

DEC 23 1925

FULL NAME BARRETT, Walter J. *Sol. sig.*

RANK Private SERIAL 158390

DIVISION & ORGANIZATION Company G, 6th Engineers *3rd*

DATE OF DEATH July 12/18 *7-15-18*

STATE FROM WHICH HE CAME *M. J.*

MEDALS OR DECORATIONS AWARDED *none.*

FINAL GRAVE LOCATION *20*  
~~44~~ 20 A  
Date Grave Row Block

608  
Cemetery

*Another*

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A.G.O.  
DEC 23 1925

RECEIVED  
DEC 29 1925  
A.G.O.

World War I  
1917-1918

RECEIVED BY  
6/6/24

OK

*[Handwritten initials]*

Barrett 158390

(Surname of deceased.)

Walter J.

(Christian name.)

Pvt. Co. "C" 6th U.S. Engineers.

(Rank and organization; if civilian, capacity and department in which employed.)

July 15, 1918.

(Date of death.)

LeChanet, France

(Place of death.)

Shell wound • In line of duty. Not

(Cause of death.)

due to his own misconduct.

July 17, 1918.

(Date of burial.)

No. Number, LeChanet, Department Aisne,

(No. and locality of grave, or other disposal of remains.)

France.

Single.

(Married or single.)

(If married, name and address of widow.)

Remarks: Killed in action, Battle of  
Champagne, France July 15-19, 1918.

REPORT OF DEATH AND DISPOSAL OF REMAINS.

Headquarters 6th US Engineers,  
American E.F.-----  
(Station.)

July 17th, 1918.-----, 191  
(Date.)

The Adjutant General of the Army.

I hereby report the death of the person named  
on the reverse side of this slip and the disposal of  
his remains as indicated thereon.

*J. M. Stewart*

Major, Corps of Engrs.-----  
Commanding.

(See G. O., No. 67, War Department, April 19, 1910.)

*[Signature]*  
Per  
Casualty Section, S. D.  
NOTED

GRAVE LOCATION BLANK  
LOCATION OF THE GRAVE OF

Barrett 158390 Walter J.

Pvt. Co. "J" 6th U.S. Engineers

DATE OF BURIAL July 17, 1918.

PLACE OF BURIAL LeChenet Department  
Meaux, France

No number

HOW MARKED CROSS

IDENTIFICATION TAGS.

Was one buried with body YES

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

Reported by W. F. Harvey  
Capt., Corps of Engrs.

Co. C., 6th. Eng.  
3rd. Div.

BARRETT, Walter J. # Pvt. 158390

Walter J. Barret was found lying dead on the morning of the 15th of July, 1918, lying by the side of a creek. I was unable to find any marks on the body of Pvt. Barret from all appearances he must have been killed by concussion. He was buried July 17th. 1918, Le Chanet, Dept., France, to the left of the road leading from St. Eugene to Cryzanzy close to a large Chateau, his grave was marked by a cross with name and number.

Informant: Nichols, Clifford G.- Cpl. 158490  
Co. C., 6th. Eng.

Home: Prospect St., Essex Jct., Vt.

Signed: By Informant.

SJ

Co C 6th Engrs

BARRETT Walter G Pvt. 158390

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Killed in action July 15th-1918

Pvt Walter G Barrett was killed in action July 15th-1918  
Sgt Montgomery said: He was in his tent sleeping when the barrage started on the night of July 14th- He was found dead at daylight on the morning of the 15th- He had been struck by a shell. He seemed to have run out of his tent to find shelter, and was hit. He is buried in Le Chanet Woods, right back of a Chateau. His grave is marked with a cross and his identification tag. We held the ground.

I think Pvt. Barrett intelligent and reliable.

Informant: Montgomery Harry  
1st Sgt 158281  
Co C 6th Engrs  
Home : 394 Bridge St  
Reading Pa  
Feb. 3-1919

F/N. John H Applebee Searcher.-  
Enquirer: Caroline L Bell Home & Hospital (Service ARC)

BARRETT WALTER J. BELLEROP AND KILLED IN ACTION

KILLED IN ACTION JULY 15th-1918

6th Eng. Co. C.

BARRETT WALTER J. Pvt. 15839

Killed July 15th 1918.

I was formerly with the Headquarters Company of the 6th Eng. Barrett was killed the other side of Montdidier, September a year ago, by high explosive shell. They picked him up about three hours afterward. It was about 500 yards on our right flank. They were about to go over the top, we were in support in the second line. I couldn't tell where he was buried.

Informant : Veau Felix Sgt  
Co.C. 513th Eng.  
Kerhuon Hospital Center  
Home address : 1515 Congress St  
Houston Texas'  
Jan 29th 1919

V.M.

Mildred Stanford, Searcher .

Enquirer : Caroline L. Bell Home and hospital Service ARC

6th Eng. Co.C.

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Killed July 15th 1918.

