

G.R.S. Form #114-B

Apr 27 1926

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✓ FULL NAME BALLANCE, Lucian ✓

RANK Pvt. ✓ SERIAL 2991691 ✓

DIVISION & ORGANIZATION Bt y. D. 317th F.A. ✓ 81st Div.

DATE OF DEATH Oct 29, 1918

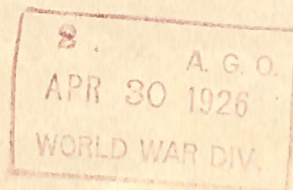
STATE FROM WHICH HE CAME N. C.

MEDALS OR DECORATIONS AWARDED. none of record

FINAL GRAVE LOCATION 40 10 C
Date Grave Row Block

Meuse-Argonne, #1232

Cemetery

S.H. 23/306/ARK
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GRAVE LOCATION BLANK

LOCATION OF THE GRAVE OF

Ballance, 2991691 Lucian
(Surname). (Number). (First Name and Initials).

Pvt. Battery "D" 317th. F.A.
(Rank). (Organization).

PLACE OF DEATH: **Camp Hospital # 12**

Valdahon, France

CAUSE OF DEATH: **Bronchial pneumonia**

DATE OF BURIAL: **Oct. 30, 1918.**

PLACE OF BURIAL: **U. S. Military Cemetery**

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

Valdahon, Daubs, France.

GRAVE NUMBER: **# 207**

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:

NEAREST RELATIVE: **Lula Ballance**

ADDRESS: **Route #6 Elizabeth City, N.C.**

RELATIONSHIP: **Mother**

REPORTED BY: **Edmund L. Manges**

Chaplain, 1st Lt.

(Signature and Rank of Reporting Officer).

This portion to be forwarded to Central Records Office, A. G. O., A. E. F.

C° D. 317 F.A.
81st Div.

BALLANCE, Lucian, Pvt 2991691
Home: Elisabeth City. N.C.

Died Oct. 29/1918, Camp Hospital N° 12, Camp du Valdahon,
Doubs, France, Broncho Pneumonia, in line of duty, buried in US Military
Cemetery, Camp du Valdahon, Doubs, France, Grave N° 207.

Informant : Manges, Edmund L. Chapl. 317 FA

March 26/1919

Emerg. add.:
Mother:
(above)

(Not signed)

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CODE SLIP

HEADING	SUB-HEADING	NO. OF COLS	CODE
NAME BALLANCE	Bal	3	212
LUCIAN	CEMETERY 1232	1	1
BURIED	GRAVE 40	2	40
	ROW 10	2	10
	BLOCK C	1	3
STATE	N. C.	2	38
RANK	Port	1	2
DIVISION	81	2	81
ORGANIZATION	317	3	317
ARM	7a	1	3
MARITAL	no	1	2
NAME Ballance	Bal	3	212
Mrs Lucu	STATE no care	2	38
RESIDENCE	COUNTY Pasquotank	2	70
R#4 - Box 86	CITY Eliz. City	3	013
RELATION	mother	1	1
OTHER		1	
ELIGIBILITY	yes	1	1
NATIVITY		1	
RACE		1	
ENGLISH	yes	1	1
ATTENDANT		1	
HEALTH	Bad	1	2
NO. OF SONS		1	
DATE OF	MO.	1	
TRIP	YR.	1	
ACCEPTANCE	no	1	2
29/514	Age		58

AUDITED
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IMMEDIATE ACTION

IN REPLY
REFER TO

QM 293 A-M

Ballance, Lucian (MA)

WAR DEPARTMENT

OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL

WASHINGTON

SPECIAL

October 12, 1932.

Mrs. Lulu Ballance
RFD 4, Box 86
Elizabeth City N C

Dear Madam:

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

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

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

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

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

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

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

CHAS. W. DIETZ,

Captain, Q. M. Corps,
Assistant.

IMMEDIATE ACTION

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-M
Ballance, Lucian (MA)

Sept. 6, 1932.

Mrs. Lulu Ballance,
RFD #4, Box 86,
Elizabeth City, N.C.

