

FEB 11 1926

1. NAME BEDNARKEWICZ, Leo DATE _____
 RANK Cpl. ORGANIZATION Co. H, 131st Inf. SERIAL No. 2077919
& DIVISION 33rd
 GRAVE LOCATION Amer. Mil. Vaux/s/Somme, Somme CTY. NAME _____ NUMBER 443

2. ORIGINAL BATTLE AREA GRAVE LOCATION 25 Row-C Plot-1 GRAVE 17 ROW C PLOT 1
British Military Cemetery COMMUNE Vaux/s/Somme DEPT. Somme

COORDINATES Map 12 SE. East 128.6. North 359.6.

CONCENTRATED TO 10/26/20. DATE 17 GRAVE C PLOT 1
British Mil. Cty. Vaux/s/Somme (Somme) CEMETERY _____ CTY. NUMBER 443

Form 16-A, 10/26/20.

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

Form 16-A 1026/20. signed S.D. Campbell, Capt. Inf. shows No ident. tag found on body or grave marker. Corporal's chevrons on O.D. Coat. No other means of identification

SUBSEQUENT REBURIALS None of record. DATE _____ GRAVE _____ ROW _____ PLOT _____ CEMETERY _____
 STATE FROM WHICH HE CAME Ill.
 MEDALS OR DECORATIONS AWARDED none

SIGNATURE, AREA SUPERVISOR W.R. BUCKLEY, Capt. QMC

3. FINAL GRAVE LOCATION Oct. 17, 1922 DATE _____ GRAVE 12 ROW Block D. PLOT _____

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 A. G. O.
 FEB 11 1926
 WORLD WAR DIV.

Somme American Cmety. #636, Bony (Aisna) CEMETERY _____

70 km
9/13
MAR 26 1928

Field ...
MAR 29 1928

Redman
(Surname.)

131st
(Number.)

Infantry
(First Name and Initials.)

(Rank.)

(Organization.)

DATE OF BURIAL *8-18-18*

PLACE OF BURIAL *near front line*

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

*Map 62 d
K 22 a 4.1*

GRAVE NUMBER

HOW MARKED: Name Peg? *yes*

Cross? *yes*

Headboard?

Bottle?

IDENTIFICATION TAGS:

Was one buried with body? *No*

Was one fastened to name peg or stake used as a grave marker? *No*

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

by Personal Effects

REPORTED BY:

Chaplain J. R. Egerton
(Signature and Rank of Reporting Officer.)

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

Co H.- 131st Infantry
33rd Division

BEDNOCKOWICZ, Leo.- Cpl:2077919.-

Home address:
Aradrea, Ill.

Bednarkewicz was killed by a machine gun bullet while on patrol, at Chipilly Ridge, France, on the night of August 9th 1918. He died instantly.

Informant: KROGMANN, Louis.- Cpl:2162632.-
Co H. 131st Infantry
Home: Elkton, S.D.

Not signed.

Emergency address:
Mrs Mary BEDNOCKOWICZ
(Mother)
Aradrea, Ill.

Pres. Roosevelt

7-26-33

Som

Cpl. Leo Bednarkewicz

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.

Mrs. Mary Bednarkewicz

Mrs. Mary

Name

Bednarkewicz

Box 72, Route #2, Tamaroa, Perry Co., Ill.

Town or City

State

Box 72 R. 2. Tamaroa

Ill.

CODE SLIP



HEADING	SUB HEADING	NO. OF COLS	CODE
NAME <i>Bednarskewicz</i>	<i>Bed</i>	3	254
<i>L'ro</i>	CEMENTERY <i>636</i>	1	5
BURIED	GRAVE <i>1</i>	2	01
	ROW <i>12</i>	2	12
	BLOCK <i>D</i>	1	4
STATE	<i>Ill.</i>	2	13
RANK	<i>6 pl.</i>	1	2
DIVISION	<i>33rd</i>	2	33
ORGANIZATION	<i>131st</i>	3	131
ARM	<i>Inf</i>	1	1
MARITAL	<i>520</i>	1	2
NAME <i>Mrs. Mary Bednarskewicz</i>	<i>Bed</i>	3	254
	STATE <i>Ill.</i>	2	13
RESIDENCE	COUNTY <i>Perry</i>	2	73
<i>Box 72, Route 2</i>	CITY <i>Tamaroa</i>	3	X X X
RELATION	<i>Mother</i>	1	1
OTHER		1	
ELIGIBILITY	<i>yes</i>	1	1
NATIVITY		1	
RACE		1	
ENGLISH	<i>yes</i>	1	1
ATTENDANT		1	
HEALTH	<i>Bad</i>	1	2
NO. OF SONS		1	
DATE OF TRIP	NO. <i>1933</i>	1	
ACCEPTANCE	YR. <i>no</i>	1	
<i>29/514/EAB</i>	<i>Age</i>	1	

Declined Am. 7-26-33

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WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-M
Bednarkewicz, Leo (Som)

July 12, 1932

Mrs. Mary Bednarkewicz,
Box 72, Route #2,
Tamaroa, Ill.

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.

