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To The A. G. O.

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G.R.S. Form #114-B

FEB 18 1928

FULL NAME BRANNON, Doy L.

RANK Pvt. SERIAL 3174167

5 auth also

DIVISION & ORGANIZATION Co. C, 6th Inf.

#1 DW

DATE OF DEATH Oct 14 / 18

STATE FROM WHICH HE CAME W. Va.

MEDALS OR DECORATIONS AWARDED.

FINAL GRAVE LOCATION.....	34	23	A
Date	Grave	Row	Block

Meuse-Argonne, #1232

Cemetery

23/306/ARK

mar 3/31/28

FEB 19 1928
A. G. O.
WORLD WAR DIV.

Rec'd World War Div.
5 5 MAR 30 1928



GRAVE LOCATION BLANK

LOCATION OF THE GRAVE OF

..... Brannon 3174167 Doy L.
(Surname.) (Number.) (First Name and Initials.)

.....
(Rank.) (Organization.)

DATE OF BURIAL Oct 19/18

PLACE OF BURIAL FRANCE

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

83.9 x 08.5. Map of Montfaucon.

1/50000. US Engrs.

Co GRAVE NUMBER Amer # 3

ON, Doy L, - Pvt 3174167
Home : Not given

HOW MARKED: Name Peg Yes Cross? No

Headboard? Bottle?

out ~~at~~ 8-45 A.M. October 14th/ 18
gne-sur-Montfaucon. My company was
cher bearer and was starting to
him (Brannon) as he started
heard of him. I asked the Chaplain
"No". Pvt Brannon and I had been
y, about six months before.

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:

helby E. - Pvt 2969150
6th Infantry
West, Va.
9

Conniff, 1st Lieut.
Officer

REPORTED BY: *Orin L. Owens*
1st Lieut US Army, Chaplain 6th Inf.
(Signature and Rank of Reporting Officer.)

Killed by Gun shot in action of
in Carr, October 26th, 1918.)

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

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Co C, 6th Infantry
5th Division

BRANNON, Doy L,- Pvt 3I74I67
Home : Not given

Pvt Brannon was last seen about ~~2:45~~ 8-45 A.M. October 14th/ 18 about two kilometres south east of Romagne-sur-Montfaucon. My company was just starting over the top. I was stretcher bearer and was starting to take a wounded man off the field. I saw him (Brannon) as he started advancing. That was the last I saw or heard of him. I asked the Chaplain if he had ~~been~~ buried him, and he said "No". Pvt Brannon and I had been close chums since we came in to the Army, about six months before.

Informant : Webb, Shelby E.- Pvt 2969I50
Co C, 6th Infantry
Home : Ranger West, Va.
4/10/19

Next of kin :
Not given

Signed: Wm. M. Conniff, 1st Lieut.
Comm'd'g Officer

(Fifth Division Statistical Records : Killed by Gun shot in action of October 14th 1918, and buried by Chaplain Carr, October 26th, 1918.)

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2/12. 1919

2933 Brannon, Doy L.
Giburn. N. Va.

Private Doy L. Brannon
Inf. Serial No. 742.

Am. E. 7.

Quartermaster Gen.
Cemeterial Branch.
Washington D.C.

Gentlemen

I am the wife of above
Soldier, and understand that the War
Department has agreed to bring home
the bodies of those who have died in
service abroad, so am informing

you that it is my wish and request
to have the named Soldiers Body
Returned to the States to rest here
in a field of honor.

Greatfully yours.

Mrs. Gertrude Brauman.

Auburn N. H.

2/13/1919.

Auburn.

A. S. C.

Pvt Doy L. Braman.
Inf. Serial No. 742.
Am. E. F.

Quartermaster Gen.
War Department
Washington D.C.

Gentlemen,

I wife of above Soldier just a
note on regards to the returning
of those who died abroad.

