

Alston

(Surname.)

Lewis

(Christian name in full.)

2,093,161

(Army serial number.)

Pvt

Co D, 323 Labor Bn.

(Rank and organization.)

State your relationship to the deceased

Mother

Do you desire the remains brought to the United States?

no

(Yes or no.)

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

yes

(Yes or no.)

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

(Name of person to receive remains.)

(Express office.)

(Telegraph office.)

(Number and street.)

(City or town.)

(State.)

(Sign here)

Fannie Alston

(Number and street or rural route.)

(City, town, or post office.)

(State.)

Read carefully the letter accompanying this card.

Drawn by P.F.

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Checked.
by ~~Mr.~~
10-19

First letter sent to Mrs. Fannie Alston, ^{at} Saxapahaw, N.C.

FULL NAME ALSTON, Lewis.....

RANK Pvt. ✓ SERIAL 2093161 ✓

DIVISION & ORGANIZATION Co D, 323rd Lab. Bn. ✓ *no Div. shown*

DATE OF DEATH 1-18-19 ✓

STATE FROM WHICH HE CAME N.C. ✓

MEDALS OR DECORATIONS AWARDED. ✓

FINAL GRAVE LOCATION.....	36	9	A
	Date	Grave	Row
		Suresnes, #34	Block
		
		Cemetery	

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GRAVE LOCATION BLANK

LOCATION OF THE GRAVE OF

Alston 2003161 Lewis
(Surname). (Number). (First Name and Initials).

Pvt. 323 Labor Battalion
(Rank). (Organization).

PLACE OF DEATH: Base Hospital 106.

CAUSE OF DEATH: Tuberculosis, Pul. adv.

DATE OF BURIAL: January 12, 1919.

PLACE OF BURIAL: An. E. F. Cemetery #2

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

Merignac Gironde

GRAVE NUMBER: 193

HOW MARKED: Name Peg? Cross?

Headboard? Bottle?

IDENTIFICATION TAGS:

Was one buried with body?

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

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

NEAREST RELATIVE: Mrs. Fannie Alston

ADDRESS: Saxahan N. Carolina U.S.A.

RELATIONSHIP: Mother

REPORTED BY:

Reed B. Cherington

(Signature and Rank of Reporting Officer).

First Lieutenant U. S. A.

This portion to be forwarded to Central Records Office, A. G. O., A. E. F.

106 Base Hospital

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GRAVE LOCATION BLANK

LOCATION OF THE GRAVE OF

Alston 2093161 Lewis
(Surname). (Number). (First Name and Initials)

Pvt. 323 Labor Battalion # D.
(Rank). (Organization)

PLACE OF DEATH: Base Hospital 106.

CAUSE OF DEATH: Tuberculosis, Pul. advance

DATE OF BURIAL: January 19; 1919.

PLACE OF BURIAL: Am. E.F. Cemetery #27.

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

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ADDRESS: Saxahan N. Carolina U.S.A.

RELATIONSHIP: Mother

REPORTED BY:

Red B. Cherrington

(Signature and Rank of Reporting Officer)

1st Lieutenant U.S.A. Chaplain 106 Base Hospital

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

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-M

Alston Lewis (Sur) x

Sept 8 1932

Mrs Fannie Alston
Saxapahaw
N C

Dear Madam:

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In order that your desires may be of record, and arrangements made accordingly, it is requested you complete the form below by writing in the space provided, your answers to the questions listed, sign your name and return this letter in the enclosed envelope which requires no postage.

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2. Please state your age and condition of health:	Age: Health:
3. Do you speak English?	
4. What other language do you speak?	

Sign here

NOTE CAREFULLY, THIS IS THE LAST CHANCE WHICH YOU WILL HAVE TO MAKE THE PILGRIMAGE, AND THERE IS NO PROVISION OF LAW FOR A MONEY ALLOWANCE INSTEAD.

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

Encl:
Env.

