

To The A. G. O.

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G.R.S. Form #114 B

FEB 10 1926

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1. NAME *OK* Blakeman, Fred M. SERIAL No. 58308

RANK Pvt. First Class ORGANIZATION Co. K. 28th Inf & DIVISION 1st Div

GRAVE LOCATION Amer. Cty. Villers-Tournelle (Somme) NUMBER 176

CTY. NAME

NUMBER

167

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GRAVE

ROW

PLOT

2. ORIGINAL BATTLE AREA GRAVE LOCATION 23 Row B. AM. CEM. CANTIGNY SOMME #1263

GRAVE

COMMUNE

DEPT.

COORDINATES 21 SE 121.98-331.90

CONCENTRATED TO 5/21/19. 91 B

DATE

GRAVE

ROW

PLOT

AM. MIL. CTY. VILLERS TOURNELLE (SOMME) Map 21 SE. E 119.8. N330.8 176

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Form 16, 5/21/19. CEMETERY CTY. NUMBER

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

Form 16, 5/21/19. signed Lt. Temple Bowling shows Ident. tag found on body. No other means of identification.

Form 16-A, 12/13/20. signed S.D. Campbell, Capt. Inf. shows Ident. tag found on grave marker. No other means of identification.

SUBSEQUENT REBURIALS 12/13/20. 167 B 176

DATE OF DEATH May 28/18 ROW PLOT CEMETERY

Form 16-A, 12/13/20.

STATE FROM WHICH HE CAME Kentucky

DATE GRAVE ROW PLOT CEMETERY

MEDALS OR DECORATIONS AWARDED Cited 20.1

SIGNATURE, AREA SUPERVISOR W.R. BUCKLEY, Capt. QMC. 1st Div Jan 1/20

3. FINAL GRAVE LOCATION Oct. 23, 1922. 21 Block C

DATE

GRAVE

ROW

PLOT

Robert G. Davis,
Major General,
The Adjutant General.
By *ASU*

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WORLD WAR DIV.

CEMETERY

Rec'd World War Div.

3 MAR 24 1928

AUDITED BY

HEADING	SUB-HEADING	NO. OF COLS	CODE
NAME	BLAKEMAN	3	221
BURIED	CEMETERY 636	1	5
	GRAVE 7	2	07
	ROW 21	2	21
	BLOCK C	1	3
STATE	Kentucky	2	20
RANK	Private	1	2
DIVISION	1	2	01
ORGANIZATION	27	3	028
ARM	Inf.	1	1
MARITAL	no	1	2
NAME	BLAKEMAN	3	221
RESIDENCE	STATE Ky	2	20
	COUNTY Fayette	2	34
	CITY Lexington	3	029
RELATION	mother	1	1
OTHER		1	
ELIGIBILITY	yes	1	1
NATIVITY		1	
RACE		1	
ENGLISH	yes	1	1
ATTENDANT		1	
HEALTH	Poor	1	2
NO. OF SONS		1	
DATE OF	MO.	1	
. TRIP	YR.	1	
ACCEPTANCE	no	1	
29/514/	Age		

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Date 5-21-19

REPORT OF DISINTERMENT AND REBURIAL.

Remains of:

Name: BLAKEMAN Fred M. Number: 58308

Rank: Pvt.1/c Organization: K-28 Inf.

Disinterment and Reburial made by Group 1 Unit 302

Disinterred (Date) 5-21-19 From: (Give complete location)

Grave 23 Row B Am. Cem. Cantigny, Somme. 21 SE 121.98-331.90

Reburied (Date) 5-21-19 in: (Give complete location)

Grave 91 Sect. B Am. Cem. Villers-Tournelle, Somme. 21 SE 119.76-330.92

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

No coffin. Decomposed.

Was one identification tag found upon the body? Yes

What other means of identification were found on the body?

None

CONFIRMED N° D 11717

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: Lieut. Temple Bowling

1st Lt. Temple Bowling
C.O. Group 1 Unit 302

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-M
Blakeman, Fred M. (Som)

July 12, 1932

Mrs. Rachel Blakeman,
286 American Ave.,
Lexington, Ky.

Dear Madam:

The Act of Congress of March 2, 1929, as amended May 15, 1930, authorizes pilgrimages to the cemeteries Of Europe during the years 1930, 1931, 1932 and 1933 for the mothers and widows of deceased members of the American forces who were lost or buried at sea or whose remains are interred in Europe.

Your attention is particularly invited to the fact that this is the last opportunity you will have to make the pilgrimage under the provisions of the above mentioned Act. Unless you take advantage of this LAST chance to make a trip in 1933 you will receive no benefit from the Act. There is no provision of law which will permit the Government to make a money allowance to any mother or widow who does not choose to make the pilgrimage.

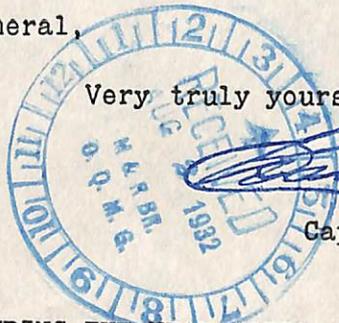
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In order to assure proper and satisfactory accommodations for the mothers and widows making the journey in 1933, reservations for steamship transportation must be made by this office several months in advance. It is requested that you answer the questions below by writing "Yes" or "No" or "Undecided" in the blank space following the question. When you have answered the question, sign your name and return this sheet in the enclosed addressed envelope which requires no postage. PLEASE DO NOT DELAY, as it is essential that the information be in this office promptly.

