

G.R.S. Form #114-B

MAY 14

FULL NAME ..... AVILIA, Edwin ✓

RANK ..... Cpl. ✓ SERIAL ..... 53132 ✓

DIVISION & ORGANIZATION ..... 1st Div. Co.D, 26th Inf. ✓

DATE OF DEATH ..... Dec. 2 - 1918

STATE FROM WHICH HE CAME ..... Calif.

see # MEDALS OR DECORATIONS AWARDED



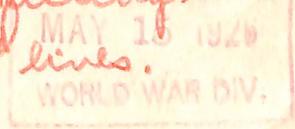
FINAL GRAVE LOCATION ..... 4 ..... 46 ..... D .....  
Date Grave Row Block

Meuse-Argonne, #1232

Cemetery

\*Cited in G.O. 2, 2d Brig. 4th, France, Aug. 2-1918, p. 13 1/2 for conspicuous gallantry in action during the operations 15-23 July 1918, near Soissons. His corporal and two men of his squad having been killed he took charge under heavy M. P. fire, flanked the gun killing the crew and organizing the gun in defense of our advanced lives.

23/306/ARK



Cited in G.O. 1, 1st Div. dated Jan 1, 1920

# GRAVE LOCATION BLANK

LOCATION OF THE GRAVE OF

*Avilla*, *53132* *Edwin*  
(Surname.) (Number.) (First Name and Initials.)

*Corporal* *Co.D., 26 Inf.*  
(Rank.) (Organization.)

DATE OF BURIAL. *December 4, 1918.*

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

*American R.P. Cemetery No. 4.*

GRAVE NUMBER. *163.*

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

Headboard? ..... Bottle? .....

IDENTIFICATION TAGS:

Was one buried with body? *Yes.* .....

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

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

REPORTED BY:

*Blasey*, *Capt. U.S.*  
(Signature and Rank of Reporting Officer.)

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

✓

CODE SLIP

HEADING	SUB-HEADING	NO. OF COLS	CODE
NAME	<i>Avilla</i>	3	1 <sup>12</sup> 09
BURIED	<i>Edwin</i> CEMETERY	1232 1	1
	GRAVE	4 2	04
	ROW	46 2	46
	BLOCK	D 1	4
STATE	<i>Calif</i>	2	04
RANK	<i>Cpl</i>	1	2
DIVISION	<i>1</i>	2	01
ORGANIZATION	<i>26</i>	3	026
AFM	<i>Inf</i>	1	1
MARITAL	<i>Gdn. of child</i> <i>Remarried</i>	1	3
NAME	<i>Avilla, J.L.</i>	3	
RESIDENCE	<i>Gen. Del</i> <i>Vallejo, Calif</i>	STATE	2
		COUNTY	2
		CITY	3
RELATION	<i>mother</i>	1	1
OTHER	<i>no sm</i>	1	
ELIGIBILITY	<i>no soc</i> <i>Dead - 1913</i>	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	

AUDITED

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WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-M  
Avilla, Edwin Cpl. (M-A)

April 11, 1932.

Mr. William J. Avilla,  
General Delivery,  
Vallejo, Calif.

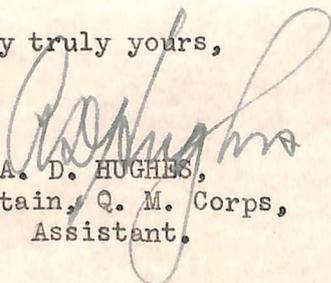
Dear Sir:

We are writing you again in a further effort to complete the records of this office in the case of the late Corporal Edwin Avilla. It will be greatly appreciated if you will advise the date of death of his natural mother and whether or not he is survived by a stepmother or any other woman who may have held the status of loco parentis to him for a period of five years prior to his becoming eighteen years of age. If so, please furnish her name and address.

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

For The Quartermaster General.

Very truly yours,

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

1 Encl.  
Env.

Valyo Cal  
April 23, 32'

Mr. A. D. Hughes

Dear Sir:

In regard to the late corporal  
Edwin Avilla. He had only <sup>his</sup> ~~the~~ natural  
mother, who died in the year of 1913  
who happened to be my mother also, no other  
women ever acted as mother.

