

MMB

To The A. G. O.

DATE 3:18:22

1. NAME ARMSTRONG, Elmer H.

MAR 10 1920

SERIAL No. 2663904

RANK Pvt.

ORGANIZATION 319th Amb.Co. 305th San.Trn.

GRAVE LOCATION French Mil.Cty.Bar-le-Duc, Meuse

& DIVISION 80th #542

CTY. NAME

NUMBER

24

Amer.

GRAVE

ROW

PLOT

2. ORIGINAL BATTLE AREA GRAVE LOCATION

Nothing of record

GRAVE

COMMUNE

DEPT.

COORDINATES

Not known

CONCENTRATED TO

Nothing of record

DATE

GRAVE

ROW

PLOT

CEMETERY

CTY. NUMBER

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

DATE OF DEATH

Oct. 17, 1918

STATE FROM WHICH HE CAME

Penn

MEDALS OR DECORATIONS AWARDED

none of record

SUBSEQUENT REBURIALS

Nothing of record

DATE

GRAVE

ROW

PLOT

CEMETERY

DATE

GRAVE

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CEMETERY

SIGNATURE, AREA SUPERVISOR

W.M. Cline

Wm M. CLINE
Captain Q.M.C.

3. FINAL GRAVE LOCATION

3/18/22

25

4

B

DATE

GRAVE

ROW

Block

PLOT

Meuse Argonne American Cty # 1232 Romagne sous Montfaucon

CEMETERY

AUDITED BY
M.J.D. 2/23/23
K.M.
1/3

MAR 11 A.G.O.
1920

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.

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HEADQUARTERS
AMERICAN GRAVES REGISTRATION SERVICE
WASHINGTON, D.C.

GRAVE LOCATION BLANK

LOCATION OF THE GRAVE OF

Armstrong, (2663904) Elmer H.
(Surname.) (Number.) (First Name and Initials.)

Pvt. 319 Amb Co. 305 San Trn.
(Rank.) (Organization.)

DATE OF BURIAL **Oct 12, 1918.**

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

American Flat, Military Cemetery.
Bar le Duc, Meuse, France.

GRAVE NUMBER **10, Section 1.**

HOW MARKED: Name Peg? Cross? **Yes.**
Headboard? Bottle?

IDENTIFICATION TAGS:

Was one buried with body? **Yes.**
Was one fastened to name peg or stake used as a grave marker? **Yes.**
If name unknown and tags missing, description and marks should be given here:

REPORTED BY:

J. J. ...
1st Lt: AGO.

(Signature and Rank of Reporting Officer.)

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

319th Amb. Co. 3
80th Division

On the night
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evacuated to the
from there to an
Base Hospital.

NN.
Next of kin:
Not given.

H.-Pvt 2663904
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gt 1842239
th San Trn.

319th Amb. Co. 305th San Tn.
80th Division

ARMSTRONG, Elmer H.-Pvt 2663904
Home : Philadelphia, Pa.

On the night of October 8, 1918 - at Nantillois - at 9 o'clock, a high explosive shell hit the dressing station of the 319th Ambulance Co. and a piece of shrapnel struck Pvt. Armstrong in the groin. He was evacuated to the Field Hospital No 319 at Bethancourt and was evacuated from there to an Evacuation Hospital. I understand he died later in a Base Hospital.

Informant : Taylor, Henry A,- Sgt 1842239
319th Amb. Co. 305th San Tn.
Home : 7th & Stockton Sts.
Richmond, Va.
Undated.

Not signed.

NN.
Next of kin:
Not given.

