

G.R.S. Form #114 B

DEC 17 1925

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1. NAME **BOWERS, Joseph E** SERIAL No. **244672**

RANK **Pvt.** ORGANIZATION **1st Rep.Co. 30th Engrs.**

GRAVE LOCATION **American Cty. Chaumont, Haute-Marne** DIVISION _____

CTY. NAME **526** NUMBER **10**

GRAVE _____ ROW _____ PLOT _____

2. ORIGINAL BATTLE AREA GRAVE LOCATION **526** **CHAUMONT (Haute-Marne)**

GRAVE _____ COMMUNE _____ DEPT. _____

COORDINATES **E. 307.6 N.150.1**

CONCENTRATED TO **March 23, 1921,** **526** **L**

DATE _____ GRAVE _____ ROW _____ PLOT _____

AEF. Cem. N° 10, Chaumont (HM.) **10**

CEMETERY _____ CTY. NUMBER _____

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

Tag found with body. (from data on form 16-A.) No other data.

DATE OF DEATH *Wounded - body recovered Jan 6 - 1919*

STATE FROM WHICH HE CAME *Prussia*

EDALS OR DECORATIONS AWARDED *None.*

SUBSEQUENT REBURIALS **Not of record**

DATE _____ GRAVE _____ ROW _____ PLOT _____ CEMETERY _____

DATE _____ GRAVE _____ ROW _____ PLOT _____ CEMETERY _____

SIGNATURE, AREA SUPERVISOR *Walter F. Brown*
Walter F. BROWN, CAPT. QMC., Supervisor Area N° 4

3. FINAL GRAVE LOCATION **August 12th, 1922.** **25** **7** **D**

DATE _____ GRAVE _____ ROW _____ **Block**

St. Mihiel American Cemetery, THIAUCOURT, (M.-et-M.)

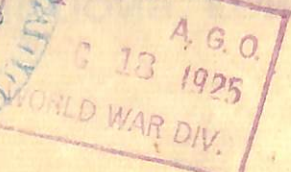
Major Gen CEMETERY

The Adjutant General,

By *H*

DEC 22 1925

AUDITED BY



GRAVE LOCATION BLANK

LOCATION OF THE GRAVE OF

Bowers, 244672, Joseph, E.
(Surname). (Number). (First Name and Initials).

(Rank). (Organization).

PLACE OF DEATH: Body found in Marne Canal.

CAUSE OF DEATH: Drowning

DATE OF BURIAL: Jan. 8/1919

PLACE OF BURIAL: American Cemetery

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

Chaumont, Haute Marne

GRAVE NUMBER: Plot L. Grave 526

HOW MARKED: Name Peg? 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?

NEAREST RELATIVE:

ADDRESS:

RELATIONSHIP:

REPORTED BY:

P. T. Monaghan Chaplain R.C.
(Signature and Rank of Reporting Officer).

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

REPORT OF DISINTERMENT AND REBURIAL

Date March 23, 1921

1. REMAINS OF BOWERS, Joseph E. SERIAL NUMBER 244672
RANK Pvt. ORGANIZATION 1 Rep. Co. 30 Engrs.

2. Disinterred (date): March 23, 1921 From (give complete location): Amer. Cty. No. 10, Gr. 526 - Pl. L.
By: Group 3 Unit 2

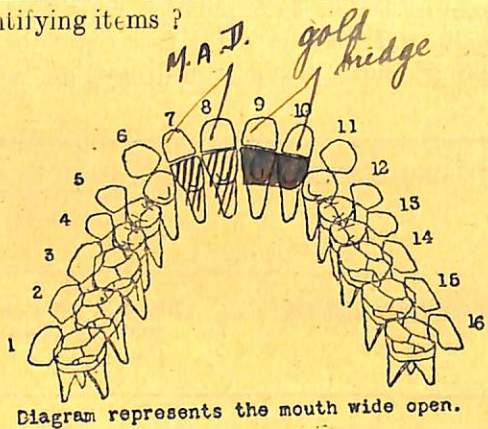
3. Reburied (date): March 23, 1921 In (give complete location): Same Cty. Same grave
By: Group 3 Unit 2 Nature of reburial Box and burlap

4. Report as to nature of original burial and condition of body upon disinterment:
Box. U.S. Uniform
Body badly decomposed. Features unrecognizable.

