

Berkemeyer

(Surname.)

Raymond A.

(Christian name in full.)

1,716,413

(Army serial number.)

Sgt.

Btry. F, 306th F.A.

(Rank and organization.)

State your relationship to the deceased

Sister

Do you desire the remains brought to the United States?

yes

(Yes or no.)

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

no.

(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:

Miss Elizabeth Berkemeyer Address Exp. Western Union

(Name of person to receive remain's.)

(Express office.)

(Telegraph office.)

1316 Halsey St. Brooklyn New York.

(Number and street.)

(City or town.)

(State.)

(Sign here)

Miss Elizabeth Berkemeyer
1316 Halsey St. Brooklyn New York

(Number and street of rural route.)

(City, town, or post office.)

(State.)

Read carefully the letter accompanying this card.

March 25, 1919

Drawn by *W.H.*

617-83

12-1-20

12-2-20

check
W.H.



Soldier signs: - R. A. Berkemeyer
and Raymond Berkemeyer
G.R.S. Form #114-B

Bonus appl. filed by dependent 70
To The A. G. O. shows: - 2988

JAN 15 1926 Berkemeyer, Raymond Alousious

✓ VA records show as below
FULL NAME... BERKEMEYER, Raymond A.

RANK... Sergeant ✓
SERIAL... 1716413 ✓

DIVISION & ORGANIZATION... Battery F, 306th F.A. ✓
7th Div

DATE OF DEATH... Aug 25 '18 ✓

STATE FROM WHICH HE CAME... New York ✓

MEDALS OR DECORATIONS AWARDED... None ✓

FINAL GRAVE LOCATION...
Date Grave Row Block

608
Cemetery

24/292/EYS
KM 1/30

Rec'd World War Div. JAN 16 1926
5 NOV 30 1927. WORLD WAR DIV.

GRAVE LOCATION BLANK.

R

LOCATION OF THE GRAVE OF

Berkemeyer 1716413 Raymond A
(Surname.) (Number.) (First Name and initials.)

Sgt Battery F 306 F A
(Rank.) (Organization.)

DATE OF BURIAL *Aug 26 1918*

PLACE OF BURIAL *Chery-Cherbourg*

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

Cemetery on NE edge of Chery-Cherbourg Dept of Arme

GRAVE NUMBER

HOW MARKED : Name Peg? Cross? *Yes*
Headboard? Bottle?

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 :

Albert C. Thomas 1st Lt. Chaplain
(Signature and Rank of Reporting Officer.) *306 FA*

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

Btry F. 306 F.A.
77th Division.

BERKEMEYER, Raymond A. - Sgt. 1716413.
Home: 723 Knickerbocker Ave.
Bklyn. N.Y.

On the afternoon of August 25th, 1918 at about 5.30 PM several hostile shells struck near the gun to which Sgt. Berkemeyer was assigned for duty. Immediately after the first shell struck all members of the battery sought cover and a few minutes after fire had ceased I ordered check roll call and Sgt. Berkemeyer was reported missing. A search was made and his body was found in a fox hole near the gutter of the CHERY CHARTREUVE FISMES ROAD. An examination of the ground showed that the shell had struck within about three feet of him and his head, arms and torso were badly mutilated. In my opinion death was instantaneous. In my opinion the shell was a 77mm high explosive with instantaneous fuse. This soldier exercised every precaution in taking cover and his death was not the result of negligence or his own disobedience of orders. Place of occurrence about 75 meters west of cross roads leading north to St. Thibaut . Co-ordinate of grave 200.85 282.00

Informant: Ketcham, John H. - Capt.
Btry F. 306 F.A.
102 Lincoln Road, Bklyn. N.Y.

Emergency address:
Miss Elizabeth Berkemeyer, Home:
823 Knickerbocker Ave.

Bklyn. N.Y.

G.P.

33

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

Date 9/24/26

SUBJECT: Information required for Cemeterial Division.

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

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

- a. Surname Berkemeyer ✓
- b. Christian name Raymond G ✓
- c. Serial number 1716413 ✓
- d. Organization Co F. 3067a ✓
- e. Rank Sgt ✓
- f. Emergency Address _____
- g. Date of death 8/25/18 ✓
- h. Authority _____
- i. Cause of death ICA ✓
- j. Place of death _____
- k. Place of burial _____
- l. Date of discharge _____

BODY DESCRIPTION

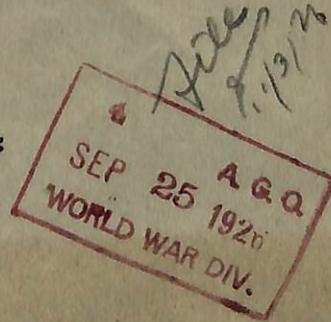
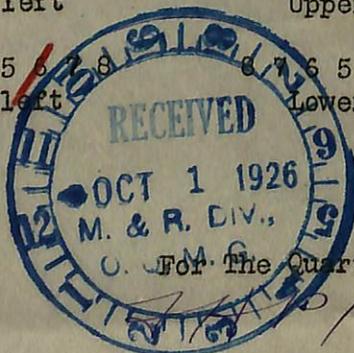
- a. Date of enlistment Oct. 17
- b. Age at enlistment 26 1/2 yrs
- c. Color of hair Light Brown
- d. Height 5 ft. 10 in
- e. Weight* 161 lbs
- f. Fractures or breaks none reported

DENTAL CHARTS

At Camp

By Local Board

8 7 6 5 4 3 2 1	1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8	8 7 6 5 4 3 2 1	1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8
Upper right	Upper left	Upper right	Upper left
8 7 6 5 4 3 2 1	1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8	8 7 6 5 4 3 2 1	1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8
Lower right	Lower left	Lower right	Lower left



151/113

CODE SLIP

HEADING	SUB-HEADING	NO. OF COLS	CODE
NAME <i>Berkemeyer</i>	<i>Ger</i>	3	25 ⁰ <i>P</i>
BURIED <i>Raymond W</i>	CEMETERY <i>608</i>	1	2
	GRAVE <i>6</i>	2	06
	ROW <i>4</i>	2	04
	BLOCK <i>C</i>	1	3
STATE	<i>N. Y.</i>	2	37
PANK	<i>Sgt.</i>	1	2
DIVISION	<i>77</i>	2	77
ORGANIZATION	<i>306</i>	3	306
ARM	<i>A. U.</i>	1	3
MARTIAL	<i>no</i>	1	2
NAME <i>Berkemeyer</i>		3	
RESIDENCE <i>Henry (Father)</i>	STATE	2	
<i>111-41-15th St</i>	COUNTY	2	
<i>Richmond Hill N. Y.</i>	CITY	3	
<i>Woodhaver P.O.</i>	RELATION <i>Mother</i>	1	1
OTHER <i>no Soc</i>		1	
ELIGIBILITY <i>no SM</i>	<i>Dead</i>	1	6
NATIVITY		1	
RACE		1	
ENGLISH		1	
ATTENDANT		1	
HEALTH		1	
NO. OF SONS		1	
DATE OF TRIP	MO.	1	
	YR.	1	
ACCEPTANCE		1	

AUDITED

AUG 6 1932

REB

RTR

RS
29/514/PJ

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

L

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C
Berkemeyer, Raymond A. 608 F

July 7, 1930

Mr. Henry F. Berkemeyer
111-41 115 Street
Richmond Hill, New York

Dear Sir:

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?