BARRETT Walter J. Pvt. 158390

I rather thought that Barrett's first name was George, but I am not sure. He was killed near St Aignan to the right of Chateau Thierry July 15th. It happened about one o'clock in the morning. He was in a dug out and was killed instantly by shrapnel. He never moved from the spot. I saw his body two or three hours afterwards. I was out to get those who were still alive. He might have been gassed. I know a great deal of gas did come over. 15 or 20 men were killed at the same time. He was buried 600 or 700 yards back of a great big Chateau near there. His home was in New York City. I had been with him since October 1917, he was a quiet fellow, with an excellent personality, clean cut and very smart. He always got loads of mail.

Informant : Cannan Frank B. Cpl. 158312  
Co.C. 6th Eng.  
Kerhuon Hospital Center  
Home address : 5927 Summer St  
Philadelphia Pa.  
Jan 30th 1919

Enquirer : Caroline L. Bell Home and Hospital Service ARC

6 Eng. Co C

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BARRETT Walter G Pvt. 158390

*Searcher gives no. as 158391*

Killed July 15th 1918

6th Eng. Co. C

Walter G. Pvt. 158390

Informant states that Pte. Barrett was killed by a shell; he was buried near Metz, he thinks Criancianes (does not know correct spelling) by the company.

Informant: Marnell Patrick Pte 158352  
Pontanezen Hospital, Brest  
~~XXXX~~ 12-3-19

L. H.  
Enquirer:

Caroline L Bell Home and Hospital Service ARC

Helen Deane, Searcher

Informant: Barrett Dalton Pvt. 158390  
Co C 6th Engrs  
Morrison Hosp. Center  
Home address: 478 #2 Williamsport, Pa.  
Mar. 9th 1919

Josephine Jackson, Searcher

Caroline L. Bell Home and Hospital Service ARC

Mildred Stanford Searcher.

Enq: Caroline L. Bell. Home and Hospital Service A.R.C.

Caroline L. Bell. Home and Hospital Service A.R.C.

EXINF. Co.C 6th Eng.

BARRETT Walter G. Pvt. 158390

*Searcher gives no. as 158390*

Killed July 15th 1918

There was only one Barrett in the company but I do not know his first name. He was killed July 16th in the woods about one mile south of Crezancy. It was about ten o'clock AM and he with some other fellows was in the trench. I had left the trench just about 10 minutes before. A high explosive shell made a direct hit and five of them were killed at one time, Barrett among them. He was buried in the same trench, and his grave was afterwards marked by a detail which was sent out ~~to~~ to tag all of the graves. Another fellow out of our company, a corporal, who knew Barrett well, promised to to to his home and see his family after he got back in the States. Barrett was a nice, quiet fellow.

Informant: Bennett Dalton Pvt. 158394  
Co C 6th Engrs  
Kerhuon Hosp. Center  
Home address RFD #2 Williamsport. Pa.  
Mar. 5th 1919

L. H.

Enquirer: Caroline L. Bell Home and Hospital Service ARC

Josephine Sherzer, Searcher St. Nazaire.

Enq: Caroline L. Bell. Home and Hospital Service A.R.C.

Eildred Stanford Searcher.

Co. C. 6th Eng.

BARRETT Walter J. Pvt. I58390

Co. C. 6th Eng.

BARRETT Walter J. Pvt. I58390

Killed July 15th 1918.

Barrett was instantly killed by shell and buried by the road between St Eugene and Crezancy?

Barrett is dead he was killed by high explosive, instantly, I am sure. He was in a dugout with Gallagher, on the Chateau Thierry front, 15th. The bombardment started at 12 o'clock at night. He was in a trench. Fritzie came over with a bomb or shell. We were all in a bunch. They were all killed or they all in a trench. He lives in Burlington, Vt. The trench to identify them and he did it. I don't know whether the place was marked or not. GC sort of fellow. It was between Crezancy and Fossoy.

Informant: Rauch George C. Sgt I58306  
Co. C. 6th Eng. Cpl. Nichols identified  
Camp # I.  
Home: 11834 Princetown Ave. Chicago Ill.  
Jan. 22 1919.

J.F. Schunck Searcher, St Nazaire.

Eng: Caroline L. Belle. Home and Hospital Service A.R.C. Claude Cpl. I58519

Co. C. 6th Eng.  
Kerhuon Hospital Center  
Home: 63 Oak St., Jersey City, N.J.  
Feb 6th 1919.  
Mildred Stanford Searcher.

Eng: Caroline L. Ball. Home and Hospital Service A.R.C.

Co. C. 6th Eng.

BARRETT Walter J. Pvt. 158390

Co. C. 6th Eng.

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Informant : Carside Warren

Co. C. 6th Eng.

Informant : Tillotson Claude Cpl. 158519

Home : Co. C. 6th Eng. Augusta, Ga.

Kerhuon Hospital Center

Home : 63 Oak St., Jersey City, N.J.

Feb. 6th 1919.

Mildred Stanford Searcher.

Enq: Caroline L. Bell. Home and Hospital Service A.R?C.

Co. C. 6th Eng.

BARRETT Walter J. Pvt. 158390

Co. C. 6th Eng.

BARRETT Walter J. Pvt. 158390

Killed July 15th 1918.

Informant saw him soon after he was killed July 15th about I.A.M.. He was in a sort of dugout at the time, when a shell broke near him. Germans were throwing over a barrage. He is buried in the yard of a chateau just across from St. Eugene on the road from Conde-en-erie to Megy. Grave is well marked.

