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To The A. G. O.

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G.R.S. Form #114-B

JUN 1 - 1928

FULL NAME BENNETT, William

RANK Pvt.

SERIAL

2019874

DIVISION & ORGANIZATION Co.E, 26th Inf.

DATE OF DEATH

STATE FROM WHICH HE CAME

MEDALS OR DECORATIONS AWARDED.

FINAL GRAVE LOCATION.

Date

13

Grave

23

Row

E

Block

Meuse-Argonne, #1232

Cemetery

Rec'd World War Div.

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WORLD WAR DIV

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GRAVE LOCATION BLANK.

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LOCATION OF THE GRAVE OF

Bennett 3019874, Wm. H.
 (Surname.) (Number.) (First Name and Initials.)
 Private Co. E. 26th, Infantry.
 (Rank.) (Organization.)

DATE OF BURIAL October 10th. 1918

PLACE OF BURIAL American Cemetery No. 6

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

Bazilles Sur Meuse (Vosges)

GRAVE NUMBER 131 As per new blue

HOW MARKED : Name Peg? Yes Cross?

Headboard? Bottle? Yes

IDENTIFICATION TAGS :

Was one buried with body? Yes

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 :

Henry B. Clark

Henry B. Clark 2nd Lt. O.M.C.U.
 (Signature and Rank of Reporting Officer.)

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

26th. Infantry.
1st. Division.

BENNETT, William., Pvt; 2019874
HOME: No address given.

No definite information can be obtained from any of this
Company in regard to this man.

Signed: No signature.

Next of kin:
No name nor address given;

/MJM/

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Bennett, William
Pvt.
CENTRAL PASSENGER ASSOCIATION

TRANSPORTATION BUILDING
HARRISON AND DEARBORN STREETS

CHICAGO, ILL.

C. A. FOX, CHAIRMAN
R. E. PEPPER, SECRETARY

FILE NO.

SAILING FROM NEW YORK JUNE 14, 1930

S. S. HARDING

No. 318

Name Mrs Elizabeth Bennett
Address 2996 Twelfth St.
From Detroit, Mich. To New York and return

Going Route

Penna RR to New York

Return same route

Train Schedule to New York

Lv. Detroit	4:15 PM	No. 68	June 12
Ar. New York	9:30 AM	No. 68	June 13

Sleeping car from Detroit to New York

Elapsed time 17 Hrs 15 Min

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BENNETT, Wm.

Arrived NY 9:30 A.M. - Taken to Room 1104 Lincoln
mer by Capt Hanes

ITINERARY FOR MURSE-ARGONNE GROUP

1 pc. 629-

Sailed on the SS PRESIDENT HARDING from Pier 4 Hoboken, N.J. on June 14th -
Captain Funk in charge of Party.

Arrived at Cherbourg some time during the night of June 21-22. Met by Major
Bailey, Captains Saulnier, Ochs, Mallott, and Reynolds, Lieutenants Paquet,
Freeman, Morin, Captain Hinderman (MC) Miss Aulon and 5 other nurses and 2
civilian employees. Left Cherbourg at 8:25 A.M. arriving at Gare des Invalides
station in Paris at 2:50 P.M. Met by Colonel Ellis and members of his staff, -
also interpreters and nurses. Taken to hotel.

June 23rd - Transaction of personal affairs. Left hotel by motor bus at 3 p.m.
and proceeded to the Arc de Triomphe where a wreath was laid on the tomb of the
Unknown Soldier by Mrs. E. E. Pennill of Virginia who has been selected for the
purpose by members of the party. Then conducted to the Restaurant Laurent where
the usual tea and reception tendered by the U. S. government was held. Prominent
persons, including Ambassador Edge, were present and spoke to the pilgrims. To
hotel for dinner and to pack for the trip to the cemetery.

June 24th - Departed at 7:15 for Montmirail-Chalons -sur-Marne-St. Nensould
VERDUN

June 26th - 26th- 27th-28th - Visited Cemetery

June 29th - Visited Cemetery -sightseeing -Suippes -Reims

June 30th -sightseeing Reims Cathedral - Lunch at Reims -then to Chateau Thierry
and on to Paris.

July 1st -visited Pontainebleau and taken on night trip.

July 2nd- A.M. free or shopping -visited Napoleon's Tomb.

July 3rd - Visited Notre Dame -Versailles

July 4th - Visited Sacre Coeur and Louvre, also Suresnes American Cemetery.

July 8th- Train left station for Cherbourg at 2:12 P.M. Sailed on the PRESIDENT
ROOSEVELT at 11:30 P.M. Captain R. E. Darrell in charge of Party.

Arrived New York 9:15 a.m. July 13th - Taken to the McAlpin Hotel - Those who
desired went on a sightseeing trip to Coney Island that evening.

with Mrs. H. Dorey

Mrs. Elizabeth Bennett

WAR DEPARTMENT
 PILGRIMAGE, WAR MOTHERS "WIDOWS"
 -- ROOM 901 --

225 West 34th St., New York, N.Y.

Farty G
 Number 1203

BENNETT, William M.A.

REQUEST FOR PULLMAN RESERVATION

Mrs. Elizabeth Bennett

Name of Traveler

Detroit, Wayne County

Home Address

Mich.

Estimate cost of through Pullman.

New York, to Detroit, Mich.

\$ 638

New York, to Detroit, Mich.

Destination.

Via PENN to dest.

July 14th, 1930

Date of Departure

Ticket expires - Aug. 12/30

	Road	Tr. NO.	Date	Time	Lower or Seat	car	U.S.G. Order NO.	Est. Cost
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TOTAL

Remarks:;

* THRU CAR

Name BENNETT, Mrs. Elizabeth

Paris Hôtel HOTEL AMBASSADOR

BOULEVARD HAUSSMANN

Home address 2996 Twelfth St., Detroit, Wayne County, Michigan

Party G Group I Unit S/S HARDING

Date of arrival JUNE 22. 1930 Date of departure JULY 5. 1930 S/S ROOSEVELT

Relationship Mother

Name of deceased BENNETT, William

Rank Pvt Organization Co. E, 26th Inf

Cemetery Meuse-Argonne

REMARKS



NAME BENNETT, MRS. ELIZABETH

S.S.

