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1. NAME *Report* **ARNOLD, BERTON B** *Burton Basil* *B* DATE **10/21/21.**  
 SERIAL No. **2263676**  
 RANK **Pvt. 1st. cl.** ORGANIZATION **Co. E 59th Inf**  
 GRAVE LOCATION **Meuse Argonne Amer. Romagne-sous-Montfaucon - Meuse 1232 - Sec. 65**  
 CTY. NAME **Meuse** NUMBER **1232**  
 GRAVE **132** ROW **3** PLOT **3**

2. ORIGINAL BATTLE AREA GRAVE LOCATION **Bac 36, Septsarges Bois, Meuse.**  
 GRAVE **Bac 36** COMMUNE **Septsarges Bois** DEPT. **Meuse**  
 COORDINATES **Verdun 35 NE 280.9 N 313.15 E**  
 CONCENTRATED TO **5-20-19** GRAVE **132** ROW **65** PLOT **3**  
 DATE **5-20-19** GRAVE **132** ROW **65** PLOT **3**  
 CEMETERY **Meuse Argonne** CTY. NUMBER **1232**

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

Tag on body.

DATE OF DEATH **Oct. 5, 1918**

STATE FROM WHICH HE CAME **Washington**

Data form 1  
SUBSEQUENT REBURIALS

DATE OF DEATH **none** PLOT **none** CEMETERY **none**

World War Division DATE GRAVE ROW PLOT CEMETERY

5 APR 4 1928

SIGNATURE, AREA SUPERVISOR

*M. B. Birdseye*  
1st Lt., **M. B. BIRDSEYE**, O.M. Corps, U.S. Army

3. FINAL GRAVE LOCATION **10/21/21.** GRAVE **5** ROW **7** PLOT **F. Block**

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



Co. E., 59th. Inf.  
4th. Div.

*Basil*  
ARNOLD, Burton - Pvt. 2263676

Killed in action October 5/18. Meuse-Argonne Offensive.

Buried in American Cemetery near Septsarges Woods. Grave No. 7.

No informant given.

Not signed.

CODE SLIP



HEADING	SUB-HEADING	NO. OF COLS	CODE
NAME	Arnold	3	1 8 0 4
BURIED	CEMETERY	1	1
	GRAVE	2	05
	ROW	2	07
	BLOCK	1	6
STATE	Wash.	2	56
RANK	Private	1	2
DIVISION	4	2	04
ORGANIZATION	59	3	059
ARM	Inf.	1	1
MARITAL	no	1	✓
NAME	Mrs. Maoma Arnold	3	1 8 0 4
RESIDENCE	STATE	2	56
	COUNTY	2	29
	CITY	3	xxx
RELATION	Mother	1	1
OTHER		1	
ELIGIBILITY	Yes	1	1
NATIVITY		1	
RACE		1	
ENGLISH	Yes	1	
ATTENDANT		1	
HEALTH		1	
NO. OF SONS		1	
DATE OF	MO.	1	
TRIP	YR.	1	
ACCEPTANCE	no	1	2
29/514	65		65

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 (Signature)

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IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-M

Sept. 6, 1932.

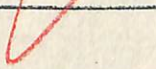
Arnold, Burton B. (MA)

Mrs. Maoma Arnold,  
Concrete, Washington.

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")	<i>No</i>		
2. Please state your age and condition of health:	<i>65</i>		Age: Health: <i>65</i>
3. Do you speak English?	<i>Yes</i>		
4. What other language do you speak?			

*Mrs. Maoma Arnold*  
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.

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IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-M

Arnold Burton B (MA)

July 7, 1932

Mrs Maoma Arnold  
Concrete  
Wash

Dear Madam:

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

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

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

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

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

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

2 Encls.

DO YOU DESIRE TO MAKE A PILGRIMAGE DURING THE YEAR 1933? \_\_\_\_\_  
(Write answer here)

(Sign here) \_\_\_\_\_

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OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
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IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-M

Arnold, Burton B. Pvt. 1 cl (M-A) M

June 9, 1931.

