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G.R.S. Form #114 B

AUG 31 1926

DATE 12/1/21

1. NAME BOYD, Spencer L. SERIAL No. 106346

RANK Sgt. ORGANIZATION Co.D.3rd MG.Bn. & DIVISION

GRAVE LOCATION Amer.Cty. Vittel (Vosges) # 258

mg 130 GRAVE ROW PLOT

2. ORIGINAL BATTLE AREA GRAVE LOCATION 50 Vittel Vosges GRAVE COMMUNE DEPT.

COORDINATES E.367.79 N.157.35 Map Mirecourt N.E.84

CONCENTRATED TO Feb.2,1921 130 DATE GRAVE ROW PLOT

American E.F.Cty., Vittel 258 CEMETERY CTY. NUMBER

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

Nothing of record

DATE OF DEATH Sept 23 1918

STATE FROM WHICH HE CAME W. Va.

MEDALS OR DECORATIONS AWARDED None

SUBSEQUENT REBURIALS None DATE GRAVE ROW PLOT CEMETERY



DATE GRAVE ROW PLOT CEMETERY

SIGNATURE AREA SUPERVISOR Stanley J. Grogan STANLEY J. GROGAN, Capt. Inf. USA.

3: FINAL GRAVE LOCATION 12/1/21 30 25 DATE GRAVE ROW PLOT

AUDITED BY M.M.E.

1-10-23 A.G.O. SEP 30 1926 WAR DIV.

Meuse Argonne American Cty # 1232 Romagne sous Montfaucou CEMETERY

A.G.O. SEP 1 1926 WAR DIV.

Block The Adjutant General.

1926

# GRAVE LOCATION BLANK

LOCATION OF THE GRAVE OF

Boyd 06346 Spenser L  
(Surname). (Number). (First Name and Initials).

Sgt. Co D. 3rd. Me. Bn.  
(Rank). (Organization).

PLACE OF DEATH: *Ville*

CAUSE OF DEATH: *Pneumonia*

DATE OF BURIAL: *Sept 25 - 1918*

PLACE OF BURIAL: *Amed Cemetery 258*

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

*Ville*

*Boyer France*

GRAVE NUMBER: *20.*

HOW MARKED: Name Peg? *yes* Cross? *yes*

Headboard? *yes* 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: *Mrs. S. L. Boyd*

ADDRESS: *Charleston St. Charleston W. Va.*

RELATIONSHIP: *Mother*

REPORTED BY:

*J. J. ... Captain B. 23*  
(Signature and Rank of Reporting Officer).

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

CODE SLIP

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HEADING	SUB-HEADING	NO. OF COLS	CODE
NAME Boyd	Boyd	3	2 05 12
Spencer H.	CEMETERY 1232	1	1
BURIED	GRAVE 30	2	30
No. 106346	ROW 25	2	25
	BLOCK 2	1	7
	STATE W. Va.	2	57
RANK	Sgt.	1	2
DIVISION	1	2	1
ORGANIZATION	3	3	003
ARM	M.G. Bn.	1	2
MARTIAL	No	1	2
NAME Boyd	Boyd	3	2 05 12
Mrs. James H.	STATE W. Va	2	57
RESIDENCE	COUNTY Medlowell	2	24
Vet. Enl. 1915 - S.M. Married	CITY Welch	3	0 31
RELATION Father in 1917	Stepmother	1	3
OTHER	Father	1	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	

Mother dead

**AUDITED**  
JUN 10 1932  
hove

mt. 29/514/PJ.

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WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C  
Boyd, Spencer L.  
1232

October 22, 1929.

Mrs. James H. Boyd,  
Welch, West Virginia.

Dear Madam:

*Ineligible*  
*Encl. 1-2-15*

Your attention is invited to the enclosed copy of an Act of Congress approved March 2, 1929, enabling the mothers and widows of the members of the military and naval forces of the United States now interred in the cemeteries of Europe to make a pilgrimage to these cemeteries.