Eugene and Crezancy, Marne. Grave marked with Cross and identification tag.

Informant : Garside Warren  
Co. C. 6th Eng.

Informant : She Camp #1, Chaplain  
Home : 59 School St. Augusta. Me.  
Jan. 1/18/1919.  
E.D. Woodbridge Searcher.

GC GC

Enq: Caroline L. Bell, Home and Hospital Service, A.R.C.

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Killed July 15th 1918.

Walter <sup>g</sup>J. Barrett Co. C. 6th Eng was killed by shell fire on July 15th  
Buried in rear of Chateau at Le Chanet, on left of road midway between St  
Eugene and Crezancy, Marne. Grave marked with Cross and identification tag.

Informant : Sherman <sup>Wm P</sup>~~P. W.~~ Chaplain  
6th Engineers.  
Jan. 12th 1919

GC

Enq: Caroline L. Bell. Home and Hospital Service A.R.C.

Killed July 15th 1918.

Killed by shell fire in trench. St Eugene, was buried in the trench by his own Co. man, July 15th 1918.  
He was about 5ft6in. Red cheeks, dark hair about 23 years old.  
Good evidence.

Informant : Feeney Tomas H. Pvt. I58428  
Co. C. 6th Eng.  
Hospital III <sup>at Water</sup>  
Home : East Bridgewater Mass.  
Feb 21st 1919.  
Edna Pitchard Cooley Searcher.

GC

Enq: Caroline L. Bell. Home and Hospital Service A.R.C

Co. C. 6th Eng.

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BARRETT Walter J. Pvt. I58390

Killed July 15th 1918.

It was near Chateau Thierry on the Marne ~~22d~~ in the afternoon that Lund saw his body. He was killed instantly by a shrapnel. He was in the Supply Dept. and was a fine man, a college graduate. He was well liked by every one. Lund worked with him. He was rather quiet, about 22 or 23 years old, tall, fair.  
No one else by name.

Informant : Lund Erick Cpl. I58468  
Co. C. 6th Engrs.  
Camp #1. St Nazaire.  
Home :Hammond Ind.  
I/25/1919.

GC

A.M. Laird Searcher.

Enq: Caroline L. Bell. Home and Hospital Service A.R.C.

CODE SLIP

HEADING	SUB-HEADING	NO. OF COLS	CODE
NAME	Barrett	3	218
BURIED	Walter J.		
	CEMETERY	608	1
	GRAVE	20	2
	ROW	20	2
	BLOCK	a	1
STATE	N.J.	2	35
BANK	Prv.	1	2
DIVISION	3	2	03
ORGANIZATION	6	3	00.6
APM	Eugo	1	4
MARTIAL	no	1	2
NAME	Barrett	3	
RESIDENCE	J.J. (other)		
	STATE	2	
	COUNTY	2	
	Boonton, N.J.		
	CITY	3	
RELATION	Mother	1	1
OTHER		1	
ELIGIBILITY	(No local No S.M.) Dead	1	6
NATIVITY		1	
RACE		1	
ENGLISH		1	
ATTENDANT		1	
HEALTH		1	
NO. OF SONS			
DATE OF TRIP	MO.	1	
	YR.	1	
ACCEPTANCE		1	

AUDITED  
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WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

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IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

July 3, 1930.

Barrett, Walter J. 608 Fr

Mr. J. J. Barrett,  
Boonton, N. J.

Dear Sir:

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

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

1. Is the deceased survived by a mother?

No.

If so, give her name and address:

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

No.

If so, give her name and address:

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

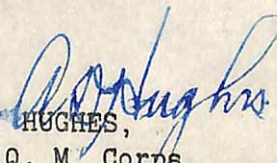
No.

If so, give her name and address:

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

Enclosures:  
Envelope  
Act  
Amendment

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

WAR DEPARTMENT  
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Barrett, Walter J.

June 20, 1929.

Mrs. Catherine Barrett,  
113 School St.,  
Boonton, N.J.

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 Walter J. Barrett, Co. C. 6th Engrs., 3rd Div., whose remains are now interred in the Oise-Aisne American Cemetery, Seringes-et-Nesles, Aisne, 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.

*Mother - Catherine Barrett - 10 Sec*  
*No widow surviving*

*J. Barrett*  
*Boonton*  
*N.J.*

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



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Major, Q. M. Corps,  
Assistant.

Q.M.G.H. & R. DIV.  
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QM 293 A-C

Barrett, Walter J.

February 9, 1929.

Mrs. Catherine Barrett,  
113 School Street,  
Bonton, N. J.

Dear Madam:

In order to conform to the plans for beautification of the permanent American Military Cemeteries in Europe it has been necessary to make a re-arrangement of the graves in these Cemeteries, which may be considered as permanent for all time.

The enclosed card gives the final resting place of ~~Walter J. Barrett~~, Private, Company C, 6th Engineers.

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

J. McCLINTOCK,  
Major, Q. M. Corps,  
Assistant,

Incl.  
Record card,

I.C.M.G.-M. & R. DIV

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To be prepared in triplicate.

