

CAUSE OF DEATH

*Killed in action*

FULL NAME.. *BIGLOW, Leslie*

RANK... *Pvt.*

SERIAL

117712

DIVISION & ORGANIZATION

*55th Company, 5th <sup>Regt.</sup> Marines*

*2<sup>nd</sup> Div*

DATE OF DEATH

~~6-9-1918~~

*6-10-18*

STATE FROM WHICH HE CAME

*new york*

MEDALS OR DECORATIONS AWARDED

*None*

FINAL GRAVE LOCATION

Date

Grave

Row

Block

1

9

A

Cemetery # 1764

Cemetery

721

GRAVE LOCATION BLANK.

LOCATION OF THE GRAVE OF

Biglow 117712 Leslie  
(Surname.) (Number.) (First Name and Initials.)

Private 5th Marines  
(Rank.) (Organization.)

DATE OF BURIAL June 7, 1918.

PLACE OF BURIAL La Voie du Chatel

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

Meaux map

GRAVE NUMBER 10

HOW MARKED: Name Peg? yes 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:

John J. Brady

John J. Brady

(Signature and Rank of Reporting Officer.)

Chaplain USN

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

Lt (jg)

✓

CODE SLIP

HEADING	SUB HEADING	NO. OF COLS	CODE
NAME	<i>Beelow Leslie</i>	3	297
BURIED	CEMETERY <i>1764</i>	1	4
	GRAVE <i>1</i>	2	01
	ROW <i>9</i>	2	09
	BLOCK <i>R</i>	1	1
STATE	<i>N.Y.</i>	2	37
RANK	<i>Private</i>	1	4
DIVISION	<i>2nd</i>	2	02
ORGANIZATION	<i>5th</i>	3	005
ARM	<i>U.S.M.C.</i>	1	X
MARITAL	<i>(Cousin) No</i>	1	2
NAME	<i>Merrilees, G.D.N.</i>	3	197
RESIDENCE	<i>Mrs. Susan 100 W. 99th St. New York, N.Y.</i>	2	37
	COUNTY <i>Richmond</i>	2	31
	CITY <i>Brooklyn</i>	3	101
RELATION	<i>Mother</i>	1	1
OTHER	<i>no son no low</i>	1	3 <i>ju</i>
ELIGIBILITY	<i>Dead-1913</i>	1	6
NATIVITY		1	
RACE		1	
ENGLISH		1	
ATTENDANT		1	
HEALTH		1	
NO. OF SONS		1	
DATE OF TRIP	MO. YR.	1	
ACCEPTANCE		1	

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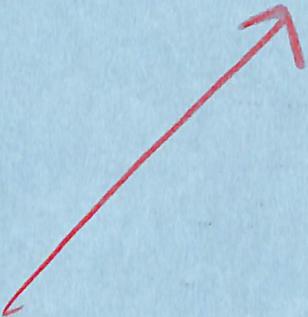
OUT-CHARGE SHEET

Date charged out

Charged to

Remarks:

MRS SUSAN MERRILEES, 100 West 99th St, New York City, MADE PILGRIMAGE MAY 27, 1931  
IN HONOR OF HER SON, CHARLES GEORGE GUNDERSON (LAS)



**INSTRUCTIONS.**—If a document is taken from the files, charge it to the person to whom delivered. Make charge sheet in duplicate. Place one in record file and one in suspended file used for follow up on “charge out sheets.”

QM 293 AM  
Biglow, Leslie Pvt. 1764

February 11, 1931.

*Merrilee*  
Miss Susan Gunderson,  
100 West 99th St.,  
New York, N. Y.

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For The Quartermaster General.

Very truly yours,

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

Natural father deserted  
mother. - She remarried  
to a man by the name  
of "White" - She she died  
in 1913. The Vet. ent.  
April 20-1917- The  
step-father remarried  
6-22-17 to a woman  
by the name of "Anna"  
The half Bro. is drawing  
the ins!

