

GRAVE LOCATION BLANK

LOCATION OF THE GRAVE OF

Ames, **Oliver**
(Surname.) (Number.) (First Name and Initials.)

Lt., **Adj 1st Bn** **165th Inf**
(Rank.) (Organization.)

DATE OF BURIAL **Aug 4 1918**

PLACE OF BURIAL **Seringes, Alsie**
(Give Cemetery, Town and Department.) Map reference must specify clearly what map is used.

South edge of Bois Colas 10 Feet

GRAVE NUMBER

HOW MARKED: Name Peg? **Yes** Cross?

Headboard? Bottle?

IDENTIFICATION TAGS:

Was one buried with body? **no** **Yes**

Was one fastened to name peg or stake used as a grave marker? **no**

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

REPORTED BY: **Francis P Duffy**
Chaplain, 165th Inf

(Signature and Rank of Reporting Officer.)

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

To The A. G. O.

G.R.S. Form #114-B

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FULL NAME AMES, Oliver, Jr. *Sobrig*

RANK 2nd Lieutenant SERIAL.....

DIVISION & ORGANIZATION Company A, 165th Infantry ✓ *42 d Div*

DATE OF DEATH..... *7/29/18* July 28/18 ✓

STATE FROM WHICH HE CAME..... *Massachusetts* ✓

MEDALS OR DECORATIONS AWARDED. *D.S.O.* ✓

FINAL GRAVE LOCATION.....
Date Grave Row Block

608
Cemetery

Mother & Widow

2 A.G.O.
DEC 23 1925

AUDITED BY
B.W. 6/4/24

Robert C. Davis,
Major General
The Adjutant General
Be *R.W.*

23/306/ARK

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42 Div.

AMES, Oliver. Lt. or Capt.

Killed July 28, 1918.

Killed at Chat eau Thierry-H. F. shell. Instantly killed.
Buried in separate grave.

Informant: CORBETT, Patrick. Pvt.
Camp 1, St. Nazaire.
Co. C, 165 Inf.

Home: 270 W. 153 St., New York City.
Jan. 3, 1919.

AS

Edith E. Metcalf - Search er.

Inquirers: 1. Prince (Personal)
2. Maj. Perkins (London).

42 Div.

AMES, Oliver. Lt. or Capt.

Killed July 28, 1918.

Lt. Ames is buried at Chateau Thierry near the Ourcq next to Sgt. Kilmer. Just these two graves are right together near a small woods at the foot of a hill. I know ~~EXXX~~ the place right well and ~~KKKXX~~ looked after the grave the last time we were up there. Lt. Ames was killed instantly by a machine gun bullet. He was the only Ames we had in the regiment and was battalion adjutant. He was a Jewish-looking type, about 5 ft. 9 in. tall with dark, curly hair. The grave is marked all right and we made a mound about 4 inches above level.

Informant: MCARCLIFFE, John E. Sgt. 89493.
Hosp. #36.
Co. C, 165 Inf.
Home: 420 E. 137th St., Bronx, New York City.
Dec. 15, 1918.

AS. Carreta H. Busey - Searcher.
Inquirers: 1. Prince (Personal)
2. Maj. Perkins (London)

42 Div.

AMES, Oliver. Lt. or Capt.

Killed July 28, 1918.

Lt. Ames had been with Co. A but was transferred to Hdq. Co. He was with Maj. Donivan, when he received a bullet wound, killing him instantly. Maj. Donivan was wounded at the same time. This was near Mercy Farms-Chateau Thierry Front. He was temporarily buried here - later he was reburied in the same neighborhood on a hillside with other American soldiers-grave marked with tag, and an inscription to the effect that he was a good soldier. Mercy & Farms was captured, making it possible to bury American dead there. Lt. Ames and Major Donavan had great faith in each other.

Informant: VAN ARSDALE, Alanson. Sgt. 89227
BH #60.
Co. A, 165 Inf.
Home: 202 W. 40th St., New York City
Jan. 8, 1919.

AS. Evalina Harris - Searcher.
Inquirers: 1. Prince (Personal)
2. Maj. Perkins (London)

Killed July 28, 1918.

Informant saw him killed at Chat eau Thierry July 27th about 10 or 11 o'clock. Killed instantly. Probably buried in American burying ground. He was a battalion adjutant.

Informant: SQUIRE, Frank H. Sgt.
Camp 1,
M. G. Co., 165 Inf.
Home: Brooklyn, N. Y.
Jan. 4, 1919.

AS. E. D. Woodbridge - Searcher.
Inquirers: 1. Prince (Personal)
2. Maj. Perkins (London)

Killed July 28, 1918.

"We had just passed Chateau Thierry, and were in the rear of the woods of Collis, in the river Ourcq sector. The Lt. and Maj. Wm. J. Donovan and Sgt. Joyce went out from the woods to locate machine gun nests, and a machine gun sniper got him and the Sgt. I saw them hit, and they both were killed outright. His body was picked up the next day, and the day after I helped to bury him and the Sgt, where they fell, in front of Collis woods. The Lt. was shot right through the head. Maj. Donovan could tell the whole story. He was the only of the three to get back. The Lt. was loved by all the men. We called him "Gentleman Ames."

Excellent.

Informant: HEROLD, E. J.
Conv. Camp., APO #767.
Co. C, 165 Inf.
Home: 107 East 85th St., N. Y. City
Dec. 12, 1919.

AS.

Eleanor Vinton Jacob - Searder.

Inquirers: 1. Prince(Personal)
2. Maj. Perkins(London)

42 Div.

AMES, Oliver. Lt. or Capt.

Killed July 28, 1918.

Informant saw him killed at Chateau Thierry near the Ourcq River. Informant was about twenty yards away. Ames was killed at once by machine gun shot.

Informant: CASEY, T. J. 896112.
Camp 1,
Co. C, 165 Inf.
Home: 222 E. 76 St., N. Y. City.
Dec. 21, 1918.

AS.

Inquirers: 1. Prince(Personal)
2. Maj. Perkins(London)

Killed July I&XXIX 28, 1918.

"Lt. Ames was killed in action during an attack at Ferme de Meurcy, July 29th about one o'clock P. M.; at the time he was directing the Liaison of the battalion (he was the battalion adjutant) and was standing on the bank of the river Ourcq. He got amachine gun bullet in the head, was buried at the western end of Bois de Colas (near Villa Soufere) and about fifteen miles north of Chateau Thierry by way of the Chateau Thierry Soissons road. He was dark and snort and we used to call him "Ollie." He was from Boston, I think, and very well liked by the men. His death was instantaneous. The ground fought on that day was held. I was right behind him when he was shot. "

McKinney who gave me this account, seems to be a very intelligent fellow.

Informant: MCKINNEY, Joseph. 89077.
Hosp. #8.
Co. A, 165 Inf.
Home: 1430 57th St., Brooklyn, N.Y.
Dec. 5, 1918.

AS.

Roberta F. Fletcher - Searcher.

Inquirers: 1. Prince (Personal)
2. Maj. Perkins (London)

42 Div.

AMES, Oliver. Lt. or Capt.

Killed July 28, 1918.

Lt. Ames was killed by machine gun fire July 29, 1918 at the Ourcq River near Mercie Farm, buried on the right hand side of the Creek (facing its source) that empties into the Ourcq at that ~~KK~~ place. No Chaplain-rough cross-and buried along Sgt. _____ who was poet for the N.Y. Times and wrote a poem about the boys killed at Rogné Boquet.

Informant: MALLEN, Wm. Sgt. Maj.
Camp 1:
Co. A, 165 Inf.

Home: Jan. 30, 1919.

AS.

J. F. Schenck - Searcher.

Inquirers: 1. Prince (Personal)
2. Maj. Perkins (London)

42 Div.

AMES, Oliver. Lt. or Capt.

Killed July 28, 1918.

Lt. Ames was instantly killed by a sniper bullet at the Ourcq River. He was buried near there and the grave marked with cross and disc. His name is on the cross.

5 ft. 8 in., heavy set, dark hair and eyes. I knew him eight months. He was a Harvard graduate; twenty-two years old. No other Ames in the company. Christian name Jim.

Informant: O'CONNELL, Edward J. Sgt. 89522.
Am. H. C., Le Mans
Co. C, 165 Inf.

Home: 2322 Cambreling Ave., N. Y. City.
Jan. 28, 1919.

Mary H. Carroll - Searcher.

AS.

Inquirers: 1. Prince(Personal)
2. ~~RHKKK~~ Maj. Perkins(London)

Killed July 28, 1918.

Lt. Ames was killed instantly by a machine gun bullet. He was attached to 1st Battalion Headquarters; an adjutant at the time he was killed across the Ourcq. He was buried next to Joyce Kilmer. Grave is marked by cross and name.

Medium build, slim, light complexion, ~~XXXX~~ smooth shaven. I had known him about a month.

