

G.R.S. Form #114-B

CAUSE OF DEATH - *W.P.J.R.*

FULL NAME..... *BOCCA, Charles J. O.K.*

RANK..... *Private O.K.* SERIAL..... *129031 O.K.*

DIVISION & ORGANIZATION..... *Baty. D, 12th F. A. O.K. - 2nd Div.*

DATE OF DEATH..... *7-2-18 O.K.*

STATE FROM WHICH HE CAME..... *Indiana*

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

FINAL GRAVE LOCATION.....

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

Date..... Grave..... Row..... Block.....

246..... *1764*.....

Cemetery.....

27/86/-

C.E.C. %
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LOCO PARENTIS

HEADING	SUB-HEADING	NO. OF COLS	CODE
NAME	Bocca	3	2 3 3
BURIED	CEMETERY 1764	1	4
	GRAVE 48	2	48
	ROW 9	2	09
	BLOCK a	1	1
STATE	Ind	2	15
RANK	Pvt	1	2
DIVISION	2	2	02
ORGANIZATION	12	3	012
ARM	7a	1	3
MARITAL	no	1	2
NAME	Fogo	3	6 5 7
Mrs Bessie	STATE Ind	2	15
RESIDENCE	COUNTY Lake	2	45
Mother Dead	CITY Gary	3	029
RELATION	Loco parentis	1	4-
OTHER		1	
ELIGIBILITY	no	1	2
NATIVITY		1	
RACE		1	
ENGLISH		1	
ATTENDANT		1	
HEALTH		1	
NO. OF SONS		1	
DATE OF	MO.	1	
. TRIP	YR.	1	
ACCEPTANCE		1	
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*no affidavits
no one elig.*

AUDITED
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QM 293 A-M
Bocca, Charles J. (AM)

June 7, 1932.

Mrs. Bessie Fogo,
759 Virginia St.,
Gary, Indiana.

Dear Madam:

Reference is made to correspondence forwarded you from this office relative to your eligibility to make a pilgrimage to the grave of the late Private Charles J. Bocca, under the provisions of the loco parentis clause of the Act of March 2, 1929, as amended.

It is requested you have the enclosed forms completed by two persons not related to you and returned at the earliest possible date so that your eligibility may be determined.

The enclosed self-addressed envelope which requires no postage is for your convenience in replying.

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

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X⁰ 30 165 Bocca, Charles J.

born 6-2-98 enl 4-21-17

single

Mother

Father

Very little inf on case.
no record - no claim for loco
Sister is inf.

Is Bessie Fogo a Loco

1908
11-7-86 - 14 22

Fogo

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QM 293 A-M
Bocca, Charles J. (AM)

August 5, 1931

Mrs. Bessie Fogo,
759 Virginia Street,
Gary, Indiana.

Dear Madam:

Receipt is acknowledged of your letter of July 30, 1931, which indicates that you stood in loco parentis to your brother, the late Private Charles J. Bocca.

Section 4 (a) of the Act of March 2, 1929, as amended May 15, 1930, reads in part as follows: "or any woman who stood in loco parentis to the deceased member of the military or naval forces for a period of not less than five years at any time prior to the soldier, sailor or marine becoming eighteen years of age".

It is possible that you may be eligible under this provision of the Act to visit the grave of the late Private Bocca at the expense of the Government. In the event you desire to make the journey, and believe yourself eligible, it is requested that the enclosed forms be completed by at least two persons not related to you and returned to this office, in order that your eligibility under the law may be determined. Under paragraphs 1 (c) and 1 (d), sufficient information should be included to permit an intelligible decision as to eligibility.

For The Quartermaster General.

Very truly yours,

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

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Enclosures:
Aff. Forms.
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Envelope.

July 30, 1931.

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

Dear Sir:

In reply to your letter regarding my brother,
Charles J. Bocca, (Pvt. A-M Q. M. 293 A-M).

He was left an orphan at the age of ten and I
have taken care of him since then like a mother.

Very truly yours

Mrs. Bessie Fogo

Mrs. Bessie Fogo
759 Virginia St.
Gary, Indiana.



QM 293 A-M
Bocca, Charles J. Pvt. (A-M)

June 8, 1931.

