

G.R.S. Form #114-B

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JAN 7 - 1926

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Blanchard, James H.

DATE

1. NAME *BLANCHARD, James*

SERIAL No. *279294*

RANK *PTC.*

ORGANIZATION & DIVISION *Co. C. 126th Inf.*

GRAVE LOCATION *American Cty. NANTES (Loire-Inf.)*

32
88

CTY. NAME

NUMBER

22

GRAVE

ROW

PLOT

2. ORIGINAL BATTLE AREA GRAVE LOCATION

22

Nantes

L.I.

As shown by GRS Form #1-A,
Feb. 9, 1919.

GRAVE

COMMUNE

DEPT.

COORDINATES *Not given*

CONCENTRATED TO

Nothing of record.

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.

Nothing of record.

DATE OF DEATH

Aug 10, 1918

STATE FROM WHICH HE CAME

Mich

MEDALS OR DECORATIONS AWARDED

Not of record.

SUBSEQUENT REBURIALS

DATE

GRAVE

ROW

PLOT

CEMETERY

DATE

GRAVE

ROW

PLOT

CEMETERY

SIGNATURE, AREA SUPERVISOR

Stanley J. Grogan

STANLEY J. GROGAN, CAPT. INF. USA.

3. FINAL GRAVE LOCATION *Sept. 14, 1922.*

28

32
37

Block B

DATE

GRAVE

ROW

PLOT

Stamp: A.G.O. JAN 7 1926

Oise-Aisne Amer. #608, Seringes-et-Nesles (Aisne).

CEMETERY

Robert O. Davis, Major General
By *[Signature]* 7-3
1-9-26

CODE SLIP

HEADING	SUB-HEADING	NO. OF COLS	CODE
NAME	BLANCHARD	3	221
	James		
	CEMETERY	1	2
	GRAVE	2	28
	ROW	2	32
	BLOCK	1	2
STATE	Mich	2	26
RANK	Pvt. 1/c	1	2
DIVISION	32	2	32
ORGANIZATION	126	3	126
ARM	Inf.	1	1
MARITAL	No	1	2
NAME	Blanchard	3	
RESIDENCE	Wm (Father) Route 5, Lake Way Park Kalamazoo, Mich.		
	STATE	2	26
	COUNTY	2	39
	CITY	3	050
RELATION	Mother	1	1
OTHER	No Loco	1	
ELIGIBILITY	No 5.M. Dead	1	6
NATIVITY		1	
RACE		1	
ENGLISH		1	
ATTENDANT		1	
HEALTH		1	
NO. OF SONS		1	
DATE OF	MO.	1	
. TRIP	YR.	1	
ACCEPTANCE	Dead	1	3
	29/514/		

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QM 293 A-M
Blanchard, James (OA)

February 8, 1933

Miss Ruby A. Dunklee, Exec. Sec.,
The American Red Cross,
421 West South Street,
Kalamazoo, Michigan.

Dear Madam:

Your letter of January 31st, addressed to The Adjutant General, relative to the desire of Mr. William H. Blanchard to make a pilgrimage to the grave of his son, the late Private first class James Blanchard, has been referred to this office for reply.

The Act of Congress approved March 2, 1929, and amended May 15, 1930, provides for pilgrimages to be made by only the mothers and widows of deceased veterans. It is therefore regretted to advise that Mr. Blanchard is not eligible to visit the last resting place of his son at the expense of the Government.

Mr. Blanchard's desire to make the journey is understood and appreciated. However, I am sure he will realize the War Department is powerless to do other than carry out the law as passed by Congress.

For The Quartermaster General.

Very truly yours,

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

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WORLD WAR SERVICE MENS RELIEF BUREAU

AMERICAN LEGION HOME
421 WEST SOUTH ST.
KALAMAZOO, MICHIGAN

January 31, 1933

Adjutant General's Office
War Department
Washington, D. C.

293
Re: BLANCHARD, James W.
XC-30, 617

Sir:

The father of the above named deceased veteran, William H. Blanchard, R.F.D. #5, Lakeway Park, Kalamazoo, Michigan, had contacted this office relative to visiting his son's grave in France.

His son is buried at Oise-Aisne, Grave No. 28, Row 37, Block B, Seringes-Et-Nesles, Aisne, France.

He would like to make this trip this summer, if possible and if there is any information you can furnish this office relative to where he may make application, we would be glad to assist him in any way possible.