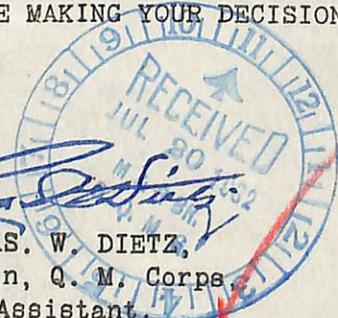
In order to assure proper and satisfactory accommodations for the mothers and widows making the journey in 1933, reservations for steamship transportation must be made by this office several months in advance. It is requested that you answer the questions below by writing "Yes" or "No" or "Undecided" 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,

*In case I would get the
rheumatism back again in
my feet then I can not
go.*

Very truly yours,


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

2 Encls.

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

Yes
(Write answer here)

(Sign here)

Mrs. Mary Bednarkewicz
R2 Box 72 Tamaroa Ill.

QM 293 A-M
Bednarkowicz, Leo (Son)

December 24, 1931.

Mrs. Mary Bednarkowicz,
Box 72, Route #2,
Tamarca, Illinois.

Dear Madam:

Reference is made to previous correspondence with this office relative to a pilgrimage to the grave of your son, the late Corporal Leo Bednarkowicz. In reply to a questionnaire you advised that you did not desire to visit your son's grave next summer.

It is noted you previously stated your health was poor and in this connection you are advised that personnel to care for your comfort and needs will be provided, and doctors and nurses will be available. During the past two years a number of mothers and widows in poor health and of advanced age made the pilgrimage and appear to have benefited by the sea air and the excellent care they received.

It is believed you should feel no hesitancy in making the journey, and should you later decide to visit your son's grave next summer, it is requested you so notify this office. Should you make the trip, you are assured that the pilgrimage will not only be made at the expense of the United States but that 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-AM

Bednarkewicz, Leo Cpl. (Somme) M

June 15, 1931

**Mrs. Mary Bednarkewicz,
Box 72, Route #2,
Tamaroa, Illinois.**

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? No

Write answer here

Mrs. Mary Bednarkewicz
Sign here

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

June 7, 1930.

Bednarkewicz, Leo 636 M

Mrs. Mary Bednarkewicz,
Box 72, Route #2,
Tamaroa, Ill.

Dear Madam:

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

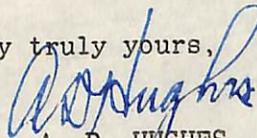
To assure proper and satisfactory accommodations, reservations for steamship transportation required during the summer of 1931 must be made by this office not later than August 1st of this year. It is therefore desired that you answer the question below by writing the word "Yes" or "No" in the blank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

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

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

For The Quartermaster General,

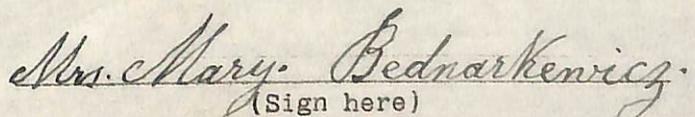
Very truly yours,


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



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

 c/o
(Write answer here)


(Sign here)

Mary Bednarkewicz.

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

October 7, 1929.

Bednarkewicz, Leo 636 -M

Mrs. Mary Bednarkewicz,
Box 72, Route 2,
Tamaroa, Ill.

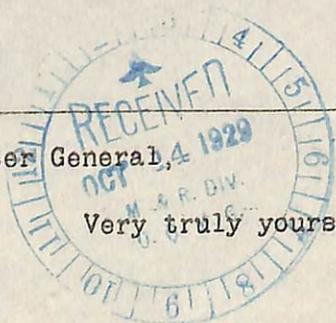
Dear Madam:

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>60</i> Health <i>Poor.</i>	(Good) (Poor)
5. What language do you speak?	English <i>Yes</i> (Yes) (No)	<i>Polish and German.</i>
	(Specify language spoken)	

For The Quartermaster General, 4 1929



Very truly yours,

John T. Harris

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

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Tamara May 24 1929.

Q M 293. P. C.
Bednarkewicz. Les.

Dear Sirs: Quartermaster General.

In reply to your Letter
May 15. My Son Les Bednarkewicz
was not married he was
Single.

Sincerely yours.

Mary Bednarkewicz.

Mother.



WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C
Bednarkewicz, Leo

May 15, 1929.

Mrs. Mary Bednarkewicz,
Tamarca, Box 72, Route #2,
Illinois.

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 Corporal Leo Bednarkewicz, Company H, 151st Infantry, whose remains are now interred in the Somme American Cemetery, Bony, Aisne, France.

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

In the event your son was survived by a widow who has since 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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WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-M
Bednarkewicz, Leo (Son)

July 12, 1932

Mrs. Mary Bednarkewicz,
Box 72, Route #2,
Tamaroa, Ill.

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.

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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) _____

QM 293 A-M
Bednarkowicz, Lwo (Som)

December 24, 1931.

Mrs. Mary Bednarkowicz,
Box 72, Route #2,
Tamaroa, Illinois.

Dear Madam:

Reference is made to previous correspondence with this office relative to a pilgrimage to the grave of your son, the late Corporal Leo Bednarkowicz. In reply to a questionnaire you advised that you did not desire to visit your son's grave next summer.

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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
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IN REPLY REFER TO QM-293-AM
~~Bednarkowicz, Leo~~ Cpl. (Somme) M

June 15, 1931

Mrs. Mary Bednarkowicz,
Box 72, Route #2,
Tamaroa, Illinois.

Dear Madam:

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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

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IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

June 7, 1930.