Informant: CARMEN, Charles. Cpl. 88436.
Am. E. C., Le Mans.
Hqrs. Co., 165 Inf.
Home: Rockaway Beach, L. I., N. Y.
Jan. 18, 1919.

AS. V. Coppinger - Searcher.
Inquirers: 1. Prince (Personal)
2. Maj. Perkins (London)

Killed July 28, 1918.

Lt. Ames was killed in action at Chateau Thierry. He was killed by a machine gun bullet. He came from Boston. He was adj. at the time of his death. He was killed along side of Major Donovan. All the men liked him.

Informant: DUBOIS, Arthur. Corp. 89062.
Kosp. 114.
Co. A, 165 Inf.
Home: 1405 Amsterdam Ave., N. Y. City.
Jan. 13, 1919.

AS. M. H. Jackson - Searcher.
Inquirers: 1. Prince (Personal)
2. Maj. Perkins (London)

42 Div.

AMES, Oliver. Lt. or Capt.

Killed July 28, 1918.

Lt. Ames was killed instantly by a bullet in the head at Chateau Thierry at the Ourcq River. An account of this appeared in the Literary Digest

5 ft., 7 in., dark complexion and eyes. Harvard graduate. Chaplain Duffy knows the ~~AMES~~ details. I had known him eight months

Informant: ROSELL, Spencer C. Sgt. 89014.
 Am. E. C., Le Mans.
 Co. A, 165 Inf.
Home: 992 E. 8th St., Brooklyn, N. Y.
 Jan. 17, 1919

AS.

V. Coppinger - Searcher.

Inquirers: 1. Prince (Personal)
 2. Maj. Perkins (London)

42 Div.

AMES, Oliver, Lt. or Capt.

Killed in Action July 28, 1918.

Was killed by a machine gun bullet in the head while on a hill overlooking Merci Farm, Chateau Thierry. He was standing there with Major Donovan to oversee what was going on. His grave is on a hill and is next to that of Sgt. Joyce Kilmer's, marked. He was the best liked fellow in the crowd, a prince, afraid of nothing.

Informant: SCHEFFLER, Edward Lt.
Camp Pontanezen
Co. K, 165 Inf.

Home: 1143 N. Robey St., Chicago, Ill.
Feb. 14, 1919.

AS

F. C. Burrell - Searcher.

Inquirers: 1. Prince (Personal)
2. Maj. Perkins (London)

42nd Div.

AMES, Oliver

Lt. or Cpt.

Killed July 28th

Lt. Oliver Ames was killed at Chateau Thierry around July 26th. Lt. Baldwin was killed at the same time. I was standing by Ames when he was killed. He was killed by a sniper's bullet and shell and everything, there was gas there; it is hard to tell how he was killed; died instantly. We were just on the Mercy Farms. I do not know anything about where he was buried. The Germans were shelling us pretty heavily. Lt. Ames was the best liked man in the whole outfit. He was the most gentlemanly man I ever knew in my life. He was with the headquarters company with Major (now Colonel) Donovan at the time. The Col. cried like a baby when he was killed, thought so much of him. He simply could not get over his death, he felt it so keenly.

Informant: Thorne, Fred PFC 89226
Kerhuon Hospital Center
165th Inf.
Home: 1046 Tollar Ave. Shanborn, Bronx NY
Feb. 9, 1919

BO

Grace Morse, Searcher.

Enquirers: Prince (personal)
Maj. Perkins (London)

42nd Div.

AMES OLIVER LT. of Cpt.

Killed July 28th

2nd Lt. Oliver Ames was killed July 29th near Seringes at Nesles, about 20 kilos from Chateau Thierry. It was in the daytime. We were advancing. I was about 100 to 150 yards away from him. He was acting as Battalion Adjutant and was either taking a message or writing one when he was struck by a machine gun bullet. He was buried near Meurcy Farms. I saw his grave. It was marked with a cross and his tag. Our Chaplain, Father Duffy; helped bury him. Just before his death he was getting ready to go to officers' training school to get his commission as first lieutenant. He was a very good man and a very fine man; only about twenty-two years old. Lt. Ames' father is a big banker in Boston.

Informant: Thynne, Patrick J. 89096
Co. A, 165th Inf.
Kerhuon Hospital Center
Home: 344 E. 51st St., NYC
Feb. 17, 1919

Josephine Sherzer, Searcher.

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Enquirers: Prince (personal)
Major Perkins (London)

42 Div.

AMES, Oliver. Lt. or Capt.

Killed July 28, 1918.

Andrews says, "Ames was Adjutant of the Battalion and was killed near Ourcq River July 28, instantly. Not eye witness, was told by men of company. He was much loved by men of company; he was always working; always going out of his way to do service for his men. He saw that his men were well dressed always; he attended to all their comforts, he got their mail if they had not received it; he saw that their food was sufficient and promptly served. He was called "prince" by his men. The attack in which Ames was killed was on Ourcq River-in the effort to straighten the line between Rheims and Soissons. As adjutant, Ames had to handle all the orders and he was loved by his Major. Probably buried where he fell. Did not see grave.

Informant: ANDREWS, George. Jr. 89051.
ARC MH #5.
Co. A; 165 Inf.
Home: 57 W. Pierrepoint Ave., Rutherford,
N.J.
Nov., 1918.
Harriet Whittier - Searcher.

AS.

Inquirers: 1. Prince (Personal)
2. Maj. Perkins (London)

42 Div.

Killed July 28, 1918.

On July 28th, Lt. Ames was leading his battalion in an attack near Marc Mercy Farm on Ourcq River. He had just given a message to Lorelli, who was runner for the company, concerning the objective point they were to try to reach, when a sniper or a M. G. B. struck Ames in the head and he was killed instantly. He was temporarily buried after dark the same day, where he fell. The attack was successful. After they had advanced 10 kilometers, they returned, got Lt. Ames and Quentin Roosevelt who had been buried near by, carried them to Fare-en-Tarden- cis where special graves were made for each, and Father Duffy gave them a special service. Thirty Privates were buried near by at the same time. A detail group of men, ~~sent~~ out for work, about 30 or 50, witnessed burial. His Major said, "Sure just the finest adjutant in the army," and there were tears in his eyes.

Lt. Ames was greatly liked by his men. He cared for them and played for them. Often they played base ball, Ames offering 10 francs if they would knock him out. They never could, but Ames would give the ten francs just the same. When they were in Bacaret, Ames went to "school" for about three weeks. He was much missed, and warmly welcomed when he returned. The Major was very fond of him.

Informant:

LORELLI, Peter. Pvt. 89075.
 Paris (23 rue Boissonade)
 Co. A, 165 Inf.
 333 Second Ave., N. Y. City.
 Dec. 13, 1919.

AS.

Inquirers: 1. Prince (Personal)
 2. Maj. Perkins (London) Home:

Harriet Whittier - Searcher.

42 Div.

AMES, Oliver. Lt. or Capt.

Killed July 28, 1918.

" Lieut, Ames was killed by a machine gun bullet about July 28 near Ferme-d-Meurcey and was at the time acting adjutant of first battalion 165 Inf.

He was about 5 ft. 8 in., well built, handsome man, black hair, dark eyes. "

" Consider information reliable. "

Informant: JONES, S. W. Sgt. Maj. 89750.
Camp Hosp. #101.
165 Inf.
Home: 1506 Miller St., Utica, N. Y.
Feb. 5, 1919.

Lt. W. W. Barnett - Searcher.

AS.
Inquirers: 1. Prince (Personal)
2. Maj. Perkins (London.)

42 Div.

AMES, Oliver. Lt. or Capt.

Killed July 28, 1918.

Lt. Oliver Ames came from Boston, Mass. He was Adjutant to Major Donovan. I did not see him killed but I saw his grave. It was near the grave of Quentin Roosevelt, at Fere-en-Tardenois Plateau, this side of Mercy Farm, and was marked with a wooden cross and hid identification tag. He was buried by a detail from M Company. He was a prince of a fellow, anything fine anyone could say would apply to him. He was a wonderful man. I used to be his Liaison man at the Lorraine front, outside of Luneville. He was always a good soldier. The boys in his company thought he was a perfect wonder. "

Informant: LYNCH, Samuel Pvt. 89076.

BH #65.

Co. A, 165 Inf.

Home: 156 Canal St., Stapleton, Staten
Island, N. Y.

Feb. 2, 1919.

Beulah Whitney - Searcher.

AS.

Inquirers: 1. Prince (Personal)
2. Maj. Perkins (London)

Killed July 28, 1918.

