

JUN 1 - 1928

DATE 1/21/22

1. NAME BARTLESON, Sidney B. ✓  
 RANK Pvt. ✓  
 ORGANIZATION & DIVISION Co.E. 38th Inf. 3 Div ✓  
 GRAVE LOCATION Meuse Argonne American, Romagne/s/Montfaucon, Meuse. 1232, Sec. 15. ✓  
 CTY. NAME NUMBER

102 Sect. 15 2  
 GRAVE ROW PLOT

2. ORIGINAL BATTLE AREA GRAVE LOCATION 3. Isolated, Romagne, Meuse C-280  
 GRAVE COMMUNE DEPT.

COORDINATES Verdun 35 NE 284.52 N 308.55 E

CONCENTRATED TO 4/11/19 102 Sec 15 2  
 DATE GRAVE ROW PLOT

Meuse Argonne Cemetery 1232  
 CEMETERY CTY. NUMBER

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

found on body. Two tags on body, Identification card giving name

DATE OF DEATH 10/17/18 ✓  
STATE FROM WHICH HE CAME Pa ✓

data F-1. SUBSEQUENT REBURIALS MEDALS OR DECORATIONS AWARDED None  
 DATE GRAVE ROW PLOT CEMETERY

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SIGNATURE, AREA SUPERVISOR [Signature]  
M. B. BIRDSEYE  
1st Lt., Q.M. Corps, U.S. Army

3. FINAL GRAVE LOCATION 1/21/22 10 10 Block E  
 DATE GRAVE ROW PLOT

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

CEMETERY

Revised War Div.  
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 WORLD WAR DIV.

AUDITED BY  
 L.A.K. 3-17-23

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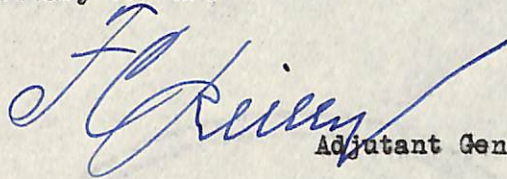
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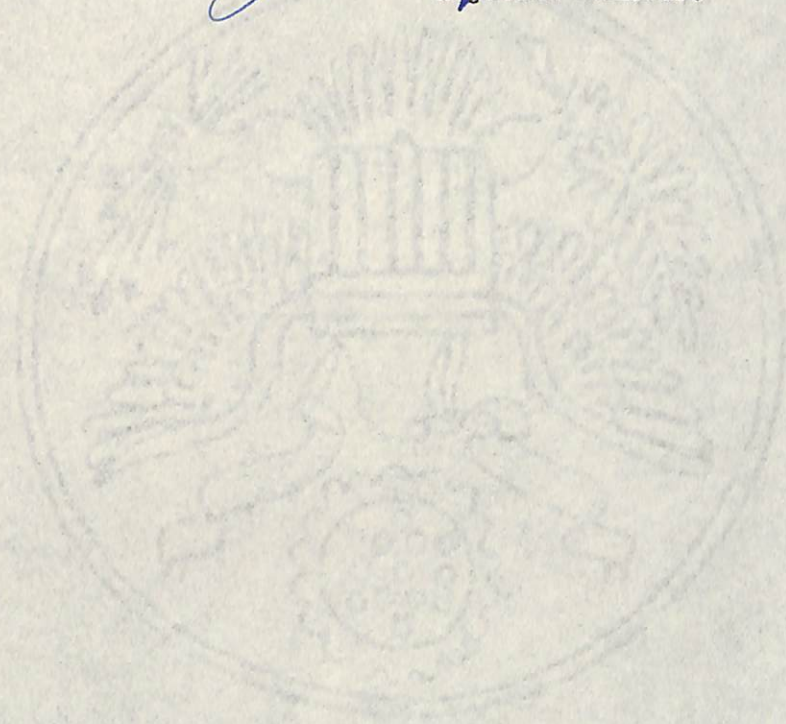
War Dept., A. G. O., April 7, 1928 - To The Quartermaster General.

The records of this office show that Sidney B. Bartelson, Army Serial Number 550,590, held the rank of private 1cl at the date of his death.

By order of the Secretary of War:



Adjutant General.



2/18/49

CODE SLIP



HEADING	SUB-HEADING	NO. OF COLS	CODE
NAME	Bartleson	3	218
	BAR		
Sidney B.	CEMETERY	1	1
BURIED	GRAVE	2	10
	ROW	2	10
	BLOCK	1	5
STATE	Pa	2	44
RANK	Priv 1/e	1	2
DIVISION	3	2	03
ORGANIZATION	38	3	038
ARM	Inf	1	1
MARTIAL	no	1	2
NAME	Bartleson	3	218
Mrs Ella	STATE	2	44
RESIDENCE	COUNTY	2	14
222 St. College Ave.	CITY	3	XXX
RELATION	mother	1	1
OTHER		1	
ELIGIBILITY	yes	1	
NATIVITY		1	
RACE		1	
ENGLISH	yes	1	1
ATTENDANT		1	
HEALTH	Bad	1	2
NO. OF SONS		1	
DATE OF TRIP	MO.	1	
	YR.	1	
ACCEPTANCE	Age	1	2
29 514/PJ.	no		64 47

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Age no

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WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-M  
Bartleson, Sidney B. (MA)

Sept. 6, 1932.

