

Bennett

(Surname.)

Stephen J.

(Christian name in full.)

3,336,007

(Army serial number.)

Pvt 1cl

(Rank and organization.)

Co A, 343 Inf

State your relationship to the deceased

Brother

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)

Edward J. Bennett

R.F.D. No. 1

Belvidere, Ill.

(Number and street or rural route.)

(City, town, or post office.)

(State.)

Read carefully the letter accompanying this card.

Drawn by J.D.  
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Bennett, Stephen  
Pat. No # 3336007  
Co. A " 343" Inf.

1. *mem*  
 NAME BENNETT, Stephen Jay *✓* *Prue* DATE May 20th 1922.  
 RANK Pvt 1/c. *✓* SERIAL No. 3336007  
 ORGANIZATION Co.A. 343rd Infantry.  
 & DIVISION 86 Div.  
 GRAVE LOCATION Paignton Cemetery, Paignton, Devonshire, England. 609  
 CTY. NAME NUMBER  
2996 4 Amer.  
 GRAVE ROW PLOT

2. ORIGINAL BATTLE AREA GRAVE LOCATION  
 GRAVE COMMUNE DEPT.  
 COORDINATES  
 CONCENTRATED TO  
 DATE GRAVE ROW PLOT  
Brookwood (England) 107-E.  
 CEMETERY CTY. NUMBER

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

Tag on body *✓* corroded, bottle record found.

DATE OF DEATH

*Sept. 28, 1918*  
*Ill.*

STATE FROM WHICH HE CAME

MEDALS OR DECORATIONS AWARDED

*none of record.*

SUBSEQUENT REBURIALS  
 DATE GRAVE ROW PLOT CEMETERY



DATE GRAVE ROW PLOT CEMETERY

L. O. MATHEWS.

*Lieutenant*

SIGNATURE, AREA SUPERVISOR

*L. O. Mathews.*

*D. M. Corps, U. S. Army.*

3. FINAL GRAVE LOCATION May 20th 1922. 15 D 2 Amer.  
 DATE GRAVE ROW PLOT  
Block  
Brookwood Cem. #107-E, Brookwood, Surrey, England.  
 CEMETERY

*Mother deceased }  
Unmarried } *vrb**

AUDITED BY  
*12-24-22 4-3-23*

## 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 I6, 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.

BENNETT, STEPHEN J.

To \_\_\_\_\_

**BURIALS IN PERMANENT  
CEMETERIES.**

Q.M. Form No. \_\_\_\_\_

Report No. \_\_\_\_\_

Sheet No. \_\_\_\_\_

No. of Cemetery \_\_\_\_\_ Date September 29, 1918.

Place of Cemetery Paignton, Devon, England.

Place of death Amer. R.C. Mil. Hosp. No. 21. Sept. 28, 1918.

Disposal of Tags One on body; one on cross.

Name Bennett 3336 007 Stephen J. Rank Pvt.

Regiment and Company Co. A. 343 Inf.

Nature of marking American Plot, grave No. . Cross.

Disposal of Personal Effects Hosp. C.O.

Signed : Wm. A. Aiken, Hdq. B.S. 3. *Chaplain.* Officer in charge.

NOTE.—Soldiers of Jewish faith to be checked thus in left hand margin :  $\triangle$

REPORT OF DISINTERMENT AND REBURIAL.

Remains of:

Name: **BENNETT, Stephen J.**

Number **3336007**

Rank: **Pvt.**

Organization: **Co. A, 343 Inf**

Disinterment and Reburial made by Group: **Lt. Gove S. Wright**

Disinterred (Date)

From: (Give complete location)

Mar. 8, 1920 from American Plot, Paignton Cemetery, Grave No. 3057

Reburied (Date)

in: (Give complete location)

Mar. 8, 1920 in American Plot, Paignton Cemetery, Grave No. 2996.  
Row #4.

