

GRAVE LOCATION BLANK

LOCATION OF THE GRAVE OF

Black **1688160** **Simon F.**
(Surname.) (Number.) (First Name and Initials.)

Pvt. **Co. I, 39th Inf.**
(Rank.) (Organization.)

DATE OF BURIAL... **July 20, 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... **103**

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
CHAS. B. LORE

Capt. Q. M. C. N. G. U. S.

(Signature and Rank of Reporting Officer.)

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

29 JUL 1918

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G.R.S. Form #114-B CAUSE OF DEATH

FULL NAME..... BLACK, Simon F. *O.K.*

RANK..... Private *O.K.* SERIAL..... 1688180 *O.K.*

DIVISION & ORGANIZATION..... Co. I, 39th Inf. *O.K.* *4th Div.*

DATE OF DEATH..... 7-20-18

STATE FROM WHICH HE CAME..... *Maine*

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

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

61448-2478
ADDITION

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

1764.....
Cemetery

C.E.C. 7/3 *5/11/27*

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(Signature and Rank of Reporting Officer.)

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

REPORT OF DISINTERMENT AND REBURIAL

Place Juilly St W.
Date April 26-1921

1. REMAINS OF BLACK, SIMON F. SERIAL NUMBER 1688180
RANK Pvt. ORGANIZATION Co I - 39th Inf.

2. Disinterred (date): April 26-1921 From (give complete location): grave no 103
Am Cem no 247 - Juilly - St W.

By: Group 200 Unit Section One

3. Reburied (date): April 26-1921 In (give complete location): grave no 103
Am Cem no 247 - Juilly St W.

By: Group 200 Unit Sec. One Nature of reburial In burials
In place by

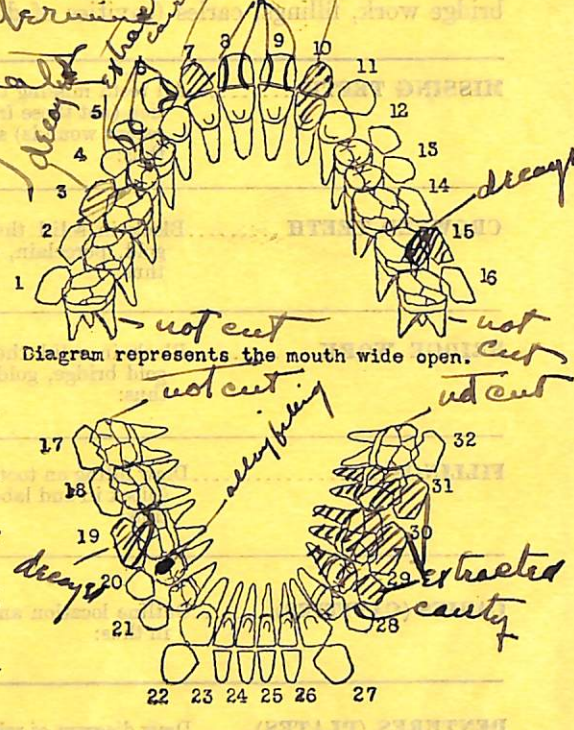
4. Report as to nature of original burial and condition of body upon disinterment: In hospital
shroud, in pine box - Body disintegrated
unrecognizable

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

(b) Other means of identification found upon disinterment, and general remarks: Apparently
hospital case - Hospital file gives date of death July 20th 1918
Tag reads "Black - 39th Inf - 1688180"

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

- (a) Height (actual measurement) Impossible to determine
- (b) Weight (estimated) Impossible to estimate
- (c) Hair—Color no hair on skull
Quantity none
Characteristics none
- (d) Hair on face—Color none
Location none
Quantity none
- (e) Permanent marks on body (old scars, peculiarities, or missing parts) Impossible to report



(f) Wounds or missing parts (received at time of casualty) none visible

7. Disinterment supervised by E.T. Anderson Approved: J.S. Robinson
(E.T. Anderson) (J.S. Robinson)
Sup. Emb. (Title) 1st Lt. CAC., Inspector

8. Reburial supervised by E.T. Anderson Approved: J.S. Robinson
(E.T. Anderson) (J.S. Robinson)
Sup. Emb. (Title) 1st Lt. CAC., Inspector