The request I written you
dated Feb. 12, 1919 & kindly ask
you to cancel as I have
reconsidered and have
fully decided to leave
the Body of above named

Soldiers remain where it
is in peace.

this being my latest request
I remain

your sincerely

Mrs Gertrude Brauman.

Auburn.

21st V^o

File No. 293.3-Cometrial. 1st Ind.
Office, Quartermaster General, February 17, 1919. -- To Lt. Col. Chas.
C. Pierce, Chief of the Graves Registration Service, Hdqrs. Services of
Supply, A.P.O. 717, A.E.F., France.

1. Forwarded for your consideration and action.

By authority of the Quartermaster General.

H. R. Lemly,
Major, Quartermaster Corps.

PCW.

293.3
Brammer, Dwyer

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293.3-Cemeterial.

February 17, 1919.

Office, Director of Purchase & Storage.

Mrs. Gertrude Brannan, Auburn, W. Va.

Request that remains of Private Doy L. Brannan, Infantry, A.E.F.
be not removed to this country.

Replying to your letter of the 13th instant, re-
questing that the remains of your husband, Private Doy L.
Brannan, Infantry, A.E.F., be not removed to this country,
you are informed that your letter has been forwarded this
date to Lt. Col. Chas. G. Pierce, Chief of the Graves Reg-
istration Service, A.E.F., France, for his consideration and
action.

H. L. Rogers,
Quartermaster General,
Director of Purchase & Storage.

By:

H. R. Lemly,
Major, Quartermaster Corps.

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293.3
Brannan, Doy L.

LIST OF PAPERS

File under No. 293.8

Doy L. Brannon # *3174167*
Int. Co. C. 6th Inf.

3-6788

SERIAL NUMBER	FROM—	DATE	TO—	SYNOPSIS
	<i>Ft. Myer, Va.</i>	<i>4-15-24</i>	<i>Miss Souder.</i>	

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

Place NEUROCHATEAU

Date 6th. May, 1919

REPORT OF DISINTERMENT AND REBURIAL.

51630

Remains of:

Name: BRANNON, Doyl

Number: 3174167

Rank: Unkn

Organization: Unkn

Disinterment and Reburial made by Group _____ Unit _____

Disinterred (Date) _____ From: (Give complete location)

11th. April, 1919 _____ Grave ISOLATED, ROMAGNE, MEUSE

Map, 35 N. E. E. 308.75 N. 284.6

Reburied (Date) _____ in: (Give complete location)

11th. April, 1919 _____ Grave #176 Section #16 Plot #4

Amer. B. A. Cty. #1232 ROMAGNE, MEUSE.

Map, 35 N. E. E. 308.16 N. 284.87

1232

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

Burial very poor. Body 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

CONFIRMED No. D-10792

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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 identify in doubtful cases, notation whereof will be made and reported to Chief, Graves Registration Service.

Supervised by: 2nd. Lt. Gordon.

R. H. ROSENTHAL
2nd Lieut. G.M.C.U.S.A.

C.O. Group _____ Unit _____

Investigation of: John J. Gorman

Case No. 100-10000

After a search of the files of the Bureau and the files of the District Office at New York, New York, it was determined that the following information was obtained:



Notes:

Other means of identification were found on the body: None

The identification tag found upon the body: Yes

Physical description: Body marked in prison: Body scars described:

Report as to results of scientific analysis and comparison of body upon examination:

Date: June 3, 1918

Place: New York, New York

Investigation of: John J. Gorman

Case No. 100-10000

Investigation of: (Date)

Place: (State complete location)

Date: June 3, 1918

Investigation of: John J. Gorman

Case No. 100-10000

Investigation of: (Date)

Place: (State complete location)

Investigation of and description of body: None

Name: John J. Gorman

Organization: None

Name: John J. Gorman

Address: None

Investigation of:

REPORT OF DISINTERMENT AND REBURY

Date: June 3, 1918

Case No. 100-10000

Investigation of: John J. Gorman

Brannon,

Doy L

3,174,167

(Surname.)

