

Rank of Pvt. was soldier's highest rank in 16th Inf. *Now*

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

FULL NAME.....BENNETT, Chester L.....

RANK.....*12-17-17 reduced for Pvt, + CC* to Private.....SERIAL.....45096.....

DIVISION & ORGANIZATION.....Machine Gun Co., 16th Infantry.....*1st Div.*

DATE OF DEATH.....7-19-18.....

STATE FROM WHICH HE CAME.....*Mich.*.....

MEDALS OR DECORATIONS AWARDED.....*cited Dec 2 par. B of 27. OH 5
1st Div. (6-1-17) cited in 27C #1
1st Div. (1-1-20)*.....

FINAL GRAVE LOCATION.....51.....9.....A.....

Date Grave Row Block

MAY 9 1927
WORLD WAR DIVISION

*61459-346
AUDITED BY*

.....1764.....

Cemetery

771

*OS
5-31-27*

GRAVE LOCATION BLANK

LOCATION OF THE GRAVE OF

Bennett, 45096, **Chester I.**
(Surname.) (Number.) (First Name and Initials.)

Pvt. ? ? ?
(Rank.) (Organization.)

DATE OF BURIAL **July 21/18.**

PLACE OF BURIAL **Church Community Cemetery,
Sery - Magneval**

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

Community Cemetery, Sery Magneval

GRAVE NUMBER **4**

HOW MARKED: Name Peg? 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? **Yes**

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

REPORTED BY: *[Signature]*
Captain, **10RC, USA.**
(Signature and Rank of Reporting Officer.)

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

BENNETT Chester S. Pvt. 45096
Home : Cresson Ave. Haddonfield
34- N.J.

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Prague Frank/ Pvt. 45075
I.G. Co. 16th Infantry
1334 - 1st Ave. New-York City.

James Wheelin , Capt.
16th Infantry

M.G. Co . 16th Infantry
1st Division

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" Pvt. Bennett was severely wounded by enemy Machine Gun fire at about 10 o'clock on the morning of July 18th 1918 while advancing with his platoon just south of Soissons (Aisne) He was struck in the left breast by a Machine Gun bullet and was taken to the 1st Aid Station, dressed, and from there was evacuated to Field Hospital No 12 where he died shortly after reaching there. He was a good soldier, respected and loved by all his comrades. He participated in the following operations: Toul Defensive Jan. 15 to April 3rd 1918, Montdidier Noyon, April 25 to July 1st 1918, Cantigny Offensive May 28-30, 1918 and Aisne-Marne July 18th 1918.

Place of burial is unknown but it is believed he was buried near Field Hospital No 12. "

Informant : Sprague Frank Pvt. 45075
M.G. Co. 16th Infantry
Home : 1334 - 1st Ave. New-York City.

Emergency Address :
Mrs. Hattie Bennett, (Mother)
34 Cresson Ave. Haddonfield, N.J.

Signed : James Wheelin, Capt.
16th Infantry

Place Stry Magneral (Cise)

REPORT OF DISINTERMENT AND REBURIAL

Date Nov. 23 - 1920.

1. REMAINS OF BENNETT, CHESTER L. SERIAL NUMBER 75196

RANK Pvt. ORGANIZATION M.G. B.N. 14th Inf. Inf.

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

Nov. 23 - 1920 Fr. Bur. City: Stry Magneral (Cise) #387 Grave #4

By: Group M^c Blue Unit _____

3. Reburied (date): In (give complete location): ⁴⁷

Nov. 23 - 1920 Fr. Bur. City: Stry Magneral (Cise) #346 Grave #47

By: Group M^c Blue Unit _____ Nature of reburial _____

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

5 ft. earthen grave Pine box + U.S. Uniform. Not enclosed in blanket. Badly disintegrated features not capable of recognition.

5. (a) Identification tags: Buried with body? Yes On grave marker? Yes.

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

Tag on body inscribed: "Chester S. Bennett - 96 - M.G. Co. 16 Inf. U.S.A."

Identity tag on body inscribed - "C. L. Bennett - Delaware Tribe - No. 44 - I.O.R.M. NEW JERSEY"

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

(a) Height (actual measurement) 5 ft. 11 ins.

(b) Weight (estimated) Impossible to determine

(c) Hair—Color _____

Quantity _____

Characteristics _____

(d) Hair on face—Color _____

Location _____

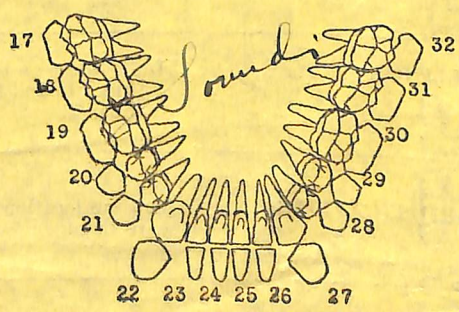
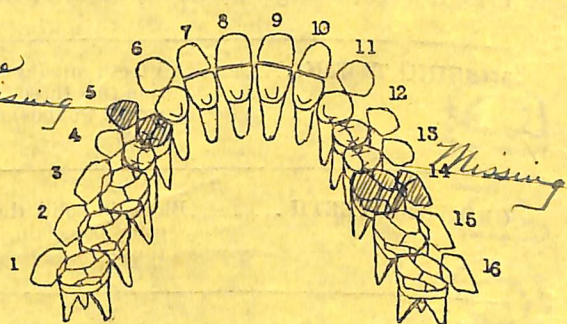
Quantity _____

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

Impossible to determine

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

Impossible to determine



7. Disinterment supervised by C. W. Gravenkemper Approved: _____
Charles W. GRAVENKEMPER, 2nd Lieut. Inf. (Title)

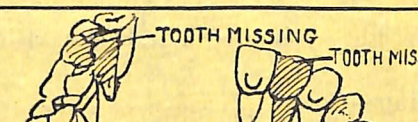




8. Reburial supervised by C. W. Gravenkemper Approved: _____
Charles W. GRAVENKEMPER, 2nd Lieut. Inf. (Title)
INSPECTOR

RECORDED NO. 60044
G. BURT Capt. Inf. Comdg. Sec. 6

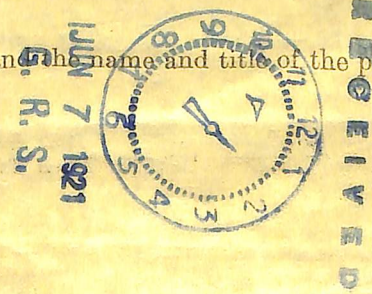
INSTRUCTIONS FOR THE PROPER COMPLETION OF G. R. S. FORM NO. 16-A

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

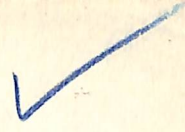
1. Show soldier's name, serial number, rank and organization, and by whom disinterred and reburied.
2. Give date and accurate information as to location from which the body was disinterred and the group and unit which made disinterment.
3. Give date and accurate information as to location of reburial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

MISSING TEETH	All teeth missing through previous extraction (not those fractured or displaced by recent wounds) should be scratched out, thus:	 <p align="center">TOOTH MISSING TOOTH MISSING</p>
CROWNED TEETH	Block in solid the crown of tooth (label gold, porcelain, or gold and porcelain), thus:	 <p align="center">GOLD CROWN PORCELAIN CROWN GOLD CROWN</p>
BRIDGE WORK	Block in solid the crown of tooth (label gold bridge, gold and porcelain bridge), thus:	 <p align="center">GOLD AND PORCELAIN BRIDGE GOLD BRIDGE</p>
FILLINGS	Draw filling on tooth accurately as possible (block in and label gold, silver, cement), thus:	 <p align="center">SILVER FILLING GOLD FILLING GOLD FILLING GOLD FILLING</p>
CARIES (CAVITIES)	Outline location and size of cavity, shade in thus:	 <p align="center">CAVITY DECAYED DECAYED DECAYED</p>
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.