Mrs. Ella Bartleson,  
222 W. College Ave.,  
State College, Pa.

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")

*No* ✓

2. Please state your age and condition  
of health:

Age:  
Health:

3. Do you speak English?

4. What other language do you speak?

*Ella Bartleson*

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

Encl:  
Env.

WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-M

Bartleson Sidney B (MA)

July 7, 1932

Mrs Ella Bartleson  
222 W College Ave  
State College Pa

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.

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DO YOU DESIRE TO MAKE A PILGRIMAGE DURING THE YEAR 1933? \_\_\_\_\_

(Write answer here)

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

March 30 1932

222 W College Ave  
State College Pa

Dear sir

I want to thank you for your kind invitation. am sorry I must refuse I have sick spells I have to stay in bed several days at a time. hives are the trouble. although I doctor I dont receive much help.

thanks again

Ella Bartleson



Centre County

Ledney B. Bartleson  
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Bartleson, Sidney B. Pvt. 1cl (M-A) M

March 22, 1932.

Mrs. Ella Bartleson,  
222 W. College Avenue,  
State College, Pa.

Dear Madam:

Reference is made to correspondence forwarded you from this office relative to a pilgrimage to the grave of your son, the late Private first class Sidney B. Bartleson.

It is noted you previously stated your health was not good, and in this connection you are assured that should your health improve and you make a pilgrimage competent personnel to care for your comfort and needs will be provided and doctors and nurses will be available. During the past two years many mothers who were in poor health and of advanced age made the pilgrimage and appeared to have benefited by the sea air and the excellent care they received.

Should you reconsider and desire to visit the grave of your son during the coming summer, it is requested that you notify this office at the earliest practicable date. You are assured the journey will not only be made at the expense of the United States, but everything possible for your comfort and welfare will be provided.

For The Quartermaster General.

Very truly yours,

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

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WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-M  
Bartleson, Sidney B. (M-A) M

September 29, 1931. AL

Mrs. Ella Bartleson,  
222 W. College Ave.,  
State College, Pa.

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,

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

Encl:  
Env.

President Roosevelt  
7-22-31  
1232

Bartleson, Sidney B.  
Pvt. 1cl

I Decline the invitation extended  
(Accept or decline)

me to make a pilgrimage to Europe at the expense of  
the Government of the United States under the pro-  
visions of the Act of Congress approved March 2, 1929.

<sup>Mrs</sup>  
Mrs. Ella Bartleson

*Ella Bartleson*

(Name)

222 W. College Ave., State College, Center Co., Pa.

(Town or City)

(State)

WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

QM 293 A-M

IN REPLY REFER TO \_\_\_\_\_

Bartleson, Sidney B 1232 M PFC

October 20, 1930.

Mrs. Ella Bartleson,  
222 W. College Ave.,  
State College, Pa.

Dear Madam:

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

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

1. Do you desire to make this pilgrimage?	<i>I do</i>
2. Do you desire to make the pilgrimage in the calendar year 1931?	<i>Yes</i>
3. Please give your age and state your health.	Age <i>62</i> Condition of health <i>not good</i>
4. Do you speak English?	<i>Yes</i>
5. What other language do you speak?	<i>no other</i>

*I will not be able to make the trip unless my health improves*

For The Quartermaster General:

Very truly yours,

*A. D. HUGHES*  
A. D. HUGHES,  
Captain, G. M. Corps,  
Assistant

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WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

Bartleson, Sidney B. 1232-M

May 28, 1930.

Mrs. Ella Bartleson,  
222 W. College Ave.,  
State College, Pa.

*Centre Co.*

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.

*encl. list -  
See let. Oct. 20-30*



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

No  
(Write answer here)

*Mrs Ella Bartleson*  
(Sign here)

WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM-293-AM

July 22, 1931.

Bartleson, Sidney B. PFC (M-A) M\*

Mrs. Ella Bartleson,  
222 W. College Ave.,  
State College, Pa.

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

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Sign here

QM 293 A-C

Bartleson, Sidney B. 1232-M

May 2, 1930

Mrs. Ella Bartleson,  
222 West College Avenue,  
State College, Pa.