Mrs. *Maoma* Arnold,  
Concrete, Washington

Dear Madam:

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

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

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

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

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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



DO YOU DESIRE TO MAKE A PILGRIMAGE DURING THE YEAR 1932? no  
Write answer here

*Mrs Maoma Arnold*  
Sign here

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OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-M  
Arnold, Burton B. 1232 M

January 16, 1931

Mrs. Naoma Arnold,  
Concrete,  
Washington.

Dear Madam:

In order that the records of this office may be complete and correct, it is requested that you advise whether or not the late Private first class Burton B. Arnold is survived by a widow, and if so, her name and address.

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

For The Quartermaster General.

Very truly yours,

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

Enclosure  
Envelope

*Dear Sirs*

*Burton, B Arnold has no widow  
he was never married*

*Mrs Naoma Arnold  
Concrete  
Washington*



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WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

Arnold, Burton B. 1232 M

June 5, 1930

Mrs. Naoma Arnold  
Concrete, Washington.

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 Naoma Arnold*  
(Sign here)

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

January 24, 1930

Arnold, Burton B. 1232

Mrs. Emma Arnold,  
Concrete, Wash.

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 <sup>mother of the late Pvt.</sup> Burton B. Arnold, Co. E, 59th Inf., whose remains are now interred in the Meuse-Argonne American Cemetery, Romagne-sous-Montfaucon, Meuse, France.

Will you please fill in the answers to the following questions in the space provided on this letter, and return 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?

2. If so, give her complete address.

3. 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.

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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Envelope

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

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

Arnold, Burton B.

August 12, 1929

Mrs. Naoma Arnold,  
Concrete, Washington

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 Burton B. Arnold, Co. E, 59th Inf., whose remains are now interred in the Meuse-Argonne American Cemetery, Romagne-sous-Montfaucon, Meuse, France.**

Will you please fill in the answers to the following questions in the space provided on this letter, and return 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?

2. If so, give her complete address.

3. Will you make the pilgrimage?

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

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IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

Arnold, Burton B.

Mr. B. F. Arnold,  
Grasmere, Wash.

June 29, 1929.

*Mother*  
*Mrs. Naoma Arnold,*  
*Concrete*  
*Wash.*

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*Hgm*

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 Pvt. Burton B. Arnold, Co. E, 59th Inf., whose remains are now interred in the Meuse-Argonne American Cemetery, Romagne-sous-Montfaucon, Meuse, 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.

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For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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



CORRECTION NAME:

ARNOLD, Burton B.

Pvt., Co. E, 59th Inf., 4th Div.

Change to

ARNOLD, Burton Basil

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WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-M

Sept. 6, 1932.

Arnold, Burton B. (MA)

Mrs. Maoma Arnold,  
Concrete, Washington.

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Sign here

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For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

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WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-M

Arnold Burton B (MA)

July 7, 1932

Mrs Maona Arnold  
Concrete  
Wash

Dear Madam:

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

2 Encls.

DO YOU DESIRE TO MAKE A PILGRIMAGE DURING THE YEAR 1933? \_\_\_\_\_  
(Write answer here)

(Sign here) \_\_\_\_\_

QM 295 A-M  
Arnold, Burton B. 1232 M

January 16, 1931

Mrs. Naomi Arnold,  
Concrete,  
Washington.

Dear Madam:

In order that the records of this office may be complete and correct, it is requested that you advise whether or not the late Private first class Burton B. Arnold is survived by a widow, and if so, her name and address.

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

For The Quartermaster General.

Very truly yours,

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

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OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

QM 293 A-M  
IN REPLY REFER TO ~~Barton B.~~ Pvt. 1 cl (M-A) M

June 9, 1931.

Mrs. Naoma Arnold,  
Concrete, Washington

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.

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For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

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

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Sign here

QM 295 A-M  
Arnold, Burton B. 1232 M

January 16, 1931

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For The Quartermaster General.

Very truly yours,

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

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

Arnold, Burton B. 1232 M

June 5, 1930

Mrs. Naoma Arnold  
Concrete, Washington.

