

G.R.S. Form #114-B

To The A. G. O.

3270

JAN 15 1926

FULL NAME..... BIRD, John H. ✓ *Sol. Lig.*

RANK..... Sergeant ✓ SERIAL..... 1627383 ✓

DIVISION & ORGANIZATION..... *28th. Div.* Company M, 110th Infantry ✓

DATE OF DEATH..... *Aug. 26, '18.* ✓

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

MEDALS OR DECORATIONS AWARDED..... *none* ✓

FINAL GRAVE LOCATION..... 12..... 12..... C.....
Date Grave Row Block

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Cemetery

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28th. Div.
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NAME <i>Bird</i>	<i>Bir</i>	3	<i>298⁰</i>
<i>John H.</i>	CEMETERY <i>608</i>	1	<i>2</i>
BURIED	GRAVE <i>12</i>	2	<i>12</i>
	ROW <i>12</i>	2	<i>12</i>
	BLOCK <i>C</i>	1	<i>3</i>
STATE	<i>Colo</i>	2	<i>05</i>
RANK	<i>Sgt</i>	1	<i>2</i>
DIVISION	<i>28</i>	2	<i>28</i>
ORGANIZATION	<i>110</i>	3	<i>110</i>
ARM	<i>Inf</i>	1	<i>1</i>
MARTIAL	<i>no</i>	1	<i>2</i>
NAME <i>Bleem</i>		5	
<i>Mrs. Ellen</i>	STATE	2	
<i>(Sister)</i>	COUNTY	2	
<i>New Castle, Colo.</i>	CITY	3	
RELATION	<i>mother</i>	1	<i>1</i>
OTHER		1	
ELIGIBILITY <i>no</i>	<i>Dead</i>	1	<i>h</i>
NATIVITY <i>no</i>	<i>June 20, 1901</i>	1	
RACE		1	
ENGLISH		1	
ATTENDANT		1	
HEALTH		1	
NO. OF SONS		1	
DATE OF TRIP	MO.	1	
	YR.	1	
ACCEPTANCE		1	

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WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

October 2, 1931

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-M

Bird, John H. O-A M-

Mrs. Iona Leah Bird,
New Castle, Colorado

Dear Madam:

Reference is made to previous correspondence relative to the pilgrimage to the cemeteries of Europe, authorized by the Act of Congress of March 2, 1929, as amended May 15, 1930. To date information has not been received as to whether or not you desire to make a pilgrimage during the summer months of 1932, in honor of the deceased veteran named above.

In order that the records may be complete, and arrangements made accordingly, it is requested you complete the form below by writing in the space provided, your answers to the questions listed, sign your name, and return this letter in the enclosed envelope which requires no postage.

1. Do you desire to make a pilgrimage in 1932?	
2. Please state your age and condition of health:	Age: Health:
3. Do you speak English?	
4. What other language do you speak?	

(daughter)

Mrs Ellen Bellm

Sign here

Mrs Iona Leah Bird died June 20.

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

A. D. Hughes

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



Encl:
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WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM-293-AM

June 20, 1931

Bird, John H. Sgt.(OA) M

Mrs. Iona Leah Bird,
New Castle, Colo.

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To assure proper and satisfactory accommodations, reservations for steamship transportation required during the summer of 1932 must be made by this office not later than August 1st of this year. It is therefore desired that you answer the question below by writing either of the words "Yes", "No", or "Undecided" in the blank space following the question.

As soon as you have answered the question, please sign your name and return this sheet in the enclosed addressed envelope which requires no postage. Do not delay, as a prompt reply is essential.

This letter is being sent to all eligible mothers and widows who did not make a pilgrimage at the expense of the Government during 1930 and are not making the journey in 1931.

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

DO YOU DESIRE TO MAKE A PILGRIMAGE DURING THE YEAR 1932? _____

Write answer here

Sign here

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C
Bird, John H. 608 M

June 7, 1930

Mrs. Iona Leah Bird
New Castle, Colo.

Dear Madam:

Arrangements are now being made for conducting pilgrimages during the year 1931, to the cemeteries in Europe under the provisions of the Act of Congress of March 2, 1929.

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This letter is being sent to all mothers and widows who are not making the pilgrimage in 1930, regardless of whether or not they have expressed a desire to make the pilgrimage.

