

30596
GRAVE LOCATION BLANK

LOCATION OF THE GRAVE OF

Botsford 1748929 Arnold
(Surname) (Number) (First Name and Initials)

Private Co. A 357 Inf (?)
(Rank) (Organization)

Les Huit Chemins
PLACE OF DEATH:

CAUSE OF DEATH: Bullet Wound

DATE OF BURIAL: Oct. 25, 1918

PLACE OF BURIAL: St. Marie farm

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

Co-ordinates: 24 32

Map, Thiencourt, Scale 1:50,000

GRAVE NUMBER: 38

HOW MARKED: Name Peg 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:

COMME: ~~Private~~ Wilcox - SUP-TYPE (M) (M) (M)

NEAREST RELATIVE: Unknown COORD: {E-370.2} {N-241.2}

ADDRESS: 117 Unknown

RELATIONSHIP: Unknown

REPORTED BY: George F. Rixey, Chaplain 64th Inf.

(Signature and Rank of Reporting Officer)

2 NOV 1918



117-857.

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Communal List
Daily Report

Duplicate.

Botsford,

Arnold,

1.748,929

(Surname.)

(Christian name in full.)

(Army serial number.)

Pvt.

Co. D, 353 Infantry.

(Rank and organization.)

State your relationship to the deceased

Father

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)

Charles E. Botsford

(Number and street or rural route.)

(City, town, or post office.)

(State.)

Read carefully the letter accompanying this card.

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N. J.*

His
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mark

Drawn by mad

1233-311

1-31-21

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August 15, 1919

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Dear Sir

I have never heard that my son has a grave and sign up to identify him and so I do not want any body to be sent over to me I asked several times to Washington and got no word of him having a grave and marked so you could find it and got 4 letters from France and neither one says that he has a mark to a grave so I could find it

Yours

Charles E. Botsford

206 Boulevard

OCT 2 1919

Harbrouck Heights

Card incl - R

N J

Xc 59 449 Botsford, Arnold

B. 7-24-89
end 4-26-18

Widow --Mary Botsford--138 S. 60 St. Phil. Pa.

died July 1-1913

Mother

no record

S-M ?

Loco ?

Brown
Raymond W. Botsford
M.C.D. #15 - Little Bridge
Newburgh N.Y.

WAR DEPARTMENT



WASHINGTON, D. C.

OFFICIAL BUSINESS

OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL

REASON FOR RETURN TO WRITER

Undelivered For better address If not

Deceased

Moved, Left no address in state now

No such post office in state now

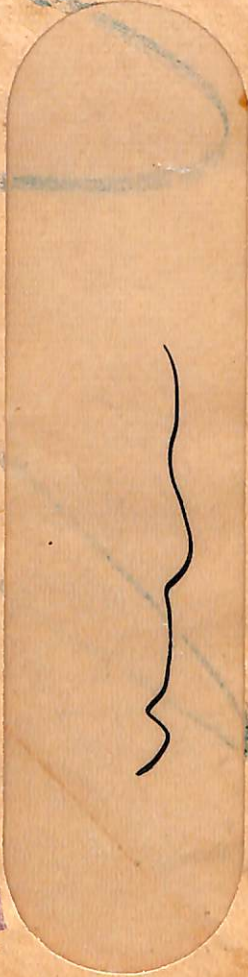


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114 Lawrence St
Frankwood

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QM 293 A-C

BOTSFORD, Arnold - Pvt.

February 6, 1924

Mr. Charles E. Botsford,
206 Boulevard,
Hasbrouck Heights, N.J.

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,

1-Incl.
Record card.

Assistant.

R.L. POSTER

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C. S. M. C.
CENTRAL MAIL ROOM



FEB 6 1924

B. O. C.

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G.R.S. Form #114 B

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DATE

1. NAME BOTSFORD, Arnold

SERIAL No. 1748929

RANK Pvt.

ORGANIZATION Co. 3, 358th Inf.

DIVISION 90

GRAVE LOCATION St. Mihiel American Cty. THIAUCOURT (M-et-M) 1233

CTY. NAME

NUMBER

196 Sec. 8

4

GRAVE

ROW

PLOT

2. ORIGINAL BATTLE AREA GRAVE LOCATION

44 Vitry sur Tray, Meuse 634

GRAVE

COMMUNE

DEPT.

COORDINATES 52NE, 241.2N, 370.2E

CONCENTRATED TO 4/23/19 196 Sec. 8 4

DATE

GRAVE

ROW

PLOT

St. Mihiel

1233

CEMETERY

CTY. NUMBER

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

Tag on body, tag on cross.