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:	Age: <i>58</i> Health: <i>in bad</i>
3. Do you speak English?	<i>yes</i>
4. What other language do you speak?	<i>none</i>

Mrs. Lulu Ballance

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:
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WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-M

Ballance Lucian (MA)

July 7, 1932

Mrs Lulu Ballance
R F D #4 Box 86
Elizabeth City, N C

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) _____

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-M

Ballance, Lucian (M-A) M

Oct. 13, 1931

Mrs. Lulu Ballance,
RFD #4, Box 86,
Elizabeth City, N. C.

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Dear Madam:

Receipt is acknowledged of your reply to form letter forwarded you under recent date relative to the pilgrimage to the cemeteries of Europe, wherein you advise that your health will not permit you to make a pilgrimage during the year 1932.

Competent personnel will be provided to care for the mothers and widows from the time of their arrival in New York until their return thereto. Medical attendants and all other necessities will be arranged for and in the event you decide to make a pilgrimage, you are assured everything possible will be done for your care and welfare. During the summers of 1930 and 1931 many mothers of advanced age and in poor health made the pilgrimage and appear to have benefited therefrom.

Your name is being placed on the list of mothers and widows who are eligible to make a pilgrimage in 1933. However, should you change your mind in view of the above, and desire to make a pilgrimage during the summer months of 1932, it is requested you advise this office in order that arrangements may be made for you.

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-M

Ballance, Lucian (M-A) M

September 29, 1931.

Mrs. Lulu Ballance,
R. F. D. #4, Box #86,
Elizabeth City, N. C.

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?	<i>no</i>	<i>58 years</i>
2. Please state your age and condition of health:		Age: Health: <i>bad</i>
3. Do you speak English?	<i>yes</i>	
4. What other language do you speak?		<i>none</i>

Lulu Ballance
Sign here

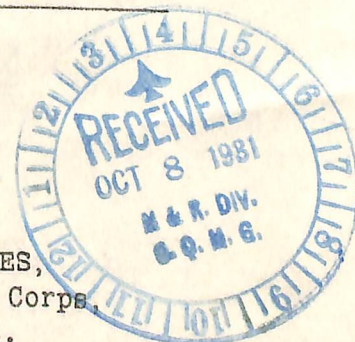
For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

A. D. Hughes

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

Encl:
Env.



WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO ~~OK 293 A-M~~

Ballance, Lucian Pvt. (M-A) M

June 11, 1931.

Mrs. Lulu Ballance,
R. F. D. #6,
Elizabeth City, N. C.

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

June 6, 1930.

Ballance, Lucian 1232 M

Mrs. Lulu Ballance,
R.F.D. #4, Box 86,
Elizabeth City, N. C.

Dear Madam:

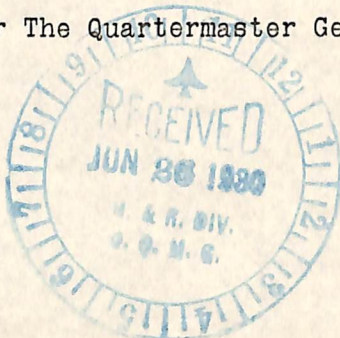
Arrangements are now being made for conducting pilgrimages during the year 1931, to the cemeteries in Europe under the provisions of the Act of Congress of March 2, 1929.

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. Lulu Ballance

(Sign here)



I would love to give
but my health is
bad I have a weak
heart

Mrs. Lula Ballance

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WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C
Ballance, Lucian 1232--M

March 3, 1930

Mrs. Lulu Ballance,
RFD #4, Box 86,
Elizabeth City, N. C.

Dear Madam:

The Act of Congress which provides for pilgrimages to cemeteries in Europe by mothers and widows of members of the military or naval forces of the United States who died in the military or naval service at any time between April 5, 1917 and July 1, 1921, and whose remains are now interred in such cemeteries, all necessary expenses of which pilgrimages are to be paid by the United States Government, requires that the Secretary of War make an investigation and submit the results of such investigation in a report to Congress. The purpose of the investigation is to determine the total number of mothers and widows entitled to make the pilgrimages, the number of such mothers and widows who desire to make the pilgrimages, the number who desire to make the pilgrimages during the calendar year 1930 and the probable cost of the pilgrimages to be made.