Mrs. Bessie Fogo,
759 Virginia Street,
Gary, Indiana

Dear Madam:

According to our records this office has received no reply from you in response to our letter requesting that you advise whether or not the late Private Charles J. Bocca is survived by a mother, stepmother, mother thru adoption or any woman who stood in loco parentis to him and if so, the name and address of each.

For your convenience in replying there is enclosed herewith a self-addressed envelope which requires no postage.

For The Quartermaster General.

Very truly yours,

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

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QM 293 A-M
Bocca, Charles J. 1764

December 12, 1930

Mrs. Bessie Fogo,
759 Virginia Street,
Gary, Indiana.

Dear Madam:

In order that the records of this office may be complete and correct, it is requested that you advise whether or not the late Private Charles J. Bocca is survived by his mother, and if so, her name and address.

For your convenience in replying, there is enclosed, herewith, a self-addressed envelope which requires no postage.

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

July 12, 1930

Bocca, Charles J.

1764-S

Mrs. Bessie Fogo
759 Virginia St.
Gary, Ind.

Dear Madam:

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

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

1. Is the deceased survived by a mother?

If so, give her name and address:

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

If so, give her name and address:

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

If so, give her name and address:

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

Bocca, Charles J. 1764

March 8, 1930

Mrs. Bessie Pogo,
759 Virginia Street,
Gary, Indiana.

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 ^{sister of the late Pvt.} Charles J. Bocca, Bty. D, 12th F.A., whose remains are now interred in the Aisne-Marne American Cemetery, Belleau, 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:

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

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

DATE February 8, 1930

NAME	RANK	SERIAL	ORGANIZATION	DATE OF DEATH
BOCCA, Charles J.	Pvt.	129031	Bty. D 12 F A.	7/2/18.

STATE Indiana	CTY. NO.	1764	GRAVE 48	ROW 9	BLOCK A
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<u>Check relationship</u>	<u>Living - Deceased</u>				
MOTHER	:	:	:	<i>no record.</i>	
STEPMOTHER (For the year prior to commencement of service)	:	:	:		
MOTHER THRU ADOPTION (For the year prior to commencement of service)	:	:	:		
MOTHER IN LOCO PARENTIS (For the year prior to commencement of service)	:	:	:	<i>Sister - Mrs. Bessie Fogo. 759 Virginia St. Gary, Ind.</i>	
WIDOW (Who has not remarried)	:	:	:		
<i>Single man</i>	:	:	:		

Veterans Bureau Claim Number
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WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

June 12, 1929.

Bocca, Charles J.

Mrs Bessie Fogo,
750 Virginia St.,
Gary, Ind.

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 **sister of the late Private Charles J. Bocca, Sty. D, 12th F.A., 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 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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QM 293 A-M
Bocca, Charles J. (AM)

June 7, 1932.

Mrs. Bessie Fogo,
75 Virginia St.,
Gary, Indiana.

Dear Madam:

Reference is made to correspondence forwarded you from this office relative to your eligibility to make a pilgrimage to the grave of the late Private Charles J. Bocca, under the provisions of the loco parentis clause of the Act of March 2, 1929, as amended.

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For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

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QM 293 A-M
Bocca, Charles J. (AM)

August 5, 1931

Mrs. Bessie Fogo,
759 Virginia Street,
Gary, Indiana.

Dear Madam:

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Captain, Q.M. Corps,
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QM 293 A-M
Bocca, Charles J. Pvt. (A-M)

June 8, 1931.

Mrs. Bessie Fogo,
759 Virginia Street,
Gary, Indiana

Dear Madam:

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Very truly yours,

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Captain, Q. M. Corps,
Assistant.

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QM 293 A-M

December 12, 1930

Bocca, Charles J. 1764

Mrs. Bessie Fogo,
769 Virginia Street,
Gary, Indiana.

Dear Madam:

In order that the records of this office may be complete and correct, it is requested that you advise whether or not the late Private Charles J. Bocca is survived by his mother, and if so, her name and address.

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For The Quartermaster General.

Very truly yours,

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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

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1764-S

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Assistant.

