

G.R.S. Form #114-B CAUSE OF DEATH

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FULL NAME..... *OK* Benner, William B.

RANK..... *OK* Private *OK* SERIAL. 62170

DIVISION & ORGANIZATION..... *OK* Company L - 101st Infantry *OK 26 Div.*

DATE OF DEATH..... *OK* 7/20/18

STATE FROM WHICH HE CAME..... *Mass*

cited HQ. 74 Apr 26 Div (8-31-18)

EDALS OR DECORATIONS AWARDED.....

FINAL GRAVE LOCATION. *12/9/22* *66* *9* *B*

Date Grave Row Block

8 A.G.O.
MAY 9 1927
WAR DIV.
24/292/EYS

..... *1764*
Cemetery

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AUDITED BY

DD 5-31-27

Bonner, Wm. B.
Pot.

GOLD STAR PILOTTAGE.

PARTY K SAILING JULY 8, 1933.

MASSACHUSETTS.

- Doyle, Mrs. Margaret. (K-7)
645 Sixth St., E. Boston.
- Lindsey, Mrs. Margaret A. (K-15)
45 Stonehurst St., Dorchester.
- Proctor, Mrs. Bertha A. (K-11)
889 Dorchester Ave., Dorchester.
- Alson, Mrs. Clara. (K-14)
11 Spaulding St., Dorchester.
- Glendon, Mrs. Mary. (K-14)
16 Raven St., Dorchester.
- McCartin, Mrs. Bridget. (K-15)
79 Call St., Jamaica Plain.
- Peters, Mrs. Monika (K-15)
44 Walden St., Jamaica Plain.
- Crafts, Mrs. Mary (K-14)
257 Vine St., Everett.
- Bonner, Mrs. Abbie. (K-17)
40 Hamilton St., Medford.

Railroad Station,
Boston.

Route going and returning: B&A Springfield; NYNH&H RR

Itinerary:

July 8	Leave Boston (So. Sta)	8:15 AM	EST	Train No. 51
	Arrive New York (OCT)	2:35 PM	EST	" " "

Parlor Car, Boston to New York.

Elapsed time, 6 Hours, 10 min.

Bennor Wm B

Party "K" - Itinerary - Aisne-Marne Group

Sailed July 9, 1930 on PRESIDENT HARDING. Captain William Hesketh in charge. Lt. Col. H. S. Grier observer. Arrived Cherbourg 12.20am July 17th. Special tender arrived 5.25am bearing Majs. Dailey and Kinderman; Cpts. Mitchell, Haley, Earnest, Dalton, Conway and Stark; Lts. Freeman and Binns, 3 nurses, 3 civilian employees. Train left 6.29am; arrived Gare des Invalides, Paris, 2.21pm. Met by Col. Ellis and members of his staff, interpreters and nurses. Taken in bus to hotel.

- July 18th. Morning devoted to transaction of personal business. Exchange of money, preparation of laundry, etc. Afternoon - Arc de Triomphe. Wreath laid by Mrs. Fitzsimmons for party. Tea and reception at Restaurant Laurent. Lunch at hotel.
- July 19th. Morning free. Lunch at hotel. Left 2.15pm for Chateau Thierry via Porte de Pantin, La Ferte s/s Jouarre (rest stop Hotel de la Terrasse). Arrived 6pm. Quarters Hostellerie du Bonhomme.
- July 20th, Visited Cemetery, Belleau Woods, Chateau Thierry for lunch, Quentin Roosevelt's grave, Monument Hill 204, Pierrefonds.
- July 22nd. Left Chateau Thierry 2.30pm for Reims. Arrived 4.30pm. Quarters Hotel Crystal.
- July 23rd. Visited Reims and Cathedral. Lunch Hotel Crystal. Left 1.30pm for Compiègne via Berry au Bac, Corbeny, Craonne, Chemin-des-Dames, Vaurains Ferme, Soissons. (rest stop Hotel Lion Rouge. Arrived 4.45pm. Quarters Hotel Rond Royal.
- July 24th. Carrefour de l'Armistice. Lunch at hotel in Compiègne. Left 2pm for Paris via Le Croix St. Ouen, Senlis, Chantilly (rest stop Hotel du Parc). Arrived 6pm. Dinner at hotel.
- July 25th. Free or shopping. Lunch at hotel. Sightseeing trip. Napoleon's Tomb. Dinner at hotel.
- July 26th. Versailles (visited Chateau). Lunch at Belle Cycliste. Suresnes. Louvre. Dinner at hotel.
- July 27th. Free or Church. Lunch at hotel. Sightseeing trip. Sacre Coeur. Dinner at hotel. Sightseeing trip at nite.
- July 28th. Sightseeing trip. Notre Dame. Lunch at hotel. Afternoon free. Dinner at hotel.
- July 29th. Boat train for Cherbourg. Left 9.22am. Arrived 5.32pm. PRESIDENT ROOSEVELT sailed about 6.25pm. Arrived New York August 6th.

Mrs. Abbie Bennor

WAR DEPARTMENT
"PILGRIMAGE, WAR MOTHERS AND WIDOWS"
ROOM 901
225 WEST 34TH ST., NEW YORK, N. Y.

BENNER, William B. — A.M.

Party *K*
Number *2079*

REQUEST FOR PULLMAN RESERVATION

BENNER

MRS. ~~ABBIE BONNER~~ Actual cost of through Pullman.
Name of Traveler

MEDFORD, MIDDLESEX COUNTY, New York, to *BOSTON, MASS.*
Home Address

MASS. \$ *1.50*

New York, to *BOSTON, MASS.*
Destination

Via *N Y N H & H TO SPRINGFIELD - B & A TO BOSTON*

LIMIT - SEPT 7-30 *AUGUST 7, 1930*
Date of Departure

	Road	Tr. No.	Date	Time	Lower or Seat	Car	U. S. G. Order No.	Actual Cost
LV	GR CENT TERM	<i>50</i>	<i>7</i>	<i>8:15 am</i>	<i>3</i>	<i>12</i>	<i>MO-1022,732</i>	<i>1.50</i>
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TOTAL

Remarks:

Lt. Young

Name..... BENNER, Mrs. Abbie

Paris Hôtel..... HOTEL D'ÏÉNA
..... AVENUE D'ÏÉNA

Home address..... 40 Hamilton St., Medford ~~Hillside~~, Middlesex County,
Massachusetts

Party..... K..... Group..... 4..... Unit ~~1st~~ "HARDING"

Date of arrival..... July 17, 1930..... Date of departure ~~1st~~ "ROOSEVELT" July 29, 1930

Relationship..... Mother

Name of deceased..... BENNER, William B.

Rank..... Pvt..... Organization Co. I, 101st Inf.

Cemetery..... Aisne-Marne

REMARKS

Albie ^{fixes}
mark Bennett



NAME **BONNER, MRS. ABBIE**
BONNER
S.S. **ROOSEVELT** 2079

HOME **MEDFORD, MIDDLESEX COUNTY, MASS.**

R.R. *N Y N H & H to Springfield*

STATION *Bra to Boston*

TRAIN #

CAR #

BERTH OR SEAT

TIME

DATE ~~AUG 6 1930~~ *Sept 7-30*

~~et.~~

*Mrs. Edith
~~green~~
green.
40 Hamilton St
Medford
Mass*

RECEIVED AT

RECEIVED AT
HOTEL ASTOR
NEW YORK
STANDARD TIME
INDICATED ON THIS MESSAGE

Postal Telegraph

(THE MACKAY SYSTEM)



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COMMERCIAL
CABLES

This is a full rate Telegram or Cablegram unless otherwise indicated by signal in the check or in the address.

BLUE	DAY LETTER
NL	NIGHT LETTER
NITE	NIGHT MESSAGE
LCO	DEFERRED CABLE
NLT	NIGHT CABLE LETTER
WLT	WEEK END CABLE LETTER

AUG 7 1930

COLONEL WILLIAMS=

HOTEL ASTOR NEWYORK NY=

YOURS 6TH MRS EDITH H GREEN 40 HAMILTON ST MEDFORDHILLSIDE MASS

IS UNDELIVERED FOR REASON PLACE LOCKED WILL KEEP TRYING=

POSTALTELEGRAPH ASTOR.

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VIA POSTAL TELEGRAPH

A. J. FUNK
Captain, Inf. (DOL)

Mrs. Edith H. Green
40 Hamilton St.,
Medford Hillside, Mass.