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

1. Do you desire to make this pilgrimage if eligible?	(Yes)	(No) <i>no</i>
2. Do you desire to make the pilgrimage in the calendar year 1930?	(Yes)	(No) <i>no</i>
3. Have you at any time made a previous visit to the grave of the deceased member of the military or naval forces in whom you are interested?	(Yes)	(No) <i>no</i>
4. Please give your age and state of health.	Age (Years) <i>58</i>	Health (Good) (Poor) <i>bad</i>
5. What language do you speak?	English - (Yes) <i>yes</i>	(No)
	Other language	(Specify language spoken)

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

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Act
Envelope

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

January 25, 1930

Ballance, Lucian 1232

Mrs. Lulu Ballance,
RFD #6, Elizabeth City, N. C.

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 Pvt. Lucian Ballance, Bty. D, 317th F. A., 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?

No

2. If so, give her complete address.

X
X

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.

Mrs. Lulu Ballance,
Mother,
R. F. D. #4, Box 84,
Elizabeth City, N.C.

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

June 29, 1929.

Ballance, Lucian

Mrs. Lulu Ballance,
RFD #6, Elizabeth City, N.C.

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 Lucian Ballance, Battery D, 317th Field Artillery, 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 widow who is entitled under the provisions of the above quoted Act, to make the pilgrimage, and if so, will you please furnish her full name and address in order that action may be taken to extend an invitation to her to make the pilgrimage. Both mothers and widows are entitled to make the pilgrimage.

In the event your son was survived by a widow who has since remarried it is requested that a statement to that effect be made.

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

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

2 incls.
Act of Congress.
Envelope.

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

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-M
Ballance, Lucian (MA)

Sept. 6, 1932.

Mrs. Lulu Ballance,
RFD #4, Box 86,
Elizabeth City, N.C.

Dear Madam:

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

In order that your desires may be of record, and arrangements made accordingly, it is requested you complete the form below by writing in the space provided, your answers to the questions listed, sign your name and return this letter in the enclosed envelope which requires no postage.

1. Do you desire to make a pilgrimage in 1933? (Answer "Yes" or "No")	
2. Please state your age and condition of health:	Age: Health:
3. Do you speak English?	
4. What other language do you speak?	

Sign here

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For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-M

Ballance Lucian (MA)

July 7, 1932

Mrs Lulu Ballance
R F D #4 Box 86
Elizabeth City, N C

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.

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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)

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-M

Ballance, Lucian (M-A) M

Oct. 13, 1931

Mrs. Lulu Ballance,
RFD #4, Box 86,
Elizabeth City, N. C.

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Dear Madam:

Receipt is acknowledged of your reply to form letter forwarded you under recent date relative to the pilgrimage to the cemeteries of Europe, wherein you advise that your health will not permit you to make a pilgrimage during the year 1932.

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Your name is being placed on the list of mothers and widows who are eligible to make a pilgrimage in 1933. However, should you change your mind in view of the above, and desire to make a pilgrimage during the summer months of 1932, it is requested you advise this office in order that arrangements may be made for you.

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-M
Ballance, Lucian (M-A) M

September 29, 1931.

Mrs. Lulu Ballance,
R. F. D. #4, Box #86,
Elizabeth City, N. C.

Dear Madam:

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

In order that the records may be complete, and arrangements made accordingly, it is requested you complete the form below by writing in the space provided, your answers to the questions listed, sign your name, and return this letter in the enclosed envelope which requires no postage.

1. Do you desire to make a pilgrimage in 1932?	
2. Please state your age and condition of health:	Age: Health:
3. Do you speak English?	
4. What other language do you speak?	

Sign here

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

Encl:
Env.

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

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WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO Q. 231 A-1
Ballance, Lucian Pvt. (M-4) M

June 11, 1931.

Mrs. Lulu Ballance,
R. F. D. #3,
Elizabeth City, N. C.

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

June 6, 1930.

Ballance, Lucian 1232 M

Mrs. Lulu Ballance,
R.F.D. #4, Box 86,
Elizabeth City, N. C.

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

March 3, 1930

Ballance, Lucian 1232--H

Mrs. Lulu Ballance,
RFD #4, Box 86,
Elizabeth City, N. C.