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-M

Alston Louis (Sur) x

July 13 1932

Mrs Fannie Alston
Sampson H C

Dear Madam:

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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? _____

(Write answer here)

(Sign here) _____

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM-293-AM

Alston, Lewis Pvt (Sur) M x

June 30, 1931.

Mrs. Fannie Alston,
Saxapahaw, N.C.

Dear Madam:

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

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

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

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

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

DO YOU DESIRE TO MAKE A PILGRIMAGE DURING THE YEAR 1932? _____
Write answer here

Sign here

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QM 298 A-M
Alston, Lewis (Sur) M x

May 12, 1931.

Mrs. Fannie Alston,
Saxpahan,
North Carolina.

Dear Madam:

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

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

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

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WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C
Alston, Lewis 34-M

June 19, 1930

Mrs. Fannie Alston,
Saxaphan,
North Carolina

Dear Madam:

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

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

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

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

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

DO YOU DESIRE TO MAKE THE PILGRIMAGE DURING THE YEAR 1931? _____

(Write answer here)

(Sign here)

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C
Alston, Lewis 34-M

June 24, 1930.

Mrs. Fannie Alston,
Saxaphaw,
North Carolina.

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.

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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)

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UNITED STATES VETERANS BUREAU

WASHINGTON

August 6, 1929.

THIS LETTER REFERS TO
YOUR FILE NUMBER: QM 293 A-C

IN REPLY REFER TO: FAFB

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

293 ALSTON, Lewis
C-151,226

Dear Sir:

Receipt is acknowledged of your letter dated July 27, 1929, in which you forward the letter of Mrs. Fannie Alston, mother of the above named soldier, dated May 9, 1929.

She has been advised relative to her claim and that of her husband for death compensation.

The records of the Bureau do not disclose that they have ever made any application for adjusted compensation. They have not been advised relative to their right to make claim for this benefit.

By direction,

H. H. Milks
H. H. MILKS,
Chief, Awards Division.



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OH 298 A-C
ALSTON, Lewis

July 27th, 1929

Mrs. Fannie Alston,
Saxapahaw,
North Carolina.

Dear Madam:

With reference to your letter of May 9th, 1929, it is regretted to advise you that the Act of March 2, 1929, enabling the mothers and widows of the deceased members of the American forces now interred in the cemeteries of Europe to visit their graves at the expense of the Government, makes no provision for a money allowance in lieu of the trip.

As the matter of insurance is handled by the United States Veterans Bureau, Washington, D.C., your letter has been referred to that office for reply concerning the increase in your pension.

For the Quartermaster General.

Very truly yours,

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



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QM 298 A-C
ALSTON, Leslie

July 27th, 1929

Director,
United States Veterans Bureau,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

The enclosed copy of a letter, dated May 9th, 1929,
from Mrs. Pennie Alston, Saxapahaw, North Carolina, is referred
to your office for reply, to so much thereof as pertains to insur-
ance or pension.

Mrs. Alston has been advised of this reference.

For the Quartermaster General.

Very truly yours,

A. D. HUGHES,
Captain, U. S. Corps,
Assistant.

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QM 293 A-C
ALSTON, Lewis

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July 27th, 1929

Director,
United States Veterans Bureau,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

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For the Quartermaster General.

Very truly yours,

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

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Saxapahaw, N. C.

May 29, 1929.

Office of the Quartermaster General, Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

In reply to your inquiries about my son Lewis who was lost in France, whether he was married or not or whether he had a widow that is intitle to a trip or a pilgrimage to France. No he was never married.at all. I and his father and some childrens is all that he left behind. Me for my part I am too old and clumsy to even think about such a trip and his father the same is older than I. We draws a little pension from his insurance but it is not enough to keep is up. I wish that you would advise the bureau that if they possible could instid of giving me a trip to France send me a little more in my monthly dues to help me live this little time the Lord see fit to give me.