August 6, 1930

YOUR MOTHER ARRIVE SOUTH STATION BOSTON VIA NEW HAVEN TRAIN # 50 AT

2:30 P.M. THURSDAY

COLONEL WILLIAMS

MRS. ABBIE BENNER, PARTY K HOTEL ASTOR

June 19th, 1930.

Mrs. Abbie Bennor,
40 Hamilton Street,
Medford, Mass.

Dear Madam:

Please attach the enclosed tags to each piece of baggage, thus to protect the safe arrival of same in New York.

Upon your arrival in this City, you will be met at the Railroad Station by a United States Army Officer, in uniform, who will wear on the left sleeve of his coat a blue cloth band, showing a Gold Star and the word "Pilgrimage". This officer will escort you and your baggage to your Hotel in New York City.

For the Officer in Charge:

George F. H. Taylor,
1st. Lieut., G.M. Corps,
Assistant.

Enclosures:
2 tags.

Quarters at: Mrs. Eliz. Murray
mess, alone

2 bags

CODE SLIP

HEADING	SUB HEADING	NO. OF COLS	CODE
NAME <i>Benner, Wm B</i>	<i>Ben</i>	3	<i>25 9</i>
BURIED	CEMETERY <i>1764</i>	1	<i>4</i>
	GRAVE <i>66</i>	2	<i>66</i>
	ROW <i>9</i>	2	<i>09</i>
	BLOCK <i>B</i>	1	<i>2</i>
STATE	<i>Mass</i>	2	<i>25</i>
RANK	<i>Priv.</i>	1	<i>2</i>
DIVISION	<i>26th</i>	2	<i>26</i>
ORGANIZATION	<i>101st</i>	1	<i>101</i>
ARM	<i>Inf</i>	1	<i>1</i>
MARITAL	<i>Mar</i>	1	<i>2</i>
NAME <i>Mrs. Abbie</i>	<i>Ben</i>	3	<i>25 0</i>
RESIDENCE <i>40 - Hamilton St.</i>	STATE <i>Mass</i>	2	<i>25-</i>
	COUNTY <i>Middlesex</i>	2	<i>09</i>
	CITY <i>Malden Hillside</i>	3	<i>4</i>
RELATION	<i>Mother</i>	1	<i>1</i>
OTHER		1	
ELIGIBILITY	<i>Yes</i>	1	
NATIVITY		1	
RACE		1	
ENGLISH	<i>yes</i>	1	<i>1</i>
ATTENDANT		1	
HEALTH	<i>Good</i>	1	<i>1</i>
NO. OF SONS		1	
DATE OF TRIP	MO.	1	
	YR. <i>1930</i>	1	<i>1</i>
ACCEPTANCE	<i>Yes</i>	1	<i>1</i>
<i>29/514/EAB</i>	<i>age</i>	1	<i>1</i>

AUDITED
 SEP 25 1931
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NAME Benner, Mrs. Abbie K

ADDRESS 40 Hamilton St., Medford, Mass.

DATE _____

TO: OFFICER-IN-CHARGE,
PILGRIMAGE, WAR MOTHERS AND WIDOWS

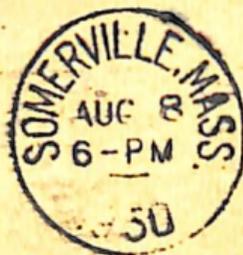
I BEG TO INFORM YOU THAT I HAVE RETURNED
TO MY HOME SAFELY AND IN GOOD HEALTH.

SINCERELY,

(SIGNED) Mrs Abbie Benner

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICIAL BUSINESS

PENALTY FOR PRIVATE USE \$300.



PILGRIMAGE, WAR MOTHERS AND WIDOWS
225 WEST 34TH STREET,
NEW YORK, N. Y.

STATE

MASSACHUSETTS

Benner, Wm. B.

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NAME *Benner, Mrs. Abbie* HOME ADDRESS *40 Hamilton St.*
Medford,
 NAME AND ADDRESS OF NEAREST KIN *Mrs. E. Greed*
saunt
 Middlesex County

ARRIVAL IN NEW YORK

DATE *July 8* HOTEL *Grassevelt* ROOM NO. *557*

DEPARTURE NEW YORK

DATE *JUL 9 1930* VESSEL *S/S HARDING* CABIN NO. *124c*

DESTINATION *CHERBOURG* CEMETERY *A.M.*

RETURN NEW YORK

DATE AUG 6 1930

40 HAMILTON ST.,
MEDFORD,
MIDDLESEX CO., MASS

NAME BENNER, MRS. ABBIE HOME ADDRESS

RETURN ON S. S. S/S ROOSEVELT HOTEL ASTOR ROOM NO. 239

DEPARTURE NEW YORK

DATE AUG 7 1930

ROAD *NY SOUTH* TRAIN *50* CAR *12* BERTH or SEAT *S3*

REMARKS

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Harding 7-9-30

1764

RETURN RECEIPT

Received from the Postmaster the Registered or Insured Article, the original number of which appears on the face of this Card.

X

Abbie Benner

(Signature or name of addressee.)

F. O. Cushing

(Signature of addressee's agent.)

Date of delivery, _____

July 26, 1930

Form 3811

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Post Office Department

OFFICIAL BUSINESS

REGISTERED ARTICLE

No. 923098

INSURED PARCEL

No.

Return to

Q. M. GENERAL

(NAME OF SENDER)

MUNITIONS BUILDING

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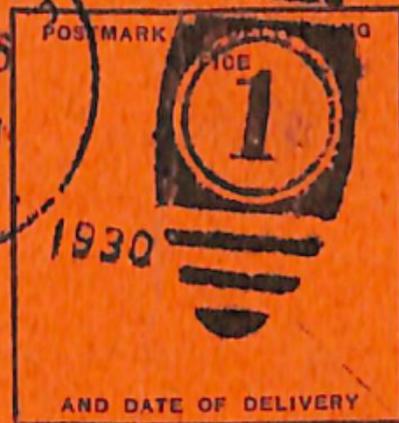
Post Office at

Washington, D. C.

State



PENALTY FOR PRIVATE USE
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POSTAGE \$300



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1764

RETURN RECEIPT.

~~Handing 7/9/30~~

Received from the Postmaster the Registered or Insured Article, the original number of which appears on the face of this Card.

Abbie Bennet

(Signature or name of addressee.)

Elizabeth Boyden

(Signature of addressee's agent.)

Date of delivery,

by 21, 1923

Post Office Department

OFFICIAL BUSINESS

PENALTY FOR PRIVATE USE TO AVOID PAYMENT OF POSTAGE, \$300

REGISTERED ARTICLE

No. 92776

INSURED PARCEL

No. _____



Return to Q. M. GENERAL

(NAME OF SENDER)

MUNITIONS BUILDING

Street and Number, }
or Post Office Box, }

Post Office at _____

Washington, D. C.

State. _____

QM 293 AM
Benner, Wm. B. Pvt. 1764 M

August 19, 1930

Mrs. Abbie Benner,
40 Hamilton St.,
Medford, Mass.

Dear Madam:

The testimonial dated August 2nd to the Officer in Charge, Gold Star Pilgrimage, New York City, which you and the other mothers and widows returning on the S. President Roosevelt were so kind as to send regarding your pilgrimage to the cemeteries of Europe, has been forwarded to me.

It is gratifying to know that the officers of the Army and the personnel connected with the pilgrimage rendered such courteous and efficient service. The Quartermaster Corps is proud of the honor bestowed upon it by being charged with the conduct of these pilgrimages and has expended every effort that those making the journey might have a comfortable and pleasant trip. I feel, however, that the task has been materially lightened by the wonderful spirit of cooperation shown by the mothers and widows who are making the pilgrimage.

With sincere appreciation of the sentiments expressed by you,

Sincerely yours,

J. L. DOWITT,
Major General,
The Quartermaster General.

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JTH
WRG

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Bonner, William B. - 1764 ✓

June 12, 1930.

^e
Mrs. Abbie Bonner,
40 Hamilton Street,
Medford, Mass.

Dear Madam:

Arrangements have been completed for your transportation to New York City on your pilgrimage to the American Cemeteries in Europe. One week before your departure the railroad ticket agent, of the first road shown below, will deliver your railroad and pullman ticket to you. Your route to New York will be as follows:

Lv. Boston (So. Sta.)	B&A	Train No. 51	8:15 AM	(EST)	July 8
Ar. New York (G. C. P.)	NYNH&H	" " "	2:35 PM	"	" "

All railroad employees have been instructed by their officials to see that you are shown every courtesy and given assistance, particularly at points where it is necessary to change cars.