ROOSEVELT

JUL 13 1920

Detroit

HOME Wayne County , Michigan

R.R. *Renov to dest.*

STATION

TRAIN #

CAR #

BERTH OR SEAT

TIME

DATE

Aug 12 / 1920
102 K

May 27, 1930

Mrs. Elizabeth Bennett
2996 Twelfth Street
Detroit, Mich.

Dear Madam:

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

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

For The Officer in Charge:

George F. R. Taylor,
1st. Lieut., Q. M. Corps,
Assistant.

Enclosures:
2 tags.

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WAR DEPARTMENT
PILGRIMAGE, WAR MOTHERS & WIDOWS
225 WEST 34TH ST., N. Y., N. Y., ROOM 901
OFFICIAL BUSINESS

VIA POSTAL TELEGRAPH

Mrs. Phoebe Preston,
3000 - 12th Street,
Detroit, Michigan.

P. D. CARLOCK,
Major, Inf. (DOL)

July 13, 1930

YOUR MOTHER WILL ARRIVE HOME ON PENNSYLVANIA RAILROAD TRAIN SIXTY NINE
AT EIGHT FORTY FIVE A M JULY FIFTEENTH

COLONEL WILLIAMS

(Above message sent for Mrs. Elizabeth Bennett, Party "G", Hotel McAlpin).

CODE SLIP

HEADING	SUB-HEADING	NO. OF COLS	CODE
NAME <i>Bennett,</i>	<i>BE 7</i>	3	<i>254</i>
<i>William</i>	CEMETERY <i>1232</i>	1	<i>1</i>
BURIED	GRAVE <i>13</i>	2	<i>13</i>
	ROW <i>23</i>	2	<i>23</i>
	BLOCK <i>E</i>	1	<i>5</i>
STATE	<i>Mich.</i>	2	<i>26</i>
RANK	<i>Pvt</i>	1	<i>2</i>
DIVISION	<i>1</i>	2	<i>01</i>
ORGANIZATION	<i>26</i>	3	<i>026</i>
ARM	<i>Inf</i>	1	<i>1</i>
MARTIAL	<i>no</i>	1	<i>2</i>
NAME <i>Bennett,</i>	<i>BE 7</i>	3	<i>254</i>
<i>Mrs. Elizabeth</i>	STATE <i>Mich</i>	2	<i>26</i>
RESIDENCE	COUNTY <i>Wayne</i>	2	<i>82</i>
	CITY <i>Detroit</i>	3	<i>022</i>
RELATION	<i>Mother</i>	1	<i>1</i>
OTHER		1	
ELIGIBILITY	<i>yes</i>	1	<i>1</i>
NATIVITY		1	
RACE		1	
ENGLISH	<i>Yes</i>	1	<i>1</i>
ATTENDANT	<i>yes</i>	1	<i>1</i>
HEALTH	<i>Good</i>	1	<i>1</i>
NO. OF SONS		1	
DATE OF	MO.	1	
TRIP	YR.	1	
ACCEPTANCE	<i>(old age) yrs</i>	1	
	<i>Age</i>		<i>75</i>

Audited
OCT 9 1931
MB

NAME Bennett, Mrs Elizabeth

ADDRESS 2996 Twelfth St. Wayne Co. Detroit, Michigan

DATE _____

TO:

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

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

SINCERELY,

(SIGNED) Mrs Elizabeth Bennett

WAR DEPARTMENT

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OFFICIAL BUSINESS

PENALTY FOR PRIVATE USE \$300.



ADDRESS
YOUR MAIL
TO
STREET AND
NUMBER

PILGRIMAGE, WAR MOTHERS AND WIDOWS

225 WEST 34TH STREET,

NEW YORK, N. Y.

STATE

MICHIGAN

Bennett, Wm.

Mother

2996 Twelfth St.,
Detroit

NAME BENNETT, MRS. ELIZABETH HOME ADDRESS Wayne County....

NAME AND ADDRESS OF NEAREST KIN Mrs. P.A. Preston 3000 - 12 St.
Detroit, Mich.ARRIVAL IN NEW YORK

DATE June 13 HOTEL Lincoln ROOM NO. 1108

DEPARTURE NEW YORK

S/S HARDING

DATE JUN 14 1920 VESSEL CABIN NO. 102-K

DESTINATION CHERBOURG, FRANCE CEMETERY MEUSE-ARGONNE

RETURN NEW YORKDATE **JUL 13 1930**

Mother

NAME ... **Bennett, Mrs. Elizabeth** ... HOME ADDRESS ... **2996 12 St. Detroit, Mich. Wayne County** ...

RETURN ON S. S. HOTEL ROOM NO. **663**

S/S ROOSEVELT

MCALPIN

DEPARTURE NEW YORKDATE **7/14**

ROAD **Prun** TRAIN **169** CAR **181** BERTH or SEAT **L6**

REMARKS

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1196-c Harding 6/14/30
RETURN RECEIPT-1232

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

Wm. L. H. H. H.
(Signature or name of addressee.)

(Signature of addressee's agent.)

Date of delivery, *5/27/30*, 192

Form 3811

05-6116

1196
RETURN RECEIPT-1232

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

Elizabeth Kennett
(Signature or name of addressee.)

(Signature of addressee's agent.)

Date of delivery, *5/27/30*, 192

Form 3811

05-6116

Post Office Department

OFFICIAL BUSINESS

REGISTERED ARTICLE

No. 92

INSURED PARCEL

No.