DATE OF DEATH Sept. 26, 1918

STATE FROM WHICH HE CAME MJ

Data F-1

SUBSEQUENT REBURIALS

MEDALS OR DECORATIONS AWARDED no rec

DATE

GRAVE

ROW

PLOT

CEMETERY

REC'D
DEC 24 1925

DATE

GRAVE

ROW

PLOT

CEMETERY

SIGNATURE, AREA SUPERVISOR

I. H. JEFFE, 1st Lt., MC.

3. FINAL GRAVE LOCATION Aug. 12, 1922

34

19 Block D

DATE

GRAVE

ROW

PLOT

AUDITED BY

4
DEC 19 A.G.O.
1925
WORLD WAR DIV.

St. Mihiel American No. 1233, Thiaucourt

CEMETERY

The Adjutant General

By KA

DEC 23 1925

INSTRUCTIONS FOR PREPARATION OF FORM 114 B

1. Forms 114-B are to be prepared by Registration Branch in quadruplicate, three copies to be forwarded to Area Supervisor who will accomplish paragraph 2 and return all three copies to Headquarters, American Graves Registration Service.
2. Paragraphs 1 and 3 will be accomplished by Registration Branch, Headquarters, American Graves Registration Service, Q.M.C., in Europe.
3. Paragraph 2 will be accomplished by Area Supervisor from data on file in his office.
4. If data is entered on Form 114-B from Form 1, Form I6, Form 1-A or Form 16-A, statement to this effect will be made on Form 114-B STATING WHICH G.R.S. form data is taken from. If data concerning co-ordinates is approximate and NOT accurate, statement to this effect will be made on these forms.

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LOCATION OF THE GRAVE OF

Botsford 174229 **Arnold**
(Surname) (Number) (First Name and Initials)

Private **Co. A 357 Inf (S)**
(Rank) (Organization)

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PLACE OF DEATH:

Bullet Wound
CAUSE OF DEATH:

Oct. 25, 1918
DATE OF BURIAL:

St. Marie Park
PLACE OF BURIAL:
(Give Cemetery, Town and Department). Map reference must specify clearly what map is used.

370.2
Co-ordinates. 241.2

Map. Thiaccourt. Scale 1 :50 000

38
GRAVE NUMBER:

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

Unknown
NEAREST RELATIVE:

Unknown
ADDRESS:

Unknown
RELATIONSHIP:

George F. Rixey
George F. Rixey,
Chaplain 64th Inf.
REPORTED BY:
(Signature and Rank of Reporting Officer)

This portion to be forwarded to Central Records Office, A. G. O., A. E. F.

RECEIVED
5 - NOV 1918
CENTRAL RECORDS OFFICE

REPORT OF DISINTERMENT AND REBURIAL.

Remains of:

Name: BOTTSFORD, Arnold

Number: 1748929

Rank: Unkn

Organization: Unkn

Disinterment and Reburial made by Group

Unit

Disinterred (Date)

From: (Give complete location)

23rd April 1919

Isolated Grave WILCOX SUB AREA N of M.

Map 52 NE E 370.2 N. 241.2

Reburied (Date)

in: (Give complete location)

23rd April 1919

Grave #196, Sec. 8, Plot 4.

ST. MICHAEL AMERICAN CEMETERY No. 1235

CHIAUCOURT, N of M Map 52 NE E 362.03 N 241.44

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

Buried in uniform. Body badly decomposed.

Was one identification tag found upon the body? Yes

What other means of identification were found on the body? None

Note: Authority File No. D 10944.

10944
CONFIRMED No D

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: Lt. Davis.

H. O'K

B H ROSENTHAL
2nd Lieut. O.M. C.U.S.A.
C.O. Group Unit

REPORT OF DISTINCTION AND BURIAL

Remains of: _____
Name: _____
Rank: _____
Organization: _____
Unit: _____

Disinterment and Burial made by Group _____
Date: _____
Location: _____
What other means of identification were found on the body?

Report as to nature of original burial and condition of body _____
Date: _____
Location: _____
What other means of identification were found on the body?

Notes: _____
If upon disinterment, effects are found upon bodies, they shall be promptly sent to the Effects Depot direct as is required by G.O. 170, G.A. 1918, after being carefully examined for clues to identity in dental cases, notation whereof will be made and reported to Chief, Graves Registration Service, _____
Supervised by: _____
G.O. Group _____
Unit _____



