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G.R.S. Form #114-B

CAUSE OF DEATH

*W.I.A.*

✓ FULL NAME ..... *OK* BEST, William C. ....

✓ RANK ..... *OK* Private SERIAL ..... 2260485. ....

✓ DIVISION & ORGANIZATION ..... *OK* Co. B, 59th Inf. .... *OK*

✓ DATE OF DEATH ..... *OK* 8-9-18. ....

✓ STATE FROM WHICH HE CAME ..... *Montana* .....

MEDALS OR DECORATIONS AWARDED. *none*

FINAL GRAVE LOCATION ..... 25 ..... 5 ..... B .....

Date Grave Row Block

1764

Cemetery

8  
A. G. O.  
MAY 9 1927  
WORLD WAR DIV.

*61447-247*  
AUDITED BY  
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*5-31-27*

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# GRAVE LOCATION BLANK

LOCATION OF THE GRAVE OF

Best 2260435 William C.  
(Surname.) (Number.) (First Name and Initials.)

Pvt. B 59th Inf.  
(Rank.) (Organization.)

DATE OF BURIAL Aug. 9, 1918.

PLACE OF BURIAL Juilly, Seine et Marne.

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

American Cemetery west of and immediately adjoining Juilly Cemetery

GRAVE NUMBER 147

HOW MARKED: Name Peg? No Cross? Yes

Headboard? No 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:

*Charles E. Lore*  
(Signature and Rank of Reporting Officer.)

CHAS. E. LORE

This portion to be forwarded to Adj. Gen'l., G. H. Q. A. E. F.  
Capt. Q. M. C. N. G. U. S.

CODE SLIP



HEADING	SUB-HEADING	NO. OF COLS	CODE
NAME <i>Best,</i>	<i>BES</i>	3	<i>259<sup>0</sup></i>
<i>William C</i>	CEMETERY <i>1764</i>	1	<i>4</i>
BURIED	GRAVE <i>25</i>	2	<i>25</i>
	ROW <i>5</i>	2	<i>05</i>
	BLOCK <i>B</i>	1	<i>2</i>
STATE	<i>Montana</i>	2	<i>31</i>
RANK	<i>Priv</i>	1	<i>2</i>
DIVISION	<i>4</i>	2	<i>04</i>
ORGANIZATION	<i>59</i>	3	<i>059</i>
ARM	<i>Inf</i>	1	<i>1</i>
MARTIAL <i>(Father)</i>	<i>No</i>	1	<i>2</i>
NAME <i>Best</i>	<i>BES</i>	5	<i>259</i>
<i>William</i>	STATE <i>Idaho</i>	2	<i>12</i>
RESIDENCE	COUNTY <i>Blaine</i>	2	<i>3</i>
<i>Leadore, Idaho</i>	CITY <i>Leadore</i>	3	<i>xxx</i>
RELATION	<i>mother</i>	1	<i>1</i>
OTHER <i>no son</i>	<i>father</i>	1	<i>1</i>
ELIGIBILITY <i>no</i>	<i>Dead</i>	1	<i>6</i>
NATIVITY		1	
RACE		1	
ENGLISH		1	
ATTENDANT		1	
HEALTH		1	
NO. OF SONS		1	<i>AUG 17 1932</i>
DATE OF	MO. <i>RS</i>	1	
TRIP	YR.	1	
ACCEPTANCE	<i>Leadore</i>	1	<i>3</i>

**AUDITED**

AUG 17 1932

*RS*

*McJ*

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WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

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IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

Best, William C. - 1764 F

July 7, 1930

Mr. William Best  
Leadore, Idaho

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?

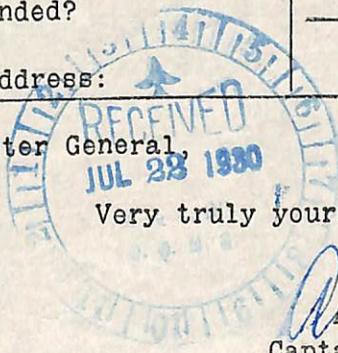
If so, give her name and address:

no

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

Enclosures:  
Envelope  
Act  
Amendment



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

WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

Best, William C.