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

Buried 6 ft. earthen grave, wooden coffin. Grave marked with wooden cross with identification tag and aluminium strip on back of cross. Coffin not opened.

Was one identification tag found upon the body? **Coffin not opened.**

What other means of identification were found upon the body?

Coffin not opened. Brass name plate on coffin.

CONFIRMED No. D. 30019

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:

Gove S. Wright  
**Gove S. Wright**  
**1st. Lt., QMC.**

C.O. Group

Unit

No green carbon

CODE SLIP

HEADING	SUB-HEADING	NO. OF COLS	CODE
NAME	BENNETT	3	25-9
BURIED	Stephen Jay	1	7
	CEMETERY 107-E	2	15
	GRAVE 15	2	02
	ROW 2	1	4
	BLOCK 20	2	13
STATE	Ill	1	2
RANK	Port/c	2	86
DIVISION	86	3	343
ORGANIZATION	343	1	1
ARM	Inf	1	2
MARITAL	(sister) No	3	
NAME	Martin,	2	
RESIDENCE	Mrs. C. R. Garden Home Oregon	3	
	STATE	3	
	COUNTY	3	
	CITY	1	1
RELATION	Mother	1	6
OTHER		1	
ELIGIBILITY	Dead	1	
NATIVITY	(1917)	1	
RACE		1	
ENGLISH		1	
ATTENDANT		1	
HEALTH		1	
NO. OF SONS		1	
DATE OF	MO.	1	
TRIP	YR.	1	
ACCEPTANCE		1	
	29/514/		

~~Audited~~  
5-12-32  
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QM 295 A-M  
Bennett, Stephen Jay (Blaw)

January 5, 1932

Mrs. C. R. Martin,  
Garden Home, Oregon.

Dear Madam:

Receipt is acknowledged of your letter of December 21, 1931, relative to your eligibility to make a pilgrimage to the grave of your brother, the late Private first class Stephen Jay Bennett in the Brookwood American Cemetery in Europe.

The Act of Congress of March 2, 1929, as amended, provides pilgrimages to the cemeteries of Europe for mothers and widows of deceased service men and defines the term mother as "mother, stepmother, mother through adoption, or any woman who stood in loco parentis to the deceased member of the military or naval forces for a period of not less than five years at any time prior to the soldier, sailor or marine becoming 18 years of age". It will be noted a sister, aunt, etc., could qualify under the loco parentis clause of the Act, however, it has been held that a woman must have provided for a veteran as a father would have, such as providing food, clothing, shelter, guidance and counsel, in order to be considered eligible under this provision of the law.

Although it is appreciated that you cared for your brother in many ways, it is evident that you did not stand in loco parentis within the meaning of the law, and in view thereof, no arrangements can be made for you to visit your brother's grave at the expense of the Government.

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

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Garden Home, Oregon. Dec. 21, 1931.

Quartermaster General,

Washington, D.C.

*case please 107-E*

Dear sir,- Will you please send me information regarding the "Gold Star" trips to visit the graves of the U.S.A. boys who are buried in other countries?

I have heard from my friend Mrs. C.H. McKinney of Portland, Oregon that some of the members of the party that went last June were sisters of the one that they went to honor and as my own Mother was not living at the time that my brother was in service and in-as-much as I had taken care of him as a very small boy and I feel that my interest in him is as deep as any Mother can feel, I would like to visit his resting place in Brookwood, England, if I could qualify for the trip with others who go to honor their soldier boys.

293 My brother, Jay S. Bennett was in the 86th. Division, Co. A. 343 Reg. Inf. He was taken sick on board the transport that arrived in England Sept. 23, 1918 and he died Sept. 28th, 1918 at the hospital in Paignton, England. He was born Dec. 29, 1894 and his Serial number was 3336007. He went to Camp Grant on June 26, 1918 and was in intensive training until Sept. when he, with a few others went on a tour in Canada before going to Camp Mills and leaving for France.

