

CODE SLIP

HEADING	SUB-HEADING	NO. OF COLS	CODE
NAME	Abel	3	125
	Edward		
BURIED	CEMETERY 1233	1	3
	GRAVE 13	2	13
	ROW 6	2	06
	BLOCK C	1	3
STATE	Ind	2	15
RANK	Pvt	1	2
DIVISION	4	2	04
ORGANIZATION	39	3	039
ARM	Inf	1	1
MARITAL	no	1	2
NAME	Abel, Daniel F. (Brother)	3	
	Hobart, Ind.		
RESIDENCE	STATE	2	
	COUNTY	2	
	CITY	3	
RELATION	mother	1	1
OTHER	ma	1	
ELIGIBILITY	Lead (3-7-21)	1	6
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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Abel, Edward 1233
Pvt., MG Co., 39th Inf.

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Mother died 3-7-21 XC-133055

~~Step-M~~ father died 7/11/15 11-14 yrs

~~Widow~~
~~Loco~~ Single

Bero: Daniel R. Patel
Hofart Ind

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-M

Abel, Edward (StM) M

September 28, 1931

Mrs. Caroline Abel,
Hobart, Ind.

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,

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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
~~QM-288-AM~~

Abel, Edward Pvt. (StM) M-

July 9, 1951.

Mrs. Caroline Abel,
Hobart, Ind.

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

Abel, Edward Pvt. 1233-M

April 1, 1931

Mrs. Caroline Abel,
Hobart, Indiana.

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.

The records of this office show that you are the mother of the deceased veteran named above and in order that plans may be completed for conducting the pilgrimages, it is requested you answer the following questions by filling out the blanks left therefor and return the letter to this office in the enclosed envelope which requires no postage.

1. Do you desire to make this pilgrimage?

2. Do you desire to make the pilgrimage in the calendar year 1931?

3. Please give your age and state your health.

4. Do you speak English?

5. What other language do you speak?

Age
Condition of Health

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

Enclosures:
Envelope
Act
Amendment

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

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QM 293 A-M

Abel, Edward Pvt. 1233-M

April 1, 1931

Mrs. Caroline Abel,
Hobart, Indiana.

Dear Madam:

In order that your desires may be properly recorded and arrangements made for you accordingly, it is requested that you complete and return the enclosed questionnaire at your earliest convenience.

Kindly advise as to whether or not the late Private Edward Abel was married and 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,

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

Enclosures:
Questionnaire
Act - Amendment
Envelope

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October 9, 1930

Abel, Edward Pitt. 1233 - M

GM 293 A-M

Mrs. Caroline Abel
Robert
Indiana

Dear Madam:

A reply has not been received to office letter of recent date relative to the pilgrimage to the cemeteries of Europe, authorized by the Act of Congress of March 2, 1929, as amended May 15, 1930.

The records of this office show that you are the mother of the deceased veteran named above and in order that plans may be completed for conducting the pilgrimages in 1931, it is requested you answer the following questions by filling out the blanks left therefor and return the letter to this office in the enclosed envelope which requires no postage.

1.	Do you desire to make this pilgrimage?
2.	Do you desire to make the pilgrimage in the calendar year 1931?
3.	Please give your age and state your health.
4.	Do you speak English?
5.	What other language do you speak?

For The Quartermaster General:

Very truly yours,

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

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WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

June 5, 1930.

Abel, Edward - 1235 M

Mrs. Caroline Abel,
Hobart, Ind.

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

Abel, Edward 1233

February 12, 1930

Mrs. Caroline Abel,
Hobart,
Indiana

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 Edward Abel, M. G. Co., 39th Inf., whose remains are now interred in the St. Mihiel American Cemetery, Thiaucourt, Meurthe-st-Moselle, 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,

2 Incls.
Act of Congress
Envelope

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

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-CAbel, Edward
1233

August 27, 1929.

Mrs. Caroline Abel,
Hobart,
Ind.

Dear Madam:

The records of this office do not indicate that a reply has been received to our communication dated ^{May 25, 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
EnvelopeJOHN T. HARRIS,
Major, Q. M. Corps,
Assistant.

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C
Abel, Edward

May 25, 1929.

Mrs. Caroline Abel,
Hobart,
Ind.

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 Edward Abel, M. G. Co., 39th Inf, whose remains are now interred in the St. Michael American Cemetery, Thiaucourt, Meurthe-et-Moselle, 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 re-married 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,

2 incls.
Act of Congress.
Envelope.

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

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ABEL, Edward - Pvt.

February 15, 1924

Mrs. Caroline Abel,
Hobart,
Ind.