Cpl. Wm. R. Gordon of Co. C, 165 Inf., (serial #89,716) of 45 Sherman Place, Long Island City, N. Y. reports he saw Lt. Oliver Ames Adj First Batt., 165 Inf. shot in forehead M. G. on July 28, 1918 and saw him die instantly. Says Lt. Ames was buried in the cemetery near "Mercy Farm", in Chateau Thierry. Saw his grave after the 165 Infantry came out. Says Lt. Ames was a young man about 25 years old, that he had light complexion, that Lt. Ames had been with the Battalion ever since they came over to France, that he was Adjutant to Maj. Donovan with New York City men.

Informant: GORDON, Wm. R. Cpl. 89716.
Co. C, 165 Inf.
BH #104.
Home: 45 Sherman Place, Long Island
City,
Jan. 23, 1919.

AS. Jane Holton - Searcher.
Inquirers: 1. Prince (Personal)
2. Maj. Perkins (London.)

42 Div.

AMES, Oliver. Lt. or Capt.

Killed July 28, 1918.

"It was the morning of July 19 when we were going forward at the River Ourcq. Ames was bringing word to move back off a hill when he was killed instantly by a shell. He was from N. Y. City. Lieut. Delacour told me this."

Informant: MORRY, Ernest S. Sgt. 88863.
BH #65.

Home: M. G. Co., 165 Inf.
Hotel Manhattan, New York City.
Dec. 28, 1918.

AS. Beulah Whitney - Search er.
Inquirers: 1. Prince (Personal)
2. Maj. Perkins (London)



REPORT OF DISINTERMENT AND REBURIAL

Place Seringes-et-Nesles, Aisne

Date Apr. 26/21

1. REMAINS OF AMES, OLIVER, SERIAL NUMBER ----
RANK 2nd Lt. ORGANIZATION Co. A, 165th Inf.

2. Disinterred (date): Apr. 26/21. From (give complete location): Seringes-et-Nesles Amer. Cty. #608. Gr. 147-N-3

By: Group Bowes Unit -----

3. Reburied (date): Same date In (give complete location): Same cemetery Gr. 102-N-3

By: Group Bowes Unit ----- Nature of reburial Box & burlap

4. Report as to nature of original burial and condition of body upon disinterment:
U S uniform, burlap and 5 ft. earthen grave, decomposed, unrecognizable

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

(b) Other means of identification found upon disinterment, and general remarks:
Officers uniform, collar ornaments " 165-Crossed rifles-U S N A"

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 "

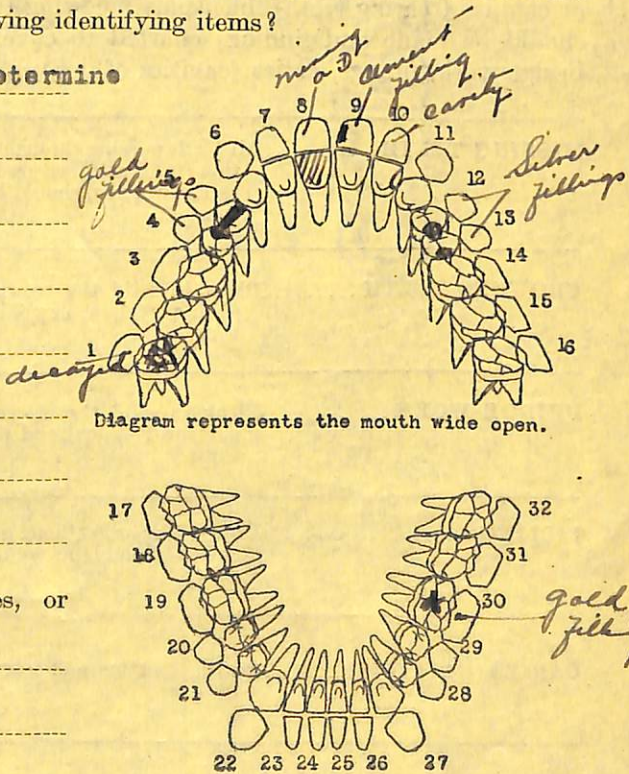
(d) Hair on face—Color "

Location "

Quantity "

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

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



7. Disinterment supervised by John G. Bowes, S.E.

Approved: J J Powers
(Title) J J Powers, 1st Lt. QMC.

8. Reburial supervised by John G. Bowes, S.E.

Approved: J J Powers
(Title) J J Powers, 1st Lt. QMC.

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Congress of the United States
House of Representatives
Washington, D. C.

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February 25, 1929

Quartermaster General,
War Department,
Washington,
D. C.

293 Ames, Oliver
293 Quartermaster General
291 Quartermaster General
K. S. ...

Dear Sir:-

I am writing to you at this time on behalf of a constituent of mine, Mr. Oliver Ames of North Easton, Massachusetts who desires to purchase from the United States Government two of the marble crosses similiar to those they are placing over the soldiers' graves in the military cemeteries in France.

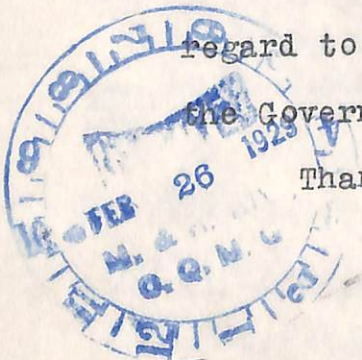
Mr. Ames informs me that he wishes to buy one of the crosses for a memorial stone to place in his family lot in the North Easton Cemetery in memory of his son, 2nd Lieutenant Oliver Ames, Jr., 165th U. S. Infantry, who is buried in the Oise-Aisne Cemetery at Seringes-et-Nesler, France, and he would like a second cross to present to the parents of another North Easton boy, 1st Lieutenant George S. Shepard, Company C, 18th Infantry, who is buried at Bony.

Any information which you may be able to furnish me with in regard to the possibility of Mr. Ames obtaining the crosses from the Government or otherwise, will be appreciated.

Thanking you for your kindness, believe me

Sincerely yours,

R. B. Wigglesworth



WAR DEPARTMENT

OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL OF THE ARMY

CEMETERIAL DIVISION

WASHINGTON

Hoboken, N.J.

FROM: Chief, Cemeterial Division, O. Q. M. G.

FEB 1 1921

To: *Carolene L. 100 Essex Rd., Chestnut Hill*
Mrs. Oliver Ames, 96 Ames Bldg., Boston, Mass.

SUBJECT: Remains of 2nd Lieut. Oliver Ames, Co. A, 165th Inf.

The records of this office show that you have requested that the body of the above-named soldier remain in Europe.

no charge

If these are not the correct instructions, please correct them. Make corrections on reverse side of this sheet.

The nearest next of kin may choose between, (1) return of the body to any address in the United States; (2) interment in the National Cemetery, Arlington, Va., or any other National Cemetery; or (3) body to remain in Europe.

By authority of the Quartermaster General.

CHARLES C. PIERCE,
Lieut. Colonel, U. S. Army.

If all blank spaces below are not filled out, it will necessitate a return of this paper and a SERIOUS DELAY in the shipment of this body. State in each case WHETHER or not these relatives are STILL LIVING.

Was soldier married? *Yes*

NAME OF—	NO. AND STREET.	TOWN.	STATE.
Soldier's widow	<i>Carolene Lee Ames 100 Essex Rd.</i>	<i>Newton</i>	<i>Mass</i>
Soldier's children. (Name oldest first.)	1 <i>Oliver Ames Chestnut Hill</i>		
	2		
	3		
Father	<i>O. Liver Ames</i>	<i>North Easton</i>	<i>Mass</i>
Mother	<i>Elise West Ames</i>		
Brothers. (Name oldest first.)	1 <i>Richard Ames</i>	"	"
	2		
	3		
Sisters. (Name oldest first.)	1 <i>Elise Ames Parker 130 Marlborough St.</i>	<i>Boston</i>	<i>Mass</i>
	2 <i>Oliver Ames</i>	<i>North Easton</i>	<i>Mass</i>
	3		

MAILED 2/15/21

Date *February 1st 1921*

Signature *Carolene L. Ames*

Address *100 Essex Rd. Chestnut Hill Mass*

Relationship *Wife*

February 2nd, 1921

I, the undersigned, am the wife and nearest living next of kin of the within-named soldier, and desire the following disposition of his remains, viz: (Strike out all except the one showing the disposition desired.)

1. ~~As stated on first page of this sheet.~~

2. ~~To be returned to the U. S. and shipped to~~ _____

(Name.)

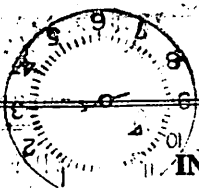
(R. R. station.)

(State.)

3. ~~To be returned to the U. S. and buried in~~ _____

National Cemetery.

4. To remain in Europe for burial in a permanent American Cemetery.



Signature Caroline L. Ames

INSTRUCTIONS FOR FILING OUT.