Very truly yours,

THE AMERICAN RED CROSS

By Ruby A. Drueklee
Executive Secretary

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WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

Blanchard, James - 608 F

July 7, 1930

Mr. Wm. Blanchard
Rt. 5, Lake Way Park
Kalamazoo, Mich.

Dear Sir:

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

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

1. Is the deceased survived by a mother?

If so, give her name and address:

No.

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

If so, give her name and address:

No.

3. Is the deceased survived by any woman who stood in loco parentis to him according to the terms of Section 4 (a) of the enclosed Act as amended?

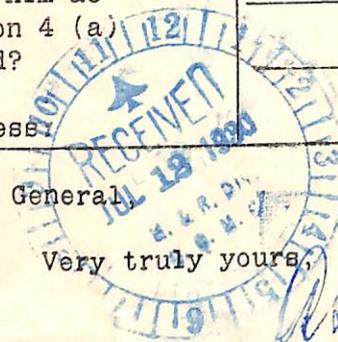
If so, give her name and address:

No.

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

Enclosures:
Envelope
Act
Amendment


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

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C
Blanchard, James 608

March 10, 1930

Mr. William Blanchard,
Route #5, Lake Way Park,
Kalamazoo, Michigan.

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 father of the late Pvt. 1st Cl. James Blanchard, Co. C, 126th Inf., whose remains are now interred in the Oise-Aisne American Cemetery, Seringes-et-Nesles, Aisne, France.

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

Write answers in space below:

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

not married

2. If so, give her complete address.

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

no

no

no

Father only

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

John T. Harris

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Act of Congress
Envelope

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

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

DATE February 10 1930

NAME	RANK	SERIAL	ORGANIZATION	DATE OF DEATH
Blanchard James	PFC	279294	Co C 126th Inf	Aug 10 1918

STATE	CTY. NO.	GRAVE	ROW	BLOCK
Michigan	608	28	32	B

	<u>Check relationship</u>	<u>Living - Deceased</u>
NAME	MOTHER	: <i>no</i> : <i>record</i> :
AND	STEPMOTHER (For the year prior to commencement of service)	: : : <i>Father -</i>
ADDRESS	MOTHER THRU ADOPTION (For the year prior to commencement of service)	: : : <i>Wm. Blanchard</i>
	MOTHER IN LOCO PARENTIS (For the year prior to commencement of service)	: : : <i>Rt. 5 Lake Way Park</i>
	WIDOW (Who has not remarried)	: : : <i>Kalamazoo</i>
	<i>Single man</i>	: : : <i>Mich</i>
	<i>XC 30617</i>	: : : _____
		: : : _____

Veterans Bureau Claim Number 29/156

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WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

Blanchard, James
608

Aug. 28, 1929.

Mr. William Blanchard,
1123-3rd St.,
Kalamazoo, Mich.

Dear Sir:

The records of this office do not indicate that a reply has been received to our communication dated June 21, 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:

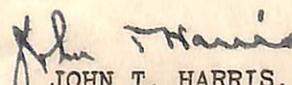
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3. If survived by a widow or mother does she desire to make the pilgrimage?

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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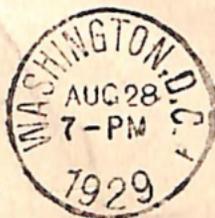

JOHN T. HARRIS,
Major, Q. M. Corps,
Assistant.

WAR DEPARTMENT

OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL

WASHINGTON, D. C.

OFFICIAL BUSINESS



PENALTY FOR PRIVATE USE TO
ADDRESS YOUR MAIL
TO
STREET AND NUMBER
AVOID PAYMENT OF POSTAGE, \$300

Not at number given-No. 19

Not at number given-No. 19

RETURNED TO WRITER
UNCLAIMED FROM
KALAMAZOO, MICH.

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WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

Blanchard, James

Sept. 26, 1929.

Mr. Wm. Blanchard,
R/5 Lake Way Park,
Kalamazoo, Mich.

Dear Sir:

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4. Does she desire to make the pilgrimage?

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

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IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

Blanchard, James

Mr. William Blanchard,
1123-3rd St.,
Kalamazoo, Mich.