The records of this office indicate that you were the step-mother of the late Sergeant Spencer L. Boyd, and in order to determine your eligibility under the Act to make the pilgrimage to his grave it will be appreciate if you will furnish the following information:

- (1) Date of your marriage to the father of Sergeant Boyd.
- (2) Were you married to Mr. Boyd at the time his son entered the military service?
- (3) Were you married to Mr. Boyd at the time of his son's death?

*June 21/1917*

*No Sir*

*Yes Sir*

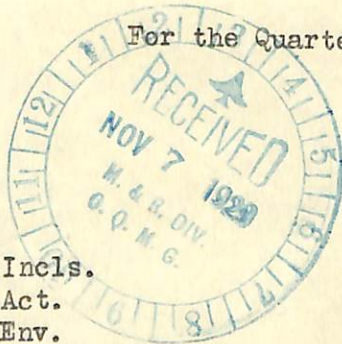
For the Quartermaster General.

Very truly yours,

*the above date shows when we were married*

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

*Victory Boyd Welch W Va*



2 Incls.  
Act.  
Env.

*File*

Wich, Mo.

July 11, 1929

Route 1 Box 4

The Quartermaster  
General, Washington D.C.

In reply to your  
letter. Spencer J. Boyd,  
Co. H, 3rd M. S. Bn.,

This Soldier never was  
married and his  
mother is dead and  
he has a stepmother

Your Truly  
Mr. James H.  
Boyd



WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

Boyd, Spencer L.

June 29 1929.

Mr. James H. Boyd,  
Welch, W. Va.

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 Sgt. Spencer L. Boyd, Co. D, 3rd M. G. Bn., whose remains are now interred in the Meuse-Argonne American Cemetery, Romagne-sous-Montfaucon, Meuse, 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,

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

Boyd, Spencer L. - 1232 Step(non)

July 9, 1930.

Mrs. Jas H. Boyd,  
Welch, W. Virginia.

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.

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1. Is the deceased survived by a mother?

If so, give her name and address:

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

If so, give her name and address:

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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:

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For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

Enclosures:  
Envelope  
Act  
Amendment

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

QM 293 A-C  
Boyd, Spencer L.  
1232

October 22, 1929.

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For the Quartermaster General.

Very truly yours,

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

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A.C.  
Eny.  
M.G.M. 27 DIV.  
1929 OCT 25 PM 4:05  
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WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

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

258-21

Boyd, Spencer L. 106,346

(Surname) (Christian name in full.) (Army serial number.)

Sgt Co D 3 MG Bn

(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) James Henry Boyd

Welch, W. Va.

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

Read carefully the letter accompanying this card. 3-6713

drawn by J.H.H.  
258-21  
10/13/20

checked P.F.  
10-22-20

In reply refer to:  
293.8 C-R

#21981

February 28, 1923.

Mr. James H. Boyd,  
Welch, W. Va.

Dear Sir:

The Quartermaster General desires that you be informed that the permanent grave of the late Sergeant Spencer L. Boyd, Company B, 3rd Machine Gun Battalion, is Grave 30, Row 25, Block G, Meuse-Argonne American Cemetery, Romagne-sous-Montfaucon, Department of Meuse, 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, organization, date of soldier's death and State from which he came. The 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.

In effecting removal, the utmost care and reverence were exacted and more than willingly accorded by those performing 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,

H. J. Connor,  
Assistant.

MAILED  
FEB 28 1923

G.R.S.