Dear Sir

It may be if you would speak in my favor to the Bureau that you could help me some.

Please consider me my case is grave.

Fannie Alston.

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO **QM 298 A-C**
Alston, Lewis

May 5, 1929.

Mrs. Fannie Alston,
Saxapahaw,
N. C.

Dear Madam:

Your attention is invited to the enclosed copy of an Act of Congress approved March 2, 1929, entitled an Act "To enable the mothers and widows of the deceased soldiers, sailors and marines of the American forces now interred in the cemeteries of Europe to make a pilgrimage to these cemeteries".

The records of this office show that you are the mother of the late Private Lewis Alston, Company D, 323rd Labor Battalion, whose remains are now interred in the Suresnes American Cemetery, Suresnes, Seine, France.

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

In the event your son was survived by a widow who has since remarried it is requested that a statement to that effect be made.

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

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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-0
Alston, Lewis

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Assistant.

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NAME ALSTON	ALS	3	1 2 9
BURIED	CEMETERY 34	1	6
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	ROW 9	2	09
	BLOCK A	1	1
STATE	N.C.	2	38
RANK	Priv.	1	2
DIVISION	O.M.C.	2	57
ORGANIZATION	323	3	323
ARM	Lt. Bn	1	1
MARITAL	No	1*	2
NAME Alston	Als	3	1 2 9
RESIDENCE Mrs. Fannie	STATE N.C.	2	38
	COUNTY Alamance	2	01
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RELATION	Mother	1	1
OTHER		1	
ELIGIBILITY	yes	1	1
NATIVITY		1	
RACE	Black	1	2
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ATTENDANT		1	
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WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-M
Alston Lewis (Sur) x

Sept 8 1932

Mrs Fannie Alston
Saxapahaw
N C

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2. Please state your age and condition of health:	Age: Health: <i>66</i>
3. Do you speak English?	<i>yes</i>
4. What other language do you speak?	<i>none</i>

Fannie Alston
Sign here

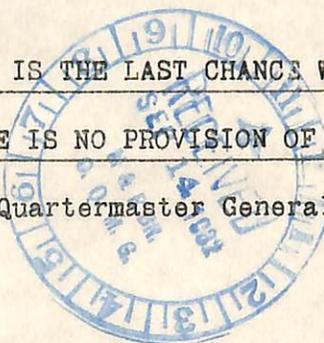
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For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

Chas. W. Dietz
CHAS. W. DIETZ,
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

Alston Lewis (Sur) x

July 13 1932

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Saxapahaw N C

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For The Quartermaster General,

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CHAS. W. DIETZ,
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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

IN REPLY REFER TO QM-293-AM

Alston, Lewis Pvt (Sur) M x

June 30, 1931.

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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 sir
Write answer here

Fannie Alston

Sign here

(Sw.)

Saxapahaw N.C.

May 18th 1931.

Quarter Master General

Dear Sir

Lewis Alston M. X was never
married to any one.

Yours as ever

Fannie Alston



QM 293 A-M
Alston, Lewis (Sur) M x

May 12, 1931.

Mrs. Fannie Alston,
Saxpahan,
North Carolina.

Dear Madam:

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

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

For The Quartermaster General,

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Assistant.

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WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C
Alston, Lewis 34-II

June 19, 1930

Mrs. Fannie Alston,
Saxapban,
North Carolina

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For The Quartermaster General,

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

DO YOU DESIRE TO MAKE THE PILGRIMAGE DURING THE YEAR 1931? _____
(Write answer here)

(Sign here)

QM 293 A-C
ALSTON, Lewis

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July 27th, 1929

Mrs. Fannie Alston,
Saxapahaw,
North Carolina.

Dear Madam:

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For the Quartermaster General.

Very truly yours,

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Captain, C. M. Corps,
Assistant.

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Saxapahaw N.C.

May 9th 1929.

Office of Quartermaster
General.

Washington D.C.