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

Bocca, Charles J. 1764

March 8, 1930

Mrs. Bessie Fogo,
759 Virginia Street,
Gary, Indiana.

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 sister of the late Pvt. Charles J. Bocca, Bty. D, 12th F.A., whose remains are now interred in the Aisne-Marne American Cemetery, Belleau, 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:

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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.

For The Quartermaster General,

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

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

Bocca, Charles J.

August 22, 1929

Mrs. Bessie Pogo
759 Virginia Street
Gary, Ind.

Dear Madam:

The records of this office do not indicate that a reply has been received to our communication dated June 12, 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.

J. T. Harris
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WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

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Bocca, Charles J.

Mrs Bessie Fogo,
769 Virginia St.,
Gary, Ind.

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For The Quartermaster General,

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

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RECEIVED
JUN 13 1929
J. O. M. G. M. & B. DIV.



To be prepared in triplicate.

DATE Dec 8th 1921

REPORT OF DISINTERMENT, PREPARATION, SHIPMENT AND REBURIAL OF BODY

ml DISINTERMENT

COMPARATIVE REPORT

Records of G.R.S. Headquarters.

Discrepancy found upon exhumation of body

1. Name BOCCA, Charles J.

10. Name

2. No. 129031

11. No.

3. Rank Pvt.

12. Rank

4. Org. Batty, D, 12th F.A.

13. Org.

5. D.D. July 2nd, 1918

14. (a) D.D.

6. C.D. KIA.

(b) D.B. none

Discrepancy found upon disinterment

7. Grave No. 24 Sec. Amer.

15. Grave No. Sec.

8. Plot Row

16. Plot Row

9.

17. none

18. Cemetery French Civil.

19. Commune or town BEZU LE GUERY

20. Dept. or County Aisne

21. Country France

22. G.R.S. Hdqrs. Code No. #246

23. Disinterred (Date) Dec 8th 1921

By H.L.Hurlbut

24. Inscription on grave marker:

Name Charles J. Bocca

Serial No.

Rank Pvt

Organization Bty. D. 12th F.A.

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

C.T. Brown
Signature Junior Technical Assistant

PREPARATION

C.T. Brown

26. What other means of identification were on body? (If no disc or other means of identification on body, give description of body in detail).

Bottle record checks with GRS record.

27. Condition of body badly decomposed, features unrecognizable.

28. Nature of burial wooden box and burlap.

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 Dec 8th 1921 By H.L.Hurlbut

31. Casket sealed by H.L.Hurlbut

Signature of Embalmer, (Supervisor) H.L.Hurlbut

AUDITED 10/10/27

SHIPMENT. (Show actual marking of box.) Box No. C-16957

32. Designation of body:

Name Charles J. BOCCA Serial No. 129031

Rank Pvt. Organization Batty, D, 12th F.A.

33. Consigned to: Officer in charge

Name of Permanent Cemetery Aisne-Marne, Amer. Cty #1764, BELLEAU (Aisne)

34. Casket boxed and marked (Date) Dec 8th 1921 By H.L. Hurlbut

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]
W.H. Roach, 1st Lt. QMC

36. Remarks none

37. Shipped from point of Operation: (Date) Dec 8th 1921

To point of Concentration Aisne-Marne Amer. Cty. 1764, Belleau-Aisne.

Convoyer Moses Pellerin Signature Shipping Officer [Signature]
W.H. Roach, 1st Lt. 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. 8 '21

G.R.S. Representative [Signature]

41. Reinterred: Oct. 19, 1922, Aisne-Marne Cem. 1764, Belleau (Aisne)

42. Grave No. 48 Section

43. Plot BLOCK A Row 9

G.R.S. Representative [Signature]
W.D. Cleary
Lt., Chaplain, USA,

REPORT OF DISINTERMENT AND REBURIAL

1. REMAINS OF BOCCA, Charles J. SERIAL NUMBER 129031
RANK Pvt ORGANIZATION Bty.D. 12th F.A.

2. Disinterred (date): Dec 8th 1921 From (give complete location): Grave 24, Cem 246
By: Group 2 Unit F.S. 3

3. Reburied (date): Oct. 19, 1922 In (give complete location): r. 48, Block A, Row 9, Aisne-arnes Cem. 1764, Belleau (Aisne)
By: Group re-burial group Unit _____ Nature of reburial Lined casket

4. Report as to nature of original burial and condition of body upon disinterment :
Wooden box and burlap. Body badly decomposed, features unrecognizable.