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Original

Place Vittel Vosges

REPORT OF DISINTERMENT AND REBURIAL

Date Feb 2-1921

1. REMAINS OF Boyd, Spencer L. SERIAL NUMBER 106346

RANK 1st Lt ORGANIZATION Co D, 3 M. I. Bn

2. Disinterred (date): Feb 2-1921 From (give complete location): Grave 50

Amer Cem 258 Vittel Vosges

By: Group Three Unit 1st Co

3. Reburied (date): Feb 2-1921 In (give complete location): Grave 130

Amer Cem 258 Vittel Vosges

By: Group Three Unit 1st Co Nature of reburial In blanket in pine box

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

In O.D.U. uniform with leggings without cap or shoes. Fair state of preservation. In pine box. Cross at feet. Recognizable

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

(b) Other means of identification found upon disinterment, and general remarks: Tag on cross and on body reads "Spencer L. Boyd, 1st Lt Co D M I Bn 1st Div 2 Brig 106346. Body appears to be hospital case. Head bandages.

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

(a) Height (actual measurement) 68 inches

(b) Weight (estimated) 160 lbs

(c) Hair—Color Brown

Quantity fairly thick

Characteristics wavy

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

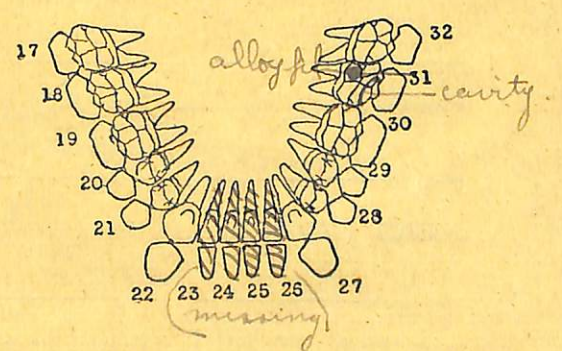
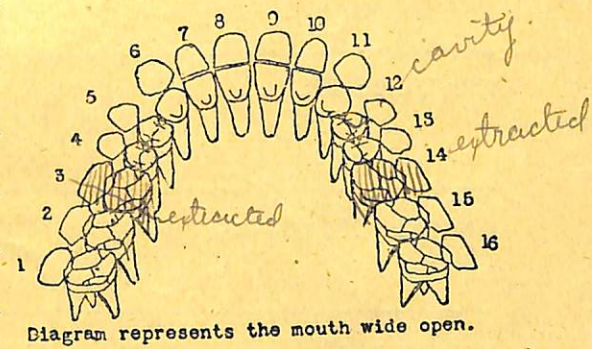
Location none

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)

Head bandage



7. Disinterment supervised by G. D. Gamble  
(G. D. Gamble)  
1st Lt. QMC. Inspector

Approved Val E. Miltenberger  
(Val E. Miltenberger)  
Major, MC Mas. of Sec. #1

8. Reburial supervised by G. D. Gamble  
(G. D. Gamble)  
1st Lt. QMC. Inspector

Approved Val E. Miltenberger  
(Val E. Miltenberger)  
Major, MC Mas. of Sec. #1  
(Title)

D-35916

# REPORT OF DISINTERMENT AND REBURIAL

Date October 18, 1921.

1. REMAINS OF BOYD, Spencer L. SERIAL NUMBER 106346  
RANK Sgt. ORGANIZATION Co. D, 3rd. M.G. Bn.

2. Disinterred (date) : Oct. 18, 1921. From (give complete location) : Gr. No. 130.  
Amer. Mil. Cem. # 258. Vittel ( Vosges )

By : Group 1. Unit Section No. 4.

3. Reburied (date) : \_\_\_\_\_ In (give complete location) : \_\_\_\_\_  
Dec. 1, 1921, Meuse-Argonne Cty. # 1232, Gr. 30, Blk. G. Row 25.

By : Group Reburial S Unit \_\_\_\_\_ Nature of reburial Lined Casket

4. Report as to nature of original burial and condition of body upon disinterment :  
Buried in wooden box in uniform and blanket. Badly decomposed, recognition impossible.

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

(b) Other means of identification found upon disinterment, and general remarks :  
No effects found.

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

(a) Height (actual measurement) Unable to determine.

