

Austin, Samuel

(Surname.)

~~Jephtha~~

(Christian name in full.)

412,071

(Army serial number.)

Pvt

Co 17 302nd Stevedores

(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 wish 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)

James R. Austin.

P.O. Box 111.

(Number and street or rural route.)

(City, town, or post office.)

(State.)

Meadow View Va

Read carefully the letter accompanying this card.

Drawn by PF

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G.R.S. Form #114-B

FULL NAME AUSTIN, Samuel ✓

RANK Pvt. ✓ SERIAL 412071 ✓

DIVISION & ORGANIZATION 302nd Stevedore Pgt. no div shown
17th Co. ✓

DATE OF DEATH 7-7-18

STATE FROM WHICH HE CAME Va. ✓

MEDALS OR DECORATIONS AWARDED. ✓

FINAL GRAVE LOCATION
Date Grave Row BlockSuresnes American Cemetery 34
CemeteryREC'D WORLD WAR DIV.
AUG 22 1924

GRAVE LOCATION BLANK

LOCATION OF THE GRAVE OF

Austin 412071 San
(Surname.) (Number.) (First Name and Initials.)

Pvt. Co. Q 3024 Stovodore Reg.
(Rank.) (Organization.)

DATE OF BURIAL July 10, 1918

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

American Expeditionary Forces
Cemetery #25, Talence, Bordeaux

*ed body recovered,
7-18 C 9230
no auth*

gt., QMC, NA.
side, France,
918.

From:

GRAVE NUMBER 53, Row #1

Regt.,

To:

HOW MARKED: Name Peg? Cross?

Office, GHQ, Tours,

Subject:

Headboard? Yes Bottle?

Stev. Regt.

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:

ling you various

1. Ref: papers re:

2. The and they ed on Jul:

se Hospital No. 6
the man was buri-
1.

REPORTED BY:

Bert Herbert

Capt. Bert Herbert, Q.M., U.S.R.

(Signature and Rank of Reporting Officer.)

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

*How reported? Drowned, body recovered,
That arch? July 7-18 C.C. 230
no auth*

Co. Q, 302nd Stev. Regt., QMC, NA.
Operating Park, Bastide, France,
July 12, 1918.

From: Commanding Officer, Co. Q, 302 Stev. Regt.,
To: Officer in Charge, Central Records Office, GHQ, Tours,
Subject: Samuel Austin, late Pvt., Co. Q, 302 Stev. Regt.

1. Reference my letter July 8, 1918, forwarding you various papers relating to the above-named man.
2. The body of this soldier was taken to Base Hospital No. 6 and they have today informed me that the body of the man was buried on July 10 at Palence, Grave No. 53, Row No. 1.

RECEIVED
CENTRAL OFFICE
15 JUL 1918

F. I. Ahern

F. I. Ahern,
Capt., Q.M.C., N.A.

C.O. 302 Stev.

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no death
Lm dut
Misc cond*

CODE SLIP

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HEADING	SUB-HEADING	NO. OF COLS	CODE
NAME	Austin	3	119 ¹⁵⁰
	Samuel		
BURIED	CEMETERY 34	1	6
	GRAVE 17	2	17
	ROW 2	2	02
	BLOCK a	1	1
STATE	Va	2	54
RANK	Pvt	1	2
DIVISION	B. C.	2	57
ORGANIZATION	302	3	302
ARM	Line Regt	1	2
MARTIAL	no	1	2
NAME	Austin	3	119
RESIDENCE	STATE	2	54
	COUNTY Wash.	2	76
	CITY	3	82
RELATION	mother	1	1
OTHER		1	
ELIGIBILITY	Dead	1	6
NATIVITY		1	
RACE	BLACK	1	2
ENGLISH		1	
ATTENDANT		1	
HEALTH		1	
NO. OF SONS		1	
DATE OF TRIP	MO.	1	
	YR.	1	
ACCEPTANCE		1	

AUDITED

MAR 18 1932

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IN REPLY
REFER TO

WAR DEPARTMENT

QM 293 A-M
Austin, Samuel (Sur) x

OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

January 6, 1933

David

Mrs. Belle Austin,
Box 111,
Meadow View, Virginia.

Dear Madam:

During the past three years, numerous communications have been forwarded you relative to the pilgrimage to the cemeteries of Europe, authorized by the Act of Congress of March 2, 1929, as amended.

Under the law, 1933 is the last year you may make the pilgrimage at the expense of the Government, and it is imperative that this office have an expression from you as to whether or not you desire to take advantage of the opportunity afforded you.