5. (a) Identification tags: Buried with body? yes On grave marker? no
(b) Other means of identification found upon disinterment, and general remarks :

Tag on body corroded reads, "----les Pvt, Btt.D. " only visible.
Bottle record checks with GRS record. Collar ornament "12-Artillery".

6. What does examination of body show as regards the following identifying items ?
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(a) Height (actual measurement) Imp to det.

(b) Weigh, (estimated) none

(c) Hair—Color none

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) none visible

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

none visible

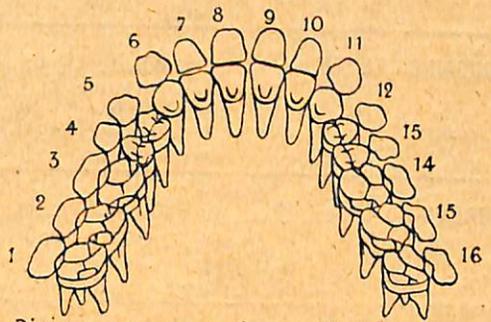
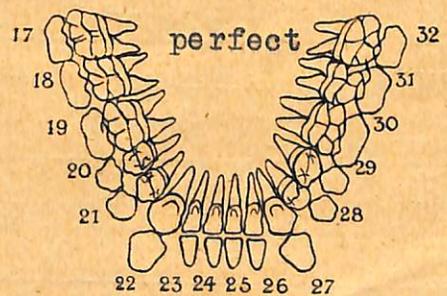


Diagram represents the mouth wide open



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7. Disinterment supervised by H.L. Hurlbut Approved: W.H. Roach, 1st. Lt. QMC
(Title)

8. Reburial supervised by L.D. Hays Approved: W.D. Cleary
(Title) Lt., Chaplain, USA.

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

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

1. Show soldier's name, serial number, rank and organization, and by whom disinterred and reburied.
 2. Give date and accurate information as to location from which the body was disinterred and the group and unit which made disinterment.

3. Give date and accurate information as to location of reburial and the group and unit which made reburial, and how reburial was made—in casket, wooden box, etc.

4. State to what degree decomposition has progressed, whether recognition is possible, and how the body was originally buried—in a casket, box, burlap, etc. This statement should be as complete as possible.

5. (a) State whether identification tags were found buried with body and on grave marker by reporting "Yes" or "No".

(b) State whether or not body appears to have been a hospital case. Were any identifying articles found in or on body or grave? List any personal effects, letters, money-order receipts, and the like found on body or in grave. Give any and all information which it is thought might be of use in identifying the body, other than that tabulated under Item No 6.

6. Give all information as to body description and dental chart as nearly correctly as the condition of the body will allow. Items (e) and (f) under the body description are very important and should be very complete. The dental chart is also very important and should be filled in with great care. There are 32 teeth to be accounted for, as shown by the numbers on the chart. Beginning at the middle line in both upper and lower jaws, the teeth are arranged symmetrically on either side and classed as incisors (cutting teeth), cuspids or canines (tearing teeth), bicuspids (chewing teeth), and molars (principal chewing teeth). An examination should be made and findings charted to cover the following basic conditions: Lost teeth, crowned teeth, bridge work, fillings, caries (cavities of decay), dentures (plates), and any deformity of jaws found.