Dear Sir

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that if they possible could in
instead of giving me a trip to France
send me a little more in my
monthly dues to help me live this
little time the Lord see fit to give
me.

Dear Sir

It may be if
you would speak in my favor
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help me some.

Please consider me
my case is grave

Gannice Alston

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WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL OF THE ARMY
WASHINGTON

September 7, 1922.

FILE: 293.8 C-R 482725-

SUBJECT: Permanent Grave Location of **Private Lewis Alston,**
Company D, 223rd Labor Bn.

TO: **Mr. Charles Alston, Saxapahaw, N.C.**

File

1. The permanent grave of this soldier is No. 86 Row 9 Block A, **Suresnes American cemetery at Suresnes, Department of Seine, France.**

2. This is one of the permanent American military cemeteries to be maintained by this Government in Europe. Each grave will be marked by a headstone of white marble, of suitable design, with name, rank, organization and date of soldier's death. The headstones will be placed at all graves in connection with the improvement work now in progress, as soon as possible and without waiting for special action or request on the part of relatives.

3. In effecting removal, the utmost care and reverence were exacted and more than willingly accorded by those performing this sacred duty. The grave of the deceased will be perpetually maintained by this Government in a manner befitting the last resting place of our heroes.

MAILED
For the Quartermaster General:

SEP 7 1922

G.R.S.

GEORGE H. PENROSE,
Assistant.

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DATE 10/26/21

1. NAME ALSTON, Lewis

SERIAL No. 2093161

RANK Pvt.

ORGANIZATION Co.D., 323rd Lab.Bn.

GRAVE LOCATION American Cemetery MERIGNAC (Gironde)

27

CTY. NAME

NUMBER

193

GRAVE

ROW

PLOT

2. ORIGINAL BATTLE AREA GRAVE LOCATION

193

Merignac, (Gironde)

GRAVE

COMMUNE

DEPT.

COORDINATES None.

CONCENTRATED TO Jan. 19, 1919.

193

DATE

GRAVE

ROW

PLOT

Merignac, (Gironde)

27

CEMETERY

CTY. NUMBER

Data concerning any identification found on remains when concentrated, such as collar insignias, letters, broken bones, missing parts, etc.

SUBSEQUENT REBURIALS

DATE

GRAVE

ROW

PLOT

CEMETERY

DATE

GRAVE

ROW

PLOT

CEMETERY

SIGNATURE, AREA SUPERVISOR

W. R. Nichols

W. R. Nichols, Major, C.I.C.

3. FINAL GRAVE LOCATION 10/26/21

36

9

DATE

GRAVE

ROW

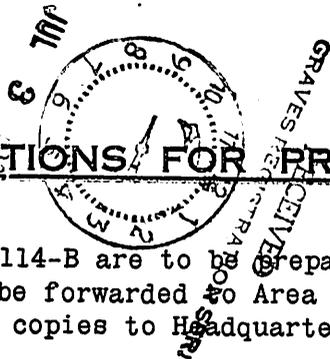
Block PLOT

AUDITED BY
SEB 7/11/22

Suresnes American Cty # 34 Suresnes Seine

CEMETERY

INSTRUCTIONS FOR PREPARATION OF FORM 114 B



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

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

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

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

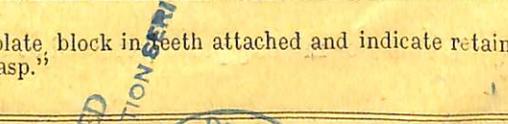
INSTRUCTIONS FOR THE PROPER COMPLETION OF G. R. S. FORM NO. 16-A