CODE SLIP



HEADING	SUB-HEADING	NO. OF COLS	CODE
NAME	Armstrong	3	183
	Elmer H		
	CEMETERY 1232	1	1
BURIED	GRAVE 25	2	25
	ROW 4	2	04
	BLOCK B	1	2
STATE	Pa	2	44
RANK	Priv	1	2
DIVISION	80	2	80
ORGANIZATION	305	3	305
ARM	San. Inv.	1	9
MARITAL	No	1	2
Mrs NAME	Mary E. Armstrong	3	183
	STATE Pa.	2	44
RESIDENCE	COUNTY Delaware	2	23
	CITY Drexel Hill	3	xxx
RELATION	Mother	1	1
OTHER		1	
ELIGIBILITY	Yes	1	1
NATIVITY		1	
RACE		1	
ENGLISH	yes	1	
ATTENDANT		1	
HEALTH	Good	1	1
NO. OF SONS		1	
DATE OF	MO.	1	
TRIP	YR.	1	
ACCEPTANCE	No age	1	265

AUDITED

DEC 11 1931

JM

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WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-M
Armstrong Elmer H (MA)

July 7, 1932

Mrs Mary E Armstrong
3828 Albemarle Ave
Drexel Hill Pa

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?

No.
(Write answer here)

(Sign here)

Mary E Armstrong

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-M

Armstrong, Elmer H. Pvt. (M-A) M

June 9, 1931.

Mrs. Mary E. Armstrong,
3828 Albemarle Ave.,
Drexel Hill, Pa.

Dear Madam:

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

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

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

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

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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



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

Write answer here

Mrs. Mary E. Armstrong
Sign here

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-M
Armstrong, Elmer H. 1232 M

January 16, 1931

Mrs. Mary E. Armstrong,
3828 Albemarle Avenue,
Drexel Hill, Pennsylvania.

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 Elmer H. Armstrong 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,

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

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Private Elmer H. Armstrong was not married

Mrs Mary E. Armstrong



WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

June 7, 1930.

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C ✓
Armstrong, Elmer H. -1232 M

Mrs. Mary E. Armstrong,
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Drexel Hill, Pa.

Dear Madam:

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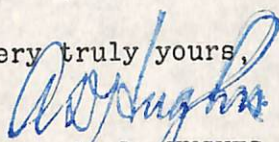
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As soon as you have answered the question, please sign your name and return this sheet in the enclosed addressed envelope, which requires no postage. Do not delay, as a prompt reply is essential.

This letter is being sent to all mothers and widows who 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? No. ✓

(Write answer here)


Mrs Mary E Armstrong
(Sign here)

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WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C
Armstrong, Elmer H. 1232 -M

October 7, 1929.

Mrs. Mary E. Armstrong,
3828 Albemarle Avenue,
Drexel Hill, Delaware Co.,
Penna.

Dear Madam:

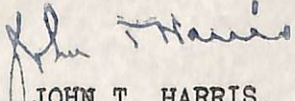
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In order that the report referred to may be made and plans completed for conducting the pilgrimages, it is requested that you answer the following questions by filling out the blanks left therefor and return the letter to this office by return mail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

1. Do you desire to make this pilgrimage if eligible?	<input type="checkbox"/> (No)
2. Do you desire to make the pilgrimage in the calendar year 1930?	<input type="checkbox"/> (No)
3. Have you at any time made a previous visit to the grave of the deceased member of the military or naval forces in whom you are interested?	<input type="checkbox"/> (No)
4. Please give your age and state of health.	Age <u>65</u> Health <u>Fair</u> (Years) (Good) (Poor)
5. What language do you speak?	English - (Yes) <input type="checkbox"/> Other language _____ (Specify language spoken)

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,


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

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WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

Armstrong, Elmer H.
1232

August 30, 1929.

Mrs. Mary Armstrong,
1241 N. Frazier St.,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Madam:

The records of this office do not indicate that a reply has been received to our communication dated **June 27, 1929** making inquiry concerning the name and address of the mother and widow of the deceased service man above named. These addresses are desired with a view to ascertaining the number of mothers and widows who desire to make a pilgrimage to the cemeteries of Europe in which the remains of their sons and husbands are interred.

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

Write answers in space below

1. Is the deceased survived by a widow who has not since remarried? If so, give her complete address:

2. If he is survived by a mother, stepmother, mother thru adoption, or any other woman who stood in loco parentis to him, according to the terms of Section 4 of the enclosed Act, give her name, address, and relationship in the space opposite.