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For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

DO YOU DESIRE TO MAKE THE PILGRIMAGE DURING THE YEAR 1931? \_\_\_\_\_

(Write answer here)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Sign here)

WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

January 24, 1930

Arnold, Burton B. 1232

Mrs. Naoma Arnold,  
Concrete, Wash.

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".

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2. If so, give her complete address.
3. 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.

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

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WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

**Arnold, Burton B.**

**August 12, 1929**

**Mrs. Naoma Arnold,  
Concrete, Washington**

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".

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Will you please fill in the answers to the following questions in the space provided on this letter, and return 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?

2. If so, give her complete address.

3. Will you make the pilgrimage?

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

Arnold, Burton B.

June 29 1929.

Mr. B. F. Arnold,  
Grasmere, Wash.

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

In reply refer to:  
QM - 293 C-R

September 12, 1923.

Mr. B.P. Arnold,  
Grasmere,  
Washington.

Dear Sir: The Quartermaster General desires that you be informed that the permanent grave of

Private Burton B. Arnold, Company E, 59th Infantry,  
is Grave 5, Row 7, Block F, Meuse-Argonne American Cemetery, Romagne-sous-  
Montfaucon (Meuse), France.

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

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

Very truly yours,

H.H. CHEAL

H. J. Conner,  
Assistant.



SEP 12 1923  
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Date June 11, 1919

REPORT OF DISINTERMENT AND REBURIAL

Remains of:

Name: ARNOLD, Bert.

Number 2265676

Rank: UNKN

Organization

UNKN

Disinterment and Reburial made by Group:

Unit

Disinterred (Date)

From (Give complete location)

20th May 1919

Grave 36 Reptsarges, Meuse.

35NE 280.9E 313.15N

Reburied (Date)

In: (Give complete location)

20th My 1919

Grave 132 Sec 65 Plot 3

Argonne American Cty 1232

Romagne Meuse.

1232

Report as to nature of original burial and condition of body upon disinterment.  
Burial good. Buried in uniform. Badly decomposed.

Was one identification tag found upon the body?

Yes

What other means of identification were found on the body?

None

Note:

If upon disinterment, effects are found on 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 of identity in doubtful cases, notation thereof will be made and reported to Chief, Graves Registration Service.

Lt Caswell

Supervised by:

COMPILATION OF DISPOSITION OF REMAINS DATA

File 34749



I. LOCATION INDEX CARD:

(a) Name ARNOLD, Burton B. Ser. No. 2263676  
 (b) Rank Pvt. Organization Co. M, 59th Inf.  
 (c) Date of death 10-5-18 (d) Cause of death k/a

TYP. b  
 CKR. 3

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

(a) Grave No. 132 Row - Plot 3 Sec. 65 TYP. b  
 (b) Emerg. Address B. F. Arnold (father) Grossmere, Wash.

III. ~~Files of soldiers dying from contagious diseases / / / /~~ CKR. 3

*no card in file. ms 5-7-21*

IV. A. G. O. DISPOSITION CARD:

Date of receipt

(a) Name \_\_\_\_\_ (b) Relationship \_\_\_\_\_  
 (c) Address \_\_\_\_\_  
 (d) Remains to be brought to U. S.? \_\_\_\_\_  
 (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 \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_, 192

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

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

Examiner's Initials \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_, 192

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

*4-16-19 B. F. Arnold, Grossmere, Wash. requests photograph of son's grave.*

(a) Cancellation memos referred to? \_\_\_\_\_

Examiner's Initials ms Date 5-7-21, 192

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COUNTRY FRANCE CEMETERY No. 1232-sec. 65 SHEET No. 8

VII. G. R. S. Form No. 114 made \_\_\_\_\_, 192

Typed by \_\_\_\_\_, Checked by \_\_\_\_\_, 192

VIII. FINAL ACTION:

Following advice forwarded to Europe by { cable on \_\_\_\_\_, 192  
letter on MAY 27 1921, 192

*Sub 5*

*Par. 2 Not to be returned. LPW*

IX.

REMARKS

To be prepared in triplicate.

DATE Oct. 21, 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 <sup>u</sup>ARNOLD, BERTON B

10. Name

2. No. 2263676

11. No.

3. Rank Pvt.

12. Rank

4. Org. Co.E 59th Inf.

13. Org.

5. D.D. 10-5-14

14. (a) D.D.