This letter is being sent to all eligible mothers and widows who did not make the pilgrimage during the years 1930, 1931 or 1932. There is enclosed a circular of information WHICH YOU SHOULD READ VERY CAREFULLY BEFORE MAKING YOUR DECISION.

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,


CHAS. W. DIETZ,
Captain, Q. M. Corps,
Assistant.

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DO YOU DESIRE TO MAKE A PILGRIMAGE DURING THE YEAR 1933? Yes

(Write answer here)

(Sign here)

Rachel Blakeman

QM 293 A-M
Blakeman, Fred M (Son)

December 24, 1931.

Mrs. Rachel Blakeman,
286 American Ave.,
Lexington, Kentucky.

Dear Madam:

Reference is made to previous correspondence with this office relative to a pilgrimage to the grave of your son, the late Private, first class, Fred M. Blakeman. In reply to a questionnaire you advised that you did not desire to visit your son's grave next summer.

It is noted you previously stated your health was poor and in this connection you are advised that personnel to care for your comfort and needs will be provided, and doctors and nurses will be available. During the past two years a number of mothers and widows in poor health and of advanced age made the pilgrimage and appear to have benefited by the sea air and the excellent care they received.

It is believed you should feel no hesitancy in making the journey, and should you later decide to visit your son's grave next summer, it is requested you so notify this office. Should you make the trip, you are assured that the pilgrimage will not only be made at the expense of the United States but that everything possible for your comfort and welfare will be provided. 0

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

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WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM-293-AM

Blakeman, Fred M. Pvt. ^{el}(Som) M

June 15, 1931

Mrs. Rachel Blakeman,
236 American Ave.,
Lexington, Ky.

Dear Madam:

Arrangements are now being made for conducting pilgrimages during the year 1932 to the cemeteries in Europe under the provisions of the Act of Congress of March 2, 1929, as amended.

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



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

No
Write answer here

Rachel Blakeman

Sign here

September 10, 1930.

QM 295 A-M

Cunningham, Harry W. 1252

Blakeman, Fred M. 656

Martin, Louis 1253

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Mrs. Nettie H. Rogers,
120 N. Hanover Avenue,
Lexington, Kentucky.

Dear Madam:

Receipt is acknowledged of your letter of September 1, 1930, inquiring as to whether or not Mrs. William Blakeman, Mrs. Sarah Martin and Mrs. L. W. Cunningham are eligible to make a pilgrimage to the cemeteries of Europe, under the provisions of the Act of March 2, 1929, as amended May 15, 1930.

The records of this office show that Mrs. Rachel Blakeman is eligible to make the pilgrimage. However, in a recent communication she stated that she does not desire to make the journey.

Mrs. Sarah F. Martin is also eligible to make the pilgrimage. A communication addressed to her at 380 S. Upper Street, Lexington, Kentucky, June 8, 1929, was not answered, and it was assumed she did not care to make the trip.

Under date of August 21, 1929, Miss Bettie Cunningham, advised this office that the mother of the late Private Harry W. Cunningham was deceased.

For The Quartermaster General.

Very truly yours,

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

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WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

June 6, 1930.

Blakeman, Fred M. - 636 M

Mrs. Rachel Blakeman,
286 American Ave.,
Lexington, Kentucky.

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.

To assure proper and satisfactory accommodations, reservations for steamship transportation required during the summer of 1931 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 the word "Yes" or "No" 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 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 Rachel Blakeman
(Sign here)

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WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C
Blakeman, Fred M. 636

March 7, 1930

Mrs. Rachel Blakeman,
286 American Avenue,
Lexington, Kentucky.

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. 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.

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) <u>No</u>
2. Do you desire to make the pilgrimage in the calendar year 1930?	(Yes)	(No) <u>No</u>
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) <u>No</u>
4. Please give your age and state of health.	Age (Years) <u>63</u>	Health <u>Poor</u> (Good) (Poor)
5. What language do you speak?	English - (Yes) <u>yes</u> (No)	Other language (Specify language spoken)

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

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WAR DEPARTMENT
 OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
 WASHINGTON

DATE 2/7/30

NAME Single RANK SERIAL ORGANIZATION DATE OF DEATH
BLAKEMAN, Fred M. Pvt. 1/cl 58308 Co. K 28th Inf. May 28/18

STATE Kentucky CTY. NO. 636 GRAVE 7 ROW 21 BLOCK C

	<u>Check relationship</u>	<u>Living - Deceased</u>	
	MOTHER	: X :	
	STEPMOTHER (For the year prior to commencement of service)	: : :	
NAME	MOTHER THRU ADOPTION	: : :	(M)
AND	(For the year prior to commencement of service)	: : :	Mrs. Rachel Blakeman,
ADDRESS		: : :	<u>286 American Ave.,</u>
	MOTHER IN LOCO PARENTIS (For the year prior to commencement of service)	: : :	<u>Lexington, KY.</u>
	WIDOW (Who has not remarried)	: : :	

*KC 101288
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Veterans Bureau Claim Number _____

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WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C
Blakeman, Fred M.

May 16, 1929.

Mr. W. E. Blakeman,
R.F.D. #5,
Lexington, Ky.

Dear Sir:

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

The records of this office show that you are the father of the late Private, first class Fred M. Blakeman, Company K, 28th Infantry, whose remains are now interred in the Somme American Cemetery, Bony, Aisne, France.