Dear Madam: 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,
E.L. FOSTER

RD
YOK



Abel

Edward

1,564,516 ✓

(Surname)

(Christian name in full.)

(Army serial number.)

Pvt.

MG Co 39 Inf

(Rank and organization.)

State your relationship to the deceased.

Mother

Do you desire the remains brought to the United States?

no

(Yes or no.)

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

(Yes or no.)

If you desire the remains interred at the home of the deceased, give full information below as to where they should be sent:

(Name of person to receive remains.)

(Express office.)

(Telegraph office.)

(Number and street.)

(City or town.)

(State.)

(Sign here)

Sayoline Abel
Robert *Indiana*

(Number and street or rural route.)

(City, town, or post office.)

(State.)

Read carefully the letter accompanying this card.

checked
11-22-20
11-26-19

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Brown by [unclear]

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COMPILATION OF DISPOSITION OF REMAINS DATA

File #66147

5/22 Examined
for Pneumonia
St Michil 12.23
att 5/25/22

I. LOCATION INDEX CARD:

(a) Name ABEL, Edward Ser. No 1564516
(b) Rank Pvt. Organization M/G/Co., 39th Inf.
(c) Date of death 11/24/18 (d) Cause of death B. Pneumonia

TYP. HB
CKR. Asst

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

(a) Grave No. 881 Row - Plot - Sec. - TYP. HB
(b) Emerg. Address Mrs. Caroline Abel (mother) Hobart, Indiana.

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

IV. A. G. O. DISPOSITION CARD:

Date of receipt none

(a) Name Caroline Abel (b) Relationship mother
(c) Address Hobart Ind.
(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 SH Date 11/20, 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 SH Date 11/20, 1920.

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

No request for disposition.

(a) Cancellation memos referred to? yes
Examiner's Initials JA Date 11-22-, 1920.

COUNTRY France CEMETERY No. 91 SHEET No. 2

M.M.

AP 1-4-21

FORM 115 - A COMPLETED

checked 11-22-20

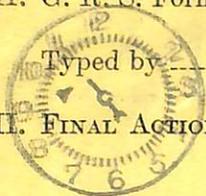
CARDED

Revised 4/12/21 EO

RECEIVED

FEB 26 1921

OVERSEAS DIVISION PROJECT SUB-SEC. 1920



Typed by _____, Checked by _____, 1920.

VIII. FINAL ACTION:

JAN 10 1921

Following advice forwarded to Europe by

cable on _____, 1920
letter on 12-17-, 1920

Car. #2. Not to be returned (EES) 12-27-20.

IX.

CORRECTIONS

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

X. SUSPENSION REMARKS:

1/18/21- Form 120 - Mrs. Caroline Abel (mother)

Hobart, Indiana, wishes body to remain in Europe: H-2/1/21-jt

Let. 2-9-21 fr Mrs Caroline Abel, Mother stating that deceased mother is dead.

H 2-14-21 b

2/24/21 Hoboken advises Mother her wish will be complied with.

FORM 115 RETURNED BY HOBOKEN - 2-21
TO REMAIN IN EUROPE.

2-26-21 MV

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 ABEL, Edward
 2. No. 1564516
 3. Rank Pvt.
 4. Org. M.G.Co. 39th Inf.
 5. D.D. Nov. 24th 1918
 6. C.D. Broncho Pneumonia

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

Discrepancy found upon disinterment

7. Grave No. 881 Sec. _____
 8. Plot D Row 7
 9. _____

15. Grave No. _____ Sec. _____
 16. Plot _____ Row _____
 17. no discrep.

18. Cemetery Amer.
 20. Dept. or County M-et-M
 22. G.R.S. Hdqrs. Code No. 91

19. Commune or town Toul
 21. Country France

23. Disinterred (Date) Febr. 13, 1922

By G.J. Osgood

24. Inscription on grave marker:

Name Edward Abel
 Rank Pvt.

Serial No. _____
 Organization M.G.Co/ 39th. Inf.

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

Archie A. Pope
 Signature Junior Technical Assistant
 Archie A. Pope

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 Box and U.S. Uniform.

29. Any discrepancy noted upon examination of body, as compared with G.R.S. records quoted above? Disc on body agrees with Form 114-A except Rank which is blank and Org. which reads: "U. S. A"

30. Body prepared and placed in casket: Date Febr. 13, 1922 By C.J. Osgood

31. Casket sealed by C. J. Osgood

ADD
8/1/23
 Signature of Embalmer, (Supervisor

C. J. Osgood
 Signature

SHIPMENT. (Show actual marking of box.) Box No. C-24523

32. Designation of body:

Name Edward ABEL Serial No. 1564516

Rank Pvt. Organization M.G.Co. 39th Inf.