V.B 3-16-31  
Cl-21843

WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

DATE 8-18-30

*Mother died 1913  
Bn Nov 7-1897  
Enl Apr 20-17*

NAME Biglow, Leslie RANK Pvt SERIAL 117712 ORGANIZATION 55th Co 5th Regt. M.C. DATE OF DEATH 6-9-18

STATE New York CTY. NO. 1764 GRAVE 1 ROW 9 BLOCK a

NAME AND ADDRESS	Check relationship	Living - Deceased		
		Living	Deceased	
	MOTHER	:	✓	(Half Bro) Bus. beneficiary Jordan White 457 West 34th St New York N.Y.
	STEPMOTHER (For the year prior to commencement of service)	:	:	
	MOTHER THRU ADOPTION (For the year prior to commencement of service)	✓		<u>no legal adoption</u> <u>see note</u>
	MOTHER IN LOCO PARENTIS (For the year prior to commencement of service)	:	:	<u>Miss Susan Merrillees</u> <u>100 West 99th St</u> <u>New York, N.Y.</u>
	WIDOW (Who has not remarried)	:	:	
	<i>single man</i>	:	:	

Veterans Bureau Claim Number XC 21843

29/156/ note - no legal adoption - *5/27*  
Bureau determined that claimant did not stand in loco parentis  
to veteran - decision made in 1928

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OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

Biglow, Leslie - 1764 Cousin

July 7, 1930

*ms. merrilee*  
~~Miss~~ Susan Anderson  
100 W. 99th Street  
New York, N. Y.

Dear Madam:

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

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

1. Is the deceased survived by a mother?

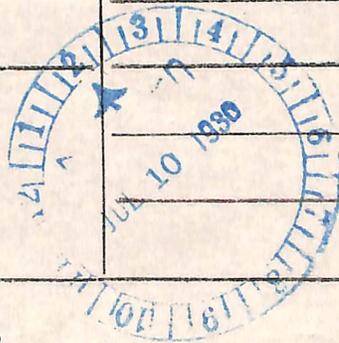
If so, give her name and address:

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,

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

Enclosures:  
Envelope  
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OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL

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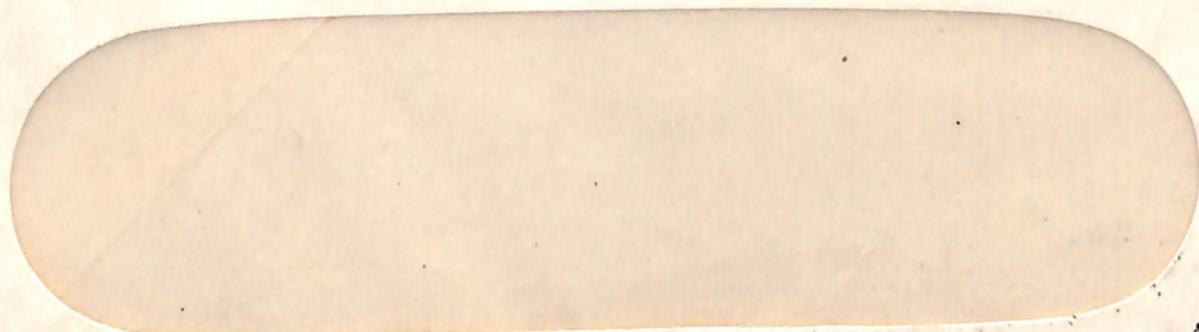
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# 100 Wash. 99<sup>th</sup> St.

V<sup>o</sup> M<sup>o</sup> 293 A. C.

John J. Harris  
Major G. M. Corps  
Assistant-

Dear Sir

In reply to your  
letter of June 12<sup>th</sup> I wish to say  
that Leslie Biglow's mother  
died 13<sup>th</sup> Feb. 1913. & he was  
not married. I adopted Leslie  
but neglected to take out  
his adoption Papers.

Respectfully Yrs  
Mrs) Susan Lunderson  

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*(Merritees)*

WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

June 12, 1929.

Biglow, Leslie.

*ms. mericles*  
Miss Susan Anderson,  
100 W. 99th St.,  
New York, N.Y.

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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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Act of Congress.  
Envelope.

QM 295 AM  
Biglow, Leslie Pvt. 1764

February 11, 1931.

