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JUN 1 - 1925

DATE 11/29/21.

1. NAME ARMSTRONG, Arthur S

SERIAL No. 51896

RANK Pvt

ORGANIZATION & DIVISION

Co L 23rd Inf 2 Div

GRAVE LOCATION

Meuse-Argonne Amer. Cty. Romagne-s-Montfaucon 1232 Sec 32

CTY. NAME

NUMBER

1 Sec. 32

1

GRAVE

ROW

PLOT

2. ORIGINAL BATTLE AREA GRAVE LOCATION

BAC 19

Sommerance

Ardennes

GRAVE

COMMUNE

DEPT.

COORDINATES

35NE

284.65N

300.7E

CONCENTRATED TO

4/26/19

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Sec 32

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DATE

GRAVE

ROW

PLOT

Meuse Argonne

1232

CEMETERY

CTY. NUMBER

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

Tag on body

data f-1/pfb



SUBSEQUENT REBURIALS

DATE OF DEATH

DATE

GRAVE

ROW

PLOT

CEMETERY

STATE FROM WHICH HE CAME

MEDALS OR DECORATIONS AWARDED

DATE

GRAVE

ROW

PLOT

CEMETERY

SIGNATURE, AREA SUPERVISOR

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

3. FINAL GRAVE LOCATION 11/29/21.

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Block E.

Row 24.

DATE

GRAVE

ROW

ROW

AUDITED BY

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

CEMETERY



Rec'd World War Div,
2 APR 2 1928

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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 16, 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.



DISTRICT


1st Ind.

WW WS 6-3

War Dept., A. G. O., April 7, 1928 - To The Quartermaster General.

The records of this office show that Arthur S. Armstrong, Army Serial Number 51,896, held the rank of private 1cl at the date of his death.

By order of the Secretary of War:

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "F. Green", with a long, sweeping flourish extending to the right.

Adjutant General.

Q.R. - RLT
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GRAVE LOCATION BLANK

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LOCATION OF THE GRAVE OF

ARMSTRONG 51896 Arthur S.
(Surname.) (Number.) (First Name and Initials.)

Pvt. L Co. 23rd Infantry
(Rank.) (Organization.)

DATE OF BURIAL **Nov. 1, 1918**

PLACE OF BURIAL **Sommerance**

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

Military cemetery in S.E. corner of town on north side of roadway.

Co. L, 2

GRAVE NUMBER **19**

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

Headboard? Bottle?

IDENTIFICATION TAGS:

Was one buried with body? **yes**

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

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

thur - Pvt 51886

ction on November 1, 1918
company went over the
live shell, dying ins-
r St. Georges, Argonne

s - 1st Sgt 51883
In fantry
k.

REPORTED BY: *J. M. Pierce*
Senior Chaplain 2 Div.
(Signature and Rank of Reporting Officer.)

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

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Front.

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Co. L, 23rd Infantry
2nd Div

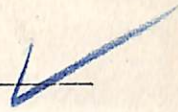
ARMSTRONG, Arthur - Pvt 51886

Pvt. 1/c Arthur Armstrong was killed in action on November 1, 1918, early in the morning about the time the Company went over the top. He was hit by a fragment of a high explosive shell, dying instantly, and is believed to have been buried near St. Georges, Argonne Front.

Informant: BAUER, Thomas - 1st Sgt 51883
Co, L, 23rd Infantry
Home: Gillett Ark.

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CODE SLIP



HEADING	SUB-HEADING	NO. OF COLS	CODE
NAME	Armstrong	ARM	3
BURIED	Arthur S.	CEMETERY 1232	1
		GRAVE 10	2
		ROW 24	2
		BLOCK E	1
STATE		Mass	2
RANK		Private	1
DIVISION		2	2
ORGANIZATION		23	3
ARM		Inf	1
MARTIAL		No	1
NAME	Armstrong		3
RESIDENCE	William J. (Father)	STATE	2
		COUNTY	2
		CITY	3
RELATION	no son	Mother	1
OTHER	no		1
ELIGIBILITY	no	Dead	1
NATIVITY			1
RACE			1
ENGLISH			1
ATTENDANT			1
HEALTH			1
NO. OF SONS			1
DATE OF TRIP		MO.	1
		YR.	1
ACCEPTANCE			1

AUDITED

MAR 31 1932
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QM 293 A-M
Armstrong, Arthur S. (MA)

February 27, 1933

Hon. David I. Walsh,
United States Senate.

My dear Senator:

I have your letter of February 22nd, enclosing a communication from Mrs. W. A. Glover relative to her desire to visit the grave of her brother, the late Private first class Arthur S. Armstrong.