CODE SLIP

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HEADING	SUB HEADING	NO. OF COLS	CODE
NAME	<i>Botsford, Arnold</i>	3	<i>2 5 12</i> <i>0</i>
BURIED	CEMETERY	1	<i>3</i>
	GRAVE	2	<i>34</i>
	ROW	2	<i>19</i>
	BLOCK	1	<i>4</i>
STATE	<i>N.J.</i>	2	<i>35</i>
RANK	<i>Priv.</i>	1	<i>2</i>
DIVISION	<i>90th</i>	2	<i>90</i>
ORGANIZATION	<i>358th</i>	3	<i>358</i>
ARM	<i>Inf</i>	1	<i>1</i>
MARITAL	<i>Yes</i>	1	<i>1</i>
NAME	<i>Mrs Mary Botsford</i>	3	<i>2 5 0</i> <i>x</i>
RESIDENCE	STATE	2	<i>44</i>
	COUNTY	2	<i>51</i>
	CITY	3	<i>220</i>
RELATION	<i>Widow</i>	1	<i>5</i>
OTHER		1	
ELIGIBILITY	<i>Yes</i>	1	<i>1</i>
NATIVITY		1	
RACE		1	
ENGLISH	<i>Yes</i>	1	<i>1</i>
ATTENDANT		1	
HEALTH	<i>Good</i>	1	<i>1</i>
NO. OF SONS		1	<i>Audited</i>
DATE OF TRIP	NO.	1	<i>DEC 14 1931</i>
	YR.	1	<i>AL</i>
ACCEPTANCE		1	
29/514/EAB	<i>Age</i>		<i>2</i> <i>40</i>

Mother died 1913
no loco
no SM

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-M

Botsford, Arnold (StM)

Sept. 7, 1932.

Mrs. Mary E. Botsford,
138 S. 60th St.,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Madam:

Reference is made to the questionnaire recently forwarded you, making inquiry as to whether you desire to make a pilgrimage to the cemeteries of Europe during the summer of 1933, and inviting attention to the fact that 1933 is the LAST YEAR for which the pilgrimages are authorized. To date no reply has been received.

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

1. Do you desire to make a pilgrimage in 1933? (Answer "Yes" or "No")	<i>No.</i>
2. Please state your age and condition of health:	Age: Health:
3. Do you speak English?	
4. What other language do you speak?	

Mary E. Botsford
Sign here

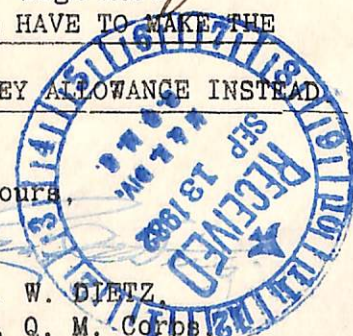
NOTE CAREFULLY, THIS IS THE LAST CHANCE WHICH YOU WILL HAVE TO MAKE THE PILGRIMAGE, AND THERE IS NO PROVISION OF LAW FOR A MONEY ALLOWANCE INSTEAD

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

Encl:
Env.



WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-M

Botsford, Arnold (STM)

July 11, 1932

Mrs. Mary E. Botsford,
138 S. 60th St.,
Philadelphia, Penna.

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.

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.

2 Encls.

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

(Write answer here)

(Sign here) _____

Capt. D. M. Long
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir,

Referring to the enclosed letter, I beg to state the best of my knowledge, he is not swayed by any other woman outside my self. His mother having died in 1913 or 1914.

Very truly yours,

Mary E. Botford

136 So 60th St.

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WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-M
Botsford, Arnold Pvt. (St.M.) W

January 28, 1932.

Mrs. Mary E. Botsford,
138 S. 60th Street,
Philadelphia, Pa.

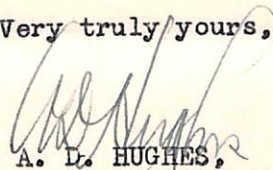
Dear Madam:

In order to complete the records of this office, it is requested that you advise if possible, whether or not your husband, the late Private Arnold Botsford, is survived by a stepmother or any other woman who may have held the status of loco parentis to him for a period of five years prior to his becoming eighteen years of age. If so, please furnish her name and address.

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

For The Quartermaster General.

Very truly yours,


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

1 Encl.
Env.

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-M

Botsford, Arnold (STM) W-

October 1, 1931

Mrs. Mary E. Botsford,
138 S. 60th St.,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Madam:

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

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

1. Do you desire to make a pilgrimage in 1932?	<i>No</i>
2. Please state your age and condition of health:	Age: <i>39</i> Health: <i>fair</i>
3. Do you speak English?	<i>yes</i>
4. What other language do you speak?	<i>No</i>

Mary E. Botsford
Sign here

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

A. D. Hughes

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

Encl:
Env.



WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM-293-AM
Botsford, Arnold Pvt (StM) W

June 13, 1931.

Mrs. Mary E. Botsford,
138 South 60th Street,
Philadelphia, Pa.

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,
Captain, Q. M. Corps,
Assistant.

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

Write answer here

Sign here

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

June 5, 1930.

Botsford, Arnold 1233 W

Mrs. Mary E. Botsford,
138 S. 60th St.,
Philadelphia, Pa.

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)

Mary E. Botsford
(Sign here)

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON
July 29th
1929

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C
Botsford, Arnold

Mr. Raymond W. Botsford
162 South Street
Newburgh, N. Y.

