

G.R.S. Form #114-B

FEB 18 1923

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FULL NAME ..... BOYER, Francis ✓

RANK ..... Pvt. ✓  
SERIAL ..... 1786055 ✓

DIVISION & ORGANIZATION ..... Hq. Co., 316th Inf., 79<sup>th</sup> ✓

DATE OF DEATH ..... Oct 29, 1918 ✓

STATE FROM WHICH HE CAME ..... Md. Va. ✓

MEDALS OR DECORATIONS AWARDED ..... Silver Star ✓

FINAL GRAVE LOCATION .....  
Date Grave Row Block

Meuse-Argonne, #1232

Cemetery

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FEB 19 1926  
A. G. O.  
WORLD WAR DIV.

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Rec'd World War Div.  
MAR 30 1928

Robert C. Davis,  
Major General  
The Adjutant General  
By Eva 2/24/26

23/306/ARK

mar 2 3/31/28

*OK @ 12/10*  
**GRAVE LOCATION BLANK.**

*Red Card 12/15/18*  
LOCATION OF THE GRAVE OF  
*K99 11/2/18 40*

.....  
Bayer.....176635.....Francis.....  
(Surname.) (Number.) (First Name and Initials.)

.....  
Private.....Hicks Co. 316 Infantry.....  
(Rank.) (Organization.)

DATE OF BURIAL.....*Nov. 2, 1918.*.....

PLACE OF BURIAL.....*Left of main road 1/2 way*.....

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

*between Brabant and Molleville Farm*  
*going from Brabant.*

GRAVE NUMBER.....

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

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

IDENTIFICATION TAGS:

Was one buried with body?.....*yes*.....

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

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

REPORTED BY:

*Lynn Rollin*  
.....*Chaplain 101st Inf.*.....  
(Signature and Rank of Reporting Officer.)

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

Date 5th May, 1919REPORT OF DISINTERMENT AND REBURIAL.

## Remains of:

Name: BOYER FrancisNumber: 1786055Rank: UnknOrganization: Unkn

Disinterment and Reburial made by Group

Unit

Disinterred (Date)

From: (Give complete location)

17th March, 1919Isolated Grave, BRABANT SUR MEUSE, MEUSE35 SE E 324.79 N 278.6

Reburied (Date)

in: (Give complete location)

17th March, 1919Grave No. 110 Sect. 1 Plot 3American B/A Cemetery # 1232ROMAGNE MEUSE 35 NE E 308. N 285.

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

Body buried in blanket.Buried very poor.Body badly decomposed.Was one identification tag found upon the body? NoWhat other means of identification were found on the body? None

## Note:

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. Gove S. Wright

R. H. ROSENTHAL  
and Lieut. G. M. G. U. S. A.

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G.O. Group            Unit           

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# LIST OF PAPERS

File under No. 293.8

Francis Boyer # 1786055  
Pvt. Co. Hqr. 316<sup>th</sup> Inf.

3-0788

SERIAL NUMBER	FROM—	DATE	TO—	SYNOPSIS
	St. Myer, Va.	4-15-24	Miss Souder.	

Records from  
European Claims Unit  
St. Myer, Va. No. 14

WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL OF THE ARMY  
WASHINGTON

October 14, 1922.

FILE: 293.8 C-R #71686

SUBJECT: Permanent Grave Location of Private Francis Boyer,  
Headquarters Company, 316th Infantry.

TO: Mr. Charles Boyer, North Main St., Manheim, Pa.

1. The permanent grave of this soldier is No. 37, Row 14,  
Block A, Meuse-Argonne American Cemetery at Romagne-sous-Montfaucon,  
Department of Meuse, France.

2. 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 and date of soldier's death. 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.

3. 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 main-  
tained by this Government in a manner befitting the last resting  
place of our heroes.

For the Quartermaster General:

OCT 14 1922

G.R.S.

GEORGE H. BENROSE  
XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX  
Assistant, G.R.S.  
Executive

DS  
HCK

gr.