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OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
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OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
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Q.M.G.-M. & R.DIV.

QM 293 A-C Biglow, Leslie 1st Ind.  
December 3, 1928. - To Director, United States Veterans' Bureau, Wash-  
ington, D. C.

As a matter pertaining to your office. The writer has been ad-  
vised of this reference.

For The Quartermaster General:

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

Q.M. G-M & R DIV.

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QM 293 A-C  
Biglow, Leslie

December 3, 1928.

Mrs. Susan Merrilees,  
100 West 99th Street,  
New York, N. Y.

Dear Madam:

Acknowledging receipt of your letter of November 26th, 1928,  
The Quartermaster General desires you be advised that all matters per-  
taining to the payment of insurance of former service men, are under the  
jurisdiction of the United States Veterans' Bureau, this city. In view  
thereof, your letter has been referred to that office for necessary action  
and reply.

Very truly yours,

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

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100 W. 99th St., New York City

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

My dear Major:

Received your card giving permanent cemetery and grave location. Th  
Thanks for same. Though Leslie was taken care of by me as my son and called  
me mother, though not legally adopted, having no mother being turned out by  
his step-father- taken in by me, looker after mothered and cared for. Went  
to our World's War, with my three other sons, was killed in action as was  
also my son Charles Gunderson on the S.S. Florence H U S N 14604. Bothe  
were insured by the Government, my son's insurance went to his sister Mrs.  
Anna Gunderson ; I as his mother made no effort to secure same but did try  
to, regarding Leslie Biglow's as he gave me an allotment fo \$20.00 a month.  
His step father found out there was insurance and liberty Bonds coming, made  
his claim allso on behalf of himself and step son infant. Claim was +  
believe held up pending settlement. The Government asked me to give them  
all the papers regarding my claim- some years ago, have heard nothing  
since, whether a settlement has been made or not. Could you please find  
out and let me know if there has been a settlement made since sending my  
papers. Thanking you in advance.

I remain,

Respectfully yours,

Susan Herrilees;

D.M.G-M & R DIV

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QM 293 A-C  
(Biglow, Local 13)

November 20, 1928.

Mrs. Susan Gunderson,  
100 West 99th St.,  
New York City, N. Y.

Dear Madam:

The inclosed card gives the permanent cemetery and grave location of the late ~~Louis Biglow~~.

The Quartermaster General desires that you be informed that all American military cemeteries, both in Europe and in our own country, will be maintained by the Government forever, the graves permanently marked by headstones showing the ~~decedent's~~ name, rank, organization, State, and date of death, all of which will be done without the necessity of requests emanating from relatives.

Please understand that in effecting the final disposition of our heroic dead the utmost care and reverence is exercised.

Very truly yours,

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

1 Incl.  
Record card.

28/570

RECORDED  
NOV 24 1928  
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✓

To be prepared in triplicate.

DATE Oct. 5, 1922

REPORT OF DISINTERMENT, PREPARATION, SHIPMENT AND REBURIAL OF BODY

DISINTERMENT

COMPARATIVE REPORT

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

Discrepancy found upon exhumation of body  
**Body disc shows:**  
**aise-**

1. Name BIGLOW, Leslie

10. Name \_\_\_\_\_

2. No. -- 117712

11. No. "117712"

3. Rank Pvt.

12. Rank \_\_\_\_\_

4. Org. 35th Co. Reg. U.S.M.C.  
Co. H. 5th Marines.

13. Org. "U.S.M.C. 20 Apr '17  
55.5"

5. D.D. June 9th.18

14. (a) D.D. \_\_\_\_\_

6. C.D. KIA

(b) D.B. \_\_\_\_\_

Discrepancy found upon disinterment

7. Grave No. 21 Sec. U

15. Grave No. \_\_\_\_\_ Sec. \_\_\_\_\_

8. Plot 1 Row \_\_\_\_\_

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

9. \_\_\_\_\_

17. no discrep.

18. Cemetery Aisne-Marne Amer.

19. Commune or town Belleau

20. Dept. or County Aisne.

21. Country France

22. G.R.S. Hdqrs. Code No. \_\_\_\_\_

1764

23. Disinterred (Date) Oct. 5, 1922

By C.P. Keating.

