

To The A. G. O.

G.R.S. Form #114 B

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1. NAME AUSTIN, Walter G. SERIAL No. 3508501

RANK Pvt ORGANIZATION Co. B 20th MG Bn

GRAVE LOCATION St. Mihiel Amer. Cty. Thiaucourt M-et-M 1232
CTY. NAME NUMBER

96

Sec. 13

2

GRAVE

ROW

PLOT

2. ORIGINAL BATTLE AREA GRAVE LOCATION 391. Bruley, M-et-M

GRAVE

COMMUNE

DEPT. 89th

COORDINATES

CONCENTRATED TO 5-20-19 96 Sec. 13 2
DATE GRAVE ROW PLOT

CEMETERY

CTY. NUMBER 1233

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

DATE OF DEATH Dec. 24, '18.

STATE FROM WHICH HE CAME Texas.

MEDALS OR DECORATIONS AWARDED none.

SUBSEQUENT REBURIALS

DATE

GRAVE

ROW

PLOT

CEMETERY

DATE

GRAVE

ROW

PLOT

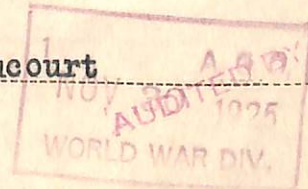
CEMETERY

SIGNATURE, AREA SUPERVISOR

3. FINAL GRAVE LOCATION July 18, 1922 13 5 Block C
DATE GRAVE ROW PLOT

St. Mihiel American No. 1233, Thiaucourt

CEMETERY



INSTRUCTIONS FOR PREPARATION OF FORM 114 B

1. Forms 114-B are to be prepared by Registration Branch in quadruplicate, three copies to be forwarded to Area Supervisor who will accomplish paragraph 2 and return all three copies to Headquarters, American Graves Registration Service.
2. Paragraphs 1 and 3 will be accomplished by Registration Branch, Headquarters, American Graves Registration Service, Q.M.C., in Europe.
3. Paragraph 2 will be accomplished by Area Supervisor from data on file in his office.
4. If data is entered on Form 114-B from Form 1, Form I6, Form 1-A or Form 16-A, statement to this effect will be made on Form 114-B STATING WHICH G.R.S. form data is taken from. If data concerning co-ordinates is approximate and NOT accurate, statement to this effect will be made on these forms.

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Date 14 June, 1919REPORT OF DISINTERMENT AND REBURIAL.

Remains of:

Name: AUSTIN, Walter G.

Number: 3508501

Rank: Pvt.

Organization: Co B 20 M.G.Bn.

Disinterment and Reburial made by Group

Unit

Disinterred (Date)

From: (Give complete location)

5/20/19Grave #391 A. E. F. Cty.,SEBASTOPOL, M-et-M.

Reburied (Date)

in: (Give complete location)

5/20/19Grave #96 Section #13 Plot #2.ST. MIHIEL AMER. CTY.. #1233THIAUCOURT, M-et-M.

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

Burial good. Body buried in box. Body slightly decomposed.

Was one identification tag found upon the body? No

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

Note:

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

Supervised by: Lt. K.F.Gros.R. H. ROSENTHAL2nd Lieut. O. M. C. U. S. A.C.O., Group Unit

ABB.

CODE SLIP

LOCO PARENTIS

HEADING	SUB HEADING	NO. OF COLS	CODE
NAME <i>Austin, Walter C.</i>	<i>AUS</i>	3	<i>120</i> <i>119</i>
BURIED	CEMETERY <i>1233</i>	1	<i>3</i>
	GRAVE <i>13</i>	2	<i>13</i>
	ROW <i>5</i>	2	<i>05</i>
	BLOCK <i>C</i>	1	<i>3</i>
STATE	<i>Texas</i>	2	<i>49</i>
RANK	<i>Pvt.</i>	1	<i>2</i>
DIVISION	<i>7th</i>	2	<i>07</i>
ORGANIZATION	<i>20</i>	3	<i>020</i>
ARM	<i>M. C. Bn</i>	1	<i>2</i>
MARITAL	<i>No</i>	1	<i>2</i>
NAME <i>Balis</i>	<i>Bal</i>	3	<i>212</i>
<i>Mrs Lilah Holmes</i>	STATE <i>Ark</i>	2	<i>02</i>
RESIDENCE	COUNTY <i>Garland</i>	2	<i>26</i>
	CITY <i>Hot Spgs</i>	3	<i>019</i>
RELATION	<i>Loco</i>	1	<i>4</i>
OTHER		1	
ELIGIBILITY	<i>no</i>	1	<i>2</i>
NATIVITY		1	
RACE		1	
ENGLISH		1	
ATTENDANT		1	
HEALTH		1	
NO. OF SONS		1	
DATE OF	MO.	1	
TRIP	YR.	1	
ACCEPTANCE		1	

