

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

Form 8 W-A

Date 4-14-31

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SUBJECT: Information required for the Cometerial Division.

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To: Office of The Adjutant General, World War Division, Washington, D. C.

1. It is requested that the items checked below be completed:

a. Surname ANDERSON *ok* g. Date of death 10/18/1918 *ok*
b. Christian name GUS W. *ok* h. Cause of death KIA *ok*
c. Serial number 2334375 3334373 i. Date of discharge _____
d. Rank at time of death Pvt *ok* j. Place of death Not shown
e. Organization Co. A, 312 *ok* k. Place of burial Not shown
f. Emergency address Frank Anderson *(father)* l. Date enlisted _____ Inducted 6-25-18
m. Place of enlistment or induction Boy 123 Dummely Minn. *Martin Co. Minn.*
n. List of organizations with which he served Co. 2, 341 Inf Co A 312 Inf
p. All ranks held during service Pvt.

BODY DESCRIPTION

a. Age at enlistment 24-6 c. Height 5-7 e. Weight 157
b. Color of hair _____ d. Shoe size 7 1/2 EE f. Fractures None shown

DENTAL CHARTS

At Camp

By Local Board

8 7 6 5 4 3 2 1 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8
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Statements of Comrades _____

28/554

For The Quartermaster General:

E.K. Vail

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REC'D WORLD WAR DIV.

APR 16 1931

The Adjutant General

By: Maw 5/13/31
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WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-M

July 9, 1932

Anderson, Gust W. (MA-U)

Mrs. Emma Anderson,
Box 123,
Dunnell, Minn.

Dear Madam:

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

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

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

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

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

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

2 Encls.

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

(Write answer here)

(Sign here)

QM 293 A-M

March 15, 1932.

Anderson, Gust W. (MA-U) M

Mrs. Emma Anderson,
Box 123,
Dunnell, Minn.

Dear Madam:

Reference is made to correspondence forwarded you from this office relative to a pilgrimage to the cemeteries of Europe in honor of your son, the late Private Gust W. Anderson. In reply to a questionnaire you advised that you did not desire to make a pilgrimage during the summer of 1932.

While it is regretted to advise that the remains of your son have not been located and you will understand no grave can be shown you as that of your son, there is more than an even chance that his remains have been recovered and, lacking means of identification, been interred in the Meuse-Argonne American Cemetery in France under a cross inscribed: "Here Rests in Honored Glory an American Soldier Known but to God." The name of your son, together with the names of other veterans who lost their lives in this section and whose remains have not been located, will be inscribed in the memorial chapel now under construction in the Meuse-Argonne American Cemetery. While the names will not be inscribed by the coming summer, the itinerary prepared for the mothers and widows of these heroes will include a visit to this cemetery.

It is noted you previously stated your health was poor, and you are assured that should you make a pilgrimage every consideration will be given your physical condition at all times. Properly qualified personnel to care for your comfort and needs will be provided and doctors and nurses will be available. During the past two years many mothers who were in poor health and of advanced age made the pilgrimage and appeared to have benefited by the sea air and the excellent care they received.

In view of the foregoing, it is believed that you will experience no difficulty in making the journey and it is sincerely hoped you will reconsider and decide to make a pilgrimage this summer. In the event you decide to make the journey, it is requested that you notify this office at the earliest practicable date in order that arrangements may be made for you. You are assured that all necessary expenses will be borne by the Government, and everything possible for your comfort and welfare will be provided.

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-M

August 11, 1931

Anderson, Gust W. Pvt. (LA-U) M

Mrs. Emma Anderson,
Box 123,
Dunnell, Minnesota

Dear Madam:

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

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

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

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

QM 293 A-M

June 9, 1931

~~Anderson, Gust W.~~ Pvt. (MA-U) M

Mrs. Emma Anderson,
Box 123,
Dunnell, Minnesota.