(Christian name in full.)

(Army serial number.)

Pvt

Co C 6th Inf.

(Rank and organization.)

State your relationship to the deceased

Wife

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. Gertrude Brannon,

P.O. Box 23,

Cummins,

W. Va.

(Number and street or rural route.)

(City, town, or post office.)

(State.)

Read carefully the letter accompanying this card.

checked by
FD-3-29-21

Drawn by L.G.
1232-S-116-29
3-29-21

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL OF THE ARMY

WASHINGTON

September 14, 1922.

FILE: 293.8 C-R #51630

SUBJECT: Permanent Grave Location of Doy L. Brannon, Private,
Company C, 6th Infantry.

TO: Mrs. Gertrude Brannon, Route #1, Box 53, Auburn, W. Va.

File

1. The permanent grave of this soldier is No. 34, Row 23, 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 maintained by this Government in a manner befitting the last resting place of our heroes.

For the Quartermaster General:

MAILED

SEP 14 1922

G.R.S.

GEORGE H. PENROSE,
Assistant.

DS
HS

ml DATE 1/21/22

1. NAME BRANNON, Doy L SERIAL No. 3174167

RANK Pvt ORGANIZATION Co C 6th Inf

GRAVE LOCATION Meuse-Argonne, Amer Cty. ROMAGNE-s-MONTFAUCON #1232 sec16
CTY. NAME Meuse NUMBER

176 sec16 4
GRAVE ROW PLOT

2. ORIGINAL BATTLE AREA GRAVE LOCATION Isol Romagne s/m (Meuse)
GRAVE COMMUNE DEPT.

COORDINATES 35NE, 284.6N, 308.75E

CONCENTRATED TO 4.11.19 176- 16 4
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.

Tag on cross and body



Data Form 1

SUBSEQUENT REBURIALS

DATE GRAVE ROW PLOT CEMETERY

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DATE GRAVE ROW PLOT CEMETERY

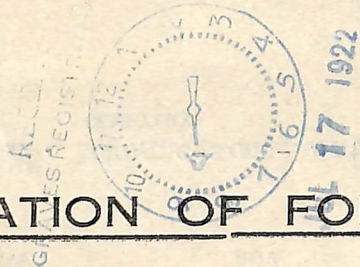
SIGNATURE, AREA SUPERVISOR M. B. BIRDSEYE

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

3. FINAL GRAVE LOCATION 1/21/22 34 23 A.
DATE GRAVE ROW PLOT BLOCK.

Meuse-Argonne American Cemetery #1232, Romagne-sous-Montfaucon, Meuse.
CEMETERY

AUDITED BY
SEB 8/7/22



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 16, 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.

REPORT OF DISINTERMENT AND REBURIAL

1. REMAINS OF BRANNON, Doy L. SERIAL NUMBER 3174167
 RANK Pvt. ORGANIZATION Co. C. 6th Inf.

2. Disinterred (date): Jan 19, 1922 From (give complete location): gr 176, sec 16, plot 4, Cty. 1232.
 By: Group Maire. Unit sec 1

3. Reburied (date): January 21 1922 In (give complete location): Meuse Argonne Cemetery #1232 Grave 34 Block "A" Row 23
 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. body decomposed, unrecognizable.

5. (a) Identification tags: Buried with body? yes. On grave marker? no

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

body tag corroded.