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QM 298 A-M

November 12, 1930.

Austin, Walter G. Pvt. 1233 LP

Mrs. Lilah Holmes Balis,
672 Anachita Avenue,
Hot Springs, Arkansas.

Dear Madam:

Receipt is acknowledged of the affidavits to substantiate your claim as having stood in loco parentis to your brother, the late Private Walter G. Austin, in order that your eligibility to make a pilgrimage to his grave under the provisions of the Act of Congress of March 2, 1929, as amended May 15, 1930, might be determined.

It has been held that in order for a woman to have stood in loco parentis to a deceased member of the American forces, she must have taken the part of a father in providing food, clothing and shelter.

In view of the fact that your father was living and provided for his son during the time you claim to have stood in loco parentis, it is regretted to advise you are not eligible within the meaning of the law to make a pilgrimage to your brother's grave at the expense of the Government.

For The Quartermaster General.

Very truly yours,

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

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State of Texas)
) ss
County of Red River)

name of deceased soldier Walter G. Austin

Rank Private Organization Infantry, 20th machine Gun

1. The undersigned disinterested persons, not related to the applicant or to the deceased soldier, depose and say of their own personal knowledge that:

(a) Mrs. Lilah Holmes Balis stood in loco parentis to Walter G. Austin (name of applicant) (deceased soldier) from 1912 to Dec. 25th, 1918

(b) The age of the deceased soldier at the time the status in loco parentis began was 9 years, xx months, xx days. The age of Mrs. Lilah Holmes Balis (name of applicant) at the time the status in loco parentis began was 12 years, xx months, xx days.

(c) Mrs. Lilah Holmes Balis (name of applicant) during the time she stood in loco parentis to the said deceased soldier, actually provided for such soldier in the following manner and to the following extent:

The deceased was the brother of applicant, and their mother was dead, and applicant took place of mother in house hold

(d) The following additional circumstances, facts and declarations tend to show that the said applicant actually assumed the obligations which a father would have assumed in the matter of making provision for the support of the deceased soldier:

The applicant herein had no other sisters and had several brothers; her father did not marry again, and this applicant being older than deceased, had the responsibilities of a mother thrown on her shoulders, in taking care of her younger brother. Deceased was raised in the household of his father, of which as above, applicant, being only girl, attended to duties as aforesaid

2. In making the above statements, it is understood that the term in loco parentis means that:

(a) A person must act the part of a lawful father in performing the duty of providing for him; taking the place of a father in this particular.

(b) To obtain the benefits of the Act of March 2, 1929, a woman must have occupied this status towards a particular deceased service man for a period of not less than 5 years at any time prior to the soldier, sailor, or marine becoming 18 years of age. Circumstances and facts should be stated in detail in order to insure intelligent decision. If additional space is required please write on the back of this sheet.

Signed: Addie Lee

Address: Clarksville, Texas

Signed: Deleor Coleman

Address: Clarksville, Texas

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 6th day of November 19 30.

(Seal)

Cash Denny
(Notary Public)
Red River County, Texas.

QM 293 A-M
Austin, Walter G. 1233 LP

July 17, 1930

Mrs. Lilah Holmes Ellis,
672 Anashita Avenue,
Hot Springs, Arkansas.

Dear Madam:

Receipt is acknowledged of your communication of recent date which indicates that you stood in loco parentis to the late Walter G. Austin.

In order to satisfy the legal requirements, it will be necessary for you to furnish as proof of the relationship, in loco parentis, the affidavits of at least two persons not related to you.

