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To The A. G. O.

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G.R.S. Form #114-B

sol. by both Reuben + Reuben Jr.

OCT 5 - 1926

FULL NAME ... BASKIN, Reuben

RANK ... Pvt. SERIAL ... 1593992

DIVISION & ORGANIZATION ... Co. B. 47th Inf. 4 Div

DATE OF DEATH ... 9-27-18

STATE FROM WHICH HE CAME ... Mississippi

MEDALS OR DECORATIONS AWARDED ... none

FINAL GRAVE LOCATION. 10-22-21 Date 3 Grave 2 Row H Block

1232 - Meuse-Argonne Cemetery

Rec'd World War Div. OCT 11 1927

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3 A.G.O. OCT 5 1926 WORLD WAR DIV.

23/306/ARK

Co. B. 47th Inf.,
4th Div.

BASKIN, Reuben,- Pvt. I593992.

Killed in action Sept. 26/18. near Bois de Brioulles, France.
Buried by Chaplain J.R. ANSHUTZ, at Stippolytes Quarry.
Killed by artillery fire in Septsarges wood; he died instantly.

Informant: RIEGEL, William.- Cpl. 557744.
Co. B. 47th Inf.,
Home : 1081 Wyandotte, So. Bethlehem.

Signed: Benj. C. BYRD,
2nd Lt; 47th Inf.

I.C.

REPORT OF DISINTERMENT AND REBURIAL.

Remains of:

Name Baskin, Reubin F.

Number: 1593992

Rank Unkn

Organization: Unkn

Disinterment and Reburial made by Group _____ Unit _____

Disinterred (Date)

From: (Give complete location)

21st, June 1919.

Isolated Grave

BRIEULLES sur MEUSE.

35 NE 313.55 E 282.1 N

Reburied (Date)

in: (Give complete location)

21st, June 1919.

Grave #165 Sec #105 Plot #4

ARGONNE AMERICAN CEMETERY No. 1232.

ROMAGNE, MEUSE

1232

Report as to nature of original burial and condition of body upon disinterment:
Burial good. Buried in uniform; body decomposed.

Was one identification tag found upon the body? NO

What other means of identification were found upon the body? None

12230

Note:

CONFIRMED No. D.....

If upon disinterment, effects are found upon the bodies, they will be promptly sent to the Effects Depot direct, as is required by C.O. 170, G.H.O. 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 Lt. Bushnell

R. H. ROSENTHAL
2nd Lieut. Q M C U S A

C.O. Group _____ Unit _____

WAR DEPARTMENT

THE ADJUTANT GENERAL'S OFFICE

FVV-1g-1-217

IN REPLY
REFER TO

WASHINGTON

AG 201 Baskin, Reuben F. (WW)

SUBJECT: Date of death

November 3, 1927

To: The Quartermaster General,

Washington, D. C.

An investigation recently completed by this office in the case of Reuben F. Baskin, Army serial number 1,593,992, Private, Company B, 47th Infantry, who was reported to have been killed in action September 28, 1918, shows that the report is erroneous and that this soldier was killed in action September 27, 1918.

By order of the Secretary of War:



Adjutant General.

W. V. Chickering

*0. Q. M. G.
243 Baskin, Reuben F.*

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file
11-4-27*

CODE SLIP



HEADING	SUB-HEADING	NO. OF COLS	CODE
NAME <i>Baskin,</i>	<i>BAS</i>	3	<i>219</i>
<i>Reuben</i>	CEMETERY <i>1232</i>	1	<i>1</i>
BURIED	GRAVE <i>3</i>	2	<i>03</i>
	ROW <i>2</i>	2	<i>02</i>
	BLOCK <i>4</i>	1	<i>8</i>
STATE	<i>Mississippi</i>	2	<i>28</i>
RANK	<i>Priv</i>	1	<i>2</i>
DIVISION	<i>4</i>	2	<i>04</i>
ORGANIZATION	<i>47</i>	3	<i>047</i>
ARM	<i>Inf</i>	1	<i>1</i>
MARTIAL	<i>no</i>	1	<i>2</i>
NAME <i>Baskin,</i>	<i>BAS</i>	3	<i>219</i>
<i>Mrs. Ella J</i>	STATE <i>Miss</i>	2	<i>28</i>
RESIDENCE	COUNTY <i>Leflore</i>	2	<i>42</i>
	CITY <i>Greenwood</i>	3	<i>013</i>
RELATION	<i>Mother</i>	1	<i>1</i>
OTHER		1	
ELIGIBILITY	<i>yes</i>	1	<i>1</i>
NATIVITY		1	
RACE		1	
ENGLISH	<i>yes</i>	1	
ATTENDANT		1	
HEALTH	<i>bad</i>	1	<i>2</i>
NO. OF SONS		1	
DATE OF TRIP	MO.	1	
	YR.	1	
ACCEPTANCE	<i>no</i>	1	<i>2</i>
29/514/PJ	<i>age</i>		<i>76</i>