24. Inscription on grave marker:

Name Leslie Biglow

Serial No. \_\_\_\_\_

Rank Pvt.

Organization Co. H. 5th. Marines.

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

W. D. Wall Jr.  
Signature Junior Technical Assistant

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).

Bottle record agrees; also gave Ser.No."117712". Marine buttons.

27. Condition of body Badly decomposed. Features unrecog.

28. Nature of burial Wrapped in burlap and in wooden box.

29. Any discrepancy noted upon examination of body, as compared with G.R.S. records quoted above? Body disc read: "Leslie Biglow, 117712, U.S.M.C. 20 Apr '17 55.5"

30. Body prepared and placed in casket: Date Oct. 5, 1922 By C.P. Keating

31. Casket sealed by C. P. Keating

Signature of Embalmer, (Supervisor

C. P. Keating

*2493  
9/26/26*

SHIPMENT. (Show actual marking of box.) Box No. ~~XXXXXX~~ **G-31195 C-31374**

32. Designation of body:

Name **Leslie BIGLOW.** Serial No. \_\_\_\_\_

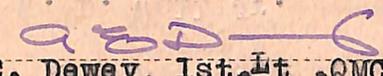
Rank **Pvt.** Organization **Co. H. 5th Marines.**

33. Consigned to:

Name of Permanent Cemetery **Aisne-Marne Amer.Cty.1764, Belleau. Aisne.**

34. Casket boxed and marked (Date) **Oct. 5, 1922** By **C. P. Keating**

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

Signature of G.R.S. Inspector  **A. E. Dewey, 1st.Lt. QMC**

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

**none**

37. Shipped from point of Operation: (Date) **Oct. 5, 1922**

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 **Oct. 5, 1922**

To Permanent Cemetery **Aisne Marne Cem.1764, Belleau (Aisne)** (Name)

Convoyer \_\_\_\_\_ Signature Shipping Officer  **A. E. Dewey, 1st.Lt. QMC**

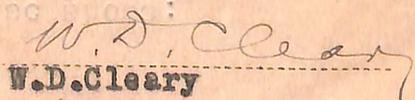
40. Received: Date \_\_\_\_\_

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

41. Reinterred **Oct. 5, 1922, Aisne Marne Cem.1764, Belleau (Aisne)** (Date)

42. Grave No. **1** Section **-----**

43. Plot **BLOCK** Row **9**

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

tab

Place **Belleau (Aisne)**

**REPORT OF DISINTERMENT AND REBURIAL**

Date **Oct. 5, 1922**

1. REMAINS OF **BIGLOW, Leslie**

SERIAL NUMBER **117712**

RANK **Pvt.**

ORGANIZATION **55th Co. H. 5th. Marines.**

*Reg. U.S.M.*

2. Disinterred (date):

From (give complete location):

**Oct. 5, 1922, Gr. 21, Pl. 1. Sec. U Cem. 1764**

By: Group **2**

Unit **Aism Marne**

3. Reburied (date):

In (give complete location):

**Oct. 5, 1922**

**Gr. 1, Block A.**

By: Group **Row 9, Aisne-Marne Cem. 1764, Belleau (Aisne)**

Nature of Reburial

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

**lined casket**

**Badly decomposed. Features unrecog..**

**Wrapped in burlap and in wooden box.**

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

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

**Bottle record agrees, also gave ser. no. "117712". Marine buttons.**

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

(a) Height (actual measurement) **Imp. to determine**

(b) Weight (estimated) **Imp. to estimate**

(c) Hair—Color **none visible**

Quantity

Characteristics

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

Location

Quantity

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

or missing parts) **none discernible**

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

**Fracture: Left pelvis.  
Missing parts: None visible**

**W. D. Wall Jr. Checker**

7. Disinterment supervised by

**C. P. Keating, S.B.**

Approved:

**A. E. Dewey, 1st Lt. QM**

(Title)