C.S.O

D-60652

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CODE SLIP

HEADING	SUB HEADING	NO. OF COLS	CODE
NAME	<i>Black, Simon</i>		
	<i>Bla</i>	3	<i>2 2 1</i>
BURIED	CEMETERY <i>1764</i>	1	<i>4</i>
	GRAVE <i>55</i>	2	<i>55</i>
	ROW <i>10</i>	2	<i>10</i>
	BLOCK <i>B</i>	1	<i>2</i>
STATE	<i>Maine</i>	2	<i>23</i>
RANK	<i>Priv.</i>	1	<i>2</i>
DIVISION	<i>4th</i>	2	<i>04</i>
ORGANIZATION	<i>39th</i>	3	<i>039</i>
ARM	<i>Inf</i>	1	<i>1</i>
MARITAL	<i>(Other) No</i>	1	<i>2</i>
NAME	<i>Martin S.</i>		
	<i>Black</i>	3	
RESIDENCE	STATE <i>Maine</i>	2	<i>23</i>
	COUNTY <i>Cumberland</i>	2	<i>24</i>
	CITY <i>Belfast</i>	3	<i>177</i>
RELATION	<i>Mother</i>	1	<i>1</i>
OTHER	<i>no SM</i>	1	
ELIGIBILITY	<i>no Low Dead</i>	1	<i>6</i>
NATIVITY	<i>5-11-31</i>	1	
RACE		1	
ENGLISH		1	
ATTENDANT		1	
HEALTH		1	
NO. OF SONS		1	
DATE OF TRIP	MO. YR.	1	AUG 17 1932
ACCEPTANCE		1	<i>RS</i>

AUDITED

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-M
Black, Simon F. Pvt (AM) M

June 19, 1931.

Mrs. Martin G. Black,
51 Miller Street,
Belfast, Maine.

Dear Madam:

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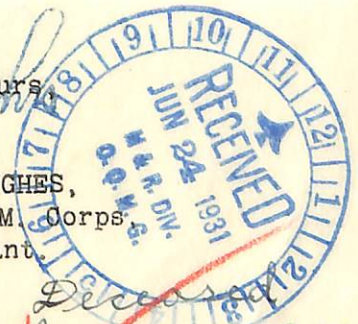
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For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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



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

Decided
June 11 - 1931
Write answer here

Martin G. Black
Sign here 51 Miller St.
Belfast, Me.

5-1 Miller Street:
Belfast - no. 1
June 16-1930

Dear Sir: I am sorry to
say that I am not able
to go on the trip with the
rest of the Gold Star Mothers
but I am 73 years old and
my health will not permit
me to go across. Thank
you very much for writing
to me about it; if I had
my health I would be
more than glad to go
Respectfully yours

Mrs Martin G. Black



5-1 Miller Street
Belfast

Yours

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
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IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

Black, Simon F. 1764 M

June 7, 1930

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Assistant.

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

No. ✓
(Write answer here)

Mrs. Martin G. Black
(Sign here)

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IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C
Black, Simon F. 1764-M

October 7, 1929.

Mrs. Martin G. Black,
51 Miller St.,
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Dear Madam:

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

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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>76</u> Health (Years) (Good) (Poor)	
5. What language do you speak?	English - (Yes) (No) Other language (Specify language spoken)	

For The Quartermaster General



Very truly yours,

John T. Harris

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

Mrs Martin G. Black
Encl. *Matter of Simon F. Black*
Act *1764-M*
Envelope

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Black, Simon F.

June 17-1929

Dear Sirs - in answer to the kind invitation you sent me about going to France to see the Cemeteries and where my dear Boy Simon F. Black lays. I would like very much to make the trip, but I am almost 75 years old and not been able to do my work since last March, so I don't think it will be so I could go any way. My son Simon F. Black was never married.

I am the mother of the late Simon F. Black Co. 3 L-3 & Inf.

If this is alright I am
Thanking you for your kindness

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My address is

Mrs Martin G. Black

51 Miller Street

Belfast-

Maine

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OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

June 12, 1929.

Black, Simon F.

Mrs Martin G. Black,
RFD#1, Ex. 113,
Union, Maine.

Dear Madam:

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

The records of this office show that you are the mother of the late Private Simon F. Black, Co. I. 39th 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 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,

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Act of Congress.
Envelope.