Before entering the service, my brother was living and working away from home, as both my Father and Mother had passed away in 1917, but as Mother had been in ill health for many years, I had taken care of him when he was just a baby and until my marriage in 1913 he seemed more than a brother to me. Whenever he was sick, I was his nurse and there were many times that I cured him of severe cases of croup by very prompt care when it started in the night. He was not a robust child and it was not strange that the Flu claimed him as a victim and that pneumonia was the cause of his death. I shall thank you for any information that you can give me in regard to the "Gold Star" trips. Very truly yours,

*1918  
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*Mrs. C. P. Martin (Ethel Anna Bennett) formerly of Belvidere, Ill.*

WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C  
Bennett, Stephen Jay 107-E S

July 7, 1930 *L*

Miss Esther O. Bennett  
642 N. Kenmore Avenue  
Los Angeles, California

Dear Madam:

Your attention is invited to the enclosed copy of an Act of Congress of March 2, 1929, together with an amendment thereto, approved May 15, 1930.

This office has no record of any person entitled under the Act mentioned to make a pilgrimage to the cemeteries in Europe as the mother or widow of the above named deceased service man. To complete the list of eligibles and to assure that, if the above named man is survived by a mother or widow entitled to make a pilgrimage she receive an invitation to do so, it is requested you answer the following questions in the space provided on this letter and return to this office in the enclosed envelope which requires no postage.

1. Is the deceased survived by a mother?

If so, give her name and address:

*No*

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

If so, give her name and address:

*No*

3. Is the deceased survived by any woman who stood in loco parentis to him according to the terms of Section 4 (a) of the enclosed Act as amended?

If so, give her name and address:

*No*

For The Quartermaster General

Very truly yours,

Enclosures:  
Envelope  
Act  
Amendment



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

WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C  
Bennett, Stephen Jay 107-E

March 12, 1930

Miss Esther O. Bennett,  
642 North Kenmore Avenue,  
Los Angeles, California.

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 sister of the late Pvt. 1st Cl. Stephen J. Bennett, Co. A, 343rd Inf., whose remains are now interred in the Brookwood American Cemetery, Brookwood, England.

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

2. If so, give her complete address.

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

None

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

*John T. Harris*

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

2 Incls.  
Act of Congress  
Envelope

WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

DATE February 17, 1930

NAME	RANK	SERIAL	ORGANIZATION	DATE OF DEATH
Bennett, Stephen Jay	Pvt 1/c.	3336007	Co. A-343rd Inf.	Sept. 28, 1918

STATE	CTY. NO.	GRAVE	ROW	BLOCK
Illinois	107-E-	15	2	D

	<u>Check relationship</u>	<u>Living - Deceased</u>	
NAME	MOTHER	: <i>no record</i> :	<i>C 925-18</i>
AND	STEPMOTHER (For the year prior to commencement of service)	: : :	<i>Sister -</i>
ADDRESS	MOTHER THRU ADOPTION (For the year prior to commencement of service)	: : :	<i>Miss Esther O. Bennett</i> <i>642 North Kenmore</i> <i>Los Angeles Calif</i> <i>ave.</i>
	MOTHER IN LOCO PARENTIS (For the year prior to commencement of service)	: : :	_____
	WIDOW (Who has not remarried)	: : :	_____
	<i>Single man</i>	: : :	_____

Veterans Bureau Claim Number 29/156/

No Relationships shown

Mrs. Mary G. Keates

2721,

Belvidere, Ill.

QM 293 A-M  
Bennett, Stephen Jay (Blwd)

January 5, 1932

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Garden Home, Oregon.

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Assistant.

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WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

Bennett, Stephen Jay 107-E S

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For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

Bennett, Stephen Jay 107-E

March 12, 1930

Miss Esther O. Bennett,  
642 North Kenmore Avenue,  
Los Angeles, California.

Dear Madam:

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Write answers in space below:

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2. If so, give her complete address.
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For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C  
Bennett, Stephen J.