Dear Madam:

The Act of Congress which provides for pilgrimages to cemeteries in Europe by mothers and widows of members of the military or naval forces of the United States who died in the military or naval service at any time between April 5, 1917 and July 1, 1921, and whose remains are now interred in such cemeteries, all necessary expenses of which pilgrimages are to be paid by the United States Government, requires that the Secretary of War make an investigation and submit the results of such investigation in a report to Congress. The purpose of the investigation is to determine the total number of mothers and widows entitled to make the pilgrimages, the number of such mothers and widows who desire to make the pilgrimages, the number who desire to make the pilgrimages during the calendar year 1930 and the probable cost of the pilgrimages to be made.

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

1. Do you desire to make this pilgrimage if eligible?	(Yes)	(No)
2. Do you desire to make the pilgrimage in the calendar year 1930?	(Yes)	(No)
3. Have you at any time made a previous visit to the grave of the deceased member of the military or naval forces in whom you are interested?	(Yes)	(No)
4. Please give your age and state of health.	Age (Years)	Health (Good) (Poor)
5. What language do you speak?	English - (Yes) (No)	Other language (Specify language spoken)

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

Encl.
Act
Envelope

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

January 25, 1930

Ballance, Lucian 1232

Mrs. Lulu Ballance,
HFD #6, Elizabeth City, N. C.

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 Pvt. Lucian Ballance, Bty. D, 317th Tn A., 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,

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

2 Incls.
Act of Congress
Envelope

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

Ballance, Lucian
1232

September 4, 1929.

Mrs. Lulu Ballance,
RFD #6,
Elizabeth City, N. C.

Dear Madam:

The records of this office do not indicate that a reply has been received to our communication dated **June 29, 1922** asking inquiry concerning the name and address of the mother and widow of the deceased service man above named. These addresses are desired with a view to ascertaining the number of mothers and widows who desire to make a pilgrimage to the cemeteries of Europe in which the remains of their sons and husbands are interred.

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

Write answers in space below

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

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

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

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

2 Incls.
Act of Congress
Envelope

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

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

June 29, 1929.

Ballance, Lucian

Mrs. Lulu Ballance,
RFD #6, Elizabeth City, N.C.

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 Lucian Ballance, Battery D, 317th Field Artillery, whose remains are now interred in the Meuse-Argonne American Cemetery, Romagnous-Montfaucon, Meuse, France.

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

In the event your son was survived by a widow who has since remarried it is requested that a statement to that effect be made.

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

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

2 incls.
Act of Congress.
Envelope.

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

Ballance

Lucian

2,991,691

(Surname.)

Pvt

(Christian name in full.)

Bat D 317 FA

(Army serial number)

(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.)

I 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)

Mrs Lula Ballance

R # 6 Box 86

Elizabeth City

n. c

(Number and street or rural route.)

(City, town, or post office.)

(State.)

Read carefully the letter accompanying this card.

Checkbook

18128.

11-6-20.

11/3/20
8-8-0

Drawn by ~~ll~~

In reply refer to:
293.8 C-R
#49284

January 11, 1923.

Mrs. Lulu Ballance,
R.F.D. #6,
Elizabeth City, N. C.

Dear Madame:

The Quartermaster General desires that you be informed that the permanent grave of the late Private Lucian Ballance, Battery D, 317th Field Artillery, is Grave 40, Row 10, Block C, Meuse-Argonne American Cemetery, 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 expected 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. J. Conner,
Assistant.

MAILED
JAN 11 1923

G.R.S.

DATE 3/22/22

1. NAME BALLANCE, Lucian SERIAL No. 2991691

RANK Pvt. ORGANIZATION Batt. D 317th FA

GRAVE LOCATION Amer.Cem. Le Valdahon, - Doubs 38

CTY. NAME

NUMBER

207

GRAVE

ROW

PLOT

2. ORIGINAL BATTLE AREA GRAVE LOCATION 207 Le Valdahon Doubs

GRAVE

COMMUNE

DEPT.

COORDINATES E.266.15 N224.05 Map Orans N.W. 127

CONCENTRATED TO Nothing of Record

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 None

DATE

GRAVE

ROW

PLOT

CEMETERY

DATE

GRAVE

ROW

PLOT

CEMETERY

SIGNATURE, AREA SUPERVISOR

STANLEY J. GROGAN, Capt. Inf. USA.

3. FINAL GRAVE LOCATION 3/22/22

DATE

GRAVE

ROW

PLOT

Meuse-Argonne Amer. Cty 1232, Romagne-sous-Montfaucon, Meuse.