JOHN T. HARRIS,
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DO YOU DESIRE TO MAKE A PILGRIMAGE DURING THE YEAR 1932? _____
Write answer here

Sign here

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Assistant.

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JUN 13 AM 9 25
C. O. M. Q. M. & R. DIV.

jc.

DATE _____

1. NAME BLACK, Simon F SERIAL No. 1688180

RANK Pvt. ORGANIZATION Co. I. 39th Inf.

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

103

GRAVE

ROW

PLOT

2. ORIGINAL BATTLE AREA GRAVE LOCATION 103 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

DATE

GRAVE

ROW

PLOT

CEMETERY

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

3. FINAL GRAVE LOCATION 12/17/22 55 10 Block B
DATE GRAVE ROW PLOT

Aisne-Marne American Cemetery #1764

CEMETERY

AUDITED BY

File
4-2-29
JSL

To be prepared in triplicate.

DATE Nov 28-21

REPORT OF DISINTERMENT, PREPARATION, SHIPMENT AND REBURIAL OF BODY

DISINTERMENT

jc.

COMPARATIVE REPORT

Records of G.R.S. Headquarters.

Discrepancy found upon exhumation of body

- 1. Name BLACK, Simon F
- 2. No. 1688180
- 3. Rank Pvt.
- 4. Org. Co. I. 39th Inf.
- 5. D.D. July 20th, 1918
- 6. C.D. DOWRIA
- 10. Name
- 11. No.
- 12. Rank
- 13. Org.
- 14. (a) D.D.
- (b) D.B.

Discrepancy found upon disinterment

- 7. Grave No. 103 Sec.
- 8. Plot Row
- 9.
- 15. Grave No. Sec.
- 16. Plot Row
- 17. None
- 18. Cemetery American Cty.
- 19. Commune or town JUILLY
- 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 Simon F. BLACK Serial No.
 - Rank Pvt. Organization Co. I. 39th Inf.
- 25. Was identification disc found on grave marker? Yes On body? Yes Corroded

E J Lock
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).
GRS Tag on body corroded bottle record checks Tag on grave marker shows # 1688160.
- 27. Condition of body Badly decomposed recognition impossible.
- 28. Nature of burial In burlap and pine box. Found under cross.
- 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 Nov 28-21 By S.I. Talmage
- 31. Casket sealed by S.I. Talmage
Signature of Embalmer, (Supervisor) *S.I. Talmage*

10/27/27
12/2/27

SHIPMENT. (Show actual marking of box.) Box No. C-16849

32. Designation of body:

Name Simon F. BLACK, Serial No. 1688180

Rank Pvt. Organization Co. I, 39th Inf

33. Consigned to: Officer in Charge

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) November 28-21

To point of Concentration Aisne-Marne Am. Cty. 1764 Belleau Aisne

Convoyer 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. 55 Section _____

43. Plot Block B Row 10

G.R.S. Representative W.D. Cleary
W.D. CLEARY Lt. Chaplain USA

REPORT OF DISINTERMENT AND REBURIAL

Date Nov 28-21

1. REMAINS OF BLACK, Simon F. SERIAL NUMBER 1688180

RANK Pvt. ORGANIZATION Co.I. 39th Inf.

2. Disinterred (date) : Nov 28-21 From (give complete location) Grave 103
Cem. 247.

By : Group 2 Unit F.S. 3.

3. Reburied (date) : Dec. 17, 1922 In (give complete location) : Grave 55, Block B, Row 10, 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 burlap and pine box.
found under cross.

5. (a) Identification tags : Buried with body ? Yes (2) On grave marker ? Yes

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

Bottle record checks with GRS form Grave marker tag shows No. 1688160
GRS tag on body corroded.

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

N.C. 1 16

(a) Height (actual measurement) impossible to determine Cavity 2 3 5 6 8 9 15

(b) Weigh, (estimated) impossible to determine

(c) Hair—Color Apparently dark brown

Quantity straight

Characteristics straight

(d) Hair on face—Color None visible.