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

Mrs. Mary E. Armstrong
3828 Albemarle Ave
Drexel Hill Del. Co. Pa.
No.

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

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

June 27, 1929.

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1244 N. Frazier St.,
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Will you please advise this office whether or not he is survived by a widow who is entitled under the provisions of the above quoted Act, to make the pilgrimage, and if so, will you please furnish her full name and address in order that action may be taken to extend invitation to her to make the pilgrimage. Both mothers and widows are entitled to make the pilgrimage.

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

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

For The Quartermaster General,

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OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
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IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-M
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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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Armstrong, Elmer H. 1232 M

January 16, 1931

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Very truly yours,

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

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WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

June 7, 1930.

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(Write answer here)

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IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

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3. Have you at any time made a previous visit to the grave of the deceased member of the military or naval forces in whom you are interested?	(Yes)	(No)
4. Please give your age and state of health.	Age (Years)	Health (Good) (Poor)
5. What language do you speak?	English - (Yes)	(No) Other language (Specify language spoken)

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

Armstrong,

(Surname.)

Elmer H.

(Christian name in full.)

2,663,904

305 ~~San Fran~~ Army serial no.

Pvt.

319 Amb. Co Hosp. Corps.

(Rank and organization.)

State your relationship to the deceased

Father

Do you desire the remains brought to the United States?

yes

(Yes or no.)

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

no

(Yes or no.)

If 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.)

Peter D. Armstrong

(Number and street.)

12410 1/2 1st St

(City or town.)

Phila Pa

(State.)

(Sign here)

(Number and street or rural route.)

(City, town, or post office.)

(State.)

Read carefully the letter accompanying this card.

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

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

In reply refer to:
293.8 C-R

38923

March 12, 1923.

Mrs. Mary Armstrong,
1241 N. Frazier St.,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Madam:

The Quartermaster General desires that you be informed that the permanent grave of Pvt. Elmer H. Armstrong, 319th Amb. Co., 305 San. Train, is No. 25, Row 4, 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, 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.

MAILED

MAR 12 1923

G.R.S.

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REPORT OF DISINTERMENT AND REBURIAL

Date October 19-21

1. REMAINS OF Armstrong Elmer H. SERIAL NUMBER 2663904
RANK Pvt. ORGANIZATION 319th Amb Co., 305th San Trn.

2. Disinterred (date) : October 19-21 From (give complete location) : Grave 24
Cem. 542

By : Group 3 Unit F.S.# 3.

3. Reburied (date) : March 18, 1922. In (give complete location) : Meuse Argonne Cty #1232, Gt. 25, Bl. B, Row 4.

By : Group Reburial 3 Unit _____ Nature of reburial Lined casket.

4. Report as to nature of original burial and condition of body upon disinterment :
Blanket and Pine box. Found under cross.
Badly decomposed recognition impossible.

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

(b) Other means of identification found upon disinterment, and general remarks :

No effects. French metal plate on wooden box agrees.

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

(a) Height (actual measurement) impossible to determine

1 2 16 MBD

(b) Weight (estimated) impossible to estimate

3 5 gold crown

(c) Hair—Color None visible.

Quantity None

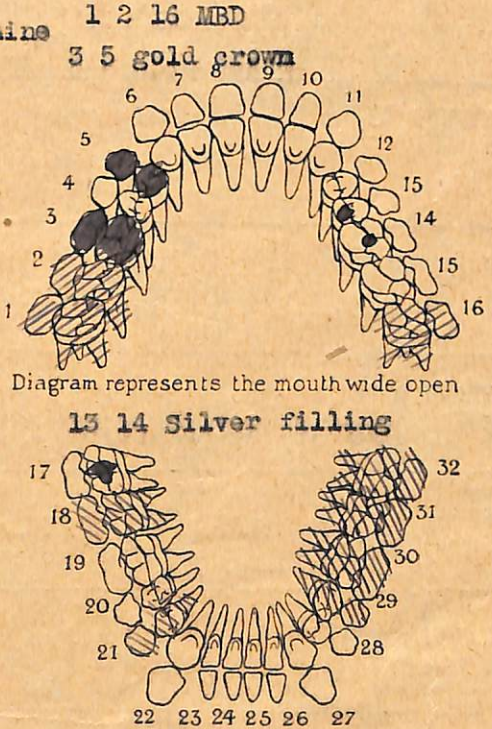
Characteristics None visible.