July 29, 1929

Mr. William Best  
Leadore, Idaho

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 Private William C. Best, Co. B. 59th Inf., whose remains are now interred in the Aisne-Marne American Cemetery, Belleau, Aisne, France.

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

Write answers in space below:

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

Never Married.

2. If so, give her complete address.

None.

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

None.

4. Does she desire to make the pilgrimage?

None

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

*John T. Harris*

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

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Act of Congress  
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Mr. William Best,  
Leadore,  
Idaho.

WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

Best, William C.

June 12, 1929.

Mrs G.E. Burwell,  
Kemmerer, Wyo.

XC-30783  
7-17-AM

Dear Madam:

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

The records of this office show that you are the sister of the late Private William C. Best, Co. B, 59th Inf., whose remains are now interred in the Aisne-Marne American Cemetery, Belleau, Aisne, France.

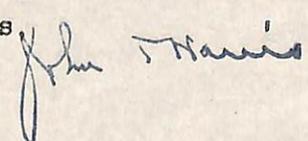
Will you please advise this office whether or not he is survived by a mother or widow who is entitled under the provisions of the above quoted Act, to make the pilgrimage, and if so, will you please furnish the full names and addresses of the mother and widow in order that action may be taken to extend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

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

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

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,



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

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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,

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Envelope

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

WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

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Mrs G.E. Burwell,  
Kemmerer, Wyo.

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The records of this office show that you are the **sister of** the late Private William G. Best, Co. B, 59th Inf., whose remains are now interred in the Aisne-Marne American Cemetery, Belleau, Aisne, France.

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

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Very truly yours,

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

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WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

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If so, give her name and address:

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If so, give her name and address:

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

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DATE \_\_\_\_\_

1. NAME BEST, William C SERIAL No. 2260485

RANK Pvt. ORGANIZATION Co. B. 59th Inf.

GRAVE LOCATION American Cty. JUILLY (S-et-M) 247  
CTY. NAME NUMBER

147

GRAVE ROW PLOT

2. ORIGINAL BATTLE AREA GRAVE LOCATION 147 Amer. Cem. #247, Juilly, (S-et-M).  
GRAVE COMMUNE DEPT.

COORDINATES \_\_\_\_\_

CONCENTRATED TO \_\_\_\_\_  
DATE GRAVE ROW PLOT

CEMETERY CTY. NUMBER

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

(Information in paragraph 2 taken from Form 1-A)

SUBSEQUENT REBURIALS \_\_\_\_\_  
DATE GRAVE ROW PLOT CEMETERY

DATE GRAVE ROW PLOT CEMETERY

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

3. FINAL GRAVE LOCATION 12/17/22 25 5 Block B  
DATE GRAVE ROW PLOT

Aisne-Marne American Cemetery #1764  
CEMETERY

UPDATED BY

To be prepared in triplicate.

DATE Nov. 28, 21

REPORT OF DISINTERMENT, PREPARATION, SHIPMENT AND REBURIAL OF BODY

DISINTERMENT

COMPARATIVE REPORT

Records of G.R.S. Headquarters. <sup>jc.</sup> Discrepancy found upon exhumation of body

1. Name BEST, William C 10. Name \_\_\_\_\_

2. No. 2260485 11. No. \_\_\_\_\_

3. Rank Pvt. 12. Rank \_\_\_\_\_

4. Org. Co. B. 59th Inf. 13. Org. \_\_\_\_\_

5. D.D. Aug. 9th 1918 14. (a) D.D. \_\_\_\_\_

6. C.D. DOWRIA (b) D.B. No discrepancy.

Discrepancy found upon disinterment

7. Grave No. 147 Sec. \_\_\_\_\_ 15. Grave No. \_\_\_\_\_ Sec. \_\_\_\_\_

8. Plot \_\_\_\_\_ Row \_\_\_\_\_ 16. Plot \_\_\_\_\_ Row \_\_\_\_\_

9. \_\_\_\_\_ 17. No discrepancy

18. Cemetery Amer. Cty 19. Commune or town JULLY

20. Dept. or County S-et-M 21. Country France

22. G.R.S. Hdqrs. Code No. 247

23. Disinterred (Date) Nov. 28, 21 By S.I. Talmage.

24. Inscription on grave marker:

Name BEST, William C. Serial No. 2860485

Rank Pvt. Organization Co. B., 59th Inf.