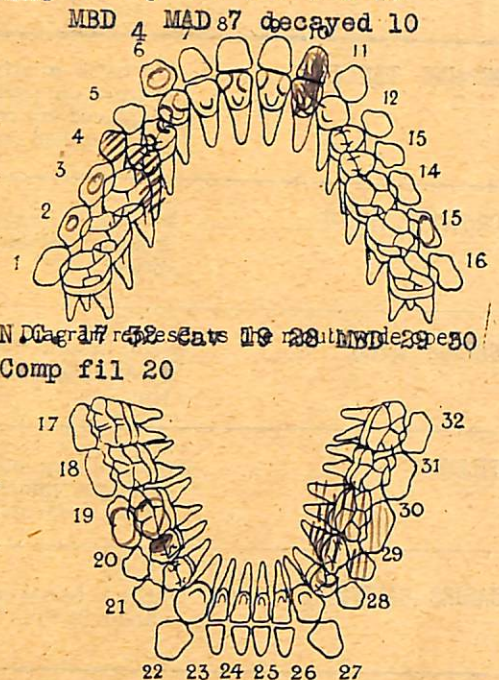
Location None visible.

Quantity None visible.

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

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

None visible.



7. Disinterment supervised by S.I. [Signature]

Approved: J.P. Glandon Capt. QMC.
(Title)

8. Reburial supervised by L.D. HAYS

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

Black,

(Surname.)

Simon F

(Christian name in full.)

1688180

(Army serial number.)

Pvt

Co I 39 Inf.

(Rank and organization.)

State your relationship to the deceased

Mother

Do you desire the remains brought to the United States?

Yes

(Yes or no.)

(over) 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:

Mr M. G. Black

(Name of person to receive remains.)

Union Maine

(Express office.)

Rockland

(Telegraph office.)

(Number and street.)

Union

(City or town.)

Maine

(State.)

(Sign here)

Mrs Abbie Elizabeth Black

R.F.D. #1 - Box 113

(Number and street or rural route.)

Union

(City, town, or post office.)

Maine

(State.)

Read carefully the letter accompanying this card.

Changed to negative
See 293.8 papers
for DPsec/68B.

10/1/68
Gm

213

Black

Black

Union Maine

July 8th 1926.

Dear Sir,

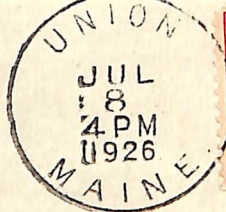
in regard to the letter and Card concerning Simone F. Black, we were very much pleased and think it is alright and glad you sent us the information about his grave, and also we kindly thank you from the bottom of our hearts. Faithfully

Yours

Mr & Mrs Martin Black

R.W. 1 - Bell Union Maine

Handwritten initials in red ink, possibly "M.B."



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

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

QM 293 A-C

BLACK, Simon F. - Pvt.

June 26, 1926

Mr. Martin G. Black,
R.F.D. #1, Box 113,
Union, Maine.

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,

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

1 Incl.
Record card.



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COMPILATION OF DISPOSITION OF REMAINS DATA

File #6088

I. LOCATION INDEX CARD:

(a) Name BLACK, Simon F. Ser. No. 1688180
 (b) Rank Pvt. Organization Co. I, 39th Inf.
 (c) Date of death 7-20-18 (d) Cause of death DWRIA

TYP. egp
CKR. B.T.

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

(a) Grave No. 103 Row -- Plot -- Sec. --- TYP. egp
 (b) Emerg. Address Mrs. Martin G. Black (mother) RFD. Box #113, Union Maine.

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

IV. A. G. O. DISPOSITION CARD:

Date of receipt _____

(a) Name Mrs. Abbie C. Black (b) Relationship Mother
 (c) Address R.F.D. #1, Box 113, Union, Maine.
 (d) Remains to be brought to U. S.? no (rev. of card)
 (e) To be interred in National Cemetery in U. S. at no

(f) Shipping instructions upon arrival of body in U. S. _____

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

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

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

mother Mrs. Abbie Elizabeth Black
Union Maine P.F.D. #1, Box 113, 9/5/19
has body of son remain France, would like
yes. P.F. to know location of grave

(a) Cancellation memos referred to? _____

EM

Examiner's Initials P.F. Date 1-12-, 1920.

Reviewed 4/4/20

COUNTRY France

CEMETERY No. 247

SHEET No. 13

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

FORM 115 - A COMPLETED

Make Form No. 114

CARDED 2/10/21

RECEIVED.

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

Typed by _____, Checked by _____, MAR 16 1921, 1920.