Dear Madam:

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

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

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

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

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

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

Write answer here

Sign here

QM 293 AM
Anderson, Gust W. Pvt. 1232-U M

January 3, 1931.

Mrs. Emma Anderson,
Box 123,
Dunnell, Minn.

Dear Madam:

In order that the records of this office may be complete and correct, it is requested that you advise whether or not the late Private Gust W. Anderson was married, and is survived by a widow. If so, kindly furnish her name and address.

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

For The Quartermaster General.

Very truly yours,

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

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QM 293 A-M

October 13, 1930.

Anderson, Gust W. 1232-U M Pvt.

Mrs. Emma Anderson,
Box 123,
Dunnell, Minn.

Dear Madam:

A reply has not been received to office letter of recent date relative to the pilgrimage to the cemeteries of Europe, authorized by the Act of Congress of March 2, 1929, as amended May 15, 1930.

The records of this office show that you are the mother of the deceased veteran named above and in order that plans may be completed for conducting the pilgrimages in 1931, it is requested you answer the following questions by filling out the blanks left therefor and return the letter to this office in the enclosed envelope which requires no postage.

1. Do you desire to make this pilgrimage?	
2. Do you desire to make the pilgrimage in the calendar year 1931?	
3. Please give your age and state your health.	Age Condition of health
4. Do you speak English?	
5. What other language do you speak?	

For The Quartermaster General:

Very truly yours,

Encls:
Act
Amendment
Envelope

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

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

August 4, 1930

Anderson, Gust W. Pvt. 1232 M -U

Mrs. Emma Anderson,
Box 123,
Dunnell, Minn.

Dear Madam:

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

The records of this office show that you are the mother of the deceased veteran named above and in order that plans may be completed for conducting the pilgrimages, it is requested you answer the following questions by filling out the blanks left therefor and return the letter to this office in the enclosed envelope which requires no postage.

1. Do you desire to make this pilgrimage?

2. Do you desire to make the pilgrimage
in the calendar year 1931?

3. Please give your age and state your
health.

4. Do you speak English?

5. What other language do you speak?

Age
Condition of Health

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

Anderson, Gust W. - 1232 - U-M

June 24, 1930.

Mrs. Emma Anderson,
Box 123,
Dunnell, Minn.

Dear Madam:

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

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

1. Is the deceased survived by a mother?

If so, give her name and address:

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

If so, give her name and address:

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

If so, give her name and address:

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

Enclosures:

Envelope

Act

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

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

Date

8/27/27

SUBJECT: Information required for Cemeterial Division.

TO: The Adjutant General of the Army, World War Division, Washington, D. C.

1. It is requested that the items checked below be completed:

a. Surname Anderson h. Date of death 10/18/18
 b. Christian name Gust W. i. Authority OK
 c. Serial number 3334373 j. Cause of death 11a
 d. Organization Co A 3122 k. Place of death A.E.H.
 e. Rank Pvt l. Place of burial not recorded
 f. Emergency Address Frank Anderson (father)
P.O. Box 123 m. Date of discharge OK
Dunnell, Minn.
 g. Place of enlistment or induction Martin County, Minn. n. Date of enlistment OK
 o. Date of induction June 25, 1918

p. List of organizations with which he served (over)
 q. Ranks held Pvt.

BODY DESCRIPTION

a. Age at enlistment Jan. 14, 1894 d. Height 5 ft. 7 in.
 b. Shoe size 7 1/2 EE e. Weight 157 lbs.
 c. Color of hair Blonde f. Fractures or breaks none

DENTAL CHARTS

At camp

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By Local Board

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For The Quartermaster General:

27/354/

Rec'd World War Div.

AUG 30 1927

Assigned to 4th. Co. 1st. Inf. Bn. 161 D. B.

Trfd. July 16, 1918 to Co. I, 341st. Inf.

Trfd. Oct. 6, 1918 to Hqrs. 83rd. Div.

Trfd. Oct. 7, 1918 to Co. A, 312th. Inf.