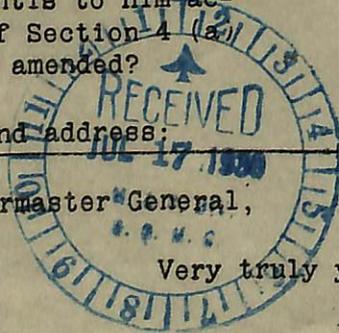
If so, give her name and address:

No.

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

Enclosures:
Envelope
Act
Amendment



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

CM 203 A-C
Berkemeyer, Raymond A.

September 14, 1929

Miss Elizabeth A. Berkemeyer,
111 - 41 - 115 Street,
Richmond Hill,
Long Island, N. Y.

Dear Madam:

Receipt is acknowledged of your letter of August 5, 1929, requesting that you be advised as to whether or not you would be allowed to make the pilgrimage to your brother's grave in the Oise-Aisne American Cemetery in France.

No provision is made in the Act of March 2, 1929, authorizing the pilgrimages, for any member of the family other than the mother and unmarried widow to make the journey at the expense of the Government. It is therefore regretted to advise that neither your father or yourself is eligible to make the pilgrimage.

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

bb

O.M. 293 A.C.
Berkemeyer, Raymond G.

608 August 5, 1929
6-30-29

John. F. Harris
Major O.M. Corps.
Assistant

26 yrs. old
Enl. 11-11-17

Dear Sir:-

I received your letter, in fact my father received it, in regard to visiting the grave of my dear brother who lies buried in France

I am writing this letter on behalf of my father Henry F. Berkemeyer 11-41-115 St. Richmond Hill, N.Y.

as he is an invalid and is now eighty years old, he would be unable to take this trip to France to visit his sons grave do you think it would be possible for me to visit my brother grave in his place as I have kept house for my brother before he went to France if you think I would be entitled to this trip please let me know by return mail I am at present keeping house for my father
Elizabeth A. Berkemeyer
11-41-115 St. Richmond Hill, Long Is., N.Y.

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C
Berkemeyer, Raymond A.

July 30, 1929.

Mr. Henry F. Berkemeyer,
111-41- 115 St.,
Richmond Hill, N. Y.,
Woodhaven, P. O.

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 father of the late Sergeant Raymond A. Berkemeyer, Bty. F. 306th F.A., whose remains are now interred in the Oise-Aisne American Cemetery, Seringes-et-Nesles, Aisne, France.

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

Write answers in space below:

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

No

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.

Sister
Elizabeth A. Berkemeyer
111-41-115 St.
Richmond Hill, N. Y.

4. Does she desire to make the pilgrimage?

Yes

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

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

Berkemeyer, Raymond A.

June 20, 1929.

XC 42 136

Mrs. Elizabeth T. Berkemeyer,
111-41st St.,
Richmond Hill, N.Y.

(F) Henry F Berkemeyer
111-41- 115 St.
Richmond Hill, N.Y.
Woodhaven, P.O.

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 Sergeant Raymond A. Berkemeyer, Bty.F. 306th F.A., whose remains are now interred in the Oise-Aisne American Cemetery, Seringes-et-Nesles, Aisne, France.

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

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

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

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

2 incls.
Act of Congress.
Envelope.

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



WAR DEPARTMENT



WASHINGTON, D. C.

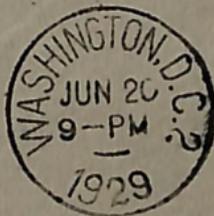
OFFICIAL BUSINESS

OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL

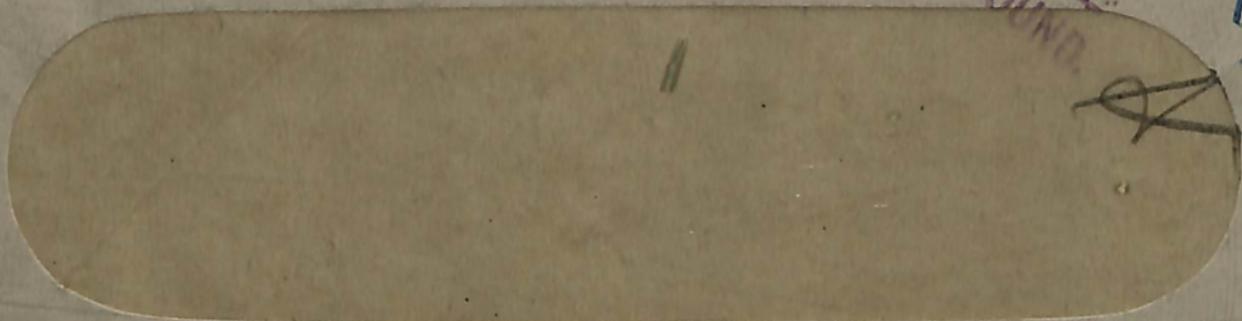
PENALTY FOR PRIVATE USE TO

AVOID PAYMENT OF POSTAGE \$300

LEAVE FOR
CITIZENS
MILITARY
TRAINING
- CAMPS -



RETURNED TO SENDER
CANNOT BE FOUND



WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

Berkemeyer, Raymond A. 608 F

July 7, 1930

Mr. Henry F. Berkemeyer
111-41 115 Street
Richmond Hill, New York

Dear Sir:

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:

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

If so, give her name and address:

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:

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

Enclosures:
Envelope
Act
Amendment

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

QM 233 A-C
Berkmeyer, Raymond A.

September 16, 1929

Miss Elizabeth A. Berkmeier,
111 - 41 - 115 Street,
Richmond Hill,
Long Island, N. Y.

Dear Madam:

Receipt is acknowledged of your letter of August 5, 1929, requesting that you be advised as to whether or not you would be allowed to make the pilgrimage to your brother's grave in the Oise-Aisne American Cemetery in France.

No provision is made in the Act of March 2, 1929, authorizing the pilgrimages, for any member of the family other than the mother and unmarried widow to make the journey at the expense of the Government. It is therefore regretted to advise that neither your father or yourself is eligible to make the pilgrimage.

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

in line with

314

01 11 21 33 626

bb

✓

+

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

Berkemeyer, Raymond A.
608

Sept. 12, 1929.

Mr. Henry F. Berkemeyer,
111-41-1115^{st.},
Richmond Hill, N.Y.,
Woodhaven, P. O.

Dear Sir:

The records of this office do not indicate that a reply has been received to our communication dated July 30, 1929 making inquiry concerning the name and address of the mother and widow of the deceased service man above named. These addresses are desired with a view to ascertaining the number of mothers and widows who desire to make a pilgrimage to the cemeteries of Europe in which the remains of their sons and husbands are interred.

Will you please fill in the answers to the following questions in the space provided on this letter, and return the letter 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? If so, give her complete address:

2. 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.

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

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

2 Incls.
Act of Congress
Envelope

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

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

Berkemeyer, Raymond A.

July 30, 1929.

Mr. Henry F. Berkemeyer,
111-41- 115 St.,
Richmond Hill, N. Y.,
Woodhaven, P. O.

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 father of the late **Sergeant Raymond A. Berkemeyer, Bty. F. 306th F.A.,** whose remains are now interred in the **Oise-Aisne American Cemetery, Seringes-et-Nesles, Aisne, France.**

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

Write answers in space below:

- | | |
|--|--|
| 1. Is the deceased survived by a widow who has not since remarried? | |
| 2. If so, give her complete address. | |
| 3. 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. | |
| 4. Does she desire to make the pilgrimage? | |

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

2 Incls.
Act of Congress
Envelope

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

WAR DEPARTMENT
OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

June 20, 1929.