Father
Wm Blanchard
June 21, 1929.
R # 5 "Lake Way Park
Kalamazoo, Mich
XC 30-617

Dear Sir:

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

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

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For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

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QM 293 A-M
Blanchard, James (OA)

February 8, 1933

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For The Quartermaster General.

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Captain, Q. M. Corps,
Assistant.

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QM 293 A-M

Blanchard, James S.N. 279394
Pvt. 1st Cl., Co. C, 126th Inf.
Son

July 18, 1932

Mr. William Blanchard,
Lake Way Ave.,
Kalamazoo, Mich.

Dear Sir:

In compliance with your recent request,
instructions have been issued to forward you a
flag in honor of the above named decedent, pro-
vided a flag has not previously been furnished
for him.

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

JAS. H. LAUBACH,
Lt. Colonel, Q. M. Corps,
Assistant.

Copy to Commanding Officer, Washington, Q. M. Depot.
With instructions to furnish flag.

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1932 JUL - 18 - PM 4 : 59

WIRING M&R BR

as Mother of James W. Blanchard deceased
who served in Co, Port. L, 126 Inf. 32 Dir. Regiment
and died in Service I would respectfully
request a memorial flag to commemorate
his patriotic service and state that I
have not heretofore received such
flag

Lake Way Ave.,
Kalamazoo

William Blanchard
Lake Way Ave
Kalamazoo Mich

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

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Blanchard, James - 608 F

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Captain, Q. M. Corps,
Assistant.

WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

Blanchard, James 608

March 10, 1930

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Assistant.

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OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

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WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

June 21, 1929.

Blanchard, James

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Major, Q. M. Corps,
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Blanchard,

James Willard

279,294

(Surname.)

(Christian name in full.)

(Army serial number.)

Pvt

Co. C, 526 Inf

(Rank and organization.)

State your relationship to the deceased

Father

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

(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:

Wm Blanchard

American

Western Union

(Name of person to receive remains.)

(Express office.)

(Telegraph office.)

312 Wilhelmine

Kalamazoo

Michigan

(Number and street.)

(City or town.)

(State.)

(Sign here)

Wm Blanchard

312 Wilhelmine

Kalamazoo

Mich

(Number and street or rural route.)

(City, town, or post office.)

(State.)

Read carefully the letter accompanying this card.

MMS

Drawn by C
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3-12-21

Rechecked MHD
3/17/21

REVIEWED
OSP SS.

QM 293 A-C

April 22, 1924

BLANCHARD, James Pvt. 1/cl.

Mr. William Blanchard,
2213 Luella Street,
Kalamazoo, Mich.

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
Assistant.

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1-Incl.
Record card.

MAIL & RECORDS SECT.



APR 22 1924

*Examined
for Concentration
608
Price - absent
att 2/27/20*

COMPILATION N/R REQUESTS

I. DATA COMPILATION

A. Location Index Card:-

(1) Name Blanchard, James Ser. No. 279294) TYP. TW.
 (2) Rank Pvt. 1/c Organization Co. C. 126th Inf.) CKR. MB
 (3) Date of death 8-10-18)

B. Registration Card:- (Check Reg. Card Inf. against Loc. Ind. Inf.)

(4) Cause of death DWria) TYP. EML
 (5) Grave No. 22 Row --- Plot --- Sect. ---) CKR. EdM

II. FILES EXAMINATION

A. Files of soldiers dying from contagious diseases; No card

B. A. G. O. DISPOSITION CARD

Date of receipt none

(6) Relationship Father
 (7) Name Mr. Wm. Blanchard
 (8) Address 312 Wilhelmine, Kalamazoo, Mich.
 (9) Desires remains brought to U. S.? yes
 (10) Desires remains brought to U. S. and interred in National Cemetery at yes
 (11) If brought back, what shipping instructions? William Blanchard, 312 Wilhelmine, Kalamazoo, Mich. - American Exp. - Western Union Tel.

(4) 4. 03 - 4 / 10/20

C. A. G. O. CORRESPONDENCE

Date of communication

(12) Does correspondence Change or qualify request as made on A.G.O. card? If so, specify such information.

No correspondence.

(13) A. G. O. Files EXAMINED by J. L. (Date) 4-12-20

D. (14) G. R. S. Files - Correspondence. (Has reference been made to File No. Cancellation memos.? Yes). Does such correspondence, if containing request for disposition, reconcile with that of A. G. O.? (Specify "Yes or "No".) If "No", give date of communication, the name, address, and relationship and substance of request.