Donnelly (K.M.)
9/1/27.

FILE UNDER NO. 293 - Anderson, Gus W.,
Co. "A", 312th Inf.

August 16, 1926.

INDEX SHEET

SYNOPSIS

Re: Furnishing headstones

The QMG. advises that investigation is being conducted towards locating grave of soldiers named herein. Will appreciate any assistance you can give in the matter.

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DOCUMENT FILED UNDER NO. 293. - Sposato, Paola, Pvt. 1st cl.
Co. A., 312th Inf.

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INSTRUCTIONS.—Under "Synopsis" make brief entry showing date of communication and from whom received and synopsis sufficient to identify the papers. When these index sheets become numerous under a subject they will be entered on the consolidated index sheet and then destroyed.

25/564/EYS
G. M. C. Form 351 (Old Form 489)
Revised July 26, 1918

GOVERNMENT PRINTING OFFICE

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*File
8/17
9/27/27*

The **Frederic**,
EUROPEAN HOTEL.

FIFTH AND CEDAR STS.

St. Paul, Minn. April 30, 1926.

War Department Washington D.C.

Dear Sir:

In regards to your letter about the disappearance of W. Anderson, will say that we were both replacements in a company 312 inf. He disappeared the third day our company was engaged in action north of Grand Pra. He may have been one of the sixty men that advanced on the 18th oct, as and advanced party not one of the sixty men was able to report back to the P.C.



Yours Truly,

Arthur C. Erickson

Filed 7/1/26

106 Lyton Place,
St Paul Minn.

QM 293 A-C

Anderson, Gus W. Pvt.
Co. A, 312th Inf.

April 26, 1926

Mr. Arthur G. Erickson,
54 Lytton Place,
St. Paul, Minn.

Dear Sir:

The Quartermaster General desires you to be informed that an investigation is being conducted with a view towards locating the grave of the soldier named above.

To assist in the matter, this office will appreciate your furnishing as much of the following information as possible:

- (a) Place of burial,
- (b) Nature of wounds,
- (c) Kind of grave; land marks,
- (d) A sketch, showing the burial place,
- (e) Names of those soldiers buried in adjoining graves,
- (f) Name of Chaplain conducting the burial,
- (g) Any other data which you think might assist in the identification.

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

Very truly yours,

1 incl.
envelope

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

CS

QM 293 A-C

Andersen, Gus W. Pvt.
Co. A, 312th Inf.

April 26, 1926

Mr. Walter Dobratz,
456-22nd St.,
Milwaukee, Wisconsin

Dear Sir:

The Quartermaster General desires you to be informed that an investigation is being conducted with a view towards locating the grave of the soldier named above.

To assist in the matter, this office will appreciate your furnishing as much of the following information as possible:

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

Very truly yours,

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

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QM 293 A-C

Anderson, Gus W. Pvt.
Co. A, 312th Inf.

April 26, 1926

Mr. Mathew Engel,
2202 Penn Ave., North,
Minneapolis, Minn.

Dear Sir:

The Quartermaster General desires you to be informed that an investigation is being conducted with a view towards locating the grave of the soldier named above.

To assist in the matter, this office will appreciate your furnishing as much of the following information as possible:

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Very truly yours,

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

CS *[Signature]*

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APR 28 1926
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QM 293 A-C

Anderson, Gus W. Pvt.
Co. A, 312th Inf.

April 26, 1926

Mr. Herman P. Eabold,
849 South Ave.,
Syracuse, N. Y.

Dear Sir:

The Quartermaster General desires you to be informed that an investigation is being conducted with a view towards locating the grave of the soldier named above.

To assist in the matter, this office will appreciate your furnishing as much of the following information as possible:

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

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QM 293 ALC

Anderson, Gus W. Pvt.
Co. A, 312th Inf.

April 26, 1926

Mr. Milton A. Eberle,
631 E. 5th St.,
St. Paul, Minn.