8. Reburial supervised by

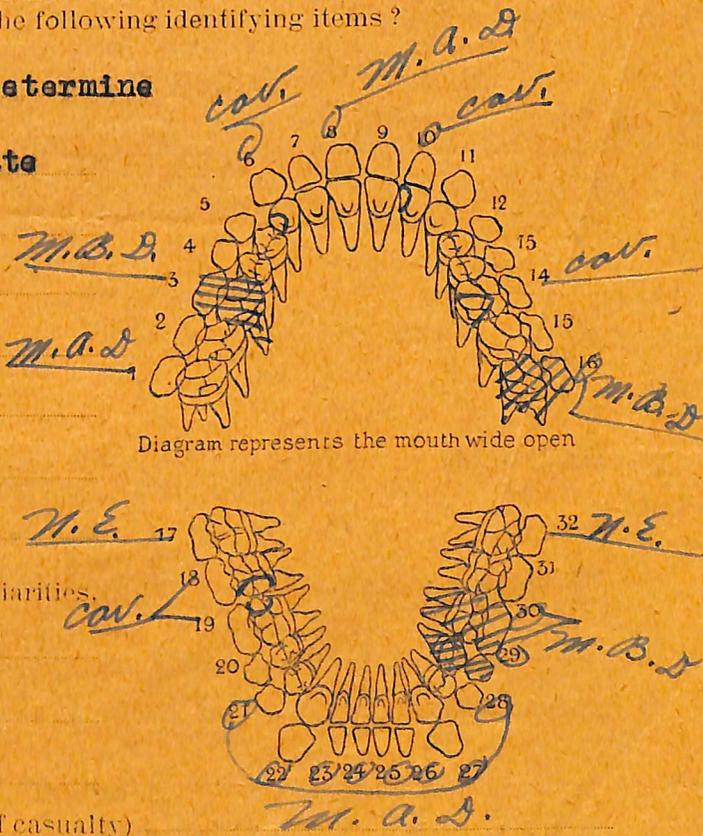
*W. D. Clear*

Approved:

(Title)

**W. D. Clear,  
Lt., Chaplain, USA.**

**L. D. Hays**



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

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

1. Show soldier's name, serial number, rank and organization, and by whom disinterred and reburied.
2. Give date and accurate information as to location from which the body was disinterred and the group and unit which made disinterment.
3. Give date and accurate information as to location of reburial and the group and unit which made reburial, and how reburial was made—in casket, wooden box, etc.
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BRIDGE WORK	Block in solid the crown of tooth (label gold bridge, gold and porcelain bridge) thus :	
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7. Show name of person supervising the disinterment and the name and title of the person approving same.
8. Show name of person supervising the reburial and the name and title of the person approving same.

COMPILATION OF DISPOSITION OF REMAINS DATA

File #4153

I. LOCATION INDEX CARD:

(a) Name BIGLOW, Leslie Ser. No. 117712
(b) Rank Pvt. Organization 55th Reg U.S.M.P. Co. H. 5th Marines
(c) Date of death 6/9/18 (d) Cause of death k/a
TYP. evs
CKR. B.J.

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

(a) Grave No. 21 Row - Plot 1 Sec. U TYP. evs
(b) Emerg. Address Susie Gunderson(Cousin) 77 West 102nd St., New York, N.Y.

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

IV. A. G. O. DISPOSITION CARD:

Date of receipt

(a) Name omitted (b) Relationship
(c) Address 100-26-99th St New York N.Y.
(d) Remains to be brought to U. S.? No
(e) To be interred in National Cemetery in U. S. at
(f) Shipping instructions upon arrival of body in U. S.
(g) Disposition instructions if not brought to U. S.

Examiner's Initials JH Date 2-19, 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 JH Date 2-19, 1920.

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

No request for disposition

(a) Cancellation memos referred to? yes JH

Examiner's Initials JH Date 2-19, 1920.

COUNTRY FRANCE CEMETERY No. 1764 SHEET No. 168

Handwritten notes: Checked 2/24/21 MEB

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 MAR 10 1921, 1920

Par. 2 Not to be returned.

( Marine )

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IX.