It is requested therefore you answer the following inquiry, sign your name, and return this letter to this office.

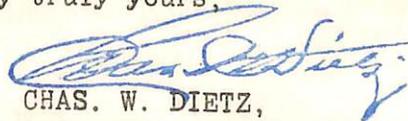
DO YOU DESIRE TO MAKE A PILGRIMAGE IN 1933? _____
(Yes) or (No)

Sign here

A self-addressed envelope which requires no postage is enclosed for your convenience in replying.

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, D. C.

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QM 293 A-M
Austin, Samuel Sur-x

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

Oct. 13, 1932

Mrs. Belle Austin,
Box 111,
Meadow View, Va.

Dear Madam:

Your Government has provided an opportunity for all Mothers and Widows of deceased members of the American Forces who were lost, buried at sea, or whose remains are now interred in Europe, to make a pilgrimage to the cemeteries in Europe. This was done in the hope that all who may make the pilgrimage will derive a measure of comfort and solace from the visit.

You are numbered among those who are privileged to make this pilgrimage.

During July and September of this year, inquiries were addressed to you as to whether or not you desire to make the pilgrimage to Europe. To these inquiries no reply has been received from you.

You probably do not realize how important it is that a reply be received from you. If we do not receive replies, it becomes very difficult to make the necessary and proper arrangements for those who are to make the trip, as everything must be arranged in advance. Consequently, it is just as important for the Government to know the names of those who do not desire to take advantage of its offer as it is to know the names of those who do.

Will you please devote a few moments of your time to write either the word "YES" or "NO" in the following space_____, thus indicating whether or not you desire to make the pilgrimage during 1933 and sign your name here_____. Use the enclosed envelope, which requires no postage, and return this sheet.

This reply will assure your Government that no worthy Mother or Widow has failed to receive its offer in commemoration of a loved one departed, and will greatly assist in making the necessary preparations for those of them who wish to take advantage of the privilege.

For The Quartermaster General,
Very truly yours,

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

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-M

Sept 8 1932

Austin Samuel (Sur) x

Mrs Bolle Austin
Box 111
Meadow View Va

Dear Madam:

Reference is made to the questionnaire recently forwarded you, making inquiry as to whether you desire to make a pilgrimage to the cemeteries of Europe during the summer of 1933, and inviting attention to the fact that 1933 is the LAST YEAR for which the pilgrimages are authorized. To date no reply has been received.

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.

1. Do you desire to make a pilgrimage in 1933? (Answer "Yes" or "No")	
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

Austin Samuel (Sur) x

July 13 1932

Mrs Belle Austin
Box 111

Meadow View Va

Dear Madam:

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

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

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

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

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

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

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

(Write answer here)

(Sign here) _____

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-M
Austin, Samuel (Sur) Mx ✓

October 1, 1931.

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Mrs. Belle Austin,
Box 111,
Meadow View, Virginia

Dear Madam:-

Reference is made to previous correspondence relative to the pilgrimage to the cemeteries of Europe, authorized by the Act of Congress of March 2, 1929, as amended May 15, 1930. To date information has not been received as to whether or not you desire to make a pilgrimage during the summer months of 1932, in honor of the deceased veteran named above.

In order that the records may be complete, 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.

1. Do you desire to make a pilgrimage in 1932?	
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

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

Encl:
Env.

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

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM-293-AM

Austin, Samuel Pvt (Sur) M x

July 1, 1931.

Mrs. Belle Austin,
Box 111,
Meadow View, Va.

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

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C
Austin, Samuel 34 M

June 19, 1930.

Mrs. Belle Austin,
Box 111,
Meadow View, Va.

Dear Madam:

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

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

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

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

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

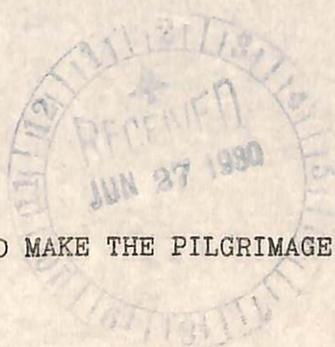
A. D. Hughes
A. D. HUGHES,
Captain, Q. M. Corps,
Assistant.

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

(Write answer here)

Mrs Belle Austin

(Sign here)



not able to go at all

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON



IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C
Austin, Samuel 34 M

October 8, 1929.

Mrs. Belle Austin,
Box 111,
Meadow View, Va.