DATE January 25, 1928

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 <u>BARRETT, Walter J.</u> <i>M.J.</i>	10. Name _____
2. No. <u>158390</u>	11. No. _____
3. Rank <u>Pvt.</u>	12. Rank _____
4. Org. <u>Co. C, 6th Engrs 3rd Div</u>	13. Org. _____
5. D.D. <u>July 15, 1918</u>	14. (a) D.D. _____
6. C.D. <u>KIA</u>	(b) D.B. _____

Discrepancy found upon disinterment

7. Grave No. <u>44</u> Sec. _____	15. Grave No. _____ Sec. _____
8. Plot <u>Block A</u> Row <u>20</u>	16. Plot _____ Row _____
9. _____	17. _____

18. Cemetery Oise-Aisne 19. Commune or town Seringes-et-Nesles

20. Dept. or County Aisne 21. Country France

22. G.R.S. Hdqrs. Code No. 608

23. Disinterred (Date) January 25, 1928 By H.E.N. Stine

24. Inscription on grave marker:

Name <u>BARRETT, Walter J.</u>	Serial No. <u>158390</u>
Rank <u>Pvt.</u>	Organization <u>Co. C. 6th Engrs.</u>

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

*H.E.N. Stine*  
Signature Junior Technical Assistant

PREPARATION

26. What other means of identification were on body? (If no disc or other means of identification on body, give description of body in detail).

27. Condition of body \_\_\_\_\_

28. Nature of burial Pine box and burlap

29. Any discrepancy noted upon examination of body, as compared with G.R.S. records quoted above? \_\_\_\_\_

30. Body prepared and placed in casket: Date January 25, 1928 By H.E.N. Stine

31. Casket sealed by H.E.N. Stine

Signature of Embalmer, (Supervisor) *H.E.N. Stine*  
H.E.N. Stine.

SHIPMENT. (Show actual marking of box.) Box No. \_\_\_\_\_

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

Name BARRETT, Walter J. Serial No. 158390

Rank Pvt. Organization Co. C, 6th Engrs.

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

Name of Permanent Cemetery Oise-Aisne, Seringes-et-Nesles, Aisne

34. Casket boxed and marked (Date) January 25, 1928 By Charles E. Spahn

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 \_\_\_\_\_

*Charles E. Spahn*  
Charles E. Spahn

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

37. Shipped from point of Operation: (Date) \_\_\_\_\_

To point of Concentration \_\_\_\_\_

(Name)

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

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

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

39. Shipped from Railhead or Point of Concentration: Date \_\_\_\_\_

To Permanent Cemetery \_\_\_\_\_

(Name)

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

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

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

41. Reinterred January 25, 1928, Oise-Aisne American Cty.

(Date)

42. Grave No. 20 Section \_\_\_\_\_

43. Plot Block A Row 20

G.R.S. Representative *William E. Moore*

William E. Moore, Superintendent.

# REPORT OF DISINTERMENT AND REBURIAL

Date January 25, 1928.

1. REMAINS OF BARRETT, Walter J. SERIAL NUMBER 158390.  
RANK Private. ORGANIZATION Co. C, 6th Engrs.

2. Disinterred (date) : January 25, 1928. From (give complete location) :  
Grave 44, Block A, Row 20.

By : Group Cty. Unit \_\_\_\_\_

3. Reburied (date) January 25, 1928. In (give complete location) :  
Grave 20, Block A, Row 20.

By : Group \_\_\_\_\_ Unit \_\_\_\_\_ Nature of reburial Box.

4. Report as to nature of original burial and condition of body upon disinterment :  
Fine box and bur lap.

5. (a) Identification tags: Buried with body? \_\_\_\_\_ On grave marker? Il. Strip.

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

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

(a) Height (actual measurement) \_\_\_\_\_

4,5,6,7 & 9 MAD

(b) Weight (estimated) \_\_\_\_\_

(c) Hair—Color \_\_\_\_\_

Quantity \_\_\_\_\_

3 SF

Characteristics \_\_\_\_\_

1 & 2 MAD

(d) Hair on face—Color \_\_\_\_\_

Location \_\_\_\_\_

Quantity \_\_\_\_\_

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

19 SF

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

Right femur shattered, upper half.

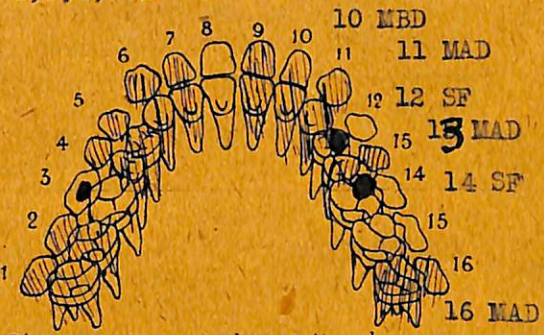
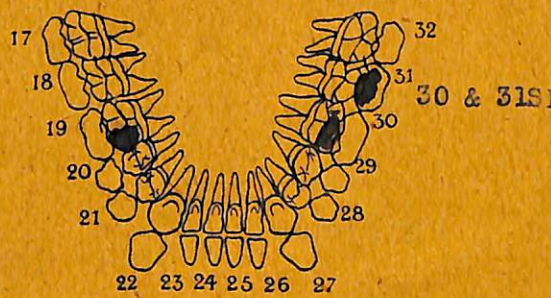


Diagram represents the mouth wide open



7. Disinterment supervised by H. Ernestine Approved: \_\_\_\_\_

(Title)

8. Reburial supervised by Charles E. Spahn Approved: \_\_\_\_\_

(Title)

REPORT OF DISINTERMENT AND REBURIAL.