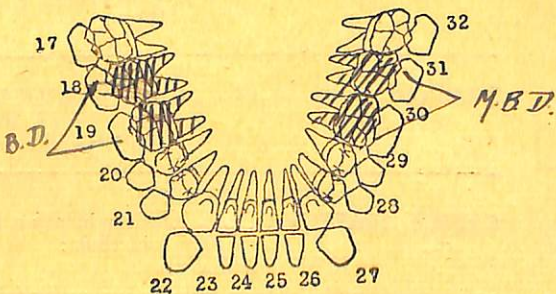
5. (a) Identification tags: Buried with body? yes On grave marker? yes
(b) Other means of identification found upon disinterment, and general remarks:
None

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

- (a) Height (actual measurement) estimated 5 ft. 10 in.
- (b) Weight (estimated) Impossible to determine
- (c) Hair—Color brown
Quantity unknown
Characteristics straight
- (d) Hair on face—Color Impossible to determine
Location do
Quantity do



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



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

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Checker: Frederick B. Lyon
Frederick B. Lyon

7. Disinterment supervised by S.D. Archer
S.D. Archer, 1st. Lt. QMC

Approved: R.L. Fain, Captain, QMC
(Title) Master of Section

8. Reburial supervised by S.D. Archer
S.D. Archer, 1st. Lt. QMC

Approved: R.L. Fain, Captain, QMC
(Title) Master of Section.

CODE SLIP

HEADING	SUB-HEADING	NO. OF COLS	CODE
NAME <i>Bowers</i>	<i>BOW</i>	3	<i>2 0 12</i> <i>3 3 3</i>
<i>Joseph E.</i>	CEMETERY <i>1233</i>	1	<i>3</i>
BURIED	GRAVE <i>25</i>	2	<i>25</i>
	ROW <i>7</i>	2	<i>07</i>
	BLOCK <i>D</i>	1	<i>4</i>
STATE	<i>Penna</i>	2	<i>44</i>
RANK	<i>Pvt</i>	1	<i>2</i>
DIVISION	<i>Eng</i>	2	<i>49</i>
ORGANIZATION	<i>30</i>	3	<i>030</i>
ARM	<i>Eng Regt</i>	1	<i>1</i>
MARITAL <i>Sister</i>	<i>No</i>	1	<i>2</i>
NAME <i>Brooks</i>	<i>Bro</i>	3	<i>2 3 5</i>
<i>Mrs. Phoebe B.</i>	STATE <i>Pa.</i>	2	<i>47</i>
<i>232 Bedford St</i>	COUNTY <i>Cambria</i>	2	<i>11</i>
RESIDENCE	CITY <i>Johnstown</i>	3	<i>127</i>
<i>Johnstown, Pa</i>	RELATION <i>Mother</i>	1	<i>1</i>
OTHER <i>Sister</i>		1	<i>2</i>
ELIGIBILITY <i>Head</i>		1	<i>6</i>
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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WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

July 12, 1930

Bowers, Joseph E.

1233-S

Mrs. Phoebe B. Brooks
232 Bedford St.
Johnstown, Pa.

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:

Mother is dead.

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

If so, give her name and address:

Never was married.

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

If so, give her name and address:

No. none.

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

Enclosures:
Envelope
Act
Amendment

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

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C
Bowers, Joseph E. 1233

March 11, 1930

Mrs. Phoebe B. Brooks,
232 Bedford Street,
Johnstown, Pennsylvania.