Berkemeyer, Raymond A.

**Mrs. Elizabeth T. Berkemeyer,
111-41st St.,
Richmond Hill, N.Y.**

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 **Sergeant Raymond A. Berkemeyer, Bty.F. 306th F.A.,** whose remains are now interred in the **Oise-Aisne American Cemetery, Seringes-et-Nesles, Aisne, France.**

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

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

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

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

2 incls.
Act of Congress.
Envelope.

DISPATCHED
1929 JUN 20 PM 5 07
J. M. G. M. & R. DIV.
JOHN T. HARRIS,
Major, Q. M. Corps,
Assistant.

[Handwritten signature]

REPORT OF DISINTERMENT AND REBURIAL.

Remains of:

Name R. Berkemeyer

Number: 1716413

Rank: Sgt.

Organization: Batt. D. 306th. F.A.

Disinterment and Reburial made by Group 1 Unit 304

Disinterred (Date) May 16, 1919. From: (Give complete location)

From Grave #53, Cemetery #21-Forsberg

33SE E200.8 N282.4

Reburied (Date) May 16, 1919. in: (Give complete location)

Grave #168-Section C. Cemetery # 18-Fismes (Name)

617

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

Buried five feet deep --Body badly decomposed.

Was one identification tag found upon the body? Yes --one on cross

What other means of identification were found upon the body? None

Note:

If upon disinterment, effects are found upon the 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: Corp. C.A. Gammon

1st. Lieut. O.W. Forsberg

C.O. Group 1 Unit 304

CONFIRMED NO. 520098
FILE
EXC
5/21/2

WAR DEPARTMENT
THE ADJUTANT GENERAL'S OFFICE

JOU-1g-1-217

IN REPLY
REFER TO

WASHINGTON

AG 201 Berkemeyer, Raymond A. (WW)

June 4, 1928

SUBJECT: Date of death

To:

The Quartermaster General,
Washington, D. C.

An investigation recently completed by this office in the case of Raymond A. Berkemeyer, Army serial number 1,716,413, Sergeant, Battery F. 306th Field Artillery, who was reported to have been killed in action August 18, 1918, shows that the report is erroneous and that this soldier was killed in action August 25, 1918.

By order of the Secretary of War:

Lucy L. Berthauff
Adjutant General.



608-c
Sub R4
file.
6-6-28

AG 201 Berkemeyer, Raymond A. (WW)

June 4, 1928

Date of death

The Quartermaster General,

Washington, D. C.

An investigation recently completed by this office in the case of Raymond A. Berkemeyer, Army serial number 1,716,413, Sergeant, Battery F. 306th Field Artillery, who was reported to have been killed in action August 18, 1918, shows that the report is erroneous and that this soldier was killed in action August 25, 1918.

By order of the Secretary of War:



CHENEY L. BERTHOLF
Adjutant General.

Sgt. Raymond A. Berkemeyer
L.M. - 293 - A.C.

Richmond Hill N.Y.
Nov. 9 - 1926

Graves Registration Bureau
Washington, D. C.

To Whom it may Concern:-

My father received the letter from the Graves Registration Bureau with the card enclosed, giving the exact location of my dear Mother's grave in France. (Sgt. Raymond A. Berkemeyer) we wish to thank you for sending this card to us, also to let you know that we are now living at the following address, 111-41-115 St. Richmond Hill N.Y. our former address was 1316 Kalsey St. Brooklyn, N. Y. as the letter was addressed to our former address and as you may have some information we would like to have in the future, I hope you will have this address corrected. Thanking you for your kindness. Sincerely



Miss Elizabeth A. Berkemeyer
111-41-115 St.
Richmond Hill
New York

P.S. The letter was sent to my father Henry H. Berkemeyer Sr. who resides with me.

Raymond A. Berkemeyer

QM 293 A-C

Berkemeyer, Raymond A. Sgt.

November 4, 1926.

Mr. Henry F. Berkemeyer,
1316 Halsey St.,
Brooklyn, N.Y.

Dear Sir:

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

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

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

Very truly yours,

1 Incl.
Record card.



F. H. POPE,
Colonel, Q.M.C.,
Assistant.

Handwritten signature or initials

25/560/EYS

COMPILATION OF DISPOSITION OF REMAINS DATA



I. LOCATION INDEX CARD:

File # 16304

(a) Name BERKMEYER, Raymond A. Ser. No. 1716413
 (b) Rank Sgt. Organization Bat. F, 306th F.A.
 (c) Date of death 8/25/18 (d) Cause of death J K/A

TYP. EK
 CKR. gs

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

(a) Grave No. 168 Row -- Plot 4 Sec. C TYP. EK
 (b) Emerg. Address Mrs. E. Berkmeier (mother) 1237 Madison St.
Brooklyn, N.Y.

CKR. gs *(over)*

III. Files of soldiers dying from contagious diseases

IV. A. G. O. DISPOSITION CARD:

Date of receipt None

(a) Name Miss Elizabeth Berkmeier (b) Relationship Sister
 (c) Address 1316 Halsey St, Brooklyn, N.Y.
 (d) Remains to be brought to U. S.? yes
 (e) To be interred in National Cemetery in U. S. at no

(f) Shipping instructions upon arrival of body in U. S. Miss Elizabeth Berkmeier
1316 Halsey St, Brooklyn, N.Y.
Adams Exp - Western Union Tele

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

Examiner's Initials SA Date 12/1, 1920.

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

Sister Miss Elizabeth Berkmeier
Brooklyn, N.Y., dated May, 29, 1919.
 confirming request in Par. IV., item d, above, of requesting that she be advised
full particulars in re same.

Examiner's Initials SA Date 12/1, 1920.

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

Miss Elizabeth Berkmeier
sister, 1316 Halsey St, Brooklyn, N.Y., 6-9-20, desires
brothers body to remain in France.

(a) Cancellation memos referred to? yes S.H.

Examiner's Initials S.H. Date 12-1-, 1920.

COUNTRY France CEMETERY No. 617 SHEET No. 83

FORM 115 - A COMPLETE

CARDED

UP. 2-7-21

Handwritten notes and signatures in the bottom right corner.

VII. G. R. S. Form No. 114 made Dec. 6th

Typed by V.A.H., Checked by _____

CENTRAL DIVISION



1921
JUN 11 1921

RECEIVED BY _____, 1920.
MAIL UNIT

VIII. FINAL ACTION:

Following advice forwarded to Europe by { cable on _____, 1920
letter on 12/27, 1920

JUN 16 1921

Central Division
Overseas Project Sub-Section

*Par # 2. Not to be returned (P)
Berkemeyer, Raymond A.*

IX.

CORRECTIONS

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

X. SUSPENSION REMARKS:

*M/R B.A. (Drs. 2-4-21)
Mrs. Elizabeth Tork Berkemeyer, (Mother)
720 Knickerbocker Ave. Brooklyn, N.Y.
3/24/21 Form 120 Miss Elizabeth A
Berkemeyer sister 1316 Halsey St
Brooklyn, N.Y. requests that the
body remain in Europe N6/9/21 ems
~~3/24~~*

To be prepared in triplicate.

DATE Jan. 26, 1922

REPORT OF DISINTERMENT, PREPARATION, SHIPMENT AND REBURIAL OF BODY

DISINTERMENT

COMPARATIVE REPORT

mg

Records of G.R.S. Headquarters.