Very Truly Yours  
J. L. Avilla  
Valyo



WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

January 23, 1931

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-M  
Avilla, Edwin Cpl. 1232

Mr. William J. Avilla,  
General Delivery,  
Vallejo, California.

Dear Sir:

In order that the records of this office may be complete and correct, it is requested that you advise whether or not the late Corporal Edwin Avilla is survived by his natural mother, 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,



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



Enclosure:  
Envelope.

The late Corporal Edwin Avilla  
has no mother. Mother passed away  
before the war.

Yours Respectfully  
J. L. Avilla

Sergeant of William J. Avilla

Arilla, Ed. 133847

m dead - w. unmarried

Gen of child Wm. Arilla

Gen. Dr. Jallio

1232 cent loc. cap  
let. sent 1/20/31

Jallio  
Cap.

320-995

File <sup>57</sup>/20

EX. 189

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MAY 17 1930

Examining Section No. 4  
AWARDS DIVISION

WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-M  
Avilla, Edwin 1232

February 17, 1931

Mr. William J. Avilla,  
General Delivery,  
Vallejo, California.

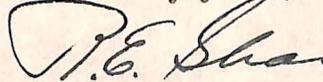
Dear Sir:

In order that the records of this office may be complete and correct, it is requested that you advise whether or not the late Corporal Edwin Avilla is survived by any woman who stood in loco parentis to him for a period of not less than five years prior to his becoming eighteen years of age.

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

For The Quartermaster General.

Very truly yours,



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



Enclosure:  
Envelope.

The late Corporal Edwin Avilla in entering  
of the war, had a wife, but was married about  
two weeks when he left.

Yours truly

J. L. Avilla

*case*

WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

DATE Jan. 17, 1931

NAME	RANK	SERIAL	ORGANIZATION	DATE OF DEATH
<u>Avilla, Edwin</u>	<u>Cpl.</u>	<u>53132</u>	<u>26th Inf.</u>	<u>12-2-18</u>

STATE	CTY. NO.	GRAVE	ROW	BLOCK
<u>Calif.</u>	<u>1232</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>46</u>	<u>D</u>

	<u>Check relationship</u>	<u>Living - Deceased</u>	
	MOTHER	: : ✓ :	<p><i>XC 133847</i></p> <p><i>1-22</i></p> <p><i>Joseph L. Avilla, Sgt.</i></p> <p><i>adm. of Wm. J. Avilla,</i></p> <p><i>adopted child of veteran</i></p> <p><i>Gen. Delivery</i></p> <p><i>Vallejo, Cal</i></p>
	STEMOTHER (For the year prior to commencement of service)	: : : :	
NAME	MOTHER THRU ADOPTION	: : : :	
AND	(For the year prior to commencement of service)	: : : :	
ADDRESS	MOTHER IN LOCO PARENTIS	: : : :	
	(For the year prior to commencement of service)	: : : :	
	WIDOW	: : : :	
	(Who has not remarried)	: : : :	

Veterans Bureau Claim Number 29/156

ON 293 A-M  
Avilla, Edwin 1232

December 12, 1950

Mrs. Grace Avilla,  
Cordelia,  
California.

AC 133847  
with dead  
widow remarried  
Guar J's chief  
Wm. J. Ariola  
Jallego  
Call

Dear Madam:

In order that the records of this office may be complete and correct, it is requested that you advise whether or not you have remarried since the death of the late Corporal Edwin Avilla.

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.

Enclosure:  
Envelope.  
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WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

Avilla, Edwin  
1232

September 3, 1929.

Mrs. Grace Avilla, *Rem*  
Cordelia, Calif.

Dear Madam:

The records of this office do not indicate that a reply has been received to our communication dated June 29, 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:

No

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?

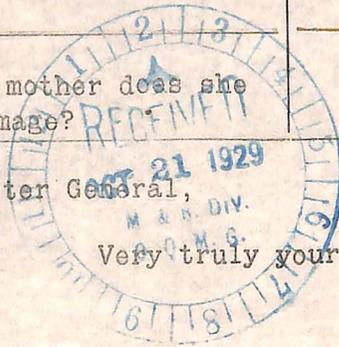
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For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

2 Incls.  
Act of Congress  
Envelope

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



WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C  
Avilla, Edwin.

June 29, 1929.

Mrs. Grace Avilla  
Cordelia, Calif.