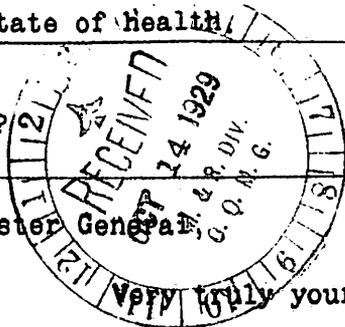
Dear Madam:

The Act of Congress which provides for pilgrimages to cemeteries in Europe by mothers and widows of members of the military or naval forces of the United States who died in the military or naval service at any time between April 5, 1917 and July 1, 1921, and whose remains are now interred in such cemeteries, all necessary expenses of which pilgrimages are to be paid by the United States Government, requires that the Secretary of War make an investigation and submit the results of such investigation in a report to Congress not later than December 15, 1929. The purpose of the investigation is to determine the total number of mothers and widows entitled to make the pilgrimages, the number of such mothers and widows who desire to make the pilgrimages, the number who desire to make the pilgrimages during the calendar year 1930 and the probable cost of the pilgrimages to be made.

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

1. Do you desire to make this pilgrimage if eligible?	(Yes)
2. Do you desire to make the pilgrimage in the calendar year 1930?	 <i>Prefer 1932</i> (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?	 (No)
4. Please give your age and state of health.	Age <i>66</i> Health <i>Poor</i> (Years) (Good) (Poor)
5. What language do you speak?	English - (Yes) Other language (Specify language spoken)

For The Quartermaster General



Very truly yours,

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

Encl.
Act
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WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

Austin, Samuel
34

August 9, 1929.

Mrs. Belle Austin,
Box 111,
Meadow View, Va.

Dear Madam:

The records of this office do not indicate that a reply has been received to our communication dated May 4, 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:

*He was not
married*

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.

*I am his mother
Belle Austin
I desire to make*

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

*The pilgrimage
if I am able to go
at the time*

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

John Harris

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

2 Incls.
Act of Congress
Envelope

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO ~~QM 293~~ A-C
Austin, Samuel

May 4, 1929.

Mrs. Belle Austin,
Box 111,
Meadow View, Va.

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 Samuel Austin, 17th Company, 302nd Stevedore Regiment, 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,

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Act of Congress.
Envelope.

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-M
Austin Samuel (Sur) x

Sept 8 1932

Mrs Belle Austin
Box 111
Meadow View Va

Dear Madam:

Reference is made to the questionnaire recently forwarded you, making inquiry as to whether you desire to make a pilgrimage to the cemeteries of Europe during the summer of 1933, and inviting attention to the fact that 1933 is the LAST YEAR for which the pilgrimages are authorized. To date no reply has been received.

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.

1. Do you desire to make a pilgrimage in 1933? (Answer "Yes" or "No")	
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,

Encl:
Env.

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

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-M

Austin Samuel (Sur) x

July 15 1932

Mrs Belle Austin
Box 111

Meadow View Va

Dear Madam:

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

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

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

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

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

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

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

(Write answer here)

(Sign here) _____

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-M
Austin, Samuel (Sur) Mx

October 1, 1931. gb

Mrs. Belle Austin,
Box 111,
Meadow View, Virginia

Dear Madam:

Reference is made to previous correspondence relative to the pilgrimage to the cemeteries of Europe, authorized by the Act of Congress of March 2, 1929, as amended May 15, 1930. To date information has not been received as to whether or not you desire to make a pilgrimage during the summer months of 1932, in honor of the deceased veteran named above.

In order that the records may be complete, 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.

1. Do you desire to make a pilgrimage in 1932?	
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Sign here

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

Encl:
Env.

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

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM-293-AM

Austin, Samuel Pvt (Sur) M x

July 1, 1931.

Mrs. Belle Austin,
Box 111,
Meadow View, Va.

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

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Sign here

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

June 19, 1930.

Austin, Samuel 34 M

Mrs. Belle Austin,
Box 111,
Meadow View, Va.

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
Austin, Samuel 34 M

October 8 , 1929.

**Mrs. Belle Austin,
Box 111,
Meadow View, Va.**

Dear Madam:

The Act of Congress which provides for pilgrimages to cemeteries in Europe by mothers and widows of members of the military or naval forces of the United States who died in the military or naval service at any time between April 5, 1917 and July 1, 1921, and whose remains are now interred in such cemeteries, all necessary expenses of which pilgrimages are to be paid by the United States Government, requires that the Secretary of War make an investigation and submit the results of such investigation in a report to Congress not later than December 15, 1929. The purpose of the investigation is to determine the total number of mothers and widows entitled to make the pilgrimages, the number of such mothers and widows who desire to make the pilgrimages, the number who desire to make the pilgrimages during the calendar year 1930 and the probable cost of the pilgrimages to be made.