CEMETERY

To be prepared in triplicate.

DATE August 25th 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 BALLANCE, LUCIAN10. Name LUCIAN BALANCE.2. No. 2991691

11. No. _____

3. Rank Pvt.

12. Rank _____

4. Org. Batt. D 317th F.A.

13. Org. _____

5. D.D. 10-28-18

14. (a) D.D. _____

6. C.D. DOD (Broncho Pneumonia)

14. (b) D.B. _____

Discrepancy found upon disinterment

7. Grave No. 207 Sec. _____

15. Grave No. _____ Sec. _____

8. Plot _____ Row _____

16. Plot _____ Row _____

9. _____

17. No Discrepancies.18. Cemetery American19. Commune or town Le Valdaon20. Dept. or County Doubs21. Country France22. G.R.S. Hdqrs. Code No. 3823. Disinterred (Date) August 25th 1921.By THEO. MILLER.

24. Inscription on grave marker:

Name LUCIAN BALLANCE.Serial No. --Rank Pvt.Organization Batt. D 317th F.A. Grave 207.25. Was identification disc found on grave marker? Yes. On body? Yes.

Signature Junior Technical Assistant

GLENN C. DORSEY.

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).

Bottle containing Hospital record found on body. No effects found. Form 16a accomplished.27. Condition of body Badly decomposed, recognition impossible.28. Nature of burial In uniform and wooden box.29. Any discrepancy noted upon examination of body, as compared with G.R.S. records quoted above? See number 10.30. Body prepared and placed in casket: Date August 25th 1921. By THEO. MILLER.31. Casket sealed by THEO. MILLER.

Signature of Embalmer, (Supervisor)

Theo Miller
THEO. MILLER.

SHIPMENT. (Show actual marking of box.)

Box No.

C-4882

32. Designation of body:

Ballance, Lucien

Name

Serial No.

2991691

Pvt.

Rank

Organization

Batt. D 317th F.A.

33. Consigned to:

Argonne Amer. Cem. #1232 - Romagne-sous-Montfaucon

Name of Permanent Cemetery

August 25th 1921.

THEO. MILLER.

34. Casket boxed and marked (Date)

By

35. I hereby certify that all the foregoing operations were conducted and accomplished under my immediate supervision and that the report above is correct.

Signature of G.R.S. Inspector

H. L. FARM,
Capt. Q.M.C.

hem

36. Remarks

August 25th 1921.

37. Shipped from point of Operation: (Date)

Besancon, (Doubs) France.

To point of Concentration

(Name)

Convoyer

Signature Shipping Officer

Capt. Q.M.C.

38. Received at Railhead or Point of Concentration: Date

By G.R.S. Representative

August 26, 1921.

39. Shipped from Railhead or Point of Concentration: Date

Romagne-sous-Montfaucon (Meuse) France.

To Permanent Cemetery

M. PLOTKIN.

(Name)

Convoyer

Signature Shipping Officer

W. R. BUCKLEY,
Capt., Q.M.C.

40. Received: Date

G.R.S. Representative

41. Reinterred **Meuse Argonne Cty #1232, March 22, 1922.**

(Date)

42. Grave No.

40

Section

43. Plot

C

Row

10

G.R.S. Representative

A.E. Dewey, 1st Lt. Q.M.C.

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

~~WASHINGTON-~~
Hoboken, N.J.

JAN 8 1921

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

To: Mrs. Lula Ballance, R #6, Box 86, Elizabeth City, N. C.

SUBJECT: Remains of Pvt. Lucian Ballance, Ser. No. 2991691
Bty D, 317th F.A.

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.
Was soldier married? <i>No.</i> Soldier's widow			
Soldier's children. (Name oldest first.)	<i>Noted 3-15 2/21/21 - St</i>		
1			
2			
3			
Father			
Mother	<i>Mrs. Lula Ballance R-6, Box 86, Elizabeth City, N.C.</i>		
Brothers. (Name oldest first.)	<i>Warriner Ballance " " " "</i>		
1			
2			
3			
Sisters. (Name oldest first.)			
1			
2			
3			

Date *Feb. 8, 1921.*

Signature *Mrs. Lula Ballance*

Address *R-1, Box 86, Elizabeth City, N.C.*

Relationship *Mother*

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

....., 1920.

