) Name of Cemetery or Commune only required.	6. Grave #66, Miomandre Hosp. Cty. Suippes, Marnes. <i>H22</i>
7.	Who reported burial.	7. GRS officer
8.	Has report been confirmed by G.R.S.	8. yes
9.	Report as to Grave Marker.	9. Name-Peg.
10.	Report as to Identification Tags.	10. One buried with body. One attached to grave-marker.
11.	Who is nearest relative?	
12.	Has N/R been notified? (Give Date)	
13.	Report the exact position of your inquiry on this case. (Reply in all cases if no information on record)	
14.	What is the Photograph No.? N.B. All Proper names to be printed in PLAIN BLOCK LETTERS.	

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TO:- REGISTRATION BRANCH, G.R.S.

FILE NUMBER 34877

FROM:- A.R.C.

DATE: 3/19/19.

Please furnish information as indicated below regarding the following soldier:

NAME ALLEN LESTER,

NUMBER

RANK PVT.

ORGANIZATION

49th Co, 5th MAR.

NO.	QUESTION	REPLY
1.	Do particulars of soldier given above agree with Records?	① ALLEN LESTER W. Pvt Co B. 5th marines
2.	Date of Death.	② 10-3-18
3.	Cause and place of death.	③ WTA
4.	Number of Casualty Cablegram.	④ CC # 296
5.	Date buried.	⑤ 104-18
6.	Grave Location. (a) Complete record required. (b) Name of Cemetery or Commune only required.	⑥ City # 424 Kraus 66 MIOMANIRE HOSP SHIPPESIMARNES
7.	Who reported burial?	⑦ Chap G.A. BLAIS 4th Inf
8.	Has report been confirmed by G.R.S.?	⑧ yes
9.	Report as to Grave Marker.	⑨ cross
10.	Report as to Identification Tags.	⑩ no buried with body one attached to gun marker
11.	Who is nearest relative?	⑪ now in
12.	Has N/R been notified? (Give Date)	⑫ no.
13.	Report the exact position of your inquiry on this case. (Reply in all cases if no information on record)	
14.	What is the Photograph No.?	

N.B. All Proper names to be printed in PLAIN BLOCK LETTERS.

address is attached to form.  
K.S.G.

Capt. Dix  
Graves Registration Bureau  
APG 717.

AMERICAN RED CROSS.

Paris, Feb. 5,  
.....

Name of Soldier: Lester Allen

Rank: Private

Company: 49th

Regiment: 5th Marines

Forward Burial Report to  
"Bureau of Communication" for

Mrs. H. Baynes, 3322 N.  
Ashland Ave.,  
Chicago, Ill.

Burial report required for Paris.

ATD

TO: REGISTRATION BRANCH G.R.S.

FILE NUMBER

38877

FROM: A. R. C.

DATE:

3/12/19.

Please furnish information as indicated below regarding the following soldier:

NAME ALLEN, LESTER, W. NUMBER

RANK PVT. ORGANIZATION 49th Co. 5th MAR.

NO.	QUESTION	REPLY
1.	Do particulars of soldier given above agree with Records?	① Co. B. 5th MARINES
2.	Date of Death.	305886
3.	Cause and place of death.	② 10-3-18
4.	Number of Casualty Cablegram.	③ W/A
5.	Date buried.	④ C.C. # 296
6.	Grave Location. (a) Complete record required. (b) Name of Cemetery or Commune only required.	⑤ 10-4-18
7.	Who reported burial?	⑥ City # 422 GRAVE # 66
8.	Has report been confirmed by G.R.S?	City. MIO MANDRE HOSP.
9.	Report as to Grave Marker.	SUIPPES (MARNE)
10.	Report as to Identification Tags.	⑦ J. Blais 4th INF.
11.	Who is nearest relative?	⑧ YES
12.	Has N/R been notified? (Give Date)	⑨ NP.
13.	Report the exact position of your inquiry on this case. (Reply in all cases if no information on record)	⑩ one on body. one on grave marker.
14.	What is the Photograph No?	⑪ not given ⑫ no.

N.B. All Proper names to be printed in PLAIN BLOCK LETTERS.

Chicago Ill  
March 1st 1919

Dear Sir.

Kindly furnish my  
brothers grave number also  
location. We received a  
notice from the War Dept  
that he died of wounds on Oct 3rd or 4th  
near St Etienne.

He belonged to 49th Co. 3rd Batt.  
5th Reg. U.S. M.C. His draft  
number 1605 serial # 2442 Local  
Board # 59 District of Chicago and  
enlisted in the Marines in January  
1918. Thanking you for your  
efforts I remain yours truly.  
2108 Montrose Ave. Howard J. Allen



Camp De Souge, France.  
February 24, 1919.

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Chief of Grave Registration Section.  
A.E.F. A.P.O.

Request that I be furnished information in regard to the place, number of grave and cemetery of Private Lester W. Allen, 49th Company, 5th Regiment, Marine Corps, Wounded at Chateau-Thierry and died about October 23rd, 1918.

This information is for the benefit of his family who have requested me to get same for them.

*Geo E. Kolf*  
Private George E. KOLF,  
Co. D. 106th Supply Train.  
American E.F. A.P.O. 705.

O.K.

*J. H. Blaker*  
1st. Lieut. Commanding  
Company D. 106th Supply Train.

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AMERICAN EXPEDITIONARY FORCES  
HEADQUARTERS SERVICES OF SUPPLY  
OFFICE OF THE CHIEF QUARTERMASTER, A. E. F.  
GRAVES REGISTRATION SERVICE  
FRANCE

Burial information for the American Red Cross.  
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Soldier's name :           **Allen, Lester W.**

Rank :                       **Private**

Organization :           **Co. B., 5th Marines**

Date of Death :           **10-3-18**

Place of Burial :         **grave #66, in the Miomandre  
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