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

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

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

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

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WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-M
Blakeman, Fred M. (Son)

July 12, 1932

Mrs. Rachel Blakeman,
286 American Ave.,
Lexington, Ky.

Dear Madam:

The Act of Congress of March 2, 1929, as amended May 15, 1930, authorizes pilgrimages to the cemeteries of Europe during the years 1930, 1931, 1932 and 1933 for the mothers and widows of deceased members of the American forces who were lost or buried at sea or whose remains are interred in Europe.

Your attention is particularly invited to the fact that this is the last opportunity you will have to make the pilgrimage under the provisions of the above mentioned Act. Unless you take advantage of this LAST chance to make a trip in 1933 you will receive no benefit from the Act. There is no provision of law which will permit the Government to make a money allowance to any mother or widow who does not choose to make the pilgrimage.

IT IS REQUESTED THAT YOU GIVE THE MATTER YOUR MOST CAREFUL CONSIDERATION BEFORE REACHING A DECISION, BEARING IN MIND THAT THIS IS THE LAST OPPORTUNITY YOU WILL HAVE TO MAKE THE TRIP AT GOVERNMENT EXPENSE.

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For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

CHAS. W. DIETZ,
Captain, Q. M. Corps,
Assistant.

2 Encls.

DO YOU DESIRE TO MAKE A PILGRIMAGE DURING THE YEAR 1933?

(Write answer here)

(Sign here) _____

QM 293 A-M
Blakeman, Fred M (Son)

December 24, 1931.

Mrs. Rachel Blakeman,
286 American Ave.,
Lexington, Kentucky.

Dear Madam:

Reference is made to previous correspondence with this office relative to a pilgrimage to the grave of your son, the late Private, first class, Fred M. Blakeman. In reply to a questionnaire you advised that you did not desire to visit your son's grave next summer.

It is noted you previously stated your health was poor and in this connection you are advised that personnel to care for your comfort and needs will be provided, and doctors and nurses will be available. During the past two years a number of mothers and widows in poor health and of advanced age made the pilgrimage and appear to have benefited by the sea air and the excellent care they received.

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

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WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM-293-AM

Blakeman, Fred M. Pvt. (Son) M

June 15, 1931

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236 American Ave.,
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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

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September 10, 1930.

QH 293 A-M
Cunningham, Harry W. 1232
✓ Blakeman, Fred H. 636
Martin, Louis 1233

Mrs. Nettie H. Rogers,
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Mrs. Sarah F. Martin is also eligible to make the pilgrimage. A communication addressed to her at 350 S. Upper Street, Lexington, Kentucky, June 6, 1929, was not answered, and it was assumed she did not care to make the trip.

Under date of August 21, 1929, Miss Bettie Cunningham, advised this office that the mother of the late Private Harry W. Cunningham was deceased.

For The Quartermaster General.

Very truly yours,

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

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

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

(Write answer here)

(Sign here)

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

Blakeman, Fred M.
636

August 27, 1929.

Mr. W. E. Blakeman,
R.F.D. #5,
Lexington, Ky.

Dear Sir:

The records of this office do not indicate that a reply has been received to our communication dated May 16, 1929, making inquiry concerning the name and address of the mother and widow of the deceased service man above named. These addresses are desired with a view to ascertaining the number of mothers and widows who desire to make a pilgrimage to the cemeteries of Europe in which the remains of their sons and husbands are interred.

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

Write answers in space below

1. Is the deceased survived by a widow who has not since remarried? If so, give her complete address:

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

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

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

WAR DEPARTMENT
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WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
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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 (Years)	Health (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,
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Your attention is invited to the enclosed copy of an Act of Congress approved March 2, 1929, entitled an Act "To enable the mothers and widows of the deceased soldiers, sailors and marines of the American forces now interred in the cemeteries of Europe to make a pilgrimage to these cemeteries".

The records of this office show that you are the father of the late Private, first class Fred M. Blakeman, Company K, 28th Infantry, whose remains are now interred in the Somme American Cemetery, Bony, Aisne, France.

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

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

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

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

2 incls.
Act of Congress.
Envelope.

✓
①

Blakeman, Fred M.

February 17, 1927.

QM 293 A-C

Mr. W. E. Blakeman,
R.F.D., #5,
Lexington, Ky.

Dear Sir:

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

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

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

Very truly yours,

1 Incl.
Record card.

E. J. HAMPTON,
Lt. Col., Q.M.G.,
Assistant.

MEM

25/560/EYS



Dup

58,308

Fred M

Blakeman,

(Christian name in full.)
Co K 28th Inf

(Army serial number.)

(Surname.)
Pvt. 1st

(Rank and organization.)

State your relationship to the deceased

Do you desire the remains brought to the United States? *Yes*

(Yes or no.)

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

(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)

(Number and street or rural route.)

(City, town, or post office.)

(State.)

Read carefully the letter accompanying this card.

3-6713

Drawn by Pm

176-32

2-14-21

REVIEWED
OSP SS.

2/15/21 E.M.

To be prepared in triplicate.