G.R.S. Form #114-B

DATE March 3, 1922.

1. NAME BOYER, Francis SERIAL No. 1786055

RANK Pvt. ORGANIZATION Hq Co 316th Inf.

GRAVE LOCATION Meuse-Argonne Amer.Cty., Romagne s/s 1232 Sec.1  
CTY. NAME Montfaucon, Meuse. NUMBER

110 Sec.1 3  
GRAVE ROW PLOT

2. ORIGINAL BATTLE AREA GRAVE LOCATION Isolated 4 Brabant-sur-Meuse, Meuse  
GRAVE COMMUNE DEPT.

COORDINATES 35SE 278.6N 324/79E

CONCENTRATED TO 3/17/19 110 1 3  
DATE GRAVE ROW PLOT

Meuse Argonne 1232

CEMETERY CTY. NUMBER

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

None available

data f-1/pfb

SUBSEQUENT REBURIALS

DATE GRAVE ROW PLOT CEMETERY

DATE GRAVE ROW PLOT CEMETERY

SIGNATURE, AREA SUPERVISOR M. B. Birdseye M. B. BIRDSEYE

1st Lt., Q.M. Corps, U.S. Army

3. FINAL GRAVE LOCATION March 3, 1922. 37 14 A

DATE GRAVE ROW PLOT XXXX  
BLOCK

Meuse-Argonne American Cemetery 1232, Romagne-sous-Montfaucon (Meuse).

CEMETERY

AUSTRIAN  
M.M.G.  
8-20-22

To be prepared in triplicate.

DATE Mar. 2, 1922

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 BOYER, Francis  
 2. No. 1786055  
 3. Rank Pvt.  
 4. Org. Hq Co 316th Inf.  
 5. D.D. Abt. Nov. 2nd.  
 6. C.D. KIA

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

Discrepancy found upon disinterment

7. Grave No. 110 Sec. 1  
 8. Plot 3 Row \_\_\_\_\_  
 9. \_\_\_\_\_

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

18. Cemetery Meuse-Argonne Amer.

19. Commune or town Romagne s/s Montfaucon

20. Dept. or County Meuse

21. Country France

22. G.R.S. Hdqrs. Code No. 1232 Sec. 1

23. Disinterred (Date) Mar. 2, 1922

By Edmo Maire

24. Inscription on grave marker:

Name BOYER, Francis,

Serial No. 1786055

Rank Pvt.

Organization Hq. Co. 316th Inf.

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

*Edmo Maire*  
 Signature Junior Technical Assistant

PREPARATION

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

None

27. Condition of body Badly decomposed.

28. Nature of burial U.S. Uniform, burlap and box.

29. Any discrepancy noted upon examination of body, as compared with G.R.S. records quoted above? None

30. Body prepared and placed in casket: Date Mar. 2, 1922 By Edmo Maire

31. Casket sealed by Edmo Maire

Signature of Embalmer, (Supervisor *Edmo Maire*)

Place Romagne 1232.

# REPORT OF DISINTERMENT AND REBURIAL

Date Mar 2, 1922.

1. REMAINS OF BOYER, Francis SERIAL NUMBER 1766055

RANK Pvt. ORGANIZATION Co. Hq. 316th Inf.

2. Disinterred (date): Mar 2, 1922 From (give complete location): gr 110, sec 1, plot 3. Cty. 1232.

By: Group Maire. Unit sec 1

3. Reburied (date): Mch 3, 1922, Meuse Argonne Cty 1232, gr 37, bl A, row 14 In (give complete location):

By: Group Reburial S Unit \_\_\_\_\_ Nature of reburial unlined casket

4. Report as to nature of original burial and condition of body upon disinterment: wooden box and burlap and U.S. uniform, badly decomposed,

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 agrees.