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QM 293 A-M
Baskin, Reuben (MA)

August 6, 1932.

Mrs. Ella G. Baskin,
710 W. Church Street,
Greenwood, Miss.

Dear Madam:

Receipt is acknowledged of your reply to office letter of July 7, 1932 stating that you are unable to take advantage of the offer of the Government at this time. However, it is hoped that your condition will improve, and that you will be able to visit the grave of your son before the conclusion of the pilgrimage in 1933.

In the event your health improves and you feel able to make the pilgrimage at a later date, it is requested that you notify this office, and arrangements will be made for you. Properly qualified personnel will be provided to care for the comfort and needs of the women making the pilgrimage, and doctors and nurses will be available. During the past three years many women who were in poor health made the trip and appeared to have benefited by the sea air and the excellent care they received. Should you make the pilgrimage you are assured that everything possible will be done for your comfort and welfare.

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

CHAS. W. DIETZ,
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

Baskin Reuben (MA)

July 7, 1932

Mrs Ella G Baskin
710 W Church St
Greenwood Miss

Dear Madam:

The Act of Congress of March 2, 1929, as amended May 15, 1930, authorizes pilgrimages to the cemeteries of Europe during the years 1930, 1931, 1932 and 1933 for the mothers and widows of deceased members of the American forces who were lost or buried at sea or whose remains are interred in Europe.

Your attention is particularly invited to the fact that this is the last opportunity you will have to make the pilgrimage under the provisions of the above mentioned Act. Unless you take advantage of this LAST chance to make a trip in 1933 you will receive no benefit from the Act. There is no provision of law which will permit the Government to make a money allowance to any mother or widow who does not choose to make the pilgrimage.

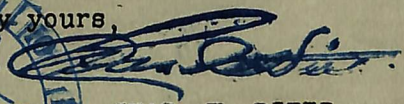
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In order to assure proper and satisfactory accommodations for the mothers and widows making the journey in 1933, reservations for steamship transportation must be made by this office several months in advance. It is requested that you answer the questions 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.

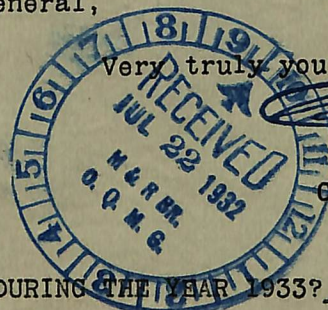
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DO YOU DESIRE TO MAKE A PILGRIMAGE DURING THE YEAR 1933?

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(Write answer here)

(Sign here)

Mrs. Ella G. Baskin



WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM-293-AM

Baskin, Reuben (M-A) M

September 5, 1931

Mrs. Ella G. Baskin,
710 W. Church St.,
Greenwood, Miss.

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 several months in advance. 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 or 1931.

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

DO YOU DESIRE TO MAKE A PILGRIMAGE DURING THE YEAR 1932?

no
Write answer here

Ella G. Baskin
Sign here

Encl:
Env.

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

DATE July 9, 1931

NAME	RANK	SERIAL	ORGANIZATION	DATE OF DEATH
Baskin, Reuben	Pvt.	1593992	/Col B, 4th Inf.	9-27-18

STATE	CTY. NO.	GRAVE	ROW	BLOCK
Miss.	1232	3	2	H

	<u>Check relationship</u>	<u>Living - Deceased</u>	
	MOTHER	: ✓ :	
	STEMOTHER (For the year prior to commencement of service)	: : :	
NAME	MOTHER THRU ADOPTION	: : :	
AND	(For the year prior to commencement of service)	: : :	
ADDRESS	MOTHER IN LOCO PARENTIS (For the year prior to commencement of service)	: : :	<i>mv</i>
	WIDOW (Who has not remarried)	: : :	<i>Ella G. Baskin</i>
		: : :	<i>710 W. Church St.</i>
		: : :	<i>Greenwood</i>
		: : :	<i>Miss</i>
		: : :	

Singleman
Veterans Bureau Claim Number XC. 106-092
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WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-M
Baskin, Reuben Pvt. (M-A) M

June 11, 1931.