Dear Sir:

The Quartermaster General desires you to be informed that an investigation is being conducted with a view towards locating the grave of the soldier named above.

To assist in the matter, this office will appreciate your furnishing as much of the following information as possible:

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Very truly yours,

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

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MAILED
APR 26 1926
M & R BRANCH
O. Q. M. G.
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25/209/ARK

James

Miss L Y

ROUTING SLIP
Mail & Records Branch
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL

Executive Office

Chief Clerk

Administrative Div.

Fiscal Division

Cemeterial Div.

War Planning, Liaison Off.

Training Div.

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Construction Q.M.

Transportation Service, (Chief)

Administrative Div.

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Motor Transport Div.

Water Transport Div.

Animal Dr. Trans. Div.

Planning Div.

Remount Service.

Previous Record Charged _____

Previous Record Attached.

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War Dept. A.G.O., April 15, 1926. TO - The Quartermaster General,
Washington, D.C.

The records of this office show the following information with
reference to the items listed below in the case of Gus W. Anderson,
Army serial number 3,384,373, Private, Company A, 312th Infantry:

- (a) The dental charts show: teeth missing, upper right No. 6.
- (b) None on file.
- (c) Not of record.
- (d) There is no Chaplain's burial report on file in this case.
- (e) The following men were members of Company A, 312th Infantry
at the time of Pvt. Anderson's death:

Private Walter Dobratz, 456-22nd Street, Milwaukee, Wisc.

" Arthur C. Erickson, 54 Lytton Place, St. Paul, Minn.

" Milton A. Eberle, 631 E. 5th St., St. Paul, Minn.

" Mathew Engel, 2202 Penn Ave., North, Minneapolis, Minn.

Corporal Herman P. Rabold, 849 South Ave., Syracuse, New York.

By order of the Secretary of War:



M. J. Men
Adjutant General.



293 Anderson
Gus W.

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

Anderson, Gus W. Pvt.
Co. A, 312th Infantry

April 8, 1926

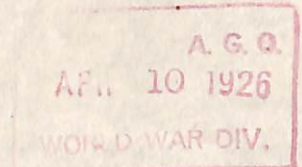
SUBJECT: Investigation.

TO: The Adjutant General,
Washington, D. C.

1. To assist this office in an investigation being instituted to locate the grave of the soldier named above, it is requested that you furnish as much of the following information, as possible:

- (a) Local Board and Mobilization dental charts,
- (b) Any comrades statements on file as to the death and burial place.
- (c) Places of death and burial, if of record.
- (d) Chaplain's burial report.
- (e) Names and addresses of 10 men who were with his organization at the time of his death on October 18, 1918.

For The Quartermaster General:



6 Received A. G. O. APR 9 1926

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "L. W. Redington".

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

Anderson, Gus W. ^{QM 296 A-C}
Co. A, 312th Infantry

April 8, 1926

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For The Quartermaster General:

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

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FILE
CEMETERY DIVISION
REGISTRATION SECTION

October 18, 1921.

MEMO FOR:

Cards Department.

1.

CASE OF:

Company "A" 312th Infantry

ORGANIZATION (Old)

ANDERSON, #3334373 Gus W. - , Pvt.

(Name)

FILE

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)

FILE NO.

SURNAME

SERIAL NUMBER

FIRST NAME AND INITIALS Gust W.

RANK

DATE OF DEATH 10-13-18

CAUSE OF DEATH K/A Added

	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: D. T. Dodson,

Adjustment Section.

(Department)

5 x 8 card was sent to file.

Corrections made
on Organization
File Card:

By

S/3324/LML

Reference:

100053
~~100053~~

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

March 19, 1919.

FROM: Chief, Graves Registration Service, American E.F.

TO: R. H. Gearhart, Jr., Senior Chaplain, Hdqrs. 78th Division,
American E.F.

SUBJECT: Private Gus W. Anderson, Co. A, 312th Infantry,
American E.F.