April 30, 1929.

Mr. Edward J. Bennett,  
Belvidere, Route #1,  
Ill.

Dear Sir:

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 brother of the late Private, first class Stephen J. Bennett, Company A, 343rd Infantry, whose remains are now interred in the Brookwood American Cemetery, Brookwood, England.

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

Your attention is particularly invited to Section 4 of the enclosed Act, which defines the terms "mother" and "widow". If the relative is a stepmother, mother through adoption, or any woman who stood in loco parentis to the decedent, a statement as to her relationship is requested. If he was survived by a widow who has since remarried it is also requested that a statement to that effect be made.

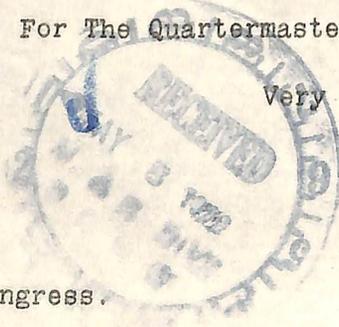
For your reply, you may use the enclosed envelope which requires no postage.

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

*J. McClintock*  
J. McCLINTOCK,  
Major, Q. M. Corps,  
Assistant.

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Envelope.



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*293*  
*5-9-29*

*Stephen J. Bennett's mother is dead, he was never married. Edward J. Bennett.*

WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QH 293 A-C  
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For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

J. McCLINTOCK,  
Major, Q. M. Corps,  
Assistant.

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QM 293 A-C

BENNETT, Stephen J. - Pvt.1/c

January 19, 1924

Mr. Edward J. Bennett,  
Belvidere, Route #1,  
Ill.

Dear Sir:

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

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

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

Very truly yours,

R.L. FOSTER  
Assistant.

RD  
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1-Incl.  
Record card.

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



JAN 19 / 1924

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To .....

Form No. ....

**BURIALS IN PERMANENT  
CEMETERIES.**

Report No. ....

Sheet No. ....

*R*

No. of Cemetery .....

Date **October 7/1918.**

Place of Cemetery .....

**Paignton Cemetery**

Place of death .....

**ARCMH.21, Paignton.**

Disposal of Tags .....

Name

**Bennett, Stephen, 3336007**

Rank

**Private**

Regiment and Company .....

**Co.A., 343 U S Infantry.**

Nature of marking .....

**Grave No.3057.**

Disposal of Personal Effects .....

Signed :

*R E Locke*

Chaplain.

Officer in charge.

293  
Bennett, Stephen

NOTE.—Soldiers of Jewish faith to be checked thus in left hand margin :  $\Delta$

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Inspecting Chaplain's Service.

# REPORT OF DISINTERMENT AND REBURIAL

1. REMAINS OF BECKETT, Stephen J. SERIAL NUMBER 3336007  
RANK Pvt. 1/c ORGANIZATION Co. A. 343rd Inf.

2. Disinterred (date): Apr 12, 1922 From (give complete location): Gr 2996, Amer. Plot Row 4, Cty. 609, Paignton (Devon) Eng.  
By: Group 5 Unit British Isles.

3. Reburied (date): May 20, 1922 In (give complete location): Gr 15 Block D, Row 2, Amer Plot Paignton  
By: Group Special Unit British Isles. Nature of Reburial Standard

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

5. (a) Identification tags: Buried with body? yes. On grave marker? yes.  
corroded.  
(b) Other means of identification found upon disinterment, and general remarks:  
bottle record agrees with form 114-a.

6. What does examination of body show as regards the following identifying items?  
(a) Height (actual measurement) impossible to determine.  
(b) Weight (estimated) do  
(c) Hair—Color do  
Quantity do  
Characteristics do  
(d) Hair on face—Color do  
Location do  
Quantity do  
(e) Permanent marks on body (old scars, peculiarities, or missing parts) do  
(f) Wounds or missing parts (received at time of casualty) none visible.