DATE Nov. 16, 1921

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 Blakeman, Fred M 16
- 2. No. 58303 8c
- 3. Rank Pvt. 1/22
- 4. Org. Co. K, 28th Inf 17
- 5. D.D. May 28, 1918
- 6. C.D. KIA 28.10.1934

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

Discrepancy found upon disinterment

- 7. Grave No. 167 Sec. _____
- 8. Plot B Row _____
- 9. _____

- 15. Grave No. _____ Sec. _____
- 16. Plot _____ Row _____
- 17. no discrepancy

- 18. Cemetery Amer. Cty
- 20. Dept. or County Somme
- 22. G.R.S. Hdqrs. Code No. 176

- 19. Commune or town Villers-Tournelle
- 21. Country France

- 23. Disinterred (Date) Nov. 16, 1921

By H. T. Geiler

24. Inscription on grave marker:

Name Fred M. Blakeman

Rank Pvt.

Serial No. -

Organization Co. K. 28th. Inf.

- 25. Was identification disc found on grave marker? yes On body? no

L. H. Albin
 Signature Junior Technical Assistant
L. H. Albin.

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).

Body previously reburied by Field Section. Strips and bottle record agree with form 114-A

- 27. Condition of body Badly decomposed. Features not recognizable.

- 28. Nature of burial In blanket and in wooden box.

- 29. Any discrepancy noted upon examination of body, as compared with G.R.S. records quoted above? _____

- 30. Body prepared and placed in casket: Date Nov. 16, 1921 By H. T. Geiler

- 31. Casket sealed by H. T. Geiler

Signature of Embalmer, (Supervisor) H. T. Geiler

AUDITED BY
2022-26-25

Place Villers-Fournelle
Date Dec-13-20

REPORT OF DISINTERMENT AND REBURIAL

1. REMAINS OF BLAKEMAN-FRED SERIAL NUMBER 58303

RANK Privt- ORGANIZATION A-K-28th Inf-

2. Disinterred (date): 12-13-20 From (give complete location): Gr-91-Plot-B
Cem- Cem-176-Villers-Fournelle-France

By: Group 2 Unit 1

3. Reburied (date): 12-13-20 In (give complete location): Gr-167-Plot-B-
Cem- Cem-176-Villers-Fournelle-France

By: Group 2 Unit 1 Nature of reburial in pine box in Plot B

4. Report as to nature of original burial and condition of body upon disinterment:
in pine box - in uniform - body decomposed unrecognizable

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

(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) impossible to determine

(b) Weight (estimated) unable to estimate

(c) Hair—Color None on skull

Quantity None

Characteristics None

(d) Hair on face—Color None on face

Location None

Quantity None

(e) Permanent marks on body (old scars, peculiarities, or missing parts) impossible to determine

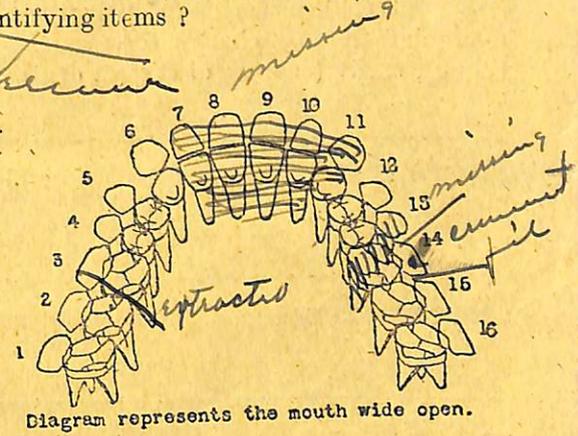
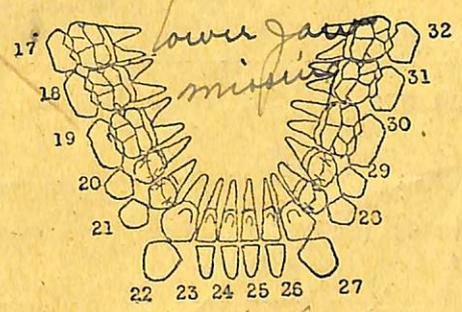


Diagram represents the mouth wide open.



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

2nd
A-K

7. Disinterment supervised by Arthur B. Proctor (Arthur B. Proctor, 1st Lt. QMC) Approved: S. D. Campbell (S. D. Campbell, Capt. Inf.) (Title) M. of S. #1

8. Reburial supervised by Arthur B. Proctor (Arthur B. Proctor, 1st Lt. QMC) Approved: S. D. Campbell (S. D. Campbell, Capt. Inf.) (Title) M. of S. #1 rs

file
5/17/20
2-20-20

SHIPMENT. (Show actual marking of box.) Box No. C-13508

32. Designation of body:

Name Blakeman, Fred M Serial No. 58303

Rank Pvt Organization Co. K, 28th Inf

33. Consigned to:

Name of Permanent Cemetery Somme Amer. Cty. #636 Bony, Aisne

34. Casket boxed and marked (Date) Nov. 16, 1921 By H.T. Geiler

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.J. Powers J.J. Powers, 1st. Lt. QMC

36. Remarks Disc on cross gives Rank as: Pvt. 1/c." and Serial No. as: "58308"

37. Shipped from point of Operation: (Date) Nov. 16, 1921

To point of Concentration Amiens, Somme

Convoyer Charles Hornbach Signature Shipping Officer J.J. Powers J.J. Powers, 1st. Lt. QMC

38. Received at Railhead or Point of Concentration: Date Nov. 16, 1921

By G.R.S. Representative H. W. Beyette Hubert W. Beyette, Capt. QMC

39. Shipped from Railhead or Point of Concentration: Date 21 NOV 1921

To Permanent Cemetery No. 636, Bony, Aisne

Convoyer Stewart Signature Shipping Officer H. W. Beyette H. W. Beyette, Capt. QMC

40. Received: Date 25 NOV 1921

G.R.S. Representative S.R. Dice

41. Reinterred Oct. 23, 1922

42. Grave No. 8, Section _____

43. Plot Block C Row 21

G.R.S. Representative D. E. Lowry D. E. LOWRY, 1st. Lt. QMC...