VIII. FINAL ACTION:

CEMETERY DIVISION
OVERSEAS PROJECT SUB-SEC.

Following advice forwarded to Europe by { cable on _____, 1920
letter on JAN 29 1921, 1920

Par. #2, Not To Be Returned
ew.

IX.

CORRECTIONS

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

X. SUSPENSION REMARKS: 2-26-21 Form 120 - Abbie Elizabeth
Black, mother, R.F.D. #1, Box 113, Union, Maine,
wishes body to remain in Europe. H-3-5-21 mm

FORM 115 RETURNED BY HOBOKEN - N.J.
TO REMAIN IN EUROPE.

3-16-21 W

March 12, 1921.

File No. 293.8 Com.Div.Cor.Br.
(BLACK, Simon F.)

Mrs. Abbie Elizabeth Black,
Union, Maine.

Dear Madam:-

Receipt of shipping inquiry dated February 26th, 1921, relative to the remains of your son, the late Private Simon F. Black, serial number 1668180, Company I, 39th 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.C.,
Officer in Charge.

BY:

F. C. PALIAS,
Executive Assistant.

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

WAR DEPARTMENT

OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL OF THE ARMY

CEMETERIAL DIVISION

WASHINGTON -

Hoboken, N.J.

FEB 9 1921

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

To: Mrs. Abbie Elizabeth Black, RFD #1, Box 113, Union, Maine

SUBJECT: Remains of Pvt. Simon F. Black, Ser. No. 1688180

Co. I, 39th Inf.

*no change
ECS*

The records of this office show that you have requested that the body of the above-named soldier 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? *was not*

NAME OF—	NO. AND STREET.	TOWN.	STATE.
Soldier's widow	<i>Noted F 115</i>		
Soldier's children. (Name oldest first.)	<i>3-5-21 Mince.</i>		
Father	<i>Marion G. Black</i>	<i>Union</i>	<i>Maine</i>
Mother	<i>Abbie Elizabeth Black</i>	<i>Union</i>	<i>Maine</i>
Brothers. (Name oldest first.)	<i>1. Fred M. Black #69 Miller Street</i>	<i>Belfast</i>	<i>Maine</i>
	<i>2. Charles L. Black</i>	<i>Boston</i>	<i>Mass</i>
Sisters. (Name oldest first.)	<i>Mrs. Mand E. Wellman</i>	<i>Union</i>	<i>Maine</i>
	<i>Mrs. Clara A. Crockett</i>	<i>Northport</i>	<i>Maine</i>
	<i>Mrs. Alice A. Beckett</i>	<i>Northport</i>	<i>Maine</i>

Date *Feb 26 1921*

Signature *Abbie Elizabeth Black*

Address *Union Maine*

Relationship *Mother*

Address _____
 Date _____
 I, the undersigned, am the Mother and nearest living next of kin of the within-named
 (Relationship.)

Registration Union Maine Feb. 26th, 1921

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. To remain in Europe

Signature Urbio Elizabeth B. Lack



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.

REVISED INSTRUCTIONS

U.S. GOVERNMENT PRINTING OFFICE: 1918

INDEX SHEET

SYNOPSIS

For furnishing headquarters

Co I.- 39th Infantry
4th Division

BLACK, Simon, F.- Pvt: 1688180.-

NO WITNESS.

Entire Company was questioned but no witness found. Statistical records show that he was killed by machine gun bullet, in the capture of Neuroy July 19 1918 and was buried nearby with suitable mark. No personal effects were turned in.

No Informant given

Signed: BRUNN, Frank.

MD

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

FILE UNDER NO. 293

INDEX SHEET

SYNOPSIS

Re: Furnishing headstones

DOCUMENT FILED UNDER NO. 293

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G.R.S. #106
DISPOSITION OF BODY

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

November 15, 1919

For information of:

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

Case of: **Private Simon F. Black,**
Co. I., 39th Infantry

Grave Location:

**American Cemetery, Joûilly,
Department of Seine-et-Marne,
Grave #103.**

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:

Mrs. Abbie Elizabeth Black, (Mother)
Union, Maine.
R.F.D. 1, Box 113

By authority of the Quartermaster General:

CHARLES C. PIERCE,
Colonel, Q.M.C., U.S.A.,
Chief, Graves Registration Service.
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H.F.D.