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

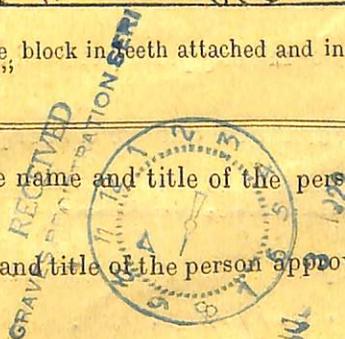
1. Show soldier's name, serial number, rank and organization, and by whom disinterred and reburied.
2. Give date and accurate information as to location from which the body was disinterred and the group and unit which made disinterment.
3. Give date and accurate information as to location of reburial and the group and unit which made reburial, and how reburial was made—in casket, wooden box, etc.
4. State to what degree decomposition has progressed, whether recognition is possible, and how the body was originally buried—in a casket, box, burlap, etc. This statement should be as complete as possible.
5. (a) State whether identification tags were found buried with body and on grave marker by reporting "Yes" or "No".

(b) State whether or not body appears to have been a hospital case. Were any identifying articles found in or on body or grave? List any personal effects, letters, money-order receipts, and the like found on body or in grave. Give any and all information which it is thought might be of use in identifying the body, other than that tabulated under Item No. 6.

6. Give all information as to body description and dental chart as nearly correctly as the condition of the body will allow. Items (e) and (f) under the body description are very important and should be very complete. The dental chart is also very important and should be filled in with great care. There are 32 teeth to be accounted for, as shown by the numbers on the chart. Beginning at the middle line in both upper and lower jaws, the teeth are arranged symmetrically on either side and classed as incisors (cutting teeth), cuspids or canines (tearing teeth), bicuspid (chewing teeth), and molars (principal chewing teeth). An examination should be made and findings charted to cover the following basic conditions: Lost teeth, crowned teeth, bridge work, fillings, caries (cavities of decay), dentures (plates), and any deformity of jaws found.

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

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



To be prepared in triplicate.

DATE Sept. 27th, 1921

REPORT OF DISINTERMENT, PREPARATION, SHIPMENT AND REBURIAL OF BODY

DISINTERMENT

COMPARATIVE REPORT

Records of G.R.S. Headquarters.

Discrepancy found upon exhumation of body

1. Name ALSTON, Lewis
 2. No. 2093161
 3. Rank Pvt.
 4. Org. Co.D., 323rd Lab. Bn.
 5. D.D. 1-18-19
 6. C.D. Pulmonary Tuberculosis.

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

Discrepancy found upon disinterment

7. Grave No. 193 Sec. _____
 8. Plot _____ Row _____
 9. _____
 18. Cemetery American Cemetery
 20. Dept. or County Gironde
 22. G.R.S. Hdqrs. Code No. 27

15. Grave No. _____ Sec. _____
 16. Plot _____ Row _____
 17. No discrep.
 19. Commune or town MERIGNAC
 21. Country France.

23. Disinterred (Date) Sept. 27th, 1921

By A. J. Harvey

24. Inscription on grave marker:

Name Lewis Alston
 Rank Pvt.

Serial No. _____
 Organization Co. D. 323rd Lab. Bn.

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

A. J. Harvey
 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).

Body tag checks.

27. Condition of body Badly decomposed, features not recognizable.

28. Nature of burial Wooden box and uniform.

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

30. Body prepared and placed in casket: Date Sept. 27th, 1921 By A. J. Harvey

31. Casket sealed by A. J. Harvey
 Signature of Embalmer, (Supervisor) A. J. Harvey

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

32. Designation of body: _____

C-2127

Name _____ Serial No. _____

Rank **ALSTON, Lewis** Organization _____ **2093161**

33. Consigned to: _____

Pvt.

Co.D., 523rd Lab. Bn.

Name of Permanent Cemetery _____ **SURESNES AMERICAN CEMETERY #34**

34. Casket boxed and marked (Date) _____ By _____

Sept. 27th, 1921

A. J. Harvey

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 _____

36. Remarks _____

F. L. Herron, Capt., Q.M.C.

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

Sept. 27th, 1921

To point of Concentration _____

Convoyer **E. C. Leaping** _____ Signature Shipping Officer _____

Bassens (Gironde) (Name)

F. L. Herron, Capt., Q.M.C.

38. Received at Railhead or Point of Concentration: Date _____

28 SEP 1921

By G.R.S. Representative _____

W. R. NICHOLS

Major C. A. C.