CODE SLIP



HEADING	SUB-HEADING	NO. OF COLS	CODE
NAME	Bennett	3	254
BURIED	CEMETERY	1	4
	GRAVE	2	51
	ROW	2	09
	BLOCK	1	1
STATE	IN	2	35
RANK	Pvt	1	2
DIVISION	1	2	01
ORGANIZATION	16	3	016
ARM	Inf	1	1
MARITAL	W	1	2
NAME	Winnell	3	204
RESIDENCE	STATE	2	05
	COUNTY	2	02
	CITY	3	020
RELATION	Mother	1	1
OTHER		1	
ELIGIBILITY	Dead 2-26-26	1	6
NATIVITY		1	
RACE		1	
ENGLISH		1	
ATTENDANT		1	
HEALTH		1	
NO. OF SONS		1	
DATE OF TRIP	MO.	1	
	YR.	1	
ACCEPTANCE	29/514/	1	

AUDITED

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WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

DATE Aug. 15, 1930

NAME	RANK	SERIAL	ORGANIZATION	DATE OF DEATH
<u>Bennett, Chester L.</u>	<u>Pvt.</u>	<u>45096</u>	<u>MG Co., 16th Inf.</u>	<u>7-19-18</u>

STATE	CTY. NO.	GRAVE	ROW	BLOCK
<u>N. J.</u>	<u>1764</u>	<u>51</u>	<u>9</u>	<u>A</u>

	<u>Check relationship</u>	<u>Living - Deceased</u>	<u>XC-27-279-8-228</u>
	MOTHER	: : <u>2-26-26</u> :	
	STEPMOTHER (For the year prior to commencement of service)	: : : :	
NAME	MOTHER THRU ADOPTION	: : : :	
AND	(For the year prior to commencement of service)	: : : :	<u>adm. of estate of</u>
ADDRESS	MOTHER IN LOCO PARENTIS (For the year prior to commencement of service)	: : : :	<u>Veteran Russell Bennett</u>
	WIDOW (Who has not remarried)	: : : :	<u>Marlton</u>
	<u>Single Man</u>	: : : :	<u>N.J.</u>

Veterans Bureau Claim Number _____
29/156/

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

June 5, 1930.

Bennett, Chester L. - 1764 M

Mrs. Harriet E. Bennett,
Box 235,
Paulsboro, N. J.

7-19-16
45096

Deceased

Dear Madam:

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

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

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

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

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

A. D. Hughes

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

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

(Write answer here)

(Sign here)

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OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
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CORRESPONDENTS
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No such post office in state named	

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OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
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February 8, 1930

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Write answers in space below:

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Act of Congress
Envelope

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

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

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June 12, 1929.

Mrs. Harriet E. Bennett,
Ez. 255,
Paulsboro, N.J.

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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.

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WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

Bennett, Chester L.
1764

Aug. 22, 1929.

Mrs. Harriet E. Bennett,
Ex. 235,
Paulsboro, N. J.

Dear Madam:

The records of this office do not indicate that a reply has been received to our communication dated **June 12, 1929** making inquiry concerning the name and address of the mother and widow of the deceased service man above named. These addresses are desired with a view to ascertaining the number of mothers and widows who desire to make a pilgrimage to the cemeteries of Europe in which the remains of their sons and husbands are interred.

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

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Major, Q. M. Corps,
Assistant.

O.D.M.G.M.E.R.O.N.
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DATE _____

1. NAME BENNETT, CHESTER L SERIAL No. 45096

RANK PVT. ORGANIZATION MG CO. 16th Inf.

GRAVE LOCATION AEF Cty. Sery Magneval, Oise. 346
CTY. NAME NUMBER

47

GRAVE ROW PLOT

2. ORIGINAL BATTLE AREA GRAVE LOCATION 4 AEF Cem. #346, Sery-Magneval, (Aisne).

GRAVE COMMUNE DEPT.

COORDINATES 33 S.W. E-145.2 N-284.65

CONCENTRATED TO _____

DATE GRAVE ROW PLOT

CEMETERY CTY. NUMBER

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

(Information in paragraph 2 taken from Forms 1 & 1-A).

SUBSEQUENT REBURIALS 47 #346, Sery-Magneval.

DATE GRAVE ROW PLOT CEMETERY

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SIGNATURE, AREA SUPERVISOR G.F. WAUGH, Major, Inf., Supervisor, Area #2.

3. FINAL GRAVE LOCATION 10/26/22 51 9 BLOCK

DATE GRAVE ROW PLOT

Aisne Marne Amer. Cty. #1764, Belleau, Aisne

CEMETERY

Duplicate

INSTRUCTIONS FOR PREPARATION OF FORM 114 B

1. Forms 114-B are to be prepared by Registration Branch in quadruplicate, three copies to be forwarded to Area Supervisor who will accomplish paragraph 2 and return all three copies to Headquarters, American Graves Registration Service.
2. Paragraphs 1 and 3 will be accomplished by Registration Branch, Headquarters, American Graves Registration Service, Q.M.C., in Europe.
3. Paragraph 2 will be accomplished by Area Supervisor from data on file in his office.
4. If data is entered on Form 114-B from Form 1, Form 16, Form 1-A or Form 16-A, statement to this effect will be made on Form 114-B STATING WHICH G.R.S. form data is taken from. If data concerning co-ordinates is approximate and NOT accurate, statement to this effect will be made on these forms.

To be prepared in triplicate.

DATE Nov. 29, 21.

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 BENNETT, CHESTER L
 2. No. 45096
 3. Rank Pvt.
 4. Org. MG Co. 16th Inf.
 5. D.D. 7-19 -1918
 6. C.D. DOWRIA

10. Name _____
 11. No. _____
 12. Rank _____
 13. Org. _____
 14. (a) D.D. _____
 (b) D.B. No discrepancy

Discrepancy found upon disinterment

7. Grave No. 47 Sec. _____
 8. Plot _____ Row _____
 9. _____

15. Grave No. _____ Sec. _____
 16. Plot _____ Row _____
 17. No discrepancy.

18. Cemetery Amer.
 20. Dept. or County Oise
 22. G.R.S. Hdqrs. Code No. 346

19. Commune or town Sery Magneval
 21. Country France

23. Disinterred (Date) Nov. 29, 21

By S.I. Talmage.

24. Inscription on grave marker:

Name BENNETT, Chester L.
 Rank Pvt.

Serial No. 45096
 Organization M.G. Co., 16th Inf.

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

E. J. Lock
 Signature Junior Technical Assistant

E. J. Lock.

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).