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

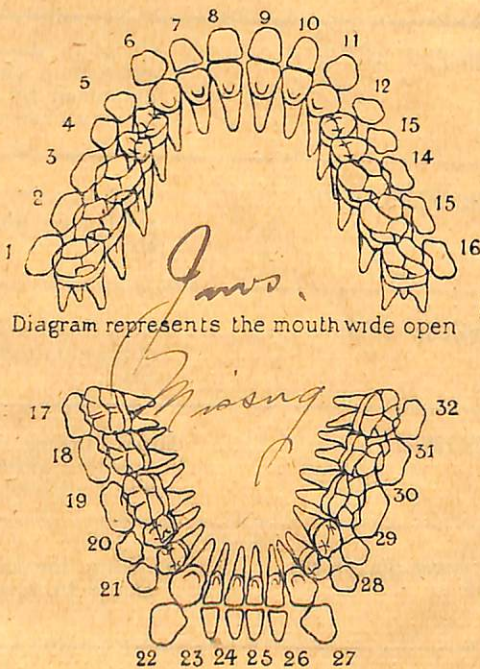
Characteristics do

(d) Hair on face—Color do

Location do

Quantity do

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



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

skull, left tibia fibula both femurs fractured. jaws missing.

7. Disinterment supervised by Camille Maire  
E. Maire.

Approved: R. Richards  
R. Richards, 1st Lt., M.C.  
(Title)

8. Reburial supervised by W.B. Sheild  
W.B. Sheild

Approved: A.E. Dewey  
A.E. Dewey, 1st Lt., OMC.  
(Title)

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COMPILATION OF DISPOSITION OF REMAINS DATA

File #71686



I. LOCATION INDEX CARD:

(a) Name BOYER, Francis Ser. No. 1786055
(b) Rank Pvt. Organization Hq. Co. 516th Inf.
(c) Date of death 10/29/18 (d) Cause of death K/a
TYP. evs
CKR. 30

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

(a) Grave No. 110 Row - Plot 3 Sec. 1 TYP. evs
(b) Emerg. Address Charles Boyer (Father) Manheim, Penna.

III. Files of soldiers dying from contagious diseases - CKR. 30

IV. A. G. O. DISPOSITION CARD:

Date of receipt none
(a) Name Charles F. Boyer (b) Relationship father
(c) Address North Maiden St., Manheim, Pa.
(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 H.P. Date 3-14, 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 H.P. Date 3-14, 1920

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

no request for disposition

(a) Cancellation memos referred to?
Examiner's Initials H.P. Date 3-14, 1920

COUNTRY FRANCE

CEMETERY No. 1232--Sec. 1 SHEET No. 19

G. R. S. Form No. 115 Amended Apr. 16, 1920

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Make Form No. 114

FORM 115 - A COMPLETED

RECORDED

Handwritten notes: 01/15/21

MAR 25 1921 H.P.

SHIPMENT. (Show actual marking of box.) Box No. **C-25759**

32. Designation of body:

Name **Francis BOYER** Serial No. **1786055**

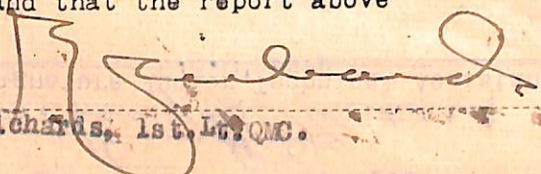
Rank **Pvt.** Organization **Hq Co 316th Inf.**

33. Consigned to:

Name of Permanent Cemetery **Meuse-Argonne Amer. Cty. 1232, Romagne s/s Montfaucon, Meuse.**

34. Casket boxed and marked (Date) **Mar. 2, 1922** By **Edmo. Maire**

35. I hereby certify that all the foregoing operations were conducted and accomplished under my immediate supervision and that the report above is correct.