Bednarkewicz, Leo 636 M

Mrs. Mary Bednarkewicz,
Box 72, Route #2,
Tamaroa, Ill.

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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
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IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

October 7, 1929.

Bednarkowicz, Leo 636 -M

Mrs. Mary Bednarkowicz,
Box 72, Route 2,
Tamaroa, Ill.

Dear Madam:

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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)									
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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

Bednarkewicz, Leo

May 15, 1929.

Mrs. Mary Bednarkewicz,
Tamarca, Box 72, Route #2,
Illinois.

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 Corporal Leo Bednarkewicz, Company H, 131st Infantry, whose remains are now interred in the Soame American Cemetery, Soisy, Aisne, France.

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

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

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

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

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Bednarkewicz

(Surname.)

Leo

(Christian name in full.)

#443
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(Army serial number)

Corp

Co H 131st Inf.

(Rank and organization.)

State your relationship to the deceased ✓

Father
yes.

Do you desire the remains brought to the United States?

(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:

Anton Bednarkewicz
(Name of person to receive remains.)

Tamaroa
(Express office.)

Tamaroa
(Telegraph office.)

(Number and street.)

Tamaroa
(City or town.)

Illinois
(State.)

(Sign here)

R.F.D. 2 Box 72.

Anton Bednarkewicz
(City, town, or post office.)

Tamaroa
(State.)

Read carefully the letter accompanying this card.

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Drawn by Jm

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REVIEWED
OSP SS.
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WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

QM 293 A-C

March 2, 1927.

BEDNARKEWICZ, Leo - Corp.

Mr. Anton Bednarkewicz,
Box 72, R.# 2.,,
Tamaroa, Illinois.

Dear Sir:

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

This American overseas military cemetery is to be maintained by the United States for all time. The graves will be permanently marked by white headstones inscribed with the name, rank, division, organization, date of soldier's death and State from which he came. Headstones will be placed at all graves, as soon as possible, and without necessity for special action or request on the part of relatives.

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

Very truly yours,

K.J.HAMPTON,
Lt. Col. Q.M.C.
Assistant.

1 Incl.
Record card.



25/560/EYS

COMPILATION OF DISPOSITION OF REMAINS DATA

File # 16303

1. LOCATION INDEX CARD:

(a) Name BEDNARKIEWICZ, Leo, Ser. No. 2077919
 (b) Rank Corp. Organization Co. H., 131st Inf.
 (c) Date of death 8-9-18 of death K/A

*3/22 Examined
 for concentration
 EN
 636
 636
 4/14/22*

11. Registration Card:- (Check Reg. Card Inf. against Loc. Ind. Inf.)

(a) Grave No. 25 Row C Plot 1 Sect. - TYP. DB
 (b) Emerg. Address Mrs. Mary Bednarkewicz, (Mother) Tamaroa, Ill.

111. Files of soldiers dying from contagious diseases; **NO CARD**) CKR. LS

IV. A.G.O. DISPOSITION CARD:

Date of receipt None

(a) Name Anton Bednarkewicz (b) Relationship Father
 (c) Address R.F.D. #2, Box 72, Tamaroa, Ill.
 (d) Remains to be brought to U. S.? Yes
 (e) To be interred in National Cemetery in U. S. at No

*OK
 AT*

(f) Shipping instructions upon arrival of body in U.S. Anton
 Bednarkewicz, Tamaroa, Ill.
 Eff + Del, Tamaroa, Ill.
 (g) Disposition instructions if not brought to U.S. -

Examiner's Initials PM Date 8-11 1920

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

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

No correspondence

Examiner's Initials AES Date 8-16- 1920

VI. G.R.S. Files - Correspondence - shows as follows:

No request for disposition

(a) Cancellation memos referred to? Yes GJR

Examiner's Initials GJR Date 8-18 1920

COUNTRY France.

CEMETERY NO. # 443

SHEET NO. 13

G.R.S. Form #115

Amended April 6, 1920.

Make Form #114

COMPILATION OF DISPOSITION OF REMAINS DATA

File--16303

See Form 115
att 4/14/22

I. LOCATION INDEX CARD:

(a) Name ^{as} Bednockewicz, Leo Ser. No. 2077919
 (b) Rank Corp. Organization Co. H, 131st Inf. } TYP EN
 (c) Date of death 8-9-18 Cause of death K/A } JCW
 LM 84

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

(a) Grave No. 25 Row C Plot 1 Sect. -- TYP DB
 (b) Emerg. Address Mrs. Mary Bednarkewicz, (mother) Tamaroa, Ill.

III. Files of soldiers dying from contagious diseases no card CKR LS

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

*P. G. Card Anton Bednarkewicz (Father)
 P.O. #2 Box 72 Tamaroa, Ill. requests body returned
 and shipped to him at above address.
 P.G.C. NOV 19 1920*

V. Following advice forwarded to Europe by (cable on 1920
 (Letter of transmittal on 8-19-1920)

Par. #1. To be returned MacB

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

VII. SUPPLEMENTARY REQUESTS

Date of and source	Relationship and name	Desires	Action taken
8-31-20 Form 120	Anton Bednarkewicz (Father)	body not returned	9-16-20 Overseas advised not to return body. P.G.C. NOV 19 1920

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

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

CEMETERY NO. #443

SHEET NO. 12

To be prepared in triplicate.