Discrepancy found upon exhumation of body

1. Name BERKEMEYER, Raymond A.

10. Name None

2. No. 1716413

11. No.

3. Rank Sgt.

12. Rank

4. Org. Bty. F. 306th FA

13. Org.

5. D.D. Aug. 25th 1918

14. (a) D.D.

6. C.D. KIA

(b) D.B.

Discrepancy found upon disinterment

7. Grave No. 168 Sec. C

15. Grave No. Sec.

8. Plot 4 Row

16. Plot Row

9.

17. No disc.

18. Cemetery Amer.

19. Commune or town Fismes

20. Dept. or County Marne

21. Country France

22. G.R.S. Hdqrs. Code No. 617

23. Disinterred (Date) Jan. 26, 1922

By W.R. Tomlinson

24. Inscription on grave marker:

Name Berkemeyer, Raymond A.

Serial No. 1716413

Rank Sgt.

Organization Bty. F. 306th F.S.

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

R. L. de Montezon
Signature Junior Technical Assistant
R.L. de Montezon

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).

Full name written in pocketbook. Catholic medals

27. Condition of body Entirely decomposed. Features unrecognizable.

28. Nature of burial 6ft Earth. Uniform and burlap.

29. Any discrepancy noted upon examination of body, as compared with G.R.S. records quoted above? None

30. Body prepared and placed in casket: Date Jan. 26, 1922 By W.R. Toml

31. Casket sealed by W.R. Tomlinson

Signature of Embalmer, (Supervisor

W.R. Tomlinson

AUDITED BY
702 5-22-24

SHIPMENT. (Show actual marking of box.) Box No. C-22953

32. Designation of body:

Name Raymond A. BERKEMEYER Serial No. 1716413

Rank Sgt. Organization Sty.F. 306th FA

33. Consigned to:

Name of Permanent Cemetery Oise-Aisne Amer. #608, Seringes-et-Nesles, Aisne

34. Casket boxed and marked (Date) Jan. 6, 1922 By W.R. Tomlinson

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 [Signature]
R. Richards, 1st Lieut. MC

36. Remarks None

37. Shipped from point of Operation: (Date) _____

To point of Concentration _____ (Name)

Convoyer _____ Signature Shipping Officer _____

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

By G.R.S. Representative _____

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

To Permanent Cemetery Oise-Aisne Amer. Cty. 608 SERINGES-et-NESELES, Aisne (Name)

Convoyer _____ Signature Shipping Officer [Signature]
R. Richards, 1st Lt. MC

40. Received: Date JAN 28 1922

G.R.S. Representative R. N. Woods

41. Reinterred AUG. 19, 1922, Oise-Aisne Cem. 608, Seringes et Nesles (Aisne) (Date)

42. Grave No. 6 Section _____

43. Plot BLOCK C Row 4

G.R.S. Representative [Signature]
W.D. Cleary
Lt., Chaplain, USA.

Place Fismes Cty. 617.

REPORT OF DISINTERMENT AND REBURIAL

Date Jan. 26, 1922

1. REMAINS OF Berkemeyer, Raymond A. SERIAL NUMBER 1716413

RANK Sgt. ORGANIZATION Bty. F. 306th F.A.

2. Disinterred (date): Jan. 26, 1922. From (give complete location): Gr. 168. Sec. C. Plot 4. Cty. 617.

By: Group 5 Unit F.S. #7.

3. Reburied (date): Aug. 19, 1922 In (give complete location): Gr. 6, Block C, Row 4, Oise-Aisne Cem. 608, Seringes et Nesles (Aisne)

By: Group re-burial group Unit ----- Nature of reburial Lined casket

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

Entirely decomposed. Features unrecognizable.

6ft Earth, Uniform and burlap.

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

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

Name written in pocketbook. Catholic medals

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

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

(b) Weight (estimated).....

(c) Hair—Color

Quantity

Characteristics

(d) Hair on face—Color

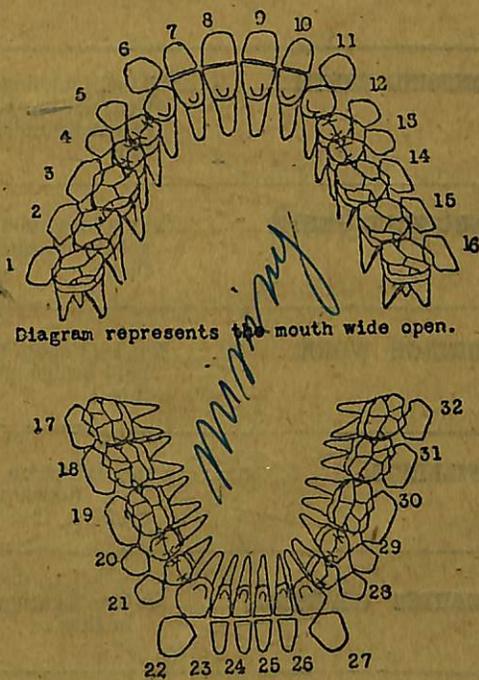
Location.....

Quantity

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

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

Head and lower jaw missing. Right femur fractured. Entire upper part of body shattered.



D61167

7. Disinterment supervised by W.R. Tomlinson

Approved: R. Richards
(Title) 1st Lieut. OMC

8. Reburial supervised by L.D. Bay

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

M/R - B.A. (528-2-4-21)

Mrs Elizabeth York Berkemeyer (mother)
720 Knickerbocker Ave. Brooklyn N.Y.

FILE NO. 293,8 Gen.Div.,Cor.Branch.
(BERKEMEYER, Raymond A.)

JUNE 14, 1921.

RE: Raymond A. Berkemeyer,
Sergeant, Ser.No.
1716413, Battery F,
306th Field Artillery.

Miss Elizabeth A. Berkemeyer,
1316 Halsey Street,
Brooklyn, New York.

Dear Madam:

Your communication dated March 24, 1921, re-
questing that the remains of the deceased soldier named
above be left in France for burial in a permanent American
Cemetery has been forwarded to the Cemeterial Division,
Office of the Quartermaster General, Washington, D.C., for
necessary action.

The Cemeterial Division, Washington, D.C. will
furnish you the grave location in the permanent American
Cemetery as soon as possible after the body has been
placed therein.

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

By authority of the Quartermaster General:

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

WALK BY:

RECEIVED



E. C. PALMAS,
Executive Assistant.

Cemeterial Division
Office of the Quartermaster General

JUN 14 1921

RECEIVED BY

FILE NO. 292.8 Com.Div., Gen.Branch. JUNE 14, 1921.
 (BERKEMEYER, Raymond A.)

RE: Raymond A. Berkemeyer,
 Sergeant, Ser.No.
 1716413, Battery F,
 306th Field Artillery.

Miss Elizabeth A. Berkemeyer,
 1316 Halsey Street,
 Brooklyn, New York.

Dear Madam:

Your communication dated March 24, 1921, requesting that the remains of the deceased soldier named above be left in France for burial in a permanent American Cemetery has been forwarded to the Cemeterial Division, Office of the Quartermaster General, Washington, D.C., for necessary action.

The Cemeterial Division, Washington, D.C. will furnish you the grave location in the permanent American Cemetery as soon as possible after the body has been placed therein.

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

By authority of the Quartermaster General,

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

F. V. HALLAU,
 Executive Assistant.

RECEIVED BY
 MAIL ROOM

JUN 15 1921

RECEIVED BY
 MAIL UNIT

W A R D E P A R T M E N T
Quartermaster Corps,
Graves Registration Service
Pier 2, Hoboken, N.J.

FILE NO. 293.8 Cem. Div. Cor. Br. JUNE 14, 1921.
(BERKEMEYER, Raymond A.)