As you are aware the only provision of the law authorizing the pilgrimages under which Mrs. Glover could be considered as eligible to make the journey is the clause providing that a woman must have stood in loco parentis to a veteran for five years prior to his reaching the age of 18 years. It has been held that a person must provide food, clothing, shelter, counsel and guidance, i.e., take the place of a father, in order to be considered as standing in loco parentis to a minor.

The records show that the mother of this late veteran died when he was 9 years of age, and it appears that the father continued to maintain the home, his daughters taking care of the house. This function however does not constitute standing in loco parentis to a minor.

While I appreciate that Mrs. Glover may have been of great assistance to her brother as well as to the other members of the family, it is regretted to advise that, inasmuch as she cannot qualify as having stood in loco parentis to her brother, no arrangements can be made for her to make a pilgrimage.

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

JAS. H. LAUBACH,
Lt. Col., Q. M. Corps,
Assistant.

Encl:
Lt: 2-21-33 returned
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United States Senate

COMMITTEE ON FINANCE

6289

February 22, 1933.

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

Dear Sir:

I am enclosing a letter received from Mrs. W. A. Glover, 271 Mt. Vernon Street, Dedham, Massachusetts, who asserts she acted in loco parentis for the deceased veteran, Arthur S. Armstrong.

Will you kindly return the letter to me for my files, and let me know whether Mrs. Glover is eligible for consideration as a Gold Star mother?

Sincerely yours,

David I. Walsh

294 Armstrong, Arthur S.
 201 Metals, Springfield



1232

C O P Y

Feb. 21, 1933.

Hon. David I. Walsh.

My dear Sir:

I am writing this letter to you hoping that you will use your influence in the following. Arthur S. Armstrong was killed in France Nov. 1, 1918. I am his sister and took charge of him from the time of my mother's death in 1900 - brought him through his first communion confirmation, graduation and attended him while ill of diptheria, in every way I was a mother to him - for those years with him I am very grateful they leave very happy memories - Now my father has just passed away an old gentlemen - none of the family have ever visited the grave in France and I wonder if there is by any chance a place for me with the gold-star mothers? I can get affidavits for you of my care of him, there was six to raise and that in itself ought to tell part of the story. I would appreciate hearing from you and hope you will in some way be able to grant this wish of mine. I hope I haven't asked too much.

Very Gratefully Yours,

/S/ Mrs. W. A. Glover
271 Mt. Vernon St.,
Dedham, Mass.

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

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IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

Armstrong, Arthur S. - 1232 F

July 3, 1930

Mr. William I. Armstrong
9 Sherman Street
Everett, Mass.

Dear Sir:

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:

No

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

If so, give her name and address:

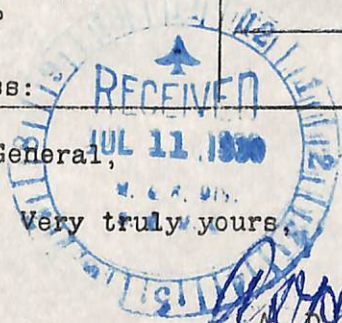
No

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:

No

For The Quartermaster General,



Very truly yours,

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

Enclosures:
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Act
Amendment

Q1 293 A-G
Armstrong, Arthur S.

October 2, 1929

Mr. William I. Armstrong,
9 Sherman Street,
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Dear Sir:

Receipt is acknowledged of the form letter from this office dated September 3, 1929, completed by you, furnishing information requested in connection with the Gold Star Mothers' and Widows' Pilgrimage to Europe, authorized by the Act of Congress of March 2, 1929.

It is assumed that you desire to be informed as to whether a sister of the late Private Arthur S. Armstrong would be entitled to make the pilgrimage to his grave under the provisions of Section 4 (a) of the Act, which states in part "or any woman who stood in loco parentis to the deceased member of the military or naval forces for the year prior to the commencement of his service in such forces".

It has been held that within the meaning of the law, a person cannot stand in loco parentis to an adult unless such adult is mentally or physically incapacitated. No man who was mentally or physically incapacitated was accepted for service in the military or naval forces. Inasmuch as your son was an adult at the time of the commencement of his service, his age having been 25 years and 11 months, no person could have stood in loco parentis to him for the year prior to his entry into the service. Therefore, I regret to advise that a sister of the late Private Armstrong is ineligible within the meaning of the law, to make this pilgrimage at the expense of the Government.

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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Captain, Q. M. Corps,
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WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

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1232

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*25 1/2 yrs old
Encl 7-17-17*

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Dear Sir:

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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:

Was never married so far
we ever knew;

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.