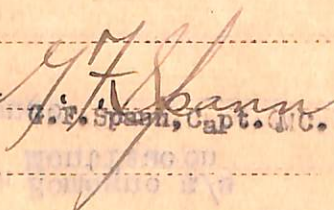
Signature of G.R.S. Inspector   
**R. Richards, 1st Lt, QMC.**

36. Remarks

**None**

37. Shipped from point of Operation: (Date) **Mar. 2 1922**

To point of Concentration **Romagne Morgue**

Convoyer **P.H. Doran** (Name **G.E. Spain, Capt. QMC. jb**)  
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

Convoyer (Name) Signature Shipping Officer

40. Received: Date

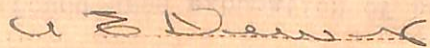
G.R.S. Representative

41. Reinterred **Meuse Argonne Cty 1232, Mch 3, 1922**

(Date)

42. Grave No. **37** Section

43. ~~Block~~ **Block A** Row **14**

G.R.S. Representative   
**A.E. Dewey, 1st Lt, QMC.**



# COMPILATION OF DISPOSITION OF REMAINS DATA

I. LOCATION INDEX CARD:

File #71686

(a) Name <u>BOYER, Francis</u>	Ser. No. <u>1786055</u>	} TYP. <u>evs</u> <u>90</u>
(b) Rank <u>Pvt.</u>	Organization <u>Hq. Co. 316th Inf.</u>	
(c) Date of death <u>10/29/18</u>	(d) Cause of death <u>K/a</u>	

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

(a) Grave No. <u>110</u>	Row <u>-</u>	Plot <u>3</u>	Sec. <u>1</u>	TYP. <u>evs</u>
(b) Emerg. Address <u>Charles Boyer (Father) Manheim, Penna.</u>				

III. Files of soldiers dying from contagious diseases CKR. 30

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

*A. G. O. Card Charles F. Boyer (father) North Main St., Manheim, Pa. Requests body not to be returned to U.S. mms 3/25/21*

V. Following advice forwarded to Europe by { cable on \_\_\_\_\_, 192  
letter of transmittal on 3/23/, 1921  
*Section I*  
*Par. # 2 - Not to be returned (JSC)*

VI. Form 115 forwarded to G. R. S., Hoboken, N. J., APR 8 1921, 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

CEMETERY No.

SHEET No.

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

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FRANCE

1232--Sec. 1

19

MAR 25 1921 J. C.

71686 ✓  
**GRAVE LOCATION** **ANK.**

LOCATION OF THE GRAVE OF

**Boyer** **1786055** **Francis**  
(Surname.) (Number.) (First Name and Initials.)

**Private** **Hqtrs. Co. 316 Infantry.**  
(Rank.) (Organization.)

DATE OF BURIAL **Nov. 2, 1918.**

PLACE OF BURIAL **Left of main road 1/2 way**  
(Give Cemetery, Town and Department.) Map reference must specify clearly what map is used.

**between Brabant and Molleville Farm.**

GRAVE NUMBER

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

Headboard? Bottle?

IDENTIFICATION TAGS:

Was one buried with body? **yes**

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

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

**CMME** **Brabant-sur-meuse**  
**(G-283) SIIT 358 W. COORD {E-924.0}**  
**{N-277.0}**

REPORTED BY:

**Lynnan Rollins** Chaplain 101st Infantry  
(Signature and Rank of Reporting Officer.)

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

1. G. R. S. Form No. 1.

71642

Hq. G. R. S. File

2. Soldier's No. 1786055

3. BOYER ..... Francis .....  
Surname (in block letters) First Name and Initials

4. XXXXX ..... XXX ..... XXXX .....  
Rank Company Regt. or Corps

5. XXXX ..... XXXXXXXXXXXX .....  
Date of Death Cause, if known

6. XXXX ..... Isolated grave .....  
Date of Burial Cemetery

7. BRABANT sur-Meuse ..... Meuse .....  
Town or Commune (in block letters) Department

8. 4 ..... XXXXXX .....  
Grave No. Plot No. or Letter

9. Name Peg? ..... Cross? YES Headboard? ..... Bottle? .....  
Check Method of Marking

10. Buried with Body? ..... Attached to Grave Marker? YES .....  
Identification Tags

11. If name unknown and tags missing, give marks and description.

(Muese)

Sketch No. 6 BRABANT SUR MUESE  
(0-283) SHT. 355E COORD. N 27831 E 32458

12. Map Verdun No. 35 SE  
Map Reference, if interment is outside of cemetery

E324.58-N278.31

13. ..... unknown .....  
Give name of Chaplain or Burial Officer

Signed Philip Taliaferro

Group 3 Unit 311 G. R. S.