Should you not receive your ticket six days before the date shown for your departure please take up at once with the ticket agent and if he does not have your ticket, telegraph this office, collect, to that effect.

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

May 13, 1930.

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

Benner, William B. -1764 M
Harding 7-9

Mrs. Abbie Benner,
40 Hamilton Street,
Medford Hillside, Mass.

Dear Madam:

The records of this office show that you have not furnished the name of your Emergency Addressee as requested in letter of instructions from this office.

It is requested that in the blank space below you write the name and address of the person in the United States whom you desire to be notified in case you become seriously ill or other emergency arises while you are making the pilgrimage to Europe authorized by the Act of Congress approved March 2, 1929.

Mrs. Edith B. Grieve
Name
40 Hamilton St.
Medford Hillside, Mass.
Address

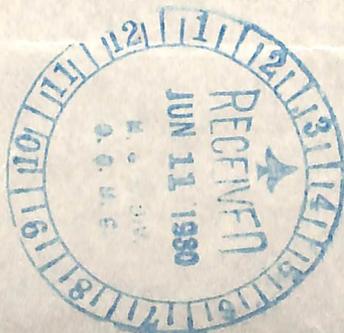
Please fill in the above and mail it TODAY in the self-addressed envelope which requires no postage.

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

Encl.
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WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C
Benner, William B. 1764 N

April 12, 1930.

Mrs. Abbie Benner,
40 Hamilton, St.,
Medford Hillside, Mass.

Dear Madam:

The following instructions prepared by the Secretary of State contain the necessary instructions to be followed by you in obtaining the passport or travel document to be utilized in connection with your pilgrimage to the cemeteries in Europe. Please read the directions carefully and call in person upon the nearest Passport Agent or clerk of a Federal or State court having jurisdiction to naturalize aliens. Passport Agencies are located in Boston, Chicago, New Orleans, New York City, San Francisco and Seattle. In large cities there are usually two or more courts and at each county-seat a state court authorized to accept these passport applications.

When you make this call be sure to take with you the four photographs called for in the instructions together with your invitation as a means of identification. You should take with you to the passport office at this time a friend who is an American citizen and who has known you for several years. The passport Agent or clerk of the court will mail your application to the Secretary of State in Washington, D. C., who will issue the passports and travel documents and will deliver them to The Quartermaster General to be held by him until your arrival in New York.

The instructions prepared by the Secretary of State are as follows:

"A mother or widow who owes allegiance to the United States must apply to the Department of State for a Special Pilgrimage Passport through a Passport Agent or through a clerk of a Federal court or State court having jurisdiction to naturalize aliens and on the form prescribed by that Department. When making application, she should be accompanied by a credible witness who is an American citizen and who has known her for a period of two years or more. With her application she should submit four photographs on a light background and on thin paper not more than 3x3 inches in size not less than 2½x2½ inches in size and such documentary

evidence of her American citizenship as she may have in her possession. In the absence of evidence of citizenship, her application should be witnessed by a credible person residing in the same community who is an American citizen, has known her for a long period of time and is able to swear to the best of his or her knowledge and belief that she is a citizen of the United States.

"A mother or widow who does not owe allegiance to the United States must apply to the Department of State for a Pilgrimage Travel Document through a clerk of a Federal court or a State court having jurisdiction to naturalize aliens or through a Passport Agent upon the form of application prescribed for that purpose, entitled APPLICATION FOR A PILGRIMAGE TRAVEL DOCUMENT, issued under the Act of March 2, 1929, submitting therewith four photographs on a light background and on thin paper not more than 3 x 3 inches in size and not less than 2½ x 2½ inches in size. When making application she should be accompanied by a credible witness who has known her for a period of two years or more.

"The Act of March 2, 1929, provides that no fee shall be charged for the execution of an application for a passport or travel document or for the issue of a passport or travel document to a mother or widow making a pilgrimage to the cemeteries of Europe in which deceased soldiers, sailors, and marines of the American forces are now interred.

"Special Pilgrimage Passports and Pilgrimage Travel Documents when issued by the Department of State will be forwarded to the War Department.

"Applicants resident in Boston, Chicago, New Orleans, New York City, San Francisco and Seattle should execute applications at the Passport Agencies in those cities."

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

Harding
7/9/30
1764

Benner, Wm. B

I Accept 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 provisions of the Act of Congress approved March 2, 1929.

Mrs. Abbie Benner

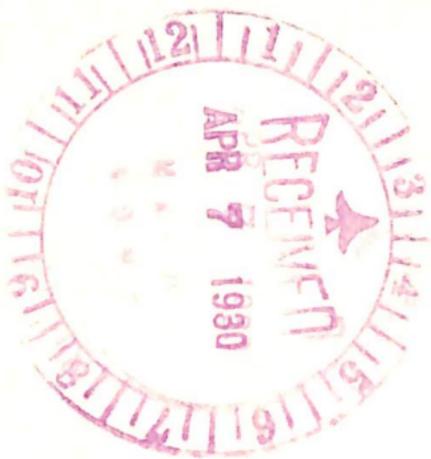
(Name)

40 Hamilton St., Medford Hillside, Middlesex Co.,
(Town or City) **Massachusetts** (State)

U. S. GOVERNMENT PRINTING OFFICE. 1929

*Mrs. Abbie Benner, 40 Hamilton St.
Medford Hillside, Mass.*

postmark, Bath,
Maine



WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C
Benner, William B. 1764-M

October 7, 1929.

Mrs. Abbie Benner,
40 Hamilton St.,
Medford Hillside, Mass.

Sailed
JUL 9 1930

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) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> (No) <input type="checkbox"/>
2. Do you desire to make the pilgrimage in the calendar year 1930?	(Yes) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> (No) <input type="checkbox"/>
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) <input type="checkbox"/> (No) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
4. Please give your age and state of health.	Age 71 Health Good (Years) (Good) (Poor)
5. What language do you speak?	English - (Yes) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> (No) <input type="checkbox"/> Other language none (Specify language spoken)

RECEIVED
 OCT 15 1929
 M. & R. DIV.
 Q. Q. M. G.

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,


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

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Envelope

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

Benner, William B.

July 29th, 1929

Mrs. Abbie Brenner
40 Hamilton St.,
Medford Hillside, Mass.

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 William B. Benner, Co. L. 101st Inf., whose remains are now interred in the Aisne-Marne American Cemetery, Belleau, Aisne, France.

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

Write answers in space below:

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

No widow

2. If so, give her complete address.

3. Will you make the pilgrimage?

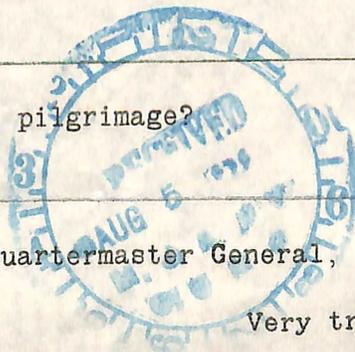
Yes, thank you.

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



WAR DEPARTMENT

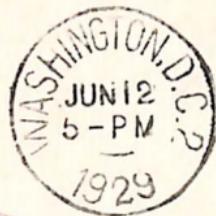


WASHINGTON, D. C.

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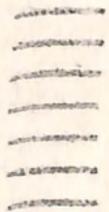
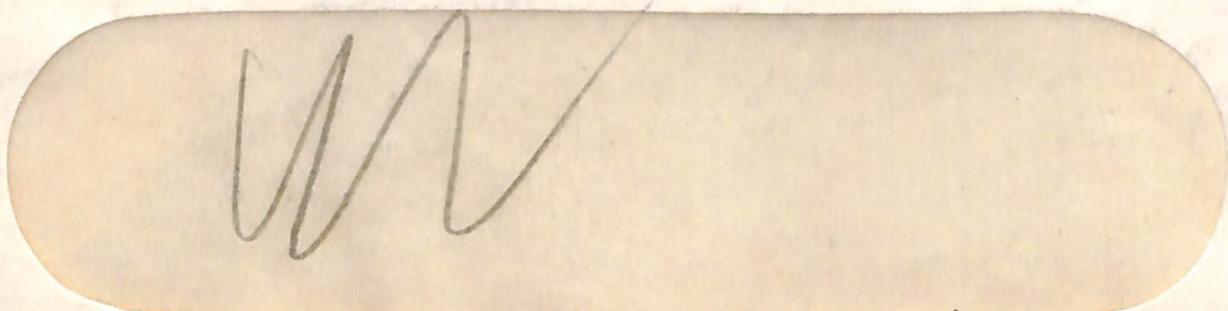
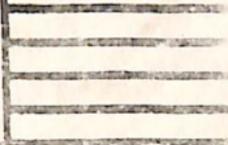
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PENALTY FOR PRIVATE USE TO
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CITIZENS
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- CAMPS -



Wm. L. Lound R 13
Watertown 6-13-29
J. G. G.



WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

June 12, 1929.

XC 30903

Benner, William B.

Mrs Abbie Benner,
37 Cypress St.,
Watertown, Mass.

M. Abbie Brenner
40 Hamilton St.,
Medford Hillside, Mass.

XC 30903
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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 William B. Benner, Co.L. 101st Inf., whose remains are now interred in the Aisne-Marne American Cemetery, Belleau, Aisne, France.

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

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

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

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

2 incls.
Act of Congress.
Envelope.

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



QM 295 AM
Benner, Wm. B. Pvt. 1764 M

August 10, 1950

Mrs. Abbie Benner,
40 Hamilton St.,
Bedford, Mass.

Dear Madam:

The testimonial dated August 2nd to the Officer in Charge, Gold Star Pilgrimage, New York City, which you and the other mothers and widows returning on the 58th President Roosevelt were so kind as to send regarding your pilgrimages to the cemeteries of Europe, has been forwarded to me.

It is gratifying to know that the officers of the Army and the personnel connected with the pilgrimage rendered such courteous and efficient service. The Quartermaster Corps is proud of the honor bestowed upon it by being charged with the conduct of these pilgrimages and has expended every effort that these making the journey might have a comfortable and pleasant trip. I feel, however, that the task has been materially lightened by the wonderful spirit of cooperation shown by the mothers and widows who are making the pilgrimage.

With sincere appreciation of the sentiments expressed by you,

Sincerely yours,

J. L. DOWITT,
Major General,
The Quartermaster General.

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WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

Benner, William B

Benner, Wm. B. 1764-H

Mrs. Abbie Benner,
40 Hamilton St.,
Medford, Mass.

June 13, 1930

Dear Madam:

Somewhat heavier clothing is required to be worn in Europe than is necessary in the United States, in order to be comfortable. During the summer in Europe it is cool during the day and the nights are frequently chilly. Considerable rain is usually encountered during this time.

In order that you may be comfortable at all times, regardless of the condition of the weather, and may avoid missing any of the sights or any part of the itinerary which has been planned for you, the following suggestions are made.

The clothing which you will take with you should be slightly heavier and warmer than you would normally wear in the United States during the summer and should be strong and durable. It is essential that you take with you the necessary equipment to afford protection from the cold and dampness. Be sure to take at least two pairs of comfortable shoes to provide a change in the event your feet become wet, a pair of rubbers, an umbrella, and a sweater or some warm wrap to be used should the weather become uncomfortably cool. It is very desirable that, in addition to the sweater, you have with you a full length coat of medium weight for general wear.

The shortages of suitable facilities for laundry and the frequency of the moves you will make while in Europe will make it impracticable to secure as frequent service of this nature as may be desired. You should therefore provide yourself with sufficient underwear, nightgowns, stockings and handkerchiefs to meet your requirements should it be impossible to have your washing done more frequently than once in two weeks.

If you will read carefully the suggestions made above, and comply with them, it will add greatly to your comfort throughout the trip and will assist the Government in carrying out successfully its plans for conducting the pilgrimage. This letter is being sent to every mother and widow who has accepted the invitation sent to her by the Government to visit the grave of her son or husband.

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

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Bonner, William B. - 1764

June 12, 1930.

e
Mrs. Abbie Bonner,
40 Hamilton Street,
Medford, Mass.

Dear Madam:

Arrangements have been completed for your transportation to New York City on your pilgrimage to the American Cemeteries in Europe. One week before your departure the railroad ticket agent, of the first road shown below, will deliver your railroad and pullman ticket to you. Your route to New York will be as follows:

Lv. Boston (So. Sta.)	B&A	Train No. 51	8:15 AM	(EST)	July 8
Ar. New York (C. C. T.)	NYNH&H	" " "	2:35 PM	" "	" "

All railroad employees have been instructed by their officials to see that you are shown every courtesy and given assistance, particularly at points where it is necessary to change cars.

Should you not receive your ticket six days before the date shown for your departure please take up at once with the ticket agent and if he does not have your ticket, telegraph this office, collect, to that effect.

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

*Harding
July 9-*

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

May 13, 1930.

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

Benner, William B. -1764 M
Harding 7-9

Mrs. Abbie Benner,
40 Hamilton Street,
Medford Hillside, Mass.

Dear Madam:

The records of this office show that you have not furnished the name of your Emergency Addressee as requested in letter of instructions from this office.

It is requested that in the blank space below you write the name and address of the person in the United States whom you desire to be notified in case you become seriously ill or other emergency arises while you are making the pilgrimage to Europe authorized by the Act of Congress approved March 2, 1929.

Name

Address

Please fill in the above and mail it TODAY in the self-addressed envelope which requires no postage.

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-C
Banner, William B. -1764 M
Harding 7-9

May 7, 1930

Mrs. Abbie Banner,
40 Hamilton Street,
Medford Hillside, Mass.

Dear Madam:

Requests for stop-overs on return from the pilgrimage to the American cemeteries in Europe are being received by this office, in some cases, too late to take action.

Transportation arrangements for the round-trip are made a month before departure and requests for stop-overs on return must be in this office at that time.

Stop-overs can not be allowed on the trip to New York or in Europe, but may be allowed at any point on return from New York provided there is no additional cost or, if there is, that it is paid in advance by the pilgrim.

If you desire stop-overs at any point on return, please advise this office AT ONCE as to the cities where you desire to stop and we will be glad to arrange accordingly, or advise you if there is any additional cost to be paid by you. Send your request direct to this office and do NOT include it with your passport application.

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

O. Q. M. G. M. S. L. W.

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WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C
Benner, William B. 1764 M

April 12, 1930.

Mrs. Abbie Benner,
40 Hamilton, St.,
Medford Hillside, Mass.

Dear Madam:

The following instructions prepared by the Secretary of State contain the necessary instructions to be followed by you in obtaining the passport or travel document to be utilized in connection with your pilgrimage to the cemeteries in Europe. Please read the directions carefully and call in person upon the nearest Passport Agent or clerk of a Federal or State court having jurisdiction to naturalize aliens. Passport Agencies are located in Boston, Chicago, New Orleans, New York City, San Francisco and Seattle. In large cities there are usually two or more courts and at each county-seat a state court authorized to accept these passport applications.

When you make this call be sure to take with you the four photographs called for in the instructions together with your invitation as a means of identification. You should take with you to the passport office at this time a friend who is an American citizen and who has known you for several years. The passport Agent or clerk of the court will mail your application to the Secretary of State in Washington, D. C., who will issue the passports and travel documents and will deliver them to The Quartermaster General to be held by him until your arrival in New York.

The instructions prepared by the Secretary of State are as follows:

"A mother or widow who owes allegiance to the United States must apply to the Department of State for a Special Pilgrimage Passport through a Passport Agent or through a clerk of a Federal court or State court having jurisdiction to naturalize aliens and on the form prescribed by that Department. When making application, she should be accompanied by a credible witness who is an American citizen and who has known her for a period of two years or more. With her application she should submit four photographs on a light background and on thin paper not more than 3x3 inches in size not less than 2½x2½ inches in size and such documentary

evidence of her American citizenship as she may have in her possession. In the absence of evidence of citizenship, her application should be witnessed by a credible person residing in the same community who is an American citizen, has known her for a long period of time and is able to swear to the best of his or her knowledge and belief that she is a citizen of the United States.

"A mother or widow who does not owe allegiance to the United States must apply to the Department of State for a Pilgrimage Travel Document through a clerk of a Federal court or a State court having jurisdiction to naturalize aliens or through a Passport Agent upon the form of application prescribed for that purpose, entitled APPLICATION FOR A PILGRIMAGE TRAVEL DOCUMENT, issued under the Act of March 2, 1929, submitting therewith four photographs on a light background and on thin paper not more than 3 x 3 inches in size and not less than 2½ x 2½ inches in size. When making application she should be accompanied by a credible witness who has known her for a period of two years or more.