I, the undersigned, am the mother and nearest living relative of the within-named
(Relationship.)
soldier, and desire the following disposition of his remains, viz:
(Strike out all except the one showing the disposition desired.)

1. As stated on first page of this sheet.

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

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

.....
(State.)

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

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

Signature Mrs. Lula Ballou

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.

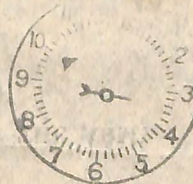
7. If YOU are not the nearest living relative and do not know who or where the nearest relatives are, please fill out this paper AT ONCE and mail to this office.

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.

GRAVES REGISTRATION
CORRESPONDENCE BRANCH

3-7860



FEB 1921

Place Le Valdaon (Doubs) France.

REPORT OF DISINTERMENT AND REBURIAL

Date August 25, 1921.1. REMAINS OF BALLANCE, Lucian SERIAL NUMBER 2991691RANK Pvt. ORGANIZATION Batt. D, 317th. F. A.2. Disinterred (date) August 25, 1921. From (give complete location): Gr. No. 207American Military Cemetery # 38, Le Valdaon (Doubs) France.By: Group 3 Unit Section No. 4.

3. Reburied (date): In (give complete location):

March 22, 1922. Meuse Argonne Cty #1232, Gr. 40, Bl. C, Row 10.By: Group Reburial S Unit Nature of reburial Lined casket.

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

Buried in uniform in wooden box. 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:

Bottle containing hospital record found on body.No effects found.

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

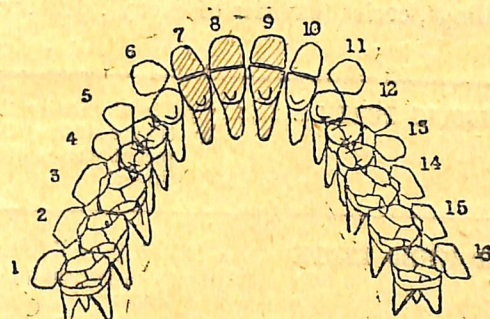
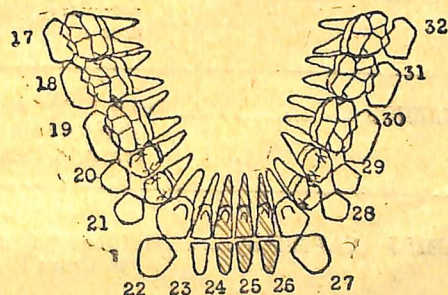
(a) Height (actual measurement) Unable to determine.(b) Weight (estimated) -(c) Hair—Color -Quantity -Characteristics -(d) Hair on face—Color -Location -Quantity -(e) Permanent marks on body (old scars, peculiarities, or missing parts) -(f) Wounds or missing parts (received at time of casualty) -

Diagram represents the mouth wide open.



No. 7, 8, 9, 24, 25, 26, M.A.D.

7. Disinterment supervised by Theo Miller Approved: R. E. Fain

THEO MILLER

GCD.

(Title) Captain, Q.M.C.8. Reburial supervised by W.B. Sheild Approved: A.E. Dewey(Title) 1st Lt. QMC.

COMPILATION OF DISPOSITION OF REMAINS DATA

I. LOCATION INDEX CARD:

(a) Name BALLANCE, Lucian Ser. No. 2991691
 (b) Rank Private Organization Bat.D. 317th F. A.
 (c) Date of death 10-29-18 (d) Cause of death Broncho pneumonia

TYP. vbbCKR. 10-7-21-

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

(a) Grave No. 207 Row - Plot - Sec. - TYP. vbb
 (b) Emerg. Address Mrs. Lulu Ballance (mother) RFD #6, Elizabeth City, N.C.

III. Files of soldiers dying from contagious diseases

NO CARDCKR. 10-7-21-

IV. A. G. O. DISPOSITION CARD:

Date of receipt none

(a) Name Mrs. Lulu Ballance (b) Relationship Mother
 (c) Address R # 6 Box 86 Elizabeth City, NC
 (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 11/3, 1920.

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

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

no correspondenceExaminer's Initials SH Date 11/3, 1920.