G.R.S. Form No. 113
Reply to G. L. Inquiry.

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
GRAVES REGISTRATION SERVICE
WASHINGTON, D. C.

November 15, 1919

FILED
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Mrs. Abbie Elizabeth Black,
Union, Maine.
R.F.D. 1, Box 113

1. In reply to your inquiry we beg to say that the records of the Graves Registration Service contain the following information as to grave location:

Case of: Private Simon F. Black,
Co. I., 39th Infantry

Place of burial: American Cemetery, Jouilly,
Department of Seine-et-Marne,
Grave #103.

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. While it is a sad duty on our part to convey information concerning the burial of men who were our valient comrades, it is a satisfaction to answer the queries of those who suffer so grievously by the casualties of War.

By authority of the Quartermaster General:

CHARLES C. PIERCE,
Colonel, Q. M. Corps,
Chief, Graves Registration Service.

G. R. S. MAILED
NOV 15 1919

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

ANALYSIS OF INQUIRY *11-14-19*

_____ 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. #8, 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)
_____ (b) Other Countries

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

_____ 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: _____ *Grave location*

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.

A.H.

Analysis Clerk.

TO:- REGISTRATION BRANCH, G.R.S.

Date 11-14-19

FROM:- INQUIRY BRANCH.

Please furnish information as checked (✓) below regarding the following soldier:

NAME *Black, Simon Freeman*

Serial Number 1,688,180

RANK *Pvt.*

ORGANIZATION *Co. I. 39th Inf.*

NO.	QUESTION	REPLY
1.	Do particulars of soldiers given above agree with Records?	(1) <i>Black, Simon F.</i>
2.	Date of Death.	(2) <i>7-20-18</i>
3.	Cause and place of death.	(3) <i>DWRIA</i>
4.	Number of Casualty VCablegram.	(4) <i>207</i>
5.	Date buried.	(5) <i>7-20-18</i>
6.	Grave Location. (a) Complete record required. (b) Name of Cemetery or Commune only required. (c) Note reinterments.	(6) <i>Original</i> <i>Grave 103,</i>
7.	Who reported burial?	<i>Amer. City #247</i>
8.	Confirmed by G.R.S.?	<i>fully</i>
9.	Report as to Grave Marker.	<i>Seine-et-Marne</i>
10.	Identification Tags: (a) Buried with body? (b) Attached to grave marker?	<i>(10a) Yes</i> <i>(10b) Yes</i>
11.	Complete Emergency Address?	
12.	Has above been notified? (Give date)	
13.	Report the exact position of your inquiry on this case. (Reply in all cases if no information on record)	
14.	What is the Photograph No.?	(11) <i>Mrs. Martin E. Black (mother)</i> <i>R.F.D. Box 113 Union,</i> <i>Maine.</i>
15.	Inquiry made by?	(12) <i>8-14-18</i>

Released by Information Control Dept. Directory
Cards 5 x 8 ✓
Cards 4 x 6

N.B. All Proper names to be typewritten, or printed in PLAIN BLOCK LETTERS.

M.H.H. Information taken from Directory
No Form 16
No S.L.B.

Union Maine, Sept. 5th / 1919.

Dear Sirs:
in regard to this matter
about having my son
Simon Freeman Black
body sent Home from
France I have thought
it all over and have come
to the conclusion that I
would let the Body
remain in France. You
see he has been dead over
a year now and it would
be almost - impossible
to take the body up and
send it Home and

© Mrs. J. P. Black Simon Freeman

Doc's Clin. 117

SEP 26 1919

If you should hear any
information about my son
I would thank you to let
me know,

then I would not know
if it was my son or
not, but I would like
to know where in
France his body lies,
Thanking you all for
past favors
I remain Truly

Mrs Abbie Elizabeth Black
Union Maine
R. F. W. 1 - Box 113

Received A G O SEP 11 1919

Rec'd. Clk. 117

SEP 26 1919

© Mrs. Abbie Elizabeth Black

1st Ind

EJ
2-201

293.8 (Black, Simon Freeman) DR
War Department, A.G.O., November 10, 1919. To - Chief, Graves Registration
Service, Washington, D.C.

1. For reply direct to writer as to the location of the burial place of Pvt. Simon F. Black, #1,688,180, Co. I, 39th Inf.
2. The writer has been advised of this reference.
3. The records show the above named soldier was killed in action July 20, 1918.