*Rem*

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 widow of the late Cpl. Edwin Avilla, Co.D, 26th 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 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.

Your attention is particularly invited to Section 4 of the enclosed Act, which defines the terms "mother" and "widow". If the relationship is that of a stepmother, mother through adoption or a woman who stood in loco parentis to the decedent, a statement as to her relationship is requested. In case you have 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,

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Act of Congress.  
Envelope.

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

QM 293 A-M  
Avilla, Edwin Cpl. (M-A)

April 11, 1932.

Mr. William J. Avilla,  
General Delivery,  
Vallejo, Calif.

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For The Quartermaster General.

Very truly yours,

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

1 Encl.  
Env.

QM 293 A-M  
Avilla, Edwin 1252

February 17, 1931

Mr. William J. Avilla,  
General Delivery,  
Vallejo, California.

Dear Sir:

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For The Quartermaster General.

Very truly yours,

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

Enclosures  
Envelope.

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DISPATCHED

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U.S. Q. M. CORPS

January 23, 1951

QM 293 A-M  
Avilla, Edwin Cpl. 1232

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Very truly yours,

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

Enclosure:  
Envelope.  
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U.S. M. G. S. DIV.

QM 298 A-M  
Avilla, Edwin 1232

December 12, 1930

Mrs. Grace Avilla,  
Cordelia,  
California.

Dear Madam:

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For The Quartermaster General.

Very truly yours,

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

Enclosures  
Envelope.

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1930 DEC 12 AM 11 19

Avilla

(Surname.)

Edward

(Christian name in full.)

53,132

(Army serial number.)

Corp. Co D, 26th Inf.

(Rank and organization.)

State your relationship to the deceased.

Wife

Do you desire the remains brought to the United States?

yes

(Yes or no.)

If remains are brought to the United States, do you

wish them interred in a national cemetery?

(Yes 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:

Catholic Cemetery - Vallejo Calif

(Name of person to receive remains.)

(Express office.)

(Telegraph office.)

Grace Avilla

Cordelia

Calif

(Number and street.)

(City or town.)

(State.)

(Sign here)

Mrs. Grace Avilla  
Cordelia Calif.

(Number and street or rural route.)

(City, town, or post office.)

(State.)

Read carefully the letter accompanying this card.

Drawn by - BSR

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10-26-20.

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WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C  
~~Avilla, Edwin~~

1232

September 3, 1929.

Mrs. Grace Avilla,  
Cordelia, Calif.

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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

Avilla, Edwin.

June 20, 1929.

Mrs. Grace Avilla  
Cordelia, Calif.

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 widow of the late Cpl. Edwin Avilla, Co.D, 26th Inf., whose remains are now interred in the Meuse, Argonne American Cemetery, Romagne-sous-Montfaucon, Meuse, France.

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For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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Envelope.

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

In reply refer to:  
293.8 C-R

*File*

# 60826

Dec. 2, 1922.

Mrs. Grace Avilla,  
Cordelia,  
Calif.

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

the late Edwin Avilla, Corporal, Company D, 26th Infantry, is Grave 4, Row 46, Block D, Meuse-Argonne American Cemetery, ~~at Romagne-sous-Montfaucon, Department of Meuse, France.~~

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

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

Very truly yours,

**MAILED**

DEC 4 1922

H. J. CONNER  
Assistant.

22/1281/ARK

G.R.S.

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DATE 11/17/21

1. NAME AVILLA, Edwin

SERIAL No. 53132

RANK Cpl

ORGANIZATION Co. D, 26th Inf

GRAVE LOCATION Am. Cty. Neufchateau-Vosges

4

CTY. NAME

NUMBER

163

GRAVE

ROW

PLOT

2. ORIGINAL BATTLE AREA GRAVE LOCATION

163.  
GRAVE

Neufchateau  
COMMUNE

Vosges.  
DEPT.

COORDINATES E. 349-65. N. 174-94. Map: Mirecourt N.W. 84.

CONCENTRATED TO

No record of concentration.

DATE

GRAVE

ROW

PLOT

CEMETERY

CTY. NUMBER

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

Nothing of record.

SUBSEQUENT REBURIALS

Not of record.

DATE

GRAVE

ROW

PLOT

CEMETERY

DATE

GRAVE

ROW

PLOT

CEMETERY

SIGNATURE, AREA SUPERVISOR

Wm. H. QUARTERMAN, Capt. F.A. USA.