In the event you believe yourself eligible, under the terms of section 4 (a) of the Act of March 2, 1929, as amended May 16, 1930, to make a pilgrimage, it is requested that the enclosed forms be completed and returned to this office in order that your eligibility may be determined. Under paragraphs 1 (c) and 1 (d), sufficient information should be included to permit an intelligible decision as to eligibility.

For The Quartermaster General.

Very truly yours,

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

Enclosures:
Act-Amendment.
Aff. Forms.
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WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C
Austin, Walter G. - 1233 S

July 3, 1930

Mrs. Lilah Holmes Balis
672 Anachita Avenue
Hot Springs, Ark.

Dear Madam:

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

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

1. Is the deceased survived by a mother?

If so, give her name and address:

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

If so, give her name and address:

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

If so, give her name and address:

Noted on card "hoco?"

No

No

Lilah Holmes Balis
672 Anachita Ave
Hot Springs Ark

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

June 16/1929
July 1923

Hat Spring Ark
672 Quachita Ave

Dear Sir:-

Will answer your letter in the other day.

My father is dead also Walter G. Austin's mother is dead he was not married and I am his sister the only one he have. he was my only support before he left.

Yours Truly

Lilah Holmes Baker

I am married now.

Lilah Holmes Baker
Hat Spring Ark
✓ 672 Quachita Ave

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

QM 293 A-C

IN REPLY, REFER TO
Austin, Walter G

May , 1929.

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Mr. William J. Austin,
Clarksville,
Texas.

Dear Sir:

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 father of the late Private Walter G. Austin, Co. E, 20th M. G. Bn., whose remains are now interred in the St. Mihiel American Cemetery, Thiaucourt, Meurthe-et-Moselle, France.

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

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

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

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

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Act of Congress.
Envelope.

QM 293 A-M

November 12, 1930.

Austin, Walter G. Pvt. 1233 LP

Mrs. Lilah Holmes Balis,
672 Anachita Avenue,
Hot Springs, Arkansas.

Dear Madam:

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

O. O. M. G. M. & R. DW.

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QM 293 A-M
Austin, Walter G. 1233 LP

July 17, 1930

Mrs. Lilah Holmes Balis,
672 Anachita Avenue,
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Assistant.

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OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

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Captain, Q. M. Corps,
Assistant.

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GEN
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

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May 23 1929.

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Austin
(Surname.)

Walter G.
(Christian name in full.)

3,508,501
(Serial number.)

Pvt
(Rank and organization.)

Co B 20 M G Bn
(Rank and organization.)

State your relationship to the deceased.

Do you desire the remains brought to the United States?

no
(Yes or no.)

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

no
(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)

(Number and street or rural route.)

(City, town, or post office.)

(State.)

Read carefully the letter accompanying this card.

First letter sent to Mr. Jack Austin, RFD #3,
Clarksville, Tenn

Drawn by L. G.

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E. M.

QM 293 A-C

AUSTIN, Walter G. - Pvt.

February 26, 1924

Mr. William J. Austin,
Clarksville,
Texas.

Dear Sir: The Quartermaster General desires to invite your attention to the inclosed card which gives the permanent cemetery location of the soldier's grave in which you are interested.

This American military cemetery is one of those to be maintained by the United States for all time in Europe. Each grave will be marked by a headstone of white marble, of dignified design, with the name, rank, division, organization, date of soldier's death and State from which he came. 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.

Please be assured that in effecting removal of the dead, the utmost reverential care was exercised and more than willingly accorded by those who performed this sacred duty. For the future, these graves will be perpetually maintained by the Government in a manner befitting the last resting place of our heroes.

Very truly yours,

1-Incl.
Record card.

Assistant,
R. L. POSTER RD

O. Q. M. G.
CENTRAL MAIL



FEB 26 1924

D. M.

To be prepared in triplicate.

DATE July 18, 1922.

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, Walter G.

10. Name

2. No. 3508501

11. No.

3. Rank Pvt

12. Rank

4. Org. Co. B 20th MG Bn

13. Org.

5. D.D. 12-24-18

14. (a) D.D.