Out, Co. B. 4th Inf. 9-27-18

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Mrs. Ella ~~Z.~~ Baskin, 1593992

~~P. O. Box 168,~~
~~Shaw, Miss.~~ 3-2-N-

710 W. Church St.
Greenwood, Miss.

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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
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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OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL

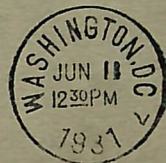
WASHINGTON D. C.

OFFICIAL BUSINESS

6-13

PENALTY FOR PRIVATE USE TO AVOID

PAYMENT OF POSTAGE \$300



NOTIFY
YOUR
CORRESPONDENTS
OF CHANGE
OF ADDRESS



RETURN TO WRITER
REASON FOR NON-DELIVERY CHECKED

Unknown
 Deceased
 Moved - no address
 No such post office in state named

Unknown
 For better address
 Revised

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C
Baskin, Reuben 1238 M

June 6, 1930.

Mrs. Ella T. Baskin,
~~P.O. Box 168,~~ 710 W. Church St.,
~~Shaw, Miss.~~ Greenwood, Miss

Dear Madam:

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

To assure proper and satisfactory accommodations, reservations for steamship transportation required during the summer of 1931 must be made by this office not later than August 1st of this year. It is therefore desired that you answer the question below by writing the word "Yes" or "No" in the blank space following the question.

As soon as you have answered the question, please sign your name and return this sheet in the enclosed addressed envelope, which requires no postage. Do not delay, as a prompt reply is essential.

This letter is being sent to all mothers and widows who are not making the pilgrimage in 1930, regardless of whether or not they have expressed a desire to make the pilgrimage.

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,



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

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

No ✓
(Write answer here)

Ella G. Baskin
(Sign here)

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

October 7, 1929.

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C
Baskin, Reuben 1232 -M

Mrs. Ella T. Baskin,
~~P. O. Box 168,~~ *710 W. Church St.,*
~~Shaw, Mississippi.~~ *Greenwood, Miss.*

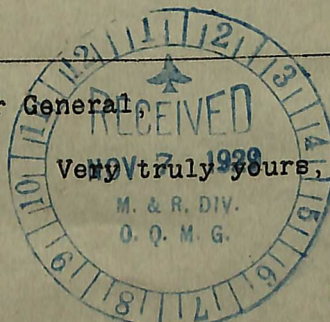
Dear Madam:

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>74</i> Health <i>[Redacted]</i>		
	(Years)	(Good)	(Poor)
5. What language do you speak?	English - (Yes) <i>yes.</i> (No) <i>American</i> (Specify language spoken)		

For The Quartermaster General,



Very truly yours,

M. & R. DIV.
O. Q. M. G.

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

Encl.
Act
Envelope

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

Baskin, Reuben,
1232

September 4, 1929.

Mrs. J. T. Baskin,
Indianola, Miss.

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:

she

The deceased has no widow

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

Survived by own mother.

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

mother not able to make pilgrimage

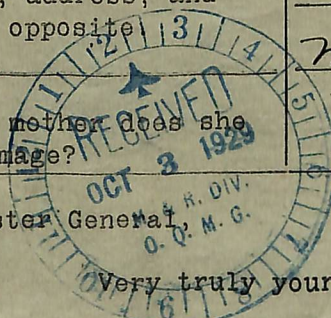
For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

John T. Harris

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

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Act of Congress
Envelope



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Shaw Miss
Aug 29, 1920

Dear Sir:-

I received
your letter some
time ago, and
I cannot tell you
how much I thank
you for your
invitation over
to see my son's
grave. But I feel
as tho I couldn't
stand the trip
I now I would
enjoy it.