(b) Weight, (estimated) \_\_\_\_\_

(c) Hair—Color \_\_\_\_\_

Quantity \_\_\_\_\_

Characteristics \_\_\_\_\_

(d) Hair on face—Color \_\_\_\_\_

Location \_\_\_\_\_

Quantity \_\_\_\_\_

(e) Permanent marks on body (old scars, peculiarities, or missing parts) \_\_\_\_\_

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

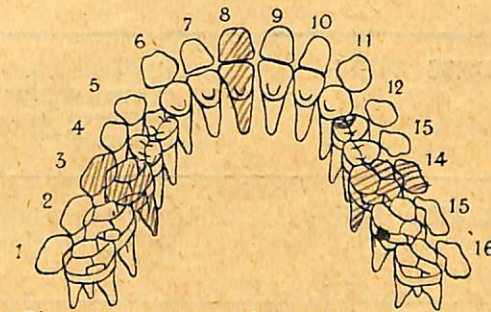
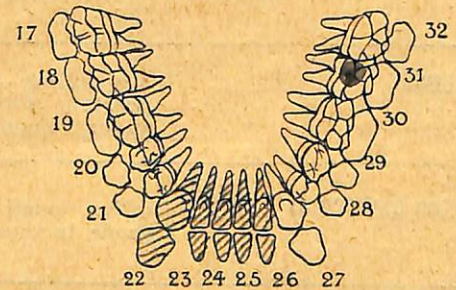


Diagram represents the mouth wide open



No. 8, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, M.A.D.  
No. 3, 14, M.B.D. No. 31, S.F.  
No. 12, cavity.

None visible.

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7. Disinterment supervised by W. R. TOMLISON.

Approved : D. P. Lowry,  
tap. (Title) 1st Lt., G.M.C. bjm

8. Reburial supervised by A. U. Dufault.

Approved : James W. Younger  
(Title) Capt. G.M.C.

To be prepared in triplicate.

DATE October 18, 1921.

REPORT OF DISINTERMENT, PREPARATION, SHIPMENT AND REBURIAL OF BODY

DISINTERMENT

COMPARATIVE REPORT

Records of G.R.S. Headquarters.

Discrepancy found upon exhumation of body

1. Name BOYD, Spencer L.  
 2. No. 106346  
 3. Rank Sgt.  
 4. Org. Co. D, 3rd MG. Bn.  
 5. D.D. Abt. Sept. 23rd. 1918  
 6. C.D. Pneumonia

10. Name \_\_\_\_\_  
 11. No. \_\_\_\_\_  
 12. Rank \_\_\_\_\_  
 13. Org. \_\_\_\_\_  
 14. (a) D.D. \_\_\_\_\_  
 (b) D.B. None.

Discrepancy found upon disinterment

7. Grave No. 150 Sec. \_\_\_\_\_  
 8. Plot \_\_\_\_\_ Row \_\_\_\_\_  
 9. \_\_\_\_\_

15. Grave No. \_\_\_\_\_ Sec. \_\_\_\_\_  
 16. Plot \_\_\_\_\_ Row \_\_\_\_\_  
 17. None.

18. Cemetery Amer. Cty.  
 20. Dept. or County Vosges

19. Commune or town Vittel  
 21. Country France

22. G.R.S. Hdqrs. Code No. 258

23. Disinterred (Date) Oct. 18, 1921.

By W. R. Tomlinson.

24. Inscription on grave marker:

Name BOYD, Spencer L.  
 Rank Sgt.

Serial No. \_\_\_\_\_  
 Organization Co. D, 3rd. MG. Bn. Gr. 130

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

Thomas A. Page  
 Signature Junior Technical Assistant

PREPARATION

THOS A PAGE.

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).

No effects found. Reburial record on body checks.

27. Condition of body Badly decomposed, recognition impossible.

28. Nature of burial Buried in wooden box, uniform and blanket.

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

30. Body prepared and placed in casket: Date Oct. 18, 1921. By W. R. Tomlinson.

31. Casket sealed by W. R. Tomlinson.

Signature of Embalmer, (Supervisor) W. R. Tomlinson  
 W. R. TOMLINSON.