Metal plate C.L. Bennett, Delaware hide No. 44, Form new Jersey USA.

Cross tag checks. Bottle recore checks.

27. Condition of body Badly decomposed; recognition impossible.

28. Nature of burial In uniform; blanket and pine box.

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

30. Body prepared and placed in casket: Date Nov. 29, 21 By S.I. Talmage.

31. Casket sealed by S.I. Talmage.

Signature of Embalmer, (Supervisor

S.I. Talmage.

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11/27
845

C-18089

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

32. Designation of body:

Name ~~CHESTER~~ Chester L. BENNETT, ~~CHESTER~~ Serial No. 45096

Rank PVT. Organization MG CO. 16th Inf.

33. Consigned to: Officer i/c

Name of Permanent Cemetery Aisne Marne Amer. #1764, Belleau, Aisne.

34. Casket boxed and marked (Date) Nov. 29, 21 By S.I. Talmage.

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.P. Glandon*
J.P. Glandon, Capt. QMC.

36. Remarks _____

37. Shipped from point of Operation: (Date) Nov. 29, 21

To ~~point of concentration~~ Aisne-Marne Amer. Cty. 1764, Belleau, Aisne.
(Name)

Convoyer J.S. Hughes. Signature Shipping Officer *J.P. Glandon*
J.P. Glandon, Capt. QMC.

38. Received at Railhead or Point of Concentration: Date _____

By G.R.S. Representative _____

39. Shipped from Railhead or Point of Concentration: Date _____

To Permanent Cemetery _____
(Name)

Convoyer _____ Signature Shipping Officer _____

40. Received: Date Dec. 3/21

G.R.S. Representative *ad Skars.*

41. Reinterred, Oct. 26, 1922, Aisne-Marne em. 1764, Belleau (Aisne)
(Date)

42. Grave No. 51 Section _____

43. Plot BLOCK A Row 9

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

REPORT OF DISINTERMENT AND REBURIAL

Date **Nov. 29, 21**

1. REMAINS OF **BENNETT, Chester L.** SERIAL NUMBER **45096**

RANK **Pvt.** ORGANIZATION **M.G. Co., 16th Inf.**

2. Disinterred (date): **Nov. 29, 21** From (give complete location):

Grave 47, Cemetery 346

By : Group _____ Unit _____

3. Reburied (date) **Oct. 26, 1922** In (give complete location): **Gr. 51, Block A,**

Row 9, Aisne-Marne Cem. 1764, Belleau (Aisne)

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 :

Badly decomposed; features unrecognizable. In uniform; blanket and pine box.

5. (a) Identification tags: Buried with body? **Yes** On grave marker? **Yes**

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

Under cross. Yes. Bottle record checks. Metal plate C.L. Bennett, Delaware hibe No. 44 Form New Jersey USA. Body tag partially corroded ~~checks~~ Chester L. Bennett. Cross tag checks.

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

(a) Height (actual measurement) **Impossible to det.**

**Cav. 3, 19, 30.
MBD. 5. MAD. 8, 9, 10.
Decayed 14.**

(b) Weight (estimated) **Impossible to determine**

(c) Hair—Color **Apparently dark brown**

Quantity **Impossible to det.**

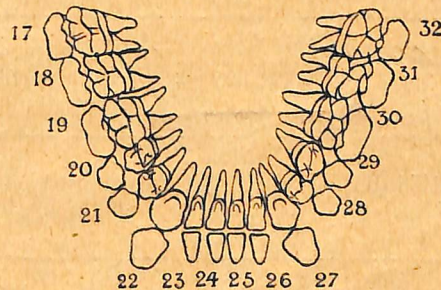
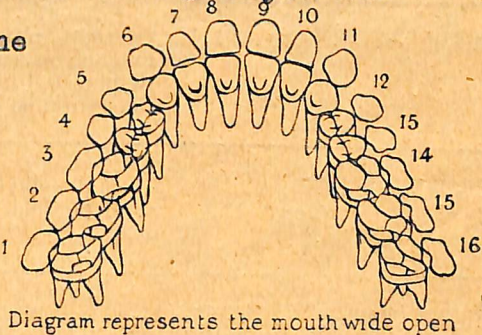
Characteristics **Straight**

(d) Hair on face—Color **None visible**

Location **None visible**

Quantity **None visible**

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



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

None visible

7. Disinterment supervised by

S.I. Talmage.

Approved: **J.P. Glandon, Capt. QMC.**
(Title)

8. Reburial Supervised by

L.D. Hays

Approved: **W.D. Cleary**
(Title) **Lt., Chaplain, USA**

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

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

1. Show soldier's name, serial number, rank and organization, and by whom disinterred and reburied.
2. Give date and accurate information as to location from which the body was disinterred and the group and unit which made disinterment.
3. Give date, and accurate information as to location of reburial and the group and unit which made reburial, and how reburial was made—in casket, wooden box, etc.
4. State to what degree decomposition has progressed, whether recognition is possible, and how the body was originally buried—in a casket, box, burlap, etc. This statement should be as complete as possible.
5. (a) State whether identification tags were found buried with body and on grave marker by reporting "Yes" or "No".

(b) State whether or not body appears to have been a hospital case. Were any identifying articles found in or on body or grave? List any personal effects, letters, money-order receipts, and the like found on body or in grave. Give any and all information which it is thought might be of use in identifying the body, other than that tabulated under Item No 6.

6. Give all information as to body description and dental chart as nearly correctly as the condition of the body will allow. Items (e) and (f) under the body description are very important and should be very complete. The dental chart is also very important and should be filled in with great care. There are 32 teeth to be accounted for, as shown by the numbers on the chart. Beginning at the middle line in both upper and lower jaws, the teeth are arranged symmetrically on either side and classed as incisors (cutting teeth), cuspids or canines (tearing teeth), bicuspids (chewing teeth), and molars (principal chewing teeth). An examination should be made and findings charted to cover the following basic conditions: Lost teeth, crowned teeth, bridge work, fillings, caries (cavities of decay), dentures (plates), and any deformity of jaws found.

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



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



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



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



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



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

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

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

COMPILATION OF DISPOSITION OF REMAINS DATA

File # 7172

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Doncentration
Wane - Name 1764
att #1/3/22*

I. LOCATION INDEX CARD:

(a) Name BENNETT, Chester L. Ser. No. 45096
(b) Rank Pvt. Organization M.G.Co. 16th Inf.
(c) Date of death 7-19-18 (d) Cause of death DWRIA

TYP. db
CKR. AB

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

(a) Grave No. 47 Row 0---- Plot ----- Sec. ----- TYP. db
(b) Emerg. Address Harriet E. Bennett, Mother. Box 235, Paulsboro, N.J.
E.A. Prev.rpt. 34 Cresson Ave., Haddonfield, N.J.
III. Files of soldiers dying from contagious diseases ---- CKR. AB

IV. A. G. O. DISPOSITION CARD:

Date of receipt None

(a) Name Mrs. Hattie E. Bennett (b) Relationship Mother
(c) Address Paulsboro, N.J.
(d) Remains to be brought to U. S.? no
(e) To be interred in National Cemetery in U. S. at _____
(f) Shipping instructions upon arrival of body in U. S. _____
(g) Disposition instructions if not brought to U. S. _____

Examiner's Initials MCH Date 9/24/21, 192

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

Harriet E. Bennett (mother)
1515 Pine St., Paulsboro, N.J., dated 5/29/19
confirming request in Par. IV., item d, above, or requesting that burial be
made in Nat. City in France.