Return to Q. M. GENERAL

(NAME OF SENDER)

Street and Number,
or Post Office Box,

MUNITIONS BUILDING

WASHINGTON,

D. C.

NOTIFY
YOUR
CORRESPONDENTS
OF CHANGE
OF ADDRESS

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

POSTMARK OF DELIVERING
OFFICE

AND DATE OF DELIVERY

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OFFICE

AND DATE OF DELIVERY

Bennett, Wm. 1232 M

May 26, 1930

Mrs. Elizabeth Bennett
2996 Twelfth Street
Detroit, Michigan

Dear Madam:

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

Lv. Detroit 4:15 PM No. 68 June 12

Ar. New York 9:30 AM " " " 13

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

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

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

May 26, 1930.

Bennett, Wm. 1232 M

Mrs. Elizabeth Bennett,
2996 Twelfth St.,
Detroit, Mich.

Dear Madam:

There is enclosed herewith Check No. 517441 in the amount of \$7.50 , to pay for your meals and incidental expenses from your home to New York on the pilgrimage authorized by the Act of March 2, 1929.

UNDER NO CIRCUMSTANCES MUST THIS CHECK BE CASHED AND USED FOR ANY PURPOSE OTHER THAN THAT SPECIFIED.

If for any reason, you are not able to sail on the date mentioned in your invitation, the check must be returned to this office immediately.

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

1 Incl.
Check No.

Refer to
L.M. 293 A-C
Bennett William 1232-M.

2996-12th St.
Detroit, Mich.
March 29-30
RECEIVED
MAR 31 1930
12 11 10 9 8 7 6 5 4 3 2 1

The following is the Emergency
Address to be used for Mrs Elizabeth
Bennett to Notify in case of an
Emergency,
Notify

Mrs. P. Preston.
3000-12th St.,
Detroit
Michigan

Yours Very Truly
Elizabeth Bennett.

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

Bennett, William 1232 11

April 9, 1930.

Mrs. Elizabeth Bennett,
2996 Twelfth St.,
Detroit, Mich.

Pnt. Co E 26th Inf.

Handing June 14-1930

Dear Madam:

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

Harding
6/14/30
1232

Bennett, Mrs.

I Accept the invitation extended
(Accept or decline)

me to make a pilgrimage to Europe at the expense of the
Government of the United States under the provisions of
the Act of Congress approved March 2, 1929.

Mrs. Elizabeth Bennett

(Name)

2996 Twelfth St., Detroit, Wayne County, Mich.

(Town or City)

(State)

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

October 7, 1929.

Bennett, William 1232 M

Mrs. Elizabeth Bennett,
2996 Twelfth St.,
Detroit, Michigan.

Dear Madam:

The Act of Congress which provides for pilgrimages to cemeteries in Europe by mothers and widows of members of the military or naval forces of the United States who died in the military or naval service at any time between April 5, 1917 and July 1, 1921, and whose remains are now interred in such cemeteries, all necessary expenses of which pilgrimages are to be paid by the United States Government, requires that the Secretary of War make an investigation and submit the results of such investigation in a report to Congress not later than December 15, 1929. The purpose of the investigation is to determine the total number of mothers and widows entitled to make the pilgrimages, the number of such mothers and widows who desire to make the pilgrimages, the number who desire to make the pilgrimages during the calendar year 1930 and the probable cost of the pilgrimages to be made.

In order that the report referred to may be made and plans completed for conducting the pilgrimages, it is requested that you answer the following questions by filling out the blanks left therefor and return the letter to this office by return mail in the enclosed envelope which requires no postage.

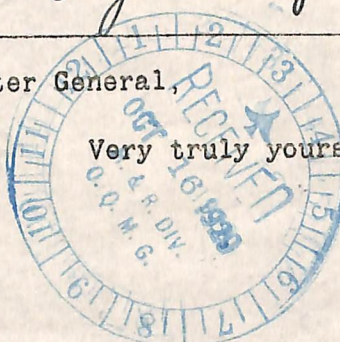
1. Do you desire to make this pilgrimage if eligible?	<i>Yes</i>	(Yes)	(No)
2. Do you desire to make the pilgrimage in the calendar year 1930?	<i>Yes</i>	(Yes)	(No)
3. Have you at any time made a previous visit to the grave of the deceased member of the military or naval forces in whom you are interested?	<i>No</i>	(Yes)	(No)
4. Please give your age and state of health.	<i>75 Years, Health Good</i>	Age <i>75</i> Health	(Years) (Good) (Poor)
5. What language do you speak?	<i>English only</i>	English - (Yes) (No)	Other language <i>None</i>
			(Specify language spoken)

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

Encl.
Act
Envelope



QM 293 A-C
Bennett, William

August 22, 1929.

Mrs. Elizabeth Bennett,
2996 Twelfth Street,
Detroit, Mich.

Dear Madam:

Receipt is acknowledged of your letter of July 10, 1929, in which you request information as to whether or not your daughter will be permitted to accompany you on the pilgrimage of the Gold Star Mothers and Widows to Europe.

You are advised that the Act of March 2, 1929, does not contain any provision which permits of any member of the family making the pilgrimage, except the mother or unmarried widow. It is therefore regretted to have to advise that a daughter is not eligible to make the pilgrimage under the law.

The "personnel" referred to in the Act is that to be assigned by the War Department to provide for the needs and comfort of the mothers and widows making the pilgrimage.

Within a reasonable time prior to the beginning of the pilgrimage (May 1930), you will be furnished with blank forms upon which to make formal application for the journey. Space will be provided thereon for you to indicate the time you wish to go.

For The Quartermaster General.

Very truly yours,

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

Refer to
Q.M. 293. A.C.
Bennett. William.