Request for disposition
from Registrar Section Blank

(15) G. R. S. Files EXAMINED by M. H. (Date) 4-14-20

*checked by MHS
3-17-21*

III. FINAL ACTION

A. MEMORANDUM to D. M. O. in E. made (Date) _____

(16) Removal of Remains (within custody of G.R.S.) to _____

(17) Instructions that remains be left undisturbed _____

(18) Typed by _____ Checked by _____ (Date) _____

B. G. R. S. FORM NO. 114 made (Date) 4-19-20

(19) Typed by MH Checked by JGR (Date) 4-19-20

C. SUSPENSION REMARKS:

*On 7 June 1920, Father requests body remain in France. Europe advised by proposed cable 5-4-20 MARB. See * below.*

4-20-8/1/20 Father w/ K. Wm. Blanchard 2213 Luella St. Kalamazoo, Mich requests body remain in France H.S. 8/21/20

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D. Dispatched (Date) _____ (Let. Trans. no. H)

Approved by _____

(Date) _____

* Cable 417-Par 5 issued 5/4/20 "Do not return" 4-21/21 att

V. DISPOSITION INDEX

V. INDEX OF DISPOSITION

II. INDEX EXAMINATION

(2) INDEX NO. _____

(7) INDEX OF DISPOSITION

B. DISPOSITION INDEX (CHECK FOR INDEX AND INDEX NO.)

(2) DATE OF INDEX 8-19-20

(5) INDEX NO. _____

(1) NAME _____

V. DISPOSITION INDEX

III. INDEX CONFIGURATION

CONFIGURATION INDEX

GENERAL NO. _____

INDEX NO. _____

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To be prepared in triplicate.

DATE Nov. 28, 1921

REPORT OF DISINTERMENT, PREPARATION, SHIPMENT AND REBURIAL OF BODY

DISINTERMENT

COMPARATIVE REPORT

Records of G.R.S. ^{jc.} Headquarters. Discrepancy found upon exhumation of body

1. Name BLANCHARD, James 10. Name _____

2. No. 279294 11. No. _____

3. Rank Pvt. 1/cl. 12. Rank _____

4. Org. Co. C. 126th Inf. 13. Org. _____

5. D.D. Aug. 10th '18 14. (a) D.D. _____

6. C.D. DOW. (b) D.B. _____

Discrepancy found upon disinterment

7. Grave No. 22 Sec. _____ 15. Grave No. _____ Sec. _____

8. Plot _____ Row _____ 16. Plot _____ Row _____

9. _____ 17. No disc

18. Cemetery American Cty. 19. Commune or town NANTES

20. Dept. or County Loire-Inf. 21. Country France

22. G.R.S. Hdqrs. Code No. 88

23. Disinterred (Date) 11-28-21 By H.C. Damon

24. Inscription on grave marker:

Name James Blanchard Serial No. 279294

Rank Pvt. 1/cl Organization Co. C. 126th Inf.

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

H.C. Damon
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).

Body tag checks.

27. Condition of body Badly decomposed features unrecognizable

28. Nature of burial Uniform and wooden box.

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 11-28-21 By H.C. Damon

31. Casket sealed by H.C. Damon

Signature of Embalmer, (Supervisor *H.C. Damon*)

ADDED BY
B.W. 12-29-23

SHIPMENT. (Show actual marking of box.) Box No. C-19157

32. Designation of body:

Name James BLANCHARD Serial No. 279294

Rank Pvt. 1/cl. Organization Co. C. 126th Inf.

33. Consigned to:

Name of Permanent Cemetery Oise-Aisne Amer. Cty. 608 SERINGES-et-NESTLES(Aisne)

34. Casket boxed and marked (Date) 11-28-21 By H.C. Damon

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 [Signature]

E. J. Riordan, Capt. QMC

36. Remarks

37. Shipped from point of Operation: (Date)

To point of Concentration _____ (Name)

Convoyer _____ Signature Shipping Officer _____

38. Received at Railhead or Point of Concentration: Date

By G.R.S. Representative _____

39. Shipped from Railhead or Point of Concentration: Date 30 NOV 1921

To Permanent Cemetery Oise Aisne, Am. Cty 608, Seringes et Nestles, Aisne (Name)

Convoyer Pierre de Montozon Signature Shipping Officer [Signature]