Remains of:

Name: Walter J Barrett.

Number: 158390.

Rank: ?

Organization: Co C 6 Engrs.

Disinterment and Reburial made by Group

Unit 304

Disinterred (Date) June 5, 1919. From: (Give complete location)

~~Cemetery # 567 Grave 7.~~

Reburied (Date) June 5, 1919. in: (Give complete location)

Cemetery # 608 ~~(S)~~ Seringes-et-Nesles (Aisne) Map 33 S.E. N. 275.4 E. 195.25

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Grave 84 Plot 2 Section F.

Report as to nature of original burial and condition of body upon disinterment:  
Buried 4 feet deep. Body badly decomposed.

Was one identification tag found upon the body? No. None on cr.

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

CO ARMED No D 11773

Note:

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

Supervised by: Sgt G M Mack

1st Lt O W Forsberg.

C.O. Group \_\_\_\_\_ Unit 304.

file # 15-11-1919 Paul

# REPORT OF DISINTERMENT AND REBURIAL

Date May 7 1921

1. REMAINS OF Barrett, Walter J SERIAL NUMBER 158390

RANK Pvt. ORGANIZATION Co. C. 6th Engrs

2. Disinterred (date) : May 7 1921 From (give complete location) : Gr # 84 Sec F Plot 2 Cem 608

By : Group 5 Unit 3

3. Reburied (date) : May 7th 1921 In (give complete location) : Gr # 141 Sec R Plot 3 Cem 608

By : Group 5 Unit 3 Nature of reburial Wrapped in burlap in pine box

4. Report as to nature of original burial and condition of body upon disinterment :  
Body in uniform in Pine box. Flesh of body completely decomposed.  
Skeleton disarticulated.

5. (a) Identification tags : Buried with body ? No On grave marker ? No

(b) Other means of identification found upon disinterment, and general remarks :  
No other means of identification other than grave marker over grave #84 Sec F Plot 2 Cem 608

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

(a) Height (actual measurement) Skeleton disarticulated

(b) Weight (estimated) Impossible to estimate

(c) Hair—Color None visible

Quantity None

Characteristics None

(d) Hair on face—Color None visible

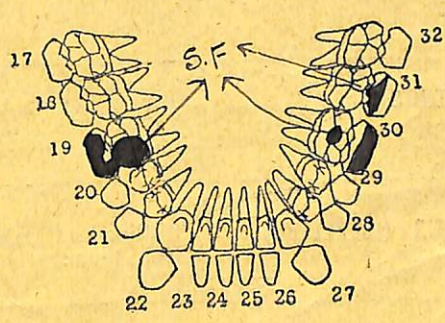
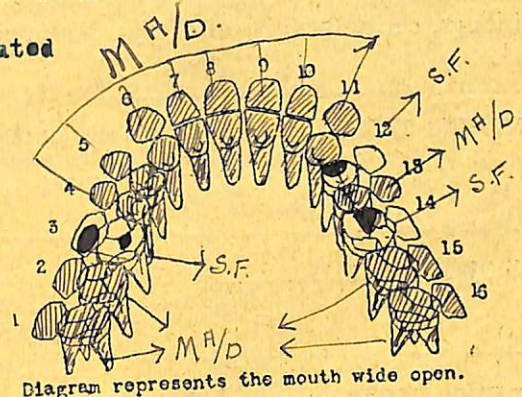
Location None

Quantity None

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

(f) Wounds or missing parts (received at time of casualty) Both arms broken below elbow.

Right femur broken in several places.



7. Disinterment supervised by W. H. Smoke Jr

Approved : C. J. Blake  
C. J. Blake Capt., Q.M.C.  
(Title)

8. Reburial supervised by W. H. Smoke Jr

Approved : C. J. Blake  
C. J. Blake Capt., Q.M.C.  
(Title)

*12-30640*

QM 293 A-C

BARRETT, Walter J. - Pvt.

October 29, 1925

Mrs. Catherine Barrett,  
115 School St.,  
Boonton, N.J.

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

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

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

Very truly yours,

1-Incl.  
Record card.

L.W. REDINGTON,  
Major, Assistant.

RD  
751



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COMPILATION OF DISPOSITION OF REMAINS DATA



File #6309

I. LOCATION INDEX CARD:

(a) Name BARRETT, Walter J. Ser. No. 158390  
 (b) Rank Pvt. Organization Co. C. 6th Engrs.  
 (c) Date of death 7-15-18 (d) Cause of death K/A

TYP. DEB  
 CKR. AB

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

(a) Grave No. 84 Row -- Plot 2 Sec. F TYP. DEB  
 (b) Emerg. Address Mrs. Catherine Barrett, Mother, 113 School St., Boonton, N.J.