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

Let. 11/3/19 Mrs. Lulu Balance
requests photo of grave of son. Inquiries if bodies of dead
will ever be sent home.

(a) Cancellation memos referred to? yes. A.H.Examiner's Initials SH Date 11-5-, 1920.COUNTRY FRANCECEMETERY No. 38SHEET No. 6**CARDED**SH 12-7-20

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 transit for
 concentration
 Meme Argentine
 10-7-21-
 1732
 10-24-21

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

Typed by _____, Checked by _____, 1920.

VIII. FINAL ACTION:

Following advice forwarded to Europe by { cable on _____, 1920
letter on **NOV 26 1920**, 1920

PARAGRAPH 2 - NOT TO BE RETURNED (S)

IX.

CORRECTIONS

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

X. SUSPENSION REMARKS: 2/8/21- Form 120 - Mrs. Lula Ballance (mother)
R. #6, Box 86, Elizabeth City, North Carolina, wishes body
to remain in Europe. H-2/19/21-jt

*3-25-21- Letter from Mother, Mrs. Lula Ballance, advises
there is no father - (H-3-31-21-8)*

COMPILATION OF DISPOSITION OF REMAINS DATA

See 115
10-24-21

I. LOCATION INDEX CARD:

(a) Name BALLANCE, Lucian Ser. No. 2991691 } TYP vbb
 (b) Rank Private Organization Bat.D. 317th F. A. }
 (c) Date of death 10-29-18 Cause of death Broncho pneumonia } 013

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

(a) Grave No. 207 Row Plot Sect. TYP vbb
 (b) Emerg. Address Mrs. Lulu Ballance (mother) RFD #6, Elizabeth City, N.C.

III. Files of soldiers dying from contagious diseases NO CARD CKR 013

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

A. I. O. Card: Mother Mrs Lulu Ballance R. # 6,
Box 86, Elizabeth City, N.C., requests body
be not returned to U.S. (H.S. 12-3-20)

V. Following advice forwarded to Europe by (cable on 192
 (Letter of transmittal on NOV 26 1920 192

PARAGRAPH 2 - NOT TO BE RETURNED (25)

DEC 17 1920

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

COUNTRY

CEMETERY NO.

SHEET NO.

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

S-666/MB **FRANCE**

April 15th, 1921.

File No. 293.8 Cem.Div., Cor.Br.
(BALLANCE, Lucian)

Mrs. Lula Ballance,
R. #6, Box 86,
Elizabeth City, N.C.

Dear Madam:

Receipt of your communication of recent date, relative to the remains of your son, the late Private Lucian Ballance, Serial Number 2991691, Battery D, 317 Field Artillery, is acknowledged.

In accordance with your desire, the remains will be left in France for burial in a permanent American Cemetery. You are assured that the grave site will always be maintained as a fitting memorial of the late soldier's sacrifice.

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

By authority of the Quartermaster General:

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

BY:

F. C. PALLAS,
Executive Assistant.

11-11

"MAILED"

APR 13 1921

"COR. BR. G. R. S."

April 13, 1921.

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

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

SUBJECT: Return of Record - Cemetery #38.
Transmittal Memorandum Number H - 2036.

1. The records pertaining to the following case are returned herewith, it having been definitely determined that the body is to remain in Europe:

REFERENCE NO:

6 Ballance, Lucian, Private, Serial Number
2991691, Battery D, 317th Field Artillery.

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

BY:

[Signature]
F. C. FALLAS,
Executive Assistant.

GM/BR
1 Incl.



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

38-6

March 15, 1921.

CEMETERY DIVISION



File No. 293.8 Cem.Div., Cor.Branch.
(BALLANCE, Lucian)

Mrs. Lula Ballance,
R. 6, Box 86,
Elizabeth City, N. C.

MAR 25 1921

Dear Madam:

Receipt of your Shipping Inquiry dated February 8, 1921, relative to the remains of your son, the late Lucian Ballance, Private, Serial Number 2991691, Battery D, 317th F. A., is acknowledged.

Please inform this office if the deceased is survived by a father, and if so, kindly secure a signed statement from him that he concurs in your request to have the remains left in France for burial in a permanent American Cemetery.

Your immediate attention to this matter will be greatly appreciated.