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 brother of the late Private Arnold Botsford, Co. D, 358th Inf., whose remains are now interred in the St. Mihiel American Cemetery, Thiaucourt, Meurthe-et-Moselle, 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?

Yes - but don't know if she has remarried or not.

2. If so, give her complete address:

Atlantic City, U. S. is all I know of her 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.

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~~_____~~
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For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

John T. Harris

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

2 Incls.
Act of Congress
Envelope

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C
Botsford, Arnold

May 27, 1929.

XC 59 449

Mr. Chas. E. Botsford, W. Mrs. Mary Emily Botsford,
206 Blvd., 138 So. 60th St.,
Hasbrouck Heights, N. J. Philadelphia, Pa.

B. Mr. Raymond W. Botsford,
162 South St.,
Newburgh, N. Y.

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 Arnold Botsford, Co. D, 358th Inf., whose remains are now interred in the St. Mihiel American Cemetery, Thiaucourt, Meurthe-et-Moselle, 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.

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-M

Botsford, Arnold (StM)

Sept. 7, 1932.

Mrs. Mary E. Botsford,
138 S. 60th St.,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Madam:

Reference is made to the questionnaire recently forwarded you, making inquiry as to whether you desire to make a pilgrimage to the cemeteries of Europe during the summer of 1933, and inviting attention to the fact that 1933 is the LAST YEAR for which the pilgrimages are authorized. To date no reply has been received.

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

1. Do you desire to make a pilgrimage in 1933? (Answer "Yes" or "No")	
2. Please state your age and condition of health:	Age: Health:
3. Do you speak English?	
4. What other language do you speak?	

Sign here

NOTE CAREFULLY, THIS IS THE LAST CHANCE WHICH YOU WILL HAVE TO MAKE THE PILGRIMAGE, AND THERE IS NO PROVISION OF LAW FOR A MONEY ALLOWANCE INSTEAD.

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

Encl:
Env.

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

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-M

Botsford, Arnold (STM)

July 11, 1932

Mrs. Mary B. Botsford,
138 S. 60th St.,
Philadelphia, Penna.

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.

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.

2 Encls.

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

(Write answer here)

(Sign here) _____

QM 293 A-M
Botsford, Arnold Pvt. (St.M.) W

January 28, 1932.

Mrs. Mary E. Botsford,
138 S. 60th Street,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Madam:

In order to complete the records of this office,
it is requested that you advise if possible, whether or
not your husband, the late Private Arnold Botsford, is
survived by a stepmother or any other woman who may have
held the status of loco parentis to him for a period of
five years prior to his becoming eighteen years of age.
If so, please furnish her name and address.

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

Botsford, Arnold (STM) W-

October 1, 1931 ed

Mrs. Mary E. Botsford,
138 S. 60th St.,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Madam:

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

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

1. Do you desire to make a pilgrimage
in 1932?

2. Please state your age and condition
of health:

Age:

Health:

3. Do you speak English?

4. What other language do you speak?

Sign here

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

Encl:
Env.

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

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM-293-AM
Botsford, Arnold Pvt (StM) W

June 13, 1931.

Mrs. Mary E. Botsford,
138 South 60th Street,
Philadelphia, Pa.

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,
Captain, Q. M. Corps,
Assistant.

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

Sign here

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

June 5, 1930.

Botsford, Arnold 1233 W

Mrs. Mary E. Botsford,
138 S. 60th St.,
Philadelphia, Pa.

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,
Captain, Q. M. Corps,
Assistant.

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

October 8 1929.

Botsford, Arnold 1233 W.

**Mrs. Mary E. Botsford,
138 S. 60th St.,
Philadelphia, Pa.**

Dear Madam:

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

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

1. Do you desire to make this pilgrimage if eligible?	(Yes)	(No)
2. Do you desire to make the pilgrimage in the calendar year 1930?	(Yes)	(No)
3. Have you at any time made a previous visit to the grave of the deceased member of the military or naval forces in whom you are interested?	(Yes)	(No)
4. Please give your age and state of health.	Age (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,
Major, Q. M. Corps,
Assistant.

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WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

July 29th
1929

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

Botsford, Arnold

Mr. Raymond W. Botsford
162 South Street
Newburgh, N. Y.

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 brother of the late Private Arnold Botsford, Co. D, 568th Inf., whose remains are now interred in the St. Mihiel American Cemetery, Thiaucourt, Meurthe-et-Moselle, 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?
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,

2 Incls.
Act of Congress
Envelope

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

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON
July 29th
1929

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

Botsford, Arnold

**Mrs. Mary Emily Botsford
138 So. 60th Street
Philadelphia, Penna.**

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 widow of the late **Private Arnold Botsford, Co. D, 358th Inf., whose remains are now interred in the St. Mihiel American Cemetery, Thiaucourt, Meurthe-et-Moselle, 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. Have you remarried since the death of the above named veteran? | |
| 2. If not, do you desire to make the pilgrimage? | |
| 3. Is the deceased survived by a mother? | |
| 4. If so, give her name and complete address. | |

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

2 Incls.
Act of Congress
Envelope

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

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C
Botsford, Arnold

May 27, 1929.