Dear Madam:

Receipt is acknowledged of your letter of April 15, 1930, advising this office that you are not able to make the pilgrimage to visit the grave of your son, the late Private Sidney B. Bartleson, under the provisions of the Act of March 2, 1929.

Your name has been placed upon the list of mothers and widows who are eligible to make the journey in 1931, and you will be communicated with when the pilgrimages are being arranged for that year.

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

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292 Bartleson, Sidney B.

222 West College Pa



April 13 1930

Center Co

Dear sir

I hope you will pardon me for not answering sooner. I have so little time to write. I do not think it possible for me to go this year. as my sister is in very poor health. so if there is a chance another year. I may be able to go.

Very truly yours

Ella Bartleson

ASSISTANT & CHIEF CLERK  
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QM 293 A-C  
Bartleson, Sidney B. 1232 M

March 25, 1930.

Mrs. Ella Bartleson,  
222 West College Ave.,  
State College, Pa.

Dear Madam:

Reference is made to the questionnaire concerning the pilgrimage to the European cemeteries which you returned to this office under date of October 22, 1929, on which you stated that you did not desire to make the pilgrimage.

Inasmuch as a recent communication received from Mr. W. B. Swartz, Liaison Officer of the American Legion, State College, Pa., indicates that you are contemplating making the journey, it is requested that you advise this office at an early date as to whether it is your wish to make the journey during the present year. An early reply will be appreciated in order that arrangements may be made to reserve accommodations for you.

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

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vessel upon which reservation has been made for her. This office has no information relative to the cost thereof.

For The Quartermaster General.

Very truly yours,

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

BB:LG

QM 293 A-C  
Bartleson, Sidney B.-1232 M

March 18, 1930

Mr. W. B. Swartz,  
Liaison Officer,  
Nittany Post No. 245,  
State College, Pa.

Dear Sir:

Receipt is acknowledged of your letter of March 13, inquiring as to the cost of the pilgrimage to persons desiring to accompany a mother or widow eligible under the law to make this pilgrimage at the expense of the Government.

The Act of March 2, 1929, which authorizes the pilgrimages contains the stipulation that "no mother or widow shall be entitled by reason of any payment made by or for her, to be furnished by the Government with transportation, accommodations, meals and other necessities pertaining thereto different in kind from those prescribed by the Secretary of War for the pilgrimage of the particular group". To carry out this mandate of Congress, reservations have been made on commercial liners and in hotels in Europe and these reservations take most of the cabin class accommodations aboard steamships and practically all available space in the hotels in Europe outside of Paris. Motor busses to transport the women who make the pilgrimage from Paris to the cemeteries and return have been arranged for. In view of the limited accommodations which are available, it is impracticable to accommodate relatives or friends who desire to accompany women making the pilgrimage in the same cabins aboard ship or in the same hotels outside of Paris, since the reservations already made will be required for the use of the women who are authorized to make the pilgrimage.

It is, of course, possible for Miss Bartleson to make arrangements to accompany her mother on the steamship to Europe. If this is desired, the matter should be taken up with the United States Lines when Mrs. Bartleson is notified of the

QM 293 A-C

Bartleson, Sidney B.



NITTANY POST NO. 245  
STATE COLLEGE, PA.

March 13, 1930.

War Department,  
Office of the Quartermaster General,  
Washington, D.C.

(Cemeterial Division)

Attention Capt. A.D. Hughes., Q.M.G.

Gentlemen:-

Acknowledge receipt of your letter under  
date of February 12, 1930.

Due to the fact that ~~a~~ personal attendants  
are to pay their own expenses on the pilgrimage trip  
to France. I would be pleased to know the actual cost,  
in order that Miss Edith Bartleson could accompany  
her Mother on this trip.

Hoping to receive the above information  
at your earliest convenience and oblige.

Yours very truly,



*W. B. Swartz*  
W. B. Swartz,  
Liaison Officer.

QM 293 A-C  
Bartleson, Sidney B.

February 12, 1930

Mr. W. B. Swartz,  
% Wittenburg Post #245, A. L.,  
State College, Pa.

Dear Sir:

Receipt is acknowledged of your letter of February 7, 1930, inquiring as to whether or not the daughter of Mrs. Ella Bartleson could accompany her mother on the pilgrimage to the grave of the late Private Sidney B. Bartleson in the Meuse Argonne American Cemetery in France.

In formulating plans for providing properly qualified personnel to care for the comfort and needs of the groups of mothers and widows making the pilgrimage, every consideration was given the question of employing civilians for this duty, but, after considering all phases of the question, it was finally decided that an officer of the Regular Army should be in charge of each group and charged with this responsibility.

There is no authority of law which would permit any mother or widow to be allowed a personal attendant at the expense of the Government. In the event relatives or friends desire to accompany the mothers and widows making the pilgrimage, the journey would have to be paid at their own expense.