3. FINAL GRAVE LOCATION 11/17/21

4

46

D

DATE

GRAVE

ROW

Block

PLOT

AUDITED BY

M. M. E -

10-16-22

Meuse Argonne American Cty # 1252 Romagne sous Montfaucon

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.

Place Neufchateau, (Vosges) France.

# REPORT OF DISINTERMENT AND REBURIAL

Date October 7th 1921.

1. REMAINS OF AVILLA, EDWIN. SERIAL NUMBER 53132.

RANK CPL. ORGANIZATION C. D 26th Inf.

2. Disinterred (date): October 7th 1921. From (give complete location) Grave 163.  
American Military Cemetery, G. R. S. Code # 4, Neufchateau, (Vosges) France.

By: Group 1 Unit Section 4.

3. Reburied (date): Nov. 17, 1921. In (give complete location): Musee Argonne Cemetery #1232, Grave 4, Row 46, Block D.

By: Group Re-burial S Unit  Nature of reburial Lined Casket

4. Report as to nature of original burial and condition of body upon disinterment :  
Buried in wooden box and uniform. Body badly decomposed, recognition impossible.

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

(b) Other means of identification found upon disinterment, and general remarks :  
No effects found.

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

(a) Height (actual measurement) Unable to determine.

(b) Weigh, (estimated) -

(c) Hair—Color Apparently dark brown.

Quantity Full head.

Characteristics Straight.

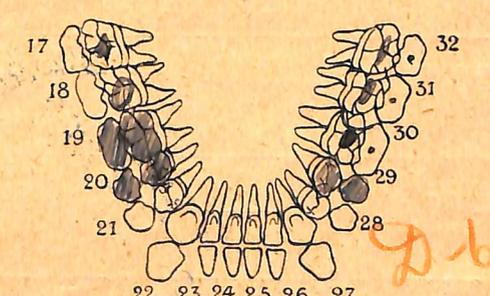
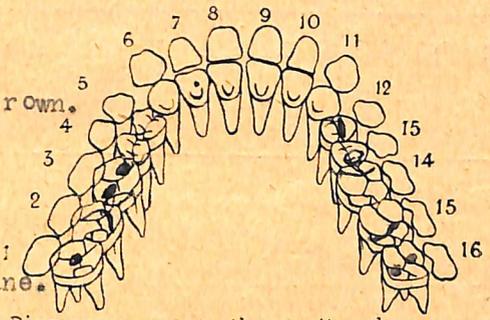
(d) Hair on face—Color Unable to determine.

Location -

Quantity -

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

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



Nos. 1, 3, 7, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 30, 31, 32 Silver fillings.  
Nos. 19, 20, 29 Gold crowns.  
Nos. 22, 14, 30 Cavity.

7. Disinterment supervised by W.R. TOMLINSON,

Approved: D.E. LOWRY, 1st Lt. Q.M.C.

8. Reburial supervised by A.U. Duffault

Approved: James W. Younger, Captain, QMC

## INSTRUCTIONS FOR THE PROPER COMPLETION OF G. R. S. FORM NO. 16-A

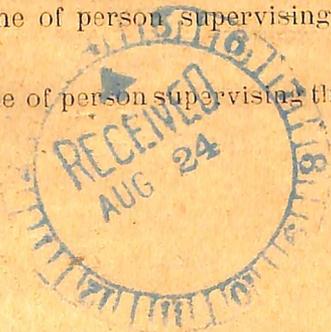
Enter information, as noted below, on reverse side of sheet in the *corresponding numbered space*. This form is supplemental to and is to be forwarded with G. R. S. Form 1-a, reporting reburial locations. To be used in answer to Questions 26, Form 114, in case no means of identification on body.