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

DO YOU DESIRE TO MAKE THE PILGRIMAGE DURING THE YEAR 1931? No.

(Write answer here)

Mrs Iona Leah Bird
(Sign here)

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OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

October 7, 1929.

Bird, John H 608 -M

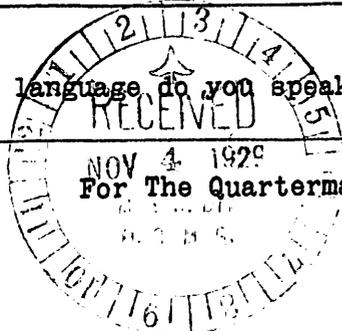
Mrs. Iona L. Bird,
New Castle, Colo.

Dear Madam:

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

1. Do you desire to make this pilgrimage if eligible?	Yes (No)
2. Do you desire to make the pilgrimage in the calendar year 1930?	Yes (No)
3. Have you at any time made a previous visit to the grave of the deceased member of the military or naval forces in whom you are interested?	Yes (No)
4. Please give your age and state of health.	Age <u>46</u> Health <u>(Poor)</u> (Poor)
5. What language do you speak?	English - (Yes) (No) Other language (Specify language spoken)



Very truly yours,

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

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WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

Bird, John H.
608

Aug. 27, 1929.

Mrs. Iona Leah Bird,
New Castle, Colo.

Dear Madam:

The records of this office do not indicate that a reply has been received to our communication dated June 20, 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:

NO

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.

Mrs. Iona Leah Bird
Mother

New Castle Colorado

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

No

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
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

June 20, 1929.

Bird, John H.

Mrs. Iona Leah Bird,
New Castle, Colo.

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 John H. Bird, Co. M. 110th Inf., 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 remarried it is requested that a statement to that effect be made.

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

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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JOHN T. HARRIS,
Major, Q. M. Corps,
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A. D. HUGHES,
Captain, Q. M. Corps,
Assistant.

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OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

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Assistant.

DO YOU DESIRE TO MAKE A PILGRIMAGE DURING THE YEAR 1932? _____

Write answer here

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WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

Bird, John H. 608 M

June 7, 1930

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DO YOU DESIRE TO MAKE THE PILGRIMAGE DURING THE YEAR 1931? _____

(Write answer here)

(Sign here)

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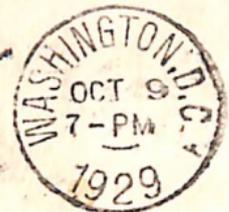


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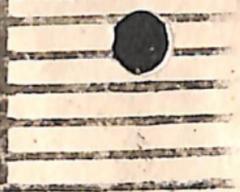
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Act of Congress
Envelope

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

Duplicate. ✓

Bird,

John H.

1,627,383

(Surname)

(Christian name in full.)

(Army serial number.)

Sgt.

Co. M, 110th Infantry

(Rank and organization.)

State your relationship to the deceased. *Mother*

Do you desire the remains brought to the United States? *No*

(Yes or no.)

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

(Yes or no.)

If you desire the remains interred at the home of the deceased, give full information below as to where they should be sent:

(Name of person to receive remains.)

(Express office.)

(Telegraph office.)

(Number and street.)

(City or town.)

(State.)

(Sign here)

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(Number and street or rural route.)

(City, town, or post office.)

(State.)

Read carefully the letter accompanying this card.

Letter given;

Mr. Sona Leah Bird

Yampa
Colo.

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WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
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JOHN T. HARRIS,
Major, Q. M. Corps,
Assistant.

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QM 293 A-C

BIRD, John H. - Sgt.

September 17, 1924

Mr. Ulysses C. Bird,
New Castle,
Colo.

Dear Sir:

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

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

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

Very truly yours,

R.P. HARBOLD,
Major, Q.M.C.,
Assistant. RD

RD

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Record card.



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C° M. 110th Inf.
28th Div.

BIRD, John, H. Sgt I627383

Killed by sniper while on advance line, Aug. 26th 1918. Left
unburied on field at Vesle River.

Informant : Cassidy, Eugène B. Sgt I241866
C° M. 110 Inf.

Home : I404 Sedquick Ave. N.S. Pittsburg. Pa.

Searcher : Fisher, Alvah, L. 1st Lt. 110 Inf.