The records of this office indicate that Mrs. Bartleson completed a questionnaire dated October 7, 1929, stating she did not wish to make this pilgrimage. In the event she now desires to make the journey and wishes to go in 1930, she should communicate with this office immediately in order that arrangements may be made for her.

I shall be pleased to furnish any additional information you may desire relative to the pilgrimage.

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

QM 293 A-  
Bartleson, Sidney B.



NITTANY POST NO. 245  
STATE COLLEGE, PA.

February 7, 1930.

War Department,  
Office of the Quartermaster General,  
Washington, D.C.

(Cemeterial Division)

Gentlemen:-

On June 29, 1929 an invitation was extended to Mrs. Ella Bartleson, Ariel, Pennsylvania, the Mother of the above named soldier, to visit his grave in France. Due to age and physical condition of Mrs. Bartleson and as the ( 70 Congress No.952-S-5332, Sec. 2 (d) ) states an attendant may be furnished. Therefore we are asking that her Daughter, Miss Edith Bartleson be authorized by the War Department to accompany her on her visit to France.

The Bartleson family no longer live at Ariel, Pennsylvania, but have moved to State College, Pennsylvania.

Hoping this can be arraigned for and oblige.

Yours very truly,

W. B. Swartz,  
Liaison Officer.



WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

October 7 , 1929.

Bartleson, Sidney B. 1232 M

*Card furnished 1931*

Mrs. Ella Bartleson,  
222 West College Ave.,  
State College, Pa.

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 not later than December 15, 1929. 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 <i>61</i> Health <i>Middling</i>	(Years) (Good) (Poor)
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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WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

Bartleson, Sidney B.  
1232

September 4, 1929.

Mrs. Ella Bartleson,  
Ariel, Pa.

Dear Madam:

The records of this office do not indicate that a reply has been received to our communication dated June 29, 1929 making inquiry concerning the name and address of the mother and widow of the deceased service man above named. These addresses are desired with a view to ascertaining the number of mothers and widows who desire to make a pilgrimage to the cemeteries of Europe in which the remains of their sons and husbands are interred.

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

Write answers in space below

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

*Sidney never married*

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.

*Mother*

*Ella Bartleson*  
*222 W College ave*  
*State College, Pa*

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

*I can not go*  
*Thanks*

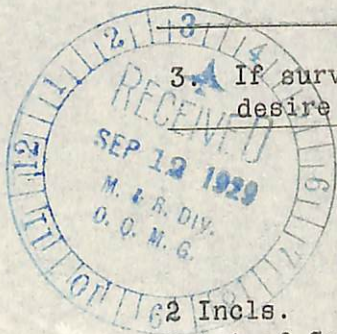
For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

*John Harris*

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

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WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C  
Bartleson, Sidney B.

June 29 1929.

Mrs. Ella Bartleson,  
Ariel, Pa.

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 Sidney B. Bartleson, Co. E, 38th Inf., whose remains are now interred in the Meuse-Argonne American Cemetery, Romagne-sous-Montfaucon, Meuse, France.

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

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

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

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-M

Sept. 6, 1932.

Bartleson, Sidney B. (MA)

Mrs. Ella Bartleson,  
222 W. College Ave.,  
State College, Pa.

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

NOTE CAREFULLY, THIS IS THE LAST CHANCE WHICH YOU WILL HAVE TO MAKE THE  
PILGRIMAGE, AND THERE IS NO PROVISION OF LAW FOR A MONEY ALLOWANCE INSTEAD.

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

Encl:  
Env.

WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-M

Bartleson Sidney B (MA)

July 7, 1932

Mrs Ella Bartleson  
222 W College Ave  
State College Pa

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) \_\_\_\_\_

QM 293 A-M  
Bartleson, Sidney B. Pvt. 1cl (M-A) M

March 22, 1932.

Mrs. Ella Bartleson,  
222 W. College Avenue,  
State College, Pa.

Dear Madam:

Reference is made to correspondence forwarded you from this office relative to a pilgrimage to the grave of your son, the late Private first class Sidney B. Bartleson.

It is noted you previously stated your health was not good, and in this connection you are assured that should your health improve and you make a pilgrimage competent personnel to care for your comfort and needs will be provided and doctors and nurses will be available. During the past two years many mothers who were in poor health and of advanced age made the pilgrimage and appeared to have benefited by the sea air and the excellent care they received.

Should you reconsider and desire to visit the grave of your son during the coming summer, it is requested that you notify this office at the earliest practicable date. You are assured the journey will not only be made at the expense of the United States, but everything possible for your comfort and welfare will be provided.

For The Quartermaster General.

Very truly yours,

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

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WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

July 22, 1931.