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

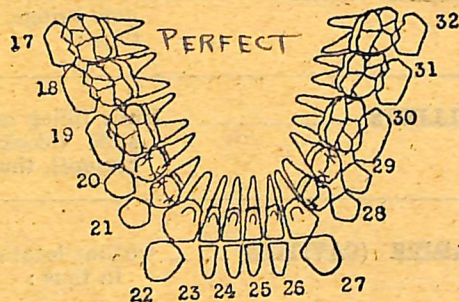
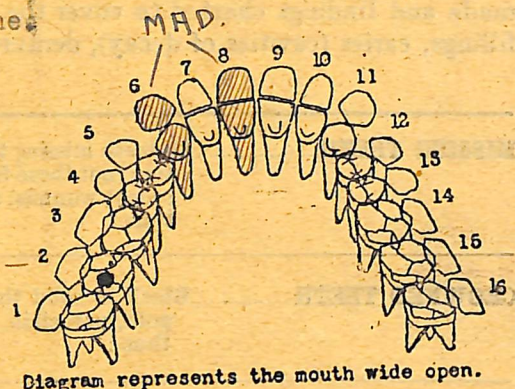
(d) Hair on face—Color do

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) none.



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7. Disinterment supervised by Edus Maire
E. Maire.

Approved: [Signature]
R. C. Worthington 1st Lt. Q.M.C.
 (Title)

8. Reburial supervised by A. U. Dufault
A. U. Dufault

Approved: [Signature]
James W. Yeinger,
 (Title) Captain, Q.M.C.






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".

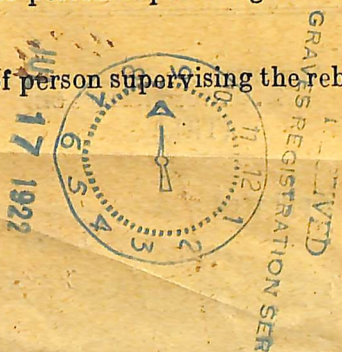
(b) State whether or not body appears to have been a hospital case. Were any identifying articles found in or on body or grave? List any personal effects, letters, money-order receipts, and the like found on body or in grave. Give any and all information which it is thought might be of use in identifying 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), bicuspid (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.

<p>MISSING TEETH.....All teeth missing through previous extraction (not those fractured or displaced by recent wounds) should be scratched out, thus :</p>	 <p style="text-align: center;">TOOTH MISSING TOOTH MISSING</p>
<p>CROWNED TEETH.....Block in solid the crown of tooth (label gold, porcelain, or gold and porcelain), thus :</p>	 <p style="text-align: center;">GOLD CROWN PORCELAIN CROWN GOLD CROWN</p>
<p>BRIDGE WORK.....Block in solid the crown of tooth (label gold bridge, gold and porcelain bridge), thus :</p>	 <p style="text-align: center;">GOLD AND PORCELAIN BRIDGE GOLD BRIDGE</p>
<p>FILLINGS.....Draw filling on tooth accurately as possible (block in and label gold, silver, cement), thus :</p>	 <p style="text-align: center;">SILVER FILLING GOLD FILLING GOLD FILLING GOLD FILLING</p>
<p>CARIES (CAVITIES).....Outline location and size of cavity, shade in thus :</p>	 <p style="text-align: center;">CAVITY DECAYED DECAYED</p>
<p>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."</p>	

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.



SHIPMENT. (Show actual marking of box.) Box No. C-22492

32. Designation of body:

Name Doy L. BRANNON Serial No. 3174167

Rank Pvt Organization Co C 6th Inf

33. Consigned to:

Name of Permanent Cemetery Meuse-Argonne, Amer #1232, ROMAGNE-s-MONTFAUCON
(Meuse)

34. Casket boxed and marked (Date) Jan 19 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 C Worthington*
R C Worthington 1st Lt. QMC

36. Remarks _____

37. Shipped from point of Operation: (Date) Jan 19 1922 cc

To point of Concentration Morgue Romagne

Convoyer W J Royed Signature Shipping Officer *G F Spann*
(Name) G F Spann, Capt

38. Received at Railhead or Point of Concentration: Date _____

By G.R.S. Representative _____

39. Shipped from Railhead or Point of Concentration: Date _____

To Permanent Cemetery _____

Convoyer _____ Signature Shipping Officer _____

40. Received: Date _____

G.R.S. Representative _____

41. Reinterred Meuse Argonne Cemetery #1232 January 21 1922
(Date)

42. Grave No. 34 Section _____

43. ~~Plot~~ Block A Row 23

G.R.S. Representative *James W. Younger*
James W. Younger,
Captain, Q.M.C.