6. C.D. KIA

(b) D.B.

Discrepancy found upon disinterment

7. Grave No. 132 Sec. 65

15. Grave No. Sec.

8. Plot 3 Row

16. Plot Row

9.

17. No desc.

18. Cemetery Meuse Argonne Amer.

19. Commune or town Romagne-sous-Montfaucon

20. Dept. or County Meuse

21. Country France

22. G.R.S. Hdqrs. Code No. 1232 - Sec.65

23. Disinterred (Date) 10-21-21

By ~~XXXXXXXXXX~~ W.G. Durisoe

24. Inscription on grave marker:

Name Berton B. Arnold

Serial No. 2263676

Rank Pvt.

Organization Co E. 59th Inf.

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

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).

None

27. Condition of body Badly decomposed, features unrecognizable

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

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

30. Body prepared and placed in casket: Date 10-21-21 By W.G. Durisoe

31. Casket sealed by W.G. Durisoe

AUDITED BY

Signature of Embalmer, (Supervisor) W. G. Durisoe

SHIPMENT. (Show actual marking of box.) Box No. C-12002

32. Designation of body: \_\_\_\_\_

Name Arnold, Berton B Serial No. 2263676

Rank Pvt. Organization Co.E 59th Inf.

33. Consigned to: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Permanent Cemetery Meuse Argonne Amer. #1232. Romagne-sous-Montfaucon. Meuse

34. Casket boxed and marked (Date) 10-21-21 By W. Durisoe

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 R.C. Worthington, 1st Lt. MC

36. Remarks \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

37. Shipped from point of Operation: (Date) 10-21-21

To point of Concentration Meuse Argonne Cem. #1232  
(Name)

Convoyer W. J. Royed Signature Shipping Officer G.F. Spann, Capt. MC *G.F. Spann* **cjt**

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 \_\_\_\_\_  
(Name)

Convoyer \_\_\_\_\_ Signature Shipping Officer \_\_\_\_\_

40. Received: Date \_\_\_\_\_

G.R.S. Representative \_\_\_\_\_

41. Reinterred Oct. 21, 1921 Meuse-Argonne Cty. #1232.  
(Date)

42. Grave No. 5 Section \_\_\_\_\_

43. ~~Block~~ Bl. F Row 7

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G.R.S. Representative James W. Younger  
**JAMES W. YOUNGER, CAPT., Q.M.C.**

# REPORT OF DISINTERMENT AND REBURIAL

1. REMAINS OF ARNOLD, Berton B SERIAL NUMBER 2263676

RANK Pvt. ORGANIZATION Co. E. 59th Inf.

2. Disinterred (date): Oct. 21, 1921 From (give complete location): gr 132, sec 65, plot 3.

By: Group 1 Unit sec 1

3. Reburied (date): Oct. 21, 1921 In (give complete location): Meuse-Argonne Cty. #1232 Gr. 5, Bl. F, row 7.

By: Group Reburial S Unit  Nature of reburial Unlined Casket.

4. Report as to nature of original burial and condition of body upon disinterment:  
wooden box and burlap and uniform. 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:  
Only "Be... old... 63876" legible on body tag.

6. What does examination of body show as regards the following identifying items?  
(a) Height (actual measurement) impossible to determine.