His mother died when he
was about 9 years old—and
his sisters had to be all
the mother he had then;

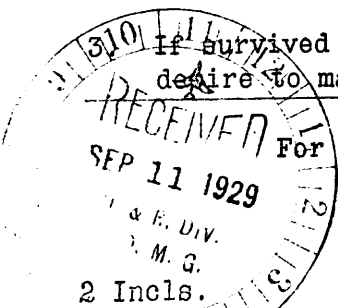
3. If survived by a widow or mother does she desire to make the pilgrimage?

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

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Your attention is particularly invited to Section 4 of the enclosed Act, which defines the terms "mother" and "widow". If the relative is a stepmother, mother through adoption, or any woman who stood in loco parentis to the decedent, a statement as to her relationship is requested. If he was survived by a widow who has since remarried it is also requested that a statement to that effect be made.

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For The Quartermaster General,

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Assistant.

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WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
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Assistant.

In reply refer to:
293 C-R

June 30, 1923.

Mr. William I. Armstrong,
9 Sherman St.,
Everett, Mass.

Dear Sir:

The Quartermaster General desires that you be informed that
the permanent grave of ~~Private Arthur S. Armstrong, Company I, 23rd~~
~~Infantry, is Grave 10, Row 24, Block B, Meuse-Argonne American Cemetery~~
~~Romagne-sous-Montfaucon (Meuse), France.~~

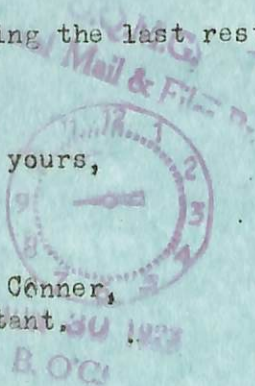
This is one of the permanent American military cemeteries to be maintained by this Government in Europe. Each grave will be marked by a headstone of white marble, of suitable design, with name, rank, division, organization, date of soldier's death and State from which he came. The headstones will be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

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

Very truly yours,

H. J. Conner,
Assistant.

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COMPILATION OF DISPOSITION OF REMAINS DATA

File 68598

I. LOCATION INDEX CARD:

(a) Name ARMSTRONG, Arthur S. Ser. No. 51896
(b) Rank Pvt. Organization Co. L, 23rd Inf.
(c) Date of death 11-1-18 (d) Cause of death K/A

TYP. B
CKR. 30

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

(a) Grave No. 1 Row - Plot 1 Sec. 32 TYP. B
(b) Emerg. Address William I. Armstrong (father) 9 Sherman St.,
Everett, Mass.

III. Files of soldiers dying from contagious diseases /// /// /// /// /// /// /// /// /// /// CKR. 30

IV. A. G. O. DISPOSITION CARD:

Date of receipt None

(a) Name William I. Armstrong (b) Relationship Father
(c) Address not given
(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 G. C. Date 4-27-21, 1920.

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

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

Examiner's Initials _____ Date _____, 1920.

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

No request for disposition.

(a) Cancellation memos referred to? _____

Examiner's Initials G. C. Date 4-27-21, 1920.

COUNTRY FRANCE CEMETERY No. 1232-SEC. 32 SHEET No. 4

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

V. Following advice forwarded to Europe by { cable on _____, 192
Sec 32 { letter of transmittal on 5-9-, 192
Par 2. Not to be returned

VI. Form 115 forwarded to G. R. S., Hoboken, N. J., _____, 192

VII. SUPPLEMENTARY REQUESTS.

Date of and source.	Relationship and name.	Desires.	Action taken.

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

COUNTRY _____ CEMETERY No. _____ SHEET No. _____

REPORT OF DISINTERMENT AND REBURIAL

1. REMAINS OF ARMSTRONG ARTHUR S. SERIAL NUMBER 51896
 RANK Pvt. ORGANIZATION Co., L. 23rd Inf.

2. Disinterred (date): Nov, 29, 1921. From (give complete location):
Gr. 1 sec 32 pt 1 Cem., #1232.
 By: Group 4 Unit Sec. 1

3. Reburied (date): Nov. 29th, 1921. In (give complete location):
Grave 10, Row 24, Block E, Cemetery 1232.
 By: Group Reburial S Unit _____ Nature of reburial Unlined Casket

4. Report as to nature of original burial and condition of body upon disinterment:
U. S. Uniform, burlap and pine box. body badly decomposed features unrecognizable.

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

(b) Other means of identification found upon disinterment, and general remarks:
Body tag checks with record.