1. Show soldier's name, serial number, rank and organization, and by whom disinterred and reburied.
2. Give date and accurate information as to location from which the body was disinterred and the group and unit which made disinterment.
3. Give date and accurate information as to location of reburial and the group and unit which made reburial, and how reburial was made—in casket, wooden box, etc.
4. State to what degree decomposition has progressed, whether recognition is possible, and how the body was originally buried—in a casket, box, burlap, etc. This statement should be as complete as possible.
5. (a) State whether identification tags were found buried with body and on grave marker by reporting "Yes" or "No".  
(b) State whether or not body appears to have been a hospital case. Were any identifying articles found in or on body or grave? List any personal effects, letters, money-order receipts, and the like found on body or in grave. Give any and all information which it is thought might be of use in identifying the body, other than that tabulated under Item No 6.
6. Give all information as to body description and dental chart as nearly correctly as the condition of the body will allow. Items (e) and (f) under the body description are very important and should be very complete. The dental chart is also very important and should be filled in with great care. There are 32 teeth to be accounted for, as shown by the numbers on the chart. Beginning at the middle line in both upper and lower jaws, the teeth are arranged symmetrically on either side and classed as incisors (cutting teeth), cuspids or canines (tearing teeth), bicuspids (chewing teeth), and molars (principal chewing teeth). An examination should be made and findings charted to cover the following basic conditions: Lost teeth, crowned teeth, bridge work, fillings, caries (cavities of decay), dentures (plates), and any deformity of jaws found.

MISSING TEETH	All teeth missing through previous extraction (not those fractured or displaced by recent wounds) should be scratched out, thus :	
CROWNED TEETH	Block in solid the crown of tooth (label gold, porcelain, or gold and porcelain), thus :	
BRIDGE WORK	Block in solid the crown of tooth (label gold bridge, gold and porcelain bridge) thus :	
FILLINGS	Draw filling on tooth accurately as possible (block in and label gold, silver, cement), thus :	
CARIES (CAVITIES)	Outline location and size of cavity, shade in thus :	
DENTURES (PLATES)	Draw diagram of relative size and shape of plate, block in teeth attached and indicate retaining clasps on natural teeth with the word "clasp"	

7. Show name of person supervising the disinterment and the name and title of the person approving same.

8. Show name of person supervising the reburial and the name and title of the person approving same.



To be prepared in triplicate.

DATE October 7th 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 AVILLA, Edwin  
 2. No. 53132  
 3. Rank Cpl.  
 4. Org. Co. D, 26th Inf  
 5. D.D. Oct 5 Dec. 2  
 6. C.D. DOW

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

Discrepancy found upon disinterment

7. Grave No. 163 Sec. \_\_\_\_\_  
 8. Plot \_\_\_\_\_ Row \_\_\_\_\_  
 9. \_\_\_\_\_

15. Grave No. \_\_\_\_\_ Sec. \_\_\_\_\_  
 16. Plot \_\_\_\_\_ Row \_\_\_\_\_  
 17. No Discrepancies.

18. Cemetery Amer. Cty.  
 20. Dept. or County Vosges  
 22. G.R.S. Hdqrs. Code No. 4

19. Commune or town Neufchateau  
 21. Country France

23. Disinterred (Date) October 7th 1921.

By XXXX W.R. TOMLINSON.

24. Inscription on grave marker:

Name EDWIN AVILLA.  
 Rank Cpl.

Serial No. ---  
 Organization Co. D 26th Inf. Grave 163.

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

Thos. A. Pace.  
 Signature Junior Technical Assistant  
 THOS. A. PACE.

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).

No effects found. Form 16a accomplished.

27. Condition of body Badly decomposed, recognition impossible.

28. Nature of burial In wooden box and uniform.

29. Any discrepancy noted upon examination of body, as compared with G.R.S. records quoted above? No.

30. Body prepared and placed in casket: Date Oct. 7th 1921. By W.R. TOMLINSON.

31. Casket sealed by W.R. TOMLINSON.

Signature of Embalmer, (Supervisor)

W.R. Tomlinson  
 W.R. TOMLINSON.

SHIPMENT. (Show actual marking of box.) Box No. C-10948

32. Designation of body:

Name AVILLA, EDWIN Serial No. 53132

Rank Cpl Organization Co. D, 26th Inf

33. Consigned to:

Name of Permanent Cemetery Meuse-Argonne Am. Cty. Romagne/s/Montfaucon 1232

34. Casket boxed and marked (Date) October 7th 1921. By W.R. TOMLINSON.

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 D.E. LOWRY  
*D. E. Lowry*  
1st Lt. Q.M.C.

36. Remarks

37. Shipped from point of Operation: (Date) October 7th 1921.

To point of Concentration Neufchateau, (Vosges) France.

Convoyer \_\_\_\_\_ Signature Shipping Officer Capt. Q.M.C.