"The Act of March 2, 1929, provides that no fee shall be charged for the execution of an application for a passport or travel document or for the issue of a passport or travel document to a mother or widow making a pilgrimage to the cemeteries of Europe in which deceased soldiers, sailors, and marines of the American forces are now interred.

"Special Pilgrimage Passports and Pilgrimage Travel Documents when issued by the Department of State will be forwarded to the War Department.

"Applicants resident in Boston, Chicago, New Orleans, New York City, San Francisco and Seattle should execute applications at the Passport Agencies in those cities."

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

In reply refer to QM 293 A-C

Banner, William B. 1764-II

March 29, 1930

Mrs. Abbie Banner,
40 Hamilton St.,
Peak Mass. Hillside, Mass.

This letter, which contains general information regarding the pilgrimage to the cemeteries of Europe, is being sent to each mother and widow who has expressed a desire to make the pilgrimage during the calendar year 1930. The general plan for the conduct of the pilgrimage is shown in the Pilgrimage Regulations, a copy of which is enclosed herewith. In addition to the information shown in the regulations, the following explains in detail some of the most important things connected with the pilgrimage.

Formal invitations are being extended to each mother and widow who has expressed a desire to make the pilgrimage during 1930. In so far as practicable, these invitations are being extended with a view to keeping the women from each state together and the order in which the invitations to the women from the several states are issued is based on a drawing by lot which was held about one month ago. Inclosed with each invitation is a card for acknowledgment and it is quite important that you accept or decline this invitation promptly in order that the necessary railroad, steamship and hotel reservations may be arranged. The government will defray all the necessary expenses of the pilgrimage, including railroad fare, hotel accommodations, steamship fare and all other incidental expenses. It will not provide anything other than the necessary expenses so that you should bring with you such funds as you may desire to use for making small purchases and for other uses distinctly of a personal nature.

Arrangements have been made with the American Railroad Association which assures us the united support and cooperation of all of the railroads in the United States in handling the movement to and from New York City. The local ticket agent will secure your railroad and sleeper ticket and will make the necessary pullman reservations. Before your departure from your home we will mail you a check, sufficient to pay for your meals and other travelling expenses while enroute to New York. Your railroad ticket will provide for a round trip from your home to New York and upon arrival in New York the army officer in charge of the New York office will collect the return trip stub and hold it until your return to New York from Europe.

Upon arrival in New York, you will be met by an army officer

and escorted to first class hotel where reservations have been made. The duration of your stay in New York will be from 24 to 48 hours. At the proper time, you will be escorted to the steamship upon which passage has been engaged for Europe. All of the women making this trip will be provided with cabin class accommodations aboard steamers which means that from two to four will be quartered in the same stateroom. If you have any friend that you would like to be quartered with we will endeavor to arrange it if you will communicate with this office.

The ocean voyage will last about 8 days and when the ship docks at Cherbourg, France, each party will be met by officers especially detailed for the purpose and taken in a special train to Paris where first class hotel accommodations have been reserved. The first day in Paris will be a day of rest. On the 2d day, the women of each party will place a wreath on the tomb of the French unknown soldier. In the afternoon there will be a reception in which the French war mothers, government officials, and prominent civilians will participate. The following morning the groups going to the different cemeteries will leave Paris, travelling in motor busses, and proceed to the cemeteries where they will remain for about 7 days. Twenty-five women will be assigned to each bus and an army officer will have charge of the bus. The itineraries to and from the cemeteries and the daily itineraries while at the cemeteries have been varied so as to take in points of historical interest as well as some parts of the battlefields where American troops were engaged. Upon return to Paris, each party will remain for about 5 days and during this time an opportunity will be given to see the points of historical interest in Paris and vicinity. The entire duration of your stay in Europe will be 14 days, and the itineraries have been so arranged that each day will be provided for. Except in case of illness or other unavoidable cause it will not be possible for any woman making the pilgrimage to remain in Europe for a longer period than 14 days nor to leave the party with which she is travelling unless she is prepared to pay all of her expenses after leaving the party since the Act of Congress authorizing the pilgrimage specifically states that the government shall not pay the expenses of any woman who willfully leaves her party.

Upon return to the United States each ship will be met in New York City by army officers who will escort the mothers and widows to the trains which will take them home. Before leaving New York each woman will be provided with her return railroad ticket, a sleeping car ticket and funds to cover the cost of meals and other travelling expenses.

Army officers are being used as guides and escorts throughout this entire movement and care has been taken to select officers who will see that proper care is taken of the women who are entrusted to their charge. Arrangements have been made for taking care of women who may be taken sick during the pilgrimage and also to care for the remains of any who may die and provision has been made for returning the remains of any who may die to their homes. It is essential that each woman making the pilgrimage furnish The Quartermaster General with an emergency address of some relative or friend to be notified in the event of an emergency. Medical care will be provided by civilian agencies. If such care is needed in New York City it will be furnished by the hotel physicians or

by local hospitals. Aboard ship, medical care will be provided by the ship's doctors and in Paris arrangements have been made with the American Hospital for the hospitalization and treatment of any women who may need it. In addition to this, six doctors of the regular army will be on duty throughout the pilgrimage.

Baggage will be limited to not to exceed two pieces of hand baggage and the articles taken should be such as will be required for a trip of about one month. Laundry service can be obtained in New York and Paris. Since the climate of Europe is much colder than that of the United States, each woman should provide herself with sufficient warm clothing to stand the motor bus trip and the visit to the cemeteries.

Since it is necessary for this office to make all reservations for your accommodations throughout this pilgrimage, it will be greatly appreciated if you will make prompt reply to any communications received from this office.

For The Quartermaster General:

Very truly yours,

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

1 Enclosure.
Regulation.

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

October 7, 1929.

Benner, William B. 1764-M

**Mrs. Abbie Brenner,
40 Hamilton St.,
Medford Hillside, Mass.**

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,

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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

Benner, William B.

July 29th, 1929

Mrs. Abbie Brenner
40 Hamilton St.,
Medford Hillside, Mass.

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 William B. Benner, Co. L, 101st Inf., whose remains are now interred in the Aisne-Marne American Cemetery, Belleau, Aisne, France.

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

Write answers in space below:

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

2. If so, give her complete address.

3. Will you make the pilgrimage?

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

2 Incls.
Act of Congress
Envelope

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

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

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

June 12, 1929.

Bonner, William B.

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Mrs Abbie Bonner,
37 Cypress St.,
Watertown, Mass.

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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".

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

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

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

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

2 incls.
Act of Congress.
Envelope.

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

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Benner

(Surname.)

Private

William B.

(Christian name in full.)

Company L, 101st

62,170

(Army serial nu

Infantry

(Rank and organization.)

State your relationship to the deceased.

Mother

Do you desire the remains brought to the United States?

yes.

(Yes or no.)

If remains are brought to the United States, do you wish them interred in a national cemetery?

yes.

(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:

George A. Clark

(Name of person to receive remains.)

(Express office.)

(Telegraph office.)

158 Moody St. Waltham Mass.

(Number and street.)

(City or town.)

(State.)

#

(Sign here)

Mrs. Abbie Benner

20, Russell St. Waltham Mass.

(Number and street or rural route.)

(City, town, or post office.)

(State.)

Read carefully the letter accompanying this card.

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files

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COMPILATION OF DISPOSITION OF REMAINS DATA

File# 9268

I. LOCATION INDEX CARD:

CK. 3/10/21
 (a) Name *Benner* ~~BANNER~~, William B. Ser. No. 62170
 (b) Rank Pvt. Organization Co. L, 101st Inf. } TYP. EK
 (c) Date of death 7/20/1918 (d) Cause of death K/A } B. J.

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

(a) Grave No. 75 Row -- Plot 2 Sec. G TYP. EK
 (b) Emerg. Address Mrs. Abbie Benner (mother) ~~20 Russell St.~~, 82 Hammond St.,
Waltham, Mass. *CK 3/10/21*

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

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

No card in file No request for disposition
2-19-21 mt. H-5-4-9-21

V. Following advice forwarded to Europe by { cable on _____, 192
 letter of transmittal on MAR 10 1921, 192

Par. # 2 Not To Be Returned

VI. Form 115 forwarded to G. R. S., Hoboken, N. J., men APR 12 1921 JUL 18 1921, 192

VII. SUPPLEMENTARY REQUESTS.

Date of and source. Relationship and name. Desires. Action taken.