SHIPMENT. (Show actual marking of box.) Box No. C-11151

32. Designation of body:

Name BOYD, Spencer Serial No. 106346

Rank Sgt. Organization Co. D. 3rd MG. Bn.

33. Consigned to:

Name of Permanent Cemetery Meuse-Argonne Amer. Cty. #1232  
Romagne-sous-Montfaucon (Meuse)

34. Casket boxed and marked (Date) October 18, 1921. By W. R. Tomlinson.

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 D. E. Lowry  
D. E. LOWRY, 1st Lt., Q.M.C.

36. Remarks

37. Shipped from point of Operation: (Date) Oct. 18, 1921.

To point of Concentration Neufchateau (Voages)

Convoyer \_\_\_\_\_ (Name)  
Signature Shipping Officer Capt. Q.M.C.

38. Received at Railhead or Point of Concentration: Date \_\_\_\_\_

By G.R.S. Representative \_\_\_\_\_

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

To Permanent Cemetery Romagne-sous-Montfaucon (Meuse)

Convoyer C. L. RIELEY (Name)  
Signature Shipping Officer W. R. Buckley  
W. R. BUCKLEY, Capt. Q.M.C.

40. Received: Date \_\_\_\_\_

G.R.S. Representative \_\_\_\_\_

41. Reinterred Dec. 1, 1921, Meuse-Argonne Cemetery, # 1232.  
(Date)

42. Grave No. 30 Section \_\_\_\_\_

43. Plot Block G Row 25



G.R.S. Representative James W. Younger

James W. Younger  
Capt. Q.M.C.

# COMPILATION OF DISPOSITION OF REMAINS DATA

## I. LOCATION INDEX CARD:

(a) Name BOYD, Spencer L. Ser. No. 106346  
 (b) Rank Sgt. Organization Co. D, 3rd M.G. Bn.  
 (c) Date of death abt. 9-23-18 (d) Cause of death Pneumonia

TYP. ✓  
CKR.

EXHUMED FOR CONCENTRATION  
11-15-21

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

(a) Grave No. 50 Row --- Plot --- Sec. --- TYP. vbb  
 (b) Emerg. Address James H. Boyd, (father) Holman, West Virginia

## III. Files of soldiers dying from contagious diseases

CKR.

## IV. A. G. O. DISPOSITION CARD:

Date of receipt None

(a) Name James Henry Boyd (b) Relationship Father  
 (c) Address Welch W. Va.  
 (d) Remains to be brought to U. S.? No.  
 (e) To be interred in National Cemetery in U. S. at ---

10/26/21  
OK  
AH

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

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

Examiner's Initials Jm Date 9-23, 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 Jm Date 9-23, 1920.

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

No request for disposition

(a) Cancellation memos referred to?

Examiner's Initials Jm Date 9-24, 1920.

COUNTRY

FRANCE

CEMETERY No.

258

SHEET No.

21

checked P.F.  
10-22-21

11-16-20

RECEIVED



G. R. S. Form No. 114 made \_\_\_\_\_, 1920.

Typed by \_\_\_\_\_, Checked by \_\_\_\_\_, 1920.

FEB 3 1921

CEMETERY DIVISION  
OVERSEAS PRINTING

VIII. FINAL ACTION:

NOV 26 20

Following advice forwarded to Europe by

cable on \_\_\_\_\_, 1920

letter on **NOV 12 1920**, 1920

**PARAGRAPH 2 - NOT TO BE RETURNED**

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IX.

**CORRECTIONS**

CHANGE OF ADVICE.	ACTION TAKEN.
Desires body be _____	
Body to be shipped to _____	
<b>FORM 115 RETURNED BY HOBOKEN. BODY TO REMAIN IN EUROPE.</b>	

X. SUSPENSION REMARKS:

**JAN 31, 1921** *M*

Letter 12/22/20 Father, James H. Boyd, Welch, W. Va. confirms previous instructions that Body Remain in Europe. 12-30-20 UK - no mention of widow or children. 12-30-20 UK.