CORRECTIONS

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

Form 124 to Marine Corps Form 840 from Marine Corps

X. SUSPENSION REMARKS:

Date Sent 2/21/21 Date Rec'd 2/23/21

Form # 840. 2/23/21 - To be left in France.  
Next of kin: Mrs. Susan Gunderson,  
(Guardian) 100 West 99th St., New York.

2/24/21  
ms

**COMPILATION OF DISPOSITION OF REMAINS DATA**

File #4153

I. LOCATION INDEX CARD:

*(2/24/21 MEB)*

*Marine*

(a) Name BIGLOW, Leslie Ser. No. 117712  
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IV. Information on which advice to Europe in letter of transmittal was based:

*Form 840, 2/23/21. Mrs. Susan Gunderson, (guardian) 100 West 99th St., New York, N.Y. requests body left in France. — AP 3/18/21.*

V. Following advice forwarded to Europe by { cable on \_\_\_\_\_, 192  
 letter of transmittal on MAR 10 1921, 192  
Par. 2 Not to be returned. (*Marine*) ELC

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.

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

COUNTRY \_\_\_\_\_ CEMETERY No. \_\_\_\_\_ SHEET No. \_\_\_\_\_

Place Belleau, Aisne

REPORT OF DISINTERMENT AND REBURIAL

Date June 24/21

1. REMAINS OF BIGLOW, LESLIE SERIAL NUMBER 117712
RANK Pvt. ORGANIZATION 55th Co., H, 5th Marines Reg. U.S.M.C.

2. Disinterred (date): June 24/21. From (give complete location): Belleau, Aisne, Amer. Cty. #1764, Gr. 21-U-1
By: Group McGourty Unit Sect. 6

3. Reburied (date): June 24/21. In (give complete location): Belleau, Aisne, Amer. Cty. #1764, Gr. 21-U-1
By: Group McGourty Unit Sect. 6 Nature of reburial Box & burlap

4. Report as to nature of original burial and condition of body upon disinterment:
5 ft. earthen grave, uniform, burlap, no box.
Decomposed, unrecognizable

5. (a) Identification tags: Buried with body? Yes On grave marker? Yes
Tag on body reads "Leslie Biglow, 117712, 20 Apr. 17 U S M C. 55.5. USMC"
(b) Other means of identification found upon disinterment, and general remarks: None

6. What does examination of body show as regards the following identifying items?
(a) Height (actual measurement) Undeterminable
(b) Weight (estimated) Undeterminable
(c) Hair—Color Undeterminable
Quantity Undeterminable
Characteristics Undeterminable
(d) Hair on face—Color Undeterminable
Location Undeterminable
Quantity Undeterminable
(e) Permanent marks on body (old scars, peculiarities, or missing parts) Teeth nos. 3, 16, & 30 missing before death.
(f) Wounds or missing parts (received at time of casualty) Impossible to determine

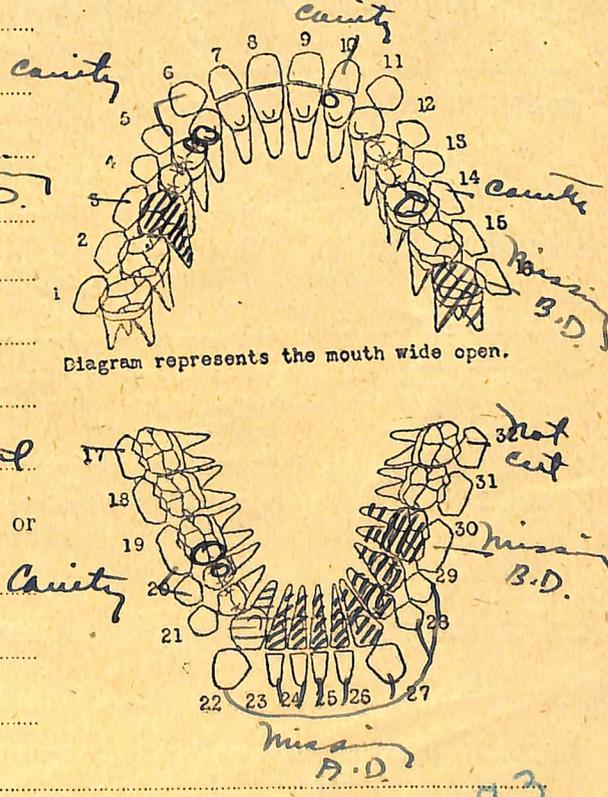


Diagram represents the mouth wide open.