(d) Hair on face—Color None visible.

Location None visible.

Quantity None

(e) Permanent marks on body (old scars, peculiarities, or missing parts) None visible.



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

Right leg amputated at hip.

18 21 29 30 31 32 MBD

17 silver filling

7. Disinterment supervised by D. Bachman

Approved: W.H. Ryan, 1st Lt. QMC.
(Title)

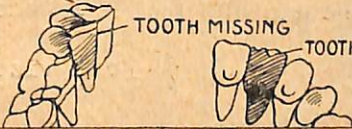




8. Reburial supervised by W.B. Sheild

Approved: A.E. Dewey, 1st Lt. QMC.
(Title)

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), bicuspids (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 October 19-21

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, Elmer H.
 2. No. 2663904
 3. Rank Pvt.
 4. Org. 319th Amb. Co. 305th San. Tr.
 5. D.D. 10-17
 6. C.D. D.O. 7.

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

Discrepancy found upon disinterment

7. Grave No. 24 Sec. _____
 8. Plot Amer. Row _____
 9. _____

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

18. Cemetery French MilCtyl
 20. Dept. or County Meuse
 22. G.R.S. Hdqrs. Code No. #542

19. Commune or town Bar-le-Duc
 21. Country France

23. Disinterred (Date) October 19-21

By D. Bachman

24. Inscription on grave marker:

Name Armstrong Elmer H.
 Rank Pvt.

Serial No. _____
 Organization 319th Amb Co. 305th San. Trn.

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

E. W. ...
 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).

Metal plate on wooden box (French) Agass.

27. Condition of body Badly decomposed recognition impossible.

28. Nature of burial Blanket and 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 October 19-21 By D. Bachman

31. Casket sealed by _____

Signature of Embalmer, (Supervisor) D. Bachman

SHIPMENT. (Show actual marking of box.) Box No. C-8781

32. Designation of body:

Name ARMSTRONG, Elmer H. Serial No. 2663904
Rank Pvt. Organization 319th Amb. Co. 305th San. Tr.
Officer in Charge Operations.

33. Consigned to:

Name of Permanent Cemetery Meuse-Argonne Amer. Cty. Romagne/s/Montfaucon 1232
October 19-21

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.

W.H. Roach, 1st Lt. MC

Signature of G.R.S. Inspector

36. Remarks

37. Shipped from point of Operation: (Date)

To point of Concentration Meuse Argonne Cemetery
good parts (Name) *W.H. Roach, 1st Lt. MC*
Convoyer Signature Shipping Officer

Oct 19-21.

38. Received at Railhead or Point of Concentration: Date

By G.R.S. Representative *T.A. Lutz, Capt. FA*

39. Shipped from Railhead or Point of Concentration: Date

To Permanent Cemetery Meuse Argonne Cemetery
(Name) *James G. ...*
Convoyer Signature Shipping Officer

40. Received: Date

G.R.S. Representative

41. Reinterred Meuse Argonne Cty #1232, March 18, 1922.

(Date)

42. Grave No. 28 Section

43. Plot B Row 4

G.R.S. Representative *A.J. Dewey, 1st Lt. MC*

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WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL OF THE ARMY
CEMETERIAL DIVISION
WASHINGTON.

APR 5 1921

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

TO: Mr. Peter Armstrong, 1241 North Frazier St., Phila. Pa.

SUBJECT: Remains of Pvt. Elmer H. Armstrong, Ser. No. 2663904, 319th Amb. Co. 305
San. Trn.