6. C.D. Influenza & pneumonia(b) D.B. None.

Discrepancy found upon disinterment

7. Grave No. 96 Sec. 13

15. Grave No. Sec.

8. Plot 2 Row

16. Plot Row

9.

17. None.18. Cemetery St. Mihiel Amer.19. Commune or town Thiaucourt20. Dept. or County M-et-M21. Country France22. G.R.S. Hdqrs. Code No. 123323. Disinterred (Date) July 18, 1922;By W.C. Follmer.

24. Inscription on grave marker:

Name Walter G. AustinSerial No. 3508501Rank Pvt.Organization Co. B. 20th, M.C.B.

25. Was identification disc found on grave marker?

Yes

On body?

YesC.T. Brown.

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).

Tag on body reads "Walter G. Austin, 3508501"27. Condition of body Badly decomposed, features unrecognizable.28. Nature of burial Wooden box and burlap29. 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 July 18, 1922.-

By

W.C. Follmer.

31. Casket sealed by

W.C. Follmer.

Signature of Embalmer, (Supervisor)

MMB

SHIPMENT. (Show actual marking of box.) Box No. C - 28792

32. Designation of body:

Name Walter G AUSTIN Serial No. 3508501
Rank Pvt Organization Co.B 20th MG Bn

33. Consigned to:

Name of Permanent Cemetery St.Mihiel Amer.Cty.Thiaucourt M-et- M 1233

34. Casket boxed and marked (Date) July 18, 1922. By W.C. Follmer.

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, 1st Lt. Q.M.C.

36. Remarks _____

None.

37. Shipped from point of Operation: (Date) July 18, 1922.

To point of Concentration _____

Convoyer _____ (Name) _____
Signature Shipping Officer _____

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

By G.R.S. Representative _____

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

To Permanent Cemetery St. Mihiel Amer 1233. Thiaucourt, France.

Convoyer _____ (Name) _____
Signature Shipping Officer O. E. Davis, 1st Lt. Q.M.C.

40. Received: Date July 18, 1922.

G.R.S. Representative A. E. Dewey, 1st Lt. Q.M.C.

41. Reinterred July 18, 1922.

(Date) _____

42. Grave No. 13 Section _____

43. ~~Box~~ Block C Row 5

G.R.S. Representative A. E. Dewey, 1st Lt. Q.M.C.

Place Thiaucourt, France,

REPORT OF DISINTERMENT AND REBURIAL

Date July 18, 1922.1. REMAINS OF AUSTIN, Walter G. SERIAL NUMBER 3508501RANK Pvt.ORGANIZATION Co. B. 120th M.G. Bn.

2. Disinterred (date) :

From (give complete location) :

July 18, 1922Gr. 96, Sec. 13 Plot 2 Cem. 1233.By : Group 3Unit 13. Reburied (date) July 18, 1922.

In (give complete location) :

Gr 13, row 5, Block C. Cty. 1233, Thiaucourt, France.regulation casket.By : Group reburial

Unit

Nature of reburial

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

Wooden box and burlap, badly decomposed, features unrecognizable.5. (a) Identification tags: Buried with body? Yes On grave marker? Yes

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

Tag on body reads: Walter G. Austin, 3508501

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

(a) Height (actual measurement) impossible to determine MAD(b) Weight (estimated) do(c) Hair—Color doQuantity doCharacteristics do(d) Hair on face—Color doLocation doQuantity do