IN REPLY REFER TO QM-293-AM  
Bartleson, Sidney B. PFC (M-A) M\*

Mrs. Ella Bartleson,  
222 W. College Ave.,  
State College, Pa.

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

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WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-M  
Bartleson, Sidney B. (M-A) M

September 29, 1931. AL

Mrs. Ella Bartleson,  
222 W. College Ave.,  
State College, Pa.

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,

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

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QM 295 A-M

October 20, 1930.

Bartleson, Sidney B 1232 M PFC

Mrs. Ella Bartleson,  
222 W. College Ave.,  
State College, Pa.

Dear Madam:

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

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

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

For The Quartermaster General:

Very truly yours,

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

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QM 293 A-C

Bartleson, Sidney B. 1232-M

May 2, 1930

Mrs. Ella Bartleson,  
222 West College Avenue,  
State College, Pa.

Dear Madam:

Receipt is acknowledged of your letter of April 15, 1930, advising this office that you are not able to make the pilgrimage to visit the grave of your son, the late Private Sidney B. Bartleson, under the provisions of the Act of March 2, 1929.

Your name has been placed upon the list of mothers and widows who are eligible to make the journey in 1931, and you will be communicated with when the pilgrimages are being arranged for that year.

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

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*Mr. C. M. Div.*

WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

Bartleson, Sidney B. 1252-M

May 28, 1930.

Mrs. Ella Bartleson,  
222 W. College Ave.,  
State College, Pa.

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? \_\_\_\_\_  
(Write answer here)

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

QM 293 A-G  
Bartleson, Sidney B. 1232 M

March 25, 1930.

Mrs. Ella Bartleson,  
222 West College Ave.,  
State College, Pa.

Dear Madam:

*Am Carl Dev.*

Reference is made to the questionnaire concerning the pilgrimage to the European cemeteries which you returned to this office under date of October 22, 1929, on which you stated that you did not desire to make the pilgrimage.

Inasmuch as a recent communication received from Mr. W. B. Swartz, Liaison Officer of the American Legion, State College, Pa., indicates that you are contemplating making the journey, it is requested that you advise this office at an early date as to whether it is your wish to make the journey during the present year. An early reply will be appreciated in order that arrangements may be made to reserve accommodations for you.

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

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QM 293 A-C  
Bartleson, Sidney B. -1232

March 22, 1930.

Mr. W. B. Swartz, Liaison Officer,  
Nittany Post No. 245,  
State College, Pa.

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to office letter of the 18th instant in connection with the wishes of Mrs. Ella Bartleson with respect to making the pilgrimage to her son's grave in Europe.

It is noted that information has been furnished by Mrs. Bartleson to the effect that she does not wish to make the pilgrimage, and it is assumed from your letter that she has changed her wishes in this respect. In order that arrangements may be made to include her on the list of eligible mothers and widows making the pilgrimage during the current year, it will be necessary for her to advise this office at an early date if she is desirous of making the trip.

Any assistance that your office can render in this matter will be appreciated.

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

*Not Considered.*

W. B. SWARTZ  
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QM 293 A-C  
Bartleson, Sidney B.-1232 M

March 18, 1930

Mr. W. B. Swartz,  
Liaison Officer,  
Nittany Post No. 245,  
State College, Pa.

Dear Sir:

Receipt is acknowledged of your letter of March 13, inquiring as to the cost of the pilgrimage to persons desiring to accompany a mother or widow eligible under the law to make this pilgrimage at the expense of the Government.

The Act of March 2, 1929, which authorizes the pilgrimages contains the stipulation that "no mother or widow shall be entitled by reason of any payment made by or for her, to be furnished by the Government with transportation, accommodations, meals and other necessities pertaining thereto different in kind from those prescribed by the Secretary of War for the pilgrimage of the particular group". To carry out this mandate of Congress, reservations have been made on commercial liners and in hotels in Europe and these reservations take most of the cabin class accommodations aboard steamships and practically all available space in the hotels in Europe outside of Paris. Motor busses to transport the women who make the pilgrimage from Paris to the cemeteries and return have been arranged for. In view of the limited accommodations which are available, it is impracticable to accommodate relatives or friends who desire to accompany women making the pilgrimage in the same cabins aboard ship or in the same hotels outside of Paris, since the reservations already made will be required for the use of the women who are authorized to make the pilgrimage.

It is, of course, possible for Miss Bartleson to make arrangements to accompany her mother on the steamship to Europe. If this is desired, the matter should be taken up with the United States Lines when Mrs. Bartleson is notified of the

vessel upon which reservation has been made for her. This office has no information relative to the cost thereof.

For The Quartermaster General.

Very truly yours,

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

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QM 293 A-C  
Bartleson, Sidney B.

February 12, 1930

Mr. W. B. Swartz,  
% Nittany Post #245, A. L.,  
State College, Pa.