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

- (a) Height (actual measurement) Imp to det.
- (b) Weight (estimated) do
- (c) Hair—Color do
 Quantity do
 Characteristics do
- (d) Hair on face—Color do
 Location do
 Quantity do
- (e) Permanent marks on body (old scars, peculiarities, or missing parts) None visible

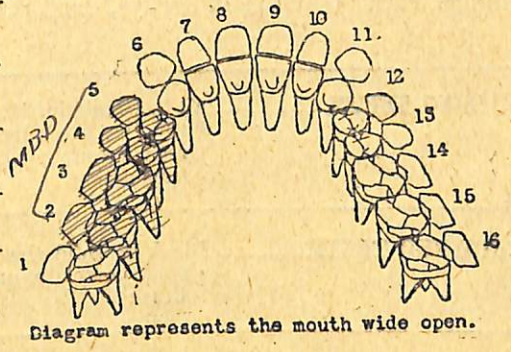
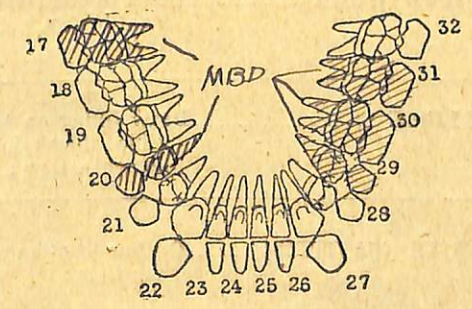


Diagram represents the mouth wide open.



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

7. Disinterment supervised by Ed Lavele Approved: A. E. Dewey
Ed. Lavele (Title) A. E. Dewey 1st. Lt. QMG

8. Reburial supervised by A. U. Dufault Approved: James W. Younger
A. U. Dufault (Title) James W. Younger, Captain Q.M.C.

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.

MISSING TEETH All teeth missing through previous extraction (not those fractured or displaced by recent wounds) should be scratched out, thus:



CROWNED TEETH Block in solid the crown of tooth (label gold, porcelain, or gold and porcelain), thus:



BRIDGE WORK Block in solid the crown of tooth (label gold bridge, gold and porcelain bridge), thus:



FILLINGS Draw filling on tooth accurately as possible (block in and label gold, silver, cement), thus:



CARIES (CAVITIES) Outline location and size of cavity, shade in thus:



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."

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 Nov 29 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 **ARMSTRONG, Arthur S**
 2. No. **51896**
 3. Rank **Pvt**
 4. Org. **Co L 23rd Inf**
 5. D.D. **11-1-18**
 6. C.D. **KIA**

10. Name _____
 11. No. _____
 12. Rank _____
 13. Org. _____
 14. (a) D.D. _____
 (b) D.B. **None**



Discrepancy found upon disinterment

7. Grave No. **1** Sec. **32**
 8. Plot **1** Row _____
 9. _____

15. Grave No. _____ Sec. _____
 16. Plot _____ Row _____
 17. **None**

18. Cemetery **Meuse-Argonne Amer.**
 20. Dept. or County **Meuse**
 22. G.R.S. Hdqrs. Code No. **1232 Sec. 32**

19. Commune or town **Romagne-s-Montfaucon**
 21. Country **France**

23. Disinterred (Date) **Nov 29 1921**

By **Ed Lavelle**

24. Inscription on grave marker:
 Name **Arthur S Armstrong**
 Rank **Pvt.**

Serial No. **51896**
 Organization **Co L 23 Inf**

25. Was identification disc found on grave marker? **No** On body? **Yes**

J L White
 Signature Junior Technical Assistant
J L White

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).
None

27. Condition of body **Badly decomposed, features unrecognizable**

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

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

30. Body prepared and placed in casket: Date **Nov 29 1921** By **Ed Lavelle**

31. Casket sealed by **Ed Lavelle.**

Signature of Embalmer, (Supervisor *Ed Lavelle*)

MT

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

32. Designation of body:

Name Arthur S Armstrong

51896

Serial No.

Rank Pvt

Organization Co L 23rd Inf

33. Consigned to:

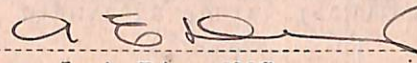
Name of Permanent Cemetery Meuse-Argonne Amer. Cty. Romagne-s-Montfaucon
1232

34. Casket boxed and marked (Date) Nov 29 1921

By Ed Lavelle

35. I hereby certify that all the foregoing operations were conducted and accomplished under my immediate supervision and that the report above is correct.