33. Consigned to:

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

34. Casket boxed and marked (Date) Febr. 13, 1922 By C.J. Osgood

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. O'Leary, 1st Lt. QMC

36. Remarks

None

37. Shipped from point of Operation: (Date) Febr. 13, 1922

To point of Concentration Toul (M-et-M)

Convoyer Frank Atwell Signature Shipping Officer R. O'Leary, 1st Lt. QMC

38. Received at Railhead or Point of Concentration: Date Febr. 13, 1922

By G.R.S. Representative L. B. Massie, Captain, QMC

39. Shipped from Railhead or Point of Concentration: Date 23 FEB 1922

To Permanent Cemetery St. Mihiel, Amer No. 1233, Thiaucourt, (M-et-M)

Convoyer Signature Shipping Officer L. B. Massie, Captain, QMC

40. Received: Date 12 3 Feb 1922

G.R.S. Representative G. D. GAMBLE, Captain, Q. M. C.

41. Reinterred July 20, 1922. (Date)

42. Grave No. 15 Section

43. Plot block C. Row 6

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

Place Toul, France

REPORT OF DISINTERMENT AND REBURIAL

Date Feb. 13, 1922.

1. REMAINS OF Abel, Edward SERIAL NUMBER 1564516

RANK Pvt. ORGANIZATION M.G. Co. 39th Inf.

2. Disinterred (date): Feb. 13, 1922. From (give complete location): Gr. 881. Cty. 91. Toul (M et M)

By: Group 4 Unit F.S. 8.

3. Reburied (date): July 20, 1922. In (give complete location):

Gr 15, row 6, 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:

Box and U.S. Uniform. 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:

None

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

(a) Height (actual measurement) Imp. to Det.

(b) Weight (estimated) Imp. to estimate

(c) Hair—Color None visible

Quantity _____

Characteristics _____

(d) Hair on face—Color None visible

Location _____

Quantity _____

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

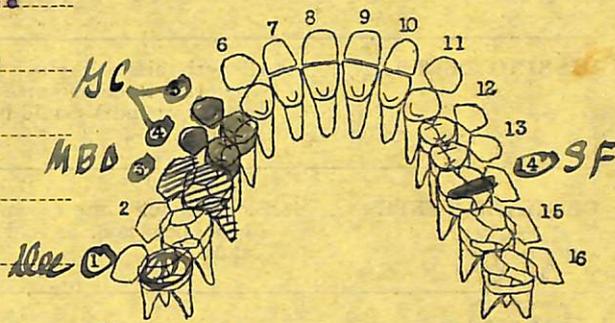
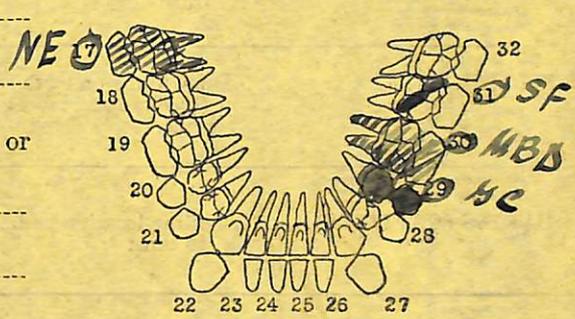


Diagram represents the mouth wide open.



(f) Wounds or missing parts (received at time of casualty) one radius and one ulna missing.

Checker: A.A. Pope

7. Disinterment supervised by C. J. Osgood

Approved: R. O'Leary
(Title) _____

8. Reburial supervised by H.L. Kramer

Approved: A.E. Dewey
(Title) 1st Lt. Q.M.C.

COMPILATION OF DISPOSITION OF REMAINS DATA

See Form 115
att 5/25/22

File #66147

I. LOCATION INDEX CARD:

(a) Name ABEL, Edward Ser. No. 1564516 } TYP HB
 (b) Rank Pvt. Organization M/G/Co., 39th Inf. }
 (c) Date of death 11/24/18 Cause of death B. Pneumonia } AK

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

(a) Grave No. 881 Row _____ Plot _____ Sect. _____ TYP HB
 (b) Emerg. Address Mrs. Caroline Abel (mother) Hobart, Indiana.

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

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

A.G.O. Card: Caroline Abel (mother) Hobart, Ind. requests body not returned to U.S. (EGS) 12-27-20.

V. Following advice forwarded to Europe by (cable on _____ 192
 (Letter of transmittal on 12/7/1920)

Par #2. Not to be returned (EGS) 12-27-20.