My sons
Reuben F. Bastin

has no wife. he
never did marry.
Thanking you
for your kindness
I am your friend
Ella G. Barkin
Shaw
Miss

P.O. Box 168



WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

June 29 1929.

Baskin, Reuben.

Ellen T.

Mrs. J. T. Baskin,
Indianola, Miss.

Shaw, Miss

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 Reuben Baskin, Co. B, 47th 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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Act of Congress.
Envelope.

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

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-M

Baskin Reuben (MA)

July 7, 1932

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710 W Church St
Greenwood Miss

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For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

2 Encls.

DO YOU DESIRE TO MAKE A PILGRIMAGE DURING THE YEAR 1933? _____
(Write answer here)

(Sign here) _____

QM 293 A-M
Baskin, Reuben (MA)

August 6, 1952.

Mrs. Ella G. Baskin,
710 W. Church Street,
Greenwood, Miss.

Dear Madam:

Receipt is acknowledged of your reply to office letter of July 7, 1952 stating that you are unable to take advantage of the offer of the Government at this time. However, it is hoped that your condition will improve, and that you will be able to visit the grave of your son before the conclusion of the pilgrimage in 1953.

In the event your health improves and you feel able to make the pilgrimage at a later date, it is requested that you notify this office, and arrangements will be made for you. Properly qualified personnel will be provided to care for the comfort and needs of the women making the pilgrimage, and doctors and nurses will be available. During the past three years many women who were in poor health made the trip and appeared to have benefited by the sea air and the excellent care they received. Should you make the pilgrimage you are assured that everything possible will be done for your comfort and welfare.

For The Quartermaster General,

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Captain, Q. M. Corps,
Assistant.

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WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM-293-AM

Baskin, Reuben (M-A) M

September 5, 1931

Mrs. Ella G. Baskin,
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Greenwood, Miss.

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For The Quartermaster General,

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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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WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

QM 293 A-M
~~Reaching~~ ~~Rechen~~ Pvt. (M-A) M

June 11, 1931.

Mrs. Ella T. Baskin,
P. O. Box 168,
Shaw, Miss.

0432

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.

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For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

DO YOU DESIRE TO MAKE A PILGRIMAGE DURING THE YEAR 1932?

Write answer here

Sign here

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C
Baskin, Reuben 1233 M

June 6, 1930.

Mrs. Ella T. Baskin,
P.O.Box 168,
Shaw, Miss.

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.

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For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

DO YOU DESIRE TO MAKE THE PILGRIMAGE DURING THE YEAR 1931? _____
(Write answer here)

(Sign here)

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

October 7, 1929.

Baskin, Reuben 1232 -M

**Mrs. Ella T. Baskin,
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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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OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
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IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

October 7 , 1929.

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John T. Harris
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IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

Baskin, Reuben,
1232

September 4, 1929.

Mrs. J. T. Baskin,
Indianola, Miss.

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:

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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Act of Congress
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JOHN T. HARRIS,
Major, Q. M. Corps,
Assistant.

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
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IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

Baskin, Reuben.

June 29, 1929.

Mrs. J.T. Baskin,
Indianola, Miss.

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 Reuben Baskin, Co. B, 47th 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 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,

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

QM 293 C-R

October 27, 1923.

Mrs. J.T. Baskin,
Indianola,
Miss.

Dear Madam:

The Quartermaster General desires you to be informed that the permanent grave of Private Reuben Baskin, Company B, 47th Infantry, is Grave 3, Row 2, Block H, 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. 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.

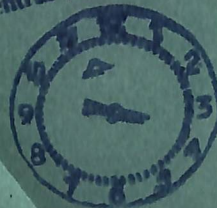
You are assured in effecting removal of the remains, the utmost care and reverence were exercised and more than willingly accorded by those who performed this sacred duty. The grave of the deceased will be perpetually maintained by this Government in a manner befitting the last resting place of our heroes.

Very truly yours,

Q.M.G.
Central Mail & File Bldg.

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Assistant.

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COMPILATION OF DISPOSITION OF REMAINS DATA

File #30280

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(b) Rank Pvt. Organization Co.B, 47th Inf.
(c) Date of death 9-27-18 (d) Cause of death k/a.
TYP. HWL.
CKR. 13.7.

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

(a) Grave No. 165 Row - Plot 4 Sec. 105 TYP. HWL.
(b) Emerg. Address Mrs. J.T. Baskin (Mother) Indianola, Miss.