Mr. Chas. E. Botsford,
208 Blvd.,
Hambrook Heights, N. J.

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 Arnold Botsford, Co. D, 388th Inf., whose remains are now interred in the St. Mihiel American Cemetery, Thiaucourt, Meurthe-et-Moselle, 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 OF THE ARMY
CEMETERIAL DIVISION
WASHINGTON

1233-311 of 1921

APR 11 1921

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

To: Mr. Charles E. Botsford, 206 Blvd, Hasbrouck Heights, N.J.

SUBJECT: Remains of Pvt. Arnold Botsford, Ser. No. 1746929 Co. D, 358th Inf.

The records of this office show that you have requested that the body of the above-named
soldier remain in France.

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

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

By authority of the Quartermaster General.

GEORGE H. PENROSE,
Colonel, Q. M. C.

If all blank spaces below are not filled out, it will necessitate a return of this paper and a SERIOUS DELAY in the shipment of this body. State in each case WHETHER or not these relatives are STILL LIVING.

Was soldier married?

NAME OF—	NO. AND STREET.	TOWN.	STATE.
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

Address _____ Relationship _____

Date _____

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

(Relationship.)

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

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MAIL UNIT

JUN 14 1921

1. As stated on first page of this sheet.

2. To be returned to the U. S. and shipped to _____

(Name.)

Cemeterial Division

Overseas Project Sub-Station
(State.)

(R. R. station.)

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 instructions for the disposition of a body are not received from the next of kin within two weeks of its arrival at New York, burial will be made without further notice in the World War Section of Arlington National Cemetery.

2. The transfer of bodies will be made ENTIRELY at Government expense.

3. This paper MUST BE SIGNED BY THE PERSON WHO IS THE NEXT OF KIN IN THE ORDER shown in the square on the other side of this sheet.

4. This paper must be returned showing the name and address of each of the nearest next of kin in the spaces provided therefor on the other side of this sheet.

5. If there are minor children of the deceased soldier and no widow, the LEGALLY APPOINTED GUARDIAN of the children should ascertain their wishes and act for them in this matter.

6. If YOU are not the nearest next of kin, please ask the nearest next of kin, if living near you, to fill out this paper.

7. If YOU are not the nearest living next of kin and do not know who or where the nearest relatives are, please fill out this paper AT ONCE and mail to this office.

8. You are requested to return this paper AT ONCE in order to avoid delay in the case of this body.

9. Use the inclosed envelope—pay no postage.

NOTE.—INSTRUCTIONS FOR THE DISPOSITION OF REMAINS will be issued by this office upon the properly executed authority of the legal next of kin in each case. The widow is the first person having disposition of the remains of her husband. Should there be no widow or children, the father and, in turn (upon his decease), the mother, is the proper authority. The brothers, in order of seniority, and then the sisters in order of seniority, if there are no brothers, rank next in authority to decide. Under an opinion rendered by the Judge Advocate General of the Army, if a widow has remarried she forfeits her right, and the next of kin as given above will make decision.

HEADQUARTERS
AMERICAN GRAVES REGISTRATION SERVICE, Q.M.C., IN EUROPE
8, AVENUE D'IENA, PARIS

File No.

April 11, 1921

From: Chief,

To: Quartermaster General, U.S. Army (Cemeterial Division).

Subject: Acknowledgment of Correspondence.

Receipt this date is acknowledged of the following
correspondence from your office:

~~Letter~~)

dated: March 28, 1921

1st Endorsement)

File No. 293.8 Cem.Div. -#30596 (Botsford, Arnold)

Subject: Change of Inscription on Grave Marker

Name: Pvt. Arnold Botsford

H. F. BETHERS,
Colonel, Q.M.C. 1

DMK.

DNK

~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

NAME: BARBARA ROBERTSON

ADDRESS: 1000 ...

DATE: ...

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MAY 4 1921
G. H. S.



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File No. 293.8 Cem. Div. - #30596-(BOTSFORD, Arnold)
From: O. Q. M. G., Cemeterial Division, March 28, 1921 - To: Chief, American
Graves Registration Service, Q.M.C. in Europe #8 Avenue d'Iena, Paris, France.