VI. Form 115 forwarded to G.R.S. Hoboken, N.J. JAN 8 1921 192

VII. SUPPLEMENTARY REQUESTS

Date of and source	Relationship and name	Desires	Action taken

VIII. Form 115 received from G.R.S. Hoboken, N.J. FEB 26 1921 192

COUNTRY _____ CEMETERY NO. _____ SHEET NO. _____

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

8-666/AB France 91 2

ap 1-4-21

G.R.S. Form No. 120
Shipping Inquiry
(Revised)

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL OF THE ARMY
GRAVES REGISTRATION SERVICE
HOBOKEN, N. J.

JAN 18 1921

FROM: Chief, Graves Registration Service, Q.M.G.
TO: Mrs. Caroline Abel, Hobart, Indiana.
SUBJECT: Remains of..Pvt..Edward.Abel,..Ser.No..1564516..M.C.Co., 39 Inf.

no change

The records of this office show that you have requested that his body
..... remain in Europe.....
.....

If these are not the correct instructions, please correct them. Make corrections on second page.

The nearest relative may choose between, (1) return of the body to any address in the United States; (2) interment in Arlington, Va., or any other National Cemetery; or (3) remain in Europe. All removals are at Government expense.

By authority of the Quartermaster General.

CHARLES C. PIERCE,
Lt. Col. Major, U.S.A.

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 these relatives are STILL ALIVE.

NAME OF	NO. AND STREET	TOWN	STATE
Was soldier married?			
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		

Handwritten scribble

Date: _____
Address _____

Signature _____
Relationship _____

Important.-- CAREFULLY read instructions before filling out this paper.

I, the undersigned, am the *mother* ~~.....~~ and nearest living relative of the within-named soldier, and desire the following disposition of his remains, viz:

(Strike out all except the one showing the disposition desired.)

1. As stated on first page of this sheet.

~~2. To be returned to the U.S. and shipped to~~
~~.....~~ (name)

~~.....~~
~~.....~~ (R.R. station)

~~.....~~
~~.....~~ (state)

~~3. To be returned to the U.S. and buried in~~
~~National Cemetery.~~

4. To remain in Europe, for burial in a permanent American Cemetery.

Signature *M. Caroline Abel*

INSTRUCTIONS FOR FILLING OUT.

1. If definite instructions as to the disposition of a body are not received from the nearest relative 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 NEAREST 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 living relatives in the spaces provided therefor on the other side of this sheet.

5. If there are minor children of the deceased soldier and no wife, **LEGALLY APPOINTED GUARDIAN** of the children should ascertain their wishes as for them in this matter.

6. If YOU are not the nearest relative, please ask the nearest relative if living near you, to fill out this paper.

7. 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.

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.

GRAVE LOCATION BLANK

Location of grave of
 * Abel 1564516 Edward

(Surname) (Number) (First name & Intl)
 Pvt. M.G. Bn. 39th Inf.
 (Rank) (Organization)

Date of Burial Nov. 25th, 1918

Place of Burial Cemetery of the
 (Give Cemetery, Town & Department) Map
 reference must specify clearly what map
 is used
Justice Hospital Group, Toul,
Department of Meurthe et
Moselle, France.

Grave Number 881

How Marked: Name Peg? Cross? yes
 Headboard? Bottle?

Identification Tags:

Was one buried with body? Yes

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

If name unknown and tags missing, descrip-
 tion and marks should be given here:

Relative; Caroline Abel,
Hobart, Ind.

Reported By: E. B. Cass

E.B. Cass, 2nd Lt. Q.M.C.
 (Signature & Rank of Reporting Officer)
Base Hospital #51

This portion to be forwarded to Adjutant
 General, G.H.Q., A.E.F.

GRAVE LOCATION BOOK

LOCATION OF THE GRAVE OF

Abel, 1564516 Edward

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

Pvt. MG. Co. 39th., Infantry

(Rank). (Organization).

PLACE OF DEATH:

CAUSE OF DEATH:

DATE OF BURIAL:

PLACE OF BURIAL:

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

See correspondence - McKee,
John V.L., 557254

GRAVE NUMBER:

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NEAREST RELATIVE:

ADDRESS:

RELATIONSHIP:

REPORTED BY:

(Signature and Rank of Reporting Officer).

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

FILE

Mr. Abel,

Gary, Indiana.

G.R.S. FORM NO. 12

GENERAL HEADQUARTERS
AMERICAN EXPEDITIONARY FORCES
ADJUTANT GENERAL'S OFFICE

FROM : ADJUTANT GENERAL.
TO : C.O. MG.Co. 39th., Infantry.
SUBJECT : Information for burial Register.