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. Joseph E. Bowers, 1st Reg. Co. 30th Infs., 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

DATE February 8, 1930

NAME	RANK	SERIAL	ORGANIZATION	DATE OF DEATH
Bowers Joseph E	Pvt	244672	1st Rep Co 30th Engr	Jan 6 1919

STATE	PENNSYLVANIA	CTY. NO.	1233	GRAVE	25	ROW	7	BLOCK	D
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	<u>Check relationship</u>	<u>Living - Deceased</u>	
NAME	MOTHER	:	<i>no record of divorced wife</i>
AND	STEPMOTHER (For the year prior to commencement of service)	:	<i>no record</i>
ADDRESS	MOTHER THRU ADOPTION (For the year prior to commencement of service)	:	<i>Sister - Mrs Phoebe B. Brooks 232. Bedford St Johnstown Pa.</i>
	MOTHER IN LOCO PARENTIS (For the year prior to commencement of service)	:	_____
	WIDOW (Who has not remarried)	:	_____
	<i>Divorced man</i>	:	_____

Veterans Bureau Claim Number
29/156

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WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

Bowers, Joseph E.

May 27, 1929.

Mrs. Phoebe Bowers Patterson,
R.F.D. #2,
Irwin, Pa.

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 Joseph E. Bowers, 1st Reg. Co., 30th Engrs., 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
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

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232 Bedford St.
Johnstown, Pa.

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,

Enclosures:
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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
Bowers, Joseph E. 1233

March 11, 1930

Mrs. Phoebe B. Brooks,
232 Bedford Street,
Johnstown, Pennsylvania.

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. Joseph E. Bowers, 1st Reg. Co. 50th 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,

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

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WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

August 28, 1929

Bowers, Joseph B.
1233

Mrs. Phoebe Bowers Patterson,
R.F.D. #2,
Irwin, Pa.

Dear Madam:

The records of this office do not indicate that a reply has been received to our communication dated May 27, 1929 making inquiry concerning the name and address of the mother and widow of the deceased service man above named. These addresses are desired with a view to ascertaining the number of mothers and widows who desire to make a pilgrimage to the cemeteries of Europe in which the remains of their sons and husbands are interred.

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

Write answers in space below

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

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

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

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

Bowers, Joseph E.

May 27, 1929.

Mrs. Phoebe Bowers Patterson,
R.F.D. #2,
Irwin, Pa.

Dear Madam:

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The records of this office show that you are the sister of the late Private Joseph E. Bowers, 1st Reg. Co., 30th Engrs., 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.

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For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

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Bowers

Joseph Edmond

244,672

 (Surname.) (Christian name in full.) (Army serial number)
 Pvt 1st Repl Co 30th Engr

 (Rank and organization.)

State your relationship to the deceased. *Sister*

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 James S Patterson*

West Springfield, Erie Co, Pa.

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

Read carefully the letter accompanying this card.

Letter on file from sister dated 6/14/19
advises of change in address.

Mrs. James I. Patterson,
West Springfield, Pa.

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5/28/19

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Checked by T.S.

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Known by PT

November 28, 1923.

Mrs. Phoebe Bowers Patterson,
R.F.D. #2,
Irwin, Pa.

Dear Madam:

The Quartermaster General desires you to be informed that the permanent grave of Private Joseph E. Bowers, 1st Replacement Company, 30th Engineers, is Grave 25, Row 7, Block D, St. Mihiel American Cemetery, Thiaucourt, Mourthe-et-Moselle, France.

This is one of the permanent American military cemeteries to be maintained by this Government in Europe. Each grave will be marked by a headstone of white marble, of suitable design, with 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.

You are assured in effecting removal of the remains, the utmost care and reverence were exercised and more than willingly accorded by those who performed this sacred duty. The grave of the deceased will be perpetually maintained by this Government in a manner befitting the last resting place of our heroes.

Very truly yours,

R.L. POSTER RD
Assistant. JER

Q. G. M. G.
CENTRAL MAIL ROOM



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293 Bowers Joseph Edmund

CORRECTION

NAME

Barnes, Joseph E.

RANK

Pvt.

SERIAL NO.

244672

ORGANIZATION

1st. Repl. Co. 30 Engrs.

REMARKS:

Form 120 not noted on

Form 115.

11-1-20 7S.