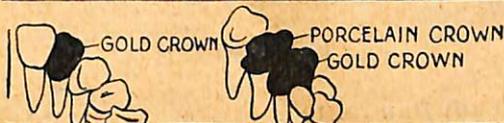
MISSING TEETH

All teeth missing through previous extraction (not those fractured or displaced by recent wounds) should be scratched out, thus:



CROWNED TEETH

Block in solid the crown of tooth (label gold, porcelain, or gold and porcelain), thus:



BRIDGE WORK

Block in solid the crown of tooth (label gold bridge, gold and porcelain bridge) thus:



FILLINGS

Draw filling on tooth accurately as possible (block in and label gold, silver, cement), thus:



CARIES (CAVITIES)

Outline location and size of cavity, shade in thus:



DENTURES (PLATES)

Draw diagram of relative size and shape of plate; block in teeth attached and indicate retaining clasps on natural teeth with the word "clasp"

7. Show name of person supervising the disinterment and the name and title of the person approving same.

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

COMPILATION OF DISPOSITION OF REMAINS DATA

File #8153

*4/14/22 Examined
for Concentration
Guerny - Marine 1764
att 5/1/22*

I. LOCATION INDEX CARD:

(a) Name BOCCA, Charles Ser. No. 129031
(b) Rank Pvt. Organization Bat. D., 12th F.A.
(c) Date of death 7-2-18 (d) Cause of death DURIA

TYP. HAB
CKR. *R.A.*

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

(a) Grave No. 24 Row - Plot - Sec. - TYP. DB
(b) Emerg. Address Mrs. Bessie Fogo, (Sister) Gary, Ind.

III. Files of soldiers dying from contagious diseases

NO CARD

CKR. *743*

IV. A. G. O. DISPOSITION CARD:

Date of receipt None

(a) Name Mrs. Bessie Fogo (b) Relationship Mother
(c) Address 1808 Jefferson St. Gary, Ind.
(d) Remains to be brought to U. S.? No
(e) To be interred in National Cemetery in U. S. at -

OK
AH

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

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

Examiner's Initials J.R. Date 9-18, 1920.

V. A. G. O. CORRESPONDENCE shows communication from

-, dated -
confirming request in Par. IV., item -, above, or requesting that -

No correspondence in file

Examiner's Initials J.R. Date 9-20, 1920.

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

No request for disposition

(a) Cancellation memos referred to? Yes - 22 000

Examiner's Initials J.R. Date 9-16, 1920.

COUNTRY France

CEMETERY 246

SHEET No. 1

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WAR DEPARTMENT
Quartermaster Corps,
Graves Registration Service
Pier 2, Hoboken, N.J.

June 30, 1921.

FILE NO. 293.8 Com, Div. Cor, Br.

MEMORANDUM FOR: Chief, Cemeterial Division, O.Q.M.G.,
Washington, D.C.

SUBJECT: Return of Records - Cemetery # 246
Transmittal Memorandum Number H-537

1. The records pertaining to the following cases are returned herewith, it having been definitely determined that the bodies are to remain in Europe.

REFERENCE NO:

5 BOCCA, Charles. Private, Serial Number
129031, Battery D, 12th Field Artillery.
8 CHANEN, Samuel. Private, Serial Number
39789, Company H, 9th Infantry.
13 DOUCETTE, Frank G. Private, Serial Number
129408, Battery F, 12th Field Artillery.
30 KOPP, George E. Private, Serial Number
199204, Company C, 101st Field Signal Corps.
48 SHUSHEREBA, Kelly. Private, Serial Number
51561, Company I, 23rd Infantry.
51 SMITH, Fred. Private, Serial Number 107835,
Company D, 5th Machine Gun Battalion.

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

BY:

F.C. Pallas
F.C. PALLAS,
Executive Assistant.

6 encl.

R-7-8-21 m

next of kin's
address

30165

Sister

759 Va St

Jay 2nd

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Concentrated
from

10996

Name Bocca, 129031, Charles 9153

Rank Pvt. Co. D {Corps} 12th F. A.
Regt.

Date of Death

Place

Cause

Date of Burial

Grave No. 24 Correction

Cemetery 5

Identified by { Tag
Papers }
Clothing }

List of Effects

Field Record Made by I. G. MYERS, 1018

2nd. LIEUT., Q. M. CORPS, N. A.

Group 1/303

Company..... Graves Registration Service

For additional data use reverse side

JUL 22 1918

GRAVE LOCATION BLANK

Bocca

~~11/11/18~~
1153

LOCATION OF THE GRAVE OF

Bocca, ?

Charles

(Surname.)

(Number.)

(First Name and Initials.)

Pvt.

12 F.A.

(Rank.)

(Organization.)