The records of this office show that you have requested that the body of the above named

~~soldier be returned to the United States and shipped to post 2347 N.~~

~~Frazier St., Phila. Pa.~~

Remain in Europe EOL

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

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

By authority of the Quartermaster General.

PROPOSED CABLEGRAM NO. 282 TO EUROPE BODY TO REMAIN

GEO. H. PENROSE,
Colonel, Q.M.G.

4-29-21 EOL

4/29/21

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

Was soldier married? No.

APR 11 1921

NAME OF	NO. AND STREET	TOWN	STATE
Soldier's widow			
1			
Soldier's children (Name oldest first)			
2			
3			
<i>Living</i> Father <u>Peter B. Armstrong</u>	<u>1241 N. Frazier St.</u>	<u>Phila</u>	<u>Penna</u>
" Mother <u>Mary E. Armstrong</u>	<u>1241 N. Frazier St.</u>	<u>Phila</u>	<u>Penna</u>
" 1 <u>Wm. C. Armstrong</u>	<u>1241 N. Frazier St.</u>	<u>"</u>	<u>"</u>
Brothers, 2			
(Name oldest first) 3			
" 1 <u>Louise P. Armstrong</u>	<u>1241 N. Frazier St.</u>	<u>Phila</u>	<u>Penna</u>
Sisters, 2			
(Name oldest first) 3			

NO 115 CMS

Date

April 10 1921

Signature

Louise P. Armstrong

Address

1241 N. Frazier St.

Relationship

Sister

Important - CAREFULLY read instructions before filling out this paper

Father +

April 10,

1921

we

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

- 1. ~~As stated on first page of this sheet.~~
- 2. ~~To be returned to the U.S. and shipped to~~ _____ (Name)
 _____ (R.R. station) _____ (State)
- 3. ~~To be returned to the U.S. and buried in _____ National Cemetery.~~
- 4. To remain in Europe, for burial in a permanent American Cemetery.

Signature Mary C. Armstrong
Mary C. Armstrong

INSTRUCTIONS FOR FILLING OUT.

- 1. If definite instructions for the disposition of a body are not received from the next of kin within two weeks of its arrival at New York, burial will be made without further notice in the World War Section of Arlington National Cemetery.
- 2. The transfer of bodies will be made ENTIRELY at Government expense.
- 3. This paper MUST BE SIGNED BY THE PERSON WHO IS THE NEXT OF KIN IN THE ORDER shown in the square on the other side of this sheet.
- 4. This paper must be returned showing the name and address of each of the nearest next of kin in the spaces provided therefor on the other side of this sheet.
- 5. If there are minor children of the deceased soldier and no widow, the LEGALLY APPOINTED GUARDIAN of the children should ascertain their wishes and act for them in this matter.
- 6. If YOU are not the nearest next of kin, please ask the nearest next of kin, if living near you, to fill out this paper.
- 7. If YOU are not the nearest living next of kin and do not know who or where the nearest relatives are, please fill out this paper AT ONCE and mail to this office
- 8. You are requested to return this paper AT ONCE in order to avoid delay in the case of this body.
- 9. Use the inclosed envelope-pay no postage.

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

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COMPILATION OF DISPOSITION OF REMAINS DATA

File # 38923

I. LOCATION INDEX CARD:

(a) Name ARMSTRONG, Elmer H. Ser. No. 2663904
 (b) Rank Pvt. Organization 319th Amb. Co. TYP. EK
 (c) Date of death 10/17/18 (d) Cause of death DWRIA CKR. B. J.

(19/2)
 ✓ *Returned for concentration in Monte-Argente #1232 (14/1/25)*

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

(a) Grave No. 24 Row -- Plot Amer Sec. -- TYP. EK
 (b) Emerg. Address Mrs. Mary Armstrong (mother) 1241 N. Frazier St., Philadelphia, Pa.