S. D. CAMPBELL, Capt. Q.M.C.

40. Received: Date 5 DEC 1921

G.R.S. Representative G. F. WAUGH

41. Reinterred 9/14/22, Oise-Aisne Cem. 608, Seringes-et-Nesles, (Aisne) (Date)

42. Grave No. 28, Blk. B Section

43. Plot _____ Row 37

G.R.S. Representative [Signature]

C. J. Blake,
Capt. QMC

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REPORT OF DISINTERMENT AND REBURIAL

1. REMAINS OF BLANCHARD, James SERIAL NUMBER 279294
RANK Pvt. 1/cl. ORGANIZATION Co. C. 126th Inf.

2. Disinterred (date): From (give complete location):

Nov. 28th, 1921 Gr. 22, Cem. 88

By: Group 2 Unit Sec. 7

3. Reburied (date) 9/14/22, In (give complete location): Gr. 28, Blk. B. Row 37

Oise-Aisne Cem. 608, Seringes-et-Nesles, (Aisne)

By: Group reburial group Unit metal lined casket Nature of reburial

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

Wooden box, blanket and uniform. Badly decomposed, features not recognizable.

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

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

Body tag checks.

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

(a) Height (actual measurement) Indiscernable due

(b) Weight (estimated) decomposition.

(c) Hair—Color None

Quantity

Characteristics

(d) Hair on face—Color None

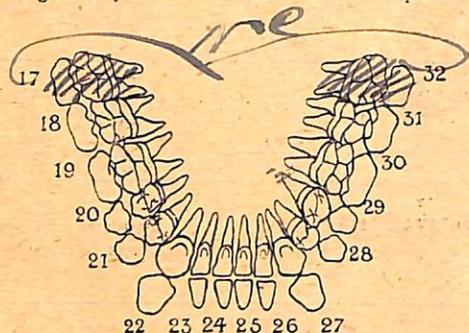
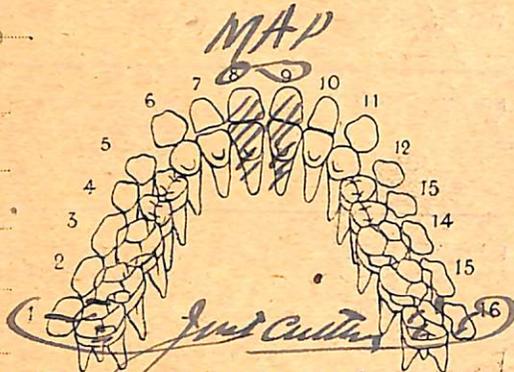
Location

Quantity

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

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

Post mortem on skull.



7. Disinterment supervised by H. C. Damon
H. C. Damon, Act. Sup. Emb.

Approved: [Signature]
E. J. Riordan, Capt. QMC.
(Title)

8. Reburial supervised by I. D. Hays

Approved: [Signature]
C. J. Blake, Capt. QMC
(Title)

REPORT OF DISINTERMENT, PREPARATION AND SHIPMENT OF BODYDISINTERMENTCOMPARATIVE REPORT

Records Office Chief G.R.S.

Discrepancy found upon examination of body

1. Name <u>BLANCHARD, James</u>	10. Name
2. No. <u>279294</u>	11. No.
3. Rank <u>Private 1/c</u>	12. Rank
4. Org. <u>Co. G, 126th Infantry</u>	13. Org.
5. D.D. <u>8-10-18</u>	14. (a) D.D.
6. C.D. <u>DWRIA</u>	15. (b) D.B.

Discrepancy found upon disinterment

7. Grave No. <u>22</u> Sect. <u>- - -</u>	15. Grave No. Sect.
8. Plot <u>- - - - -</u> Row <u>- - - - -</u>	16. Plot Row
9. <u>- - - - -</u>	17. <u>- - - - -</u>

18. Cemetery <u>American</u>	22. G.R.S. Hdqrs. Code No. <u>88</u>
19. (Commune or Town) <u>Nantes</u>	By
20. (Dept. or County) <u>Loire Inf.</u>	24. Inscription (Name) SERIAL NO.
21. (Country) <u>France</u>	Grave Marker (RANK) ORGANIZATION
23. Disinterred (Date)	25. Was Identification Disc found on Grave Marker? On Body?

Signature of Junior Technical Assistant.