DATE Nov. 3, 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 <u>BEDNARKOWICZ, Leo</u>	10. Name _____
2. No. <u>2077919</u>	11. No. _____
3. Rank <u>Cpl.</u>	12. Rank _____
4. Org. <u>Co. H, 131st Inf.</u>	13. Org. _____
5. D.D. <u>Aug. 9th, 1918</u>	14. (a) D.D. _____
6. C.D. <u>KIA</u>	(b) D.B. _____

Discrepancy found upon disinterment

7. Grave No. <u>17</u> Sec. _____	15. Grave No. _____ Sec. _____
8. Plot <u>1</u> Row <u>C</u>	16. Plot _____ Row _____
9. _____	17. <u>no discrepancy</u>

18. Cemetery <u>Amer. Mil.</u>	19. Commune or town <u>Vaux-sur-Somme</u>
20. Dept. or County <u>Somme</u>	21. Country <u>France</u>
22. G.R.S. Hdqrs. Code No. <u>443</u>	

23. Disinterred (Date) Nov. 3, 1921 By A. L. Roth

24. Inscription on grave marker:

Name <u>Leo Bednarkowicz,</u>	Serial No. _____
Rank <u>Cpl.</u>	Organization <u>Co. H. 131st. Inf.</u>

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

H. H. Luce
 Signature Junior Technical Assistant
 H. H. Luce

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).
Body previously worked by Field Section. Bottle containing record and 3 metal strips check with form 114-A .

27. Condition of body Badly decomposed. Features unrecog.

28. Nature of burial Pine box and blanket

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

30. Body prepared and placed in casket: Date Nov. 3, 1921 By A.L.Roth

31. Casket sealed by A.L.Roth

Signature of Embalmer, (Supervisor) A.L.Roth

8/13
3/16/25

SHIPMENT. (Show actual marking of box.) Box No. C-13572

32. Designation of body:

Name LEONARD BEDNARKOWICZ, Leo Serial No. 2077919
Rank Cpl. Organization Co. H, 131st Inf.

33. Consigned to:

Name of Permanent Cemetery Somme Amer. Cty. Bony, Aisne 636

34. Casket boxed and marked (Date) Nov. 3, 1921 By A.L. Roth

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 J. J. Powers, 1st Lt. QMC GS

36. Remarks

37. Shipped from point of Operation: (Date) Nov. 3, 1921

To point of Concentration Amiens, Somme
Convoyer E. C. Helms Signature Shipping Officer J. J. Powers, 1st Lt. QMC

38. Received at Railhead or Point of Concentration: Date Nov. 3, 1921

By G.R.S. Representative Hubert W. Beyette, Capt. QMC

39. Shipped from Railhead or Point of Concentration: Date 21 NOV. 1921

To Permanent Cemetery No. 636, Bony, Aisne
Convoyer Chas. Hornback Signature Shipping Officer H. W. Beyette, Capt. QMC

40. Received: Date 26 NOV. 1921

G.R.S. Representative J. P. ...

41. Reinterred (Date)

42. Grave No. Oct. 17, 1921 Section

43. Plot XXXX Block D Row 12

G.R.S. Representative D. E. Lowry
D. E. Lowry, 1st Lt. QMC

Place Vaux-sur-Somme

REPORT OF DISINTERMENT AND REBURIAL

Date 10/26/20

1. REMAINS OF Bednarkowicz, Leo SERIAL NUMBER 2077919

RANK Cpl. ORGANIZATION Co. H 131st Inf.

2. Disinterred (date): 10/26/20 From (give complete location): Vaux-sur-Somme
Grave 25 - Row C - Plot 1 - Cem. 443

By: Group One Unit Sec. one

3. Reburied (date): 10/26/20 In (give complete location): Vaux-sur-Somme
Grave 17 - Row C - Plot 1 - Cem. 443

By: Group One Unit Sec. one Nature of reburial In blanket-in pine box

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

In burlap - in uniform - in pine box - badly decomposed
unrecognizable

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

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

Corporal's chevrons on O.D. Coat

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

(a) Height (actual measurement) Impossible to determine

(b) Weight (estimated) Impossible to estimate

(c) Hair—Color None on skull

Quantity _____

Characteristics _____

(d) Hair on face—Color None

Location _____

Quantity _____

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

Impossible to report

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

Impossible to report

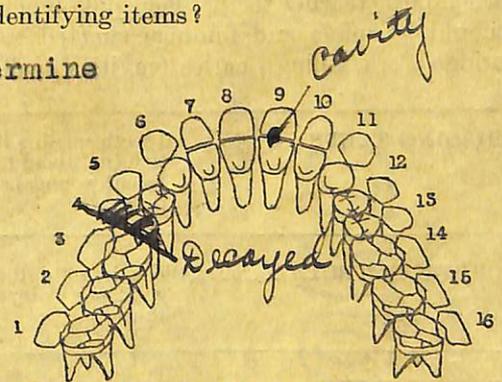
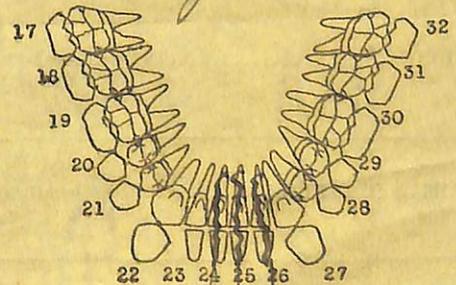


Diagram represents the mouth wide open.