CORRESPONDENCE BRANCH

1. If definite instructions for the disposition of a body are not received from the next of kin within two weeks of its arrival at New York, burial will be made without further notice in the World War Section of Arlington National Cemetery.

2. The transfer of bodies will be made ENTIRELY at Government expense.

3. This paper **MUST BE SIGNED BY THE PERSON WHO IS THE NEXT OF KIN IN THE ORDER** shown in the square on the other side of this sheet.

4. This paper must be returned showing the name and address of each of the nearest next of kin in the spaces provided therefor on the other side of this sheet.

5. If there are minor children of the deceased soldier and no widow, the LEGALLY APPOINTED GUARDIAN of the children should ascertain their wishes and act for them in this matter.

6. If YOU are not the nearest next of kin, please ask the nearest next of kin, if living near you, to fill out this paper.

7. If YOU are not the nearest living next of kin and do not know who or where the nearest relatives are, please fill out this paper AT ONCE and mail to this office.

8. You are requested to return this paper AT ONCE in order to avoid delay in the case of this body.

9. Use the inclosed envelope—pay no postage.

NOTE.—INSTRUCTIONS FOR THE DISPOSITION OF REMAINS will be issued by this office upon the properly executed authority of the legal next of kin in each case. The widow is the first person having disposition of the remains of her husband. Should there be no widow or children, the father and, in turn (upon his decease), the mother, is the proper authority. The brothers, in order of seniority, and then the sisters in order of seniority, if there are no brothers, rank next in authority to decide. Under an opinion rendered by the Judge Advocate General of the Army, if a widow has remarried she forfeits her right, and the next of kin as given above will make decision.

CODE SLIP

HEADING	SUB-HEADING	NO. OF COLS	CODE
NAME	<i>Ames, Jr.</i>	3	1 0 5
	<i>Oliver</i>		
BURIED	CEMETERY <i>608</i>	1	2
	GRAVE <i>7</i>	2	07
	ROW <i>3</i>	2	03
	BLOCK <i>9</i>	1	1
STATE	<i>Mass.</i>	2	25
RANK	<i>2nd Lt.</i>	1	1
DIVISION	<i>42</i>	2	42
ORGANIZATION	<i>165</i>	3	165
ARM	<i>Inf</i>	1	1
MARTIAL	<i>Remarried</i>	1	3
NAME	<i>Ames</i>	3	1 3 5
	<i>Mr. Elise M.</i>		
RESIDENCE	STATE <i>Mass</i>	2	25
	COUNTY <i>Bristol</i>	2	03
	CITY <i>N. Easton</i>	3	043
RELATION	<i>Mother</i>	1	1
OTHER		1	
ELIGIBILITY	<i>yes</i>	1	1
NATIVITY		1	
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WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-M
Ames, Oliver Jr. (OA)

July 9, 1932.

Mrs. Elise Ames,
North Easton,
Mass.

Dear Madam:

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

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

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

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

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

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,


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

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DO YOU DESIRE TO MAKE A PILGRIMAGE DURING THE YEAR 1933? No

(Write answer here)

(Sign here) Elise Ames (WTS)

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM-293-AM
Ames, Oliver Jr. (OA) M
2nd Lt.

June 20, 1931

Mrs. Elise Ames,
North Easton, Mass.

Dear Madam:

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

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

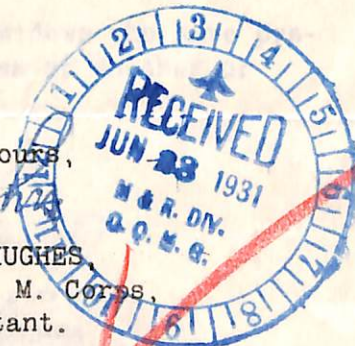
As soon as you have answered the question, please sign your name and return this sheet in the enclosed addressed envelope which requires no postage. Do not delay, as a prompt reply is essential.

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

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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



DO YOU DESIRE TO MAKE A PILGRIMAGE DURING THE YEAR 1932? No

Write answer here

(Mrs) Elise B. Ames
Sign here

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

July 9, 1930

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-M

Ames, Oliver, Jr. 608-W

Mrs. Caroline Lee Ames
100 Essex Rd., Chestnut Hill
Newton, Mass.

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Dear Madam:

The Act of March 2, 1929 excluded from its benefits those mothers and widows who had made former visits to the graves of their loved ones in Europe. On May 15, 1930 that Act was amended to remove this restriction. Therefore, you are now eligible to make the pilgrimage at the expense of the Government.

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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 have previously visited their sons' or husbands' graves, regardless of whether or not they have expressed a desire to make the pilgrimage.

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

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

(Write answer here)

Caroline Lee Ames) Bigelow
(Sign here)

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OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

June 7, 1930.

Ames, Oliver, Jr. -608 M

ELISE

Mrs. ~~Elsie~~ Ames,
North Easton, Mass.

Dear Madam:

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

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

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

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

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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



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

(Write answer here)

(875) Elsie W. Ames

(Sign here)

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

October 7 , 1929.

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C
Ames, Oliver Jr. 608 M

(*ELISE*)
Mrs. Elsie Ames,
North Easton, Mass.

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.

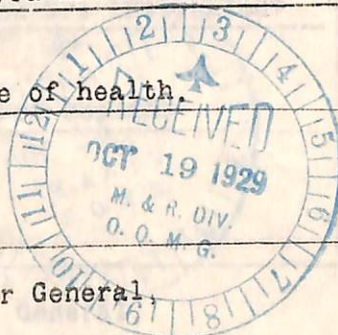
1. Do you desire to make this pilgrimage if eligible?	(Yes)	(No)
2. Do you desire to make the pilgrimage in the calendar year 1930?	(Yes)	(No)
3. Have you at any time made a previous visit to the grave of the deceased member of the military or naval forces in whom you are interested?	(Yes)	(No)
4. Please give your age and state of health.	Age <u>2</u> Health (Years) (Good) (Poor)	
5. What language do you speak?	English - (Yes) (No) 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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OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
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IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C
Ames, Oliver Jr. 608 W

October 7, 1929.

Mrs. Caroline L. Ames,
100 Essex Rd., Chestnut Hill,
Newton, Mass.

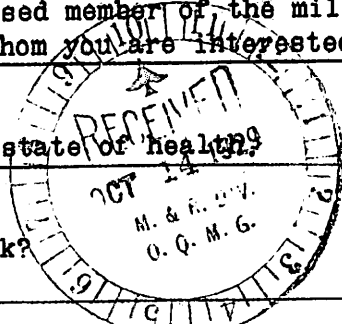
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In order that the report referred to may be made and plans completed for conducting the pilgrimages, it is requested that you answer the following questions by filling out the blanks left therefor and return the letter to this office by return mail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

1. Do you desire to make this pilgrimage if eligible?	(Yes)	(No) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 2
2. Do you desire to make the pilgrimage in the calendar year 1930?	(Yes)	(No) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
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) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
4. Please give your age and state of health?	Age <u>36</u> Health <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	(Years) (Good) (Poor) 36
5. What language do you speak?	<u>English</u> - (Yes) (No)	Other language (Specify language spoken) 1



For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

John T. Harris
JOHN T. HARRIS,
Major, Q. M. Corps,
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Please do not send anyone of these notices as I intend to go Privately.

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

Ames, Oliver, Jr.
608

Aug. 27, 1929

Mrs. Elsie W. Ames,
North Easton, Mass.

*Mrs Ames
is not
interested*

Dear Madam:

The records of this office do not indicate that a reply has been received to our communication dated June 20, 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?

Write answers in space below

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.

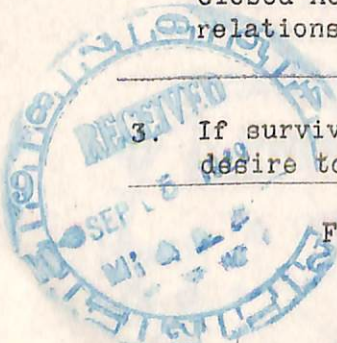
3. If survived by a widow or mother does she desire to make the pilgrimage?

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

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OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
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IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

Ames, Oliver, Jr.
608

Aug. 27, 1929.

Mrs. Caroline Lee Ames,
100 Essex Road, Chestnut Hill,
Newton, Mass.

Dear Madam:

The records of this office do not indicate that a reply has been received to our communication dated June 20, 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.

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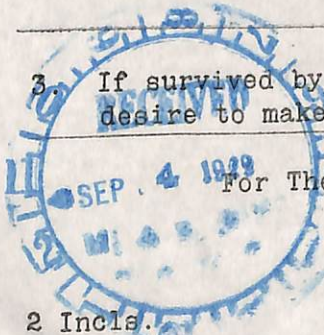
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For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,


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

June 20, 1929.

Ames, Oliver, Jr.

Mrs. Elsie W. Ames,
North Easton, Mass.