Handwritten signatures and numbers: 35

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BOYER FRANCIS #1786055

Pvt. Hdqs. Co. 316th Inf.

DD 10/29/18

DB 11/2/18

BURIED LEFT OF MAIN ROAD  
BETWEEN BRABANT AND  
MOLLEVILLE FM.  
VERDUN B MAP 1/20,000  
25,3-79.5

B 679

WAR DEPARTMENT  
THE ADJUTANT GENERAL'S OFFICE  
WASHINGTON

GAB-1-217.

171686

IN REPLY  
REFER TO

201(Boyer, Francis)WW

March 31, 1920.

From: The Adjutant General of the Army .  
To: The Quartermaster General of the Army ,  
Washington, D. C.  
Subject: Date of death of Private Francis Boyer, #1786055,  
Headquarters Company, 316th Infantry.

1. Upon investigation, it has been ascertained that the date of death of the above named man heretofore communicated to you, is erroneous, and that he was killed in action October 29, 1918.

2. For purpose of identification, you are advised that the records show that the deceased was enlisted October 6, 1917, and the name of the person to be notified in case of emergency was given as: Charles Boyer (father), Manheim, Pennsylvania.

By order of the Secretary of War:

D. C. Harris,  
The Adjutant General.  
per. RRC

Boyer, Francis  
(Surname.) (Christian name in full.)

1,786,055  
(Army serial number.)

Pvt. Hdqrs. Co 316th Inf.  
(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 M Boyer

NORTH MAIN STREET, MANHEIM, PA.

(Number and street or rural route.)

(City, town, or post office.)

(State.)

Read carefully the letter accompanying this card.

Drawn by A. P.

1232 Dec. 1-19

3-14-21

Shuck & Co  
3-14-21

CODE SLIP



HEADING	SUB-HEADING	NO. OF COLS	CODE
NAME	Boyer	3	2 0 12 5 5
	Francis		
BURIED	CEMETERY 123/2	1	1
	GRAVE 37	2	37
	ROW 14	2	14
	BLOCK a	1	1
STATE	N Va	2	57
BANK	Pub	1	2
DIVISION	79	2	79
ORGANIZATION	316	3	316
ARM	Inf.	1	1
MARTIAL	no	1	2
NAME	Charles Boyer	3	
	(Father)		
RESIDENCE	north main st. manheim, Pa.		
	STATE	2	
	COUNTY	2	
	CITY	3	
RELATION	no son no loco mother	1	1
OTHER		1	
ELIGIBILITY	Dead - 1891	1	6
NATIVITY		1	
RACE		1	
ENGLISH		1	
ATTENDANT		1	
HEALTH		1	
NO. OF SONS		1	
DATE OF TRIP	MO. YR.	1	
ACCEPTANCE		1	

**AUDITED**

APR 13 1932

RS

*Handwritten mark*

ent 10-6-17 born 8-31-86

Boyer, Francis

Pvt. Hq. Co. 316th Inf.

W. Va.

Date of Mother's death? 1891

SM?	} no record. no info on file cont.
Loco?	
Single	

no claim for XCO-138555-

Seebode

Father 1919 address  
Charles Beyer  
Manheim Pa

WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

Boyer, Francis - 1232 F

July 8, 1930.

Mr. Charles Boyer,  
North Main St.,  
Manheim, Penna.

Dear Sir:

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

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

1. Is the deceased survived by a mother?

If so, give her name and address:

*No*

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

If so, give her name and address:

*No*

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

If so, give her name and address:

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

Enclosures:  
Envelope  
Act  
Amendment



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

WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

Boyer, Francis  
1232

August 30, 1929.