Let. - 1-17-21 - Father James H. Boyd - Welch, W. Va. advises deceased was not married - (K-1-21-21-58) Asks information regarding Insurance

1/5/21 - Hoboken acknowledges Father's communication dated 12/22/20, advising if Soldier is not survived by widow or children his wish will be complied with. 2/5/21 E.P.

1/27/21 Hoboken acknowledges Father's letter dated 1/17/21, advising - his wish will be complied with, and referring him to the B. W. R., Washington, D.C., regarding his Insurance. - 2-5-21 E.P.

WAR DEPARTMENT  
CEMETERIAL DIVISION, GRAVES REGISTRATION SERVICE,  
PIER 2, HOBOKEN, N. J.

January 31, 1921.

File No. 293.8 Cem. Div. Cor. Branch.  
(BOYD, Spencer L.)

MEMORANDUM FOR: Cemeterial Division, O.Q.M.G., Overseas project  
Sub-section, Washington, D. C.

SUBJECT: Return of Records - Cemetery #258.  
Transmittal Memorandum Number H - 954.

1. The records pertaining to the following case  
are returned herewith, it having been definitely  
determined that the body is to remain in Europe:

REFERENCE NO:

21 Boyd, Spencer L., Sgt., Serial Number 106346,  
Co. D, 3rd M. G. Bn.

R. E. SHANNON,  
Captain, Quartermaster Corps,  
Officer in Charge.

By:



F. C. PALLAS,  
Executive Assistant.

1 Incl.

*Recd 2/4/21 R*

WAR DEPARTMENT  
 QUARTERMASTER CORPS  
 CEMETERIAL DIVISION; GRAVES REGISTRATION SERVICE,  
 ROOM 350, PIER 2, HOBOKEN, N. J.

January 27, 1921.

File No. 293.8, Cem. Div., Cor. Branch,  
 (Boyd, Spencer L.)

Mr. James H. Boyd,  
 Welch, West Virginia.

Dear Sir:

Receipt of your communication dated January 17th, 1921, regarding the disposition of the remains of your son, the late Spencer L. Boyd, Sergeant, Serial No. 106346, Company D, 3rd Machine Gun Battalion, is acknowledged.

In accordance with your wishes, the remains of the late soldier will be left in France for burial in a permanent American Cemetery.

Referring to your inquiry concerning the late soldier's insurance, you are advised to communicate with the Bureau of War Risk Insurance, Washington, D.C., for the information you desire.

By authority of the Quartermaster General:

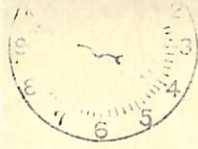
R. E. SHANNON,  
 Captain, Q.M. Corps,  
 Officer in Charge.

By:

*FD* F. C. PALLAS,  
 Executive Assistant.  
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 JAN 29 1921  
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Welch, Arpa

JAN 18 1921  
Groves Reg. Service Officer,  
Hoboken, N.J.

Dear Sir:—

In answer to your letter of the 5th instant, would say that my son Spencer L. Boyd deceased has no ~~other~~ relative except myself properly entitled to a voice in the disposition of his remains. ~~He~~ ~~was~~ ~~not~~ ~~married~~.

The serial no. referred to in your letter: 106346 is the number of the insurance card of Spencer L. Boyd given me by another soldier. I mean I got this number but not the card from the soldier who was with my son when he took insurance. It is queer I cannot get this insurance.

Appreciating your help in this matter, etc. I am, yours very truly,  
James H. Boyd.

Noted on Form No. 118  
Date 1-21-21 JS

Per E.P. (Ward)

258-21  
5-1/25/21

WAR DEPARTMENT  
CEMETERY DIVISION, GRAVES REGISTRATION SERVICE,  
PIER #2, HOBOKEN, N.J.

JANUARY 5, 1921.

FILE NO. 295.8 Cem.Div., Cor.Branch.  
(BOYD, Spencer L.)