(The following space is reserved for notations to be made by office Chief Graves Registration Service).

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).....

27. Condition of body.....

28. Nature of burial.....

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)..... By.....

31. Casket sealed by.....

Signature of Embalmer (Supervisor).....

SHIPMENT (Show actual marking of box) Box No.....

32. DESIGNATION (Name BLANCHARD, James Serial No. 279294)
OF ()
BODY (Rank Private/c Organization Co. C, 126th Infantry.)

33. CONSIGNEE - Name Mr. William Blanchard, (American Express & Western Union Teleg. (Kalamazoo, Michigan.)
Address 312 Wilhelmine, Kalamazoo, Michigan.

34. Casket boxed and marked (Date)..... By.....

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.....

36. Remarks.....

37. Shipped from Cemetery (Date)..... To..... (Point of Concentration)
Convoyer..... Sign. Shpg. Officer.....

38. Received at Point of Concentration (Date).....
Sign. Receiving Officer.....

39. Shipped from Point of Concentration (Date).....
To (Port)..... Convoyer.....
Sign. Shipping Officer.....

40. Received European Port (Date).....
Signature of G.R.S. Representative.....

41. Shipped to (U.S. Port)..... On (Boat).....
Date..... Convoyer..... (Sign. Shpg. Officer)

42. Received (Date)..... By G.R.S. Rep. (Signature)

43. Shipped to Destination (Date).....) B/L or Express Order No.
Convoyer.....) Shpg. Officer.....

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.

Date 3/17/21.

File No. Requisition.

(SPECIAL)

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~~ Blanchard ^{O.K.} ✓

b. Christian name James ^{O.K.} ✓

c. Serial Number 279294 ^{O.K.} ✓

d. Organization Co. C, 126th Inf. ^{O.K.} ✓

e. Rank Pvt. 1/c. ^{O.K.} ✓

f. Date of death 8/10/18. ^{O.K.} ✓

g. Cause of death DWRIA. ^{O.K.} ✓

h. Authority (C.O.#)

~~i. Emergency address~~ ^{Cornelia Blanchard}
1123 Third St., Kalamazoo, Mich. ^{mother}

~~j. Relationship~~

O.K. max 3/24/21

BODY DESCRIPTION

(See page #2 of the Service Record)

a. Age of enlistment

b. Color of eyes

c. Color of hair ~~Adjustment Made~~

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

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File No.

Donnelly - My. Col. Pers. Sec.
W-8-3. 3-21-21.

FILE

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

BY:

[Signature]
H. J. CONNER,
1st. Lieut., Q.M.C.

Rec'd S & S Div., A.G.O.

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CEMETERY NO: 88

SHEET NO: 19
TYPED BY: I.W.

MAR 19 1921

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G. R. S. Form #120
Shipping Inquiry.
(Revised)

WAR DEPARTMENT

OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL OF THE ARMY
GRAVES REGISTRATION SERVICE
WASHINGTON

Put answer

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

TO: Mr. Wm. Blanchard, 2213 Luella St., Kalamazoo, Mich.

SUBJECT: Remains of Pvt. L/c. James Blanchard, Co. C. 126th Inf. (279294)

The records of this office show that you have requested that his body

remain in France

This is correct -

*no change
O.C.H.*

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.

*Subd. 7. 115-
8-21-20
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NAME OF	NO. & STREET	TOWN	STATE
Soldier's Widow	<i>he was not married</i>		
Soldier's Children (Name oldest first)	1. <i>had no children</i> 2. 3.		
Father	<i>Mr. Wm Blanchard</i>	<i>Kalamazoo</i>	<i>Mich</i>
Mother	<i>Alice C. Blanchard</i>	<i>(Dead)</i>	
Brothers (Name oldest first)	1. <i>Ralph L. Blanchard</i> 2. <i>Ira W. Blanchard</i> 3. <i>Milton E. Blanchard</i>	<i>Kalamazoo</i> <i>Kalamazoo</i> <i>Kalamazoo</i>	<i>Mich.</i> <i>Mich.</i> <i>Mich.</i>
Sisters (Name oldest first)	1. <i>Mrs. Lena Cosselman</i> 2. <i>Mrs. Iva Buell</i> 3. <i>Mrs. Emily Green</i>	<i>Kalamazoo</i> <i>Paw Paw</i> <i>Kalamazoo</i>	<i>Mich.</i> <i>Mich.</i> <i>Mich.</i>

Date *Aug 9 - 1920*

Signature *Wm Blanchard*

Address *2213 Luella St. Kalamazoo* Relationship *Father*

IMPORTANT: - CAREFULLY read instructions before filling out this paper.