Mr. Charles Boyer,  
North Main Street,  
Manheim, Pa.

Dear Sir:

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

None.

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.

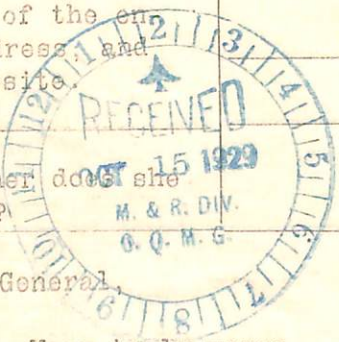
Mother Dead

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

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

2 Incls.  
Act of Congress  
Envelope

  
*John T. Harris*  
JOHN T. HARRIS,  
Major, Q. M. Corps,  
Assistant.

WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

June 27, 1929.

Boyer, Francis

Mr. Charles Boyer,  
North Main Street,  
Manheim, Pa.

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 Francis Boyer, Hq. Co., 316th Inf., 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  
Boyer, Francis - 1232 F

July 8, 1930.

Mr. Charles Boyer,  
North Main St.,  
Manheim, Penna.

Dear Sir:

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

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

1. Is the deceased survived by a mother?

If so, give her name and address:

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:  
Envelope  
Act  
Amendment

A. D. HUGHES,  
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Assistant.

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IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

Boyer, Francis  
1232

August 30, 1929.

Mr. Charles Boyer,  
North Main Street,  
Manheim, Pa.

Dear Sir:

The records of this office do not indicate that a reply has been received to our communication dated June 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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Act of Congress  
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OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
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IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

June 27, 1929.

**Boyer, Francis**

**Mr. Charles Boyer,  
North Main Street,  
Manheim, Pa.**

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 Francis Boyer, Hq. Co., 316th Inf., 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,

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JOHN T. HARRIS,  
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QM 293 A-C  
Boyer, George H.

1st Ind.

War Dept., OQMG, Washington, D. C., December 28th, 1923--To The Adjutant General of the Army, Washington, D. C.

1. It is requested that an investigation and report to this office be made in the cases of the late Private George H. Boyer, 1786057, Headquarters Company, 316th Infantry, and the late Private Francis Boyer, 1786056, same company, same regiment.

2. The records of this office show that the body of the late Private Francis Boyer, was originally buried in an isolated grave in the Commune of Brabant-sur-Meuse, France, 35 SE, E324.79, N278.6. The remains have been permanently buried in Grave 37, Row 14, Block A, Meuse-Argonne American Cemetery, Romagne-sous-Montfaucon, Meuse, France.

3. There is no grave location registered for the late Private George H. Boyer. This case is now under investigation.

For the Quartermaster General:

R. L. FOSTER,  
Assistant.

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Boyer, Francis

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Chief, AGRS QMC in Europe.

Dec.3/23

Subject: Unlocated dead.

To: QMGenl Munitions Blig. Wash. DC

1. Casualty card initiated in the Central Records Office, AEF shows the following:

Boyer, 1786057, Geo. H. Pvt. Hq. Co. 316th Inf.  
Sept. 26th missing in action per CC 290-26  
Ref. A 3378 Par 10 correctly reported missing  
in action Sept. 26th in CC 290, investigation  
under way to determine fate or whereabouts per CC 558-  
15 - 76 CC 569 Now presumed to be dead from all  
information available 9/26/18."  
Grave unlocated.

2. The records of this office further show a

Boyer, 1785055, Francis, Pvt. Hq. Co. 316th Inf.  
Killed in action about Nov. 2nd, 1918 per CC 388-2  
and now buried in Gr. 37, Bl. A, Row 14, Cty. 1232,  
Romagne-sous-Montfaucon, Meuse.

3. In view of the fact that both casualty cards show Hq. Co. 316th Inf. and the similarity of serial numbers, the only difference being in the last figure of same, the above is submitted to your office with the suggestion, that same be checked against the records of the Adjutant General's Office with a view to determining whether or not the above cards refer to the same soldier

Robert Steprett

Chief.