COMPILATION OF DISPOSITION OF REMAINS DATA

File # 101922

I. LOCATION INDEX CARD:

(a) Name BLAKEMAN, Fred M. Ser. No. 58303
(b) Rank Pvt. 10/27 Organization Co. K, 28th Inf.
(c) Date of death 5-28-18 (d) Cause of death K/A

TYP. DB
CKR.

58308 10/27

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

(a) Grave No. 91 Row - Plot - Sec. B TYP. HB
(b) Emerg. Address R.E. Blakeman (father) RFD #5, Lexington, Ky.

III. Files of soldiers dying from contagious diseases NO CARD

CKR. A64

IV. A. G. O. DISPOSITION CARD:

Date of receipt Home

(a) Name W. E. Blakeman (b) Relationship Father
(c) Address RFD #5, Lexington, Ky.
(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 PW Date 9-15, 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 PM Date 9-15, 1920.

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

No request for disposition

(a) Cancellation memos referred to? yes HW

Examiner's Initials HW Date 9-15, 1920.

COUNTRY FRANCE

CEMETERY No. 176

SHEET No. 32

Rechecked 9/15/21 G.M.

5/22/22 Exhumed
for Concentration
Source # 636

OK
AES

Place Villers Tournelle, Somme

REPORT OF DISINTERMENT AND REBURIAL

Date Nov. 16, 1921

1. REMAINS OF BLAKEMAN, Fred M. SERIAL NUMBER 58305⁸
 RANK Pvt. 1/c ORGANIZATION Co. K. 28 Inf.

2. Disinterred (date): Nov 16, 1921. From (give complete location): Gr. 167, Plot B. Cam. 176.

By: Group 3 Unit F.S. 8

3. Reburied (date): Oct. 23, 1922 In (give complete location): Grave 8, Row 21, Block C, Somme Am. Cty. 656, Bony (Aisne)

By: Group Reburial Unit _____ Nature of reburial Reg. Casket & shipping case

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

Body badly decomposed. Features not recognizable.

Body buried in blanket and wooden box.

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

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

Body previously reburied. Strips and bottle record agree with form 114-A.

Disc on cross gives Rank as: "Pvt. 1/c" and Ser. No. as: "58308"

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

(a) Height (actual measurement) Impossible to determine

(b) Weight (estimated) do

(c) Hair—Color do

Quantity do

Characteristics do

(d) Hair on face—Color do

Location do

Quantity do

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

or missing parts) None discernible

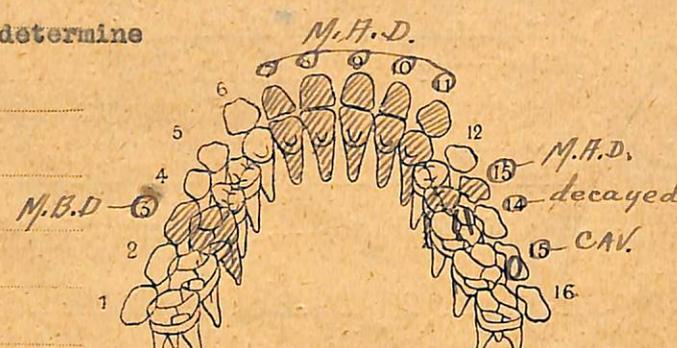
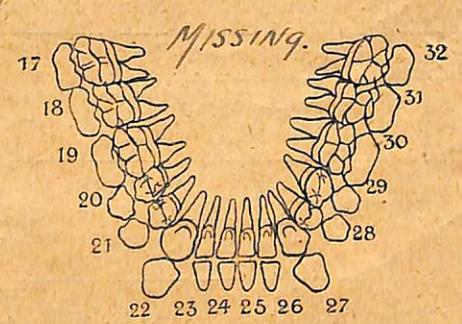


Diagram represents the mouth wide open



(f) Wounds or missing parts (received at time of casualty) Lower jaw missing. Right scapula missing. Right clavicle, right tibia fractured, middle third. Right fibula missing. Left scapula fractured. Left clavicle missing. Left tibia fractured lower third.

7. Disinterment supervised by L.H. Albin (Checker) H.T. Geller, S.E. (Signature) Approved: J.J. Powers (Signature) J.J. Powers, 1st. Lt. QMC Insp. (Title)

8. Reburial supervised by Ben. A. Bradford (Signature) Sup. Emb. (Title) Approved: D.E. Lowry (Signature) 1st. Lt. QMC. (Title)

CEMETERY DIVISION

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

Typed by _____, Checked by _____, _____, 1920.

NOV 1 20

Following advice forwarded to Europe by

cable on _____, 1920

letter on 9-24, 1920

Par. # 2. Not to be returned. (H.S.)

IX.

CORRECTIONS

CHANGE OF ADVICE

ACTION TAKEN.