(e) Permanent marks on body (old scars, peculiarities,

or missing parts) none visible

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

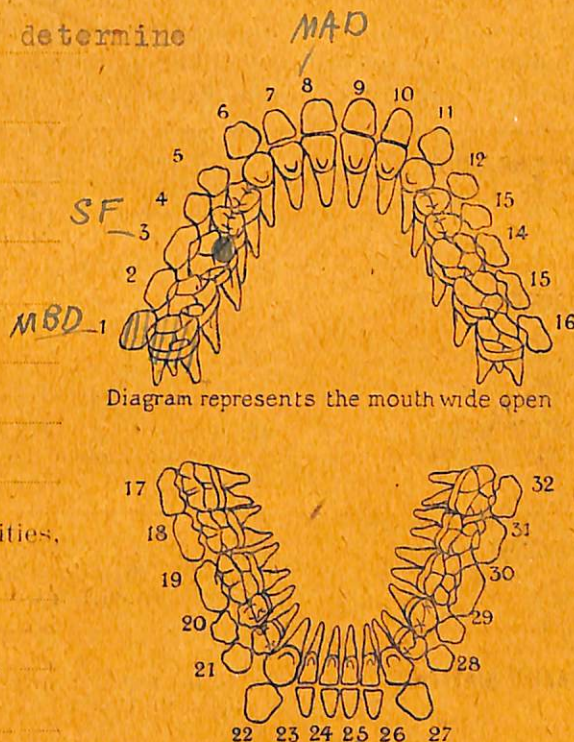
none visible

Diagram represents the mouth wide open

7. Disinterment
supervised by W.C. FolmesApproved: O. E. Davis, 1st Lt., Q.M.C.
(Title)8. Reburial
supervised by H.L. KramerApproved: A.E. Dewey, 1st Lt. Q.M.C.
(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.

COMPILATION OF DISPOSITION OF REMAINS DATA

File #77092

I. LOCATION INDEX CARD:

(a) Name AUSTIN, Walter G. Ser. No. 3508501 } TYP. evs
 (b) Rank Pvt. Organization Co. B, 20th M.G. Bn. } CKR. aru
 (c) Date of death 12/24/18 (d) Cause of death Influenza & Pneu.

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

(a) Grave No. 96 Row - Plot 2 Sec. 13 TYP. evs
 (b) Emerg. Address Jack Austin (Father), Clarksville, Texas (GLB)

III. Files of soldiers dying from contagious diseases NO CARD CKR. aru

IV. A. G. O. DISPOSITION CARD:

Date of receipt _____

(a) Name William J. Austin (b) Relationship Father
 (c) Address omitted.
 (d) Remains to be brought to U. S.? no
 (e) To be interred in National Cemetery in U. S. at _____

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

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

Examiner's Initials L.G. Date 1-31-1920.

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

_____, dated _____

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

no correspondence

Examiner's Initials L.G. Date 1-31-1920.

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

no request for disposition

(a) Cancellation memos referred to? yes

Examiner's Initials ab Date 1-31-20, 1920.

COUNTRY FRANCE CEMETERY No. 1233 SHEET No. 113

FEB 2 1921

CARDED

VII. G. R. S. Form No. 114 made _____, 1920.
Typed by _____, Checked by _____, 1920.

VIII. FINAL ACTION:

Following advice forwarded to Europe by { cable on _____, 1920
letter on FEB 18 1921 _____, 1920

Par. 2 Not to be returned.

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IX.

CORRECTIONS

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

X. SUSPENSION REMARKS: *Letter 4/28/21 - Am. Legion - Clarksville - Texas -
Sailor requests body left in France - 4/13/21 MKS.*

No.

Rank

Serial

Name.....
Rank.....
Serial No.....
Org.....
Remarks.....

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A. G. O. Card & Corr.....
.....Discrepancies.....

Name.....
Rank.....
Serial No.....
Org.....
Remarks.....

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G. R. S. Corr.....
.....Discrepancies.....

Name.....
Rank.....
Serial No.....
Org.....
Remarks.....

Of no I sent 2-2-21
Checkers *Murphy* *B*
.....Discrepancies.....

Name.....
Rank.....
Serial No.....
Org.....
Remarks *Ea*

REFERENCE NO: :