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

1. Do you desire to make this pilgrimage if eligible?	(Yes)	(No)
2. Do you desire to make the pilgrimage in the calendar year 1930?	(Yes)	(No)
3. Have you at any time made a previous visit to the grave of the deceased member of the military or naval forces in whom you are interested?	(Yes)	(No)
4. Please give your age and state of health.	Age (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,

Encl.
Act
Envelope

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

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

Austin, Samuel
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August 9, 1929.

Mrs. Belle Austin,
Box 111,
Meadow View, Va.

Dear Madam:

The records of this office do not indicate that a reply has been received to our communication dated **May 4, 1929** making inquiry concerning the name and address of the mother and widow of the deceased service man above named. These addresses are desired with a view to ascertaining the number of mothers and widows who desire to make a pilgrimage to the cemeteries of Europe in which the remains of their sons and husbands are interred.

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

Write answers in space below

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

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

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

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

2 Incls.
Act of Congress
Envelope

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

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO ~~CM 293 A-C~~
Austin, Samuel

May 4, 1929.

Mrs. Belle Austin,
Box 111,
Meadow View, Va.

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 Samuel Austin, 17th Company, 302nd Stevedore Regiment, 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,

5/18

2 incls.
Act of Congress,
Envelope.

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

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WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL OF THE ARMY
WASHINGTON

File

September 20, 1922.

FILE: 293.8 C-R #10652

SUBJECT: Permanent Grave Location of Private Samuel Austin,
17th Company, 302nd Stevedores.

TO: Mr. James R. Austin, Box 111, Meadow View, Va.

1. The permanent grave of this soldier is No. 17, Row 3,
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 main-
tained by this Government in a manner befitting the last resting
place of our heroes.

For the Quartermaster General:

GEORGE H. PENROSE,
Assistant.

MAILED

SEP 20 1922

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DATE 10/27/21

1. NAME Austin, Samuel SERIAL No. 412071

RANK Pvt ORGANIZATION 17th Co. 302nd Steve

GRAVE LOCATION Talence (Gironde) CTY. NAME Talence NUMBER 25

53 - Sec. B GRAVE ROW PLOT

2. ORIGINAL BATTLE AREA GRAVE LOCATION 53 Sect. B Talence Gironde
GRAVE COMMUNE DEPT.

COORDINATES

CONCENTRATED TO July 10, 1918 53 Sect. B
DATE GRAVE ROW PLOT

Talence 25 (B Sec)
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
Major, C. A. C.

3. FINAL GRAVE LOCATION 10/27/21 17 2 A
DATE GRAVE ROW Block PLOT

Suresnes American Cty # 34 Suresnes Seine
CEMETERY

FR AUDITED BY
SEB 8/24/22

RECEIVED
REGISTRATION
DIVISION
AUG 10 1922

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.

REPORT OF DISINTERMENT AND REBURIAL

Date Sept. 3, 1921.

1. REMAINS OF AUSTIN, Samuel. SERIAL NUMBER 412071

RANK Pvt. ORGANIZATION 17th Co. 302nd Steve.

2. Disinterred (date): Sept. 3, 1921 From (give complete location): Grave 53. Sec. B.

By: Group 3 Unit Sect. #7

3. Reburied (date): October 27th, 1921. In (give complete location): Suresnes Cemetery, - Block A - Row 2 - Grave 17.
By: Group Field Operations Branch Unit Nature of reburial Metal Casket and Blanket.

4. Report as to nature of original burial and condition of body upon disinterment: Wooden box, blanket. Badly decomposed, features not recognizable.

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

(b) Other means of identification found upon disinterment, and general remarks: Body tag corroded, serial number legible, which checked.

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

(a) Height (actual measurement) Indiscernable

(b) Weight (estimated) due to decomposition.

(c) Hair—Color Black.

Quantity Full head.