7. Disinterment supervised by Clarence W. Dodge, Capt. M.C.

Approved: S.D. Campbell, Capt. Inf. Master of Sec. #1.

8. Reburial supervised by Clarence W. Dodge, Capt. M.C.

Approved: S.D. Campbell, Capt. Inf. Master of Sec. #1.

CJC

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REPORT OF DISINTERMENT AND REBURIAL

1. REMAINS OF BEDNARKOWICZ, Leo SERIAL NUMBER 2077919
 RANK Cpl. ORGANIZATION Co. H. 131st Inf.

2. Disinterred (date): Nov. 3, 1921. From (give complete location): Grave 17, Plot 1, Row C. Amer. Mil. Cty. #443, Vaux-sur-Somme Somme
 By: Group 2 Unit F.S.8

3. Reburied (date): 10/17/22 In (give complete location): Grave 2 Row 12 Block D, Somme Cem. #536, Bony (Aisne)
 By: Group Reburial Unit Reburial Nature of Reburial Per. Casket Shipping Case

4. Report as to nature of original burial and condition of body upon disinterment :
Pine box; wrapped in blanket. Body badly decomposed. Features unrecog.

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

(b) Other means of identification found upon disinterment, and general remarks :
Body previously worked by Field Section. Bottle buried with body containing record and 3 metal strips checks with form 114-A.

6. What does examination of body show as regards the following identifying items?
4, 8, 9-cav. 10, 24, 25-MAD

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

(b) Weight (estimated) Imp. to estimate

(c) Hair—Color None visible

Quantity _____

Characteristics _____

(d) Hair on face—Color None visible

Location _____

Quantity _____

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

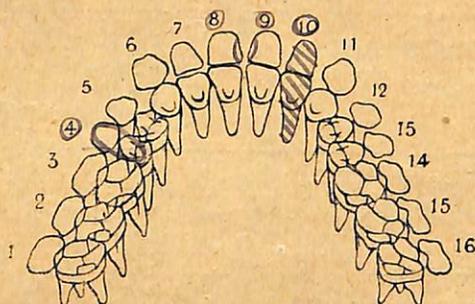
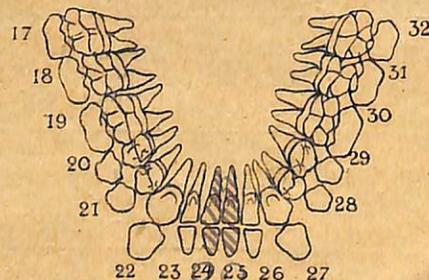


Diagram represents the mouth wide open



(f) Wounds or missing parts (received at time of casualty) Right shoulder blade shattered.

Checker: H. H. Luce

7. Disinterment supervised by A. L. Roth, Sup. Emb.

Approved: J. J. Powers, 1st Lt. QMC
 Inspector.

(Title)

8. Reburial supervised by B. A. Bradford, S. E.

Approved: D. E. Lowry, 1st Lt. QMC

(Title)

REPORT OF DISINTERMENT, PREPARATION, AND SHIPMENT OF BODY

DISINTERMENT

COMPARATIVE REPORT

Records Office Chief G. R. S.

Discrepancy found upon examination of body.

1. Name BEDNARKEWICZ, Leo

2. No. 2077919

3. Rank Corp.

4. Org Co. H, 131st Inf.

5. D. D. 8/9/18

6. C. D. K/A

10. Name _____

11. No. _____

12. Rank _____

13. Org _____

14. (a) D. D. _____

15. (b) D. B. _____

Discrepancy found upon disinterment.

7. Grave No. 25 Sec. ---

8. Plot 1 Row C

9. -----

15. Grave No. _____ Sec. _____

16. Plot _____ Row _____

17. _____

18. Cemetery American Military

19. Commune or town Vaux-sur-Somme

20. Department or county Somme

21. Country France

23. Disinterred _____
(Date.)

22. G. R. S. Headquarters Code No. 443

By _____

24. Inscription on grave marker { Name _____ Serial No. _____
Rank _____ Organization _____

25. Was identification disk found on grave marker? _____ On body? _____

Signature of Junior Technical Assistant.

(The following space is reserved for notations to be made by office Chief Graves Registration Service.)

3-7727

PREPARATION

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

27. Condition of body _____
28. Nature of burial _____
29. Any discrepancy noted upon examination of body, as compared with G. R. S. records quoted above?

30. Body prepared and placed in casket _____ (Date.) By _____
31. Casket sealed by _____

Signature of Embalmer (Supervisor) _____

SHIPMENT

(Show actual marking of box.) Box No. _____

32. Designation of body { Name BEDNAROWICZ, Leo. Serial No. 2077919
 Rank Corp. Organization Co. H, 131st Inf.

33. CONSIGNEE—Name Anton Bednarkowicz
 Address Tamaroa, Ill. (Exp. & Teleg.) Tamaroa, Ill.

34. Casket boxed and marked _____ (Date.) By _____

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

Signature of G. R. S. Inspector _____

36. Remarks _____

37. Shipped from cemetery _____ (Date.) To _____ (Point of concentration.)
 Convoyer _____ Signature Shipping Officer _____

38. Received at point of concentration _____ (Date.)
 Signature Receiving Officer _____

39. Shipped from point of concentration _____ (Date.)
 To _____ (Port.) Convoyer _____
 Signature Shipping Officer _____

40. Received European port _____ (Date.)
 Signature of G. R. S. Representative _____

41. Shipped to _____ (U. S. port.) On _____ (Port.)
 Date _____ Convoyer _____ (Signature of Shipping Officer.)

42. Received _____ (Date.) By G. R. S. Representative _____ (Signature.)

43. Shipped to destination _____ (Date.) { B/L or Express Order No. _____
 Convoyer _____ { Shipping Officer _____

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

Date 2/10/36

SUBJECT: Information required for Cemeterial Division.