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

E. J. Lock  
 Signature Junior Technical Assistant

E. J. Lock.

PREPARATION

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

27. Condition of body Badly decomposed; features unrecognizable.

28. Nature of burial In hospital shroud and pine box.

29. Any discrepancy noted upon examination of body, as compared with G.R.S. records quoted above? Tag on body entirely corroded.

30. Body prepared and placed in casket: Date Nov. 28, 21 By S.I. Talmage.

31. Casket sealed by S.I. Talmage.

Signature of Embalmer, (Supervisor)

S.I. Talmage.

*19/21/21*  
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SHIPMENT. (Show actual marking of box.) Box No. C-16848

32. Designation of body:

Name William C. BEST Serial No. 2260485

Rank Pvt. Organization Co. B. 59th Inf.

33. Consigned to: Officer i/c

Name of Permanent Cemetery Aisne-Marne Amer. Cty. 1764 BELLEAU (Aisne)

34. Casket boxed and marked (Date) Nov. 28, 21 By S.I. Talmage.

35. I hereby certify that all the foregoing operations were conducted and accomplished under my immediate supervision and that the report above is correct.

Signature of G.R.S. Inspector J.P. Glandon, Capt. QMC.

36. Remarks \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

37. Shipped from point of Operation: (Date) Nov. 28, 21

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

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

38. Received at Railhead or Point of Concentration: Date \_\_\_\_\_

By G.R.S. Representative \_\_\_\_\_

39. Shipped from Railhead or Point of Concentration: Date \_\_\_\_\_

To Permanent Cemetery \_\_\_\_\_

Convoyer \_\_\_\_\_ Signature Shipping Officer \_\_\_\_\_

40. Received: Date Dec. 1-21

G.R.S. Representative W.D. Cleary

41. Reinterred Dec. 17, 1922 Aisne-Marne Cty 1764  
(Date)

42. Grave No. 25 Section \_\_\_\_\_

43. Plot Block B Row 5

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

Place JUKLLY

# REPORT OF DISINTERMENT AND REBURIAL

Date Nov. 28, 21

1. REMAINS OF BEST, William C SERIAL NUMBER 2260485

RANK Pvt. ORGANIZATION Co. B., 59th Inf. V

2. Disinterred (date): Nov. 28, 21 From (give complete location):

Grave 147, Cemetery 247

By: Group 1 Unit Field Section 3.

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

Dec. 17, 1922 Grave 25, Block B, Row 5, Aisne-Marne Cty 1764

By: Group re-burial group Unit \_\_\_\_\_ Nature of Reburial Lined casket

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

Badly decomposed; features unrecognizable. In hospital shroud and pine box.

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

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

Under grave marker.

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

Teeth even and reg.

(a) Height (actual measurement) Impossible to determine

(b) Weight, (estimated) Impossible to det.

(c) Hair—Color Apparently dark brown

Quantity Impossible to estimate

Characteristics Straight

(d) Hair on face—Color None visible

Location None visible

Quantity None visible

(e) Permanent marks on body (old scars, peculiarities,

or missing parts None visible

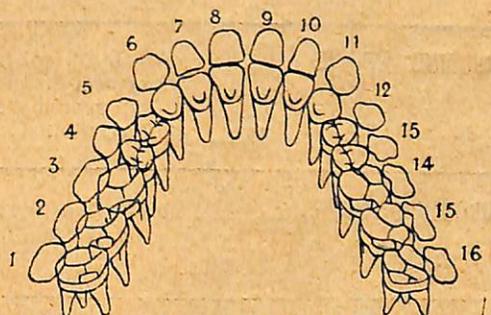
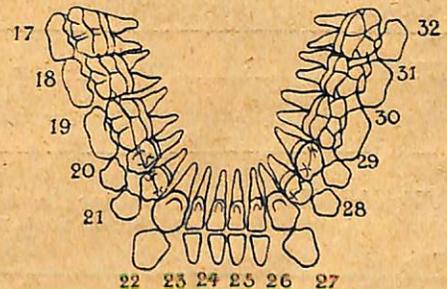


Diagram represents the mouth wide open



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

Skull posted. Collar bone fractured. Lower jaw fractured.

7. Disinterment supervised by

S.I Talmage.