38. Received at Railhead or Point of Concentration: Date \_\_\_\_\_

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

39. Shipped from Railhead or Point of Concentration: Date 30 OCT 1921

To Permanent Cemetery Romagne-sous-Montfaucon, (Meuse) France.

Convoyer C. L. RIELEY Signature Shipping Officer W.R. Buckley  
W.R. Buckley, Capt. Q.M.C.

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

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

41. Reinterred Meuse-Argonne Cemetery #1232. Nov. 17, 1921.  
(Date)

42. Grave No. 4 Section \_\_\_\_\_

43. Plot Block D Row 46

G.R.S. Representative James W. Younger  
hw  
James W. Younger  
Captain, QMC

cbr



COMPILATION OF DISPOSITION OF REMAINS DATA

File #60826

✓  
10/25/21 - Examined for concentrations  
L.P.W. - 11/15/21

I. LOCATION INDEX CARD:

OK 10-28

(a) Name AVILLA, Edwin Ser. No. 53132

(b) Rank Cpl. Organization Co.D., 26th Inf.

(c) Date of death 12/2/18 (d) Cause of death DWRIA

TYP. HB

CKR. JB

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

(a) Grave No. 163 Row - Plot - Sec. 7-8 TYP. HB

(b) Emerg. Address Mrs. Edwin Avilla (wife) Cordelia, Cal.

III. Files of soldiers dying from contagious diseases -

CKR. AB

IV. A. G. O. DISPOSITION CARD:

Date of receipt none

(a) Name Mrs. Grace Avilla (b) Relationship Wife

(c) Address Cordelia, Calif.

(d) Remains to be brought to U. S.? Yes

(e) To be interred in National Cemetery in U. S. at no.

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

Cordelia, Calif.

Exp + Tel - Vallejo, Calif.

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

Examiner's Initials BER Date 10-26-1920

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

dated

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

no correspondence

Examiner's Initials BER Date 10-26-1920

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

2/10/20. Cordelia, Calif.

Mrs. Grace Avilla (wife), Cancels request for husband's return

(a) Cancellation memos referred to? yes LW

Examiner's Initials LW Date 11/3, 1920

COUNTRY France

CEMETERY No. 4

SHEET No. 6

FORM 115 - A COMPLETED

MB 11-27-20

Rev. 5-19-21 F.P.

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checked 11/16/21

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

RECEIVED BY  
 MAIL UNIT  
 MAY 17 1921

VIII. FINAL ACTION

Following advice forwarded to Europe by { cable on \_\_\_\_\_, 1920  
 letter on \_\_\_\_\_, 1920

Cemeterial Division  
 Overseas Project Sub-Section  
 NOV 17 1920

PARAGRAPH 2 - NOT TO BE RETURNED

IX. CORRECTIONS

CHANGE OF ADVICE.	ACTION TAKEN.
Desires body be _____	
Body to be shipped to _____	
<b>FORM 115 RETURNED BY HOBOKEN - BODY TO REMAIN IN EUROPE. 5/19/21 E.P.</b>	

X. SUSPENSION REMARKS: 4/6/21 Letter from Mrs. Grace Avilla, widow, stating remains be left in France in a permanent American Cemetery. H-4/29/21 RW  
 Letter-4/6/21-Mrs Grace Avilla-widow confirms previous request. H-5/7/21-RM)

5-14-21 - Hoboken ack. receipt of above letter from widow. 5/19/21 E.P.

May 14, 1921.

File No. 293.8 Cem.Div.Cor.Br.

Re: Avilla, Edwin, Corporal,  
Serial Number 53132,  
Company D, 26th Infantry.

Mrs. Grace Avilla,  
Cordelia, Cal.

Dear Madam:

Your communication 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:

*[Handwritten initials]*  
MAILED  
MAY 14 1921  
COR. BR. G. R. S.

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

BY:

*B.R.* F. C. MLLAS,  
Executive Assistant.

HRG/BR

*JEM*  
Cemeterial Division

Noted on Form No. 1  
Date 5/19/21 *L.P.*

MAY 15 1921

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Corolla, Calif.

April 6-1921

Graves Reg. Service  
Hoboken, N. J.