874 De Caluwe, Herman F., Jr., Pvt., Serial # 2080762,
Co.M, 55th Inf.
887 DeHaven, John W., Sgt., Serial # 147822,
Sup.Co., 51st C.A.C.
934 Dimmitt, Clifford E., Pvt., Serial # 102614,
Co.M, 168th Inf.
949 Doaks, Willard, Pvt., Serial # 1967849,
M.G.Co. 365th Inf.
970 Dopp, Benjamin R., Pvt., Serial # 2847998,
Co.K, 355th Inf.
979 Douglass, Allan Wilkins, 1st Lieut.
Battery A., 113th F.A.
1027 Durant, Little Ed., Pvt., Serial # 95977,
Co.B, 167th Inf.
1033 Dyke, Allie B., Pvt., l/c, Serial # 2212980,
Co.L, 354th Inf.
1062 Edwards, John H., Cpl., Serial # 102617,
Co.M, 168th Inf.
1068 Effingham, Harry, Pvt. l/c, Serial # 2409695,
Co.B, 311th Inf.
1139 Fawcner, Alfred H., 2nd Lieut.
Co.I, 321st Inf.
1174 Fiske, Olaf, Pvt., Serial # 2858040,
Co.G, 357th Inf.
1177 Fitzgerald, John M., Pvt., Serial # 731973,
Co.C, 6th Inf.
1226 Frame, Emery L., Pvt. l/c, Serial # 2388515,
Co.L, 61st Inf.
1249 Frye, Daly R., Cpl., Serial # 2221722,
Co.K, 358th Inf.
✓ ~~1368 Gooden, Zeb, Mech., Serial # 2414128,
Co.E, 312th Inf.~~
1368 Gooden Zeb Mech. Ser # 2414128
Co E 312 Inf.

R.E. SHANNON,
Captain, Quartermaster Corps,
Officer in Charge.

BY:

F.C. Pallas
F.C. PALLAS,
Executive Assistant.

(25 incls.)

LPW
9/2/21

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WAR DEPARTMENT

OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL OF THE ARMY

CEMETERIAL DIVISION

WASHINGTON

M.M.

APR 9 - 1921

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

To: Mr. William J. Austin, Clarksville, Texas.

SUBJECT: Remains of Pvt. Walter G. Austin, Ser. No. 3508501, Co. B. 20th M.G.Bn.

The records of this office show that you have requested that the body of the above-named soldier remain in Europe.

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 the 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.

GEORGE H. PENROSE,
Colonel, Q. M. C.

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? _____

NAME OF—	NO. AND STREET.	TOWN.	STATE.
Soldier's widow _____			
Soldier's children. (Name oldest first.) { 1 _____			
{ 2 _____			
{ 3 _____			
Father _____			
Mother _____			
Brothers. (Name oldest first.) { 1 _____			
{ 2 _____			
{ 3 _____			
Sisters. (Name oldest first.) { 1 _____			
{ 2 _____			
{ 3 _____			



MAY 2 1921

Date _____

Signature _____

Address _____

Relationship _____

IMPORTANT.—CAREFULLY read instructions before filling out this paper.

RECEIVED
AUG 31 1921
Division of War Reliefs

I, the undersigned, am the _____ and nearest living next of kin of the within-named
(Relationship.)
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 _____

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.

Ben C. Marable, *Commander*
Roy Dinwiddie, *V.-Commander*
G. Clarence Smith, *Adjutant*

O. H. Norwood, *Member Board*
Jim Harvey, *Member Board*
Wallace Alford, *Member Board*

Wm. Lowrance, *Finance Officer*
Eugene Bowers, *Historian*
Rev. Rupert P. Nanney, *Chaplain*



Red River County Post No. 45

American Legion

Department of Texas

Clarksville

April 28, 1921

Graves Registration Service,
Pier #2,
Hoboken, New Jersey.

GENTLEMEN:-

I am returning herewith instructions which have been sent to Mr. William J. Austin, of this city, regarding the disposition of his son's body, which is now buried in Europe.

Mr. Austin expressed a desire to have the body remain in Europe, as is shown on the enclosed blank. He advises that the delay in returning this to you was occasioned by him being away, and having just returned, when he found it in his mail.

Very truly yours,

G. Clarence Smith

GCS*GL

Adjutant
Post 45

*Noted 11/5
J. H. B. 11/8
J. H. B. 11/8*

August 25th, 1921.

File # 293.8 Cem.Div.Cor.Br.

Mr. William J. Austin,
Clarksville,
Texas.

Re:- Austin, Walter G., Pvt.,
Serial # 3508501,
Co. B, 20th M.G. Bn.

Dear Sir:-

Our Shipping Inquiry Form # 120, of recent date requesting that the remains of the deceased soldier named above be left in France for burial in a permanent American cemetery has been forwarded to the Cemeterial Division, Office of the Quartermaster General, Washington, D.C., for necessary action.