To be prepared in triplicate.

DATE Jan 19 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 BRANNON, Doy L. 10. Name _____
 2. No. 3174167 11. No. _____
 3. Rank Pvt 12. Rank _____
 4. Org. Co C 6th Inf 13. Org. _____
 5. D.D. 10-14-18 14. (a) D.D. _____
 6. C.D. KIA (b) D.B. None

Discrepancy found upon disinterment

7. Grave No. 176 Sec. 16 15. Grave No. _____ Sec. _____
 8. Plot 4 Row _____ 16. Plot _____ Row _____
 9. _____ 17. None

18. Cemetery Meuse-Argonne, Amer. 19. Commune or town ROMAGNE-S-MONTFAUCON
 20. Dept. or County Meuse 21. Country France
 22. G.R.S. Hdqrs. Code No. #1232 sec16
 23. Disinterred (Date) Jan 19 1922 By Edmo Maire.

24. Inscription on grave marker:

Name Doy L Brannon Serial No. 3174167
 Rank Pvt Organization Co C 6th Inf

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

E. Smyth O'Meara
 Signature Junior Technical Assistant

PREPARATION

C Smyth O'Meara

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 features unrecognizable

28. Nature of burial US 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 Jan 19 1922 By Edmo Maire.

31. Casket sealed by Edmo Maire.

Signature of Embalmer, (Supervisor

Edmo Maire
 Edmo Maire.

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GRAVE LOCATION BLANK

LOCATION OF THE GRAVE OF

Brannon 3174167 Doy L.

(Surname.) (Number.) (First Name and Initials.)

(Rank.)

(Organization.)

DATE OF BURIAL Oct 19/18

PLACE OF BURIAL FRANCE

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

83.9 x 08.5. Map of Montfaucon

1/50000. US Engrs

GRAVE NUMBER Amer # 3

HOW MARKED: Name Peg? Yes Cross? No

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:

(meuse)
CLIMATE: Romagne-sous-Montfaucon
(280) SIT. 357. E. COORD. {E-308.5} {N-2839}

REPORTED BY: Oscar La Owens
1st Lieut US Army, Chaplain 6th Inf.
(Signature and Rank of Reporting Officer.)

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

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AMERICAN RED CROSS

Paris, May 17, 1919.....

Graves Registration Service:

Name of Soldier: Doy S. Brannon

Rank: Private

Company: Co. C,

Regiment: 6th Infantry

Forward Burial Report to
"Bureau of Communication" for

Pvt. E. C. Brannon, 24th Co., Trans.
Corps, A.P.O. 713

Burial report required for Paris.

3/20/21

Mr. Wilson;

Brannon, Roy L.

3174 167 ——— Pvt.

Co. C, 6th Inf

EA Mrs. Gertrude Brannon,
(wife)

make adjustment

JBL

Adjustment Made

5-15 1922

File No. 51630

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AMERICAN EXPEDITIONARY FORCES
HEADQUARTERS SERVICES OF SUPPLY
OFFICE OF THE CHIEF QUARTERMASTER, A. E. F.
GRAVES REGISTRATION SERVICE
FRANCE

June 9th, 1919.

Burial information for the American Red Cross.

Soldier's name : BRANNON, Doy S.,
Rank : Private.
Organization : Co., C. 6th Infantry.
Date of Death : 14th October, 1918.
Place of Burial : The Commune at ROMAGNE-SOUS-MONTFAUCON,
department of the MEUSE.

Reference number : 51630.

(All communications regarding this Grave location should quote the above reference number and be addressed to : -
Chief, Graves Registration Service
Headquarters Service of Supply
Office of the Chief Quartermaster
American E. F.
France.)