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

SUBJECT: Return of Records - Cemetery # 617-83
Transmittal Memorandum Number H-120

1. The records pertaining to the following cases are returned herewith, it having been definitely determined that the bodies are to remain in Europe.

REFERENCE NO: 83 BERKEMEYER, Raymond A., Sergeant,
Serial No.1716413, Battery F, 306th
field Artillery.

R. E. SHANNON,
Captain, Quartermaster corps,
Officer in charge.

By:

Incl(records.)

F. C. PALLAS,
Executive Assistant.

Quartermaster Corps
Graves Registration Service
100 T H 1051
RECEIVED BY

P-6-21-21 M

Brooklyn, N. Y.
March 24, 1921

3/4 Khail

617-83

Office of the O. I. M. G.
Cemeterial Division
Hoboken, New Jersey

Inclosed you will find Affidavite
in reference to the return to this country
of the remains of my brother, the late
Sgt. Raymond A. Berkemeyer, No. 1716413
306 F. A. Battery F. I have been requested
by my father to write this letter to you
to let you know that we want my brother's
body to remain in France in an American
Cemetery, we have given this matter
deep thought and have decided to let
my dear brother remain in a soldiers
grave in France. Thanking you for
your trouble I remain

Sincerely

Miss. Elizabeth Berkemeyer

1316 Halsey St

Brooklyn

New York

Former address: 720 Kunchenbocker Ave. Bklyn N. Y.

WAR DEPARTMENT

OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL OF THE ARMY

CEMETERIAL DIVISION

WASHINGTON, D. C.

Hoboken, N. J.

FEB 15 1921
M.P.

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

To: Mrs. Elizabeth T. Berkemeyer, ~~720 Knickerbocker Ave.~~ **1316 Halsey St**, Bklyn, NY

SUBJECT: Remains of Sgt. Raymond A. Berkemeyer, Ser. No. 1716413, Bat. F, 306 F.A.

Miss Elizabeth Berkemeyer has requested that the body of the above-named soldier remain in France.

We request that my brother's body remain in France
If these are not the correct instructions, please correct them. Make corrections on reverse side of this sheet.

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

By authority of the Quartermaster General, **CHARLES C. PIERCE**, Lieut. Colonel, U. S. Army.

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

Was soldier married? *No*

NAME OF	NO. AND STREET	TOWN	STATE
Soldier's widow			
Soldier's children. (Name oldest first.)	1		
	2		
	3		
Father	<i>Henry J. Berkemeyer 1316 Halsey St</i>	<i>Brooklyn</i>	<i>New York</i>
Mother	<i>Elizabeth T. Berkemeyer 1316 Halsey St</i>	<i>Brooklyn</i>	<i>New York</i>
Brothers. (Name oldest first.)	1		
	2		
	3		
Sisters. (Name oldest first.)	1		
	2		
	3		

Date *March 24, 1921*

Signature *Mrs. Elizabeth T. Berkemeyer*

Address *1316 Halsey St*

Relationship *Sister*

March 24, 1921

RECEIVED BY MAIL UNIT

JUN 16 1921

Address

I, the undersigned, am the Sister (Relationship) and nearest living next of kin of the within-named

soldier, and desire the following disposition of his remains, viz: (Strike out all except the one showing the disposition desired.)

- 1. As stated on first page of this sheet.
- 2. To be returned to the U. S. and shipped to _____ (Name.)
- 3. To be returned to the U. S. and buried in Ind National Cemetery.
- 4. To remain in Europe, for burial in a permanent American Cemetery. Yes

(R. R. station.)

(State.)

Signature Miss Elizabeth C. Berkemeyer

NAME OF NO. AND STREET CITY STATE

INSTRUCTIONS FOR FILLING OUT.

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

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

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

*Please
rush!*

Harlow.

NAME OF DECEASED SOLDIER

C 42136

CEMETERY NO.

DATE

Berkemeyer, Raymond A., Sgt.

617 - 83

1/19/21.

SERIAL NUMBER

ORGANIZATION

1716413

Bty.F, 306th F.A.

Date of death - 8/25/18.

WAR RISK INSURANCE INFORMATION

DATE _____

NAME OF BENEFICIARY

RELATIONSHIP

Mrs. Elizabeth Tork Berkeneyer

Mother

Address

720 Knickerbocker Ave., Brooklyn, N. Y..

S/709/LML

(12-4-2-4-21)

File #16304

G.R.S. #106
DISPOSITION OF BODY

War Department
Office of the Quartermaster General,
Graves Registration Service
Washington, D.C.

June 18, 1920.

For information of:

- (a) The Adjutant General of the Army
- (b) G.R.S., Paris, France.
- (c) Office Files.
- (d) Photographic Section.

Case of: **Sgt. Raymond A. Berkmeier,**
#1716413
306th F.A. Battery F.

Grave Location:

Reburied: 5/16/19.
American Cemetery,
Grave #168, Section C, Plot 4,
Fismes, Dept. of Marne.

Request for action checked below:

- (a) Return of Body to the U.S.
- (b) Permanent Burial in France.
- (c) Cancellation of former requests.
- (d) Change of address.
- (e) Photograph of grave.

has been made by:

Miss Elizabeth Berkemeyer, ^(sister)
1316 Halsey St.,
Brooklyn, N. Y.

By authority of the Quartermaster General

CHARLES C. PIERCE,
Colonel, Q.M.G., U.S.A.
Chief, Graves Registration Service.
NS-2992/L/
/fkw.

G.R.S. #106
DISPOSITION OF BODY

War Department
Office of the Quartermaster General,
Graves Registration Service
Washington, D.C.

June 18, 1920.

For information of:

- (a) The Adjutant General of the Army
- (b) G.R.S., Paris, France.
- (c) Office Files.
- (d) Photographic Section.

Case of: **Sgt. Raymond A. Berkmeier,**
#1716413
306th F.A. Battery F.

Grave Location:

Reburied: 5/16/19.
American Cemetery,
Grave #168, Section C, Plot 4,
Fismes, Dept. of Marne.

Request for action checked below:

- (a) Return of Body to the U.S.
- (b) Permanent Burial in France.
- (c) Cancellation of former requests.
- (d) Change of address.
- (e) Photograph of grave.

has been made by:

(sister)
Miss Elizabeth Berkemeyer,
1316 Halsey St.,
Brooklyn, N. Y.

By authority of the Quartermaster General

CHARLES C. PIERCE,
Colonel, Q.M.C., U.S.A.
Chief, Graves Registration Service.
NS-2992/L *fkw.*

G.R.S. #106
DISPOSITION OF BODY

War Department
Office of the Quartermaster General.
Graves Registration Service
Washington, D.C.

June 14, 1920.

For information of:

- (a) The Adjutant General of the Army
- (b) G.R.S., Paris, France.
- ~~(c) Office Files.~~
- (d) Photographic Section.

Case of: **Sgt. Raymond A. Berkmeier,**
Serial #1716413, Bty. F,
306th Inf.

Grave Location: **Grave #168, Sec. C,**
American Cty., Fismes, Marne.

Request for actions checked below:

- (a) Return of Body to the U.S.
- ~~(b) Permanent Burial in France.~~
- ~~(c) Cancellation of former requests.~~
- (d) Change of address.
- (e) Photograph of grave.

has been made by:

Miss Elizabeth Berkemeyer, (sister)
1316 Halsey St.,
Brooklyn, N. Y.

By authority of the Quartermaster General

CHARLES S. PIERCE,
Colonel, Q.M.G., U.S.A.