DATE OF BURIAL *July 2, 1918,*

PLACE OF BURIAL *American Section, French Cemetery, Bezu.*

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

French Cemetery, Bezu-le-Guery, Ainese.

GRAVE NUMBER *39*

Room 246

HOW MARKED: Name Peg? *Yes*

Cross? *Yes*

Headboard?

Bottle?

IDENTIFICATION TAGS:

Was one buried with body? *Yes*

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

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

~~*[Handwritten signature]*~~

REPORTED BY:

Captain,

MRC., USA.

(Signature and Rank of Reporting Officer.)

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

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REGISTRATION CARDS.

FILE NO. 8153

12/26/18

MEMO FOR: G.R.S. representative, C.R.O.

SUBJECT: Information required for G R S.

I. Items checked are to be completed:

- () Surname: Bocca.
- () Number: 129031 ✓
- () First name: Charles.
- () Rank: Pvt.
- () Company: Batt.D.
- () Organization: 12. F.A.
- () Date of death: 7/2/18.
- () Cause: w/a ✓
- () Place:

Location of hospital:

Number » »

Class » »

- () Relative: Mrs. Bessie Fogo,
- () Relationship: sister
- () Address: Gary, Ind.

OK mc

- () Authority:
- Cablegram No:
- Telegram from:

dated: 10-26-18.

- () Reported to Washington:
- C.C. Nos: 217

OK mc

(Underscore the "official" C.C.)

- () Remarks:

Notification was sent to this address and returned, advise correct address.

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

Initials of reporter:

WAR DEPARTMENT.

GRAVES REGISTRATION SERVICE
American Expeditionary Forces

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Mrs Bessie Fogo

~~Gary., Ind.~~



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GRAVES REGISTRATION SERVICE
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1808 Jeff

H. R. West
2nd Lieut., Q. M. C.

Tag corrected
Readable:

"Charles — Bo — — —
Pot Bty D — — —
— 29 — — —

Rowle

Original

REPORT OF DISINTERMENT AND REBURIAL

Place *Bezu-le-Gueri (Aisne)*

Date *May 17, 1921*

1. REMAINS OF *BOCCA, CHARLES J.* SERIAL NUMBER *129031*

RANK *Pvt.* ORGANIZATION *Bty D 12th FA*

2. Disinterred (date): *May 17, 1921* From (give complete location): *Gr 24 French Civ Cen 246 Bezu-le-Gueri (Aisne)*

By: Group *2* Unit *Section I*

3. Reburied (date): *May 17, 1921* In (give complete location): *Gr 24 French Civ Cen 246 Bezu-le-Gueri (Aisne)*

By: Group *2* Unit *Section I* Nature of reburial *in burlap*

4. Report as to nature of original burial and condition of body upon disinterment:
in blanket & uniform
badly decomposed; unrecognizable

5. (a) Identification tags: Buried with body? *Yes* On grave marker? *No*
(b) Other means of identification found upon disinterment, and general remarks:

Collar ornaments on uniform read:
"Bty D 12 FA"

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 *black*

Quantity *thick*

Characteristics *straight*

(d) Hair on face—Color *no hair on face*

Location *none*

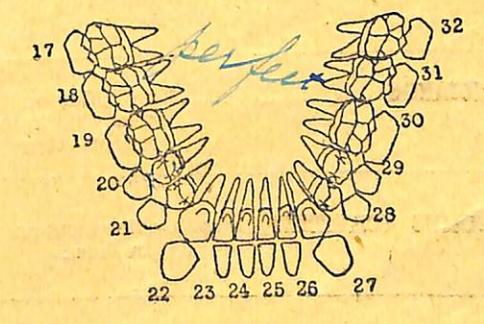
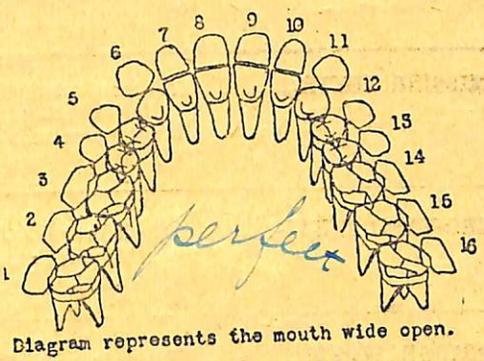
Quantity *none*

(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



7. Disinterment supervised by *A. F. McCabe*
(A. F. McCabe)
Sup. Emb.

Approved: *G. D. Gamble*
(G. D. Gamble)
(Title) 1st Lt. QMC., Inspect

8. Reburial supervised by *A. F. McCabe*
(A. F. McCabe)
Sup. Emb.

Approved: *G. D. Gamble*
(G. D. Gamble)
(Title) 1st Lt. QMC., Inspect.