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WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

QM 293 A-C

IN REPLY REFER TO _____

SUBJECT: Investigation.

TO: The Adjutant General,
Washington, D. C.

1. To assist this office in an investigation being instituted to locate the grave of the soldier named above, it is requested that you furnish as much of the following information, as possible:

- (a) Local Board and Mobilization dental charts,
- (b) Any comrades statements on file as to the death and burial place.
- (c) Places of death and burial, if of record.
- (d) Chaplain's burial report.
- (e) Names and addresses of

For The Quartermaster General:

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COMPILATION OF DISPOSITION OF REMAINS DATA

File #17040

I. LOCATION INDEX CARD:

(a) Name BIRD, John H. ^{rk (12-7)} Ser. No. 1627383 ^{rk (12-7)} ✓
(b) Rank Sgt. Organization Co. M, 110th Inf. } TYP. EK
(c) Date of death 8/26/18 (d) Cause of death K/A } CKR. [initials]

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

(a) Grave No. 172 Row -- Plot 4 Sec. A TYP. EK
(b) Emerg. Address Mr. Ulyssis G. Bird (father) Yampa, Colo.

III. Files of soldiers dying from contagious diseases --- CKR. [initials]

IV. A. G. O. DISPOSITION CARD:

Date of receipt none

(a) Name Mrs. Lona Leah Bird ^{Reverse of card - "See gravestone"} (b) Relationship Mother
(c) Address Yampa, Colo.
(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 [initials] Date 12/1, 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 [initials] Date 12/1, 1920.

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

No request for disposition

(a) Cancellation memos referred to? Yes still

Examiner's Initials [initials] Date 12-1, 1920.

COUNTRY France CEMETERY No. 617 SHEET No. 93

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

CARDED

Make Form No. 114

FORM 115 - A COMPLETED

JAN 18 1921 - acp

Reviewed 8/23/24

[Handwritten notes and signatures]

RECEIVED.

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

Typed by _____, Checked by _____, 1920.

MAR 16 1921

VIII. FINAL ACTION:

CENTRAL DIVISION
OVERSEAS PROJECT SUB-SEC.

Following advice forwarded to Europe by { cable on _____, 1920
letter on 12/22, 1920

Par. # 2. Not to be returned

IX.

CORRECTIONS

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

X. SUSPENSION REMARKS: Form #120, February 19, 1921, from Ulysses G. Bird, (Father), New Castle, Colorado, states that body of soldier is to remain in Europe. H-3/1/21-EE *n/k-*

Let. 3/10/21 Hoboken advised father that his req. would be complied with 3/23/21 res.

FORM 115 RETURNED BY HOBOKEN - BODY TO REMAIN IN EUROPE 3-16-21 nkk

To be prepared in triplicate.

DATE Jan. 16th, 1922

REPORT OF DISINTERMENT, PREPARATION, SHIPMENT AND REBURIAL OF BODY

DISINTERMENT

COMPARATIVE REPORT

Records of G.R.S. Headquarters.

Discrepancy found upon exhumation of body

1. Name BIRD, John H
 2. No. 1627383
 3. Rank Sgt.
 4. Org. Co. M, 110th Inf.
 5. D.D. Aug. 26, 1918
 6. C.D. KIA

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

Discrepancy found upon disinterment

7. Grave No. 172 Sec. A
 8. Plot 4 Row _____
 9. _____

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

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. 16th, 1922

By C. J. Osgood,

24. Inscription on grave marker:

Name John H. Bird
 Rank Sgt.

Serial No. 1627383
 Organization Co. M. 110th Inf.

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

R. R. Krasin
 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).

Following effects found on body; One pocket book badly disintegrated, reading
 "COMP--- First Nation--Canon City." One (15) jewel Elgin wrist watch (See remarks)
 27. Condition of body Badly decomposed, features not recognizable.