Paris: For Private J.C. Brannon, 24th Co.,
Trans Corps, Lieut. Colonel. Q.M.C., U.S.A. A.P.O. 713.
CHARLES C. PIERCE

CCP/GVC.



ON ACTIVE SERVICE
WITH THE
AMERICAN EXPEDITIONARY FORCE

April-8-1919 ✓

Genevieve Grace

Grace, Registration Bureau,
A. P. O. 902,

Genevieve Grace

Gentlemen:
According to
information from the
War Department,
to my mother,

to my brother,
Private, Co. C, 38th Inf,
was killed in action,
Oct-14-18.

Some where in France
his statement says
he was in Co. C, 38th Inf,
his wife then
received a telegram
stating he was killed
in action - Oct-14-18.

"Some where in France"
and was in Co. D, 162nd Inf.

AMERICAN



O. ACTIVE SERVICE

WITH THE

AMERICAN EXPEDITIONARY FORCE

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Will you please help us,
to find where he was
killed and buried.
And will you
please inform us
if it is possible
to visit his grave.

His wife's address.

Mrs. Day, L. Braman
Auburn,

West Virginia,
U.S.A.

Anticipating waiting your
reply.

Sincerely yours,

E. C. Braman

24 - Co. Graves Corps.

A. P. O. 713.

Am. Exp. F.

France



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AMERICAN EXPEDITIONARY FORCES
HEADQUARTERS SERVICES OF SUPPLY
OFFICE OF THE CHIEF QUARTERMASTER, A.E.F.
GRAVES REGISTRATION SERVICE,

May 12th, 1919.

FROM : Chief, Graves Registration Service, American E.F.
TO : E.C. Brannan. 24 Co. Trans Corps. A.P.O. 713.
SUBJECT : Pvt. Doy Brannon.



In reply to your letter of inquiry, with reference to the
regretted death of this soldier, according to the records at these
headquarters he is buried in

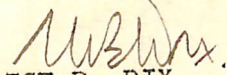
Grave No. 3. Commune of Romagne sous Montfoucon,
Meuse.

The grave location was not as yet been confirmed by the field force of
this service, but the notification of burial has been sent to us, as herein
stated, and is officially entered.

By direction:

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

Per


MAURICE B. DIX
Captain, American Red Cross
Representative assigned to
Graves Registration Service.

File No.293.3-Cemeterial. 1st Ind.
Office, Quartermaster General, February 17, 1919. -- To Lt. Col. Chas.
C. Pierce, Chief of the Graves Registration Service, Hdqrs. Services of
Supply, A.P.O. 717, A.E.F., France.

1. Forwarded for your consideration and action.

By authority of the Quartermaster General.

H. R. Lemly

H. R. Lemly,
Major, Quartermaster Corps.

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Auburn, W. Va.
Feb.13/1919.

Private Doy L. Brannan,
Inf. Serial No. 742,
Am. E.F.

Quartermaster General,
War Department,
Washington, D:C.

Gentlemen:

I, wife of above soldier just a note in regards
to the returning of those who died abroad. The request I wrote
you dated February 12th, 1919, I kindly ask you to cancel as I
have reconsidered and have fully decided to leave the body of
above named soldier remain where it is in peace.

This being my latest request I remain,

Yours sincerely,

Mrs. Gertrude Brannan,

Auburn, W. Va.

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QM 293 A-M
Brannon, Doy L. (MA)

August 19, 1932

Mrs. Ida Brannon,
Troy, West Virginia.

Dear Madam:

This office is in receipt of a letter from your husband advising that you are unable to make a pilgrimage to the grave of your son, the late Private Doy L. Brannon, during the summer of 1933.

The pilgrimage was authorized by Congress in an endeavor to bring a measure of peace and solace to the hearts of the mothers and widows whose loved ones made the supreme sacrifice for their country during the late war. It is deeply regretted that your health will not permit you to visit your son's grave, as it is believed you would receive great consolation from the journey.

For The Quartermaster General.