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COMPILATION N/R REQUESTS

I. DATA COMPILATION

A. Location Index Card:-

(1) Name BOWERS, Joseph E. Ser. No. 244672
 (2) Rank Pvt. Organization 1st. Rep. Co. 30th Engrs.
 (3) Date of death 1/6/19

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

(4) Cause of death Drowned (body recovered)
 (5) Grave No 526 Row ---- Plot L Sect. ----

*Examined for
 Concentration 5/2/22
 St. Michel #1253
 MacB
 6-8-22*

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 CKR. AK
 TYP. MCH
 CKR. EP

II. FILES EXAMINATION

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

B. A. G. O. DISPOSITION CARD

Date of receipt none

(6) Relationship Sister
 (7) Name Mrs James D. Patterson
 (8) Address 123 Spring St, Erie, Pa.
 (9) Desires remains brought to U. S.?
 (10) Desires remains brought to U. S. and interred in National Cemetery at
 (11) If brought back, what shipping instructions?

*See
 Suspension
 Remarks*

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C. A. G. O. CORRESPONDENCE

Date of communication

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

No Correspondence

(13) A. G. O. Files EXAMINED by JOB (Date) 5/4/20

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

Very

No request for disposition

(15) G. R. S. Files EXAMINED by

(Date)

5-6-20

To be prepared in triplicate.

DATE Feb. 14th, 1922

gc REPORT OF DISINTERMENT, PREPARATION, SHIPMENT AND REBURIAL OF BODY

DISINTERMENT

COMPARATIVE REPORT

Records of G.R.S. Headquarters.

Discrepancy found upon exhumation of body

- 1. Name BOWERS, Joseph E
- 2. No. 244672
- 3. Rank Pvt.
- 4. Org. 1st Rep. Co., 30th Engrs,
- 5. D.D. Jan. 6th 19
- 6. C.D. Drowned

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

Discrepancy found upon disinterment

- 7. Grave No. 526 Sec. _____
- 8. Plot L Row _____
- 9. _____

- 15. Grave No. _____ Sec. _____
- 16. Plot _____ Row _____
- 17. No discrep.

- 18. Cemetery American
- 20. Dept. or County Haute-Marne
- 22. G.R.S. Hdqrs. Code No. 10

- 19. Commune or town Chaumont
- 21. Country France.

23. Disinterred (Date) Feb. 14th, 1922

By W. C. Rapine

24. Inscription on grave marker:

Name Joseph E. Bowers

Rank Pvt.

Serial No. - - -

Organization 1st Rep. Co., 30th Engrs.

25. Was identification discovered on grave marker? Yes On body? Yes

Mason F. Ball
 Signature Junior Technical Assistant
 Mason F. Ball.

PREPARATION

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

Body tag and bottle record agree.

27. Condition of body Badly decomposed, features unrecognizable.

28. Nature of burial Burlap and wooden box.

29. Any discrepancy noted upon examination of body, as compared with G.R.S. records quoted above? No discrep.

30. Body prepared and placed in casket: Date Feb. 14th, 1922 By W. C. Rapine

31. Casket sealed by W. C. Rapine

Signature of Embalmer, (Supervisor

W. C. Rapine
 W. C. Rapine

MAILED BY
 No. W. 7-29-23.
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III. FINAL ACTION

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

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

(17) Instructions that remains be left undisturbed

(18) Typed by Checked b. (Date)

B. G. R. S. FORM NO. 114 made (Date)

(19) Typed by Checked by (Date)

C. SUSPENSION REMARKS:

5/20/20 Form 120 Mrs. James J. Patterson (Sister) request
body be not returned to U. S. - brothers address unknown 11-5-20

D. Dispatched (Date) DEC 27 1920 (Let. Trans. NO.)

PARAGRAPH 2 - NOT TO BE RETURNED *all*

Approved by

(Date)

REPORT OF DISINTERMENT AND REBURIAL

Date Feb. 14th, 1922

1. REMAINS OF BOWERS, Joseph E. SERIAL NUMBER 244672
RANK Pvt. ORGANIZATION 1st Rep. Co. 30th Engrs.

2. Disinterred (date): Feb. 14th, 1922 From (give complete location): Gr. 526, Pl. L, Cem. 10, Chaumont,
By: Group 6 Unit Sec. 4,

3. Reburied (date): August 12, 1922 In (give complete location): Gr 25 Row 7 Blk D
01 1233
By: Group Reburial Unit Casket & Shipping Case Nature of reburial

4. Report as to nature of original burial and condition of body upon disinterment:
Burlap and wooden box. Badly decomposed, features unrecognizable.