(b) Weight (estimated) do

(c) Hair—Color do

Quantity do

Characteristics do

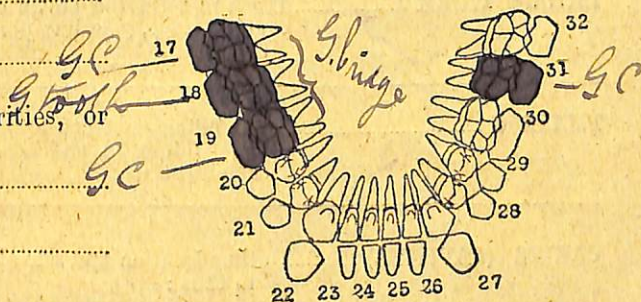
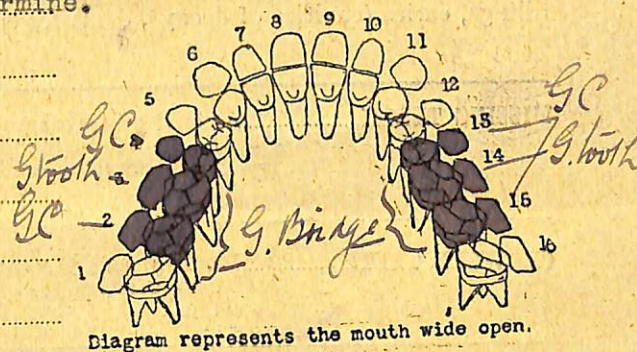
(d) Hair on face—Color do

Location do

Quantity do

(e) Permanent marks on body (old scars, peculiarities, or missing parts) do

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



W.G. Durisoe  
 W.G. Durisoe,  
A.U. D'FAULT

Approved: R.C. Worthington  
 R.C. Worthington, 1st Lt., Q.M.C.  
 (Title)

Approved: JAMES W. YOUNGER  
 (Title) JAMES W. YOUNGER,  
 CAPT., Q.M.C.

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File 34749

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

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 MAY 27 1921, 192

See 65
Par. 2 Not to be returned. LFW

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

VII. SUPPLEMENTARY REQUESTS.

Table with 4 columns: Date of and source, Relationship and name, Desires, Action taken. Includes multiple rows of dashed lines for data entry.

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

COUNTRY \_\_\_\_\_ CEMETERY No. \_\_\_\_\_ SHEET No. \_\_\_\_\_

2. Soldier's No. 2263676

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3. Arnold Bert

Surname (in block letters) First Name and Initials

4. Rank Company Regt. or Corps

5. Date of Death Cause, if known

6. Date of Burial B.A.C. Cemetery

7. Briouilles Meuse  
Town or Commune (in block letters) Department8. 36  
Grave No. Plot No. or Letter9. Name Peg? <sup>1</sup> Cross? Headboard? Bottle?  
Check Method of Marking10. Buried with Body? Attached to Grave Marker? <sup>1</sup>  
Identification Tags

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

12. "A" sketch 47  
Map Reference, if interment is outside of cemetery13. Give name of Chaplain or Burial Officer  
Signed Sgt. Baker

GROUP No. 3 Group Unit G. P. S.

PROV. UNIT "A" G.P.S.

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File # 34749.

AMERICAN EXPEDITIONARY FORCES  
HEADQUARTERS SERVICES OF SUPPLY  
OFFICE OF THE CHIEF QUARTERMASTER, A.E.F.  
GRAVES REGISTRATION SERVICE,

May 13th 1919.

FROM : Chief, Graves Registration Service, American E.F.  
TO : Mr B.F. Arnold, Grasmere, Wash.  
SUBJECT : Pvt. Burton Basil Arnold, Co.E. 59th Infantry, American E.F.

In reply to your letter of inquiry, with reference to the  
regretted death of this soldier, according to the records at these  
headquarters he is buried in Grave #36, American Battle Area  
Cemetery, Commune of Briculles-sur-Meuse, BRICULLES-SUR-MEUSE,  
department of the MEUSE.

By direction:

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

Per

*M.B. Dix*  
MAURICE B. DIX  
Captain, American Red Cross  
Representative assigned to  
Graves Registration Service.

(Enclosures-G.R.S.:)  
(10-B. .004.5.:)

MBD/mt.

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Grasmere, Wash., April 16, 1919.

Chief, Graves Registration Service,  
Headquarters, Service of Supply,  
American E. F., France.

Dear Sir:

I hereby make application for a photograph of the grave, and other information you may be able to send me, of Private Burton Basil Arnold, Company E, 59th Infantry. Private Arnold died October 5, 1918, and I am informed that he is buried in the American cemetery at Brioulles-sur-Meuse, Meuse, France. The photograph of the grave of my son will be greatly appreciated.

Very truly yours,

P. O. Address: Grasmere, Wash.

*B F Arnold*