1. Returned. The records of this office show the correct particulars regarding the soldier whose body is contained in Grave #196, Section #8, Plot #4, St. Mihiel American Cemetery #1233, Thiaucourt, M-et-M to be :

Private Arnold BOTSFORD, #1748929,
Company D, 358th Infantry,
Date of Death9/26/18

and the records of your office should be adjusted accordingly.

2. It is requested that the inscription on the marker erected over this soldier's grave be corrected and photograph taken showing correct inscription.

By authority of the Quartermaster General :

Inv.SS
Inv & Adj

BG

M. N. GREBLEY,
Captain, Q.M.C.,
Executive Officer,
Cemeterial Division.

[Signature]
FWW

[Signature]

MAILED
MAR 30 1921
G.R.S.

HEADQUARTERS
AMERICAN GRAVES REGISTRATION SERVICE Q.M.C. IN EUROPE
8 Avenue d'Iena. Paris.

February 16th, 1921.

FROM : Chief.
TO : Quartermaster General, Munitions Building, WASHINGTON
D.C.
SUBJECT : Corrected Inscription.

1. There is listed below a grave in Cemetery #1233 THIAUCOURT (M-et-M) upon which complete information as to rank and organization is not available in these Headquarters.

2. It is requested that these Headquarters be furnished with such additional information as may be on record in your Office on this case, in order that our records and inscription on the cross may be corrected.

BOTTSFORD, Arnold 1748929
Grave #196. Sec #8. Plot #3.



EDGAR A. FRY
H.F. RETHERS
Colonel Q.M.C.
Chief.

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AMERICAN GRAVE REGISTRATION SERVICE, INC. IN WASHINGTON
8 Avenue d'Alsace, Paris
H. P. D. G. V. A. M. T. R. S.

February 18th, 1921.

TO : General Inspector, War Department, Washington, D.C.
FROM : Chief.

1. There is listed below a grave in Cemetery #1333
THIAUCOURT (A-4-M) upon which complete information as to rank and
organization is not available in these Headquarters.
2. It is requested that these Headquarters be furnished
with such additional information as may be on record in your Office
on this case, in order that our records and inscription on the cross
may be corrected.

GRAVE #136.200 48. Plot 43.
BOTTREORD, Arnold 1749228

EDWARD
Colonel G. V. A. M. T. R. S.
Chief.

MAR 7 1921
G. R. S.



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

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

November 8, 1919.

Mr. Chas. E. Botsford,
 206 Boulevard,
 Hasbrouck Heights, N.J.

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

Case of: Private Arnold Botsford,
 358th Infantry, Company D.

Place of burial: Reburied - St. Mihiel American
 Cemetery, Thiaucourt, Department
 of Meurthe-et-Moselle, Grave 196,
 Section 8, Plot 4.

2. The grave has been registered and suitably marked for present purposes, pending the adoption of a more permanent monument by the National Fine Arts Commission, which now has the matter under consideration.

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

By authority of the Quartermaster General:

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

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H.F.B.

Dr

1st Ind.

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War Dept., A.G.O., November 3, 1919.--To the Chief, Graves Registration Service, Washington, D. C.

1. For a reply direct to the writer of the foregoing communication relative to the exact location of grave in the case of Pvt. Arnold Botsford, #1,748,929, Co. D. 358th Inf.

2. The writer has been advised of this reference.

By order of the Secretary of War:

F R Brown

Adjutant General.



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War Dept., A.G.O., November 3, 1919.--to the Chief, Graves Registration Service, Washington, D. C.

1. For a reply direct to the writer of the foregoing communication relative to the exact location of grave in the case of Pvt. Arnold Rosa- ford, #1,748,929, Co. D, 858th Inf.

2. The writer has been advised of this reference.

By order of the Secretary of War:

W. R. Brown

Adjutant General.



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Dr

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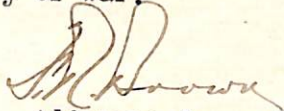
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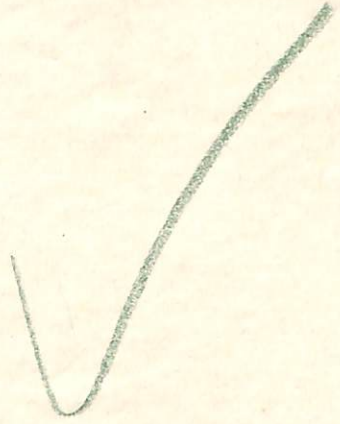
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2. The writer has been advised of this reference.

By order of the Secretary of War:


Adjutant General.



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

Date 11-7-19.

FROM:- INQUIRY BRANCH.