Examiner's Initials _____ Date _____, 192

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

Harriet E. Bennett (mother)
Paulsboro, N.J. 2/3/21 confirms request.
Requests given location.
(a) Cancellation memos referred to? _____

Examiner's Initials MCH Date 9/24/21, 192

COUNTRY France CEMETERY No. 346 SHEET No. 91

*Checked
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Typed by _____, Checked by _____, 192

VIII. FINAL ACTION:

Following advice forwarded to Europe by { cable on _____, 192
letter on _____, 192

ADJUSTMENT RECORD- 9-20-20 - Letter of Transmittal - Europe advised that body of CHESTER L. BENNETT recorded as buried in Grave 4, Cty.387 is not to be returned. 8-20-21 - Audit Department amended records to show that CHESTER L. BENNETT has been reburied into Cty.346, Grave 47. 9-1-21 Form 115 covering CHESTER L. BENNETT in Cty.387 was cancelled and filed. 10-15-21 Europe advised of adjustment. Body not to be returned. D.B. 10-26-21

IX.

REMARKS

DOB 9/27/21

Form 120 2/3/21 Harriet E. Bennett, mother, 1515 Pine St.,

Paulsboro, N.J. confirms request to leave body in Europe.

No widow or children. Does not designate whether there is a

father or not. H-2/17/21 DS.

3925021 Letter from Harriet E. Bennett, mother, advises that

she has not known whereabouts of soldier's father for twelve y.

years. H-4-1-21 PW.

War Risk E.A. 5-26-21 Mrs Hattie E. Bennett (mother)

1515 Pine St., Paulsboro, N.J. H-9-24-21

10/15/21 Europe advised of adjustment body not to be returned 10/15/21 H-9

COMPILATION OF DISPOSITION OF REMAINS DATA

File # 7172

See Form 115
att 4/3/22

I. LOCATION INDEX CARD:

(a) Name BENNETT, Chester L. Ser. No. 45096
 (b) Rank Pvt. Organization M.G.Co. 16th Inf. } TYP. db
 (c) Date of death 7-19-18 (d) Cause of death DWRIA } DB

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

(a) Grave No. 47 Row 9 Plot ----- Sec. ----- TYP. db
 (b) Emerg. Address Harriet E. Bennett, Mother, Box 235, Paulsboro, N.J.
E.A. Prev. Rpt. 34 Cresson Ave., Haddonfield, N.J.

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

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

~~ADJUSTMENT RECORD- 9-20-20 - Letter of Transmittal - Europe advised that body of CHESTER L. BENNETT recorded as buried in Grave 4, Cty. 387 is not to be returned. 8-20-21 - Audit Department amended records to show that CHESTER L. BENNETT has been reburied into Cty. 346, Grave 47. 9-1-21 Form 115 covering CHESTER L. BENNETT in Cty. 387 was cancelled and filed, 10-15-21 Europe advised of adjustment. Body not to be returned. D.B. 10-26-21~~

V. Following advice forwarded to Europe by ^{cable on} ----- ¹⁹² ----- letter of transmittal on ----- ¹⁹² -----

FRC 10/27/21

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.
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10-15-21 (supp) advised of adjustment body not to be returned
10/15/21 H.G.

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

COUNTRY ----- CEMETERY NO. ----- SHEET No. 91

August 20, 1921.

WITHDRAWAL REPORT ON CTY.#387

BURIALS

W.C. B.C.
Con.Uncon. Unk.Con.Uncon

#387-French Civilian Cty. Sery Magneval, Oise
Last report 4-20-21 - - - - -
8-20-21 - Cases reburied in Cty.#346 - -

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-4		-1		

ADDITIONAL REPORT ON CTY.#346(60000 Series)

#346-French Military Cty. Sery Magneval, Oise.
Last report 5-10-21
8-20-21 Reburied from Cty.#387
1 reburial, that of L.Johnson, suspended
for investigation.

84	0	5	0	0
3		1		

Cemetery #346 now reads(With 1 suspension) 87 0 6 0 0

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

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MONMOUTH, N.J.

NAME OF DECEASED SOLDIER Bennett, Chester L. CEMETERY NO. 387-2 DATE April 13, 192

SERIAL NUMBER 45096 ORGANIZATION M.G. Co. 16th Infantry Date of Death 7-19-18

C 27279
D 21365

Copy forwarded to
Adjustment Department

WAR RISK INSURANCE INFORMATION

NAME OF BENEFICIARY 57 9-21 Mac THIRTY DOLLARS ONLY AMOUNT \$20.00 STATE _____ RELATIONSHIP _____

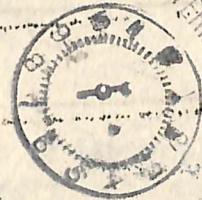
Address MRS HATTIE E BENNETT C-27279
1515 PINE ST
PAULSBORO
Cor. Sec. N J M

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Cemeterial Division
Overseas Project Sub-Section

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FIFTY-SEVEN 50/100 DOLLARS

\$57.50

MRS HATTIE E BENNETT

I-21365

1515 PINE ST

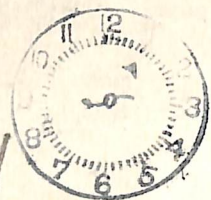
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MEMORIAL DIVISION

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MAR 30 1921

Lock Box 235
Paulsboro, N. J.
March, 25, 1921

*Walden 115
7-4-1-21
PW*

In re: File No 293, 8 Com. Hqs. Co., Bn.
(Bennett Chester L.)

REVIEWED
OSP SS.

P. E. Shannon,
Captain Quartermaster Corps,
Officer in Charge.

Dear Sir:

In reply to your inquiry
of the 17th I can not give
you, I have not known Mr.
Bennett's address for twelve years (12)

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Trusting you understand
circumstances.

Sincerely,
Harriett E. Bennett,

HOBOKEN, N.J.

MAR 30 1921 9 22 AM

CRANES REGISTRATION
SERVICE

1st Ind.

File No. 295.6 Com. Div. Cor. Br.
(BENNETT, Chester L.)

Graves Registration Service Officer, Hoboken N.J. March 16, 1921-
To- The Quartermaster General, Cemeterial Division, Washington, D.C.

1. Forwarded for further use of reply.
2. Status of this case taken from the records of this office is as follows:-

Chester L. Bennett, Private, Serial No. 45096,
Machine Gun Co. 16th. Infantry, Cemetery 387,
Cable Ref. 2; as far as this office has been
able to ascertain Mrs. Harriet E. Bennett, Box
235, Paulsboro, New Jersey, Mother, is given
as the emergency address, but the legal next
of kin has not yet been determined.

R. E. SHANNON,
Capt in Quartermaster Corps,
Officer in Charge.

By-

J. F. BUTLER,
1st. Lieut. Infantry.

2 encl.
R. H. W.

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MAILED
MAR 21 1921
COR. BR. G. R. S.

March 17, 1921

File No. 238 Com. Div. Cor. Br.
(BENNETT, Chester L.)