Characteristics Kinky

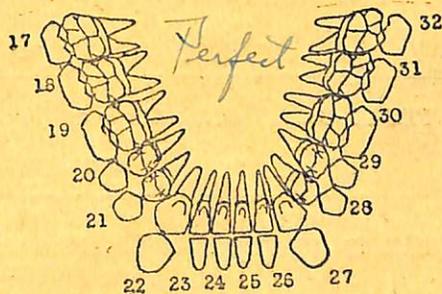
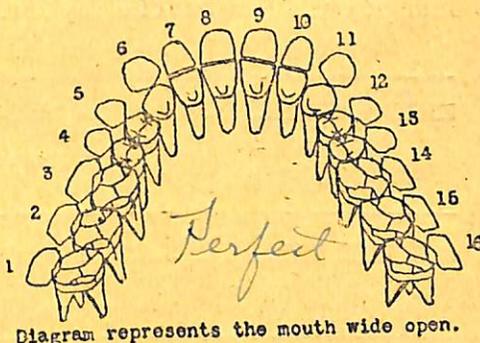
(d) Hair on face—Color None visible.

Location None.

Quantity None.

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

(f) Wounds or missing parts (received at time of casualty) None discernable.



L. R. KNASIN, Checker.

7. Disinterment supervised by B. F. FAIR, Sup. Emb.

Approved: O. E. DAVIS,
(Title) 1st Lt. Q.M.C.

8. Reburial supervised by R. G. RICHARDS,
1st Lieut. Q.M.C.

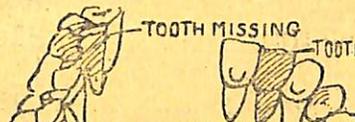
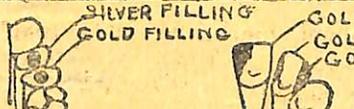
Approved: R. P. HARBOLD,
(Title) Major. Q.M.C.

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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 TEETHAll teeth missing through previous extraction (not those fractured or displaced by recent wounds) should be scratched out, thus :	 <p align="center">-TOOTH MISSING -TOOTH MISSING</p>
CROWNED TEETHBlock in solid the crown of tooth (label gold, porcelain, or gold and porcelain), thus :	 <p align="center">-GOLD CROWN -PORCELAIN CROWN</p>
BRIDGE WORKBlock in solid the crown of tooth (label gold bridge, gold and porcelain bridge), thus :	 <p align="center">-GOLD AND PORCELAIN BRIDGE -GOLD BRIDGE</p>
FILLINGSDraw filling on tooth accurately as possible (block in and label gold, silver, cement), thus :	 <p align="center">-SILVER FILLING -GOLD FILLING</p> <p align="center">-GOLD FILLING -GOLD FILLING</p>
CARIES (CAVITIES)Outline location and size of cavity, shade in thus :	 <p align="center">-CAVITY DECAYED -DECAYED</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."	

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.



SHIPMENT. (Show actual marking of box.) Box No. C-1849

32. Designation of body:

Name Austin, Samuel Serial No. 412071

Rank Pvt Organization 17th Co. 302nd Steve

33. Consigned to: SURESNES AMERICAN CEMETERY

Name of Permanent Cemetery SURESNES AMERICAN CEMETERY

34. Casket boxed and marked (Date) Sept. 3, 1921 By B. P. FAIR

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 O. E. DAVIS

36. Remarks None.

37. Shipped from point of Operation: (Date) Sept. 3, 1921

To point of Concentration Bassens, (Gironde.)

(Name)

Convoyer Pierre de Montozon Signature Shipping Officer S. D. CAMPBELL, Capt., Q.M.C.

38. Received at Railhead or Point of Concentration: Date Sept 5, 1921

By G.R.S. Representative H. A. WADSWORTH

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

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

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

39 (b) Shipped from Paris Morgue, Oct. 27th 1921. To Permanent Cemetery No. 34, American, Suresnes (Seine) by Shipping Officer, Convoyed by:

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

43. Plot Block A. Row 2.

G.R.S. Representative

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

SHIPMENT. (Show actual marking of box.) Box No. **C-1849**

32. Designation of body:

Name **Austin, Samuel** Serial No. **412071**

Rank **Pvt** Organization **17th Co. 302nd Steve**

33. Consigned to:

Name of Permanent Cemetery **SURESNES AMERICAN CEMETERY**

34. Casket boxed and marked (Date) **Sept. 3, 1921** By **B.F. PAIR**

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 *B.F. Pair*

O. E. DAVIS *1 Lt Ome*

36. Remarks **None.**

37. Shipped from point of Operation: (Date) **Sept. 3, 1921**

To point of Concentration **Bassens, (Gironde.)**

(Name)

Convoyer **Pierre de Montozen** Signature Shipping Officer *P. de Montozen*

S. D. CAMPBELL, Capt., Q.M.C.

38. Received at Railhead or Point of Concentration: Date **Sept 5, 1921**

By G.R.S. Representative *H. A. Wadsworth*

H. A. WADSWORTH

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

Cemetery **Paris Morgue**

(Name)

W. Roberts Signature Shipping Officer *W. Roberts*

Date **October 27th, 1921**

Representative *R. G. Richards*

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

Suresnes Cemetery. **October 27th, 1921.**
(Date)

17. Section

A. Row **2.**

G.R.S. Representative *R. G. Richards*

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

To be prepared in triplicate.