III. Files of soldiers dying from contagious diseases --- CKR. AB

*No card in file 12-10-20 mks*  
Date of receipt

IV. A. G. O. DISPOSITION CARD:

(a) Name \_\_\_\_\_ (b) Relationship \_\_\_\_\_  
 (c) Address \_\_\_\_\_  
 (d) Remains to be brought to U. S.? \_\_\_\_\_  
 (e) To be interred in National Cemetery in U. S. at \_\_\_\_\_  
 (f) Shipping instructions upon arrival of body in U. S. \_\_\_\_\_  
 (g) Disposition instructions if not brought to U. S. \_\_\_\_\_

Examiner's Initials \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_, 1920.

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

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

Examiner's Initials mks Date 12-10, 1920.

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

No request for disposition.

(a) Cancellation memos referred to? Yes s.u.

Examiner's Initials s.u. Date 12-11, 1920.

COUNTRY France CEMETERY No. 608 SHEET No. 152

FORM 115 - A COMPLETED

CARDED checked

71-12/11/20 Sur-1-24-2

*Disposition*

*Reviewed 4/20/21 EO*

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

Typed by \_\_\_\_\_, Checked by \_\_\_\_\_, 1920.

RECEIVED

APR 15 1921

VIII. FINAL ACTION:

Following advice forwarded to Europe by

cable on \_\_\_\_\_, 1920  
letter on Jan-15-, 1920

Cemeterial Division  
Overseas Project S, 1920

Par 2 - Not to be returned (JSD 1-17-21)

IX.

CORRECTIONS

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

X. SUSPENSION REMARKS: March 19, 1921 - #120 Mrs. Catherine Barrett, 113 School St. Boonton, N.J. mother wishes desires body remain in Europe H. 3-28-21 am.

4/11/21 Hoboken advises Mother her wish will be complied with.

FORM 115 RETURNED BY HOBOKEN - BODY TO REMAIN IN EUROPE. APR 15 1921  
4/20/21 ED  
APR

COMPILATION OF DISPOSITION OF REMAINS DATA

I. LOCATION INDEX CARD:

File #63094

(a) Name BARRETT, Walter J. Ser. No. 158390  
 (b) Rank Pvt. Organization Co. C. 6th Engrs.  
 (c) Date of death 7-15-18 Cause of death K/A

TYP DEB  
*MB*

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

(a) Grave No. 84 Row -- Plot 2 Sect. F  
 (b) Emerg. Address Mrs. Catherine Barrett, Mother, 113 School St., Boonton, N.J.

TYP DEB

III. Files of soldiers dying from contagious diseases..... CKR *MB*

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

*No ASSO Card in file.  
 No request for disposition (J&W 1-17-21)*

V. Following advice forwarded to Europe by (cable on 1/17 1921 / (letter of transmittal on 1/17 1921)

*Par 2 - Not to be returned (J&W 1-17-21)*

VI. Form 115 forwarded to G.R.S. Hoboken, N.J. JAN 26 1921 1921

VII. SUPPLEMENTARY REQUESTS

Date of and Source	Relationship and name	Desires	Action taken

VIII. Form 115 received from G.R.S. Hoboken, N.J. APR 15 1921 1921

COUNTRY France CEMETERY NO. 608 SHEET NO. 152  
 G.R.S. FORM 115-A August 1920  
 S-666/MB

*Sub-1-24-21*

April 11, 1921.

File No. 293.8 Cem. Div., Corr.Br.  
(BARRETT, Walter J. )

Mrs. Catherine Barrett,  
113 School Street,  
Beonton, N. J.

Dear Madam:-

Receipt of shipping inquiry dated March 19th,  
1921, relative to the remains of your son, the late Private  
Walter J. Barrett, Serial Number 158390, Company C, 6th  
Engineers, 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. Corps,  
Officer in Charge.

Noted on Form No. 115  
Date 4/20/21 EP

BY:

F. C. PALLAS,  
Executive Assistant.

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APR 12 1921  
MAILED  
COR. BR. G. R. S.

COR. BR. G. R. S.

WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL OF THE ARMY  
CEMETERIAL DIVISION  
WASHINGTON  
HOBOKEN, N.J.

608-152 e1

JAN 31 1921

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

To: Mrs. Catherine Barrett, 113 School St., Boonton, N.J.

SUBJECT: Remains of Pvt. Walter J. Barrett, Ser. No. 158390 Co. C. 6th Engrs.

The records of this office show that ~~you have requested that the body of the above-named no request has been made for the disposition of his remains.~~

*Remain in Europe E.C.S.*

If these are not the correct instructions, please correct them. Make corrections on reverse side of this sheet.

The nearest next of kin may choose between, (1) return of the body to any address in the United States; (2) interment in the National Cemetery, Arlington, Va., or any other National Cemetery; or (3) body to remain in Europe.

By authority of the Quartermaster General.

CHARLES C. PIERCE,  
Lieut. Colonel, U. S. Army.

If all blank spaces below are not filled out, it will necessitate a return of this paper and a SERIOUS DELAY in the shipment of this body. State in each case WHETHER or not these relatives are STILL LIVING.