Chief, Graves Registration Service.

NS-2992/L

ibm

C

GRAVE LOCATION BLANK.

LOCATION OF THE GRAVE OF

Berkemeyer 1716413 Raymond A.
(Surname.) (Number.) (First Name and Initials.)

Sgt 306 F.A. Battery F
(Rank.) (Organization.)

Aug 26, 1918
DATE OF BURIAL. ~~Chery - Chartreuve~~

Chery - Chartreuve
PLACE OF BURIAL. ~~Chery - Chartreuve~~
(Give Cemetery, Town and Department.) Map reference must specify clearly what map is used.

Cemetery on NE edge of
Chery - Chartreuve Dept of Arme
Creme: Chery - Chartreuve (Paris) 15
33 St. - E

GRAVE NUMBER.....

HOW MARKED : Name Peg?..... Cross? *Yes*.....
Headboard?..... Bottle?.....

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 :
Albert C Thomas 1st Lt Chaplain
(Signature and Rank of Reporting Officer.) 306 F.A.

This portion to be sent to Chief of Graves Registration Service.
30 AOU R.ou

Communal List No. _____

Daily Report No. _____

52-365

GRAVE LOCATION BLANK

LOCATION OF THE GRAVE OF

..... BIRKMEYER 1716413 Raymond A.

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

..... Sgt. Bty. F. 306th Field Artillery

(Rank). (Organization).

PLACE OF DEATH: CHERY-CHARTREUVE

CAUSE OF DEATH: SHELL HIT

DATE OF BURIAL: 25-AUGUST-1918

PLACE OF BURIAL: Cemetery about 400 meters north of CHERY-CHARTREUVE

FISMES ROAD, Town and Department). Map references must specify clearly what map is used.

and to the west of the road leading north to BAZOUCHES. Approximate co-ordinates, x-200.900 y-282.400-map 1/20.000 FISMES Department of AISNE.

GRAVE NUMBER: NONE

HOW MARKED: Name Peg? Cross?

Headboard? Bottle?

IDENTIFICATION TAGS:

Was one buried with body?

Was one fastened to name peg or stake used as a grave marker? (Aisne)

If name unknown and tags missing, description and mark should be given here: 333E {E 200.9} {N 282.4}

NEAREST RELATIVE: Mrs. A. R. Berkemeyer,

ADDRESS: West Cliffe, Colorado.

RELATIONSHIP: Mother

REPORTED BY: A. H. Kelcham

(Signature and Rank of Reporting Officer).



522287
Daily Report No.

5 MAR 1919

G.R.S. Form No. 5; Central Records Liaison.
 Memo For: G.R.S. representative, C.R.O.
 SUBJECT: Information required for G.R.S.

1. Items checked are to be completed:

- () Surname: Birkmeyer (Birkmeyer)
 () Number: 1716413
 () First name: Raymond A.
 () Rank: Sgt.
 () Company: F
 () Organization: 306th F.A.
 () Date of death: 8/18/18 (8/25/18)
 () Cause: K/A
 () Place:

Location of hospital:

- Number " "
 Class " "
 () Relative:
 () Relationship:
 () Address:
 () Authority:
 Cablegram No:
 Telegram from:

FILE

- dated: 9/9/18 (9/14/18)
 () Reported to Washington:
 C.C. Nos: CC 247 (CC 252)
 (UnderSCORE the "official" C.C.)
 () Remarks: Official report.
 () Show present status on reverse side.

CHARLES C. PIERCE,
 Lieut.-Colonel, Q.M.G., U.S.A.

Initials of Reporter:

REG

7010

7-16304

Btry F. 306 F.A.
77th Division.

BERKEMEYER, Raymond A. - Sgt. 1716413.
Home: 723 Knickerbocker Ave.
Bklyn. N.Y.

On the afternoon of August 25th, 1918 at about 5.30 PM several hostile shells struck near the gun to which Sgt. Berkemeyer was assigned for duty. Immediately after the first shell struck all members of the battery sought cover and a few minutes after fire had ceased I ordered check roll call and Sgt. Berkemeyer was reported missing. A search was made and his body was found in a fox hole near the gutter of the CHERY CHARTREUVE FISMES ROAD. An examination of the ground showed that the shell had struck within about three feet of him and his head, arms and torso were badly mutilated. In my opinion death was instantaneous. In my opinion the shell was a 77mm high explosive with instantaneous fuse. This soldier exercised every precaution in taking cover and his death was not the result of negligence or his own disobedience of orders. Place of occurrence about 75 meters west of cross roads leading north to St. Thibaut. Co-ordinate of grave 200.85 282.00

Emergency address:
Miss Elizabeth Berkemeyer, Home: Informant: Ketcham, John H. - Capt.
Btry F. 306 F.A.
102 Lincoln Road, Bklyn. N.Y.
823 Knickerbocker Ave.

Bklyn. N.Y.

Op. 10/19/18 K.I.A. C2

G.P.

16304

C O P Y

HEADQUARTERS
AMERICAN GRAVES REGISTRATION SERVICE, Q.M.C., IN EUROPE
8, Avenue d'Iena, Paris

FILE

Received, Cemeterial Div., O. O. M. G.
File # 293.8 - 16304

File No.

February 8, 1921

From: Chief,

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

Subject: Acknowledgment of Correspondence.

Receipt this date is acknowledged of the following
correspondence from your office:

1st Indorsement) dated: January 26, 1921

File No. 293.8 Cem. Div. - Registration

Subject: Regulation Crosses to be substituted for
"Stars of David"

- 19184 Ankelman, Rudolph, 1/s Pvt.
- 13008 Behrentz, Hilman J., Jr., Cpl.
- 16304 Berkemeyer, Raymond A., Sgt.
- etc.

H. P. RETHERS,
Colonel, Q.M.C.

Berkemeyer, Raymond A.

DMK.

C O P Y

H E A D Q U A R T E R S
AMERICAN GRAVES REGISTRATION SERVICE, Q.M.C., IN EUROPE
8, Avenue d'Iena, Paris

File No.

February 8, 1921

From: Chief.

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

Subject: Acknowledgment of Correspondence.

Receipt this date is acknowledged of the following
correspondence from your office:

1st Indorsement) dated: January 26, 1921

File No. 293.8 Cem. Div. - Registration

Subject: Regulation Crosses to be substituted for
"Stars of David"

Name: Ankelman, Rudolph, 1/c Pvt.
Behrents, Hilman J., Jr., Cpl.
Berkemeyer, Raymond A., Sgt.
etc.

H. F. RETHERS,
Colonel, Q.M.C.

DMK.

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

16304
Copy

Harlow.

NAME OF DECEASED SOLDIER

CEMETERY NO.

DATE

Berkemeyer, Raymond A., Sgt.

617 - 83

1/19/21.

SERIAL NUMBER

ORGANIZATION

1716413

Bty.F, 306th F.A.

Date of death - 8/25/18.

orig. attached
D 115,
2-2-21.
M.

WAR RISK INSURANCE INFORMATION

DATE

Adjustment Made
FEB 4 1921.

16304
File No.

NAME OF BENEFICIARY

RELATIONSHIP

Mrs. Elizabeth Tork Berkemeyer,

Mother

Address

720 Knickerbocker Ave., Brooklyn, N.Y.

S/709/LML

MKM

J

FROM, O. Q. M. G.
CEREMETRIAL DIVISION
Munitions Building
Room 1128

PLEASE
EXPEDITE

WAR DEPARTMENT
Office of the Quartermaster General of the Army
Washington

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

Date 12/2/20.