28. Nature of burial 5 ft. of earth, uniform.

29. Any discrepancy noted upon examination of body, as compared with G.R.S. records quoted above? No discrep.

30. Body prepared and placed in casket: Date Jan. 16th, 1922 By C. J. Osgood,

31. Casket sealed by C. J. Osgood,

Signature of Embalmer, (Supervisor C. J. Osgood)

SHIPMENT. (Show actual marking of box.) Box No. **C-22956**

32. Designation of body:

Name **John H. BIRD** Serial No. **1627383**

Rank **Sgt.** Organization **Co.M.110th Inf.**

33. Consigned to:

Name of Permanent Cemetery **Oise Aisne Amer. Cty. #608 Seringes-&-Nesles, Aisne**

34. Casket boxed and marked (Date) **Jan. 16th, 1922** By **C. J. Osgood.**

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 *O. E. Davis*
O. E. Davis, 1st Lt., OMC.

36. Remarks (Continued from item 26) - reading: "**#18812182, Elgin, U. S. A.**" Watch corroded to pieces, placed in bottle with remains. One lady's gold ring with (apparently) an opal stone setting, forwarded in separate envelope.

37. Shipped from point of Operation: (Date)

To point of Concentration

Convoyer (Name) 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-Nesles, Aisne,**

Convoyer (Name) Signature Shipping Officer *O. E. Davis*
O. E. Davis, 1st Lt., OMC.

40. Received: Date **17 JAN 1922**

G.R.S. Representative **Stuart D. Campbell, Capt. O.M.C., Supervisor, Area No. 3**

41. Reinterred **Sept. 1, 1922, Oise-Aisne Cem. 608, Seringes et Nesles (Aisne)**
(Date)

42. Grave No. **12** Section

43. ~~Plot~~ **BLOCK C** Row **12**

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

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REPORT OF DISINTERMENT AND REBURIAL

1. REMAINS OF BIRD, John H. SERIAL NUMBER 1627383
 RANK Sgt. ORGANIZATION Co. M. 110th Inf.

2. Disinterred (date) : Jan. 16th, 1922 From (give complete location) : Gr. 172, Sec. A, Plot 4, Cem. 617
 By : Group 3 Unit Sec. 7

3. Reburied (date) : Sept. 1, 1922 In (give complete location) : Gr. 12, Block C, Row 12, Oise-Aisne Cem. 608, Seringes et Nesles (Aisne)
 By : Group re-burial group Unit ----- Nature of reburial Lined casket

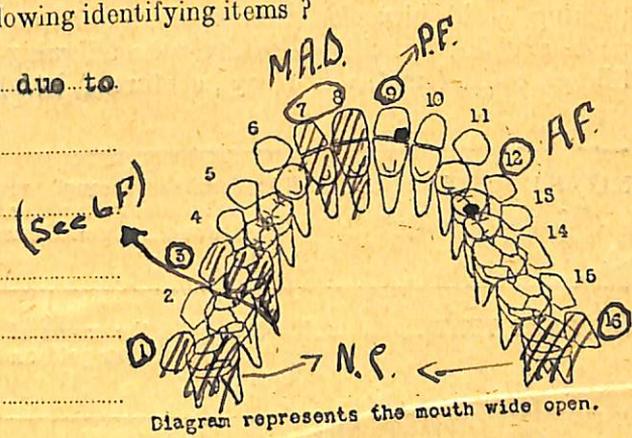
4. Report as to nature of original burial and condition of body upon disinterment :
5 ft of earth, uniform. Badly decomposed, features not recognizable.

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

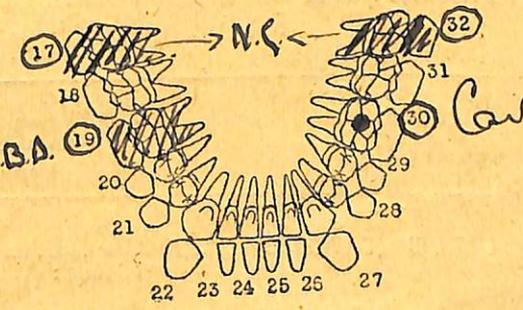
(b) Other means of identification found upon disinterment, and general remarks :
Following effects found on body: "One pocket book, badly disintegrated reading: "CMP --- FIRST NATIO --- CANON CITY" one (15) jewel Elgin wrist watch reading: "18812182, Elgin, U. S. A." Watch corroded to pieces, placed in bottle with remains. One Ladys gold ring with (apparently) an opal stone setting - forwarded in separate envelope.