FILE

In reply to your letter of inquiry, dated February 17,
I beg to advise that there is no record of the above
mentioned soldier at these headquarters.

By direction CHARLES C. PIERCE,
Lieut.-Colonel, QMC, AEF

(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

FROM:-

DATE:

Please furnish information as indicated below regarding the following soldier:

NAME

ANDERSON, QUS-W

NUMBER

3334373

RANK

PVT,

ORGANIZATION

C, A. 312th INF,

NO.	QUESTION	REPLY
1.	Do particulars of soldier given above agree with Records?	
2.	Date of Death.	
3.	Cause and place of death.	
4.	Number of Casualty Cablegram.	
5.	Date buried.	
6.	Grave Location. (a) Complete record required. (b) Name of Cemetery or Commune only required.	
7.	Who reported burial?	
8.	Has report been confirmed by G.R.S?	
9.	Report as to Grave Marker.	
10.	Report as to Identification Tags.	
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.

No Card

HEADQUARTERS 78TH DIVISION
SENIOR CHAPLAIN

February 17, 1919.

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3/3/19

FROM: R. H. GEARHART Jr, Senior Chaplain.
TO: Chief of Graves Registration Service.
SUBJECT: Information concerning Pvt. Gus W. Anderson, 3334373.

1. Pvt. Gus W. Anderson 3334373, Co. A. 312th Infantry has been carried as missing since October 18th, 1918.

2. It is reported that Pvt. Anderson was seen in a dressing station on October 19th with a severely wounded leg.

3. Further than this no information has been secured from any source whatever. It is requested that if G.R.S. Office has any information concerning the burial of this man that they would transmit it to this office.



R. H. Gearhart Jr.
Senior Chaplain.

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HEADING	SUB-HEADING	NO. OF COLS	CODE
NAME <i>Anderson</i>	<i>And</i>	3	1 9 4 4
<i>Gust H.</i>	CEMETERY <i>1232 H</i>	1	12
BURIED	GRAVE	2	
	ROW	2	
<i>C221992</i>	BLOCK	1	
STATE	<i>Minn.</i>	2	27
RANK	<i>Priv.</i>	1	2
DIVISION	<i>78</i>	2	78
ORGANIZATION	<i>312</i>	3	312
ARM	<i>Inf.</i>	1	1
MARITAL	<i>No</i>	1	2
NAME <i>Anderson</i>	<i>And</i>	3	1 9 4 4
<i>Mrs Emma</i>	STATE <i>Minn.</i>	2	27
RESIDENCE	COUNTY <i>Martin</i>	2	46
<i>Box 123</i>	CITY <i>Dunnell</i>	3	x x x
RELATION	<i>Mother</i>	1	1
OTHER		1	
ELIGIBILITY	<i>Yes</i>	1	1
NATIVITY		1	
RACE		1	
ENGLISH	<i>yes</i>	1	1
ATTENDANT		1	
HEALTH	<i>Bad</i>	1	2
NO. OF SONS		1	
DATE OF	MO.	1	
TRIP	YR.	1	
ACCEPTANCE 29/514/	<i>no</i> <i>Age 77</i>	1	2 77

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WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-M

July 9, 1932

Anderson, Gust W. (MA-U)

Mrs. Emma Anderson,
Box 123,
Dunnell, Minn.

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)

Mrs Emma Anderson

QM 293 A-M

March 15, 1932.

Anderson, Gust W. (MA-U) M

Mrs. Emma Anderson,
Box 123,
Dunnell, Minn.

Dear Madam:

Reference is made to correspondence forwarded you from this office relative to a pilgrimage to the cemeteries of Europe in honor of your son, the late Private Gust W. Anderson. In reply to a questionnaire you advised that you did not desire to make a pilgrimage during the summer of 1932.