39. Shipped from Railhead or Point of Concentration: Date _____

Oct 14 1921

39 (a) Received at Paris Morgue, October 17, 1921.

H. L. WARD,
Major, Q.M.C.

39 (b) Shipped from Paris Morgue, **25 OCT 1921** 1921. To Permanent Cemetery No. 34, American, Suresnes (Seine) by Shipping Officer, Convoysed by:

H. L. WARD,
Major, Q.M.C.

42. Grave No. _____

36.

43. Plot _____ Row _____

xxxx Block A.

9.

G.R.S. Representative _____

R. G. RICHARDS,
1st Lieut. Q.M.C.

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

32. Designation of body: C-2127

Name _____ Serial No. _____

Rank ALSTON, Lewis Organization _____ 2093161

33. Consigned to: Pvt. Co.D., 323rd Lab. Bn.

Name of Permanent Cemetery SURESNES AMERICAN CEMETERY #34

34. Casket boxed and marked (Date) _____ By _____

35. I hereby certify that all the foregoing operations were conducted and accomplished under my immediate supervision and that the report above is correct. Sept. 27th, 1921 A. J. Harvey

Signature of G.R.S. Inspector F. L. Herron, Capt., Q.M.C.

36. Remarks _____

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

To point of Concentration Sept. 27th, 1921
Convoyer E. C. Lehiping Bassons (Gironde) (Name) _____
Signature Shipping Officer F. L. Herron

38. Received at Railhead or Point of Concentration: Date 28 SEP 1921

By G.R.S. Representative W. R. NICHOLS
Major C. A. C.

39. Shipped from Railhead or Point of Concentration: Date Oct 14 1921

Permanent Cemetery Paris Morgue

Convoyer Jack Roberts (Name) _____
Signature Shipping Officer M. Steady

Received: Date _____

G.R.S. Representative October 26th, 1921.
R. G. RICHARDS, 1st Lieut. Q.M.C.

Interred Suresnes Cemetery. October 26th, 1921.

Plot No. _____ Section _____

43. Plot xxxx Block Row A.

G.R.S. Representative R. G. RICHARDS,
1st Lieut. Q.M.C.

COMPILATION OF DISPOSITION OF REMAINS DATA

File No. 82725

1. LOCATION INDEX CARD:

(a) Name ALSTON, Lewis Ser. No. 2093161)
 (b) Rank Pvt. Organization Co. D. 323rd Labor Bn.) TYP. EML
 (c) Date of death 1-18-19 of death Pulmonary Tuberculosis) CKR. 23
 (d) Cause

11. Registration Card:- (Check Reg. Card Inf. against Loc. Ind. Inf.)

(a) Grave No. 193 Row --- Plot --- Sect. ---) TYP. ILH
 (b) Emerg. Address Mrs. Fannie Alston, (Mother), ^{father of 10-19} ~~Saxahan~~, North Car.

111. Files of soldiers dying from contagious diseases; (Card agrees with (d)) CKR. M.E.

IV. A.G.O. DISPOSITION CARD:

Date of receipt None

(a) Name Mrs. Fannie Alston (b) Relationship _____
 (c) Address Saxahan ^{father of 10-19}, N. Car.
 (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 JAB Date 4/30/ 1920

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

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

Examiner's Initials JAB Date 4/30/ 1920

VI. G.R.S. Files - Correspondence - shows as follows:

No request for disposition

(a) Cancellation memos referred to? Yes

Examiner's Initials aa Date 5-1- 1920

COUNTRY FRANCE

CEMETERY NO. 27

SHEET NO. 4

G.R.S. Form #115

Amended April 6, 1920.