299th - 12th St,
Detroit, Mich,
#1232
6/29/29 July 10th 1929
ans 8/27/29

Major, John. F. Harris:
Quartermaster Corps.
Dear Sir:

In reply to your letter of June 29th,
asking information of Pvt William Bennetts
family, I wish to advise you that Pvt Bennett
was never married, so only his mother is
entitled to make the pilgrimage. We thank you
for Act of Congress, Copy of which was enclosed
with your letter. Can you inform me as to the
following, In Act of Congress, Section 2, Paragraph
D, it says that Travel Documents, Passports, etc
will be provided, Mothers & Widows, and such
personnel as may be selected to accompany
such pilgrimages, The Mother of Pvt Bennett is
Seventy five Years of Age, it will be quite a
journey to make, with ^{travelling expenses etc} no one of her own family
along, does the Gov't provide for a daughter to
act as companion to an aged Mother, on
these pilgrimages. I shall be thankful for any
information you can give me on the above, will
you kindly address all future Communications
to the Above Address.

Yours, Very Truly

Elizabeth. Bennett.

Per Thor Bennett.

7/31/29

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

Bennett, William

June 29 1929.

Mrs. Elizabeth Bennett,
3000 12th St.,
Detroit, Mich.

Dear Madam:

Your attention is invited to the enclosed copy of an Act of Congress approved March 2, 1929, entitled an Act "To enable the mothers and widows of the deceased soldiers, sailors and marines of the American forces now interred in the cemeteries of Europe to make a pilgrimage to these cemeteries".

The records of this office show that you are the mother of the late Private William Bennett, Co. E, 26th Inf., whose remains are now interred in the Meuse-Argonne American Cemetery, Romagne-sous-Montfaucon, Meuse, France.

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

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

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

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

2 incls.
Act of Congress.
Envelope.

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

Bennett, Wm. 1232 M

May 26, 1930

Mrs. Elizabeth Bennett
2996 Twelfth Street
Detroit, Michigan

Dear Madam:

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

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

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

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C
Bennett, William -1232 H
Harding 6-14

May 5, 1930

Mrs. Elizabeth Bennett,
2996 Twelfth Street,
Detroit, Michigan.

Dear Madam:

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

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

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

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

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

April 9, 1930.

Bennett, William 1232 M

Mrs. Elizabeth Bennett,
2996 Twelfth St.,
Detroit, Mich.

Dear Madam:

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

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WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

In reply refer to QM 293 A-C

Bennett, William 1232-M

March 26, 1930

Mrs. Elizabeth Bennett,
2396 Twelfth St.,
Detroit, Michigan

Dear Madam:

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

For The Quartermaster General:

Very truly yours,

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

1 Enclosure.
Regulation.

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

October 7, 1929.

Bennett, William 1232 M

Mrs. Elizabeth Bennett,
2996 Twelfth St.,
Detroit, Michigan.

Dear Madam:

The Act of Congress which provides for pilgrimages to cemeteries in Europe by mothers and widows of members of the military or naval forces of the United States who died in the military or naval service at any time between April 5, 1917 and July 1, 1921, and whose remains are now interred in such cemeteries, all necessary expenses of which pilgrimages are to be paid by the United States Government, requires that the Secretary of War make an investigation and submit the results of such investigation in a report to Congress not later than December 15, 1929. The purpose of the investigation is to determine the total number of mothers and widows entitled to make the pilgrimages, the number of such mothers and widows who desire to make the pilgrimages, the number who desire to make the pilgrimages during the calendar year 1930 and the probable cost of the pilgrimages to be made.

In order that the report referred to may be made and plans completed for conducting the pilgrimages, it is requested that you answer the following questions by filling out the blanks left therefor and return the letter to this office by return mail in the enclosed envelope which requires no postage.

1. Do you desire to make this pilgrimage if eligible?	(Yes)	(No)
2. Do you desire to make the pilgrimage in the calendar year 1930?	(Yes)	(No)
3. Have you at any time made a previous visit to the grave of the deceased member of the military or naval forces in whom you are interested?	(Yes)	(No)
4. Please give your age and state of health.	Age (Years)	Health (Good) (Poor)
5. What language do you speak?	English - (Yes) (No)	Other language (Specify language spoken)

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

Encl.
Act
Envelope

ON 298 A-C
Bennett, William

August 22, 1929.

Mrs. Elizabeth Bennett,
2396 Twelfth Street,
Detroit, Mich.

Dear Madam:

Receipt is acknowledged of your letter of July 10, 1929, in which you request information as to whether or not your daughter will be permitted to accompany you on the pilgrimage of the Gold Star Mothers and Widows to Europe.

You are advised that the Act of March 2, 1929, does not contain any provision which permits of any member of the family making the pilgrimage, except the mother or unmarried widow. It is therefore regretted to have to advise that a daughter is not eligible to make the pilgrimage under the law.

The "personnel" referred to in the Act is that to be assigned by the War Department to provide for the needs and comfort of the mothers and widows making the pilgrimage.

Within a reasonable time prior to the beginning of the pilgrimage (May 1930), you will be furnished with blank forms upon which to make formal application for the journey. Space will be provided thereon for you to indicate the time you wish to go.

For The Quartermaster General.

Very truly yours,

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

Detroit Jan 10th 1921

Graves Service
Gentlemen

Enclosed please find card with change
of address on. The City of Detroit having
changed all house numbers, which the
Post Office Dept commenced using Jan 1st 1921

As we requested on a previous form
we again request that Brothers Body
remain in Europe for Burial in a
permanent American Cemetery,
knowing it will be taken care
of with as much reverence as
at home.

We all join Mother in thanking
your Dep't for all information and
expressions of sympathy received

Yours Sincerely

Mrs Elizabeth Bonnett
Per Thos Bonnett

3000-12th St

Detroit

Michigan

Noted on Form No. 115
Date Jan 10 1921
in Holoken
per (67)

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

June 20 1929.

Bennett, William

Mrs. Elizabeth Bennett,
3000 12th St.,
Detroit, Mich.

Dear Madam:

Your attention is invited to the enclosed copy of an Act of Congress approved March 2, 1929, entitled an Act "To enable the mothers and widows of the deceased soldiers, sailors and marines of the American forces now interred in the cemeteries of Europe to make a pilgrimage to these cemeteries".