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

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

Body tag and bottle record agree.

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 determine

(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.

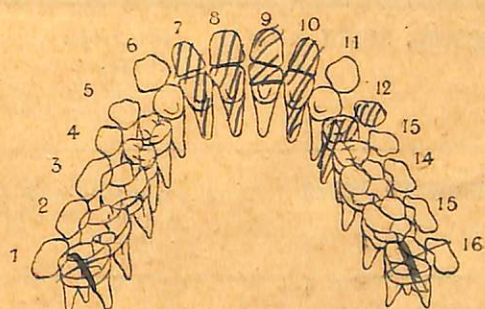
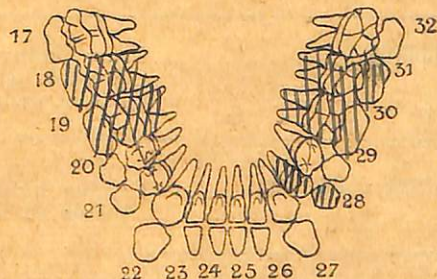


Diagram represents the mouth wide open



1-16-NC. 7-12-18-19-28-30-31-MBD. 8-10-MAD 9-Broken off.

7. Disinterment supervised by W. C. Rapine MB Approved: O. E. Davis rs
W. C. Rapine MB O. E. Davis, 1st Lt., QMC. rs
(Title)

8. Reburial supervised by H. L. Kramer Approved: A. L. Dewey
H. L. Kramer (Title) A. L. Dewey,
1st Lieut., Q.M.C.

37 B 9

SHIPMENT. (Show actual marking of box.) Box No. C-26663

32. Designation of body:

Name Joseph E. BOWERS Serial No. 244672

Rank Pvt. Organization 1st Rep. Co., 30th Engrs.

33. Consigned to:

Name of Permanent Cemetery St. Mihiel American Cty. # 1233, Thiaucourt M-et-M.

34. Casket boxed and marked (Date) Feb. 14th, 1922 By W. C. Rapine,

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 O. E. Davis, 1st Lt., QMC.

36. Remarks

37. Shipped from point of Operation: (Date) Feb. 14th, 1922

To point of Concentration Chaumont, Hte. Marne, (Name)

Convoyer E. Chelina Signature Shipping Officer Walter F. Brown, Capt., QMC.

38. Received at Railhead or Point of Concentration: Date

By G.R.S. Representative C. J. BLAKE

39. Shipped from Railhead or Point of Concentration: Date

To Permanent Cemetery St. Mihiel, Amer. Cty. #1233, Thiaucourt, (M-et-M)

Convoyer Michael Plotkin Signature Shipping Officer Walter F. Brown, Capt., QMC.

40. Received: Date 23 FEB 1922

G.R.S. Representative G. D. GAMBLE, Captain, Q. M. C.,

41. Reinterred August 12, 1922 (Date)

42. Grave No. 25 Section

43. Plot Block D Row 7

G.R.S. Representative

A. E. Dewey
1st Lieut., Q.M.C.

COMPILATION OF DISPOSITION OF REMAINS DATA

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*Exhumed Low
Concentration 5/10/22
St. Michael #1233
mass
6-5-22*

I. LOCATION INDEX CARD:

(a) Name Bowers, Joseph E. Ser. No. 244672
 (b) Rank Pvt. Organization 1st Rep.Co. 30th Engrs.
 (c) Date of death 1-6-19 Cause of death Drowned, body recovered