Make Form #114

Checked by Jm

10-19

Examination for concentration 11-8-21



Typed by _____, Checked by _____, 5-1-1920

Following advice forwarded to Europe by- (cable on _____, 1920
(letter on **MAY** 1920, 1920
may 10th

OCT 27 20

Par. # 2 Not to be returned. MR 10-20-20

CORRECTIONS

IX.

Change of advice

Action taken

Desires body be

Body to be shipped to

RECEIVED
AUG 24 1921
Division
Cordoba Project Sub-Section

X. SUSPENSION REMARKS:

*7/24/20 MR & gun
Ched. Alston - Gath
Sarapahaw, N.C.*

WAR DEPARTMENT.

Cemeterial Division

Washington, D.C.

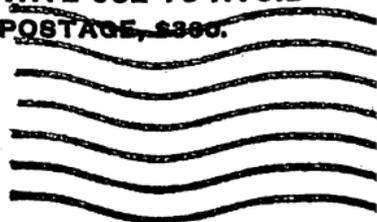
OFFICIAL BUSINESS.

Corrected Project Sub-section
DIVISION

RECEIVED
AUG 24 1921



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



WAR DEPARTMENT

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

OFFICIAL BUSINESS.

QUARTERMASTER GENERAL

WASHINGTON, D. C.

CEMETERIAL DIVISION

Miss Greenberg

OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
CEMETERIAL DIVISION
OVERSEAS PROJECT SUB-SECTION.

C-151226

NAME OF DECEASED SOLDIER

CEMETERY NO.

DATE

Alston, Lewis, Pvt.

27 - 4

July 6, 1920

SERIAL NUMBER

ORGANIZATION

2093161

Co. D. 323rd Labor Bn.

File # 82725

WAR RISK INSURANCE INFORMATION

DATE July 20, 1920

NAME OF BENEFICIARY

Mr. Charles Alston
Saxapahaw, North Carolina ✓

RELATIONSHIP Father

Address:

NS-8438/JC

OK
Cal

CEMETERIAL DIVISION
GRAVES REGISTRATION SERVICE
REGISTRATION SECTION

File # 82725

Classification _____

Adjustment _____

City 27

MEMORANDUM:

Date 7/27/20

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.

	CORP.	ADD. DATA		CORP.	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 Cablgram Number					
<i>Remarks 5X8</i>					

O.K. Alphabetical Files H. E. S. 8-2-20

~~O.K. Organization Files~~ _____

~~O.K. State Files~~ _____

Cemetery Audit Department
 Investigation & Adjustment Dept.

By *Johnson*

1 Cards attached.

COMPILATION OF DISPOSITION OF REMAINS DATA

Form 115
11-8-21

I. LOCATION INDEX CARD:

File--82725

(a) Name ... Alston, Lewis Ser. No. 2093161
 (b) Rank Pvt. Organization Co. D. 323rd Labor Bn. } TYP EML
 (c) Date of death 1-18-19 Cause of death Pulmonary Tuberculosis } DS
 LM

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

(a) Grave No. 193 Row --- Plot --- Sect. --- TYP ILM
 (b) Emerg. Address Mrs. Fannie Alston, (mother) Saxapahan, North Car.

III. Files of soldiers dying from contagious diseases card agrees with-d CKR MET

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

A.G.O. card Mrs Fannie Alston (relation not given)
Saxapahan, N. Car requests body not returned
P.R.C. 10-25-20

V. Following advice forwarded to Europe by (cable on 192
 (Letter of transmittal on 5-10-1920

Par. 2. Not to be returned MB 10-20-20

VI. Form 115 forwarded to G.R.S.Hoboken, N.J. **OCT 26 1920** 192

VII. SUPPLEMENTARY REQUESTS

Date of and Source	Relationship and name	Desires	Action taken

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

COUNTRY France CEMETERY NO. 27 SHEET NO. 4

G.R.S. FORM 115-A August, 1920

20-10-25-20