Dear Sir:

Receipt is acknowledged of your letter of February 7, 1930, inquiring as to whether or not the daughter of Mrs. Ella Bartleson could accompany her mother on the pilgrimage to the grave of the late Private Sidney B. Bartleson in the Meuse Argonne American Cemetery in France. *7 Mrs. Swartz*

In formulating plans for providing properly qualified personnel to care for the comfort and needs of the groups of mothers and widows making the pilgrimage, every consideration was given the question of employing civilians for this duty, but, after considering all phases of the question, it was finally decided that an officer of the Regular Army should be in charge of each group and charged with this responsibility.

There is no authority of law which would permit any mother or widow to be allowed a personal attendant at the expense of the Government. In the event relatives or friends desire to accompany the mothers and widows making the pilgrimage, the journey would have to be paid at their own expense.

The records of this office indicate that Mrs. Bartleson completed a questionnaire dated October 7, 1929, stating she did not wish to make this pilgrimage. In the event she now desires to make the journey and wishes to go in 1930, she should communicate with this office immediately in order that arrangements may be made for her.

I shall be pleased to furnish any additional information you may desire relative to the pilgrimage.

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

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WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

October 7 , 1929.

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

**Bartleson, Sidney B. 1232 M**

**Mrs. Ella Bartleson,  
222 West College Ave.,  
State College, Pa.**

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 not later than December 15, 1929. 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.

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WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

Bartleson, Sidney B.  
1232

September 4, 1929.

Mrs. Ella Bartleson,  
Ariel, Pa.

Dear Madam:

The records of this office do not indicate that a reply has been received to our communication dated <sup>June 29, 1929</sup> making inquiry concerning the name and address of the mother and widow of the deceased service man above named. These addresses are desired with a view to ascertaining the number of mothers and widows who desire to make a pilgrimage to the cemeteries of Europe in which the remains of their sons and husbands are interred.

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

Write answers in space below

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

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

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

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C  
Bartleson, Sidney B.

June 29 1929.

Mrs. Ella Bartleson,  
Ariel, Pa.

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 Sidney B. Bartleson, Co. E, 38th Inf., whose remains are now interred in the Meuse-Argonne American Cemetery, Romagne-sous-Montfaucon, Meuse, France.

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

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

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

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

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In reply refer to:  
293 C-R

June 6, 1923.

Mrs. Ella Bartleson,  
Ariel,  
Pa.

Dear Madam:

The Quartermaster General desires that you be informed that  
~~Private Henry B. Bartleson, Company E, 38th~~  
the permanent grave of  
~~Infantry, is~~ Grave 10, Row 10, Block E, Meuse-Argonne American Cemetery,  
Romagne-sous-Montfaucon (Meuse), France.

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

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

Very truly yours,

H. J. Conner,  
Assistant.

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# REPORT OF DISINTERMENT AND REBURIAL

1. REMAINS OF BARTLESON, Sidney B. SERIAL NUMBER 550590  
 RANK Pvt. ORGANIZATION Co. E. 38th Inf.

2. Disinterred (date): Jan 19, 1922 From (give complete location):  
gr 102 sec 15, plot 2. Cty. 1232.

By: Group 6 Unit sec 1

3. Reburied (date): January 21 1922 In (give complete location):  
Meuse Argonne Cemetery #1232 Grave 10 Block "E" Row 10

By: Group reburial 3 Unit  Nature of reburial unlined casket

4. Report as to nature of original burial and condition of body upon disinterment:  
wooden box and burlap and U.S. uniform. body decomposed, unrecognizable.

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

(b) Other means of identification found upon disinterment, and general remarks:  
tag on body inscribed S idney B. Bartleson 550590 Identification card with full name and body.

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

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

(b) Weight (estimated) do

(c) Hair—Color do

Quantity do

Characteristics do

(d) Hair on face—Color do

Location do

Quantity do

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

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

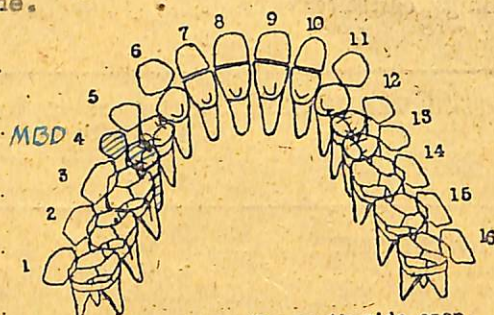
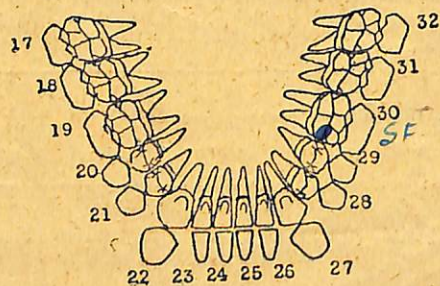


Diagram represents the mouth wide open.