DATE Sept. 3, 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 Austin, Samuel
 2. No. 412071
 3. Rank Pvt.
 4. Org. 17th Co. 302nd Steve
 5. D.D. 7.7.18
 6. C.D. Drowned

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

Discrepancy found upon disinterment

7. Grave No. 53 Sec. B
 8. Plot _____ Row _____
 9. _____

15. Grave No. _____ Sec. _____
 16. Plot _____ Row _____
 17. No discrepancy.

18. Cemetery American
 20. Dept. or County Gironde
 22. G.R.S. Hdqrs. Code No. 25

19. Commune or town Talence
 21. Country _____

23. Disinterred (Date) Sept. 3, 1921

By B.F. FAIR

24. Inscription on grave marker:

Name Samuel Austin
 Rank Pvt.

Serial No. 412071
 Organization 17th Co. 302nd Steve.

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

L.R. Knasin
 Signature Junior Technical Assistant
L.R. KNASIN.

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 corroded, serial number legible, which checked.

27. Condition of body Badly decomposed. Features not recognizable.

28. Nature of burial Wooden box, blanket.

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 Sept. 3, 1921 By B.F. FAIR

31. Casket sealed by B.F. FAIR

Signature B.F. FAIR Embalmer, (Supervisor)

COMPILATION OF DISPOSITION OF REMAINS DATA

1. LOCATION INDEX CARD:

File # 10652

(a) Name AUSTIN, Samuel Ser. No. 412071
(b) Rank Pvt. Organization Co. 17th, 502nd Stev.
(c) Date of death 7-7-18 of death Drowned, body recovered

3/16 Examined
for Concentration
Suresnes 34
att 3/21/22

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

(a) Grave No. 53 Row --- Plot --- Sect. B) TYP. EM
(b) Emerg. Address Belle Austin (Mother), Meadowvale, Va.

111. Files of soldiers dying from contagious diseases;

) CKR. J 2 X

IV. A.G.O. DISPOSITION CARD:

Date of receipt none

(a) Name James R. Austin (b) Relationship Father
(c) Address Meadow View, Va. Box 111
(d) Remains to be brought to U. S.? yes
(e) To be interred in National Cemetery in U. S. at yes

G.K.
att

7 B 4-24-20

(f) Shipping instructions upon arrival of body in U.S.

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

SEE SUSPENSION REMARKS

Examiner's Initials J.B. Date 4-24-1920

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

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

no correspondence

Examiner's Initials EWE Date 4-26-1920

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

No request for disposition

(a) Cancellation memos referred to? Yes att 4-26-20

Examiner's Initials AH Date 4-26-1920

Rechecked
2014
15-19

VII. G. R. S. FORM No. 114 made Apr. 27-20, 1920

Typed by V.A.H., Checked by FB, Apr. 27-20 1920

VIII. FINAL ACTION:

Following advice forwarded to Europe by- (cable on MAY 7, 1920
(letter on _____, 1920

Par # 1 To be returned. MB 10-19-20

IX.

CORRECTIONS

CHANGE OF ADVICE

ACTION TAKEN

Desires body be

Body to be shipped to

X. SUSPENSION REMARKS: Form 120 5/14/20 James P. Austin

Father, nearest of kin, requests body remain in France. SSC. 5/24/20 Americas

*Dec * held* Called body to remain in France. 5/25/20. MB.

* Cable 452, Par. 2, issued 5/26/20. "Do not return" (E&L) 4/2/20

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL OF THE ARMY
GRAVES REGISTRATION SERVICE
WASHINGTON

25-22

MAY 4 1920

Rush Answer

FROM: Chief, Graves Registration Service, Q.M.G.
TO: James R. Austin, Meadow View, Va. Box 111
SUBJECT: Remains of Priv. Samuel Austin.

The records of this office show that you have requested that his
body be Returned to United States

Remain in France

Shipped to: Arlington Cemetery, Va.