Was soldier married? *No.*

NAME OF—	NO. AND STREET.	TOWN.	STATE.
Soldier's widow ✓			
Soldier's children. (Name oldest first.)	1 ✓		
	2 ✓		
	3 ✓		
Father. <i>John Barrett (Deceased)</i>	<i>113 School St.</i>	<i>Boonton</i>	<i>N. J.</i>
Mother. <i>Catherine Barrett (Living)</i>	<i>" " "</i>	<i>" "</i>	<i>" "</i>
Brothers. (Name oldest first.)	1 <i>John J. Barrett (Living)</i>	<i>" " "</i>	<i>" "</i>
	2 ✓		
	3 ✓		
Sisters. (Name oldest first.)	1 <i>Catherine B. Barrett (Living)</i>	<i>" " "</i>	<i>" "</i>
	2 ✓		
	3 ✓		

CEMETERIAL DIVISION  
MAR 22 1921

*Walter J. Barrett*

Date *March 19-1921*

Signature *Catherine Barrett*

Address *113 School St. Boonton N.J.*

Relationship *Mother*

March 19, 1921

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

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APR 15 1921

(Name.)

Cemeterial District

(State.)

Overseas Project Section  
National Cemetery

1. As stated on first page of this sheet.
2. ~~To be returned to the U. S. and shipped to~~ \_\_\_\_\_  
(R. R. station.)
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 Catherine Barrett

**INSTRUCTIONS FOR FILLING OUT.**

1. If definite instructions for the disposition of a body are not received from the next of kin within two weeks of its arrival at New York, burial will be made without further notice in the World War Section of Arlington National Cemetery.
2. The transfer of bodies will be made ENTIRELY at Government expense.
3. This paper MUST BE SIGNED BY THE PERSON WHO IS THE NEXT of kin IN THE ORDER shown in the square on the other side of this sheet.
4. This paper must be returned showing the name and address of each of the nearest next of kin in the spaces provided therefor on the other side of this sheet.
5. If there are minor children of the deceased soldier and no widow, the LEGALLY APPOINTED GUARDIAN of the children should ascertain their wishes and act for them in this matter.
6. If YOU are not the nearest next of kin, please ask the nearest next of kin, if living near you, to fill out this paper.
7. If YOU are not the nearest living next of kin and do not know who, or where, the nearest relatives are, please fill out this paper AT ONCE and mail to this office.
8. You are requested to return this paper AT ONCE in order to avoid delay in the case of this body.
9. Use the inclosed envelope—pay no postage.

NOTE.—INSTRUCTIONS FOR THE DISPOSITION OF REMAINS will be issued by this office upon the properly executed authority of the legal next of kin in each case. The widow is the first person having disposition of the remains of her husband. Should there be no widow or children, the father and, in turn (upon his decease), the mother, is the proper authority. The brothers, in order of seniority, and then the sisters in order of seniority, if there are no brothers, rank next in authority to decide. Under an opinion rendered by the Judge Advocate General of the Army, if a widow has remarried she forfeits her right, and the next of kin as given above will make decision.

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Barrett Walter  
Unknown 158390

Name

Rank

Co.

{ Corps }  
{ Regt. }

6 Eng.

Date of Death

July 1918

Place

Cause

Date of Burial

Disinterred and reburied  
9/17/18

Grave No.

7 Amer B/A

Cemetery

Comme Cornegis (Aine)

Identified by

{ Tag  
Papers  
Clothing }

map 49 SE  
M. 256.85

List of Effects

SP#1

E. 193.0

Field Record Made by

567

Company..... Graves Registration Service

For additional data use reverse side

11 OCT 1918



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GRAVE LOCATION BLANK  
LOCATION OF THE GRAVE OF

Barrett 158390 Walter J.

Pvt. Co. "C" 6th U.S. Engineers

DATE OF BURIAL July 17, 1918.

PLACE OF BURIAL LeChanet Department  
Meaux, France

No number

HOW MARKED CROSS

IDENTIFICATION TAGS.

Was one buried with body YES

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

W. J. HEDGECOCK

Reported by W. J. Hedgcock  
Capt., Corps of Engineers.



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E 191.6  
W 256.6

EXAM. C. S. 6th Eng.

7-6309 ~~67508~~  
BARRETT Walter G. Pvt. 158390

Searcher's file no. as 158390

Killed July 15th 1918

There was only one Barrett in the company but I do not know his first name. He was killed July 16th in the woods about one mile south of Crezancy. It was about ten o'clock AM and he with some other fellows was in the trench. I had left the trench just about 10 minutes before. A high explosive shell made a direct hit and five of them were killed at one time, Barrett among them. He was buried in the same trench, and his grave was afterwards marked by a detail which was sent out ~~to~~ to tag all of the graves. Another fellow out of our company, a corporal, who knew Barrett well, promised to to to his home and see his family after he got back in the States. Barrett was a nice, quiet fellow.

Informant: Bennett Dalton Pvt. 158394  
Co C 6th Engrs  
Kerhuon Hosp. Center  
Home address: RFD #2 Williamsport. Pa.  
Mar. 5th 1919

L. H.

Enquirer: Caroline L. Bell Home and Hospital Service ARC  
Josephine Sherzer, Searcher

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June 9th, 1919.