The records of this office show that you are the mother of the late

Private William Bennett, Co. E, 26th Inf., whose remains are now interred in the Meuse-Argonne American Cemetery, Romagne-sous-Montfaucon, Meuse, France.

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

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

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

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

2 incs.
Act of Congress.
Envelope.

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

FILE UNDER NO. 293 Bennett, William

2/23/24

INDEX SHEET

SYNOPSIS

Letter

From: Q.M.G.O.
To: Q.M.S.O., Washington G.I.D.

He is authorized to ship one flag, at Government expense, to each of the addresses given:

Mrs. E. Bennett, 3000 - 12th St., Detroit, Mich - Mother of Pvt.
William Bennett, Co. E, 26th Inf.

DOCUMENT FILED UNDER NO. 424 (Flags)

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INSTRUCTIONS.—Under "Synopsis" make brief entry showing date of communication and from whom received and synopsis sufficient to identify the papers. When these index sheets become numerous under a subject they will be entered on the consolidated index sheet and then destroyed.

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3000 - 12th St
Detroit
Mich
U.S.A.

Quartermaster General
War Department
Washington D.C.

Dear Sir

Have read in one of our papers
that the War Dept are presenting flags
to the Mothers who lost a son in
the Great War and whose body was
left in France

This letter is a request on behalf
of Mrs Elizabeth Bennett, whose
son William Bennett Pvt, 26th Inf
U.S.A was killed in France, Oct 9th
1918. I should say died from wounds
received in action, The following is
the record of Pvt William Bennett

NAME	WILLIAM BENNETT.
ARMY SERIAL NUMBER	2019,874
RANK	PRIVATE
Organization	Co. E. 26th, INFANTRY
Cause of Death	DIED OF. WOUNDS REC. IN ACTION
Date of Death	OCTOBER, 9th, 1918
Place of Death	ARGONNE. AT BASE HOSPITAL #18. BOISILLES FRANCE

Sincerely yours W E Bennett
Rev Thor Bennett

Bennett,

William

2,019,874

(Surname.)

(Christian name in full.)

(Army serial number)

Pvt

Co E 26 Inf

(Rank and organization.)

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)

566-12 St.

Elizabeth Bennett,
Detroit, Mich.

(Number and street or rural route.)

(City, town, or post office.)

(State.)

Read carefully the letter accompanying this card.

Drawn by Mr

6-40

10/12/00

checked

all

10.12.00

ORDER TO CHANGE ADDRESS
THIS CANCELS ALL PREVIOUS ORDERS

DATE

1/10/21

SIGNATURE

M^{rs} Elizabeth Bennet

(NAME IN FULL)

NEW ADDRESS

3000 - 12th Street

UNTIL

Otherwise Directed

LAST OLD
ADDRESSES

ONE OR MORE
MUST BE GIVEN.

ONLY MAIL SO
ADDRESSED WILL
BE FORWARDED.

1. 566 - 12th St., Det., Mich.

2.

3.

FOR INDORSEMENT OF EMPLOYEES

ORDERS TO FORWARD GENERAL DELIVERY MAIL (AT CITY DELIVERY OFFICES) EXPIRE IN 30 DAYS UNLESS RENEWED.
THE SIGNATURE AND TITLE OF THE AUTHORIZED AGENT FOR A FIRM OR COMPANY MUST ALSO BE GIVEN.
UNLESS OTHERWISE DIRECTED, BOTH ORDINARY MAIL OF THE FIRST CLASS AND REGISTERED MAIL WILL BE FORWARDED.
THIS CARD MAY BE MAILED TO ANOTHER POSTMASTER BY PLACING ADDRESS AND PROPER POSTAGE ON REVERSE SIDE.

In reply refer to:
293.8 C-R

37514

Nov. 28, 1922.

Mrs. Elizabeth Bennett,
3000 - 12th St.,
Detroit, Mich.

Dear Madam:

The Quartermaster General desires that you be informed that
the permanent grave of

the late William Bennett, Private, Co. E,

26th Infantry, is Grave 13, Row 23, Block E, Meuse-Argonne American
Cemetery, Romagne-sous-Montfaucon, Department of Meuse, France.

This is one of the permanent American military cemeteries
to be maintained by this Government in Europe. Each grave will
be marked by a headstone of white marble, of suitable design,
with name, rank, organization, date of soldier's death and State
from which he came. The 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.

In effecting removal, the utmost care and reverence were
exactd and more than willingly accorded by those performing this
sacred duty. The grave of the deceased will be perpetually main-
tained by this Government in a manner befitting the last resting
place of our heroes.

Very truly yours,

MAILED

DEC 1 - 1922

H. J. CONNER,
Assistant.

22/1281/ARK G.R.S.

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HON

DATE 11/30/211. NAME Bennett, William SERIAL No. 2019874RANK Pvt. ORGANIZATION Co. E 26th Inf.GRAVE LOCATION Amer. Bazoilles-sur-Meuse - Vosges 6

CTY. NAME

NUMBER

250

GRAVE

ROW

PLOT

2. ORIGINAL BATTLE AREA GRAVE LOCATION 131. Bazoilles-sur-Meuse. Vosges.

GRAVE

COMMUNE

DEPT.

COORDINATES E.346-21. N.170-12. Map: Mirecourt NW 84.CONCENTRATED TO Feb. 1921. 250.

DATE

GRAVE

ROW

PLOT

Bazoilles-sur-Meuse.6.

CEMETERY

CTY. NUMBER

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

Nothing of record.SUBSEQUENT REBURIALS Not of record.