Mrs. Harriet E. Bennett,
Box 235,
Lansboro, New Jersey.

Dear Madam:-

Receipt of your letter of recent date relative to the disposition of remains of your son, the late Chester L. Bennett, Private, Serial No. 45096, Machine Gun Co. 16th. Infantry is hereby acknowledged.

Kindly advise this office definitely whether or not the late soldier is survived by a father and if so, furnish his name and address.

This information is necessary in order that the proper person to decide disposition of remains of the late soldier is given an opportunity of expressing his or her wishes.

You are advised that a copy of your letters is being forwarded the Department at Washington D.C., who will communicate with you direct regarding the final disposition of remains of the late soldier and photograph of the grave.

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

By authority of the Quartermaster General:

R. E. HANCOCK,
Captain Quartermaster Corps,
Officer in Charge.

By-

J. F. BUTLER,
1st. Lieut. Infantry

BR. 238

COR. BR. C. R. S.
MAR 21 1921
MAILED

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NOTED ON FORM #115
#-2-17-21 - B

Paulsbow J. J.

2-3/1921

Graves Registration Service;

Pier #2,

Hoboken, N.J.

REVIEWED
JAN 28 1921

If I could feel positive
my dear son's remains
would rest by the side of
a comrade, I would feel
better regarding it rest-

ing in Europe.

Kindly inform me location
of grave. So thankful to
know that I may some
day receive a photo of grave.

Send me a line of en-
couragement.

Thank you. Sincerely,

Harriet E. Bennett.

Mother of soldier.

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

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February 7th, 1921.

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

387-2

Mrs. Harriet E. Bennett,
Box No. 235,
Paulsboro, New Jersey.

Dear Madam:-

Receipt of your communication dated February 3rd, 1921, relative to the matter of final disposition of the remains of your late son, is acknowledged.

It is requested that you inform this office the name of the deceased soldier whose case you desire action taken on, as you failed to do so in your communication, and the records could not be traced.

Your early attention to this matter will be greatly appreciated.

Chester L. Bennett, 3rd M.G.C., 16th Inf.

By authority of the Quartermaster General:

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

By: *F.C. Pallas*
F.C. PALLAS,
Executive Assistant.

GRAVES REGISTRATION SERVICE
COMMUNICATIONS SECTION



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OSP SS.

FEB 11 1921

WAR DEPARTMENT

OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL OF THE ARMY

CEMETERIAL DIVISION

WASHINGTON

Ho boken, N.J.

JAN 28 1921

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

To: Mrs. Hattie E. Bennett, Paulsboro, N.J.

SUBJECT: Remains of Pvt. Chester L. Bennett, Ser. No. 45096, M.G. Co, 16th Inf

The records of this office show that you have requested that the body of the above-named _____
remain in Europe. — Correct.

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

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

By authority of the Quartermaster General.

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

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

Was soldier married? No.

NAME OF—	NO. AND STREET.	TOWN.	STATE.
Soldier's widow			
Soldier's children. (Name oldest first.)	1		
	2		
	3		
Father			
Mother	<u>Hattie E. Bennett</u>	<u>15-15 Pine St.</u>	<u>Paulsboro New Jersey</u>
Brothers. (Name oldest first.)	1 <u>Harold Bennett</u>	<u>126 Thompson St.</u>	<u>Paulsboro N. J.</u>
	2 <u>Russell Bennett</u>	<u>P. O. D.</u>	<u>Marlton N. J.</u>
	3 <u>Paul S. Bennett</u>	<u>15-15 Pine St</u>	<u>Paulsboro N. J.</u>
Sisters. (Name oldest first.)	1 <u>Wanda E. Bennett, (deceased)</u>		
	2 <u>Hattie E. Weisman</u>	<u>P. O. D. Marlton</u>	<u>N. J.</u>
	3		

Date Feb. 3rd 1921

Signature Hattie E. Bennett

Address 15-15 Pine St. Paulsboro, N.J.

Relationship Mother

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CEMETERY DIVISION
OVERSEAS PROJECT SUB-DEPT.

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 _____
(Name.)

(R. R. station.)

(State.)

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.

FEB 4 1921

Signature _____



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.

Jan

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

JAN 28 1921

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

To: Mrs. Hattie E. Bennett, Paulsboro, N.J.

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By authority of the Quartermaster General.

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Soldier's widow -----			
Soldier's children. { (Name oldest first.)	1 -----		
	2 -----		
	3 -----		
Father -----			
Mother -----			
Brothers. { (Name oldest first.)	1 -----		
	2 -----		
	3 -----		
Sisters. { (Name oldest first.)	1 -----		
	2 -----		
	3 -----		

Date -----

Signature -----

Address -----

Relationship -----

IMPORTANT.—CAREFULLY read instructions before filling out this paper.

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JUL 8 1921

CENTRAL DIVISION
OVERSEAS PROJECT SUB-SEC.

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

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(Name.)

(R. R. station.) (State.)

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Signature _____

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12-19-17 reduced
from Put 1st to

Put was it
some way?

Highest rent
in 16 Inf.

Put,

9.9.10-13-27

a. R: 615

GRAVE LOCATION BLANK

LOCATION OF THE GRAVE OF

Bennett, 45096, Chester L.
(Surname.) (Number.) (First Name and Initials.)

Pvt. ? ? ?
(Rank.) (Organization.)

DATE OF BURIAL July 21/18.

Church Community Cemetery,
PLACE OF BURIAL Sery - Magneval

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

Community Cemetery, Sery - Magneval

GRAVE NUMBER 4

HOW MARKED: Name Peg? 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? Yes

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

REVIEWED
OSP SS.

REPORTED BY:

[Signature]
Captain, MRC., USA.
(Signature and Rank of Reporting Officer.)

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

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October 15, 1921.

387 & 346 Reg. Br., Gen. Div.

The Quartermaster General, U.S. Army (Cometarial Division).

Chief, American Graves Registration Service, Q.M.C., in Europe.

Supplementary advice-Transfer from French Civilian Cemetery, #387, Sery-Magneval, Oise, France to French Military Cemetery, # 346, Sery-Magneval, Oise, France.

1. Reference paragraph 2, office letter of September 30, 1920 (File No. 387 Reg. Sec., Gen. Div.), you are advised that the records of this office have been amended to show that the deceased soldiers named below have been transferred from French Civilian Cemetery, #387, Sery-Magneval, Oise, France to French Military Cemetery, #346, Sery-Magneval, Oise, France.

Cable
Ref. No.

- 91. Bennett, Chester L., Pvt., 45096, H.G. Company 16th Infantry.
- 92. Hoppe, Frank W., Pvt., 42495, Company D, 16th Infantry.
- 93. Jackawicz, John, Pvt., 54695, Company K, 26th Infantry.

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2. These bodies are not to be returned to the United States.

By authority of the Acting Quartermaster General:

DB
MG

CHARLES J. WINNE,
Captain, Q.M. Corps.

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COPY FOR ADM. FILES

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April 7, 1921.

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293.8 Cem. File #7172 (Bennett, Chester L., Pvt.)

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

Mrs. Harriet E. Bennett, Paulsboro, N. J.

Photograph of Grave.