TYP FR
 AW
 LM *Ell*

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

(a) Grave No. 526 Row --- Plot L Sect. --- TYP MCH
 (b) Emerg. Address ---

III. Files of soldiers dying from contagious diseases no card CKR E.P.

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

*form 120 5/20/20 Mrs James J Patterson (sister) Rfo# 2
 Irwin Pa requests body remain in Europe 16/21/20*

V. Following advice forwarded to Europe by (cable on 192
 (Letter of transmittal on DEC 25 1920)
PARAGRAPH 2 - NOT TO BE RETURNED *all*

VI. Form 115 forwarded to G.R.S.Hoboken, N.J. 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. 192

COUNTRY France CEMETERY NO. 10 SHEET NO. 48

G.R.S. FORM 115-A
 August , 1920

S-666/MB

WBA 10-21

cc.

D-52474

OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
CEMETERIAL DIVISION
OVERSEAS PROJECT SUB-SECTION.

NAME OF DECEASED SOLDIER	CEMETERY NO.	DATE
<u>Pvt. Joseph E. Bowers</u>	<u>10-48</u>	<u>5/28/20</u>
SERIAL NUMBER	ORGANIZATION	
<u>244672</u>	<u>1st Reg. Co. 30th Engrs.</u>	

WAR RISK INSURANCE INFORMATION

DATE June 5, 1920

NAME OF BENEFICIARY Mrs. Phoebe Bowers Patterson,
R.D.#2, Irwin, Pa.

RELATIONSHIP Sister

Address: _____

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

MAY 14 1920

10-48

FROM: Chief, Graves Registration Service, Q.M.C.
TO: Mrs. James I. Patterson, West Springfield, Pa. Erie County.
SUBJECT: Remains of Pvt. Joseph E. Bowers,

Push Answer
244672
1st Rep. Co. 30th Eng

The records of this office show that you have requested that his body be not returned to the U.S. *It is my desire for the body to be left buried in France.*
no change

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

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

By authority of the Quartermaster General:

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

*noted on Form 115
5-11-20*

NAME OF	NO. & STREET	TOWN	STATE
Soldier's Widow	<i>none.</i>		
Soldier's Children	1. <i>none.</i>		
(Name oldest first)	2.		
	3.		
Father	<i>J. D. Bowers. dead.</i>		
Mother	<i>Mary E. Bowers. dead.</i>		
Brothers	1.		
(Name oldest first)	2. <i>George E. Bowers. dont know any thing for about 8 yrs.</i>		
Sisters	<i>Phoebe Bowers Patterson.</i>		
Date	<i>May 20 1920.</i>		
Address	<i>Irwin Pa. R.D. #2.</i>		
Relationship	<i>Sister.</i>		

Note:- Instructions on the reverse side of this sheet should be carefully read before filling out this paper.

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(OVER)

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

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HEADQUARTERS BASE HOSPITAL 15, AEF.
A. P. O. 706
REPORT OF DEATH

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Name: Bowers, Joseph E # 244672
Rank: Cook
Organization: Co. Q 30th Eng.
Date of death: Found dead in the Marne Canal Jan. 6th, 1919
Cause of death: Drowning
Autopsy findings: "

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Place of burial: American Military Cemetery No. 10, Chaumont,
(Haute Marne), France.
No. & Location of grave: Grave No. 526, plot B
Disposal of effects: None.

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GRAVE LOCATION BLANK

LOCATION OF THE GRAVE OF

Bowers, 244672 Joseph E
(Surname). (Number). (First Name and Initials).

(Rank). (Organization).

PLACE OF DEATH: Body found in Marne Canal

CAUSE OF DEATH: Drowning

DATE OF BURIAL: Jan. 8/1919

PLACE OF BURIAL: American Cemetery

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

Chaumont Haute Marne

GRAVE NUMBER: Plot L. Grave 526

HOW MARKED: Name Peg? 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?

NEAREST RELATIVE:

ADDRESS:

RELATIONSHIP:

REPORTED BY:

P. L. Monaghan Chaplain K9C
(Signature and Rank of Reporting Officer).

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