DATE

GRAVE

ROW

PLOT

CEMETERY

DATE

GRAVE

ROW

PLOT

CEMETERY

SIGNATURE, AREA SUPERVISOR Wm. H. Quarterman
Wm. H. QUARTERMAN, Capt. F.A. USA.3. FINAL GRAVE LOCATION 11/30/21 13 23 B

DATE

GRAVE

ROW

PLOT
BlockMeuse-Argonne American Cty. Romagne-sous-Montfaucon (Meuse) 1232

CEMETERY

Place Shelton Cem. #6

REPORT OF DISINTERMENT AND REBURIAL

Date Feb. 17 19211. REMAINS OF BENNETT, WilliamSERIAL NUMBER 2019874RANK Pvt.ORGANIZATION Co. B. 26th Inf.

2. Disinterred (date):

From (give complete location):

Feb. 17 1921Gr. 132 Cem. #6By: Group 5Unit Section 8

3. Reburied (date):

In (give complete location):

Feb. 17 1921Gr. 250 Cem. #6By: Group 5Unit Sec. 8

Nature of reburial

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

Sheet & pine box. Skeleton disarticulated.5. (a) Identification tags: Buried with body? YesOn grave marker? Yes

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

Hosp. record under cross. Found under cross 132 marked
BLATZ, Edward Pvt. Co. B. 306th Inf.

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

(a) Height (actual measurement) Unable to determine(b) Weight (estimated) Impossible to estimate(c) Hair—Color Apparently light brownQuantity Very littleCharacteristics Straight(d) Hair on face—Color None visible

Location

Quantity

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

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

Unable to determineG. D. Dabney

Checker

7. Disinterment
supervised by

Approved:

(Title)

8. Reburial
supervised by

Approved:

(Title)

Place Bazoilles, (Vosges) France.

REPORT OF DISINTERMENT AND REBURIAL

Date September 26th 1921.1. REMAINS OF BENNETT, WILLIAM. SERIAL NUMBER 2019874.RANK Pvt. ORGANIZATION Co. E 26th Inf.2. Disinterred (date): September 26th 1921. From (give complete location): Grave 250.American Military Cemetery, G.R.S. Code # 6, Bazoilles, (Vosges) France.By: Group 2 Unit Section 4.

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

Nov. 30, 1921. Meuse Argonne Cemetery #1232. Grave 13, Row 23, Block EBy: Group Re-burial S Unit Nature of reburial Uned. Casket

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

Buried in burlap and wooden box. Body badly decomposed, recognition impossible.5. (a) Identification tags: Buried with body? Yes. On grave marker? Yes.

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

No effects found.

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

(a) Height (actual measurement) Unable to determine.(b) Weight (estimated) -(c) Hair—Color Unable to determine.Quantity -Characteristics None.(d) Hair on face—Color None visible.Location Unable to determine.Quantity -(e) Permanent marks on body (old scars, peculiarities, or missing parts) None.

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

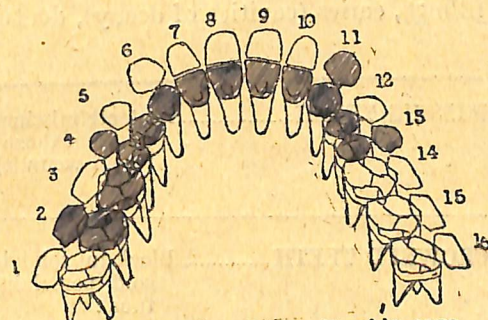
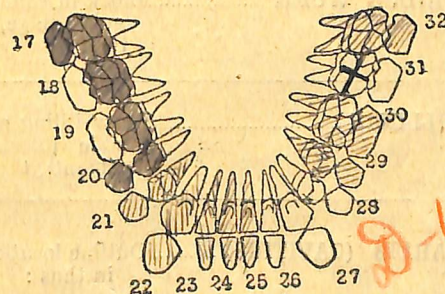
Gun shot wound above left eye. 1 by $\frac{3}{4}$ inch.Nos. 18, 19 Gold bridge, # 17 to 20.Nos. 21, 30, 32 Extracted.Nos. 22, 23, 24, 25, 29 Missing after death.No. 31 Silver fillings.

Diagram represents the mouth wide open.



Nos. 2, 11, 13, 17, 20, 4 Gold crowns,
 Nos. 3 Artificial tooth, gold
 band to 2 & 4
 Nos. 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10 Artificial
 teeth, gold band to # 4 & 11.
 Nos. 12 Artificial tooth, gold
 band to 11 & 13.
 Nos. 16 Not grown.

7. Disinterment

supervised by J.E. BENS ON, the.Approved: D.E. LOWRY, hem
(Title) 1st Lt. Q.M.C.

8. Reburial

supervised by A.U. Dufault
cbrApproved: James W. Younger
(Title) Captain, QMC

To be prepared in triplicate.

DATE September 26th 1921.

REPORT OF DISINTERMENT, PREPARATION, SHIPMENT AND REBURIAL OF BODY

DISINTERMENT

COMPARATIVE REPORT

Records of G.R.S. Headquarters.

Discrepancy found upon exhumation of body

1. Name Bennett, William
 2. No. 2019874
 3. Rank Pvt.
 4. Org. Co. E 26th Inf.
 5. D.D. 10-9-18
 6. C.D. DOWRIA

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

Discrepancy found upon disinterment

7. Grave No. 250 Sec. _____
 8. Plot _____ Row _____
 9. _____

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

18. Cemetery Amer.19. Commune or town Bazoilles-sur-Meuse20. Dept. or County Vosges21. Country France22. G.R.S. Hdqrs. Code No. 623. Disinterred (Date) September 26th 1921. By ~~XXXXXXXX~~ J.E.BENSON.

24. Inscription on grave marker:

Name WILLIAM BENNETT.Serial No. 3--Rank Pvt.Organization Co. E 26th Inf. Grave 250.25. Was identification disc found on grave marker? Yes. On body? Yes.

Signature Junior Technical Assistant

T.H.CHUNN.

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).

Hospital record on body. No effects found. Form 16a accomplished.27. Condition of body Badly decomposed, recognition impossible.28. Nature of burial In burlap and wooden box.29. Any discrepancy noted upon examination of body, as compared with G.R.S. records quoted above? No.30. Body prepared and placed in casket: Date Sept. 26th 1921. By J.E.BENSON.31. Casket sealed by J.E.BENSON.