7. Disinterment supervised by E. E. G. Oodrich

Approved: Geo. B. Bland  
 (Title) 1st Lt. Q.M.C.

8. Reburial supervised by A. U. Dufault

Approved: James W. Younger  
 (Title) Captain, Q.M.C.

To be prepared in triplicate.

DATE Jan 19, 1922.

REPORT OF DISINTERMENT, PREPARATION, SHIPMENT AND REBURIAL OF BODY

DISINTERMENT

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COMPARATIVE REPORT

Records of G.R.S. Headquarters.

Discrepancy found upon exhumation of body

- 1. Name BARTLESON, Sidney B.
- 2. No. 550590
- 3. Rank Pvt.
- 4. Org. Co.E. 38th Inf.
- 5. D.D. 10-12
- 6. C.D. KIA

- 10. Name \_\_\_\_\_
- 11. No. \_\_\_\_\_
- 12. Rank \_\_\_\_\_
- 13. Org. \_\_\_\_\_
- 14. (a) D.D. \_\_\_\_\_
- (b) D.B. none.

Discrepancy found upon disinterment

- 7. Grave No. 102 Sec. 15
- 8. Plot 2 Row \_\_\_\_\_
- 9. \_\_\_\_\_

- 15. Grave No. \_\_\_\_\_ Sec. \_\_\_\_\_
- 16. Plot \_\_\_\_\_ Row \_\_\_\_\_
- 17. none

- 18. Cemetery Musee Argonne American.
- 20. Dept. or County Meuse.
- 22. G.R.S. Hdqrs. Code No. 1232, Sec. 15

- 19. Commune or town Romagne/s/Montfaucon
- 21. Country France.

23. Disinterred (Date) Jan 19, 1922

By E.E. Goodrich.

24. Inscription on grave marker:

Name Sidney B. Bartleson.

Rank Pvt.

Serial No. 550590

Organization Co. E. 38th Inf.

25. Was identification disc found on grave marker? no On body? yes.

E.J. Rasch.  
 Signature Junior Technical Assistant  
E.J. Rasch.

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).

identification card with full name on body.

27. Condition of body body decomposed, unrecognizable.

28. Nature of burial wooden box and burlap and U.S. uniform.

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

30. Body prepared and placed in casket: Date Jan 19, 1922 By E.E. Goodrich.

31. Casket sealed by E.E. Goodrich.

Signature of Embalmer, (Supervisor E.E. Goodrich.)

ADDITEL

SHIPMENT. (Show actual marking of box.)

Box No.

C-21375.



32. Designation of body:

Name Sidney B. BARTLESON.

Serial No. 550590

Rank Pvt.

Organization Co. E. 38th Inf.

33. Consigned to:

Name of Permanent Cemetery Meuse Argonne American, 1232, Romagne/s/Montfaucon, Meuse.

34. Casket boxed and marked (Date) Jan 19, 1922

By E.E. Goodrich.

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

*Geo. C. Bland*  
Geo. C. Bland 1st Lt. Q.M.C.

36. Remarks

none.

37. Shipped from point of Operation: (Date) Jan 19, 1922.

To point of Concentration Romagne Morgue.

Convoyer W.J. Royed. (Name)

Signature Shipping Officer *G.F. Spann*  
G.F. Spann, Capt. Q.M.C.

38. Received at Railhead or Point of Concentration: Date

By G.R.S. Representative

39. Shipped from Railhead or Point of Concentration: Date

To Permanent Cemetery

Convoyer (Name)

Signature Shipping Officer

40. Received: Date

G.R.S. Representative

41. Reinterred Meuse Argonne Cemetery #1232 January 21 1922  
(Date)

42. Grave No. 10 Section

BLOCK

43. Plot F Row 10

G.R.S. Representative

*James W. Younger*  
James W. Younger,  
Captain, Q.M.C.

Co. E. 38th. Inf.  
3rd. Division.

BARTLESON, Sidney B.- Pvt.550590

Last time we went over the top in the battle of the Argonne in October 1918, I was in a hole about 10 feet away from him, I saw him lying there dead. He was killed by a M. G. Bullet and was probably instantly killed.

Informant: Burg, Charles A.- Cpl.8395467  
Co. E. 38th. Inf.

Home : Rome N. Y.

Signed : Charles A. Burg.

EB.

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*12/6/27*

Date 6, MAY 1919.REPORT OF DISINTERMENT AND REBURIAL.

Remains of:

Name: BARTLESON, Sidney B.Number: 550590Rank: ~~Unkn.~~ Prof.Organization: ~~Unkn.~~ CO E, 38<sup>th</sup> Inf.