While it is regretted to advise that the remains of your son have not been located and you will understand no grave can be shown you as that of your son, there is more than an even chance that his remains have been recovered and, lacking means of identification, been interred in the Meuse-Argonne American Cemetery in France under a cross inscribed: "Here Rests in Honored Glory an American Soldier Known but to God." The name of your son, together with the names of other veterans who lost their lives in this section and whose remains have not been located, will be inscribed in the memorial chapel now under construction in the Meuse-Argonne American Cemetery. While the names will not be inscribed by the coming summer, the itinerary prepared for the mothers and widows of these heroes will include a visit to this cemetery.

It is noted you previously stated your health was poor, and you are assured that should you make a pilgrimage every consideration will be given your physical condition at all times. Properly qualified personnel to care for your comfort and needs will be provided and doctors and nurses will be available. During the past two years many mothers who were in poor health and of advanced age made the pilgrimage and appeared to have benefited by the sea air and the excellent care they received.

In view of the foregoing, it is believed that you will experience no difficulty in making the journey and it is sincerely hoped you will reconsider and decide to make a pilgrimage this summer. In the event you decide to make the journey, it is requested that you notify this office at the earliest practicable date in order that arrangements may be made for you. You are assured that all necessary expenses will be borne by the Government, and everything possible for your comfort and welfare will be provided.

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-M
Anderson, Gust W. Pvt. (MA-U) M

June 9, 1931

Mrs. Emma Anderson,
Box 123,
Dunnell, Minnesota.

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.

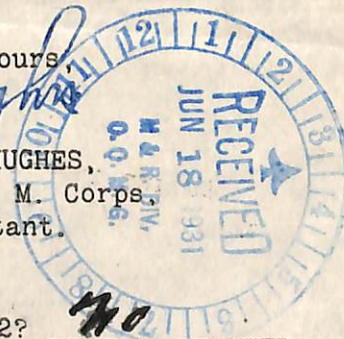
As soon as you have answered the question, please sign your name and return this sheet in the enclosed addressed envelope which requires no postage. Do not delay, as a prompt reply is essential.

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

Health will not permit

Sign here

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 AM
Anderson, Gust W. Pvt. 1232-U M

January 3, 1931.

Mrs. Emma Anderson,
Box 123,
Dunnell, Minn.

Dear Madam:

In order that the records of this office may be complete and correct, it is requested that you advise whether or not the late Private Gust W. Anderson was married, and is survived by a widow. If so, kindly furnish her name and address.

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

For The Quartermaster General.

Very truly yours,

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



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No he was not married

*Yours Truly
Mrs Emma Anderson*

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-M

October 13, 1930.

Anderson, Gust W. 1232-U M Pvt.

Mrs. Emma Anderson,
Box 123,
Dunnell, Minn.

Dear Madam:

A reply has not been received to office letter of recent date relative to the pilgrimage to the cemeteries of Europe, authorized by the Act of Congress of March 2, 1929, as amended May 15, 1930.

The records of this office show that you are the mother of the deceased veteran named above and in order that plans may be completed for conducting the pilgrimages in 1931, it is requested you answer the following questions by filling out the blanks left therefor and return the letter to this office in the enclosed envelope which requires no postage.

1. Do you desire to make this pilgrimage?	<i>No my health</i>
2. Do you desire to make the pilgrimage in the calendar year 1931?	<i>will not permit me to do so</i>
3. Please give your age and state your health.	Age <i>77</i> Condition of health <i>Poor</i>
4. Do you speak English?	<i>yes</i>
5. What other language do you speak?	<i>Swedish</i>

For The Quartermaster General:

Very truly yours,

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

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WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

Anderson, Gust W. - 1232 - U-M

June 24, 1930.

Mrs. Emma Anderson,
Box 123,
Dunnell, Minn.

Dear Madam:

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

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

1. Is the deceased survived by a mother?

If so, give her name and address:

yes

*Mrs Emma Anderson
Dunnell Minn.
Box 123*

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

If so, give her name and address:

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

If so, give her name and address:

For The Quartermaster General,



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