Approved:

J.P. Glandon, Capt. QMC.

(Title)

8. Reburial Supervised by

L.D. HAYS

Approved:

W.D. Cleary, Lt. Chaplain USA

(Title)

COMPILATION OF DISPOSITION OF REMAINS DATA

File #8991

I. LOCATION INDEX CARD:

(a) Name BEST, William C. Ser. No. 2260485
(b) Rank Pvt. Organization Co. B, 59th Inf.
(c) Date of death 8-9-18 (d) Cause of death DWRIA
TYP. egp
CKR. B.I.

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

(a) Grave No. 147 Row -- Plot -- Sec. TYP. egp
(b) Emerg. Address Travonen Best (sister) 839 N. Montana St., Butte, Mont.

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

IV. A. G. O. DISPOSITION CARD:

Date of receipt L.G. 1-11-21

(a) Name (b) Relationship
(c) Address
(d) Remains to be brought to U. S.?
(e) To be interred in National Cemetery in U. S. at
(f) Shipping instructions upon arrival of body in U. S.
(g) Disposition instructions if not brought to U. S.

No card brought

Examiner's Initials Date, 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 L.G. Date 1-11-1920.

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

No request for disposition

(a) Cancellation memos referred to? Yes all

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Examiner's Initials AH Date 2-10-21, 1920.

COUNTRY France

CEMETERY No. 247

SHEET No. 11

CARDED

2/10/21. F.L.

VII. G. R. S. Form No. 114 made \_\_\_\_\_, 1920.

RECEIVED BY  
MAIL UNIT

Typed by \_\_\_\_\_, Checked by \_\_\_\_\_, 1920.

JUL 1 1921

VIII. FINAL ACTION:

Feb 16 1921

Cemeterial Division

Following advice forwarded to Europe by

{ cable on \_\_\_\_\_, 1920  
letter on JAN 29 1921, 1920

Par. #2, Not To Be Returned

Ed.

IX.

CORRECTIONS

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

X. SUSPENSION REMARKS: <sup>N.</sup> 2/19/21 F-120 sent to Miss Travonen Best, 839/Montana St., Butte, Mont., returned, unclaimed.

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

MONMOUTH, N.J.

NAME OF DECEASED SOLDIER	CEMETERY NO.	DATE
<del>NAME</del>	<del>NO.</del>	<del>DATE</del>
<del>2260485</del>	<del>247-11</del>	<del>March 14, 1921.</del>
<del>2260485</del>	<del>Co. B, 59th Inf.</del>	<del>8/9/18</del>

WAR RISK INSURANCE INFORMATION

NAME OF BENEFICIARY

STATE

RELATIONSHIP

Address

Cor. Sec.

WAR DEPARTMENT.

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

~~General Registration Service~~  
Hoboken, N. J.

OFFICIAL BUSINESS.



RETURN TO WRITER  
UNCLAIMED, P.O.  
H. O. B.

Miss Travonen Best,  
~~839 N. Montana St.,~~  
Butte, Montana

*No later*

FEB 26 1921

BUTTE  
FEB 26  
2 PM  
1921  
MONT.

ADDRESS YOUR MAIL  
TO STREET AND NUMBER

MONT.  
FEB 26  
1921



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

FEB 19 1921

MAR 2 1921

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

To: Miss Travonen Best, 839 N. Montana St., Butte, Mont.

SUBJECT: Remains of Pvt. William C. Best, Ser. No. 2260485  
Co. B, 59th Inf.

The records of this office show that you have requested that the body of the above named no request has been made for the disposition of his remains

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? .....

NAME OF—	NO. AND STREET.	TOWN.	STATE.
Soldier's widow .....			
Soldier's children. (Name oldest first.)	1 .....		
	2 .....		
	3 .....		
Father .....			
Mother .....			
Brothers. (Name oldest first.)	1 .....		
	2 .....		
	3 .....		
Sisters. (Name oldest first.)	1 .....		
	2 .....		
	3 .....		

*Noted 15  
2-27-1921  
unclaimed  
(AP)*

Date .....

Signature .....

Address .....

Relationship .....