Caroline L. Bell, A.R.C., Base Hospital #65, A.P.O. 716,  
BREST FINISTERE.  
Private Walter J. Barrett, Co. G, 6th Engineers, American E.F.

In reply to your enquiry for information concerning the above mentioned soldier, you are informed that, according to the records of this office, the remain of Private Barrett were transferred from the original place of burial and now rest in Grave #7, American Battle Area Cemetery at CONNIGIS, Department of the AISNE. The grave is marked by a regulation cross.

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

REH/gg.



NAME Barrett, Walter G.

FILE NUMBER 6309.

RANK

ORGANIZATION Co.C. 6th Engrs SERIAL NUMBER 158390.

NO.	QUESTION	REPLY
1.	Do particulars of soldier given above agree with records?	Pat. Walter G.
2.	Date of death?	7. 15. 18.
3.	Cause and place of death?	n/a.
4.	Has this been reported on Casualty Cablegram, if so, give reference.	C.P. #208.
5.	Date of burial?	9. 17. 18. (reburied) Cty. 567
6.	Grave Location:	Grave #7, Amer. B/A. Com of Amnigis, Aisne.
7.	Who reported burial?	Yes.
8.	Confirmed by G.R.S.?	CONFIRMED N° D
9.	How is grave marked?	Cross.
10.	Identification Tags: (a) Buried with body? (b) Attached to grave marker?	Yes.
11.	Emergency address:	Mrs. Catherine Barrett (Mother) 113 School St. Burlington, N.J.
12.	Has above been notified? (Give date)	

ANALYSIS OF INQUIRY

Flowers, flags, etc. (Par. #5, Bul. 10-B)	Effects (G.R.S. Form No. 7&7-A)
Monuments (Par. #6, Bul. 10-B)	Accrued Pay (G.R.S. Forms Nos. 19 & 22)
Disinterments (Par. #8, Bul. 10-B)	Liberty Bonds (G.R.S. Forms Nos. 21 & 22)
Circumstances of death (G.R.S. Form No. 6)	War Risk Insurance (G.R.S. Forms Nos. 20 & 22)
Photographs requested (File 004.5)	Disposition of Remains (a) Return to U.S. (Form 25)
Grave Location	(b) Remain in France (Form 24)
	(c) Miscellaneous (Letter)

Remarks:

AMERICAN RED CROSS

HOME COMMUNICATION SERVICE

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A. P. O. 716

BREST FINISTÈRE

FROM

Caroline L Bell, B.H. 65

TO

Graves Registration Bureau

SUBJECT

Barrett, 158,391, Walter G Co. C 6th Inf. May 31, 1919



Kindly advise location of grave of above soldier, killed July 15, 18 at Chateau Thierry, and buried in yard of chateau. Assume this grave has been permanently located by now and I desire to visit same the first week in June if possible. Kindly send this

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

December 26, 1918.

From: Chief, Graves Registration Service.  
To: Miss Caroline L. Bell, Home & Hospital Service, A.R.C., Paris.  
Subj: Photograph of grave of Pvt. Walter C. Barrett, Co. G, 5th Infrs.

Reference your request for photograph of the above mentioned soldier's grave, received through Paris, kindly note that this grave has not yet been registered at these Headquarters. Immediately the grave is located, the nearest relative will be informed and will receive a photograph in due course of time. None but the nearest relative is entitled to receive a photograph.

By direction:

CHARLES C. PIERCE  
Lieut. Colonel, A.M.C., A.E.F.

per Maurice B. Dix,  
Captain, American Red Cross  
representative assigned to  
Graves Registration Service.

MBD/VK

DEC 29 1918

File *[Signature]*



Surname BARRETT, Pvt. Number 158390

Christian name Walt G.

Regiment Co. C, 6th Engineers,

CC 208 -

Killed in action July 15th, 1918.

Enquirer - Caroline L. Bell, Home & Hosp. Service.

Request for photograph of grave.

*Handwritten in blue ink: A large scribble, possibly initials or a signature, with a green checkmark below it.*

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

File Number

From:- A. R. C. SEC.

Date: 12/17/18.

Please furnish information as indicated below regarding the following soldier

NAME BARRETT, Walter G.

NUMBER 158390

RANK Pvt.

ORGANIZATION Co. C, 6th Engrs.

No.	Question	Reply
✓ 1	Do particulars of soldier given above agree with Records?	N.B. All Proper names to be printed in PLAIN BLOCK LETTERS
✓ 2	Date of Death	(1) BARRETT, 158390 WALTER Pvt. Co C, 6th Engrs.
3	Cause and place of death	
4	Number of Casualty Cablegram	(2) 7/15/18
✓ 5	Date buried	(4) CC 208
✓ 6	Grave location (a) Complete record required (b) Name of cemetery or commine only required	(6) No Burial Inf.
7	Who reported burial?	
8	Has report been confirmed by G.R.S.	
9	Report as to grave marker	
10	Report as to identification tags	
11	Who is nearest relative?	
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.?	