TO: The Adjutant General of the Army, World War Division, Washington, D.C.

1. It is requested that the items checked below be completed:

- a. Surname Bednackiewicz ✓
- b. Christian name Leo ✓
- c. Serial number 2077919 ✓
- d. Organization H 131 ✓
- e. Rank _____
- f. Emergency Address _____
- g. Date of death _____
- h. Authority _____
- i. Cause of death _____
- j. Place of death _____
- k. Place of burial _____
- l. Date of discharge _____

BODY DESCRIPTION

- a. Date of enlistment _____
- b. Age at enlistment _____
- c. Color of hair _____
- d. Height _____
- e. Weight* _____
- f. Fractures or breaks _____

✓ DENTAL CHARTS

At Camp		By Local Board	
8 7 6 5 4 3 2 1	1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8	8 7 6 5 4 3 2 1	1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8
Upper right	Upper left	Upper right	Upper left
8 7 6 5 4 3 2 1	1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8	8 7 6 5 4 3 2 1	1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8
Lower right	Lower left	Lower right	Lower left

none missing *none missing*

For The Quartermaster General:

Perk

25/446/EYS

4 A.G.O.
FEB 11 1936
WORLD WAR DIV.

KRM 8/3 01

Date 4/23/19REPORT OF DISINTERMENT AND REBURIAL.

Remains of:

Name: Bednarkewicz, LeoNumber: 2077919Rank: CplOrganization: Co.H. 131 Inf

Disinterment and Reburial made by Group

Hqrs $\frac{1}{2}$ Unit 302Disinterred (Date) 4/23/19

From: (Give complete location)

Isolated Grave 12 SE E. 135.3 N. 359.8Reburied (Date) 4/23/19 in (Give complete location)British Military Cemetery Grave 25, Row C. Plot 1 Map Ref--12 SE. E.128.6 N.359.6

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

Body badly decomposed wrapped in burlapWas one identification tag found upon the body? , YesWhat other means of identification were found on the body? None other**CONFIRMED**

11195

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: J. E. [Signature]

C.O. Group _____ Unit _____

CEMETERIAL DIVISION
REGISTRATION SECTION

FILE

January 4 192 2

MEMO FOR:

Cards Department.

1.

,CASE OF:

Co. H., 131st Inf.

ORGANIZATION (Old)

BEDNARKEWICZ 2077919 Leo. Corp.

(Name)

Correction or additional data changes as shown below have been made on the Registration Card of the above-mentioned soldier and a corresponding change will be necessary on the Organization Card:

ORGANIZATION (New)

FILE NO.	Date	Place	F-1A No.
SURNAME	Orig.		D-
SERIAL NUMBER	1st. Reb.	10/26/20 443	D- 30290
FIRST NAME AND INITIALS	2nd Reb.		D-
RANK	3rd Reb.		D-
DATE OF DEATH			
CAUSE OF DEATH			

(Note: In the above spaces below double line fill in ONLY the new date and data correcting previous information)

BY: Miss Iannon

Card.,

(Department)5 x 8 card was sent to file.

Corrections made
on Organization
File Card:

By KB
S/3324/LML

16303

GRAVE LOCATION BLANK

LOCATION OF THE GRAVE OF

Redman *71*
.....
(Surname.) (Number.) (First Name and Initials.)

131st *Inftry*
.....
(Rank.) (Organization.)

DATE OF BURIAL *8-18-18*

PLACE OF BURIAL *near front*

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

Map 62

K 22
Crime - Chipilly (Common)

125.E. E135.15-N360.55
GRAVE NUMBER..... *On c - 88.*

HOW MARKED: Name Peg? *yes* Cross? *yes*
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:

by Personal effects

**REVIEWED
OSP SS.**

REPORTED BY:
Chaplain J.R. Egerton
.....
(Signature and Rank of Reporting Officer.)

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

28 AUG 1918

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Continental List No. _____
Daily Report No. _____

68-289

AUG 27 1920

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

443-12
PS

FROM: Chief, Graves Registration Service, Q.M.C.
TO: Anton Bednarkewicz, RFD #2, Box 72, Tamaroa, Ill.
SUBJECT: Remains of Corp. Leo Bednarkewicz, Ser. No. 2077919, Co. H, 131st Inf.

Push Answer

The records of this office show that you have requested that his body be returned to U.S.

Remain in France

Shipped to:- Anton Bednarkewicz, Tamaroa, Ill.

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

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

By authority of the Quartermaster General:

CHARLES C. PIERCE
Major, U.S.A.