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7. Disinterment supervised by James McGourty, S.I.

Approved: R C Worthington, 1st Lt. QMC (Title)

8. Reburial supervised by James McGourty, S.E.

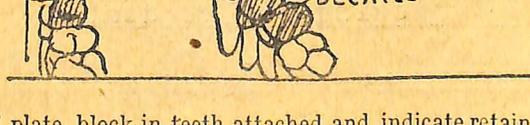
Approved: R C Worthington, 1st Lt. QMC (Title)

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

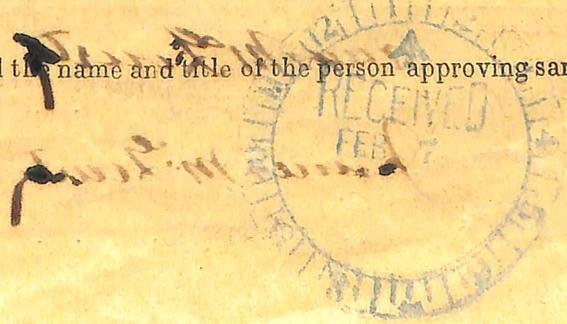
Enter information, as noted below, on reverse side of sheet in the *corresponding numbered space*. This form is supplemental to and is to be forwarded with G. R. S. Form 1-a, reporting reburial locations. To be used in answer to Question 26, Form 114, in case no means of identification on body.

1. Show soldier's name, serial number, rank and organization, and by whom disinterred and reburied.
2. Give date and accurate information as to location from which the body was disinterred and the group and unit which made disinterment.
3. Give date and accurate information as to location of reburial and the group and unit which made reburial, and how reburial was made—in casket, wooden box, etc.
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<p><b>CROWNED TEETH</b>.....Block in solid the crown of tooth (label gold, porcelain, or gold and porcelain), thus :</p>	 <p>GOLD CROWN PORCELAIN CROWN GOLD CROWN</p>
<p><b>BRIDGE WORK</b>.....Block in solid the crown of tooth (label gold bridge, gold and porcelain bridge), thus :</p>	 <p>GOLD AND PORCELAIN BRIDGE GOLDBRIDGE</p>
<p><b>FILLINGS</b>.....Draw filling on tooth accurately as possible (block in and label gold, silver, cement), thus :</p>	 <p>SILVER FILLING GOLD FILLING GOLD FILLING GOLD FILLING</p>
<p><b>CARIES (CAVITIES)</b>.....Outline location and size of cavity, shade in thus :</p>	 <p>CAVITY DECAYED DECAYED DECAYED</p>
<p><b>DENTURES (PLATES)</b>.....Draw diagram of relative size and shape of plate, block in teeth attached and indicate retaining clasps on natural teeth with the word "clasp."</p>	

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



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Place Plot-7 Myers,

Date June 10, 1919.

REPORT OF DISINTERMENT AND REBURIAL.

Remains of:

Name: Biglow, Leslie

Number: 117712

Rank: Pvt.

Organization: 55th Co. 5th Marines.

*Reg U.S.M.P.*

Disinterment and Reburial made by Group \_\_\_\_\_

Unit "B"

Disinterred (Date)

From: (Give complete location)

June 10, 1919

Plot-7 Myers, at La-Voie-du-Chatel, Aisne

Coord. 260.3N - - 171.8E

Grave 10.

Reburied (Date)

in: (Give complete location)

June 10, 1919

National Cemetery at Belleau Woods, Aisne

Coord. 262.60N - - 176.04E

Plot-1, Sec. U, Grave 21.

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

Body in poor condition.

Was one identification tag found upon the body? yes

What other means of identification were found on the body? none

Note:

If upon disinterment, effects are found upon bodies, they will be promptly sent to the Effects Depot direct, as is required by G.O. 170, G.H. 2, 1918., after being carefully examined for clues to identity in doubtful cases, notation whereof will be made and reported to Chief, Graves Registration Service.