FILE

1. In further reply to your letter of February 3, 1921, referred to this office by our branch office at Hoboken, N. J., you are advised that your request for a photograph of the grave of your son, the late Private Chester L. Bennett, Machine Gun Company, 16th Infantry, will be referred to the Photographic Section of the American Red Cross, attached to this office, for compliance. Your attention in this connection is invited to paragraph #12 of the enclosed Cemeterial Division Bulletin No.10-G-W.

2. The records of this office indicate that the remains of the deceased are now interred in Grave #4, French Civilian Cemetery, Sery-Magneval, Department of Cise. The remains of our soldier dead not temporarily interred in this cemetery and which are to be permanently buried in France will at some future date be re-buried in the Belleau Wood American Cemetery, Department of Aisne. In this connection your attention is invited to paragraph #9 of the enclosed Cemeterial Division Bulletin No.10-G-W.

By authority of the Quartermaster General:

CHARLES J. WYNNE,
1st Lieut. Q.M.C.

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MAILED
APR 8 1921
G.R.S.

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
CEMETERIAL DIVISION

Date 4-1-21

To ~~AAC Photo Sec~~ Room _____

All Officers,
Lt. Col. Pierce, Chief
Lt. Col. Davis, O. R. C.
Captain Greeley
Lieut. Conner
Lieut. Hanson
Lieut. Wynne

Re photos

Mr. Robb - Principal Clerk
Mrs. Hodges - Personnel Clerk
Mr. Houghton - Files
Mr. Saxton - Cemeterial Branch
Mr. Grant - Inquiry Branch
Mr. Plotner - Supplies

Prepare reply(Sec'y of War
for(General Rogers
signature of(General Krauthoff
(Lt. Col. Pierce
(Lt. Col. Davis
(Capt. Greeley

FOR:

- To note
- Information. Need not be returned
- Information and return
- Action or reply
- Approval
- Returned
- Remarks and recommendation
- Suspension to.....
- File
- Investigation and report
- Copies.....(State number)
- Papers in case
- Personal conference
- Draft of letter or endorsement
- Signature
- Check for correction
- See other side for remarks

This photo has not come over from France, are

Final return to: *Jug Sec*

From: _____

NOTE: This form may be used a number of times on same case by crossing off previous marks and inserting new marks (and date) in different colors.

REGISTRATION SECTION
CEMETERIAL DIVISION

To— *Inquiry*

Date *4/1/21*

Lieut. Noetzl.

Necessary adjustment.

Preparation of letter. Indorsement.

Investigation.

Signature.

Mr. C. M. Peck.

Remark.

File.

Card Dept.

Suspension.

Recording.

Cty. Audit Dept.

Note and return.

Coding.

Inv. & Adj. Dept.

Information—101—A.

File papers.

Prep. of Data Dept.

Action as noted.

Report to

Overseas Project Sub. Sec.

MEMO.

Files Dept. (Admin. Br.).

FILE

Return to

From **INFORMATION CONTROL**

File Number 7172

TO: REGISTRATION BRANCH, G. R. S.

Date March 31, 1921.

FROM: INQUIRY BRANCH.

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

NAME: BENNETT, Chester L.

Serial Number

RANK:

ORGANIZATION:

FILE

No.	QUESTION	REPLY
1.	Do particulars of soldiers given above agree with records?	1. Yes. Private, #45096, M.G. Co., 16th Infantry.
2.	Date of death.	2. 7/19/18.
3.	Cause and place of death.	3. DWRIA.
4.	Number of casualty cablegram.	4. 210.
5.	Date buried.	5. 7/21/18.
6.	Grave location. (a) Complete record required. (b) Name of cemetery or commune only required. (c) Note reinterments.	6. Grave #4, French Civilian Cty., #387, Sery-Magneval, Oise. ✓
7.	Who reported burial?	7.
8.	Confirmed by G. R. S.?	8.
9.	Report as to grave marker.	9. Cross.
10.	Identification tags: (a) Buried with body? (b) Attached to grave marker?	10. (a) No Record. (b) Yes.
11.	Complete emergency address?	11. Harriet E. Bennett, (Mother) Box 235, Paulsboro, New Jersey.
12.	Has been notified? (Give date.)	12. Yes. 10/26/18.
13.	Report the exact position of your inquiry on this case. (Reply in all cases if no information on record.)	13.
14.	What is the photograph number?	14. No Record.
15.	Inquiry made by.	

RELEASED BY INFORMATION CONTROL DEPARTMENT.

.....X..... Confirmed.

..... Unconfirmed.

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File Number 7172

TO: REGISTRATION BRANCH, G. R. S.

Date 3.28.21

FROM: INQUIRY BRANCH.

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

NAME: Serial Number

RANK: ORGANIZATION:

No.	QUESTION	REPLY
1.	Do particulars of soldiers given above agree with records?	1. no-Nemmett, Chester L, Pvt., 45096, M.G.Co, 16th Inf.
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7.	Who reported burial?	
8.	Confirmed by G. R. S.?	
9.	Report as to grave marker.	
10.	Identification tags: (a) Buried with body? (b) Attached to grave marker?	10. a-no record; b-yes.
11.	Complete emergency address?	11. Mrs Hattie Bennett (mother) 34 Cresson Ave., Haddonfield, N.J.
12.	Has been notified? (Give date.)	12. 10.26.18
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 number?	14. no record
15.	Inquiry made by.	

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

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.......... Confirmed.

.......... Unconfirmed.

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WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
CEREMETRIAL DIVISION
INQUIRY SECTION.

File No.

Date 3/29/21

Time _____

TO REGISTRATION SECTION,
INVESTIGATION SUB-SECTION.

Attention of Mr. Good

FOR VERIFICATION OF

Grave location

- (a) original
- (b) reburial

Serial number

File number

Organization

Cause of death

Emergency Address

Identification

Rank

Spelling of

- (a) first name
- (b) last name

Date of

- (a) death
- (b) burial or reburial

Condition of Body

Burial of Body

Other burials in same vicinity

INFORMATION CONTROL

REGISTRATION SECTION
INVESTIGATION SUB-SECTION

Date _____

Time _____

TO INQUIRY SECTION:

Attention of: Supervisor

No action to be taken by this office.

REPLY and 109-a to be returned to Inv. & Adj.

REPLY and return to Inv. & Adj. for investigation.

Examiner

Remarks:

See other side.

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WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
CEMETERIAL DIVISION

Date 3-29-21

To Information Control Room

All Officers,
Lt. Col. Pierce, Chief
Lt. Col. Davis, O. R. C.
Captain Greeley
Lieut. Conner
Lieut. Daniel
Lieut. Hanson
Lieut. Ross
Lieut. Wynne

*To release
grave location*

Mr. Robb - Principal Clerk
Mrs. Hodges - Personnel Clerk
Mr. Houghton - Files
Mr. Saxton - Cemeterial Branch
Mr. Grant - Inquiry Branch
Mr. Plotner - Supplies

Prepare reply(Sec'y of War
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WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
CEMETERIAL DIVISION
WASHINGTON

3-26-21

Bennett

ANALYSIS OF INQUIRY

..... Change of Address.
(G. R. S. Form 106.)

..... Instructions for Disposition of Remains.
(Par. 7, Bul. 10-F-W.)

..... Monument.
(Par. 10, Bul. 10-F-W.)

..... Photographs.
(Par. 12, Bul. 10-F-W.)