COMPILATION OF DISPOSITION OF REMAINS DATA

I. LOCATION INDEX CARD:

File #8991

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 (b) Rank Pvt. Organization Co. B, 59th Inf. B.I.  
 (c) Date of death 8-9-18 Cause of death DWARIA

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III. Files of soldiers dying from contagious diseases..... CKR 13 J

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

*No card in file*  
*No request for disposition*  
 [AP 2-9-21]

V. Following advice forwarded to Europe by - (cable on      192     )  
 (letter of transmittal on JAN 29 1921 192     )

Par. #2, Not To Be Returned EW. **FEB 14 1921**

VI. Form 115 forwarded to G.R.S. Hoboken, N.J. .... 192     

VII. SUPPLEMENTARY REQUESTS

Date of and Source	Relationship and name	Desires	Action taken

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

CEMETERY NO.

SHEET NO.

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*Robert W. Wash*

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HOBOKEN, N.J.

OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
GENERAL DIVISION  
COMMERCIAL PROPERTY SECTION

NAME OF DECEASED SOLDIER	CITIZENSHIP NO.	DATE
BEST, William C. Pvt.	247-----11	March 14, 1921.
SERIAL NUMBER	ORGANIZATION	DATE OF DEATH
2260485	Co. B, 59th Inf.	8/9/18

Copy forwarded to  
Adjustment Department  
Date 6-24-21 g.c.

WAR RISK INSURANCE INFORMATION

DATE
RELATIONSHIP
<i>Sister</i>

NAME OF BENEFICIARY  
*Mrs. Clara Schleicher*

Address  
*Apex, Mont.*

Cor. Sec.

*no Record  
H/S  
4/26/21*

Claim 30783 ●

~~W.A.~~

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G E Burwell

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REGISTRATION CARD  
FILE NO. 8991

12/26/18

MEMO FOR : G.R.S. representative, C.R.O.

SUBJECT : Information required for G R S.

I. Items checked are to be completed :

- ( ) Surname : Best.
- ( ) Number : 2260485 ✓
- ( ) First name : William.C. ✓
- ( ) Rank : Pvt. ✓
- ( ) Company : B.
- ( ) Organization : 59th Inf.
- ( ) Date of death : 8/9/18.
- ( ) Cause : w/a ✓
- ( ) Place :

Location of hospital :

Number » »

Class » »

- ( ) Relative : *Wm* Trevonen Best ✓
- ( ) Relationship : Sister
- ( ) Address : 839 N. Montana, St.  
Butte, Montana.

- ( ) Authority :
- Cablegram No :
- Telegram from :

dated : 10-26-18.

- ( ) Reported to Washington :
- C.C. Nos : 220

(Underscore the "official" C.C.)

- ( ) Remarks :

Notification was sent to this address and returned, advise correct address.

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

Initials of reporter :

# GRAVE LOCATION BLANK

LOCATION OF THE GRAVE OF

8911

Best ..... 2260435 ..... William G. ....  
(Surname.) (Number.) (First Name and Initials.)

Pvt. ..... B ..... 59th Inf. ....  
(Rank.) (Organization.)

DATE OF BURIAL Aug. 9, 1918.

PLACE OF BURIAL Juilly, Seine et Marne.  
(Give Cemetery, Town and Department.) Map reference must specify clearly what map is used.

American Cemetery west of and im-  
mediately adjoining Juilly Cemetery

GRAVE NUMBER. 147

247

HOW MARKED: Name Peg? No ..... Cross? Yes .....  
Headboard? No ..... 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:

Chas B. Lore  
(Signature and Rank of Reporting Officer.)

This portion to be sent to CHAS B. LORE Chief of Graves Registration Service.  
Capt. Q. M. C. N. G. U. S.

WAR DEPARTMENT.

**GRAVES REGISTRATION SERVICE**

**American Expeditionary Forces.**

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2nd Lieut., Q.M.C.

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*Returned to Writer.*

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Unclassified  
From  
Butte, Mont.  
P. O.

Trevonen Best,  
839 North Montana St.,  
Butte, Montana.

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WAR RISK INSURANCE INFORMATION  
DATE \_\_\_\_\_

PERSON NAMED BY SOLDIER TO BE BENEFICIARY OF INSURANCE RELATIONSHIP

**Mrs. Clara Schleicher** **Sister**

ADDRESS  
**Apex, Mont.**

PERSON RECEIVING DEATH COMPENSATION RELATIONSHIP