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 Second Lieutenant Oliver Ames, Jr. Co. A, 165th Inf. whose remains are now interred in the Oise Aisne American Cemetery, Seringes-et-Nesles, Aisne, France.

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

In the event your son was survived by a widow who has since re-married 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,

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

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OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

~~Ans., Oliver, Jr.~~

June 20, 1929.

Mrs. Caroline Lee Ans.,
100 Essex Road, Chestnut Hill,
Boston, Mass.

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".

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Will you please advise this office whether or not he is survived by a mother 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.

Your attention is particularly invited to Section 4 of the enclosed Act, which defines the terms "mother" and "widow". If the relationship is that of a stepmother, mother through adoption or a woman who stood in loco parentis to the decedent, a statement as to her relationship is requested. In case you have remarried it is also 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,

JOHN T. HARRIS,
Major, Q. M. Corps,
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OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-M

Ames, Oliver Jr. (OA)

July 9, 1932.

Mrs. Elise Ames,
North Easton,
Mass.

Dear Madam:

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

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

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

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

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For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

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

(Write answer here)

(Sign here) _____

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

June 20, 1931

IN REPLY REFER TO QM-293-AM
Ames, Oliver Jr. (DA) M
2nd Lt.

Mrs. Elise Ames,
North Easton, Mass.

Dear Madam:

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

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

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

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

DO YOU DESIRE TO MAKE A PILGRIMAGE DURING THE YEAR 1932? _____
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OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

July 9, 1930

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-M

Ames, Oliver, Jr. 608-W

Mrs. Caroline Lee Ames
100 Essex Rd., Chestnut Hill
Newton, Mass.

Dear Madam:

The Act of March 2, 1929 excluded from its benefits those mothers and widows who had made former visits to the graves of their loved ones in Europe. On May 15, 1930 that Act was amended to remove this restriction. Therefore, you are now eligible to make the pilgrimage at the expense of the Government.

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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)

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IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

June 7, 1930.

Ames, Oliver, Jr. -608 M

Mrs. Elsie Ames,
North Easton, Mass.

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

October 7, 1929.

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

Ames, Oliver Jr. 608 W

**Mrs. Carolina L. Amos,
100 Essex Rd., Chestnut Hill,
Newton, Mass.**

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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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
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IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C
Ames, Oliver Jf. 608 M

October 7 , 1929.

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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

Ames, Oliver, Jr.
808

Aug. 27, 1929.

Mrs. Caroline Lee Ames,
100 Essex Road, Chestnut Hill,
Newton, Mass.

Dear Madam:

The records of this office do not indicate that a reply has been received to our communication dated ~~June 20, 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?

Write answers in space below

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,

2 Incls.
Act of Congress
Envelope

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

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

Ames, Oliver, Jr.
608

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IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

Anes, Oliver, Jr.

June 20, 1929.

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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 **Second Lieutenant Oliver Anes, Jr. Co. A, 165th Inf. whose remains are now interred in the Oise Aisne American Cemetery, Seringes-et-Nesles, Aisne, France.**

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

In the event your son was survived by a widow who has since re-married 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,

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Act of Congress.
Envelope.

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

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

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Your attention is particularly invited to Section 4 of the enclosed Act, which defines the terms "mother" and "widow". If the relationship is that of a stepmother, mother through adoption or a woman who stood in loco parentis to the decedent, a statement as to her relationship is requested. In case you have remarried it is also 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,

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Act of Congress.
Envelope.

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

QM 293 A-C
Ames, Oliver Jr.

February 27, 1929.

+ 201 Hon: Richard B. Wigglesworth,
House of Representatives,
Washington, D. C.

My dear Mr. Wigglesworth:

Receipt is acknowledged of your letter of February 25th, 1929, in behalf of Mr. Oliver Ames of North Easton, Massachusetts, who is desirous of purchasing two marble crosses similar to those placed in the American military cemeteries abroad, for erection as memorials to his son, the late 2nd Lieutenant Oliver Ames, Jr., 165th Infantry and to 1st Lieutenant George S. Shepard, Company C, 18th Infantry.

The crosses erected in the American cemeteries in Europe are of Carrara marble and are furnished by the following contractors:

Societa Industriale Fratelli Tonetti, Pietrasanta, Prov. di Lucca, Italy.

Societa Antonina Hanraux, Querceta, Italy.

In the event Mr. Ames may wish to purchase the stones direct from the contractor and would like the Government to arrange for such purchase for him, it is suggested that he communicate with the Chief, American Graves Registration Service, Q.M.C., in Europe, 20 rue Molitor, Paris, France, who will gladly aid him in every way possible.

It may be possible, however, to have the crosses manufactured by one of the marble companies in the United States at a more reasonable figure than quoted by the European firms. The following firms are suggested in this connection:

Lee Marble Works, Lee, Massachusetts.

Vermont Marble Company, Prector, Vermont.

Georgia Marble Company, Tate, Georgia.

x 293 Shepard, George S.

QM 295 A-C Ames, Oliver

February 27th, 1929(cont'd)

The dimensions of the crosses in question are as follows:
Height $47\frac{1}{2}$ inches; width $4\frac{1}{2}$ inches; thickness $3\frac{1}{2}$ inches. The upright of
the cross stands $39\frac{3}{8}$ inches above grade and the cross piece is 21 inches
long, $4\frac{1}{2}$ inches wide and $3\frac{1}{2}$ inches thick.

Very truly yours,

H. F. RETHERS,
Brigadier General, Q.M. C.,
Acting The Quartermaster General.

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QM 293 A-C
AMES, Oliver - 2nd Lt.

October 24, 1925



Mr. Oliver Ames,
North Easton,
Mass.

Dear Sir:

The Quartermaster General desires to invite your attention to the inclosed card which gives the permanent cemetery location of the soldier's grave in which you are interested.

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

Please be assured that in effecting removal of the dead, the utmost reverential care was exercised and more than willingly accorded by those who performed this sacred duty. For the future, these graves will be perpetually maintained by the Government in a manner befitting the last resting place of our heroes.

Very truly yours,

L.W. HEDINGTON,
Major, Q.M.C.,
Assistant.

1-Incl.
Record card.

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QM 293 A-C

AMES, Oliver - 2nd Lt.

October 24, 1925

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L.W. REDINGTON,
Major, Q.M.G.,
Assistant.

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1-Incl.
Record card.

Ames,

(Surname.)

Oliver

(Christian name in full.)

(Army serial no.)

2nd Lt.

Co. A 165 Inf.

(Rank and organization.)

State your relationship to the deceased

Father

Do you desire the remains brought to the United States?

No.

(Yes or no.)

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

(Yes or no.)

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

(Name of person to receive remains.)

(Express office.)

(Telegraph office.)

(Number and street.)

(City of town.)

(State.)

APR 11 1919

(Sign here)

Oliver Ames

96 Ames Building

Boston

Mass.

Read carefully the letter accompanying this card.

Ann • City

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Drawn by PF

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REVIEWED
OSP SS.

12-11-20

To be prepared in triplicate.

DATE February 22, 1928

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 AMES, Oliver *Mass.*

10. Name _____

2. No. _____

11. No. _____

3. Rank 2nd Lieut.

12. Rank _____

4. Org. Co. A, 165th Inf. *42nd Div.*

13. Org. _____

5. D.D. July 28, 1918

14. (a) D.D. _____

6. C.D. KIA.

(b) D.B. _____

Discrepancy found upon disinterment

7. Grave No. 7 Sec. _____

15. Grave No. _____ Sec. _____

8. Plot Block A Row 3

16. Plot _____ Row _____

9. _____

17. _____

18. Cemetery Oise-Aisne

19. Commune or town Seringes-et-Nesles

20. Dept. or County Aisne

21. Country France

22. G.R.S. Hdqrs. Code No. 608

23. Disinterred (Date) February 22, 1928

By L. Gordon

24. Inscription on grave marker:

Name AMES, Oliver

Serial No. _____

Rank 2nd Lieut.

Organization Co. A, 165th Inf.

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

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).

One collar ornament "U.S.N.G.". Two collar badges cross rifles 165, X represents cross rifles.

X

27. Condition of body _____

28. Nature of burial Pine box and burlap

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

30. Body prepared and placed in casket: Date February 22, 1928 By L. Gordon

31. Casket sealed by L. Gordon

Signature of Embalmer, (Supervisor)

L. Gordon
L. Gordon.

SHIPMENT. (Show actual marking of box.) Box No. _____

32. Designation of body:

Name AMES, Oliver Serial No. _____

Rank 2nd Lieut. Organization Co. A, 165th Inf.

33. Consigned to:

Name of Permanent Cemetery Oise-Aisne, Seringes-et-Nesles, Aisne

34. Casket boxed and marked (Date) February 22, 1928 By Charles E. Spahn

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 Charles E. Spahn

Charles E. Spahn

36. Remarks _____

37. Shipped from point of Operation: (Date) _____

To point of Concentration _____

(Name)

Convoyer _____ Signature Shipping Officer _____

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 February 22, 1928, Oise-Aisne American Cty.