..... Discrepancies in Inscription.
(Par. 11, Bul. 10-F-W.)

..... **Permanent Burial in—**
(a) France.
(G. R. S. Form 106.)

..... Personal Effects.
(Par. 13 (a), Bul. 10-F-W.)
(G. R. S. Form 111.)

..... (b) Other Countries.

..... Accrued Pay.
(Par. 13 (b), Bul. 10-F-W.)
(G. R. S. Form 111.)

..... **Return of Bodies from—**
(a) France.
(Par. 4, Bul. 10-F-W.)
(G. R. S. Form 106.)

..... Maintenance.
(Par. 9, Bul. 10-F-W.)

..... (b) Other Countries.

..... Liberty Bonds.
(Par. 13 (c), Bul. 10-F-W.)
(G. R. S. Form 111.)

..... Expenses of Shipment.
(Par. 6, Bul. 10-F-W.)

..... War Risk Insurance.
Par. 13 (d), Bul. 10-F-W.)
(G. R. S. Form 111.)

..... Conveying Bodies from Hoboken.
(Par. 8, Bul. 10-F-W.)

..... "Zone of the Interior."
(Par. 5, Bul. 10-F-W.)

..... Permanent Cemeteries.
(Par. 9, Bul. 10-F-W.)

Remarks: 1370 g-l-

NOTE.—In addition to information furnished on Nos. 1, 6, 11, and 12, G. R. S. Form 101-A (Information Blank), supply data on the following:

Nos. 2, 3, 4, 5, 7, 8, 9, 10, 14, 15.

.....
Analysis Clerk.

REGISTRATION SECTION
GRAVES REGISTRATION SERVICE
CEMETERIAL DIVISION

File No. 7172
OSPSS Ref. No. 387-2
Follow-up No. 1370

To: Inquiry Section.
From: Overseas Project Sub-Section.

I. GENERAL INFORMATION on Cemetery No. ³⁸⁷ (furnished by: MBH) (date 3-26-21)

Data sent Overseas Body not to be returned. Let. Trans. 9-20-20
Operations to commence (approx.) Have begun
Operations to be completed (approx.) _____
Bodies shipped from European Port _____
Bodies arrived at Hoboken See # 45096

II. CASE OF Bennett, Chester L., Pvt., M.H. Co. 16th Inf.

The following information was abstracted (Date) 3-26-21 from: Form 15A

SOURCE	CLK.	in OFFICE		CLK.	in OFFICE
A. G. O. Cards	<u>MBH</u>	<u>yes</u>	Shppg. Inquiry (sent _____)		
A.G.O. Corresp.			To _____		
G.R.S. Corresp. relative to disp.			OSP S-S Corresp. (see Remarks.)		

Agd Card
DESIRES as to Disposition.

Name of Relative	RETURN			REMAIN	SPECIAL
	N. C.	Pvt.	Int.		
Widow				✓	
Children (Name oldest first)					
Father					
Mother <u>Mrs. Hattie E. Bennett,</u>					
Brothers <u>Parkboro,</u>					
Sisters <u>N. J.</u>					

Body to be shipped to _____
was shipped (Date) _____


REMARKS Cty 387 Audited - F. 115 Ford. Hoboken - 1-25-21
6 bodies Enroute on SSS. Cable # 51
MBH 3-26-21

THIS MEMORANDUM MUST NOT BE REMOVED

FOLLOW UP NO 1370

Date MAR 24 1921

DATE MAR 26 1921

TO:  1. Inquiry Branch for reply:
(a) ~~Forms 124 not necessary~~
(b) Form 124 attached

2. Miss Barry
3. Miss Boland
4. Mrs. Cairns
5. Miss Critchett
6. Mr. Deming
7. Mr. Good
8. Lt. Hanson
9. Mr. Hughitt
10. Mrs. Landman
11. Miss Olenin
12. Miss Rex
13. Mrs. Ruth
14. Mr. Saxton
15. Miss Schlegel
16. _____

1st Ind.

File No. 293.8 Cem. Div. Cor. Br.
(BENNETT, Chester L.)


Graves Registration Service Officer, Hoboken N.J. March 18, 1921-
To- The Quartermaster General, Cemeterial Division, Washington, D.C.

1. Forwarded for furtherance of reply.
2. Status of this case taken from the records of this office is as follows:-

Chester L. Bennett, Private, Serial No. 45096, Machine Gun Co. 16th. Infantry, Cemetery 387, Cable Ref. 2; as far as this office has been able to ascertain Mrs. Harriet E. Bennett, Box 235, Paulsboro, New Jersey, Mother, is given as the emergency address, but the legal next of kin has not yet been determined.

R. E. SHANNON,
Captain Quartermaster Corps,
Officer in Charge.

By-


J. F. BUTLER,
1st. Lieut. Infantry.

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MAR 25 1921
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DIV. Q.M.G.



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Bennett,

(Surname)

Chester L.

(Christian name in full.)

45,096

(Army serial number.)

Private,

Machine Gun Co.

(Rank and organization.)

16th Infantry

State your relationship to the deceased

Mother.

Do you desire the remains brought to the United States?

No.

(Yes or no.)

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

(Yes or no.)

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

(Name of person to receive remains.)

(Express office.)

(Telegraph office.)

(Number and street.)

(City or town.)

(State.)

(Sign here)

Mr. Hattie E. Bennett,

Paulsboro N. Jersey

(Number and street or rural route.)

(City, town, or post office.)

(State.)

Read carefully the letter accompanying this card.

Drawn by PM

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March 17, 1921

File No. 293.8 Com. Div. Cor. Br.
(BENNETT, Chester L.)

Mrs. Harriet E. Bennett,
Box 235,
Paulshoro, New Jersey.

Dear Madam:-

Receipt of your letter of recent date relative to the disposition of remains of your son, the late Chester L. Bennett, Private, Serial No. 45096, Machine Gun Co. 16th. Infantry is hereby acknowledged.

Kindly advise this office definitely whether or not the late soldier is survived by a father and if so, furnish his name and address.

This information is necessary in order that the proper person to decide disposition of remains of the late soldier is given an opportunity of expressing his or her wishes.

You are advised that a copy of your letter is being forwarded the Department at Washington D.C., who will communicate with you direct regarding the final disposition of remains of the late soldier and photograph of the grave.

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

By authority of the Quartermaster General;

R. E. SHANNON,
Captain Quartermaster Corps,
Officer in Charge.

By-

J. F. BUTLER,
1st. Lieut. Infantry

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Paulsboro, N.J.
2/5/1921

Received, Commanding Officer, D. O. H. C.
File # 1938 # 7172

Graves Registration Service,
Pier 2,
Hoboken N.J.

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Dear Sirs;-

If I could feel positive my dear son's remains
would rest by the side of a comrade, I would feel better
regarding it resting in Europe.

Kindly inform me location of grave, So thankful
to know that I may some day receive a photo of grave.

Send me a line of encouragement.

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Harriet E. Bennett.

Mother of Soldier

Bennett, Harriet E.

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293.8 Cem. #7172 BENNETT, Chester L.

Paulsboro, N. J.

2/3/1921

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Hoboken, N. J.

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Mother of Soldier.

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1-19-21

Drawn by [signature]

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AGC 2938 Bennett, Chester L.