By order of the Secretary of War.

P. C. Harris

The Adjutant General
Per *UB*

1st Ind

EJ
2-201


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By order of the Secretary of War.

F. C. HARRIS
Per

The Adjutant General
Per



Card on file to this effect.

File No. 6088

G.R.S. #106
DISPOSITION OF BODY

*hm/12/4/19.
DR sec/6413.*

6088

C 40 293.8

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

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has been made by:

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R.F.D. 1, Box 113

By authority of the Quartermaster General:

CHARLES C. PIERCE,
Colonel, G.M.C., U.S.A.
Chief, Graves Registration Service.

NS-2992/L

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File 12/7/19

C 40 293.8 (Black, Simon F.)

FILE

Black, Simon F.

293.8 (Black, Simon Freeman) DR

November 10, 1919.

From: The Adjutant General of the Army

To: Mrs. Abbie Elizabeth Black, R.F.D. #1, Box 113, Union, Maine.

Subject: Pvt. Simon F. Black, #1,688,180, Co. I, 39th Infantry.

1. Referring to your letter of September 5th wherein you state that you now wish the body of your son to remain overseas, you are advised that the change has been noted on the card pertaining to this matter which you previously returned to this office.
2. The records show that Pvt. Simon F. Black was killed in action July 20, 1918. The 4th Division of which organization he was a member, participated in the fighting around Haute-Vesnes, Courchamps, Chevillon, St. Gengoulph and Sommelans at the time of his death.
3. Your letter is this day being referred to the Chief, Graves Registration Service, Washington, D.C., for direct reply to you as to the location of the burial place of Pvt. Black.
4. Every precaution has been taken to safeguard the identity of our deceased soldiers. One identification tag is buried with the body and the other is attached to the marker of the grave.
5. It is desired to express to you the deep and sincere sympathy of the Department on account of the great loss sustained in the death of your son, and to commend you for the contribution you have made to the cause for which this soldier made the supreme sacrifice.

P. O. HARRIS
Per

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7m 21K
Aug 29 1919
July 11 - 10 19

fm dx

1st Ind

EJ
2-201

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War Department, A.G.O., November 10, 1919. To - Chief, Graves Registration
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1918.

By order of the Secretary of War.

P.O. HARRIS
Per

The Adjutant General
Per

*File
EJ 11-10-19*

DO NOT USE SMALL SLIPS.

c3-0856

{ Each clerk will sign his surname to steps
taken by him, adding his room number. }
Indicate dates thus: 4-8-18.

DO NOT USE SMALL SLIPS.

THIS SPACE FOR OFFICE MEMORANDA.

Card Section--Room 257

Please note cards herewith attached. The mother now wishes the body to remain in France, and the card states that she wishes the body returned.

E. Jakobe 2-201--Bläg. E
11-5-19

*Cards changed and filed
Lem,*

July 11 - 1919

THIS SPACE FOR OFFICE MEMORANDA.

Casualty:
For full
report
AMH 7-213

9/26/19

Gen. Rec. Div.

Records show

Pvt. Simon J. Black #1688,80

Co. I. 39th Inf

cc 207-14-2 rec'd Aug 2. R. I. A. July 2

Cas. Div.

9/29/19

Meuland

11-20-19

Gen. Rec. Div.

SEP 26 1919

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taken by him, adding his room number.
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DO NOT USE SMALL SLIPS.

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THIS SPACE FOR OFFICE MEMORANDA.

Miss [unclear]

Take out
green and white
card, please.

DMH
1-2-13

Cards herewith attached

Black # 128818 9-22-19

[Faint, mostly illegible handwritten notes and signatures at the bottom of the page, including what appears to be a date '1/2/13' and other scribbles.]

THIS SPACE FOR OFFICE MEMORANDA.

Card Section
~~M. B. S.~~
O. B. S.

Please attach green and white card in this case

of 2-201

10/2/19

~~O. B. S.~~ ^{you} stated that you had attached them, but they were not with case.

Cds. herewith attached

Sept. 11

O. B. S.

10-3-19

O. B. S.
11-10-19

A.G.O. 295.8

BLACK, SIMON FREEMAN

REVERSE SIDE

DATE ON WHICH THIS COPY IS CHARGED OUT