Quercus called body to remain in France 5/26/20

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

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

By authority of the Quartermaster General:

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

noted on Form 115 cc. 5/24/20

NAME OF	NO. & STREET	TOWN	STATE
Soldier's Widow			
Soldier's Children			
(Name oldest first)	1.		
	2.		
	3.		
Father			
<i>J. R. Austin</i>			
Mother			
<i>Belle Austin</i>			
Brothers			
(Name oldest first)	1.		
	2.		
Sisters			

Date *May 12, 1920*
V.A.H.

Signature *J. Ames R. Austin*
Father

Address *Meadowview, Va. Box 111* Relationship
Note: - Instructions on the reverse side of this sheet should be carefully read before filling out this paper.

(OVER)

The transfer of bodies will be made entirely at government expense.

My first and only statement was to leave
Prio Samuel, Austria's remains in France.
and it is still my request to leave his
remains in France.



INSTRUCTIONS FOR FILLING OUT

1. This paper MUST be signed by the person who is the NEXT of kin in the order shown in the square on other side of this sheet.
2. This paper must be returned showing the names and address of each of the nearest living relatives in the spaces provided therefor on the other side of this sheet.
3. 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.
4. If YOU are not the nearest relative, please ask the nearest relative, if living near you, to fill out this paper.
5. If YOU are not the nearest living relative and do not know who or where the nearest relatives are, please fill out this paper AT ONCE and mail to this office.
6. You are requested to return this paper AT ONCE in order to avoid delay in the case of this body.
7. Use the enclosed envelope - pay no postage.

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL OF THE ARMY JUN 11 1920
GRAVES REGISTRATION SERVICE
WASHINGTON

FROM: Chief, Graves Registration Service, Q.M.C.
TO: James R. Austin, Meadow View, Va. Box 111
SUBJECT: Remains of Private Samuel Austin.

Rush Answer

no change

The records of this office show that you have requested that his body be not returned to U.S. *to who soever it may concern this letter of inquiry read and contents stated i do request that the Body of Private Samuel Austin deceased Remainⁱⁿ Europe accorden to your Record*

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

The nearest living relative may choose between, (1) return of the body to any address in the United States; (2) interment in Arlington, Va., National Cemetery; or (3) remain in ~~France~~ *Europe Remain in Europe*

By authority of the Quartermaster General:

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

lms

NAME OF	NO. & STREET	TOWN	STATE
<i>Was not married</i>			
Soldier's Widow			
<i>no Children</i>			
Soldier's Children	1.		
(Name oldest first)	2.		
	3.		
<i>James R. Austin</i>			
Father			
<i>Belle Austin</i>			
Mother			
<i>Randall Austin</i>	<i>Bristol Tenn.</i>		
Brothers	1.		
(Name oldest first)	2.		
<i>Willie B. Conley</i>	<i>Marion Va</i>		
Sisters			

The transfer of bodies will be made entirely at government expense.

Date *June 15-1920*

Signature *James R. Austin*

Address *Meadowview Va Box 111* Relationship *Father*

Note:- Instructions on the reverse side of this sheet should be carefully read before filling out this paper. (OVER)

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7. Use the enclosed envelope - pay no postage.

REPORT OF DISINTERMENT, PREPARATION AND SHIPMENT OF BODY

DISINTERMENT

COMPARATIVE REPORT

Records Office Chief G.R.S.

Discrepancy found upon examination of body

1. Name Austin, Samuel
 2. No. 412071
 3. Rank Pvt.
 4. Org. Co. 17th, 302nd Stev.
 5. D.D. 7-7-18
 6. C.D. Drowned, body recovered

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

Discrepancy found upon disinterment

7. Grave No. 53 Sect. B
 8. Plot --- Row ---
 9. ---

15. Grave No. Sect.
 16. Plot..... Row.....
 17.

18. Cemetery American

19. (Commune or Town) Talence

20. (Dept. or County) Gironde

21. (Country) France

22. G.R.S. Hdqrs. Code No. 25

23. Disinterred (Date)..... By.....

24. Inscription (Name)..... SERIAL NO.....

on
Grave Marker (RANK)..... ORGANIZATION.....

25. Was Identification Disc found on Grave Marker?..... On Body?.....

Signature of Junior Technical Assistant

(The following space is reserved for notations to be made by office Chief Graves Registration Service.)

Cable Ref. No.

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).....

27. Condition of body.....

28. Nature of burial.....

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

30. Body prepared and placed in casket (Date)..... By.....

31. Casket sealed by.....

Signature of Embalmer Supervisor).....