*Noted on Form No. 139
9-10-20*

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

NAME OF	NO. & STREET	TOWN	STATE
Soldier's Widow			
Soldier's Children			
(Name oldest first)			
Father			
Mother			
Brothers			
(Name oldest first)			
Sisters			
(Name oldest first)			

*SEP 16 1920 OVERSEAS ADVISED by proposed cablegram 139
not to return body ABC.*

*OVERSEAS
GENERAL DIVISION
REGISTRATION SECTION*

Tamaroa Ill.

*SEP 2 1920
RECEIVED
Tamaroa*

J.L.

Tamaroa

Illino.

Date *August 31, 1920*

Signature *Anton Bednarkewicz*

Address Relationship

IMPORTANT:- CAREFULLY read instructions before filling out this paper.

(OVER)

August 31, 1920.

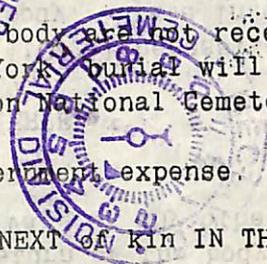
I, the undersigned, am the Father and nearest living relative of the within
(Relationship)
named soldier, and desire the following disposition of his remains, viz:
(Strike out all except the one showing the disposition desired).

- 1. As stated on first page of this sheet. *No*
- 2. To be returned to the U.S. and shipped to Tamara (Name)
Illinois (State)
(R.R. Station)
- 3. To be returned to the U.S. and buried in No National Cemetery.
- 4. To remain in Europe, for burial in a permanent American Cemetery. *Yes*

Signature Anton Bednar/Kewicz

INSTRUCTIONS FOR FILLING OUT

- 1. If definite instructions as to the disposition of a body are not received from the nearest relative within 2 weeks of its arrival at New York, burial will be made without further notice in the World War Section of Arlington National Cemetery.
- 2. The transfer of bodies will be made ENTIRELY at Government expense.
- 3. This paper MUST BE SIGNED BY THE PERSON WHO IS THE NEXT OF KIN IN THE ORDER shown in the square on the other side of this sheet.
- 4. This paper must be returned showing the name and address of each of the nearest living relatives in the spaces provided therefor on the other side of this sheet.
- 5. If there are minor children of the deceased soldier and no widow, the LEGALLY APPOINTED GUARDIAN of the children should ascertain their wishes and act for them in this matter.
- 6. If YOU are not the nearest relative, please ask the nearest relative, if living



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ADM:

Chief, (the nearest living relative and do not
WASHINGTON and mail to this office
4710 01

Ant
FROM: The Quartermaster General, U.S. Army, (Cemeterial Division).
TO: The relatives of our dead.
SUBJECT: Participation of patriotic societies in funerals.

1. The American Legion has expressed its desire to render any possible aid and comfort to relatives of our soldier dead returned from Europe for burial at their homes, and to honor their fallen comrades through participation in the funeral ceremonies. To this end the Legion requested this office to furnish the National Headquarters with the names and addresses of next of kin, approximate date of return and other data. This information cannot be furnished to others than relatives of the dead, since it is peculiarly their property and its dissemination to others would be a violation of our obligation to them and to the dead.

2. The desire of the American Legion is brought to your attention in order that, should you wish any aid from the organization or that it participate in the funeral of your soldier dead, you may bring the matter to the attention of the commander of the local post, or if there be no local post, to the attention of the National Adjutant, American Legion, National Headquarters, Meridian Bldg., Indianapolis, Ind.

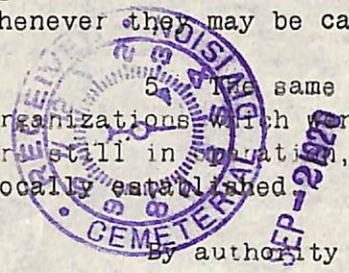
3. It is understood to be the intention of the National Headquarters, American Legion, in case there is no local post in the immediate vicinity of the intended burial place of any returned soldier's remains, to direct the nearest post to take action on those cases where relatives so request.

4. The American Red Cross desires also to render comfort to the relatives of our dead, through their local chapters, which are in operation in almost every town. We are sure they will be glad to serve whenever they may be called upon.

5. The same is doubtless true concerning the other welfare organizations which were officially recognized during the World War and are still in operation, as well as other military associations which are locally established.

By authority of the Quartermaster General:

CHARLES C. PIERCE,
Colonel, U.S. Army,
Chief, Cemeterial Division.



OVER

Supplemental:-

The Jewish Welfare Board, whose National headquarters are at 149 Fifth Ave, New York City, will gladly render all necessary service to relatives of Jewish dead and will operate directly or through correspondents in each locality.

Tamaroa Ith.

August 30 / 1920

Dear Sir!

I thought the body of my son Leo Bednarkevic would be shipped in a short time after his death but now it is 2 years after his death I can not see his body more so

GENERAL DIVISION
OVERSEAS PROJECT SECTION
SEP 2 1920
RECEIVED

I thought the best would be to let his body remain there where

he is.
yours truly

Anton Bednarkevic

Tamaroa Ith.

1melly

box 72 R. F. L. 2

WAR DEPARTMENT

OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL

DIRECTOR OF PURCHASE AND STORAGE

WASHINGTON

16303

G.R. S. Form 8-W-A
Information requested of A.G.O.

Date August 17, 1920.

File No. 16303 Registration.