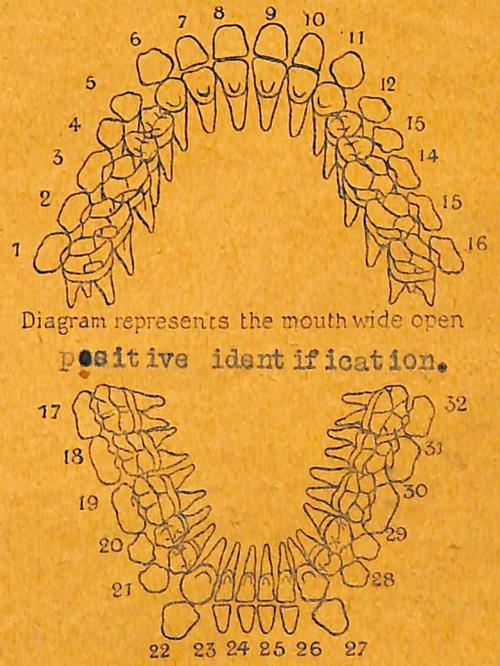
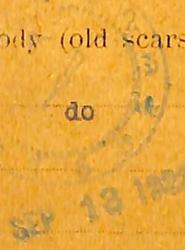


Diagram represents the mouthwide open **positive identification.**



7. Disinterment supervised by C. V. Russell Approved: A. E. Dewey  
C. V. Russell. (Title) A. E. Dewey 1st Lt. U.S. Army  
8. Reburial supervised by Frank L. Moran Approved: C. J. Blake  
(Title) C. J. Blake  
Captain, Q. M. Corps, U.S. Army

## 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.

To be prepared in triplicate.

DATE April 12, 1922

## REPORT OF DISINTERMENT, PREPARATION, SHIPMENT AND REBURIAL OF BODY

## DISINTERMENT

## COMPARATIVE REPORT

Records of <sup>nem</sup> G.R.S. Headquarters.

Discrepancy found upon exhumation of body

1. Name BENNETT, Stephen J.

10. Name

2. No. 3336007

11. No.

3. Rank Pvt 1/c.

12. Rank

4. Org. Co. A. 343rd Infantry.

13. Org.

5. D.D. 9-28-18

14. (a) D.D.

6. C.D. Pneumonia(b) D.B. no discrep.

Discrepancy found upon disinterment

7. Grave No. 2996 Sec.

15. Grave No. Sec.

8. Plot Amer. Row 4

16. Plot Row

9.

17. no discrepancy.18. Cemetery Paignton Cemetery19. Commune or town Paignton20. Dept. or County Devonshire21. Country England22. G.R.S. Hdqrs. Code No. 60923. Disinterred (Date) April 12, 1922By C.V. Russell

24. Inscription on grave marker:

Name Stephen J. Bennett

Serial No.

Rank Pvt. 1/c.Organization Co. A. 343rd. Inf.25. Was identification disc found on grave marker? yes On body? yes, corrodedSignature J.T. White  
J.T. White

## 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).  
Positive identification.Bottle record agrees with Form 114-A.27. Condition of body Badly decomposed. Features unrecognizable.28. Nature of burial U.S. uniform and wooden box.29. Any discrepancy noted upon examination of body, as compared with G.R.S. records quoted above? Body disc corroded, illegible.30. Body prepared and placed in casket: Date April 12, 1922 By C.V. Russell31. Casket sealed by C.V. RussellSignature of Embalmer, (Supervisor) C.V. RussellC.V. Russell  
PREPARED BY

SHIPMENT. (Show actual marking of box.) Box No. C-28896

32. Designation of body:

Name Stephen J. BENNETT. Serial No. 3336007

Rank Pvt 1/c. Organization Co. A. 343rd Infantry.

33. Consigned to:

Name of Permanent Cemetery Brookwood Amer.Cty. 107-E, Brookwood, England.

34. Casket boxed and marked (Date) April 12, 1922 By C.V.Russell

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. Q.M.C.