Very truly yours,

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

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OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
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IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-M

Brannon, Doy L. (MA) -

July 12, 1932.

Mrs. Gertrude Brannon,
Box 743,
Clarksburg, W. Va.

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.

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

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OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
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IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-M

Brannon Doy L (MA)

July 8 1932

Mrs Ida Brannon
Leopold W Va

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Captain, Q. M. Corps,
Assistant.

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

(Write answer here)

(Sign here) _____

QM 293 A-M
Brannon, Doy L. (MA)

December 12, 1931

Mrs. Gertrude Brannon,
Box #745,
Clarksburg, West Virginia.

Dear Madam:

The Act of Congress of March 2, 1929, authorizes pilgrimages to the cemeteries of Europe for the mothers and widows of deceased members of the American forces. The purpose of the Act is an endeavor to bring a measure of peace and comfort to the hearts of the mothers and widows whose loved ones made the supreme sacrifice, and it appears from communications from women who have made the journey that this effort has not been in vain.

All necessary expenses of a pilgrimage to the grave of your husband, the late Private Doy L. Brannon, will be borne by the Government and personnel to care for the comfort and needs of the women making the journey will be provided. Doctors and nurses are available and should you make a pilgrimage, you are assured the journey will not only be made at the expense of the United States but everything possible for your comfort and care will be provided. In other words, you will be the honored guest of the United States Government.

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It is the earnest endeavor of this office to discover the wishes of each mother and widow with reference to the pilgrimage so that necessary arrangements may be made. It is hoped that you will decide to make the pilgrimage and will so state; however, if you feel you cannot accept the invitation, it is important that we know that. You can realize that in arranging all details for a trip for so many people it is necessary to have all information at once. For the reasons stated, it will be appreciated if you will complete the questionnaire enclosed herewith and return it to this office in the enclosed envelope which requires no postage.

This letter is forwarded in a final effort to obtain your wishes, inasmuch as previous letters relative to the pilgrimage have remained unanswered.

For The Quartermaster General.

Very truly yours,

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

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WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-M

Brannon, Doy L. (MA)

December 12, 1931

Mrs. Bertrude Brannon,
Box #743,
Clarksburg, West Virginia.

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:

3. Do you speak English?

4. What other language do you speak?

Age:
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For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

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IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-M

Brannon, Doy L. (M-A) W-

September 29, 1931 ed

Mrs. Gertrude Brannon,
Box 743,
Clarksburg, W. Va.

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?	

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For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

A. D. HUGHES,
Captain, Q. M. Corps,
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IN REPLY REFER TO QM-293-AM

Brannon, Doy L. Pvt. (MA) W-

July 9, 1931.

Mrs. Gertrude Brannon,
Box 743,
Clarksburg, W. Va.

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? _____
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IN REPLY REFER TO ~~QM 293 A-M~~
Brannon, Doy L. Pvt. (M-A) M

June 11, 1931.

Mrs. Ida Brannon,
Leopold, W. Va.

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

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OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
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IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

Brammon, Doy L. Pvt. (M-A) W

April 6, 1931.

Mrs. Gertrude Brannon,
Box 743,
Clarksburg, West 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.

The records of this office show that you are the widow of the deceased veteran named above and in order that plans may be completed for conducting the pilgrimages, it is requested you answer the following questions by filling out the blanks left therefor and return the letter to this office in the enclosed envelope which requires no postage.

1. Do you desire to make this pilgrimage?

2. Do you desire to make the pilgrimage in the calendar year 1931?

3. Please give your age and state your health.

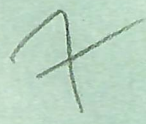
4. Do you speak English?

5. What other language do you speak?

Age
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For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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A. D. HUGHES,
Captain, Q. M. Corps,
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October 11, 1930

Brannon, Doy L. Pvt 1232 W

Mrs. Gertrude Brannon
Box 745
Clarksburg, West Virginia

Dear Madam:

A reply has not been received to office letter of recent date relative to the pilgrimage to the cemeteries of Europe, authorized by the Act of Congress of March 2, 1929, as amended May 15, 1930.