The Cemeterial Division, Washington, D.C., will furnish you the grave location in the permanent American cemetery as soon as possible after the body has been placed therein.

The Department desires to renew its previous expression of sympathy in your bereavement.

By authority of the Quartermaster General:

R. E. SHANNON,
Captain, Quartermaster Corps,
Officer in Charge.

ccw BY:

F. C. PALLAS, *mk*
Executive Assistant.

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"MAILED"
AUG 30 1921
"COR. BR. G. B."
RECEIVED
AUG 31 1921
Division

WAR DEPARTMENT
Quartermaster Corps
Graves Registration Service
Pier 12, Hoboken N.J.

August 25th, 1921.

FILE NO. 293.8 Cem. Div. Cor. Br.

MEMORANDUM FOR: Chief, Cemeterial Division, O.D.M.G.,
Washington, D.C.

SUBJECT: Return of Records - Cemetery # 1233
Transmittal Memorandum H- 1320

1. The records pertaining to the following cases are returned herewith, it having been definitely determined that the bodies are to remain in Europe.

REFERENCE NO.:

113	Austin, Walter G., Pvt., Serial # 3508501, Co.B, 20th M.G.Bn.
165	Barnes, Sol., Pvt., Serial # 1891892, Co.F, 167th Inf.
185	Battaglia, Gionni, Pvt., Serial # 2833759, Co.C, 111th Inf.
321	Bower, Elmer, M., Pvt. Serial # 2814646, Bty. C, 340th Field Art.
460	Burgin, Leonard, Pvt., Serial # 731720, Co.B, 6th Inf.
580	Charon, Will., Pvt., Serial # 2808578, Co.E, 358th Inf.
655	Cohendet, Louis C., Pvt. 1/c, Serial # 2407740, M.G.Co., 310th Inf.
757	Crews, Chauncey, Pvt. 1/c, Serial # 3309672, Co.L, 22nd Engrs.
857	Davis, William H., Pvt., Serial # 177609, Co.C, 23rd Inf.

COMPILATION OF DISPOSITION OF REMAINS DATA File #77092

I. LOCATION INDEX CARD: **Walter G.** **3508501** **evs**
 (a) Name... **Pvt.** ... **Ser. No. 20th U.S. Bn.** TYP... **A. G. W.**
 (b) Rank... **12/24/18** Organization... **Influenza & Pneu.** Cause of
 (c) Date of death... death

II. REGISTRATION CARD. (Check Reg., Card Inf. against Loc. Inf.): **evs**
 (a) Grave No... Row... **Jack Austin (Father), Glendale, Texas (GIB)**
 (b) Emerg. Address...

III. Files of soldiers dying from contagious diseases... **NO CARD**... CKR... **A. G. W.**

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

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V. Following advice forwarded to Europe by (cable on... 192...
 (letter of transmittal on... 192...
Par. 2 Not to be returned.
FEB 28 1921

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

VII. SUPPLEMENTARY REQUESTS

Date of	Relationship	Desires	Action taken
and Source	and name		
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VIII. Form 115 received from G.R.S. Hoboken, N.J. 192...

77092
GRAVE LOCATION BLANK

LOCATION OF THE GRAVE OF

AUSTIN 3508501 WALTER G.

(Surname). (Number). (First Name and Initials).

Pvt. Co. B, 20th Machine Gun Bat.

(Rank). (Organization).

PLACE OF ~~BURIAL~~ ^{Death} Evacuation Hosp. #1.

CAUSE OF DEATH: Influenza pneumonia.

DATE OF BURIAL: December 26, 1918.

PLACE OF BURIAL: Am.E.F.Cemetery #108.

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

GRAVE NUMBER: 391

HOW MARKED: Name Peg? Cross? ☒

Headboard? Bottle?

IDENTIFICATION TAGS:

Was one buried with body? ☒

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

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

NEAREST RELATIVE: Jack Austin

ADDRESS: Clarksville, Texas.

RELATIONSHIP: Father.

REPORTED BY:

B. E. Powers

(Signature and Rank of Reporting Officer).

2nd Lieut. Q. M. Corps.

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