Signature of G.R.S. Inspector



A E Dewey, 1st Lt. QMC

36. Remarks _____

37. Shipped from point of Operation: (Date) Nov 29 1921

cc

To point of Concentration Morgue Romagne

Convoyer W J Royed.

Signature Shipping Officer

(Name J. Gerald Cole
J. GERALD COLE
Captain, C. A. C.

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 _____

Convoyer _____

(Name _____
Signature Shipping Officer _____

40. Received: Date _____

G.R.S. Representative _____

41. Reinterred, Meuse Argonne Cemetery 1232, Nov. 29th, 1921.
(Date)

42. Grave No. 10
Block

Section _____

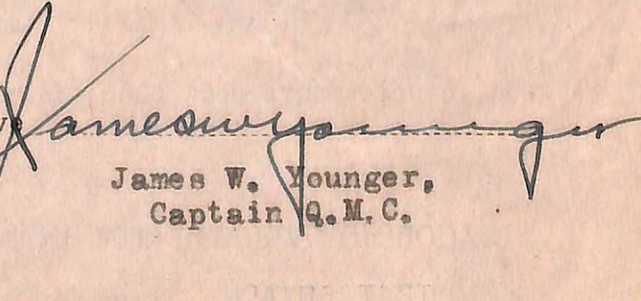
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Row

24

G.R.S. Representative



James W. Younger,
Captain Q.M.C.

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REPORT OF IDISINTERMENT AND REBURIAL.

Remains of:

Name: ARMSTRONG, Arthur A.

Number: 51896

Rank: Pvt.

Organization: L 23 Inf.

Disinterment and Reburial made by Group

Unit

Disinterred (Date)

From: (Give complete location)

26 APRIL 1919

Grave 19 B/A CTY. SOMMERANCE, ARDENNES.

35 NE E300.7 N284.65

Reburied (Date)

in: (Give complete location)

26 APRIL 1919

Grave 1 Sec 32 Plot 1

ARGONNE AMERICAN CEMETERY #1232

ROMAGNE, MEUSE.

1232

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

Body buried in unifrom and blanket. Badly decomposed. Burial good.

Was one identification tag found upon the body? Yes

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

Note:

If upon disinterment, effects are found upon bodies, they will be promptly sent to the Effects Depot direct as is required by G.O. 170, G.H. 2, 1918., after being carefully examined for clues to identity in doubtful cases, notation whereof will be made and reported to Chief, Graves Registration Service.

R. H. ROSENTHAL

Supervised by: Lt. ZAMA

2nd Lieut. O.M.C.U.S.A.

C.O. Group Unit

10543

Armstrong

(Surname.)

Arthur S

(Christian name in full.)

51,896

(Army serial number.)

Pvt. Co L, 23rd 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 or town.)

(State.)

(Sign here)

William J. Armstrong

(Number and street or rural route.)

(City, town, or post office.)

(State.)

Read carefully the letter accompanying this card.

Orig let sent to-
Wm J. Armstrong, (father)
9 Sherman St.,
Everett, Mass.

Noted by E. C.

Date 4-27-21

1232 Sec. 32-4

Wm J. Armstrong
9 Sherman St.
Everett, Mass.

1 G.R.S. FORM NO. 1

2 #51896

3 NAME ARMSTRONG ARTHUR S.

4 RANK PVT. CO. L. 23 INF.

5 X

6 X BATTLE AREA CEMETERY

7 SOMMERANCE MEUSE

8 GRAVE NO. 19 PLOT B

9 CROSS

10 TAG ATTACHED TO CROSS

11 X

12 300.6 E. 284.7 N. VERDUN N.E. 35
10 yds. N. of road

13 X

SIGNED..... *Orville Hamilton*

GROUP 2

G.R.S. 305

SKETCH #101

2852
775

45963

630 *line*



GRAVE LOCATION FORM

LOCATION OF THE GRAVE OF

ARMSTRONG 51896 Arthur S.
(Surname.) (Number.) (First Name and Initials.)

Pvt. L Co. 23rd Infantry
(Rank.) (Organization.)

DATE OF BURIAL Nov. 1, 1918

PLACE OF BURIAL Sommerance

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

Military cemetery in S.E. corner of town on north side of roadway.

GRAVE NUMBER 19

HOW MARKED: Name Peg? yes Cross?

Headboard?

Bottle?

IDENTIFICATION TAGS: Was one buried with body? yes

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

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

COMB SOMMERANCE (ARDENNES)
(C 342 35NE (COORD) E 300.4 N 284.65

REPORTED BY: Senior Chaplain 2 Div.
(Signature and Rank of Reporting Officer.)

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