1. You are directed to transmit without delay to the Chief, Graves Registration Service, the information indicated on enclosed Grave Location Blank as necessary for the completion of official records.

By Command of General Pershing:

Robert C. Davis
Adjutant General.

Note:



In case this item is checked, you will note hereon:

Nearest relative of deceased:

Relationship:

Address:

FILE

This soldier transferred
to S.O.S. Hosp sick
Nov. 16/18. No notification
received of his death.

FILE

February 24, 1921.

File No. 293.8 Gen.Div.Cor.Br.
(ABEL, Edward)

Mrs. Caroline Abel,
Hobart, Indiana.

Dear Madam:-

Receipt of shipping inquiry of recent date relative to the remains of your son, the late Private Edward Abel, serial number 1264516, Machine Gun Company, 39th Infantry, is acknowledged.

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

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

By authority of the Quartermaster General;

R. E. SHANNON,
Captain, Q.M.G.,
Officer in Charge.

BY:

F. C. PALLAG,
Executive Assistant.

ff/gmw

MAILED
FEB 26 1921
COR. BR. G. R. C.

Noted on Form No. 113
Date 4/12/21 EP

WAR DEPARTMENT
CEMETERY DIVISION, GRAVES REGISTRATION SERVICE
PIER 2, HOBOKEN, N.J.

91-2
S-2-24-21.

REGISTRATION SERVICE
CORRESPONDENCE BRANCH

February 4th, 1921.



File No. 293.8 Cem. Div. Cor. Br.
(Abel, Edward.)

FEB 11 1921

Mrs. Caroline Abel,
Hobart, Indiana.

Dear Madam:

The Department regrets the necessity of having to again address you before proceeding to comply with your wishes in the matter of final disposition of the remains of your son, the late Edward Abel, Private, Serial No. 1564516, M.G.Co., 39th Infantry, but is desirous of being assured no relative properly entitled to a voice in the disposition of the remains of the late soldier has been denied an opportunity of expressing his or her wishes.

Accordingly this office will appreciate advice as to whether the late soldier is survived by a father, giving his name and address.

Your early reply will be greatly appreciated.

By authority of the Quartermaster General:

R. E. SHANNON,
Captain, Q.M. Corps,
Officer in charge.

BY: *J. F. Butler*
J. F. BUTLER,
1st Lieut., Infantry.

Hobart, Ind. 2/9-1921
Frank Abel, Sr. father of
Edward, dies July 11, 1915.

Caroline Abel

Noted 2/11/21
6-2-14-21
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WAR DEPARTMENT
GENERAL DIVISION, GRAVE REGISTRATION SERVICE, 3-2-24-21.
RIVER ST., HOBOKEN, N.J. 1st Lieut., Infantry.

NO/33

February 4th, 1921.

File No. 293.9 Gen. Div. Cor. Br.
(Abel, Edward.)

Mrs. Caroline Abel,
Robart, Indiana.

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A. E. SHANNON,
Captain, I.M. Corps,
Officer in charge.

BY:

J. P. BUTLER,
1st Lieut., Infantry.

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DATE

1. NAME ABEL, Edward SERIAL No. 1564516

RANK Pvt. ORGANIZATION M.G.Co. 39th Inf.

GRAVE LOCATION Amer.Cty., Toul, M-et-M CTY. NAME NUMBER

881 7 D
GRAVE ROW PLOT

2. ORIGINAL BATTLE AREA GRAVE LOCATION 881 Toul M et M
GRAVE COMMUNE DEPT.

COORDINATES 69 NE. E 361.4 N 209.15

CONCENTRATED TO Hospital Burial 881 7 D
DATE GRAVE ROW PLOT

Toul (M et M) 91 91
CEMETERY CTY. NUMBER

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

Tag on cross

DATE OF DEATH Nov. 24, 1918.

STATE FROM WHICH HE CAME Indiana

Data Form 1-A MEDALS OR DECORATIONS AWARDED none.

SUBSEQUENT REBURIALS

DATE GRAVE ROW PLOT CEMETERY

DATE GRAVE ROW PLOT CEMETERY

SIGNATURE, AREA SUPERVISOR I. J. JOFFEE, 1st Lieut. G.M.C.

3. FINAL GRAVE LOCATION July 20, 1922. 15 6 Block C
DATE GRAVE ROW PLOT

St. Mihiel American #1253, Thiaucourt M et M.
CEMETERY

AUDITED BY