Signature of Embalmer, (Supervisor)

J.E.BENSON.

SHIPMENT. (Show actual marking of box.)

Box No.

C-10680

32. Designation of body:

Name Bennett, William

Serial No.

2019874

Rank Pvt.

Organization Co.E 26th Inf.

33. Consigned to:

Name of Permanent Cemetery ^{Meuse} Argonne Amer. #1232 - Romagne-sous-Montfaucon-Meuse

34. Casket boxed and marked (Date) September 26th 1921. By J.E.BENSON.

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

D.E. LOWRY,
1st Lt. Q.M.C.

hem

36. Remarks

37. Shipped from point of Operation: (Date) September 26th 1921.

To point of Concentration Neufchateau, (Vosges) France.

Convoyer

Signature Shipping Officer

Capt. 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

30 OCT 1921

To Permanent Cemetery Romagne-sous-Montfaucon, (Meuse) France.

Convoyer

C. L. RIELEY

Signature Shipping Officer

W.R. Buckley, Capt. Q.M.C.

40. Received: Date

G.R.S. Representative

41. Reinterred Meuse Argonne Cemetery #1232, Nov. 30, 1921.

(Date)

42. Grave No. 13

Section

43. Plot Block E

Row

23

el

G.R.S. Representative

James W. Younger
Captain QMC

chr

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

WASHINGTON
Hoboken, N. J.

JAN 8 1921

FROM: Chief, Graves Registration Service, Q. M. G.
To: Mrs. Elizabeth Bennett, ~~566 - 12th St.~~ ^{3000-12th St. (new number)}, Detroit, Michigan.
SUBJECT: Remains of Pvt. William Bennett, #2019874, Co. E, 26th Inf.

The records of this office show that you have requested that his body remain in Europe.

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

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

By authority of the Quartermaster General.

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

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

NAME OF--	NO. AND STREET.	TOWN.	STATE.
Was soldier married? <i>No</i>			
Soldier's widow			
Soldier's children. (Name oldest first.)			
1			
2			
3			
Father <i>James Bennett</i>	<i>Deceased</i>		
Mother <i>Elizabeth Bennett</i>	<i>3000-12th St.</i>	<i>Detroit</i>	<i>Mich</i>
Brothers. (Name oldest first.)			
1 <i>Thomas Bennett</i>	<i>"</i>	<i>"</i>	<i>"</i>
2 <i>James Bennett</i>	<i>"</i>	<i>"</i>	<i>"</i>
3			
Sisters. (Name oldest first.)			
1 <i>Mrs. Phoebe Preston</i>	<i>3000-12th St.</i>	<i>Detroit</i>	<i>Mich.</i>
2 <i>Mrs. Sarah Gibbons</i>	<i>"</i>	<i>"</i>	<i>"</i>
3			

Date *January 10th, 1921*

Signature *Elizabeth Bennett*

Address *3000-12th St., Det., Mich.*

Relationship *Mother*

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

ADMINISTRATIVE DIVISION



JAN 12 1921

January 10th, 1921.

I, the undersigned, am the Mother and nearest living relative 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.)

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.

Signature Elizabeth Bennet

INSTRUCTIONS FOR FILLING OUT.

1. If definite instruction as to the disposition of a body are not received from the nearest relative 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 living relatives in the spaces provided therefor on the other side of this sheet.

5. If there are minor children of the deceased soldier and no widow, the LEGALLY APPOINTED GUARDIAN of the children should ascertain their wishes and act for them in this matter.

6. If YOU are not the nearest relative, please ask the nearest relative, if living near you, to fill out this paper.

7. If YOU are not the nearest living relative 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.

3225- COMPILATION OF DISPOSITION OF REMAINS DATA

I. LOCATION INDEX CARD:

File # 37514

(a) Name BENNETT, William Ser. No. 2019874

(b) Rank Pvt. Organization Co.E, 26th Inf.

(c) Date of death 10/9/18 (d) Cause of death DWR1A

TYP. EK

CKR. 173

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

(a) Grave No. 131 Row -- Plot -- Sec. --

TYP. EK

(b) Emerg. Address Mrs. Elizabeth Bennett (mother) 566-12th St.,
Detroit, Mich.

III. Files of soldiers dying from contagious diseases

CKR. 173

IV. A. G. O. DISPOSITION CARD:

Date of receipt None

(a) Name Elizabeth Bennett (b) Relationship Mother

(c) Address 566-12 St - Detroit, Mich.

(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. See suspension

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

Examiner's Initials SH Date 10/12, 1920.

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

-----, dated -----

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

no correspondence

Examiner's Initials SH Date 10/12, 1920.

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

(a) Cancellation memos referred to? Yes none

Examiner's Initials SH Date 10-12-, 1920.

COUNTRY France

CEMETERY No. 6

SHEET No. 40

G. R. S. Form No. 115
Amended April 6, 1920

3-7729

Make Form No. 114

FORM 115 - A COMPLETED CARDED

mB12-16-20

11-2-21 Just arrived
Newse Argonne 1232
11-21-21

RECEIVED

JAN 28 1921

CEMETERIAL DIVISION
OVERSEAS PROJECT SUB-DIV.

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

Typed by _____, Checked by _____, 1920.

VIII. FINAL ACTION:

Following advice forwarded to Europe by { cable on _____, 1920
letter on **NOV 17 1920**, 1920

PARAGRAPH 2 - NOT TO BE RETURNED (45)

IX.

CORRECTIONS

CHANGE OF ADVICE.	ACTION TAKEN.
Desires body be _____	_____
_____	_____
Body to be shipped to _____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____

and letter attached.