File No. 16304 Requisition.

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

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

Subject: Information required for G.R.S.

JTD

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

- a. Surname ~~Berkmeyer~~, (Berkemeyer) ^{OK}
- b. Christian name Raymond A. ^{OK}
- c. Serial Number 1716413. ^{OK}
- d. Organization Bat. F, 306th FA. ^{OK}
- e. Rank Sgt. ^{OK}
- f. Date of death 8/25/18. ^{OK}
- g. Cause of death K/A. ^{OK}
- h. Authority (C.O.#)
- i. Emergency address Mrs. E. Berkemeyer
- j. Relationship 1237 Madison St. (mother) Brooklyn, N.Y.

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

- a. Age of enlistment
- b. Color of eyes
- c. Color of hair
- d. Height
- e. Weight
- f. Permanent marks and physical defects at enlistment (Old fractures or breaks)

DENTAL CHARTS
(See Physical report of examination prior to enlistment)

a. Strike out teeth missing

8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	
								upper right								
								upper left								
8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	
								lower right								
								lower left								

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

BY: *H. J. Conner*
H. J. CONNER,
1st. Lieut. Q.M.C.

CEMETERY NO: 617.
SHEET NO: 83.
TYPED BY: rln.

S/713/LML *Donnelly - ass*
Enl Proc. 8-310
12-3-20

Rec'd World War Div.
12-3-20

Classification 1

Adjustment _____

CEMETERY DIVISION
GRAVES REGISTRATION SERVICE
REGISTRATION SECTION

Date 6/17/20

MEMORANDUM:

To: Registration Files Sub-Section.

Subject: Adjustments made on Registration Files.

FILE

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

	CORR.	ADD. DATA		CORR.	ADD. DATA
File Number			Date of Burial		
Name			Date of Reburial		
Serial Number			Burial Information		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Rank			Nearest Relative		
Organization			Notified Nearest Relative		
Cause of Death			Blue Card thrown out		
Date of Death			White Card set up		
Casualty Cablegram Number					

O.K. Alphabetical Files R.E.S. 6-21-20

~~O.K. Organization Files~~ _____

~~O.K. State Files.~~ _____

Cemetery Audit Department
Investigation & Adjustment Dept.

By H.P.

1 Cards attached.

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
CEMETERIAL DIVISION
WASHINGTON, D. C.

June 18, 1920.

No: 16304-Inquiry (Berkmeyer, Raymond A., Sgt.)
From: The Quartermaster General, U.S. Army, (Cemeterial Division)
To: Miss Elizabeth Berkemeyer, 1316 Halsay St., Brooklyn, N. Y.
Subject: Grave Location. Request for Permanent Burial in France.

FILE

1. In reply to your inquiry of June 9, 1920, we beg to say that the records of the Cemeterial Division contain the following information as to grave location of your brother, Sgt. Raymond A. Berkemeyer, serial #1716413, 306th F.A. Battery F., buried August 26, 1918 in American Battlefield Cemetery, Grave #33, Chery-Chartreuve, Department of Aisne; and reburied May 16, 1919 in American Cemetery, Grave No. 168, Section C, Plot #4, Fismes, Department of Marne.

2. The grave has been registered and suitably marked for present purposes, pending the adoption of a more permanent monument, by the National Fine Arts Commission, which now has the matter under consideration.

3. Your instructions as legal next of kin for the permanent burial of your brother in France will be granted, and your former request has been cancelled. The necessary instructions will be forwarded to the Chief, American Graves Registration Service, Q.M.C., in Europe.

By authority of the Quartermaster General:

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

fkw

CHARLES J. WYNNE,
Captain, Q. M. C.

2 encls.

A. B. S. MAILED

JUN 21 1920

June 9, 1920

16304
This copy not yet
repacked. nps 6/11

Charles C. Pierce, Chief
Graves Registration Service

Dear Sir:-

Received your letter notifying
me that my brother, who was killed
in action in France, August, 1918
Sgt. Raymond A. Berkemeyer
306th Field Artillery, Battery F
you notified me that his body was
removed to another cemetery in
France, on the Marne, an American
Cemetery, as I had made out an
application sent me by the U. S.
Government to have my brother's
body brought back to America.

Berkemeyer Raymond A.

[Red scribble]

DIV. G. M. C.
GENERAL

RECEIVED
INQ BRANCH
JUN 11 1920



1920

This matter attended to, if
is not your business, to attend
to this matter, please let me
know who I should write to.
I wrote to the War Dept. several
months ago, in regard to not
having my brother's body returned
to America and they have not
answered me as yet. Thanking
you for your trouble

Sincerely

Miss. Elizabeth Berkemeyer

1316 Halsey St.

Brooklyn,

N. Y.

we decided since then, that
I do not want his body returned
to America, I want his body
to remain in France with
his comrades on the field of
honor

I read in one of the New York
newspapers, that the Government
intend to start in the work of
returning the bodies of our two
to America, after September 15, 1920.
I would like to have you notify
the proper authorities, that I
want my brother Raymond's
body to remain in France.

Please let me know by
return mail if you will have

WAR DEPARTMENT
GRAVES REGISTRATION SERVICE
OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR OF PURCHASE & STORAGE
WASHINGTON

Berkemeyer

ANALYSIS OF INQUIRY *6/12/20*

_____ Circumstances of Death
(Par. #2, Bul. 10-C-W)

_____ Liberty Bonds
(G.R.S. Form 111)

_____ Flowers, Flags, etc.
(Par. #6, Bul. 10-C-W)

_____ War Risk Insurance
(G.R.S. Form 111)

_____ Monument
(Par. #6, Bul. 10-C-W)

_____ Photographs
(Par. #11, Bul. 10-C-W)

_____ Discrepancies in Inscription
(Par. #9, Bul. 10-C-W)

_____ Permanent Burial In
 (a) France (G.R.S. Form 106)

_____ Personal Effects
(G.R.S. Form 111)

_____ (b) Other Countries

_____ Accrued Pay
(G.R.S. Form 111)

_____ Return of Bodies From
 (a) France (G.R.S. Form 106)
(Par. #12, Bul. 10-C-W)
 (b) Other countries

_____ Maintenance
(Par. #7, Bul. 10-C-W)

Remarks: *G.P.*
note cancellation of former request
115

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

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

✓
Yui

✓
mjt

Analysis Clerk.

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

I. GENERAL INFORMATION on Cemetery No. (furnished by:) (date)

Data sent Overseas

Operations to commence (approx.)

Operations to be completed (approx.)

Bodies shipped from European Port

Bodies arrived at Hoboken

II. CASE OF Berkemeyer, Raymond a. Sgt. Btry. 7. 306th. S. a.
1. 716. 413.

The following information was abstracted (Date) from:

SOURCE	CLK.	in OFFICE		CLK.	in OFFICE
A. G. O. Cards			Shppg. Inquiry (sent.....)		
A.G.O. Corresp.			To.....		
G.R.S. corresp. relative to disp.			OSP. S-S Corresp. (see Remarks.)		

DESIRES as to Disposition.

a. G. O. Card.