Paulboro, N. J.

5/28/49

Adjutant General's Office
Washington, D.C.

Dear Sir:-

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After re-considering
the removal of my
son, Chester L. Bennett,
remains from France
to the U. S. A. (his much
loved country) will ask
said remains to be
buried in a National
cemetery in France.

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Received
Expedited Division
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I feel so sad to let
it remain so far from
home, probably it is
best. If I really knew
it would be cared for,
I suppose you, could
I see the face, if here,
may tell me.

Dr. Chester L. Bennett.
M. G. Co, 16th Inf.
France.

Killed in action July 19th
1918

2938- Bennett, Chester L.

Enlisted Division
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Will my son be near
any of his fallen
comrades? Were there
many killed from
the 16th Inf.

Thank you.

Very truly,

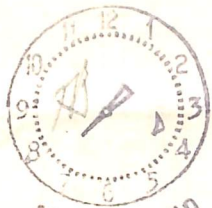
Harriett E. Bennett

15-15 Pine Street

Paulsboro.

N. J.

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GEN. RECORDS OFF. in Bennett Chester J.

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War Department, A. G. O., June 3, 1919. - To The Commanding General, American Expeditionary Forces, France.

With the request that this office be furnished with the number of the members of the 16th Infantry who were killed.

By order of the Secretary of War

(Synopsis made)

Received
A. G. O.
JUN 28 1919
G. H. Q. A. E. I.
Adjutant General

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201. Bennett, Chester L.

2nd Ind.

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Central Records Office, A.G.D. A.P.O. 902, A.E.F. 7-3-19. To:-
The Commanding Officer, 16th Inf. A.P.O. 729, AAE.F. For
compliance with the preceding indorsement.

By Command of General Pershing:

REVIEWED
CSP SS.
D. L. STONE,
Col. Gen. Staff.

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Bennett, Chester L.

3rd Ind.

1. 16th Inf., Selters, Germany, July 11, 1919. - To C.R.O. A.G.D., A.P.O. 902, AEF.

1. Attention invited to enclosed statement of losses.

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17 JUL 1919
Corr. div., C. R. O.

G.M.P.
G.M.P.

Captain, 16th Infantry,
Adjutant.

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201. Bennett, Chester L,

4th Ind.

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Central Records Office A.G.D., A.E.F., A.P.O. 902 July 18, 1919. -To
The Adjutant General of the Army, Washington, D.C., with reference
to preceding indorsement.

1 Incl.

L.Y.S.

10-REC'D BACK A G O, AUG 8 1919

Received Enlisted Division
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OFFICERS AND MEN OF 16TH INFANTRY WHO HAVE BEEN KILLED IN ACTION OR DIED OF WOUNDS RECEIVED IN ACTION

	Officers	Enl. Men
Luneville Sector		
Killed in Action		3
Ansauville Sector		
Killed in Action		12
Montdidier-Noyon Defensive		
Killed in Action	6	105
Died of wounds		20
Aisne-Marne Offensive		
Killed in Action	13	308
Died of wounds	1	24
St. Mihiel Offensive		
Killed in Action	1	14
Died of Wounds		7
Meuse-Argonne Offensive		
Killed in Action	9	244
Died of Wounds	2	23
Total Off.	32	Total Men 760

W. E. Seaton
 W. E. SEATON
 Captain, 16th Infantry
 Personnel Adjutant.

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293.8 (Bennett, Chester L.) Enl.
293.8 Bennett, Chester L. Enl.
Postal Service Section

June 3, 1919.
August 14, 1919.

Mrs. Harriett E. Bennett,
1516 Pine Street,
Paulsboro, New Jersey. E. Bennett.

Dear Madam: 1516 Pine Street,

Replying to your letter of May 28th, in which you state that you now desire the remains of your son, Private Chester L. Bennett, left in France, the old card previously filed by you is herewith returned with a new one, which you will please carefully complete and return to this office, that your present wishes may be recorded.

While the Department is not advised as to individual cases, it is reasonable to assume, owing to the time which must necessarily elapse and the circumstances connected with the whole situation, it will not be permissible to open the caskets after arrival in this country. officers and men of the 16th Infantry who were back

For your further information I beg leave to advise you that up to the present time about twenty per cent of the relatives of our deceased soldiers have expressed their desire to have the remains interred in a National Cemetery in France.

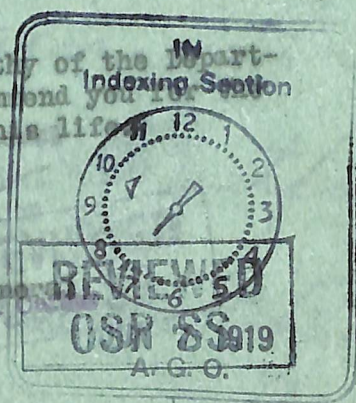
several hundred sixty men from the 16th Infantry.
This office has no record of the number of the members of the 16th Infantry who were killed, therefore, your request has been referred to the Commanding General, American Expeditionary Forces, and upon receipt of a reply you will be promptly informed.

It is desired to extend to you the deep sympathy of the Department on account of the loss of your son, and to commend you for contribution to the cause for which your son gave his life.

Very sincerely,

The Adjutant General
Per W. V.

3 incl.



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6-3-19

293.8 (Bennett, Chester L.) Enl.
Burial Records Section.

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August 14, 1919.

Mrs. Harriett E. Bennett,
1515 Pine Street,
Paulsboro, New Jersey.

Dear Madam:

With further reference to your letter of May 28th,

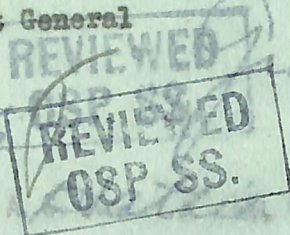
I beg leave to advise you that a report has now been received from overseas which gives a statement of the officers and men of the 16th Infantry who have been killed in action or died of wounds received in action.

This statement shows a loss of thirty-two officers and seven hundred sixty men from the 16th Infantry.

Very respectfully,

H. R. Smalley

The Adjutant General



Handwritten notes:
M. G. Co.
7/15/19
Burial Rec.
Thanked

Handwritten notes:
Remain in France
that at
my soldier son Pvt.
mother

Paulsboro, N. J.
Sept. 16, 1919

War Department,
Washington,
D. C.

Dear Sir:

Allow me to appeal to you, please
reading General Pershing's opinion
regarding the bodies of the sol-
dier dead "over there" I feel that it
is best to let my soldier son Pvt.
Chester L. Bennett remain in France.

M. G. Co, 16th Inf. Serial no 45896

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Thank you.

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Nattie E. Bennett
Mother.

Ms. 293.8 Bennett, Chester L.

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Oct. 7th, 1919.

FROM: The Adjutant General of the Army.
TO: Mrs. Hattie E. Bennett, Paulsboro N.J.
SUBJECT: Private Chester L. Bennett, Machine Gun
Company, 16th Infantry.

1. I beg to acknowledge receipt of your letter of Sept. 16th, in which you state that you now desire the remains of your son, the above named soldier, to be left in France.

2. The card previously filed by you is herewith returned with a new one, which you will please carefully complete and return to this office, that your latest wishes may be recorded.

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