Desires body be _____

Body to be shipped to _____

CEMETERY DIVISION
OVERSEAS PROJECT SECTION



NOV 26

RECEIVED

X. SUSPENSION REMARKS:

Form #120 11-4-20 Father m. k. wishes body left in Europe 11-13-20 ECJ

NOV 24 1920

FORM 115 RETURNED BY HOBOKEN - BODY TO REMAIN IN EUROPE. HJK

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL OF THE ARMY *md*
GRAVES REGISTRATION SERVICE
WASHINGTON

NOV 4 1920

FROM: Chief, Graves Registration Service, Q. M. C.

To: *W* Mr. E. Blakeman, R.F.D.#5, Lexington, Ky.

SUBJECT: Remains of Pvt. 1/c Fred M. Blakeman, Serial No. 58308
Co. K. 28th Infantry.

The records of this office show that you have requested that his body remain in France.

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

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

By authority of the Quartermaster General.

CHARLES C. PIERCE,
Major, U. S. A.

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 these relatives are STILL LIVING.

NAME OF—	NO. AND STREET.	TOWN.	STATE.
Was soldier married? <i>NO</i>			
Soldier's widow			
Soldier's children. (Name oldest first.)	1		
	2		
	3		
Father			
Mother			
Brothers. (Name oldest first.)	1		
	2		
	3		
Sisters. (Name oldest first.)	1		
	2		
	3		

Date _____

Signature _____

Address _____

Relationship _____

IMPORTANT.—CAREFULLY read instructions before filling out this paper.

....., 1920.

I, the undersigned, am the Father and nearest living relative 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.

Signature W. E. Blakeman

INSTRUCTIONS FOR FILLING OUT.

1. If definite instruction as to the disposition of a body are not received from the nearest relative 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 living relatives 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 relative, please ask the nearest relative, if living near you, to fill out this paper.

7. If YOU are not the nearest living relative 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.

COMPILATION OF DISPOSITION OF REMAINS DATA

File # 101922

I. LOCATION INDEX CARD:

(a) Name BLAKEMAN, Fred. M. Ser. No. 58308
 (b) Rank Priv. 1/c Organization Co. K, 28th Inf.
 (c) Date of death 5-28-18 Cause of death K/A

TYP DB

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

(a) Grave No. 91 Row - Plot - Sect. B
 (b) Emerg. Address R. E. Blakeman (father) RFD #5, Lexington, Ky.

TYP HB

III. Files of soldiers dying from contagious diseases NO CARD

OKR 26

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

A.S.O. card: - W. E. Blakeman, (father) RFD #5 Lexington, Ky. requests body be not returned to U.S.

V. Following advice forwarded to Europe by (cable on 9/24 1920) (letter of transmittal on 9/24 1920)

Par #2 - not to be returned (jeb)

VI. Form 115 forwarded to G.R.S. Hoboken, N.J. OCT 30 1920 1920

VII. SUPPLEMENTARY REQUESTS

Date of and Source	Relationship and name	Desires	Action taken

VIII. Form 115 received from G.R.S. Hoboken, N.J. NOV 26 1920 1920

COUNTRY
 G.R.S. FORM 115-A
 August 1920
 S-666/MB FRANCE

CEMETERY NO.

SHEET NO.

176

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HD 10-29-20

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 5/22/22 Ex. Buried
 concentration
 Soume. # 636
 mack
 6-8-22

CEMETERY DIVISION
REGISTRATION SECTION

FILE

Nov. 3, 1921

MEMO FOR:

Cards Department.

1.

CASE OF:

Co. K, 28th Inf.
ORGANIZATION (Old)

BLAKEMAN 58306 Fred M. Pvt. 1/cl.
(Name)

FILE

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)

FILE NO.

SURNAME

SERIAL NUMBER

FIRST NAME AND INITIALS

RANK

DATE OF DEATH

CAUSE OF DEATH

	Date	Place	F. I. A. No.
Orig.			D-
1st. Reb.			D-
2nd Reb.	12/13/20	176	D. 30270
3rd Reb.			D-

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

BY: Miss Lannon

Card.

(Department)

5 x 8 card was sent to file.

Corrections made
on Organization
File Card:

By [Signature]
S/3324/LML

WAR DEPARTMENT
Office of the Quartermaster General of the Army
Washington.

G.R.S. Form 8-W-A-0
Information requested of A.G.O.

Special

Date Sept. 18, 1920

File No. *101922* Registration.

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 **Blakeman** *OK*
- b. Christian name **Fred M.** *OK*
- c. Serial Number **58308** *OK*
- d. Organization **Co. K. 28th Inf.** *OK*
- e. Rank **Pvt. 1/cl.** *OK* (~~Pvt.~~)
- f. Date of death **5/28/18** *OK*
- g. Cause of death **K/A** *OK*
- h. Authority (C.C.#) **553-**
- i. Emergency address **Blakeman RFD #5 Lexington, Ky.**
- j. Relationship **(Father)**

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

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

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

- a. Strike out teeth missing
- 8 7 6 5 4 3 2 1 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8
upper right upper left
- 8 7 6 5 4 3 2 1 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8
lower right lower left



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

CEMETERY NO: 176

SHEET NO:
TYPED BY: FFD

**REVIEWED
OSP SS.**

BY: *H. J. Conner*
H. J. CONNER,
~~Quartermaster General~~
1st Lieut. Q. M. G.

S-713/MB

*Honolulu, HI
and re - 9-21-20*

Rec'd World War Div.
Date: **9-20-20**

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101922

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

Date September, 19, 1919.

FROM:- INQUIRY BRANCH.

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

NAME BLAKEMAN, Fred. M.