Name of Relative	RETURN.			SPECIAL
	N. C.	Pvt. Int.	REMAIN	
Widow				
Children (Name oldest first)				
Father				
Mother				
Brothers				
✓ Sisters <u>Miss Eliz. Berkemeyer,</u> <u>1316 71st St. Brooklyn - N.Y.</u>				<u>ACM 6/16/30</u>

Body to be shipped to Miss Eliz. Berkemeyer - 1316 71st St. Brooklyn - N.Y. was shipped (Date)

REMARKS City 617 has not been reported by the
Audit Dept. 228B 4/15. 20

Classification

Adjustment

CEMETERYAL DIVISION
GRAVES REGISTRATION SERVICE
REGISTRATION SECTION

Date MAY 21 1920

MEMORANDUM:

To: Registration Files Sub-Section.

Subject: Adjustments made on Registration Files.

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

	CORR.	ADD. DATA		CORR.	ADD. DATA
File Number			Date of Burial		
Name			Date of Reburial		
Serial Number			Burial Information		✓
Rank			Nearest Relative		
Organization			Notified Nearest Relative		✓
Cause of Death			Blue Card thrown out		
Date of Death			White Card set up		
Casualty Cablegram Number					

O.K. Alphabetical Files HCN 5-22-20

~~O.K. Organization Files~~

~~O.K. State Files.~~

✓ *Card Department*
Cemetery Audit Department
Investigation & Adjustment Dept.
By MRBannan

1 Cards attached.

16807

1316 Halsey St
Brooklyn, N. Y.
April 25, 1925

Received - - - - -
Inq. Dept
APR 28 '25

Std. Col. Charles C. Pierce: -
Will you please attend to the following: - Some time ago I sent in an application to have the body of my dear brother who was killed in action returned to America, but I have changed my mind, and would like you to please notify the proper authorities that I want his dear body to remain in France, as I think it is best my brother's name is as follows

Sgt. Raymond A. Berkemeyer

306th Field Artillery

"Battery F" A. C. F.

There is another request I would like to ask of you, I received the photo of my brother's grave and it was marked in the inscription above his grave "Battery D" he belonged to "Battery F." at the time he was killed in action in August 1918 his Captain told me to notify you of this mistake. Please attend to the above as soon as possible and let me know the results. Thanking you for your trouble

Sincerely
Miss Elizabeth Berkemeyer
1316 Halsey St. Brooklyn, N. Y.

WAR DEPARTMENT
GRAVES REGISTRATION SERVICE
OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR OF PURCHASE & STORAGE
WASHINGTON

W

B

4/28/20

ANALYSIS OF INQUIRY

_____ Circumstances of Death
(Par. #2, Bul. 10-C-W)

_____ Liberty Bonds
(G.R.S. Form 111)

_____ Flowers, Flags, etc.
(Par. #6, Bul. 10-C-W)

_____ War Risk Insurance
(G.R.S. Form 111)

_____ Monument
(Par. #6, Bul. 10-C-W)

_____ Photographs
(Par. #11, Bul. 10-C-W)

✓ _____ Discrepancies in Inscription
(Par. #9, Bul. 10-C-W)

_____ Permanent Burial In
✓ (a) France (G.R.S. Form 106)

_____ Personal Effects
(G.R.S. Form 111)

_____ (b) Other Countries

_____ Accrued Pay
(G.R.S. Form 111)

_____ Return of Bodies From
_____ (a) France (G.R.S. Form 106)
(Par. #12, Bul. 10-C-W)
_____ (b) Other countries

_____ Maintenance
(Par. #7, Bul. 10-C-W)

Remarks: G. Y.

Note - Cancellation of former request
body to remain in France

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

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

omb.
Analysis Clerk.

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

I. GENERAL INFORMATION on Cemetery No. (furnished by: _____) (date _____)

Data sent Overseas _____
Operations to commence (approx.) _____
Operations to be completed (approx.) _____
Bodies shipped from European Port _____
Bodies arrived at Hoboken _____

II. CASE OF Berkemeyer, Raymond a. Sgt. Btry 7, 306th, I.A.
1, 716, 413

The following information was abstracted (Date) _____ from:

SOURCE	CLK.	in OFFICE		CLK.	in OFFICE
A. G. O. Cards			Shppg. Inquiry (sent _____)		
A.G.O. Corresp.			To _____		
G.R.S. corresp. relative to disp.			OSP S-S Corresp. (see Remarks.)		

a. G. O. Card. DESIRES as to Disposition.

Name of Relative	RETURN.			
	N. C.	Pvt. Int.	REMAIN	SPECIAL
Widow				
Children (Name oldest first)				
Father				
Mother				
Brothers		✓		
✓ Sisters Miss Eliz. Berkemeyer. 1316 Halsey St - Brooklyn - N.Y.				74-6-74.6/11

Body to be shipped to Miss Elizabeth Berkemeyer - 1316 Halsey St - Brooklyn - N.Y. was shipped (Date) _____

REMARKS Qty 617 was not been reported by the Audit - Dept.
BEB 4/11-20

Drawn by ~~HH~~
617-83

12-1-20
checked ~~HH~~

12.2.20

F

Miss. Elizabeth Berkemeyer
1316 Halsey St.

Brooklyn, N. Y.

RECEIVED DIVISION
MAY 27 1919

20
5
#16304
2737 Berkemeyer, Raymond &

War Department



FILE

Adjutant General: - Dear Sir: -

Would you please give me some information concerning the following: - My brother was killed in France, will the Government send his body home, (to New York) for burial, if this will be done how long will I have to wait for his remains to be sent here from France? will the Government pay the expenses etc. You will be doing me a great kindness by giving me all the information that is possible, my brother was killed in August 1918, he was the late Sgt. Raymond A. Berkemeyer ✓

306th Field Artillery Battery F.

Sincerely Miss. Elizabeth Berkemeyer
1316 Halsey St. Brooklyn, New York.

Received, A. G. O. MAY 29 1919

File 6-5-19 ac - bldg 73-7

June 5, 1919.

Miss Elizabeth Berkemeyer,
1516 Halsey Street,
Brooklyn, New York.

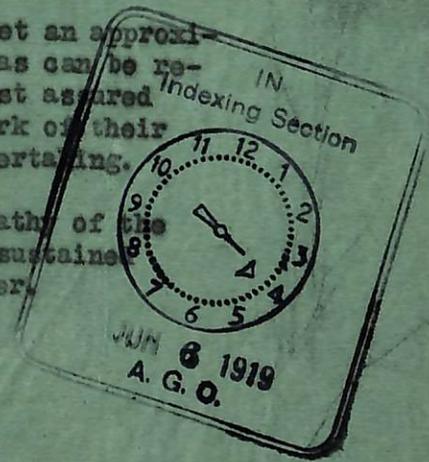
Dear Madam:

Replying to your letter of May 27th, I beg leave to advise you that it is the aim of the Government to deliver the bodies of our deceased soldiers, when desired, to the point designated by the relatives, and all expenses, including transportation, casket, shipping case, flag, and the preparation of the remains for shipment, will be paid by the United States. After the body has been turned over to the relatives the expenses incurred, not to exceed \$100.00, will be paid by the War Risk Insurance Bureau. These expenses include various items connected with the burial, such as the burial site, hire of hearse, flowers, music, etc. Claim for such expense must be made upon an application form (form 531) provided by the Bureau of War Risk Insurance.

The Department is not now in a position to set an approximate date when the bodies of soldiers left overseas can be returned to the United States, but relatives may rest assured that every effort will be made to expedite the work of their return just as soon as conditions warrant the undertaking.

It is desired to extend to you the deep sympathy of this Department on account of the great loss you have sustained in the death of your brother, Raymond A. Berkemeyer.

Very sincerely,



The Adjutant General
Per W. V. Carter

Burial Record Section

*File
ac-Bldg 7 3-7
6-5-19*