X. SUSPENSION REMARKS: Form 120-1/10/21-^A Mrs. Elizabeth Bennett (mother)
(new address)
3000 - 12th Street, Detroit, Michigan, wishes body to remain in
Europe. jt-1/18/21-H

**FORM 115 RETURNED BY WORKER - BODY
JAN 22 1921 TO REMAIN IN EUROPE. R**

COMPILATION OF DISPOSITION OF REMAINS DATA

See 115-
11-21-21

I. LOCATION INDEX CARD:

File # 37514

(a) Name BENNETT, William Ser. No. 2019874
 (b) Rank Pvt. Organization Co.E, 26th Inf.
 (c) Date of death 10/9/18 Cause of death DWR1A

TYP EK

W.B.

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

(a) Grave No. 131-132 Row -- Plot -- Sect. -- TYP EK
 (b) Emerg. Address Mrs. Elizabeth Bennett (mother) 566-12th St.,
Detroit, Mich.

CKR

W.B.

III. Files of soldiers dying from contagious diseases

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

*A.G.C. Card, Mother, Elizabeth Bennett, 566-12 st.
 Detroit, Mich., requests body be not returned.
 (H.S. 11-20-20)*

V. Following advice forwarded to Europe by (cable on 192
 (Letter of transmittal on 192

PARAGRAPH 2 - NOT TO BE RETURNED

(P.S.)

NOV 17 1920

VI. Form 115 forwarded to G.R.S. Hoboken, N.J. **DEC 18 1920** 192

VII. SUPPLEMENTARY REQUESTS

Date of and Source	Relationship and name	Desires	Action taken

VIII. Form 115 received from G.R.S. Hoboken, N.J. **JAN 28 1921** 192

COUNTRY

CEMETERY NO.

SHEET NO.

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

8-666/MB

France

6

40

MB12-16-70

WAR DEPARTMENT
QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
CEMETERIAL DIVISION, GRAVES REGISTRATION SERVICE, Q.M.C.

Jan. 25th, 1921.

File No. 293.8 Cem.Div., Cor.Branch.
(Bennett, William)

Mrs. Elizabeth Bennett,
3000 - 12th Street,
Detroit, Michigan.

Dear Madam:-

Receipt of your communication and shipping inquiry dated January 10th, 1921, relative to the remains of your son, the late William Bennett, Private, Serial No. 2019874, Co. E, 26th Infantry, is acknowledged.

You are advised that your request that the remains of your son be left in France for burial in an permanent American Cemetery will be complied with. You are assured that the grave site will always be maintained as a fitting memorial of the late soldier's sacrifice.

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

By authority of the Quartermaster General:

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

By:

W.F.C. F.C. PALLAS,
Executive Assistant.

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MAILED-O.F.D.
JAN 27 1921

ff/hk

37514
GRAVE LOCATION BLANK.

LOCATION OF THE GRAVE OF

Bennett 3019874, Wm. H.
(Surname.) (Number.) (First Name and Initials.)

Private Co. E. 26th, Infantry.
(Rank.) (Organization.)

DATE OF BURIAL October 10th. 1918,

PLACE OF BURIAL American Cemetery No. 6.

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

Bazilles Sur Meuse (Vosges)

GRAVE NUMBER 131 As per new blue P.

HOW MARKED: Name Peg? Yes Cross?

Headboard? Bottle? Yes

IDENTIFICATION TAGS:

Was one buried with body? Yes

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:

Henry B. Clark 2nd Lt. C.M.C. U.S.A.
(Signature and Rank of Reporting Officer.)

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

20 OCT 1918

37514
Bennett 3019874, William
(Surname of deceased.) (Christian name.)

Pvt. Co. "E", 26th Infantry.
(Rank and organization; if civilian, capacity and department in which employed.)

October 9, 1918.
(Date of death.)

Base Hospital #18, AEF, France.
(Place of death.)

Gun-shot wound of head. Incurred in
(Cause of death.)

action. Death was in line of duty
and not result own misconduct.

October 10, 1918.
(Date of burial.)

American Cemetery #61 Grave #131 as
(No. and locality of grave, or other disposal of remains.)
per new blue print.
Bazoilles-sur-Meuse, Vosges, France.

Single.
(Married or single.)

(If married, name and address of widow.)

Remarks: Identification tag buried
with remains, one riveted to name
peg marking grave.

REPORT OF DEATH AND DISPOSAL OF REMAINS.

Base Hospital #18, AEF, France.
(Station.)

October 14, _____, 1918.
(Date.)

The Adjutant General of the Army.

I hereby report the death of the person named
on the reverse side of this slip and the disposal of
his remains as indicated thereon.

Bertram M. Bernheim

Bertram M. Bernheim,
Capt., M. C.

Commanding.

(See G. O., No. 67, War Department, April 19, 1910.)

1. G.R.S. Form No.1.

HQ.GRS File

3 7514 3018874
2. Soldier's No.

3. Surname (block letters) 1st name & initials
BENNET U. H.

4. PVT E 26 2nd
Rank Co. Rgt & corp

5. Oct 9/18.
Date of Death Cause if Known

6. No 6.
Date of Burial Cemetery

7. 131 8.
Grave No. Plot No. or letter

8. BAZOLLES
Town-Commune (block letter) Dept.

9. Name peg? X. Cross? X. Hdhoard?.. BTLE? X..
Check method of marking

10. Buried with body X. Attached grave mark
Identification Tags or

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

12. Map reference if intermented outside cem
etry

13. Give name of Chaplain-Burial Officer

Signed a M Bielawsky
Group.....Unit E.....GRS

CEMETERIAL DIVISION
REGISTRATION SECTION

October 14th 1921

FILE

MEMO FOR:

Cards Department.

1.

CASE OF:

Co. E. 26th Inf.ORGANIZATION (Old)BENNETT 2019674 William Pvt.
(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.			D-
2nd Reb.	2/17/21	6	D30251
3rd Reb.			D-

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

BY: Miss LannonCard.
(Department)5 x 8 card was sent to file.

Corrections made
on Organization
File Card;

By L
S/3324/LML