(Date)

42. Grave No. 7 Section _____

43. Plot Block A Row 3

G.R.S. Representative William E. Moore

William E. Moore, Superintendent.

REPORT OF DISINTERMENT AND REBURIAL

1. REMAINS OF AMES, Oliver SERIAL NUMBER _____
 RANK 2nd Lt. ORGANIZATION Co. A, 165th Inf.

2. Disinterred (date) : February 22, 1928 From (give complete location) :
Grave 7, Block A, Row 3

By : Group _____ Cty. _____ Unit _____

3. Reburied (date) February 22, 1928 In (give complete location) :
Grave 7, Block A, Row 3

By : Group _____ Cty. _____ Unit _____ Nature of reburial Metallic casket

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

5. (a) Identification tags: Buried with body? _____ On grave marker? _____

(b) Other means of identification found upon disinterment, and general remarks :
One collar ornament "U.S.N.G." Two collar badges cross rifles
165 X, X represents cross rifles.

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

(a) Height (actual measurement) _____

(b) Weight (estimated) _____

(c) Hair—Color _____

Quantity _____ 4 & 5 GF

Characteristics _____ 1 CAV

(d) Hair on face—Color _____

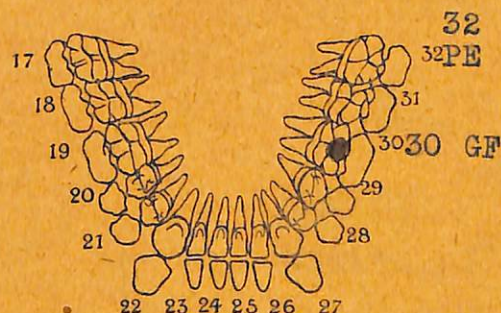
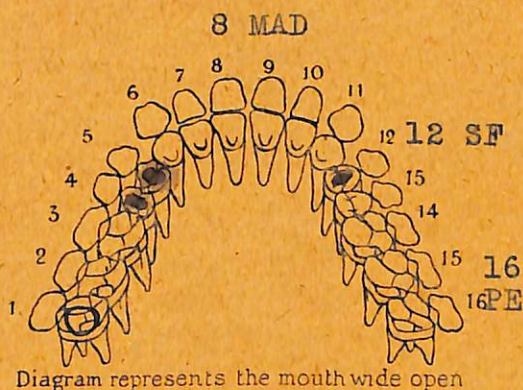
Location _____

Quantity _____ 17 PE

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

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

Head shattered



7. Disinterment supervised by Gordon Approved : _____

(Title) _____

8. Reburial supervised by Charles E. Spahn Approved : _____

(Title) _____

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COMPILATION OF DISPOSITION OF REMAINS DATA

I. LOCATION INDEX CARD:

(a) Name AMES, Oliver Ser. No. ----
 (b) Rank 2nd Lieut. Organization Co. A. 165th Inf.
 (c) Date of death 7-28-18 (d) Cause of death K/A

TYP. DEB
 CKR. T.

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

(a) Grave No. 147 Row --- Plot 3 Sec. N TYP. DEB
 (b) Emerg. Address Oliver Ames, father - 96 Ames Bldg., Boston, Mass.

III. Files of soldiers dying from contagious diseases ----- CKR. AK

IV. A. G. O. DISPOSITION CARD:

Date of receipt (4-11-19)

(a) Name Oliver Ames (b) Relationship Father
 (c) Address 96 Ames Building, Boston, Mass.
 (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 PF Date 12-10, 1920.

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

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

No corre.

Examiner's Initials PF Date 12-10, 1920.

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

Aunt Marya Frothingham
North Easton, Mass., 8/16/18 Asks details
of death

(a) Cancellation memos referred to? yes

Examiner's Initials 26 Jh Date 12-10, 1920.

COUNTRY France

CEMETERY No. 608

SHEET No. 47

Sub. 1-22-20

Reviewed 2/25/21-EP

GENETICAL DIVISION
CORRESPONDENCE BR.

VII. G. R. S. Form No. 114 made _____, 1920.

Typed by _____, Checked by _____, 1920.

RECEIVED
MAR 17 1921

VIII. FINAL ACTION:

Following advice forwarded to Europe by { cable on _____, 1920
letter on 1/15/21, 1920

GENETICAL DIVISION
EVELENS PROJECT SUB-SEC.

Par #2 not to be returned (LBM)

IX. CORRECTIONS

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

X. SUSPENSION REMARKS: ^{2/2/21} E-120 Caroline Lee Ames, 100 Essex Rd., Newton, Mass. (widow), wishes body to remain in Europe. H-3/4/21-rmj

FORM 115 RETURNED BY HOBOKEN - BODY
MAR 17 1921 *C.M.* TO REMAIN IN EUROPE.

March 12, 1921.

File No. 293.8 Gen.Div.Cor.Br.
(AMES, Oliver)

Mrs. Caroline Lee Ames,
100 Essex Road, Chestnut Hill,
Newton, Massachusetts.

Dear Madam,-

Receipt of shipping inquiry dated February 2nd, 1921, relative to the remains of your husband, the late Second Lieutenant Oliver Ames, Company A, 165th Infantry, is acknowledged.

In accordance with your desire, the remains will be left in France for burial in a permanent American Cemetery. You are assured that the grave site will always be maintained as a fitting memorial of the late officer's sacrifice.

The Department wishes to convey to you renewed assurance of its sympathy in your bereavement.

By authority of the Quartermaster General:

R. H. SHANNON,
Captain, Q.M.C.,
Officer in Charge.

BY:

F. G. PAJAS,
Executive Assistant.

MAILED
MAR 16 1921
COR. BR. G. R. S.

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GRAVE LOCATION BLANK

LOCATION OF THE GRAVE OF

HMES OLIVER J.
(Surname.) (Number.) (First Name and Initials.)

2ND LIEUT. U.S.R. 165TH INF
(Rank.) (Organization.)

DATE OF BURIAL K. JULY 30, 1918

PLACE OF BURIAL FERRENTARDENYTS

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

S.E.
MAP 33
N 274.908
E 194.808

GRAVE NUMBER 45

HOW MARKED: Name Peg? PLATE Cross? YE

Headboard? Bottle?

IDENTIFICATION TAGS:

Was one buried with body? **C-57**

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

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

REVIEWED
OSP SS.

GRAVES REGISTRATION SERVICE

REPORTED BY American Expeditionary Forces

(Signature and Rank of Reporting Officer.)

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

7288
GRAVE LOCATION BLANK

LOCATION OF THE GRAVE OF

Hmes, Oliver
(Surname.) (Number.) (First Name and Initials.)

Lt. Adj 1st Bn 165th Inf
(Rank.) (Organization.)

DATE OF BURIAL Aug 4 1918

PLACE OF BURIAL Seringes, Aisne

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

South edge of Bois Colas 10 Feet

Seringes - St-Mesles (Aisne)
33 S.E. C. 57

GRAVE NUMBER E. 194 N. 275

HOW MARKED: Name Peg? Cross?

Headboard? Bottle?

IDENTIFICATION TAGS:

Was one buried with body? **C-57** yes

Was one fastened to name peg or stake used as a grave marker? no

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

REVIEWED
OSP SS.

REPORTED BY:

Francis P Duffy
Chaplain, 165th Inf

(Signature and Rank of Reporting Officer.)

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

18 SEP 1918

Refer to this

A.G.R.S. Paris.
(Office)No. **7283**

INQUIRY

FILE.Request by Mme. Hameline,
European address 3 rue du Commandant
Riviere, Paris.Relationship to dec'd Friend
For location grave of:-

Ames	Oliver
Last name	Serial No. First name
<u>2nd Lieut. Co.A. 165th Inf.</u>	
Rank	Org. Date of death

Date of request Oct. 7, 1920.Recd. by DNP

(Initials) Other information:

REVIEWED
OSP SS.

INFORMATION FURNISHED

Location of grave Country
#608 Seringes-et-Nesles, Aisne.
Cemetery Commune (town) Dept.
Amer. B/A Cty.Grave No. 147 Section NPlot 3 RowFurnished by MB Date Oct. 7, 1920.
(Initials)

Refer to this

GRS, Paris.
(Office)No. **#728**

INQUIRY

Request by Rev. W.C. Thayer,
European address Boston, Mass.
Hotel Westminster, Paris.Relationship to dec'd Friend.
For location grave of:-

Ames	Oliver
Last name	Serial No. First name
<u>2nd Lieut. Co.A. 165th Inf.</u>	
Rank	Org. Date of death

Date of request April 12, 1921.Recd. by DNP

(Initials) Other information:

Killed July 29, 1918, Meurey Farm.