From: The Quartermaster General, U. S. Army, (Cemeterial Division).

To: The Adjutant General of the Army, 6th & B Sts., N.W., Washington, D.C.

Subject: Information required for G.R.S.

1. It is requested that the items checked below be completed. Request confirmation of all information shown.

- ✓ a. Surname ~~BEDNOCKEWICZ~~ or ~~BEDNARKEWICZ~~ ✓ Date of death 8/9/18 ✓
- ✓ b. Christian name LEO ✓ g. Cause of death K/A ✓
- ✓ c. Serial number 2077919 ✓ h. Authority (C C.#) 247 ✓
- ✓ b. Organization Co. H. 131st Inf. ✓ i. Emergency address Mrs. Mary Bednarkewicz, Tamaroa, Ill. ✓
- ✓ e. Rank Cpl. ✓ j. Relationship (Mother) ✓

BODY DESCRIPTION

(See page #2 of the Service Record)

- a. Age at Enlistment 23 yrs. 3 mos. (not on file)
- b. Color of eyes blue
- c. Color of hair light
- d. Height 5' 11 1/2"
- e. Weight not shown

DENTAL CHARTS

(See Physical report of examination prior to enlistment)

- a. Strike out teeth missing
- | | |
|-----------------|-----------------|
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| 8 7 6 5 4 3 2 1 | 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 |
| lower right | lower left |

f. Permanent marks and physical defects at enlistment. (Old fractures or breaks)

right hip. P.M. Back of

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SS.

H. L. ROGERS,
Quartermaster General, U.S.A.,
Director of Purchase and Storage.

BY:

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H. J. CONNER,
Captain, Q.M.C.

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Date

OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
 DIRECTOR OF PURCHASE AND STORAGE
 WASHINGTON

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G. B. Form 8-4

Information requested of A. B. B.

Cty. 88

File No. 18308

Chipilly, Somme.

From: The Quartermaster General, U. S. Army, (General Staff Division)

To: The Adjutant General of the Army, 305 & B Bldg., H. W., Washington, D. C.

Subject: Information requested for G. B. B.

1. It is requested that the information requested be reported in the form of a report containing all information shown.

- a. Surname
- b. Christian name
- c. Serial number
- d. Organization
- e. Relationship

- PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION
- a. Age at enlistment
 - b. Color of eyes
 - c. Color of hair
 - d. Height
 - e. Weight
 - f. Tattoos, scars and physical defects at enlistment (list location of scars)

H. I. ROBERTS
 Quartermaster General, U. S. Army
 Director of Purchase and Storage

H. J. CONNELLEY
 Captain, G. B. B.

Return to the Adjutant

FROM: O. Q. M. G.
CEMETERIAL DIVISION
Munitions Building
Room 1131

PLEASE
EXPEDITE

Classification

Adjustment

CEMETERIAL DIVISION
GRAVES REGISTRATION SERVICE
REGISTRATION SECTION

File # 16303

MEMORANDUM:

Date 8/16/20

To: Registration Files Sub-Section

Subject: Adjustments made on Registration Files

1. Changes as checked have been made in the Registration Files which will necessitate a corresponding change in the Classification Files.

	CORP.	ADD. DATA		CORP.	ADD. DATA
File Number			Date of Burial		
Name			Date of Reburial		
Serial Number			Burial Information		
Rank			Nearest Relative		
Organization			Notified Nearest Relative		
Cause of Death			Blue Card thrown out		
Date of Death			White Card set up		
Casualty Cablgram Number			Cross Reference Card	X	

O.K. Alphabetical Files N.S. 8-19-20.

O.K. Organization Files _____

O.K. State Files _____

	Cemetery Audit Department
X	Investigation & Adjustment Dept.

By E. Dorsch

3 Cards attached.

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OSP SS.

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

Date 8/16/20

FROM:- INQUIRY BRANCH.

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

NAME Bednarkewicz, Leo

Serial Number 2077919

RANK Cpl.

ORGANIZATION

Co. H, 131st Inf.

FILE

NO.	QUESTION	REPLY
1.	Do particulars of soldiers given above agree with Records?	1. Yes.
2.	Date of Death.	2. 8/9/18.
3.	Cause and place of death.	3. K/A.
4.	Number of Casualty Cablegram.	4. 247.
5.	Date buried.	5. 8/18/18.
6.	Grave Location. (a) Complete record required (b) Name of Cemetery or Commune only required. (c) Note reinterments.	6. Isolated Grave, #Omme. #88, Chipilly, (Somme). Reburied 4/23/19 in Grave #25, Plot #1, Row C, Amer. Cty., #443, Vaux-sur-Somme, Somme.
7.	Who reported burial?	
8.	Confirmed by G.R.S.?	
9.	Report as to Grave Marker.	9. Cross.
10.	Identification Tags: (a) Buried with body? (b) Attached to grave marker?	10. (a) Yes. (b) No.
11.	Complete Emergency Address?	11. Mrs. Mary Bednarkewicz, (Mother) Tamaroa, Ill.
12.	Has been notified? (Give date)	12. Yes. 107-12/6/19.
13.	Report the exact position of your inquiry on this case. (Reply in all cases if no information on record)	
14.	What is the Photograph No.?	
15.	Inquiry made by? Investigation ED	Released by Information Control Dept.Directory X.....Cards 5x8Cards 4x6

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

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