Serial Number 58308

RANK Pvt.

ORGANIZATION Co. K 28th. Inf.

NO.	QUESTION	REPLY
1.	Do particulars of soldier: given above agree with Records?	No Direc. 58308 & 58303, Card 58303.
2.	Date of Death.	Rank Pvt. 1/cl/.
3.	Cause and place of death.	
4.	Number of Casualty Cablegram.	
5.	Date buried.	
6.	Grave Location. (a) Complete record required. (b) Name of Cemetery or Commune only required. (c) Note reinterments.	Returied ; Grave #91, Sec. B American Cemetery #176, Villers-Torunelle, Somme. ✓
7.	Who reported burial?	
8.	Confirmed by G.R.S.?	
9.	Report as to Grave Marker.	
10.	Identification Tags: (a) Buried with body? (b) Attached to grave marker?	
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.?	
15.	Inquiry made by?	

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OSP SS.

Released by Information Control

- Dept.
- Directory
- Cards 5 x 8
- Cards 4 x 6

M.E.B.

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

101922
file

G.R.S. FORM #105 - Reply to Casualty Div., A.G.O.

WAR DEPARTMENT
The Office of Director Purchase & Storage.
Washington, D.C.

Sept. 25, 1919.

MEMORANDUM TO: Casualty Division, Adjutant General's Office,
6th & B Streets, n.w., Washington, D.C.

Attached papers are returned with the information that the files of the Graves Registration Service show that:

Blakeman, Fred M.

Ser. #58308

Pvt

Co. K 28th. Inf.

is buried ~~XXXXXXXXXXXX~~ was disinterred and reburied in

Grave 91; Sect. B; Amer. Cty. 176;

Villers-Tournelle, (Somme)

By authority of the Quartermaster General,
Director of purchase and Storage

IMV

Charles C. Pierce,
Colonel, Q.M.C.
Chief, Graves Registration Service.

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OSP SS.

G.R.S. FILE NO.
CCP/
NS-2849-ad

G.R.S Form No. 8-W; Central Records
Cards Sec. #3. Liaison.

Jan. 9, 1920.

Memo For: G.R.S. representative, C.R.O.

Subject: Information required for G.R.S.

1. Items checked are to be completed:

Surname: Blakeman ✓
 Number: ~~58308~~ 58308 ✓
 First name: Fred M. ✓
 Rank: Pvt. 1st. cl. ✓
 Company: K ✓
 Organization: 28th Inf. ✓
 Date of death: May 28, 1918.
 Cause: Killed in action.
 Place:

Location of hospital:

Number " "
 Class " "

✓ Emergency address

R. E. Blakeman,
 R. F. D. #5
 Lexington, Ky.

✓ Relationship: (Father)

Authority:
 Cablegram No:
 Telegram from:

dated:

Reported to Washington:
 C.C. Nos.

(Underscore the "official" C.C.)

Remarks:

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

HM E

NS-3404/MB

vaughan - 6-8-3. 1-15-20. ✓



4-23-19

G.R.S. Form No. 3; Central Records Liaison.

Memo For: G.R.S. Representative, C.R.O.

SUBJECT: Information required for G.R.S.

FILE.1. Items checked are to be completed:

() Surname: BLAKEMAN
 (✓) Number: 58308
 () First name: Fred M.
 () Rank: Pvt. /c.
 () Company: Co. K.
 () Organization: 28th Infantry.
 (✓) Date of death: 5/28/18
 (✓) Cause: W.I.A.
 () Place: KIA

Location of hospital:

Number " "
 Class " "
 (✓) Relative: R.E. Blakeman
 (✓) Relationship: Father
 (✓) Address: RFD #5, Lexington, Ky.
 (✓) Authority: Rpt fr. C.O. of 28th Inf. 5/20/19
 Cablegram No:
 Telegram from:

dated:

() Reported to Washington:
 S.C. Nos: 555-5111
 (UnderSCORE the "official" C.C.)
 () Remarks:
 () Show present status on reverse side

REVIEWED
 USP SS.

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

Initials of Reporter:

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FROM : Sgt. J.W.Sharp, C.R.O. Representative.
TO : Central Records Office, Welfare Department.
SUBJECT : Location of graves.

NAME BLAKEMAN, Fred M. 58308

FILE NO.

RANK Pvt.

ORGANIZATION Co.K 28th.Inf.

NO.	QUESTION	REPLY
1.	Do particulars of soldier given above agree with records?	
2.	Date of death.	
3.	Date of burial.	
4.	Grave location.	
5.	How is grave marked?	
6.	Identification tags, (a) Buried with body? (b) Attached to grave marker?	

No Record of This Soldier

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SYNOPSIS OF COMMUNICATION RECEIVED AND INDORSED OUT.

DATED: Jan. 31, 1919 DATE RECEIVED IN Sept. 25, 1919.

FROM: S.L.Allen, Georgetown, Ky.

TO: A.A.Parker, Adj. Gen. War Dept. Wash. D.C.

- (1) Re; BLAKEMAN, Fred M. (Pvt.) Co. K 26th.Inf. (Ser. #56308)

- (2) Requesting information as to location of above Soldier.

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A.G.O. 201 (Blakeman, Fred M) CD
War Department, March 20th, 1919.

To the Commanding General, American Expeditionary Force,
for information as to the death and place of burial of the above named-
reported died May 28th, 1918.