RECEIVED DIVISION



Gentlemen:-

In reply to your letter  
of March 23<sup>rd</sup> 1921, which  
I return attached, I beg  
to state that I do not  
wish any change made  
of my original decision,  
viz:- I request that

APR 11 1921

The remains of my  
husband, Edwin Avilla,  
Serial no. 53132 -  
26th Inf. - shall be  
left in France in a  
permanent American Cemetery.

Very truly,

Mrs. Grace Avilla,

Cordelia  
Cal.

WAR DEPARTMENT  
QUARTERMASTER CORPS  
GRAVES REGISTRATION SERVICE  
PIER 2, HOBOKEN, N. J.

4-6

S-4-20-21

March 23, 1921.

File No. 293.8 Cem.Div.Cor.Br.  
(AVILLA, Edwin )

CEMETERY



APR 11 1921

Mrs. Grace Avilla,  
Cordelia, California.

Dear Madam:-

Kindly inform this office at your earliest convenience whether or not you desire the remains of your husband the late Edwin Avilla, Corporal, Serial Number 53132, Co. D. 26th Infantry, left in France in a permanent American Cemetery, returned to the United States and shipped to you, at Government expense, or interred in the National Cemetery at Arlington, Virginia.

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

Your early reply will be greatly appreciated.

By authority of the Quartermaster General.

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

By:

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

abg *CB*

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

WASHINGTON  
Hoboken, N. J.

JAN 7 1921

FROM: Chief, Graves Registration Service, Q. M. C.

To: Mrs. Grace Avilla, Cordelia, California.

SUBJECT: Remains of ~~Cpl., Edwin Avilla, Ser. No. 53132, Co. D, 26th Inf.~~

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 reverse side of this sheet.

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.

By authority of the Quartermaster General.

CHARLES C. PIERCE,  
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 LIVING.

NAME OF—	NO. AND STREET.	TOWN.	STATE.
Soldier's widow <u>Soldier married?</u>			
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. _____		

Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Relationship \_\_\_\_\_

....., 1920.

I, the undersigned, am the ..... and nearest living relative of the within-named  
(Relationship.)  
dier, 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 instruction 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 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 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 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 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.

3-4-20-21

March 23, 1921.

File No. 293.8 Cem.Div.Cor.Br.  
(AVILLA, Edwin )

Mrs. Grace Avilla,  
Cordelia, California.

Dear Madam:-

Kindly inform this office at your earliest convenience whether or not you desire the remains of your husband the late Edwin Avilla, Corporal, Serial Number 53132, Co. D. 26th Infantry, left in France in a permanent American Cemetery, returned to the United States and shipped to you, at Government expense, or interred in the National Cemetery at Arlington, Virginia.

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

Your early reply will be greatly appreciated.

By authority of the Quartermaster General.

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

Mailed-O.F.D.  
MAR 26 1921

By:

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

BN/MS

*Butler*

WAR DEPARTMENT  
Quartermaster Corps,  
Graves Registration Service  
Pier 2, Hoboken, N.J.

May 14, 1921.

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

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

SUBJECT: Return of Records - Cemetery #  
Transmittal Memorandum Number H-3101

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:

6 *Avilla, Edwin, Corporal, Serial Number 53152, Company D, 26th Infantry.*

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

BY:

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

1 Incl.

Recorded, Cemeterial Div., O. Q. M. G.  
File # 293.8 - 60826

*Avilla, Edwin*

*R-5-18-21 C.M.*

May 14, 1921.

3101

6 Avilla, Edwin, Corporal, Serial Number 53182,  
Company D, 26th Infantry.

R. E. SHANNON,  
Captain, U. S. Corps,  
Officer in Charge.

BY:

F. C. BELLAS,  
Executive Assistant.

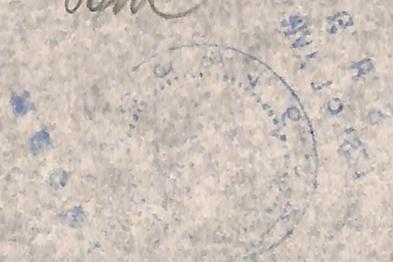
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Office of the  
Adjutant General

MAY 15 1921

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# GRAVE LOCATION BLANK

## LOCATION OF THE GRAVE OF

Avilla, 53132 Edwin

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

Corporal Co.D., 26 Inf.

(Rank.) (Organization.)

DATE OF BURIAL December 4, 1918.