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

(a) Height (actual measurement) Indiscernable due to
 (b) Weight (estimated) decomposition.
 (c) Hair—Color None
 Quantity
 Characteristics
 (d) Hair on face—Color None
 Location
 Quantity



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



(f) Wounds or missing parts (received at time of casualty) Skull badly shattered and missing in part. Jaw broken between teeth #2 and #3,

L. R. Knasin, checker.

7. Disinterment supervised by C. J. Osgood, Sup. Emb.

Approved : O. E. Davis, 1st Lt., QMC.
(Title)

8. Reburial supervised by L. D. Hays

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

COMPILATION OF DISPOSITION OF REMAINS DATA

I. LOCATION INDEX CARD:

File #17040

(a) Name **BIRD, John H.** ^{ok (12-7)} Ser. No. **1627383** ^{ok (12-8)}
 (b) Rank **Sgt.** Organization **Co. M, 110th Inf.** } TYP **EK**
 (c) Date of death **8/26/18** Cause of death **K/A** } *JS*

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

(a) Grave **172** Row **.....** Plot **4** Sect. **A** TYP **EK**
 (b) Emerg. Address **Mr. Ulyssis G. Bird (father) Yampa, Colo.**

III. Files of soldiers dying from contagious diseases CKR *JS*

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

Also Card - Mrs. Iona Leali Bird, (Mother) Yampa, Colo., requests body remain in Europe.

1/8/21 P.

V. Following advice forwarded to Europe by (cable on **.....** 192
 (Letter of transmittal on **12/22/1920**)

Par. # 2. Not to be returned (O)

VI. Form 115 forwarded to G.R.S. Hoboken, N.J. **JAN 18 1921** 192

VII. SUPPLEMENTARY REQUESTS

Date of and Source	Relationship and name	Desires	Action taken

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COUNTRY **France** CEMETERY NO. **617** SHEET NO. **93**

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

S-666/MB **France**
 JAN 18 1921 - *acp*

WAR. DEPARTMENT

Office of the Quartermaster General of the Army
Washington

FROM: O. Q. M. G.
CEMETERIAL DIVISION
Munitions Building
Room 1128

PLEASE
EXPEDITE

G.R.S. Form 8-W-A-O

Information requested of A.G.O.

Date 12/2/20.

File No. **17040** 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.

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

- a. Surname Bird, John H. OK
- b. Christian name John H. (E.)
- c. Serial Number 1627383. (1687285)
- d. Organization Co. M, 110th Inf. OK
- e. Rank Sgt. OK
- f. Date of death 8/26/18. OK
- g. Cause of death K/A. OK
- h. Authority (C.O.#)
- i. Emergency address
- j. Relationship

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 |
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| 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: 93.
TYPED BY: rln.

S/713/LML

Donnelly, M.T.
E. P. Sec (8) 12-3-20

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

Name... **BIRD** 1687283 **JOHN** ^H ~~E.~~
Rank..... Co. **M** (Corps
Regt) **110** Inf

Date of Death..... **17040**
Place..... **Near Fismes, France**
Cause..... **Killed in action.** ✓

.....
Reburied in Battlefield Cemetery #18
Date of Burial..... **11/25/18**.....

Grave No. **#380** ✓ **Map #34 Reims S.W.**
286.25 N 205.75 E.

Cemetery.....

Identified by (Tag
Papers } **Tags**
Clothing }

List of Effects..... **617**
.....

Field Record Made by..... **Oscar W. Forsberg**...
1st Lieut Inf U.S. Com'd'g.

Company. **304** Graves Registration Service.
Group 1

For additional data use reverse side. ✓

FILE

March 10th, 1921.

File No. 293.8 Cem. Div., Corr. Branch.
(BIRD, John H.)

Mr. Ulyssis G. Bird,
New Castle, Colorado.

Dear Sir:-

Receipt of shipping inquiry dated February 19th, 1921, relative to the remains of your son, the late Sergeant John H. Bird, serial number 1627383, Company M, 110th Infantry, is acknowledged.

In accordance with your desire, the remains will be left in France for burial in a permanent American Cemetery. You are assured that the grave site will always be maintained as a fitting memorial of the late soldier's sacrifice.

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

By authority of the Quartermaster General:

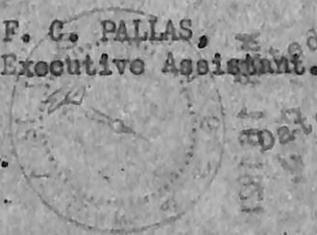
R. E. SHANNON,
Captain, Q.M. Corps,
Officer in Charge.