36. Remarks

None

37. Shipped from point of Operation: (Date) April 12, 1922

To point of Concentration Brookwood, England, Brookwood Amer.Cty.No.107-E (Name)

Convoyer P. G. Hackett Signature Shipping Officer A.E. Dewey, 1st Lt. Q.M.C.

38. Received at Railhead or Point of Concentration: Date

By G.R.S. Representative

39. Shipped from Railhead or Point of Concentration: Date

To Permanent Cemetery Brookwood Amer. Cty. 107- E. Brookwood Eng. (Name)

Convoyer P.G.Hackett. Signature Shipping Officer A.E. Dewey 1st Lt. Q.M.C.

40. Received: Date April 18, 1922

G.R.S. Representative C. J. Blake

41. Reinterred Brookwood Cty, Surrey, England. (Date) May 20, 1922

42. Grave No. 15

43. Plot American Row 2

G.R.S. Representative C. J. BLAKE Captain, Q. M. Corps, U. S. Army

COMPILATION N/R REQUESTS

I. DATA COMPILATION

A. Location Index Card:-

(1) Name BENNETT, Stephen J., Ser. No. 3336007 )  
 (2) Rank Pvt. 1/c Organization Co., A., 343rd Inf. ) TYP. IB  
 (3) Date of death 9-28-18 ) CKR. S.L.

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

(4) Cause of death Pneumonia ) TYP. TW.  
 (5) Grave No. 2996 Row 4 Plot -- Sect. -- ) CKR. M.E.H.

II. FILES EXAMINATION

A. Files of soldiers dying from contagious diseases; No Card

B. A. G. O. DISPOSITION CARD Date of receipt None.

(6) Relationship Brother  
 (7) Name Edward J. Bennett  
 (8) Address R.F.D. #1, Belvidere, Illinois  
 (9) Desires remains brought to U. S.? No  
 (10) Desires remains brought to U. S. and interred in National Cemetery at ---  
 (11) If brought back, what shipping instructions? ---

att. 1-13-20

C. A. G. O. CORRESPONDENCE Date of communication

(12) Does correspondence Change or qualify request as made on A.G.O. card?  
 If so, specify such information. No correspondence

(13) A. G. O. Files EXAMINED by att. (Date) 1-13-20

D. (14) G. R. S. Files - Correspondence. (Has reference been made to File No. Cancellation memos. yes/att). Does such correspondence, if containing request for disposition, reconcile with that of A. G. O.? --- att  
 (Specify "Yes or "No".) If "No", give date of communication, the name, address, and relationship and substance of request.

No request for disposition  
att. 1-26-20

(15) G. R. S. Files EXAMINED by (Date)

checked  
1-3-9-21

III. FINAL ACTION

A. MEMORANDUM to D. M. O. in E. made (Date) \_\_\_\_\_

(16) Removal of Remains (within custody of G.R.S.) to \_\_\_\_\_

(17) Instructions that remains be left undisturbed Yes

(18) Typed by SG Checked by \_\_\_\_\_ (Date) Feb. 18/20.

B. G. R. S. FORM NO. 114 made (Date) 2/17/20

(19) Typed by ymd Checked by \_\_\_\_\_ (Date) 2/17/20

C. SUSPENSION REMARKS:

*Form 170 3-15-'20 from oldest brother n/k  
requests that body remain in Europe. A 3-9-21*

*L. of J.*

D. Dispatched (Date) March 3, 1920 (Let. Trans. No. 609-2)

*Not to be returned - A. B. R*

*m.e.c*

Approved by \_\_\_\_\_

(Date) \_\_\_\_\_

O.P.D. cablegram #278, sent Feb. 16, 1920, requesting ~~return of body~~

that body be not returned to the U. S.