Supervised by: Sgt. L.C. Turner

H.C.M. Cameron  
C.O. Group \_\_\_\_\_

Unit \_\_\_\_\_

Prov. Unit B. G.R.S.

1764

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Biglow, Leblie, Pvt.,  
55th Col 5th Regt., Marines.

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Disposition: Return of Remains,  
not desired.

Next of Kin: LCO W. 99th St., New York. N.Y.



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Name Brown, 117712, Leslie

Rank Pvt. Co. 55th {Corps Regt.} 5th Marines

Date of Death .....

Place .....

Cause .....

Date of Burial 6/10/18

Grave No. 19

Cemetery #7

Identified by { Tag Papers Clothing } .....

List of Effects .....

576

NO JUL 18 1918

Field Record Made by I. G. MYERS,  
2nd. LIEUT., Q. M. CORPS, N. A.

Group 1, 303 Company..... Graves Registration Service

For additional data use reverse side

JUN 30 1918

GRAVE LOCATION BLANK.

LOCATION OF THE GRAVE OF

41153

Biglow 117712 Leslie  
(Surname.) (Number.) (First Name and Initials.)

Private 5th Marines  
(Rank.) (Organization.)

DATE OF BURIAL June 7, 1918.

PLACE OF BURIAL La Voie du Chatel

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

Meaux map

GRAVE NUMBER 10

HOW MARKED : Name Peg? yes 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 :

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Cemeterie Marignien Orpoeis

49 NE. E 172.0 - N 260.4

REPORTED BY :

John J. Brady

John J. Brady

(Signature and Rank of Reporting Officer.)

Chaplain, USN

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

14 AOU Reg

Lt (jg)

2/24/21

Mr. Wilson

Biglow, Leslie

Put.. S# 117712

55th Co., 5th Marines

Adjustment Made  
17 1922

File No. 4153  
Date Rec'd 2/23/21

FILE

Beverly,

CENETERIAL DIVISION  
REGISTRATION SECTION

**FILE**

April 17th, 192 2.

MEMO FOR:

Cards Department.

1.

CASE OF:

Co. H, 5th Marines.

ORGANIZATION (Old)

BIGLOW, #117712, Leslie - 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) **55th Co., 5th Marines**

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.			D-
3rd Reb.			D-

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

BY: Helen Fleming.

Adjustment Branch.  
(Department)

5 x 8 card was sent to file.

Corrections made  
on Organization  
File Card:

By AB  
S/3324/LML



84367-AB-25-hmm

# Headquarters U. S. Marine Corps,

Washington, February 23, 1921.

From: The Major General Commandant.

To: The Chief, Cemeterial Division, Office of Quartermaster General of the Army.

Subject: A.E.F. dead: Confirmation or revision of G.R.S. record of disposition status.

Reference: Form No. 124, File No. 4153 dated 2-21-21  
Case of BIGLOW, Leslie, 117712, Private, 55th Co.  
5th Marines, 1764-168.

1. It is requested that the remains of the above-named man be disposed of as follows:

DISPOSITION: To be left in France.

CONSIGNEE: Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

NEXT OF KIN: Name: Mrs. Susan Gunderson,

Relationship: Guardian,

Address: 100 West 99th St.,

New York, N.Y.

REMARKS: \_\_\_\_\_

H. LAY,  
Lt. Colonel, U.S.M.C.  
Asst. Adjutant and Inspector.#

By \_\_\_\_\_

~~Special Assistant to the~~  
~~Major General Commandant~~

*Received 3-22-21 M*

Classification  
Adjustment \_\_\_\_\_

CEMETERY DIVISION  
GRAVES REGISTRATION SERVICE  
REGISTRATION SECTION

Date JUN 15 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 K.E. S. 6-18-20  
O.K. Organization Files \_\_\_\_\_  
O.K. State Files \_\_\_\_\_

✓ Card Dept.  
Cemetery Audit Department  
Investigation & Adjustment Dept.  
By A. Soffer

2 Cards attached.