III. Files of soldiers dying from contagious diseases --- CKR. B. J.

IV. A. G. O. DISPOSITION CARD:

(see card 1/1/21)

Date of receipt _____

(a) Name Peter Armstrong (b) Relationship Father
 (c) Address 1241 N. Frazier St., Phila., Pa.
 (d) Remains to be brought to U. S.? yes
 (e) To be interred in National Cemetery in U. S. at no

(f) Shipping instructions upon arrival of body in U. S. Peter Armstrong, 1241 N. Frazier St., Phila., Pa.

(g) Disposition instructions if not brought to U. S. _____

Examiner's Initials all Date 1-20, 1920

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

no correspondence, dated _____
 confirming request in Par. IV., item _____, above, or requesting that _____

Examiner's Initials all Date 1-20, 1920

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

no request for disposition

(a) Cancellation memos referred to? yes - B. J.

Examiner's Initials B. J. Date 1/21, 1920

COUNTRY France CEMETERY No. 542 SHEET No. 3

G. R. S. Form No. 115 Amended April 6, 1920

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Make Form No. 114

FORM 115 - A COMPLETED

CARDED

MAR 29 1921

Handwritten notes and stamps at bottom right corner.

VII. G. R. S. Form No. 114 made Jan. 31st - 21, 1920.

Typed by V.A.H., Checked by *MEK*, Jan. 31st - 21, 1920.

RECEIVED

VIII. FINAL ACTION:

Following advice forwarded to Europe by { cable on _____, 1920
letter on JAN 27 1921, 1920
Par. 1 To be returned L.P.W.

APR 25 1921

General Division
Overseas Project Sub-Section

IX.

CORRECTIONS

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

X. SUSPENSION REMARKS:

2/19/21 Correctional advice to Europe - should read - "Armstrong, Elmer H., Private, 2663904, 319 Amb. Co. 305th San Train." 2/25/21 M.F.

4-10-21 (Z# 120) Peter B. Armstrong (father) 1241 N. Frazer St. Phila Pa. requests that his son's body remain in Europe 4-15-21 emd

forming to hold body Ford Wash 4/20/21 B.F.

4-29-21 PROPOSED CABLEGRAM NO. 282 TO EUROPE-BODY TO REMAIN 4-29-21 Gms

2/25/21 - Letter from Europe states returns cancelled as per cable. - HP 2/28/21

April 20, 1921.

File No. 293.8 Cam.Div.Cor.Br.
(Armstrong, Elmer H.)

Mr. Peter B. Armstrong,
1241 N. Frazier Street,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

Receipt of Shipping Inquiry dated April 10, 1921, relative to the remains of the late Elmer H. Armstrong, Private, Serial Number 2663904, 319th Amb. Company, 305th San. Tr., is acknowledged.

In accordance with your latest request, instructions have been issued that the remains be left in France for burial in a permanent American Cemetery. You are assured that the grave site will always be maintained as a fitting memorial of the late soldier's sacrifice.

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

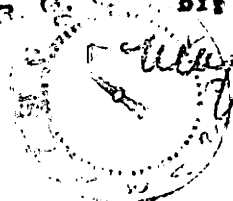
By authority of the Quartermaster General:

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MAILED

APR 22 1921

CORPORAL BY: [Signature]



R. E. SHANNON,
Captain, C.M. Corps.
Officer in Charge.

E. G. PALLAS,
Executive Assistant.

B. [Signature]

COMPILATION OF DISPOSITION OF REMAINS DATA

Examined for concentration in Meuse Argonne, #1232 (4/16/21)

File # 38923

I. LOCATION INDEX CARD:

(a) Name ARMSTRONG, Elmer H. Ser. No. 2663904 ^{OK (2/9/21)} TYP. B. J.
 (b) Rank Pvt. Organization 319th Amb. Co. 305 San Train TYP. B. J.
 (c) Date of death 10/17/18 Cause of death DWRIA

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

(a) Grave No. 24 Row -- Plot Amer Sect. -- TYP. B. J.
 (b) Emerg. Address Mrs. Mary Armstrong (mother) 1241 N. Frazier St. Philadelphia, Pa.