*Let 3/25/22 from Helen M. Netherwood, former Secy to late Cong. Elston,  
Co Foreign Affairs Com. writes in behalf of sister of the deceased,  
who states she has heard bodies will be moved from Cem. at Paignton,  
Devon, Eng. & desires to know where same will be taken.*

*Let. 4/4/22 to Miss Netherwood advising remains interred in the  
Paignton Cem. at Paignton, Devon, Eng. will be transferred to the Perm.  
Amen. Cty. of Brookwood, near London, England, & upon the  
reburial the legal n/k will be duly advised. (A.S. 4-4-22).*

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

MAR 10 1920

FROM: Chief, Graves Registration Service, Q.M.G.  
TO: Edward J. Bennett, RFD #1, Belvidere, Illinois.  
SUBJECT: Disposition of remains of Private 1/c Stephen J. Bennett  
*Inq. Dept.*

Records of this office show your request to be as follows:

Remains to be ~~not returned to United States Interment~~ *no change*

~~Shipped to~~

If any modifications of the foregoing are desired please write same fully on the other side of this sheet.

The nearest living relative may choose between, (1) return of remains to homes for burial; (2) interment in Arlington, Va., National Cemetery; or (3) remain in ~~France~~ Europe.

You are requested to fill out the following without delay and return in enclosed penalty envelope, which does not require postage.

By authority of the Quartermaster General:

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

NAME OF	NO. & STREET	TOWN	STATE
Widow <b>NONE</b>			
Children (Name oldest first)	<b>NONE</b>		
Father <b>DECEASED</b>			
Mother <b>DECEASED</b>			
Brothers <b>( BACK OF SHEET )</b>			
Sisters <b>(BACK OF SHEET)</b>			

Date March 15, 1920

Signature *Edward J. Bennett*

Address Belvidere, Ill. R#1

Relationship Brother

*over*

it is the desire of the majority of the brothers and sisters that the remains be left where now buried.

BROTHERS.

EDWARD J BENNETT BELVIDERE. ILL R#1. BOX 41.  
HERMAN J BENNETT CHERRY VALLEY. ILL. R#1.  
CHARLES S BENNETT SOMERS. MONTANA.  
SAMUEL A BENNETT BARTLESVILLE. OKLA.  
GEORGE F BENNETT POPLAR GROVE. ILL.  
SISTERS.  
ELLEN G MC MORRAN 2304 N. 38th St. SEATTLE. WASH.  
JENNIE M WILLIAMS 310 MAPLE PARK. OLYMPIA. WASH.  
ETHEL A MARTIN GARDEN HOME. OREGON.  
STELLA BENNETT 2614 HILGARD AVE. BERKELEY. CAL.  
NETTIE BENNETT (.SAME.AS.STELLA.BENNETT.....  
ESTHER O BENNETT ( SAME AS STELLA BENNETT).



# 35973  
M. Form No. 35973

To  
35973

BURIALS IN PERMANENT  
CEMETERIES.

Report No. \_\_\_\_\_

Sheet No. \_\_\_\_\_

No. of Cemetery \_\_\_\_\_ Date October 7/1918.

Place of Cemetery Paignton Cemetery

Place of death ARCMH.21, Paignton.

Disposal of Tags \_\_\_\_\_

Name Bennett, Stephen, 3336007 Rank Private

Regiment and Company Co.A., 343 U S Infantry.

Nature of marking \_\_\_\_\_ Grave No. 3057.

Disposal of Personal Effects \_\_\_\_\_

Signed: R E Locke

Chaplain.

Officer in charge.

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NOTE.—Soldiers of Jewish faith to be checked thus in left hand margin :  $\Delta$

Inspecting Chaplain's Service.

REVIEWED  
OSP SS:

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BURIALS IN PERMANENT CEMETERIES.

Q.M. Form No. \_\_\_\_\_

Report No. \_\_\_\_\_

Sheet No. \_\_\_\_\_

No. of Cemetery \_\_\_\_\_ Date September 29, 1918.

Place of Cemetery Paignton, Devon, England.