VIII. Form 115 received from G. R. S., Hoboken, N. J. 6-9-, 192/

COUNTRY _____ CEMETERY No. _____ SHEET No. _____

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

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COMPILATION OF DISPOSITION OF REMAINS DATA

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I. LOCATION INDEX CARD:

CK. 3/10/21

(a) Name ~~BANNER~~, *Benner*, William B. Ser. No. 62170

(b) Rank *Pvt.* Organization *Co. L, 101st Inf.*

(c) Date of death *7/20/1918* (d) Cause of death *K/A*

TYP. *EK*
CKR. *B. J.*

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

(a) Grave No. *75* Row *--* Plot *2* Sec. *G* TYP. *EK*

(b) Emerg. Address *Mrs. Abbie Benner (mother) 82 Hammond St. (over)*
20 Russell St., Waltham, Mass.

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

IV. A. G. O. DISPOSITION CARD:

Date of receipt *None*

(a) Name *Mr. Abbie Benner* (b) Relationship *Mother*

(c) Address *20 Russell St., Waltham, Mass.*

(d) Remains to be brought to U. S.? *Yes*

(e) To be interred in National Cemetery in U. S. at *Yes*

(f) Shipping instructions upon arrival of body in U. S. *George A. Clark*
158 Moody St., Waltham, Mass.

(g) Disposition instructions if not brought to U. S.

Examiner's Initials *SMH* Date *6/23/21*, 1920.

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

dated

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

No correspondence

Examiner's Initials *MH* Date *2-19-21*, 1920.

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

No request for disposition
Ad. Mrs. Abbie Benner, 20 Russell St. Waltham.

(a) Cancellation memos referred to? *Yes - MH*

Examiner's Initials *MH* Date *2-19-21*, 1920.

COUNTRY *France* CEMETERY No. *1764* SHEET No. *91*

FORM 115 - A COMPLETED

AP 4/12/21

CARDED

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

RECEIVED BY
MAIL UNIT

Typed by _____ Checked by _____ JUN 9 1921, 1920.

VIII. FINAL ACTION:

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

Cemeterial Division
Overseas Project Sub-Section

Par. #2 Not To Be Returned

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RECEIVED

MAY 4 1921

Cemeterial Division
Overseas Project Sub-Section

IX.

CORRECTIONS

CHANGE OF ADVICE.

ACTION TAKEN.

Desires body be _____

Body to be shipped to _____

X. SUSPENSION REMARKS: *B.A. W.R. Mrs Abbie Benner (mother) Em. Address #20 - Russell St. Waltham, Mass.*

4-6-21-H

5/6/21 (7#20) Mrs. Abbie Benner (mother) 82 Hammond St. Waltham Mass, requests that the remains be left in France

5/6/21. M.M.

To be prepared in triplicate.

DATE Nov.24,1922

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 BENNER, William B. 10. Name _____
- 2. No. 62170 11. No. _____
- 3. Rank Pvt. 12. Rank _____
- 4. Org. Co.L. 101st Inf. 13. Org. _____
- 5. D.D. 7-20-1918 14. (a) D.D. _____
- 6. C.D. K.I.A. (b) D.B. no discrepancy

Discrepancy found upon disinterment

- 7. Grave No. 75 Sec. G 15. Grave No. _____ Sec. _____
- 8. Plot 2 Row _____ 16. Plot _____ Row _____
- 9. _____ 17. no discrepancy

- 18. Cemetery Aisne-Marne American Cty. 19. Commune or town Belleau
- 20. Dept. or County Aisne 21. Country France
- 22. G.R.S. Hdqrs. Code No. _____ 1764

23. Disinterred (Date) Nov.24,1922 By C.P.Keating

24. Inscription on grave marker:

Name William B.Benner Serial No. 62170
 Rank Pvt. Organization Co.L,101st Inf.

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

W.D. Wall
 Signature Junior Technical Assistant
W.D. Wall Jr.

PREPARATION

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

Bottle record agrees.

27. Condition of body Badly decomposed, features unrecognizable.

28. Nature of burial Burlap and wooden box.

29. Any discrepancy noted upon examination of body, as compared with G.R.S. records quoted above? no

30. Body prepared and placed in casket: Date Nov.24,1922 By C.P.Keating

31. Casket sealed by C.P.Keating

Signature of Embalmer, (Supervisor) _____
C.P.Keating
C.P.Keating

SHIPMENT. (Show actual marking of box.) Box No. C - 31189

32. Designation of body:

Name William B. BENNER Serial No. 62170

Rank Pvt. Organization Co. L. 101st Inf.

33. Consigned to:

Name of Permanent Cemetery Aisne-Marne American Cty. #1764, Belleau Aisne

34. Casket boxed and marked (Date) Nov. 24, 1922 By C.P. Keating

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 A.E. Dewey, 1st Lt., QMC.

36. Remarks none

37. Shipped from point of Operation: (Date) Nov. 24, 1922

To point of Concentration (Name)

Convoyer Signature Shipping Officer

38. Received at Railhead or Point of Concentration: Date

By G.R.S. Representative

39. Shipped from Railhead or Point of Concentration: Date

To Permanent Cemetery Aisne-Marne Cem. 1764, Belleau (Aisne)

(Name)

Convoyer Signature Shipping Officer A.E. Dewey, 1st Lt., QMC

40. Received: Date

G.R.S. Representative

41. Reinterred Dec. 9, 1922 Aisne-Marne Amer. Cem. 1764, Belleau (Aisne)

(Date)

42. Grave No. 66 Section

43. Plot Block B Row 9

G.R.S. Representative W.D. Cleary
W.D. CLEARY, Lt. Chaplain USA.

Place Belleau (Aisne)

REPORT OF DISINTERMENT AND REBURIAL

Date Nov. 24, 1922.

1. REMAINS OF BENNER, William B. SERIAL NUMBER 62170
RANK Pvt. ORGANIZATION Co. I, 101st Inf.

2. Disinterred (date): Nov. 24, 1922. From (give complete location): Grave 75, Sec. G, Plot 2, Cem. 1764.

By: Group 1 Unit F.S. 1, Aisne-Marne Cem.

3. Reburied (date): Dec. 9, 1922. In (give complete location): Grave 66, Row 9, Block B, Aisne-Marne Cem. 1764.

By: Group re-burial group Unit _____ Nature of Reburial lined casket

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

Badly decomposed. Features unrecognizable.

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

(b) Other means of identification found upon disinterment, and general remarks:
Bottle record agrees.

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

(a) Height (actual measurement) Impossible to determine

(b) Weight (estimated) "

(c) Hair—Color "

Quantity "

Characteristics "

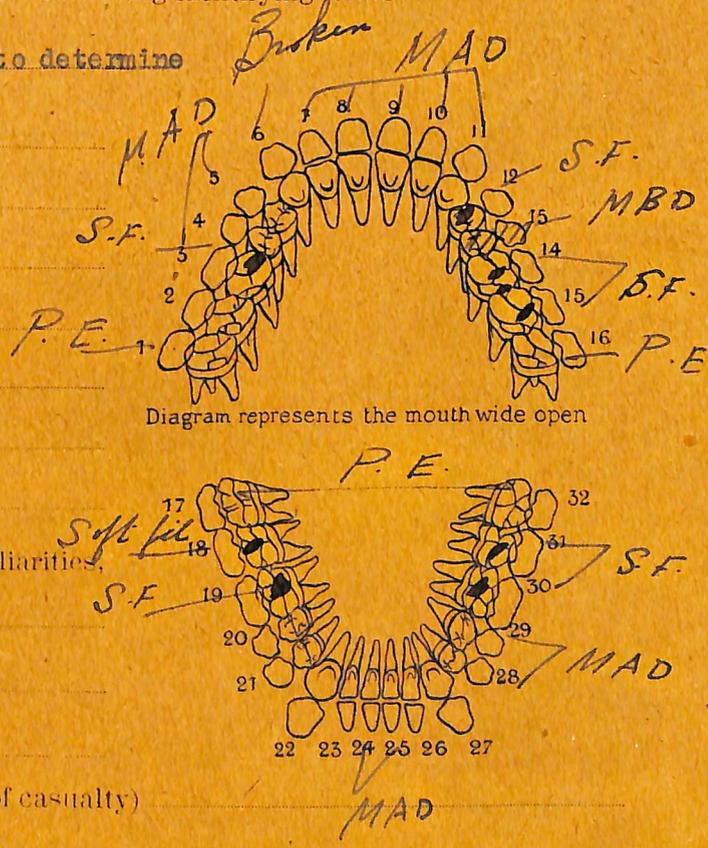
(d) Hair on face—Color "

Location "

Quantity "

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

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



W.D. Wall Jr. Checker.