Disinterment and Reburial made by Group

Unit

Disinterred (Date)

From: (Give complete location)

11, April 1919.ISOLATED GRAVE, ROMAGNE, MEUSE.Map 35 NE E 308.55 N 284.52

Reburied (Date)

in: (Give complete location)

11, April 1919.Grave# 102, Sec. 15, Plot 2.AMER. B/ A CEMETERY 1232, ROMAGNE, MEUSE.Map 35 NE E 308.16 N 284.87

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

Body buried in uniform, body badly decomposed.Was one identification tag found upon the body? YesWhat other means of identification were found on the body? None

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: Lieut. Stirn.R. H. ROSENTHAL2nd Lieut. O. M. C. U. S. A.C.O. Group            Unit

**GIVE LOCATION BLANK**

LOCATION OF THE GRAVE OF

**BARTLESON 550590 Sidney B.**

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

**Pvt. Co. "E", 38th Infantry**

(Rank). (Organization).

PLACE OF DEATH: **Field near Romange, France**

CAUSE OF DEATH: **M.G. Bullet**

DATE OF BURIAL: **13 Oct/19**

PLACE OF BURIAL: **Field near Romange, France**

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

GRAVE NUMBER: **Unknown**

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

Headboard?..... Bottle?

IDENTIFICATION TAGS:

Was one buried with body?.....

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

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

*Romagne-sous-Montfaucon*

NEAREST RELATIVE: **280 / 3576, unknown**

ADDRESS:

RELATIONSHIP: **J.B. Conkling**

REPORTED BY: **Captain, 38th Infantry.**

(Signature and Rank of Reporting Officer).

3/24/21

Mr. Wilson:

Bartleson, Sidney B.

550590 Private

Co. E. 38th Inf.

Ed:

Mrs. Ella Bartleson

(Mother)

Ariel, Pa.

Make adjustment

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Adjustment Made B

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Bartleson (Surname.) Sydney B. (Christian name in full.) 550,590 (Army serial number.)

Pvt (Rank and organization.) Co E 38 Inf

State your relationship to the deceased Mother

Do you desire the remains brought to the United States? no (Yes or no.)

If remains are brought to the United States, do you wish them interred in a national cemetery? } (Yes or no.)

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

(Name of person to receive remains.) (Express office.) (Telegraph office.)

(Number and street.) (City or town.) (State.)

(Sign here) Ella Bartleson

(Number and street or rural route.) (City, town, or post office.) (State.)

Read carefully the letter accompanying this card.

Drawn by H R  
1232 Dec 15-5  
3-28-21

Check on  
3-28-21

41711



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Sec. 15 case no 5

*AT*

G.R.S. FORM NO. 12

GENERAL HEADQUARTERS  
AMERICAN EXPEDITIONARY FORCES  
ADJUTANT GENERAL'S OFFICE

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FROM : ADJUTANT GENERAL.

TO : C.O., Co. "E", 38th Infantry

SUBJECT : Information for burial Register.

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

By Command of General Porshing:

Robert C. Davis  
Adjutant General.

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Note:



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

Nearest relative of deceased:

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Relationship: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_





Location Index

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..... Discrepancies .....

Name .....

Rank .....

Serial No. ....

Org. ....

Remarks

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A:G.O. Card & Corr. ....

..... Discrepancies .....

Name .....

Rank .....

Serial No. ....

Org. ....

Remarks

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G. R. S. Corr. ....

..... Discrepancies .....

Name .....

Rank .....

Serial No. ....

Org. ....

Remarks

*OK no new sent 3/29/21 D*

Checkers .....

..... Discrepancies .....

Name .....

Rank .....

Serial No. ....

Org. ....

Remarks

*checked 3/28/21*

# COMPILATION OF DISPOSITION OF REMAINS DATA

I. LOCATION INDEX CARD:

File 41711

(a) Name BARTLESON, Sidney B. Ser. No. 550590 } TYP. B  
 (b) Rank Pvt. Organization Co. E, 38th Inf. } 30  
 (c) Date of death 10-12-18 (d) Cause of death K/A

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

(a) Grave No. 102 Row - Plot 2 Sec. 15 TYP. B  
el. 3-29-21  
 (b) Emerg. Address Mrs. Ella Bartleson (mother) Arlis, Pa.

III. Files of soldiers dying from contagious diseases

CKR. 30

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

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V. Following advice forwarded to Europe by { cable on ....., 192  
Section # 15 { letter of transmittal on 4/6/21, 192

par # 2 - Not to be returned - AD

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VII. SUPPLEMENTARY REQUESTS.

Date of and source.	Relationship and name.	Desires.	Action taken.
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COUNTRY \_\_\_\_\_ CEMETERY No. \_\_\_\_\_ SHEET No. \_\_\_\_\_