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

NAME *Botsford, Arnold*

Serial Number

RANK *Priv*

ORGANIZATION *358th Inf. Co. D. 1,748,929*

NO.	QUESTION	REPLY
1.	Do particulars of soldiers given above agree with Records?	1
2.	Date of Death.	2-9-26-18
3.	Cause and place of death.	3. R/a.
4.	Number of Casualty VCablegram.	
5.	Date buried.	5. Not given -
6.	Grave Location. (a) Complete record required. (b) Name of Cemetery or Commune only required. (c) Note reinterments.	6 Disinterred from Grave 44, Amer B/a City St. Marie Farming City 6340 ✓ Vilcey - sup - Trev. moulth - et - malle -
7.	Who reported burial?	6 Reburied - 4-23-19 in Grave #196, Sec. 8. Plot 4 St. Michel, Amer City #233
8.	Confirmed by G.R.S.?	Thancourt, moulth - et malle.
9.	Report as to Grave Marker.	
10.	Identification Tags: (a) Buried with body? (b) Attached to grave marker?	10 a yes 10 b yes
11.	Complete Emergency Address?	11 Chas E. Botsford 206 Blvd. Hasbrouck Hts N. J.
12.	Has above been notified? (Give date)	12 - 21a) - 2-6-19 36 4-23-19
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?	

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

Released by Information Control Dept.
 Directory
 Cards 5 x 8
 Cards 4 x 6
Form 16

REPORT OF DISINTERMENT AND REBURIAL

Place Thiaucourt France

Date August 12, 1922.

1. REMAINS OF BOTSFORD, Arnold SERIAL NUMBER 1748929
RANK Pvt ORGANIZATION Co. D. 888th Inf

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

August 12, 1922. Gr. #196 Sec 8 Plot 4 Cemetery 1233

By: Group _____ Unit _____

3. Reburied (date): _____ In (give complete location): _____

August 12th 1922 Grave 34, Block D, Row 19, Cem. 1233.

By: Group Reburial Unit _____ Nature of Reburial Casket and shipping case

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

Wooden box, 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 reads "Arnold Botts---- -748-29"

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-

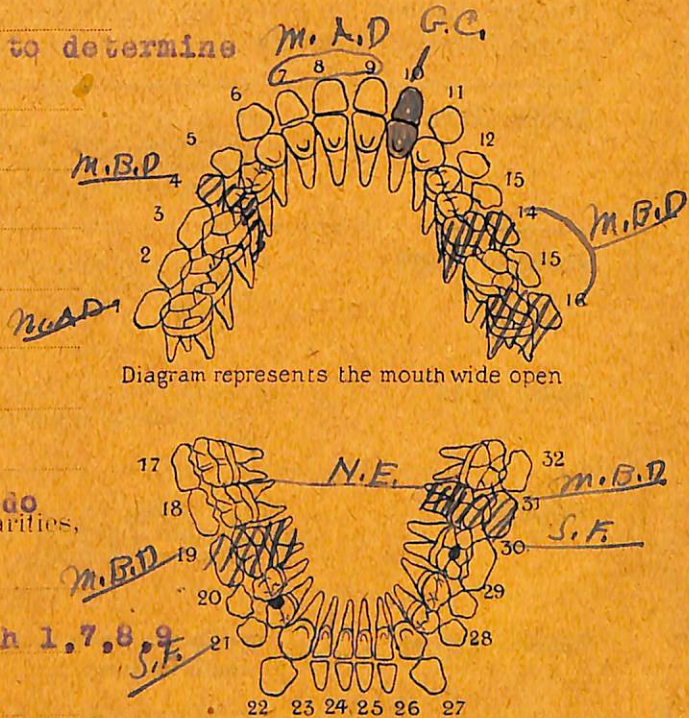
Location -do-

Quantity -do-

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

or missing parts) none visible

Not erupted 17, 32. Missing after death 1, 7, 8, 9, missing before death 4, 14, 16, 19, 31. gold crowns 10 silver fillings 21, 30.



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

none visible

7. Disinterment supervised by Edmond Maire

Approved: _____

Edmond Maire

(Title) E. Davis

8. Reburial supervised by H.L. Kramer

Approved: E. Denny, 1st Lt., QMC

(Title)

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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".
 (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.

To be prepared in triplicate.

DATE Aug. 12, 1922

REPORT OF DISINTERMENT, PREPARATION, SHIPMENT AND REBURIAL OF BODY

DISINTERMENT

COMPARATIVE REPORT

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Records of G.R.S. Headquarters.

Discrepancy found upon exhumation of body

1. Name BOTSFORD, Arnold

10. Name Arnold Botts----

2. No. 11748929

11. No.

3. Rank Pvt.

12. Rank

4. Org. Co. D. 358th Inf.

13. Org.

5. D.D. 9-26-18

14. (a) D.D.

6. C.D. K. A.

(b) D.B. XXXXX

Discrepancy found upon disinterment

7. Grave No. 196 Sec. 8

15. Grave No. Sec.

8. Plot 4 Row

16. Plot Row

9.