7. Disinterment supervised by C.P. Keating Approved: A.E. Dewey
C.P. KEATING, S.E. A.E. DEWEY, 1st Lt. QMG.
(Title)

8. Reburial supervised by L.D. Hays Approved: W.D. Cleary
L.D. HAYS W.D. CLEARY, Lt. Chaplain USA.
(Title)

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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".

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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:	
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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.

8. Show name of person supervising the reburial and the name and title of the person approving same.

Date June 6, 1919

REPORT OF DISINTERMENT AND REBURIAL.

Remains of:

Name: Benner, Wm.

Number: 62170

Rank: Pvt.

Organization: Co. L, 101st Inf.

Disinterment and Reburial made by Group Unit "B"

Disinterred (Date)

From: (Give complete location)

June 6, 1919

Plot-72 Myers, 300 yds west of Vaux on Paris road

Coord. 258.8N - - 179.1E

Grave 40

Reburied (Date)

in: (Give complete location)

June 6, 1919

National Cemetery at Belleau Woods, Aisne.

Coord. 262.60N - - 176.04E

Plot-2, Sec. G, Grave 75

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

Body in fair condition

Was one identification tag found upon the body? no

What 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: Sgt R. Turner

H. C. M. Cameron
C.O. Group Unit

Prov. Unit B. G.R.S.

1764

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REPORT OF DISINTERMENT AND REBURIAL

1. REMAINS OF BENNER, William B. SERIAL NUMBER 62170

RANK Pvt. ORGANIZATION Co. I, 101st Inf.

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

15th July, 1921 Gr. 75, Sec. G, Plot 2

By: Group Foster's Unit FIELD SECTION # 7

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

15th July, 1921 Gr. 75, Sec. G, Plot 2

By: Group Foster's Unit FIELD SECTION # 7 Nature of reburial Box, burlap

4. Report as to nature of original burial and condition of body upon disinterment: BADLY DECOMPOSED FEATURES UNRECOGNIZABLE

Uniform and burlap

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

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

NONE

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 DETERMINE

(c) Hair—Color Impossible to determine

Quantity " " "

Characteristics " " "

(d) Hair on face—Color IMPOSSIBLE TO DETERMINE

Location IMPOSSIBLE TO DETERMINE

Quantity IMPOSSIBLE TO DETERMINE

(e) Permanent marks on body (old scars, peculiarities, or missing parts) IMPOSSIBLE TO DETERMINE

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

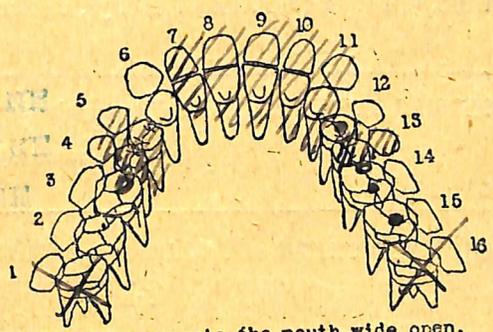
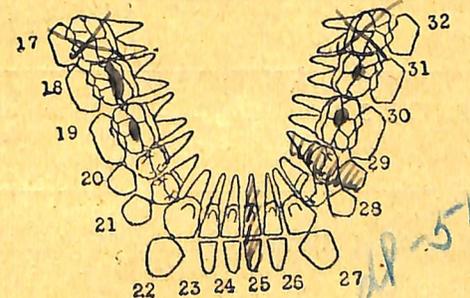


Diagram represents the mouth wide open.



TEETH-3, 12, 19, 30, 31-sil. fil.
4, 13.-Ext. 14, 15-fil. sil. fil.
5, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 25, 29-miss.
1, 16, 17, 32-undev. 18, cem. fil.

7. Disinterment supervised by H. H. Foster

Approved: R. S. Williams

H. H. Foster

(Title) R. S. Williams
1st Lt. Q.M.C.

8. Reburial supervised by H. H. Foster

Approved: R. S. Williams

HPH/ck

(Title) R. S. Williams
1st Lt. Q.M.C.

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

8. Show name of person supervising the reburial and the name and title of the person approving same.



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Co L. 101st Infantry
26th Division

BIENNER William B. Pvt. 68170
Home : 20 Russell St. Waltham , Mass

" Pvt. Benner was killed in action by Machine Gun fire in front of the ravine at Vaux at about 6 P.M. July 20th 1918 . He was shot through the right arm and another bullet passed through the lungs and out the back . I bandaged the wounds and made him comfortable but he never had a chance to recover , he died in about an hour .

Pvt. Benner is buried almost where he fell 250 Yds from the R.R. station at Vaux , 100 yards in front from the R.R. track , S.E. of ruined house . His grave is plainly marked W.B. Benner U.S.A.

Informant : Fitzgerald Paul M. Cpl. 60155
Co L. 101st Infantry
Home : Newton , Mass .
February 16th 1919

Searcher : Wm. J. Hall ;
Cpl. Co Clerk Co L. 101st Infantry

Emergency Address :-
Mrs Attie B. Benner ,
20 Russell St. Waltham , Mass;

C-31903

Please
use

OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
CEMETERIAL DIVISION
OVERSEAS PROJECT SUB-SECTION

Harlow C.W.

NAME OF DECEASED SOLDIER	CEMETERY NO.	DATE
<u>Banner, William B., Pvt.</u>	<u>1764 - 91</u>	<u>2/21/21.</u>

SERIAL NUMBER	ORGANIZATION
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<u>62170</u>	<u>Co. L, 101st Inf.</u>
	<u>Date of death - 7/20/18.</u>

WAR RISK INSURANCE INFORMATION

Copy forwarded to
Adjustment Department
Date 4-6-21-H

DATE _____

NAME OF BENEFICIARY
Mrs Abbie Banner.

RELATIONSHIP
(Mother) Em. Address

Address
20 - Russell St. Waltham, Mass.

S/709/LIL

June 4th, 1921.

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

Re: Benner, William B. Pvt.
 Ser.No. 62170, Co.L,
101st Infantry.

Mrs. Abbie Benner,
 37 Cypress St.,
 Watertown, Mass.

Dear Madam:-

Your shipping inquiry dated May 6th, 1921, requesting that the remains of the deceased soldier named above be left in France has been forwarded to the Cemeterial Division Office of the Quartermaster General, Washington, D.C., for necessary action.

It is requested that any further communications concerning the disposition of the remains be addressed to that office for reply.

The Department desires to renew its previous expression of sympathy in your bereavement.

By authority of the Quartermaster General:

MAILED

JUN 7 1921

COR. BR. G. R. S.

BY:

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

F. C. PALLAS,
 Executive Assistant.

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JUN 4 1921

FROM: O. Q. M. G.
CEMETERIAL DIVISION
Munitions Building
Room 1128

PLEASE
EXPEDITE

WAR DEPARTMENT
Office of the Quartermaster General of the Army
Washington

G.R.S. Form 8-W-A-0
Information requested of A.G. *Adjustment Made*

Date 2/21/21.

File No. *9268*
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 ~~Bamer~~ *Benner*
- b. Christian name *William B.* ~~o.k.~~
- c. Serial Number *62170* ~~o.k.~~
- d. Organization *Co. L, 101st Inf.* ~~o.k.~~
- e. Rank *Pvt.* ~~o.k.~~
- f. Date of death *7/20/18.* ~~o.k.~~
- g. Cause of death ~~---~~ *Killed in action*
- h. Authority (C.O.#)
- i. Emergency address *Mrs Abbie Benner*
- j. Relationship *82 Hammond St. mother Waltham Mass.*

BODY DESCRIPTION
(See page #2 of the Service Record)

right

- a. Age of enlistment
 - b. Color of eyes
 - c. Color of hair
 - d. Height
 - e. Weight
 - f. Permanent marks and physical defects at enlistment (Old fractures or breaks)
- DENTAL CHARTS
(See Physical report of examination prior to enlistment)
- a. Strike out teeth missing
- 8 7 6 5 4 3 2 1 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8
upper right upper left
- 8 7 6 5 4 3 2 1 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8
lower right lower left

FILE

H. L. ROGERS,
Quartermaster General, U.S.A.

BY: *[Signature]*

H. J. CONNER,
1st. Lieut., Q.M.G.

C.W.
CEMETERY NO: 1764
SHEET NO: 91
TYPED BY: I.W.