III. Files of soldiers dying from contagious diseases B. J. CKR

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

W. O. Board - Peter Armstrong (father) 1241 N. Frazier St., Phila., Pa., requests body returned to U.S. to him at above address. - A.C.F. 3/29/21

Following advice forwarded to Europe by - (cable on 192)
 (letter of transmittal on 192)

JAN 27 1921

Par. 1 To be returned. L.P.W.

VI. Form 115 forwarded to G.R.S. Hoboken, N.J. MAR 30 1921 192

VII. SUPPLEMENTARY REQUESTS

Date of and Source	Relationship and name	Desires	Action taken
<u>April 20, 1921 Form 129</u>	<u>Father (4-10-21) Peter B. Armstrong</u>	<u>Remains in France</u>	<u>4-21-21 Europe advised by proposed cable 282 to remain. 4-27-21 GMS</u>

5/25/21 - Letter from Europe states return cancelled as per cable - L.P. - 6/28/21

2/19/21 Correctional advice to Europe should read "Armstrong, Elmer H, Private, 2663904, 319th Amb. Co. 305th San Train"

VIII. Form 115 received from G.R.S. Hoboken, N.J. 4-25-21 192

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

CEMETERY NO.

SHEET NO.

S-666/AMB France

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MAR 29 1921 L.L.

38923

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

2. Soldier's No. 2663904

3. Armstrong, Elmer
Surname (in block letters) First Name and Initials

4. 139 Amb. Co.
Rank Company Regt. or Corps

5. Oct. 2, 1918.
Date of Death Cause, if known

6. Fr. Mil.
Date of Burial Cemetery

7. Bar-le-Duc Meuse
Town or Commune (in block letters) Department

8. 24.
Grave No. Plot No. or Letter

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

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

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

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12. Map Reference, if interment is outside of cemetery

13. Give name of Chaplain or Burial Officer

Signed H. B. McC

Group Hq. 1st Army G. R. S.

ADJUSTMENT MADE
FEB 16 1921

WAR DEPARTMENT

Office of the Quartermaster General of the Army
Washington

FILE

G.R.S. Form 8-W-A-O
Information requested of A.G.O.

Date 1-22-21

File No. Requisition.

From: The Quartermaster General, U. S. Army, (Cemeterial Division)
To: The Adjutant General of the Army, 6th & B Sts., N.W., Washington, D.C.
Subject: Information required for G.R.S.

1. It is requested that the items checked below be completed, Request confirmation of all information shown.

- a. Surname **Armstrong, OK.**
- b. Christian name **Elmer H. OK.**
- c. Serial Number **2,663,904 OK.**
- d. Organization **319th Amb. Co. ^{305 San. Train} ~~(319th Amb. Co. Hosp. Corps)~~**
- e. Rank **Pvt. OK.**
- f. Date of death **10-17-18 OK.**
- g. Cause of death **DWRIA OK.**
- h. Authority (C.O.#)
- i. Emergency address **1241 N. Sprague St. Philadelphia Pa**
- j. Relationship **Mother**

BODY DESCRIPTION

(See page #2 of the Service Record)

- a. Age of enlistment
- b. Color of eyes
- c. Color of hair
- d. Height
- e. Weight
- f. Permanent marks and physical defects at enlistment (Old fractures or breaks)

DENTAL CHARTS

(See Physical report of examination prior to enlistment)

- a. Strike out teeth missing
- 8 7 6 5 4 3 2 1 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8
upper right upper left
- 8 7 6 5 4 3 2 1 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8
lower right lower left

CW

H. L. ROGERS,
Quartermaster General, U.S.A.

BY:

H. J. Conner
H. J. CONNER,
1st. Lieut, Q.M.C.

CHEMISTRY NO: 542

SHEET NO: 3
TYPED BY: egp

S/713/IML

Rec'd World War Dept.
JAN 24 1921

Rec'd S & B Div, A.G.O.

JAN 24 1921

Donnelly - Emk
eps no - 1/24/21

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