III. Files of soldiers dying from contagious diseases CKR. 13.7.

IV. A. G. O. DISPOSITION CARD:

Date of receipt

(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 5-26-1921

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

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

IX Examiner's Initials Date 5-26-1921

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

No request for disposition

(a) Cancellation memos referred to? Yes

Examiner's Initials Date 5-26-1921

COUNTRY France

CEMETERY No. 1232, Sec. 105 SHEET No. 8

DP 7-2-21

Handwritten notes and signatures at bottom right.

To be prepared in triplicate.

DATE Sept. 9, 1921

REPORT OF DISINTERMENT, PREPARATION, SHIPMENT AND REBURIAL OF BODY

DISINTERMENT COMPARATIVE REPORT

Records of G.R.S. Headquarters.

Discrepancy found upon exhumation of body

1. Name BASKIN, Reuben

10. Name Baskin Reuben F.

2. No. 1593992

11. No. _____

3. Rank Pvt.

12. Rank _____

4. Org. Co. B., 47th Inf.

13. Org. _____

5. D.D. Sept. 28th

14. (a) D.D. _____

6. C.D. KIA

(b) D.B. _____



Discrepancy found upon disinterment

7. Grave No. 165 Sec. 105

15. Grave No. _____ Sec. _____

8. Plot 4 Row _____

16. Plot _____ Row _____

9. _____

17. No discrepancies

18. Cemetery Argonne American

19. Commune or town ROMAGNE-sous-MONTFAUCON

20. Dept. or County Meuse

21. Country France

22. G.R.S. Hdqrs. Code No. 1232--Sec. 105

23. Disinterred (Date) Sept. 9, 1921

By E. J. Renouard

24. Inscription on grave marker:

Name Reuben Baskin

Serial No. _____

Rank Pvt.

Organization Co. B, 47th Inf.

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

W.H. Woodward

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) GRS plaque found on body reads: "Reuben Baskin 1593992."

27. Condition of body Badly decomposed. Features not recognizable.

28. Nature of burial Wooden box in uniform and burlap.

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 Sept. 9, 1921 By E. J. Renouard

AUDITED BY

31. Casket sealed by E. J. Renouard

Signature of Embalmer, (Supervisor) E. J. Renouard

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SHIPMENT. (Show actual marking of box.) Box No. **C-5646**

32. Designation of body: **None**
Name **DASHIN, Reuben** Serial No. **1593992**
Rank **Pvt.** Organization **Co.D., 47th Inf.**

33. Consigned to:
Name of Permanent Cemetery **Argonne American # 1232, ROMAGNE-sous-MONTFAUCON (Meuse)**
34. Casket boxed and marked (Date) **Sept. 9, 1921** By **E.J. Renouard**

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. OMC

36. Remarks
37. Shipped from point of Operation: (Date) **Sept. 9, 1921**
To point of Concentration **Morgue Romagne**
Convoyer **W.J. Royed** Signature Shipping Officer **A.B. Proctor**

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 Signature Shipping Officer
40. Received: Date **Sept 9, 1921**
G.R.S. Representative **W. J. Younger**

41. Reinterred **Meuse Argonne Cemetery # 1232** **Oct 22nd 1921**
(Date)
42. Grave No. **3** Section
43. ~~Block~~ **block** **H** Row **2**

G.R.S. Representative **James W. Younger, Capt OMC.**

REPORT OF DISINTERMENT AND REBURIAL

Date Sept. 9, 1921.

BASKIN, Reuben

1592992

1. REMAINS OF..... SERIAL NUMBER.....

RANK Pvt. ORGANIZATION Co. B. 47th Inf.

2. Disinterred (date): From (give complete location):

Sept. 9, 1921 Gr 165 Se c 105, Plot 4.

By: Group 4 Unit 2

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

Oct 22nd 1921 Meuse Argonne Cemetery # 1232 Gr 3 block H row 2

By: Group re-burial S 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 uniform, badly decomposed, features not recognizable.

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

(b) Other means of identification found upon disinterment, and general remarks:
G.R.S. plaque found on grave marker reads, "Reuben Baskin, 1592992"

6. What does examination of body show as regards the following identifying items 8, 9, 10, 12, 13, miss. 3, 18, 19, 20, 30, R.Ex. 2, 7, 22, cavity. 4, 32 S.F.