None
6713/LML

Donnelly - ad
Eul Penalties
8310
FEB 23 1921 8 2-24-2193

Mr. Dallas -

Please O.K. Shipping & giving
which was sent to mother who
previously requested that re-
mains be ret'd to U.S. & was
ret'd by sister, who lives at
same address, requesting that
the remains be left in Frame

F. F.

W. J. B.
1/27/21

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL OF THE ARMY
CEMETERIAL DIVISION
WASHINGTON

APR 18 1921

M.M.

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

To: Mrs. Abbie Benner, 82 Hammond St., Waltham, Mass

SUBJECT: Remains of Pvt. William B. Benner Ser. No 62170 Co. L, 101st Inf.

The records of this office show that you have requested that the body of the above named ~~made no~~
~~request for the disposition of his remains~~ *Remain in France*

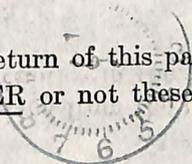
If these are not the correct instructions, please correct them. Make corrections on reverse side of this sheet.

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

By authority of the Quartermaster General.

GEORGE H. PENROSE,
Colonel, Q. M. C.

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



Was soldier married? *No*

NAME OF—	NO. AND STREET.	TOWN.	STATE.
Soldier's widow			
Soldier's children. (Name oldest first.)	1		
	2		
	3		
Father	<i>Chas. E. Benner (deceased)</i>		
Mother	<i>Abbie Benner</i>	<i>37 Cypress St</i>	<i>Watertown Mass</i>
Brothers. (Name oldest first.)	1	<i>St. Clair Benner</i>	<i>37 Cypress St</i>
	2		
	3		
Sisters. (Name oldest first.)	1	<i>Mrs. Edith Benner Grieve</i>	<i>37 Cypress St</i>
	2		
	3		

*noted 7-11-21
5-16-21
M.M.*

MAY 9 1921

Date *May 6, 1921*

Signature *Mrs. Edith Benner Grieve*

Address *37 Cypress St, Watertown, Mass* Relationship *Sister*

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

~~1. As stated on first page of this sheet.~~

~~2. To be returned to the U. S. and shipped to _____~~

(R. R. station.)

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

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

Signature Mrs. Abbie Bessner
by Edith B. Greene

INSTRUCTIONS FOR FILLING OUT.

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

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

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May 6th, 1921

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Oreocas Project Sub-Section

(Name.)
(State.)

August 2nd, 1921.

File No. 293.8 Com.Div., Cor.Br.
(BENNER, William B.)

Mrs. Edith Bomor Grieve,
37 Cypress St.,
Watertown, Mass.

Dear Madam:

Your Shipping Inquiry dated May 6th, 1921,
requesting that the remains of the late William B. Bomor,
Private, Serial Number 62170, Company L, 101st Infantry, be
left in France for burial in a permanent American Cemetery
has been forwarded to the Cemeterial Division, Office of the
Quartermaster General, Washington, D. C., for necessary action.

It is requested that any further communications
be addressed to the Cemeterial Division, Washington, D. C.

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

By authority of the Quartermaster General:

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

BY:

JEM

F. C. HALLAS,
Executive Assistant.

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

August 2nd, 1921.

File No. 293.8 Cem.Div., Cor.Br.
(BENNER, William B.)

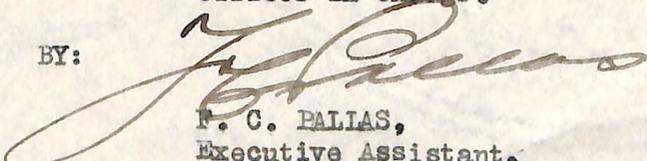
MEMORANDUM FOR: Chief, Cemeterial Division, O.Q.M.C.,
Washington, D. C.

SUBJECT: Return of Records - Cemetery #1764, Ref.
#91. Transmittal Memorandum H-874.

1. Forwarded herewith are records pertaining to the case of the late William B. Benner, Private, Serial Number 62170, Company L, 101st Infantry, it having been definitely determined that the remains be left in France for burial in a permanent American Cemetery.

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

BY:


F. C. PALLAS,
Executive Assistant.

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August 2nd, 1921.

File No. 295,0 Gen.Div., Cor.Br.
(BENNER, William B.)

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

SUBJECT: Return of Records - Cemetery #1764, Ref.
#91. Transmittal Memorandum H-674.

1. Forwarded herewith are records pertaining to the case of the late William B. Benner, Private, Serial Number 52170, Company L, 101st Infantry, it having been definitely determined that the remains be left in France for burial in a permanent American Cemetery.

R. B. SHANNON,
Captain, O.C.M.C.,
Officer in Charge.

BY:

F. C. PALIAS,
Executive Assistant.

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Office of the Chief of the Cemetery Division
O.C.M.C.

GENERAL HEADQUARTERS
AMERICAN EXPEDITIONARY FORCES
ADJUTANT GENERAL'S OFFICE

FROM : ADJUTANT GENERAL.

TO : C.O., Co. "L", 101st 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 Pershing:

Robert C. Davis
Adjutant General.

Note:

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

Nearest relative of deceased:

Mrs. Abbie Benner

Relationship: Mother

Address: 20 Russell St., Waltham, Mass.

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GRAVE LOCATION BLANK.

LOCATION OF THE GRAVE OF

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

Private.....Co. L., 101st. Inf.....
(Rank.) (Organization.)

DATE OF BURIAL... July. 25th., 1918.....

PLACE OF BURIAL.....

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

Coordinates: 179650-259380.....

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49NE 1797-N 259.15

GRAVE NUMBER.....

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 :

REPORTED BY :

Chaplain. H. H. Marsden, 148th. F. A.....
(Signature and Rank of Reporting Officer.)

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

31 JUL 1918

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CONFIRMED

Name... Benner, 62170 Wm.....

Rank... Pvt..... Co... L..... (Corps) 101. Inf.
(Regt)

Date of Death.....

Place... Fr N of Paris rd, E of RR. Exhumed

Cause.....

Date of Burial.....

Grave No. 40.....

Cemetery 72 I. G. MYERS.....

Identified by (Tag Papers) Papers
(Clothing)

List of Effects.....

754

Final Record Made by... GROUP N° 1.....

Unit 303. G. R. S.
Company.... Graves Registration Service

OCT 15 1918

For additional data use reverse side

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Research Section

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G.R.S Form No. 8-W; Central Records Liaison.

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FILE

Memo For: G.R.S. representative, C.R.O.

Subject: Information required for G.R.S.

1. Items checked are to be completed:

- ✓ Surname: Banner *Benner*
- ✓ Number: 62170
- ✓ First name: William B.
- ✓ Rank: Private
- ✓ Company: Co. L,
- ✓ Organization: 101st Inf.
- ✓ Date of death: 7/20/18
- ✓ Cause: K/A
- Place:

Location of hospital:

- Number " "
- Class " "
- ✓ Emergency address: *Mrs. Abbie Benner*
20 Russell St., Waltham, Mass.
- ✓ Relationship: *mother*

- Authority:
- ✓ Cablegram No: 222
- Telegram from:

dated:
Reported to Washington:
C.C.Nos.

(Underscore the "official" C.C.)
Remarks:

Col. 12-7
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CHARLES C. PIERCE,
Colonel, Q.M.C., U.S.A.

Form 1-A shows:

Cemetery #1764,

Grave #75

Name: Benner, William.

Benner
GRAVE LOCATION BLANK

LOCATION OF THE GRAVE OF

BAUMER 62170 William

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

Pvt. Co. L. 101st Infantry

(Rank). (Organization).

PLACE OF DEATH: **Vaux**

CAUSE OF DEATH: **Heart Failure**

DATE OF BURIAL: **7-20-18**

PLACE OF BURIAL: **Vaux (near R.R. Station)**

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

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GRAVE NUMBER:

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? **(aisne)**

If name unknown and tags missing, description and marks should be given here? **George sur-name**

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NEAREST RELATIVE **Mrs. Abbie Benner**

ADDRESS: **20 Russell St., Waltham, Mass.**

RELATIONSHIP: **Mother**

REPORTED BY: **G. M. Friedman at St. Condy**
(Signature and Rank of Reporting Officer)