By authority of the Quartermaster General:

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

BY:

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

NOTED ON FORM #115
8-12-21-2-2-21

There is no father. I am the nearest of kin to the late
Pvt. Lucian Ballance, Battery D. 317th F.A.
Mrs. Lula Ballance,
R-6, Box 86,
Elizabeth City, N. C.

March 15, 1921.

File No. 293.8 Cem.Div., Cor. Branch.
(BALLANCE, Lucian)

Mrs. Lula Ballance,
R. 6, Box 86,
Elizabeth City, N. C.

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Your immediate attention to this matter will be greatly appreciated.

By authority of the Quartermaster General:

R. E. SHANNON,
Captain, A.M.C.,
Officer in Charge.

BY:

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

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Mailed-O.P.D.

MAR 19 1921

March 8th, 1921.

File No. 293.B, Com.Div.Ger.Br.
(BALLANCE, Lucian)

Mrs. Lula Ballance,
R. #6, Box 86,
Elizabeth City, N.C.

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

By authority of the Quartermaster General:

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

BY:

F. C. PALLAS,
Executive Assistant.

RECEIVED
MAR 10 1921
U.S. DEPT. OF WAR
WASHINGTON

49284

GRAVE LOCATION BLANK

LOCATION OF THE GRAVE OF

Ballance,, 2991691 Lucian

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

Pvt., Battery "D" 317th. F.A.

(Rank). (Organization).

PLACE OF DEATH: **Camp Hospital # 12**
Valdahon, France

CAUSE OF DEATH: **Bronchial pneumonia**

DATE OF BURIAL: **Oct. 30, 1918.**

PLACE OF BURIAL: **U.S. Military Cemetery**

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

Valdahon, Daubs, France.

GRAVE NUMBER: **# 207**

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:

NEAREST RELATIVE: **Lula Ballance ~~(mother)~~**

ADDRESS: **Route #6 Elizabeth City, N.C.**

RELATIONSHIP: **Mother**

REPORTED BY: **Edmund L. Manges**
1st Lt. Chaplain.
(Signature and Rank of Reporting Officer).

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

April 13, 1921.

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

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

SUBJECT: Return of Record - Cemetery #38.
Transmittal Memorandum Number H - 2136.

1. The records pertaining to the following case are returned herewith, it having been definitely determined that the body is to remain in Europe:

REFERENCE NO:

6 Ballance, Lucian, Private, Serial Number
2991691, Battery D, 317th Field Artillery.

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

BY:

F. C. FALIAS,
Executive Assistant.

1 Incl.

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

FILE NUMBER

FROM:- A.R.C

DATE: March 15, 1919

Please furnish information as indicated below regarding the following ~~soldier~~:

NAME Ballance, Lucian

NUMBER

RANK

ORGANIZATION 317th Field Artillery

49284

NO.	QUESTION	REPLY
1.	Do particulars of soldier given above agree with Records?	
2.	Date of Death.	
3.	Cause and place of death.	
4.	Number of Casualty Cablegram	
5.	Date buried.	
✓ 6.	Grave Location. (a) Complete record required. (b) Name of Cemetery or Commune only required.	(6) Grave 207- CTY 38 LE-VAL D'ARHON DOUBRE
7.	Who reported burial.	
✓ 8.	Has report been confirmed by G.R.S.	Mo.
9.	Report as to Grave Marker.	
10.	Report as to Identification Tags.	
✓ 11.	Who is nearest relative?	20 MRS. LULU BALANCE (mother) RTD 6 - ELIZABETH CITY N.C.
12.	Has N/R been notified? (Give Date)	
13.	Report the exact position of your inquiry on this case. (Reply in all cases if no information on record)	
14.	What is the Photograph No. ?	

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

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3-17-19



Enc. Bulletin
on
Yash Adams
3/17/19

Elizabeth City, N.C.
R.# 6, Box 86
N.S.A.
Jan. 31, 1919.

Dear Chief:-

Will you kindly send
me a picture of the grave of
the late Lucian Ballance
3rd Field Artillery, who died
October the 29th?

Will the bodies of our dear
boys ever be sent home?

I feel like I could get along better
if I could only water his grave
occasionally.

Awaiting your early reply
I am,
yours truly

(Mrs) Lula Ballance
(His mother)