By order of the Secretary of War:

P. C. Harris.
The Adjutant General.

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G.R.S. FORM NO.23

NAME Fred W. Blakeman

FILE NUMBER 101922.

SERIAL NUMBER

RANK

ORGANIZATION

Co K 28th Inf.

NO	QUESTION	REPLY
1.	Do particulars of soldier given above agree with records?	1. BLAKEMAN. Fred M. Pvt. Co. K, 28th Inf.
2.	Date of death.	2.
3.	Grave location.	3. Grave #23, Row B, Amer. C ty. #1263, Cantigny, Some.
4.	Who reported burial?	
5.	Confirmed by G.R.S.?	CONFIRMED N° D _____
6.	How is grave marked?	6. Cross.
7.	Identification tags:	7. One attached to grave marker.
	(a) Buried with body?	
	(b) Attached to grave marker?	
8.	Emergency address?	8. Not given.
9.	Has above been notified? (Give date).	
10.	Cablegram number.	10. Blue Card.

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ANALYSIS OF INQUIRY

Flowers, flags etc (Par.#5, Bul.10-B) _____	Effects (G.R.S.Forms 7 & 7-A) _____
Monuments (Par #6, Bul.10-B) _____	Accrued Pay (G.R.S. Forms 19 & 22) _____
Disinterments (Par.#8 Bul.10-B) _____	Liberty Bonds (G.R.S.Forms 21 & 22) _____
Circumstances of death (G.R.S. Form No.6) _____	War Risk Insurance (G.R.S.Forms 20 & 22) _____
Photograph requested (File 004.5) _____	Disposition of remains (a) Return to U.S.(Form 23)
Grave Location <i>AT</i> _____	(b) Remain in France (Form 24)
	(c) Miscellaneous (Letter)

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AMERICAN EXPEDITIONARY FORCES
HEADQUARTERS SERVICES OF SUPPLY
OFFICE OF THE CHIEF QUARTERMASTER, A. E. F.
GRAVES REGISTRATION SERVICE
FRANCE June 19, 1919.

Burial information for the American Red Cross.

Soldier's name : Fred M. Blakeman,

Rank : Private.

Organization : Co. K, 28th Inf.

Date of Death :

Place of Burial : Grave #23, Row B, American Military
Cemetery, at CANTIGNY, in the Department
of SOMME. The grave is marked with a
Cross with Identification Tag attached.

Reference number : 101922.

(All communications regarding this Grave location should
quote the above reference number and be addressed to : -

Chief, Graves Registration Service
Headquarters Service of Supply
Office of the Chief Quartermaster
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France.)

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OFFICE OF THE CHIEF QUARTERMASTER, A. E. F.
GRAVES REGISTRATION SERVICE
FRANCE

June 18, 1919.

Burial information for the American Red Cross.

Soldier's name : FRED W. BLAKEMAN
Rank : Private
Organization : Co . A., 28th Infantry. AEF
Date of Death : May 28, 1918.
Place of Burial : Grave #23, Row "B", American
Military Cemetery, at
CANTIGNY, Department of SOMME.

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Reference number : 101922

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Pvt. Fred W. Blakeman
Co.K. 28th Inf.

Present status K/A 5-28-18
Cablegram No. 555 Sp 11
Nearest relative address.
Not available.

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Couriergram No.26.

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Graves Registration Service, APO 717,

AMERICAN RED CROSS

May 14th, 1919.
Paris,.....

Name of Soldier: FRED W. BLAKEMAN

Rank:

Company: K

Regiment: 28th Infantry

Forward Burial Report to
"Bureau of Communication" for

Paris office, ARC

Burial report required for Paris.

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

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FROM:-

A.R.E.

DATE

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Please furnish information as indicated below regarding the following soldier:

NAME *BLAKEMAN - FRED - W.* NUMBER

RANK *PVT.* ORGANIZATION *Co. K. 28th INF.*

NO.	QUESTION	REPLY
1.	Do particulars of soldier given above agree with Records?	1. Fred M Blakeman, Pvt. Co K 28th Inf.
2.	Date of Death.	2. <i>5-28-18</i>
3.	Cause and place of death.	3. <i>KIA</i>
4.	Number of Casualty Cablegram.	4. <i>CC # 555 SP 11</i>
5.	Date buried.	5. <i>NO data</i>
6.	Grave Location. (a) Complete record required. (b) Name of Cemetery or Commune only required.	6. <i>GR # 23 Row B. cty # 1263 - AM'cty CANIGNY SOMME.</i>
7.	Who reported burial.	7. <i>yes</i>
8.	Has report been confirmed by G.R.S.	8. <i>yes</i>
9.	Report as to Grave Marker.	9. <i>yes</i>
10.	Report as to Identification Tags.	10. <i>yes</i>
11.	Who is nearest relative?	11. <i>yes</i>
12.	Has N/R been notified? (Give Date)	12. <i>yes</i>
13.	Report the exact position of your inquiry on this case. (Reply in all cases if no information on record)	13. <i>yes</i>
14.	What is the Photograph No.?	14. <i>#B-283.</i>

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

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AMERICAN RED CROSS

Paris, Mar. 14, 1919

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Name of Soldier: Blakeman, Fred W.

Rank: Pvt?

Company: CoK

Regiment: 28 Inf.

Forward Burial Report to Paris
"Bureau of Communication" for

Washington

Burial report required for Paris.

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Blakeman, Fred M.

~~FRED M. BLAKEMAN~~
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May 28, 1918

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