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

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

1. Show soldier's name, serial number, rank and organization, and by whom disinterred and reburied.
2. Give date and accurate information as to location from which the body was disinterred and the group and unit which made disinterment.
3. Give date and accurate information as to location of reburial and the group and unit which made reburial, and how reburial was made—in casket, wooden box, etc.
4. State to what degree decomposition has progressed, whether recognition is possible, and how the body was originally buried—in a casket, box, burlap, etc. This statement should be as complete as possible.
5. (a) State whether identification tags were found buried with body and on grave marker by reporting "Yes" or "No".
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CARIES (CAVITIES)	Outline location and size of cavity, shade in thus :	
DENTURES (PLATES)	Draw diagram of relative size and shape of plate, block in teeth attached and indicate retaining clasps on natural teeth with the word "clasp."	

7. Show name of person supervising the disinterment and the name and title of the person approving same.

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



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WAR DEPARTMENT

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

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

NOV 3 1920

To: Mrs. Bessie Fogo, 1808 Jefferson St., Gary, Indiana.

SUBJECT: Remains of Pvt. Charles Bocca, Serial No. 129031,
Battery D, 12th P.A.

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

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

The nearest 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?			
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.

RECEIVED
MAIL ROOM
JUN 23 1921

I, the undersigned, am the _____ 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.)

Cemeterial Project
Overseas Project

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 _____

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 #8153

See Form 115
Att 5/1/22

I. LOCATION INDEX CARD:

(a) Name BOCCA, Charles Ser. No. 129031 TYP. HAB
 (b) Rank Pvt. Organization Bat. D. 12th F.A. DB
 (c) Date of death 7-2-18 Cause of death DWRIA RS
 (H2)

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

(a) Grave No. 24 Row -- Plot -- Sect. -- TYP. DB
 (b) Emerg. Address Mrs. Bessie Fogo, (Sister) Gary, Ind. HB

III. Files of soldiers dying from contagious diseases NO CARD CKR HB

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

a.g.s. card, Mrs. Bessie Fogo (mother) 1808 Jefferson St. Gary, Ind requests that body be not returned to U.S. 98-10-5-20

V. Following advice forwarded to Europe by - (cable on 192)
 (letter of transmittal on 9/27 1920)

Par. #2 Not to be returned (PJR)

VI. Form 115 forwarded to G.R.S., Hoboken, N.J. 10 OCT 25 1920 192

VII. SUPPLEMENTARY REQUESTS

Date of and Source	Relationship and name	Desires	Action taken

VIII. Form 115 received from G.R.S. Hoboken, N.J. 6-30 192 1

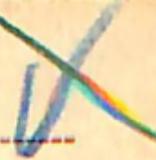
COUNTRY France CEMETERY NO. 246 SHEET NO. 5
 G.R.S. FORM 115-A
 August , 1920

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HD 10-22-20

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Dup.



Bocca

Charles

129,051

(Surname.)

(Christian name in full.)

(Army serial number.)

Pvt.

Btry

D 12th F A

(Rank and organization.)

State your relationship to the deceased Brother

Do you desire the remains brought to the United States? No.
(Yes or no.)

If remains are brought to the United States, do you wish them interred in a national cemetery? } ~~~~~
(Yes or no.)

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

(Name of person to receive remains.) (Express office.) (Telegraph office.)

(Number and street.) (City or town.) (State.)

(Sign here) Mrs Bessie Foggo
1808 Jefferson St Gary

(Number and street or rural route.) (City, town, or post office.) (State.)

Read carefully the letter accompanying this card.

Ind.