BY:

F. G. PALLAS,
Executive Assistant.

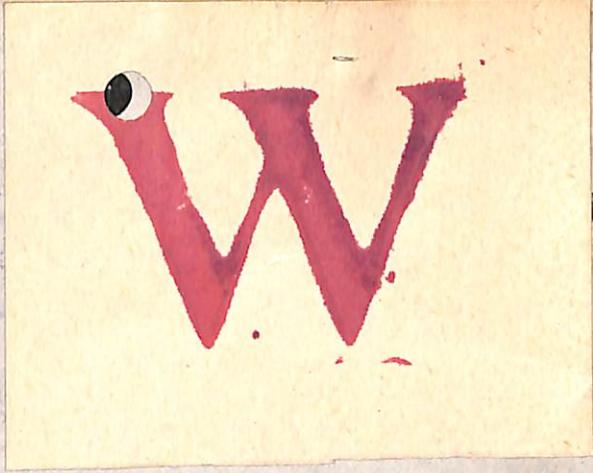
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MAILED
MAR 15 1921
COR. BR. G. R. S.



Filed on Form No. 115
Date 3/23/21 *W.S.A.*

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
CEMETERIAL DIVISION
WASHINGTON
HOBOKEN, N.J.



FROM: Chief, Cemeterial Division, O. Q. M. G.
To: Mr. Ulyssis G. Bird, ^{New Castle} Yampa, Colorado.
SUBJECT: Remains of Sgt. John H. Bird, Ser. No. 1627383, Co. M, 110th Inf.

The records of this office show that you have requested that the body of the above named Mrs. Iona Leah Bird (mother), Yampa, Colorado, has requested that his body remain in Europe.

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

The nearest 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.

Above instructions are correct.

NAME OF—	NO. AND STREET.	TOWN.	STATE.
Soldier's widow			
Soldier's children. (Name oldest first.)			
1			
2			
3			
Father	Ulysses G. Bird, Remond from Yampa, Colo to	New Castle	Colorado
Mother	Iona Leah Bird	New Castle	Colorado
Brothers. (Name oldest first.)			
1	Wm Bird	Yampa	Colorado
2	Alonzo Bird	New Castle	"
3	Carl Bird	"	"
Sisters. (Name oldest first.)			
1	Stella Busch	"	"
2	Ellen Bird	"	"
3	Above Named All Living.		

Noted on Form No. 115
Date 2/3/21 per USA 3/23/21 (W)

Date Feb. 1921

Signature Ulysses G. Bird

Address New Castle, Colorado.

Relationship Father

WAR DEPARTMENT
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~~WASHINGTON~~
HOBOKEN, N.J.

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Noted on Form No. 115
Date 3/11/21 per USA 3/23/21

Date Feb. 1921

Signature Ulysses G. Bird

Address New Castle, Colorado.

Relationship Father

Feb. 19, 1921

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I, the undersigned, am the Father and nearest living next of kin of the within-named

(Relationship.)

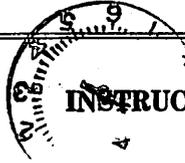
soldier, and desire the following disposition of his remains, viz:
(Strike out all except the one showing the disposition desired.)

1. ~~As stated on first page of this sheet.~~
2. ~~To be returned to the U. S. and shipped to _____~~
(Name.)

(R. R. station.) _____ (State.)
3. ~~To be returned to the U. S. and buried in _____~~ National Cemetery.
4. To remain in Europe, for burial in a permanent American Cemetery.

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Signature Phyllis B. Bird



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.

17040

C° M. 110th Inf.

BIRD John P. 1627383.

*Searcher's name as Sgt. J
initial (H.)*

"Killed by sniper while on advance line Aug. 26/18. Left unburied on field at the time by C° at Vesle river."

Informant: CASHIDY Eugene E. Sgt. 1241956.
Cas. Camp N°1. St- Nazaire.
C° M. 110th Eng.
Home : 1404 Bodruk Ave. Pittsburg, Pa;
4/22/1919.

Fleta Williams - Searcher -
Leland Stanford Univ.

N.C.

Ed