(OVER)

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

APR 22 1920

FROM: Chief, Graves Registration Service, Q.M.G. *St.*
TO: Mr. William Blanchard, *2213 Suella* (312 Wilhelmine), Kalamazoo, Michigan.
SUBJECT: Disposition of remains of Private 1/c James Blanchard.

Russian in France

Records of this office show your request to be as follows:

Remains to be returned to United States... ~~postage~~

Shipped to William Blanchard, Kalamazoo, Michigan.

If any modifications of the foregoing are desired please write same fully on the other side of this sheet.

The nearest living relative may choose between, (1) return of remains to homes for burial; (2) interment in Arlington, Va., National Cemetery; or (3) remain in France.

5-4-20

You are requested to fill out the following without delay and return in enclosed penalty envelope, which does not require postage.

Europe

By authority of the Quartermaster General:

CHARLES C. PIERCE
Colonel, U.S. Army.

advised by pro-posed cable trans.

NAME OF	NO. & STREET	TOWN	STATE
Widow			
Children (Name oldest first)			
Father <i>Wm Blanchard</i>	<i>2213 Suella</i>	<i>Kalamazoo</i>	<i>Mich.</i>
Mother <i>Alice Blanchard</i>	<i>deceased</i>		
Brothers <i>Ralph Blanchard</i>	<i>2213 Suella</i>	<i>Kalamazoo</i>	<i>Michigan</i>
<i>Gra Blanchard</i>	<i>2213 Suella</i>	<i>Kalamazoo</i>	<i>Michigan</i>
<i>Milton Blanchard</i>	<i>2213 Suella</i>	<i>Kalamazoo</i>	<i>Michigan</i>
Sisters			
<i>Mrs. Lena Costleman</i>	<i>Recreation Park</i>	<i>Kalamazoo</i>	<i>Mich.</i>
<i>Mrs. Eva Bull</i>	<i>R.F.D. #6</i>	<i>Paw Paw</i>	<i>Mich.</i>
<i>Mrs. Emily Seren</i>	<i>2232 Suella</i>	<i>Kalamazoo</i>	<i>Mich.</i>

Date *April 26-1920*

Signature *Wm Blanchard*

Address *2213 Suella St*

Relationship *Father*

Kalamazoo Mich.

The transfer of bodies will be made entirely at government expense.

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War Department.

U.S. Form #20
Graves Registration Service

OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL OF THE ARMY
GRAVES REGISTRATION SERVICE

I have been considering the return of
my son Pvt. James W. Blanchard to
U.S. and have decided to have him
left where he is at present in France.

Sincerely yours,

Wm Blanchard (Father)

2213 Sella St.

Kalamazoo

Mich.

NAME OF	NO. & STREET	TOWN
Widow		
Children (Name of each)		
James W. Blanchard	2213 Sella	Kalamazoo
Other children		
Brother		
Sister		
Other relatives		



The transfer of bodies will be made
solely at government expense

GRAVE LOCATION BLANK

LOCATION OF THE GRAVE OF

..... Blanchard 279291 James
(Surname.) (Number.) (First Name and Initials.)

..... Pvt Co C 126th Inf.
(Rank.) (Organization.)

DATE OF BURIAL..... August 10, 1918

PLACE OF BURIAL.....

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

..... American Cemetery No 88

..... Section B

..... Nantes, Loire Inferieure

GRAVE NUMBER..... 22

HOW MARKED: Name Peg?..... Cross?.....

Bottle to be replaced by Cross

Headboard?..... Bottle?.....

IDENTIFICATION TAGS:

Was one buried with body?..... Yes

Was one fastened to name peg or stake used as a grave marker?..... Yes

If name unknown and tags missing, description and marks should be given here:



REPORTED BY:

W. Clash

(Signature and Rank of Reporting Officer.)

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

A. R. C. Chaplain
Base Hospital # 34

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BLANCHARD, 279291, as
Pvt Co C 126 Inf

BURIED: August 10, 1918

CEMETERY: No. 88 Nantes, France

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