INFORMATION FURNISHED

Location of grave Country
Cty. #608 Seringes-et-Nesles, Aisne.
Cemetery Commune (town) Dept.
Amer. B/A Cty.Grave No. 147 Section NPlot 3 RowFurnished by HJ Date 4.12.21.
(Initials)

Refer to this

No. **7283**

INQUIRY

Request by Mr. R.H. Weller,
23 Rue de la Paix.
European address New York City.Relationship to dec'd Friend.
For location grave of:-

Ames,	Oliver.
Last name	Serial No. First name
<u>2nd Lt. Co.A, 165th Inft.</u>	
Rank	Org. Date of death

Date of request 8/10/21.Recd. by HK

(Initials) Other information:

INFORMATION FURNISHED

Location of grave Country
#608. Seringes-et-Nesles.
Cemetery Commune (town) Dept.
Amer. B/A Cty. Aisne.Grave No. 102 Section NPlot 3 RowFurnished by _____ Date _____
(Initials)

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(Office)Refer to this
No. _____

INQUIRY

Request by Mr. John Ames.
European address Hotel Vouillemont.
Boston, Mass.Relationship to dec'd Uncle
For location grave of: -Ames, Oliver.
Last name Serial No. First name
2nd Lt. Co.A, 165th Inft.
Rank Org. Date of deathDate of request 8/18/21.
Rec'd. by JMK
(Initials) Other information:Died July 28, 1918.

INFORMATION FURNISHED

Location of grave Country
#608. Seringes-et-Nesles.
Cemetery Commune (town) Dept.
Amer. B/A Cty. Aisne.Grave No. 102 Section N
Plot 3 Row _____Furnished by _____ Date _____
(Initials)

(Office)

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No. 7283

INQUIRY

Request by Miss Alice Lovering.
European address Hotel Metropolitan
Boston, Mass.Relationship to dec'd Friend.For location grave of:
Ames, Oliver,
Last name. Serial No. First name
2nd Lt. Co.A, 165th Inft.
Rank Org. Date of deathDate of request 7/12/21.
Rec'd. by HK
(Initials) Other information:Died July 28, 1918.

INFORMATION FURNISHED

Location of grave Country
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Cemetery Commune (town) Dept.
Amer/ B/A Cty. Aisne.Grave No. 102 Section N
Plot 3 Row _____Furnished by _____ Date _____
(Initials)

(Office)

Refer to this
No. _____

INQUIRY

Request by Mr. Dexter.
European address Hotel Chatham
Boston, Mass.Relationship to dec'd Friend.For location grave of:
Ames, Oliver.
Last name. Serial No. First name
1st Lt. Co.A, 165th Inft.
Rank Org. Date of deathDate of request 7/6/21.
Rec'd. by MH
(Initials) Other information:

INFORMATION FURNISHED

Location of grave Country
#608. Seringes-et-Nesles.
Cemetery Commune (town) Dept.
Amer. B/A Cty. Aisne.Grave No. 147 Section N
Plot 3 Row _____Furnished by _____ Date _____
(Initials)

Refer to this

(Office)

No. **7283**

INQUIRY

Request by Mr. John Gaston.European address Hotel la Pereuse
Boston, Mass.Relationship to dec'd Friend.

For location grave of:

Ames, Oliver

Last name. Serial No. First name

2nd Lt. 26th Div. 165th Inf.

Rank Org. Date of death

Date of request 6/30/21.Rec'd. by HK

(Initials) Other information:

INFORMATION FURNISHED

Location of grave Country

"608. Seringes-et-Nesles.

Cemetery Commune (town) Dept.

Amer. B/A Cty. Aisne.Grave No. 147 Section NPlot 3 RowFurnished by _____ Date _____
(Initials)

Classification

Adjustment _____

CEMETERY DIVISION
GRAVES REGISTRATION SERVICE
REGISTRATION SECTION

Date 6/7/20

MEMORANDUM:

To: Registration Files Sub-Section.

Subject: Adjustments made on Registration Files.

1. Changes as checked have been made in the Registration Files which will necessitate a corresponding change in the Classification Files.

FILE

	CORR.	ADD. DATA		CORR.	ADD. DATA
File Number			Date of Burial		
Name			Date of Reburial		
Serial Number			Burial Information	✓	
Rank			Nearest Relative		
Organization			Notified Nearest Relative	✓	
Cause of Death			Blue Card thrown out		
Date of Death			White Card set up		
Casualty Cablegram Number					

O.K. Alphabetical Files HEW 6-9-20

O.K. Organization Files _____

O.K. State Files. _____

Cemetery Audit Department
 Investigation & Adjustment Dept.

By Collis

1 Cards attached.

REVIEWED
SEP 22 1920

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

7283 7169
FILE NUMBER 7288

FROM:- A.R.C.

DATE: 3/8/19

Please furnish information as indicated below regarding the following soldier:

NAME AMES, OLIVER, JR. NUMBER
RANK LT, ORGANIZATION C.A. 165 Inf.

NO	QUESTION	REPLY
1.	Do particulars of soldier given above agree with Records?	1) Yes
2.	Date of Death.	2) 7-28-18
3.	Cause and place of death.	3) K/A
4.	Number of Casualty Cablegram.	4) C.C. 214
5.	Date buried.	5) No Record
6.	Grave Location. (a) Complete record required. (b) Name of Cemetery or Commune only required.	6) G.#147 Sec-0-Plot 3 City of B/a - Singer-st. near (C)
7.	Who reported burial?	7)
8.	Has report been confirmed by G.R.S.?	8) Yes
9.	Report as to Grave Marker.	9) No Record
10.	Report as to Identification Tags.	10) " "
11.	Who is nearest relative?	11) OLIVER AMES (Father 96 Ames Bldg. Boston, Mass
12.	Has N/R been notified? (Give Date)	12) Dec-1918
13.	Report the exact position of your inquiry on this case. (Reply in all cases if no information on record)	J.K.
	N.B. All Proper names to be printed in PLAIN BLOCK LETTERS.	

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

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FILE NUMBER 7268

FROM:- A.R.C.

DATE: 3/8/19

Please furnish information as indicated below regarding the following soldier:

NAME AMES, OLIVER, JR. NUMBER

RANK LT. ORGANIZATION C.A. 165 Inf.

NO	QUESTION	REPLY
1.	Do particulars of soldier given above agree with Records?	1) Yes
2.	Date of Death.	2) 7-28-18
3.	Cause and place of death.	3) K/A
4.	Number of Casualty Cablegram.	4) C.C. 214
5.	Date buried.	5) No Record
6.	Grave Location. (a) Complete record required. (b) Name of Cemetery or Commune only required.	6) 9. #147 Sec-0-Plot. 3. City. Ann.
7.	Who reported burial?	B/a- Singer-et-nestor (Cissin)
8.	Has report been confirmed by G.R.S.?	7)
9.	Report as to Grave Marker.	8) Yes
10.	Report as to Identification Tags.	9) No Record
11.	Who is nearest relative?	10) " "
12.	Has N/R been notified? (Give Date)	11) OLIVER AMES (Father 96 Ames Bldg. Boston, Mass
13.	Report the exact position of your inquiry on this case. (Reply in all cases if no information on record)	12) Dec-1918
14.	What is the Photograph No?	K.K.

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Boommoy, France, Feb. 25, 1919.
APO #709.

FROM: Pvt. Frank J. Keyes, c/o Div. Ord. Officer, 26th Div., A.E.F.
TO: Commanding Officer, Graves Registration Service, A.E.F.
SUBJECT: Location of grave of Lieut. Oliver Ames, Jr.

1. I am very anxious to find out where 1st Lieut. Oliver Ames, Jr., whose home address was 15 Commonwealth Ave., Boston, Mass., was buried. I believe he was with the 42nd Division and was killed in action.

2. Any information relative to the above will be greatly appreciated.

FRANK J. KEYES.

1st Ind.

From: Chief, Graves Registration Service, American E.F., March 18, 1919;
To: Private Frank J. Keyes, C/O Div. Ord Officer, 26th Div., A.E.F.

Returned with information that Lieutenant Oliver Ames is buried in Grave No. 147, Section O, Plot 3, American Battle Area Cemetery, at SERINGES-ET-NESLES, Department of the AISNE. The records at these headquarters further show that Lieutenant Ames was killed in action on July 28, 1918.

By direction

CHARLES C. PIERCE,
Lieut.-Colonel, Q.M.C., A.E.F.

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

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

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FROM: G. R. S. Officer, Paris.

DATE May 6, 1919.

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

SUBJECT: Location, grave of:

NAME AMES, Oliver.

SERIAL NUMBER

RANK Lieut.

ORGANIZATION Co. A., 155th. Inf.