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

(b) Weight (estimated) do

(c) Hair—Color do

Quantity do

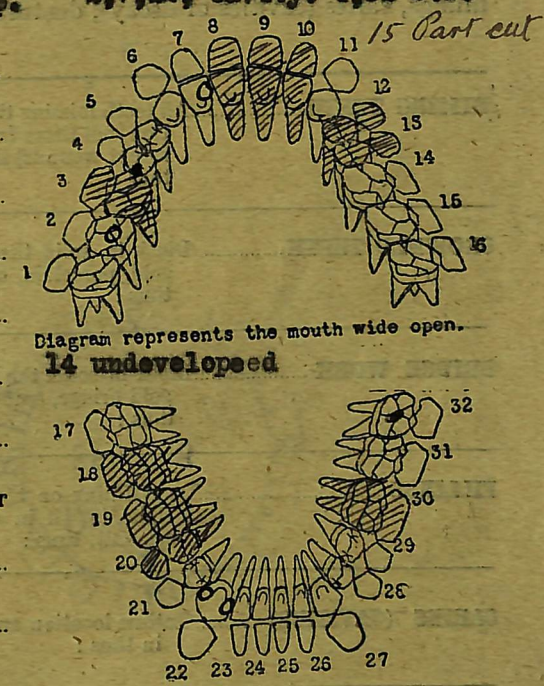
Characteristics do

(d) Hair on face—Color do

Location do

Quantity do

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



(f) Wounds or missing parts (received at time of casualty) fractured right tibia and fibula. upper skull shattered. fractured of right femur.

7. Disinterment supervised by E. J. Renouard Approved: Geo. C. Bland 1st Lt. Q.M.C.
E. J. Renouard. (Title)

8. Reburial supervised by A. U. Dufault Approved: James W. Younger, Capt Q.M.C.
A. U. Dufault. (Title)

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

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

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

MISSING TEETH.....All teeth missing through previous extraction (not those fractured or displaced by recent wounds) should be scratched out, thus:



CROWNED TEETH.....Block in solid the crown of tooth (label gold, porcelain, or gold and porcelain), thus:



BRIDGE WORK.....Block in solid the crown of tooth (label gold bridge, gold and porcelain bridge), thus:



FILLINGS.....Draw filling on tooth accurately as possible (Block in and label gold, silver, cement), thus:



CARIES (CAVITIES).....Outline location and size of cavity, shade in thus:



DENTURES (PLATES).....Draw diagram of relative size and shape of plate, block in teeth attached and indicate retaining clasps on natural teeth with the word "clasp."

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

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

[Blank lines for information]

V. Following advice forwarded to Europe by { cable on ..., 192
letter of transmittal on JUN 8 1921, 192
Sec # 105
Par. 1 To be returned. Par. 2. Not to be returned.
a.p. 7-2-21.

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

VII. SUPPLEMENTARY REQUESTS.

Table with 4 columns: Date of and source, Relationship and name, Desires, Action taken.

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

COUNTRY CEMETERY No. SHEET No.

30280

1. R. S. Form No. 1

Hq. R. S. File

2. Soldier's No. 1593992

Baskin

Reuben F.

3. Surname (in block letters) First Name and Initials

4. Rank Company Regt. or Corps

5. Date of Death Cause, if known

Isolated

6. Date of Burial Cemetery

Brioules

Meuse

7. Town or Commune (in block letters) Department

2203

8. Grave No. Plot No. or Letter

9. Name Peg? Cross? 1 Headboard? Bottle? Check Method of Marking

10. Buried with Body? Attached to Grave Marker? 1 Identification Tags

11. If name unknown and tags missing, give marks and description.

CMMP. Brioules-sur-Meuse (Meuse) 230) 35 N.E. COORD (E 31355 N. 282.1)

12. "A" sketch 90 Map reference, if interment is outside of cemetery

282.1 N 313.55 E.

13. Give name of Chaplain or Burial Officer

GROUP No. 3

Signed Sgt. Baker

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PROV. UNIT "A" G.R.S. Group. Unit. G. R. S.

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BASKIN

Ruben F

1593992

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Map 35-NE E-313.8 N-281.4

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