17. None

18. Cemetery St Mihiel American Cty.

19. Commune or town THIAUCOURT

20. Dept. or County M-et-M

21. Country France

22. G.R.S. Hdqrs. Code No. 1233

23. Disinterred (Date) Aug. 12, 1922

By Edmo Maire

24. Inscription on grave marker:

Name BOTSFORD, Arnold

Serial No. 1748929

Rank Pvt.

Organization Co. D. 358th Inf.

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

E. E. Cohn
Signature Junior Technical Assistant

PREPARATION

E. E. Cohn

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).

Tag on body reads: Arnold Botts----, -748-29

27. Condition of body Badly decomposed, features unrecognizable.

28. Nature of burial Wooden box.

29. Any discrepancy noted upon examination of body, as compared with G.R.S. records quoted above? See Par. 10

30. Body prepared and placed in casket: Date Aug. 12, 1922 By Edmo Maire

31. Casket sealed by Edmo Maire

Signature of Embalmer, (Supervisor)

Edmo Maire

Edmo Maire

AUDITED
202 11-15-23

SHIPMENT. (Show actual marking of box.) Box No. C-29413

32. Designation of body:

88 Name Arnold BOTSFORD Serial No. 1748929

89 Rank Pvt. Organization Co.D.358th Inf.

33. Consigned to:

Name of Permanent Cemetery St Mihiel American Cty. 1233, THIAUCOURT (M-et-M)

34. Casket boxed and marked (Date) Aug. 12, 1922 By Edmo Meire

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]*

O.E. Davis, 1st Lt., Q.M.C.

36. Remarks

None

37. Shipped from point of Operation: (Date) Aug. 12, 1922

To point of Concentration

Convoyer _____ (Name) _____
Signature Shipping Officer

38. Received at Railhead or Point of Concentration: Date

By G.R.S. Representative

39. Shipped from Railhead or Point of Concentration: Date

To Permanent Cemetery St. Mihiel Amer. 1233, Thiaucourt, France.

Convoyer _____ (Name) _____
Signature Shipping Officer *[Signature]*
O.E. Davis, 1st Lt., Q.M.C.

40. Received: Date

G.R.S. Representative

41. Reinterred August 12, 1922. (Date)

42. Grave No. 34 Section

43. ~~Plot~~ Block D Row 19

G.R.S. Representative *[Signature]*
A.E. DEWEY, 1st Lt., Q.M.C.

COMPILATION OF DISPOSITION OF REMAINS DATA

File # 30596

I. LOCATION INDEX CARD:

(a) Name BOTSFORD, Arnold Ser. No. 1748929
(b) Rank Pvt. Organization Co.D, 358th Inf.
(c) Date of death 9/26/1918 (d) Cause of death K/A
TYP. EK
CKR. JS

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

(a) Grave No. 196 Row -- Plot 4 Sec. 8 TYP. EK
(b) Emerg. Address Chas. E. Botsford (father) 206 Blvd. Hasbrouck Heights, N.J.

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

IV. A. G. O. DISPOSITION CARD:

Date of receipt ---

(a) Name Charles E. Botsford (b) Relationship Father
(c) Address ---
(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 mks Date 1-31-21, 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 mks Date 1-31-21, 1920.

VI. G. R. S. FILES, CORRESPONDENCE—shows as follows: Father, Chas. E. Botsford

206 Blvd. Hasbrouck Heights, N.J., 8/15/19.
confirms request on cards

(a) Cancellation memos referred to? ---

Examiner's Initials JH Date 2-1-1920.

COUNTRY France CEMETERY No. 1233 SHEET No. 311

FEB 26 1921

CARDED

Handwritten notes and signatures at bottom right.

COMPILATION OF DISPOSITION OF REMAINS DATA

File # 30596

I. LOCATION INDEX CARD:

(a) Name... BOTSFORD, Arnold... Ser. No. ... 1748989.
(b) Rank... Pvt. ... Organization ... Co. D, 358th Inf. ...
(c) Date of death... 9/26/1918 ... Cause of death ... K/A

TYP. ... EK
3/8

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

(a) Grave No. 196.. Row ... Plot ... 4.. Sect. ... 8... TP... EK
(b) Emerg. Address... Chas. E. Botsford (father) 206 Blvd. Hasbrouck Heights, N.J.

III. Files of soldiers dying from contagious diseases... CKR... 3/8

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

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V. Following advice forwarded to Europe by (letter of transmittal on... 192... FEB 18 1921
Par. #2, Not To Be Returned

VI. Form 115 forwarded to G.R.S. Hoboken, N.J. MAR. 1 - 1921 ... 192...

VII. SUPPLEMENTARY REQUESTS

Date of Relationship and Source... and name... Desires... Action taken...
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VIII. Form 115 received from G.R.S. Hoboken, N.J. 192...

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

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