NO.	QUESTION	REPLY
1.	Do particulars of soldier given above agree with records?	1. 2nd Lt.
2.	Date of death:	2. 7/23/18
3.	Grave location:	3. Grave #147, Section O, Plot 3, American battle area Cemetery, Seringes-et-Nesles, Mourcy Farm, (Aisne) Map reference: Map 53 SE. Co-ordinates: E.195.25; N.275.4
4.	Who reported burial?	4. Lt. W. H. Carr, Grp. 504, G.R.S.
5.	Confirmed by G. R. S.?	5. Yes
6.	How is grave marked?	6. Not shown
7.	Identification tags:	7. Not shown
	(a) Buried with Body?	
	(b) Attached to grave Marker?	
8.	Emergency address:	8. Oliver Ames, (Father) 96 Ames Building, Boston, Mass.
9.	Has above been notified? (Give Date)	9. Yes. 11 Dec. 1918.

REMARKS:

Forwarded to Chief, G.R.S., May 7th. 1919.

Requested by THAYER, Mrs. H.

European address. Plaza Atheneo Hotel, 25, Avenue Montaigne, Paris.

Relationship to deceased. Friend.

Checked by

Inquirer informs: Home address, Boston, Mass.

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OFFICE OF THE CHIEF QUARTERMASTER, A. P. F.
GRAVES REGISTRATION SERVICE

March 22, 1919.

MEMO FOR : Sgt. Frank J. Keyes

Records of this office show 2nd Lieut. Oliver Ames,
Co A, 165th Inf., to have been killed in action July 28, 1918,
and to have been buried in Grave #147, Section O, Plot #3,
American Battle Area Cemetery, Meurcy Farm, Seringes-et-Nesles,
Department of the Aisne. Map reference: map 353E; coordinates:
E195.25, N275.4. (1 to 50,000 scale, Lambert map). No date of
burial on record.

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

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

FILE NUMBER

FROM:-

DATE:

Please furnish information as indicated below regarding the following soldier:

NAME AMES, OLIVER.

NUMBER

RANK Squad

ORGANIZATION

Co A 105 INF.

NO.	QUESTION	REPLY
1.	Do particulars of soldier given above agree with Records?	① yes
2.	Date of Death.	② 7-28-18
3.	Cause and place of death.	③ 10/A
4.	Number of Casualty Cablegram.	④ 214
5.	Date buried.	⑤
6.	Grave Location. (a) Complete record required. (b) Name of Cemetery or Commune only required.	⑥ Grant 147 Sec 0 Plot 3 BTY 608- AMER B/A SERINGES - ET- NESTES/AN 33SE: E195.25 N275.4
7.	Who reported burial?	⑦
8.	Has report been confirmed by G.R.S.S.?	⑧
9.	Report as to Grave Marker.	⑨
10.	Report as to Identification Tags.	⑩
11.	Who is nearest relative?	⑪
12.	Has N/R been notified?	⑫
13.	Report the exact position of your inquiry on this case. (Reply in all cases if no information on record)	⑬ OLIVER AMES/Flank 96 AMES BLDG BOSTON, MASS.
14.	What is the Photograph No.?	⑭ yes Dec 11, 18

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Name Ames..... Oliver.. J.....

Rank, 2nd Lieut..... Co..... {Corps} 165 Inf
{Regt}.....

Date of Death July 28-30, 1918.....

Ames, B. A. Surgeon at - rushes
Place Near Ford-on-Tardoneis.....
(airline)

Cause, Killed in action.....

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Date of Burial.....

Grave No. 147.. Section O.. plot 3.....

Cemetery No. 2.....

Identified by {Tag
Papers } .. papers.....
{Clothing}

List of Effects.....

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Field Record Made by Lt. W. N. Carr.....

Company 304 Graves Registration Service

Olive Ames, Jr
Lt - 42 Div
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**Mqrs. Graves Registration Service,
Quartermaster Corps,
American Expeditionary Forces.**

December 20, 1918.

FROM: Chief, Graves Registration Service, A.E.F.,
TO: Major W. R. Castle, Bureau of Communication, A.R.C., Washington, D.C.,
SUBJECT: 2nd Lieutenant Oliver Ames, Co. A., 165th Inf.

1. Reference your request for photograph of the above mentioned officer's grave, I beg to inform you that burial took place in the American Battle Area in Seirges-et-Nesles, Department of Aisne. This grave will be photographed as soon as possible and the negative forwarded to you in the ordinary course.

2. According to records here, the nearest relative is Oliver Ames, father, 96 Ames Bldg., Boston, Mass.

Per direction **CHARLES C. PIERCE,**
Lieut.-Colonel, Q.M.C., A.E.F.

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

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GRAVES PHOTOGRAPHY BUREAU.

Description of soldier:

AMES Oliver

2nd Lieut. Co A 165. Inf.

Date and cause of death:

7-28-18 Killed in action

CC#214

Where buried: (Name of Cemetery or Commune only required)

Cemtry. 608. AMEN 16/A. Seirges-et-Nesles (Aisne).

Grave No. 147. Sec. O. Plot-3.

Name and address of next of kin:

Oliver Ames (Father)
96 Ames Bldg.
BOSTON
Mass.

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Bunny
12-17-18

Surname AMES

Number 0-1-34

Christian Name Oliver

Regiment Company A, 165th Infantry.

Shot by sniper July 29th and killed instantly.

Buried in Bois Colas near southerly end.

2 photographs of grave requested.

Washington



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HDQRS. GRAVES REGISTRATION SERVICE
Quartermaster Corps
American Expeditionary Forces

Reference-7283.

January 30, 1919.

FROM: Chief, Graves Registration Service, American E. F.
TO: Mrs. Louis A. Frothingham, North Easton, Mass.
SUBJECT: Lieutenant Oliver Ames, 165th Infantry, Rainbow
Division, American E. F.

1. Your letter of August 16, 1918, relative to your nephew, the late Lieutenant Oliver Ames, has been forwarded to this office for reply from Y. M. C. A. Headquarters in Paris. The records of this office show that Lieutenant Ames' body is buried in Grave No. 147, Section O, Plot 3, American Battle Area Cemetery Meurcy Farm, at SERINGES-ET-NESLES, Department of the AISNE.

2. Relative to circumstances of death, I regret that I am unable to give you this information; these records are not kept in this office. I am today requesting the chaplain of the above organization to communicate with you, giving all available information in that respect.

By direction

Pierce

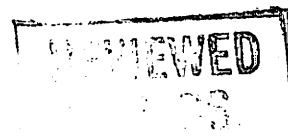
CHARLES C. PIERCE,
Lieutenant-Colonel, Q.M.C., A.E.F.

(Enclosures-2)

per

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

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TELEPHONE 54

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Aug. 16, 1918

NORTH EASTON
MASSACHUSETTS

Aug/16/A

1-10-19

Miss Perkins

My dear Mr. Carter:

My nephew, ⁷¹⁵ Oliver Ames, 2nd Lieut.
165th Infantry, Rainbow Division, was killed
in the ⁴⁴ battle of July 28th. Would it be
possible that your secretaries who were near that
Division would know anything about the
circumstances of his death? We are trying
in every way to get any particulars.

With kindest regards from Mr.
Frothingham and myself, I am,

Sincerely yours,

Mary A. Frothingham

(Mrs. Louis A.)

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American Y.M.C.A.
12, Rue d'Aguesseau
Paris.

7783
14 Novembre 1918.

From : The Secretary. Missing Soldiers Dept.
To : Chief, Graves Registration Service.
Subject : Location of Grave.

According to your instructions of October 31st, I am enclosing 17 letters which I have received from America making inquiries about the location of graves.

Kindly give the enquirers as much information as you can, for you can understand how anxious they are to know.

Yours truly,

Missing Soldiers Dept.

Edna Wetherbee, Secy

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

FILE NUMBER 7283

From: - A.R.D.

Date: 1-10-19

Please furnish information as indicated below regarding the following soldier:

NAME AMES, OLIVER

NUMBER

RANK 2nd LT ORGANIZATION 165th Infantry, Rainbow Div

No	Question	Reply
1	Do particulars of soldier given above agree with Records?	
2	Date of Death	2- 7-28-18
3	Cause and place of death	3- k/a.
4	Number of Casualty Cablegram	4 CC#214
5	Date buried	
6	Grave Location (a) Complete record required (b) Name of Cemetery or Commune only required	6- 147. Sec. O, Plot 3. Amer. B/A. Seirges-et-Nes (Aisne.)
7	Who reported burial	yes
8	Has report been confirmed by G.R.S.	
9	Report as to Identification Tags	9- Not given.
11	Who is nearest relative?	
12	Has N/R been notified? (Give date)	12- Yes.
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?	

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In Reply, all Proper names to be printed in BROWN BLOCK LETTERS.