Place of death Amer.R.C. Mil.Hosp.No.21. Sept. 28, 1918.

Disposal of Tags One on body; one on cross.

Name Bennett 3336 007 Stephen J. Rank Pvt.

Regiment and Company Co. A. 343 Inf.

Nature of marking American Plot, grave No. . Cross.

Disposal of Personal Effects Hosp. C.O.

Signed: Wm. A. Aiken, Hdq. B.S.3. Chaplain. Officer in charge.

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RB Sk  
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REVIEWED  
OSP SS.

April 4, 1922.



Miss Helen M. Netherwood,  
c/o Foreign Affairs Committee,  
House of Representatives.

4/4/22  
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Very truly yours,

H. L. ROGERS,  
Quartermaster General.

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Noted on Form 115  
Date 4/4/22-088

J. R. R. H.  
APR 4 1922

DS  
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[Handwritten initials and signatures]

FILE ✓

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COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN AFFAIRS,  
 HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, UNITED STATES,  
 WASHINGTON, D. C.

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March 25, 1922

Adjutant General  
 War Department  
 Washington, D.C.

My dear Sir:

I am in receipt of a letter from a resident of the Sixth Congressional District of California, which district at present has no representative in Congress owing to the recent death of Congressman Elston.

The young lady is the sister of an American soldier who is buried in England, and I beg to quote from her letter as follows:

"My brother, Private S. Jay Bennett, 86th Div., Co. A, 343 Reg., is buried in a cemetery at Paignton, Devon, England. A letter from the caretaker of the cemetery, in reply to an inquiry from me, stated that the bodies were to be moved but he did not know where. Will you please give me information as to where the body of my brother is to be taken and what provision, if any, is made for the care of the grave."

Will you kindly let me know where the bodies now buried in the cemetery at Paignton, Devon, England, are to be reburied and also what provision, if any, is to be made for the care of the graves, in order that I may answer Miss Bennett's inquiry.

Thanking you for your courtesy in this matter,

Very truly yours,

Helene M. Netherwood

Former Secretary to the late Congressman Elston

4 Received A. G. O. MAR 27 1922

A. G. 201 Bennett, Stephen J. (3-25-22)

Noted on Form 115  
 Date 4/4/22 - a.l.s.

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A. G. 201 Bennett, Stephen J.  
(3-25-22)WW

1st Ind.

FS/JD/1-227

War Department, A. G. O., March 29, 1922. - To the Quartermaster General of the Army.

The records of this office show that Stephen J. Bennett, Army Serial #3336007, Private, 1st Class, Company A, 343rd Infantry, died September 28, 1918, at American Red Cross Military Hospital No. 21, Paignton, Devon, England and was buried September 29, 1918, at Paignton, Devon, England, in American plot, Grave 3057, Cemetery #609, G.R.S. 299, Sheet #5.

The writer has been advised of this reference.

By order of the Secretary of War:

*J. Erwin*

Adjutant General

Recorded, Cemetery  
File # 2938  
#35993  
O. O. M. G.

*Bennett, Stephen J.*

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CEMETERIAL DIVISION  
REGISTRATION SECTION

**FILE**

January 30 1922

MEMO FOR:  
Cards Department.

1.  
CASE OF:

Co. A., 343 Infantry.,  
ORGANIZATION (Old)

BENNETT 3336007 Stephen J., Pvt. 1/cl.  
(Name)

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

ORGANIZATION (New)

FILE NO.

SURNAME

SERIAL NUMBER

FIRST NAME AND INITIALS

RANK

DATE OF DEATH

CAUSE OF DEATH

	Date	Place	F-1A No.
Orig.			D-
1st. Reb.	3/8/20	609	D- 30019
2nd Reb.			D-
3rd Reb.			D-

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

BY: Miss Lannon

Card.,  
(Department)

5 x 8 card was sent to file.

Corrections made  
on Organization  
File Card:

By B  
S/3324/LML