SHIPMENT (Show actual marking of box) Box No.

32. DESIGNATION (Name Austin, Samuel Serial No. 412071

OF (Rank Pvt. Organization Co. 17th, 302nd Stev.
BODY

33. CONSIGNEE - Name Quartermaster General,

Address GRAVES REGISTRATION SERVICE, Hoboken, N.J.

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.
Signature of G.R.S. Inspector.....

36. Remarks.....

37. Shipped from Cemetery (Date)..... To.....
(Point of Concentration)

Convoyer..... Sign. Shpg. Officer.....

38. Received at Point of concentration (Date).....

Sign. Receiving Officer.....

39. Shipped from Point of Concentration (Date).....

To (Port)..... Convoyer.....

Sign. Shipping Officer.....

40. Received European Port (Date).....

Signature of G.R.S. Representative.....

41. Shipped to (U.S. Port)..... On (Boat).....
Date..... Convoyer..... (Sign. Shpg. Officer)

42. Received (Date)..... By G.R.S. Rep. (Signature)

43. Shipped to Destination (Date).....)B/L or Express Order No.
Convoyer.....)Shpg. Officer.....

GRAVE LOCATION BLANK

LOCATION OF THE GRAVE OF

10652

Austin 412071 Sam
(Surname.) (Number.) (First Name and Initials.)

Pvt. Co. Q. 302d Stevedore Reg.
(Rank.) (Organization.)

DATE OF BURIAL... July 10, 1918

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

American Expeditionary Forces

Cemetery #25, Talence, Bordeaux

GRAVE NUMBER... 53, Row #1

Sam
25

HOW MARKED: Name Peg?..... Cross?.....
Headboard? Yes..... 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: Bert Herbst
..... Capt. Bert Herbst, Q.M., U.S.A.

(Signature and Rank of Reporting Officer.)

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

20 JUL 1918 R. G. V

Austin Sam

10652

Buried July 10th 1918

Talance Cemetery #25.

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✓

Name *Frank Austin* 10652

Rank *Pvt* Co. *A* { ~~Comp~~ } *302 Steu*

Date of Death *July 8 - 1918*

Place

Cause

Date of Burial *July 10 - 1918*

Grave No. *53, Section B.*

Cemetery *A E F 25*

Identified by { Tag } *Headboard, tag,*
Papers }
Clothing }

List of Effects *477071* ✓ *25*

Salence, Bordeaux

Field Record Made by *Sgt E E Morris*

Company *A* Graves Registration Service

For additional data use reverse side

14 SEP 1918 ✓

Name *Sam Austin*

Rank *Pvt* Co. *A* { Corps } *302* { Regt } *Ste*

Date of Death *July 7, 1918*

Place

Cause *Drowning*

Date of Burial *July 10, 1918*

Grave No. *53 Section B.*

Cemetery *A. E. F. 25*

Identified by { Tag } *tags*
 { Papers }
 { Clothing }

List of Effects

Field Record Made by *Sgt E E Morris*

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Company....., Graves Registration Service

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Registration Cards.

File No. 10652.

January 30-1919

MEMO FOR : G.R.S. representative, C.R.O.

SUBJECT : Information required for G R S.

I. Items checked are to be completed :

- () Surname : Austin. D
() Number : 412071.
() First name Samuel.
() Rank : Pvt.
() Company : 17th.
() Organization 302 Steve.
() Date of death : 7-7-18.
() Cause : Drowned-body recovered.
() Place :

Location of hospital :

Number » »

Class » »

- () Relative : Belle Austin.
() Relationship : Mother.
() Address : Meadowville, Va.

- () Authority : *address in Virginia*
Cablegram No : *M.M.C.*
Telegram from : *W.S.R.*

dated :

- () Reported to Washington :
C.C. Nos : 230.

(Underscore the "official" C.C.)

- () Remarks :
Burial notification was sent to this address and returned, advise correct address.

CHARLES C. PIERCE,
Lieut -Colonel, O.M.C., U.S.A.

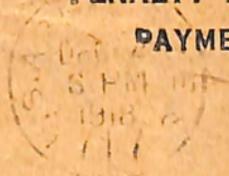
Initials of reporter : *OR*

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Hdqs. Graves Registration Service,
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American Expeditionary Force

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File 10652
Austin Va

Mrs. Belle Austin.

Meadowville.

Va.

U.S.A.



Order
Capt. A.E.C.

Unknown
not on route #
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