PLACE OF BURIAL Neufchateau, Vosges.

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

American E.F. Cemetery No. 4.

GRAVE NUMBER 163.

HOW MARKED: Name Peg? Yes. Cross?

Headboard? Bottle?

### IDENTIFICATION TAGS:

Was one buried with body? Yes.

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

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

4

### REPORTED BY:

Blasler Capt. M.C.

(Signature and Rank of Reporting Officer.)

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

Cordelia, Calif.

February 10, 1870.

Adjutant General of Army  
Washington  
D.C.

Dear Sir -

Some time ago, I  
wrote requesting the  
return of my Husband's  
body. (Corporal Edwin  
Avilla - Co. D. 26<sup>th</sup> Infantry  
buried at Neufchateau  
France. I now, if possible  
wish to cancel that  
request if no preparations  
have so far been made -  
Yours truly  
Mrs. Grace Avilla

April 25 1919

Enclosure G. R. S. 004. 5

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Cordeña, Calif.

February 6, 19

Chief, Graves Registration Service  
American C. F.  
France -

Gentlemen -  
Your letter of Jan.  
13<sup>th</sup> at hand in  
regard to my Husband's  
(Corporal Edwin Avilla)  
(Co. H - 26<sup>th</sup> Inf)  
death, stating upon  
request, a photograph  
of the graves will  
be sent. Kindly  
would you  
send me a

photograph of my  
Husband's grave. He is  
buried at Neufchateau  
Cemetery, Vosges France.

Yours Respectfully  
Mrs. Grace Avilla.

WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
GRAVES REGISTRATION SERVICE  
WASHINGTON, D. C.

February 24, 1920.

Mrs. Grace Avilla,  
Cordelia Calif

1. In reply to your inquiry we beg to say that the records of the Graves Registration Service contain the following information as to grave location:

Case of:

Cpl. Edwin Avilla #53132,  
Co. D. 26th Inf.

Place of burial:

Grave #163, American Cemetery Neufchateau,  
Department of Vosges.

2. The grave has been registered and suitably marked for present purposes, pending the adoption of a more permanent monument by the National Fine Arts Commission, which now has the matter under consideration.

3. While it is a sad duty on our part to convey information concerning the burial of men who were our valient comrades, it is a satisfaction to answer the queries of those who suffer so grievously by the casualties of War.

By authority of the Quartermaster General:

CHARLES C. PIERCE,  
Colonel, Q. M. Corps,  
Chief, Graves Registration Service.

Your request for permanent burial of your  
husband in France has been noted.

TO:- REGISTRATION BRANCH, G.R.S.

Date 2-21-20.

FROM:- INQUIRY BRANCH.

Please furnish information as checked (✓) below regarding the following soldier:

NAME Arilla Edwin

Serial Number

RANK Capt.

ORGANIZATION Co. D, 26<sup>th</sup> Inf.

NO.	QUESTION	REPLY
1.	Do particulars of soldiers given above agree with Records?	(1) Yes. Serial no. 53132.
2.	Date of Death.	(2) 12-2-18.
3.	Cause and place of death	(3) DWR 9a.
4.	Number of Casualty Cablegram	(4) 385.
5.	Date buried	(5) 12-4-18.
6.	Grave Location. (a) Complete record required. (b) Name of Cemetery or Commune only required. (c) Note reinterments.	(6) Grave # <u>163</u> , <u>American Ctry. # 4,</u> <u>New Chateau,</u> <u>Vosges</u>
7.	Who reported burial?	
8.	Confirmed by G.R.S.?	
9.	Report as to Grave Marker.	(16)
10.	Identification Tags: (a) Buried with body? (b) Attached to grave marker?	(a) Yes. (b) Yes.
11.	Complete Emergency Address?	(11) Mrs. Edwin Arilla (Wife) <u>Cardelia,</u> <u>Cal.</u>
12.	Has above been notified? (Give date)	
13.	Report the exact position of your inquiry on this case. (Reply in all cases if no information on record)	(12) 4-12-19.
14.	What is the Photograph No.?	
15.	Inquiry made by?	

Released by Information Control Dept.

Directory  
 Cards 5 x 8  
 Cards 4 x 6

N.B. All Proper names to be typewritten, or printed in PLAIN BLOCK LETTERS.

No form 16.