Mr. James H. Boyd,  
Welch,  
West Virginia.

Dear Sir:

Receipt of your communication dated December 22, 1920, relative to the remains of your son, the late Spencer L. Boyd, Sergeant, Serial No. 106346, Company D, 3rd Machine Gun Battalion, is acknowledged.

The Department desires to be assured that no relative properly entitled to a voice in the disposition of the remains is denied the opportunity. It is, therefore, requested that you inform if the deceased is survived by widow and children, giving the name and address of each.

If the deceased is not survived by the above mentioned persons, your request that the remains be left in France for burial in a permanent National Cemetery will be complied with.

Your early attention to this matter will be greatly appreciated.

By authority of the Quartermaster General;

R. E. SHANNON,  
Captain, Quartermaster Corps,  
Officer in Charge.

Noted on Form No. 116

Date 2-5-21-68

SP:LEE

BY:

F. C. PALLAS?  
Executive Assistant.

Mailed-O.P.D.

JAN 6 - 1921

Welch, W. Va.,

Dec. 22, 1920.

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Graves Registration Service,  
Pier #2, Room 349,  
Hoboken, New Jersey.

Gentlemen:--

Unless our government proceeds to act on its own initiative in  
in the matter of removing from Europe to America all our Amer-  
ican dead soldiers, it is my desire to have the remains of my  
son Spencer L. Boyd to remain in Europe in a permanent American  
cemetery.

Several months back I answered a letter somewhat similar to  
this letter, stating about what I have just stated in this let-  
ter.

Appreciating your efforts, I am,

Very truly yours,

*James H. Boyd*

Noted on Form No. 116

Date 12-30-20 V.K.

Per EP(wash)

DEC 31 1920



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GRAVE LOCATION BLANK

LOCATION OF THE GRAVE OF

Boyd 106346 Spencer J  
(Surname). (Number). (First Name and Initials).

Sgt. Co D. 3rd Inf. Ar.  
(Rank). (Organization).

PLACE OF DEATH: Vitell

CAUSE OF DEATH: Pneumonia

DATE OF BURIAL: Sept 25, 1918.

PLACE OF BURIAL: Ames Cemetery 25th

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

Vitell

Boyer France

GRAVE NUMBER: 50.

HOW MARKED: Name Peg? yes Cross? yes

Headboard? yes Bottle? yes

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:

250

NEAREST RELATIVE: Mrs. A. L. Boyd

ADDRESS: Charleston W. Va. Charleston

RELATIONSHIP: Mother

REPORTED BY:

(Signature and Rank of Reporting Officer).

Henry Chap R H 23

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

6 OCT 1918

Date of Death 9/23/12



Headquarters USA Base Hospital # 23.  
Office Of The Quartermaster.

O O Q M., A E F  
NOVEMBER 4 1918

October 30. 1918.

From : Quartermaster USA Base Hospital # 23, A.P.O. 732.  
To : Chief Quartermaster, A.E.F., A.P.O. 727.  
Subject : Report of cost of interment.

as follows:

1. Report of death and interment and cost of interment is made

Name: Boyd, Spencer L., ( 106346 )

Organization: Co.D., 3rd Machine Gun Bn.,

Place of death : USA Base Hospital # 23.

Date: Sept. 23, 1918

Disposition of remains: Buried at this station.

Place of interment: American Plot, Local Cemetery, Vittel,  
Vosges, France.

Method of marking grave: Two foot cross, one and one half foot  
cross arm. The following information  
was painted on the cross in addition  
to an identification tag tacked on:

Name, rank, organization, date of death,  
place of birth.

Itemized statement of expenses:

Preparation of grave:	6.00 Francs
Cost of coffin ( est )	17.10 "

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23.10 "

23.10 frncs is equivalent to \$4.70

*John C. Muth*  
John C. Muth,  
1st Lt. M.C., USA.  
Acting Quartermaster.

4 NOV 1918