The records of this office show that you are the of the deceased veteran named above and in order that plans may be completed for conducting the pilgrimages in 1931, it is requested you answer the following questions by filling out the blanks left therefor and return the letter to this office in the enclosed envelope which requires no postage.

1. Do you desire to make this pilgrimage?	
2. Do you desire to make the pilgrimage in the calendar year 1931?	
3. Please give your age and state your health.	Age Condition of health
4. Do you speak English?	
5. What other language do you speak?	

For The Quartermaster General:

Very truly yours,

A. D. HUGHES,
Captain, Q. M. Corps,
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IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

June 6, 1930.

Brammon, Doy L - 1232 M

Mrs. Ida Brammon,
Leopold, W. Va.

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)

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IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

Brannon, Doy L. 1232 W

June 5, 1930

Mrs. Gertrude Brannon
Box 743
Clarksburg, West Virginia.

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? _____
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WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

March 8, 1930

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C
Brannon, Doy L. 1232 W

Mrs. Gertrude Brannon,
Box 743,
Clarksburg, W. Va.

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. 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)						
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For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

JOHN T. HARRIS,
Major, Q. M. Corps,
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IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

October 7, 1929.

Brannon, Doy L. 1232 M

**Mrs. Ida Brannon,
Leopold, West Virginia.**

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.

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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,
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OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
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IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

October 7, 1929.

Brannon, Doy L. 1232 W

Mrs. Gertrude Brannon,
Box 745,
Clarksburg, West Virginia.

Dear Madam:

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For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

JOHN T. HARRIS,
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OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
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IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C
Brannon, Doy L.

June 27 1929.

Mrs. Gertrude Brannon,
RFD 1, Box 53
Auburn, W. Va.

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 **Pvt. Doy L. Brannon, Co. C, 6th 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 who is entitled under the provisions of the above quoted Act, to make the pilgrimage, and if so, will you please furnish her full name and address in order that action may be taken to extend an invitation to her 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 relationship is that of a stepmother, mother through adoption or a woman who stood in loco parentis to the decedent, a statement as to her relationship is requested. In case you have remarried it is also requested that a statement to that effect be made.

For your reply, you may use the enclosed envelope which requires no postage.

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

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QM 293 A-M
Brannon, Doy L. (MA)

August 19, 1932

Mrs. Ida Brannon,
Troy, West Virginia.

Dear Madam:

This office is in receipt of a letter from your husband advising that you are unable to make a pilgrimage to the grave of your son, the late Private Doy L. Brannon, during the summer of 1933.

The pilgrimage was authorized by Congress in an endeavor to bring a measure of peace and solace to the hearts of the mothers and widows whose loved ones made the supreme sacrifice for their country during the late war. It is deeply regretted that your health will not permit you to visit your son's grave, as it is believed you would receive great consolation from the journey.

For The Quartermaster General.

Very truly yours,

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

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July 12, 1932
Troy N. Va

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Office of the Quartermaster Gen.
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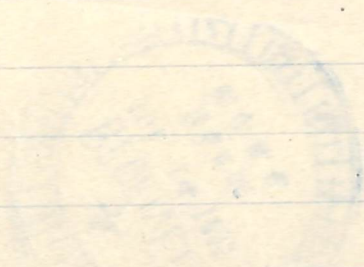
Dear Sirs,

Mrs. Ida Brannom (my wife) would love to make the pilgrimage to Europe but her health will not permit the trip. She has been an invalid for about eleven years bed-ridden and helpless has to be fed by nurse. Makes the trip impossible for her.

Thanking you for your



kindness and past favors
yours Respectfully
S. W. Brannon
(Her husband)





WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-M
Brannon Doy L (MA)

July 8 1932

Mrs Ida Brannon
- Leopold W Va

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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,

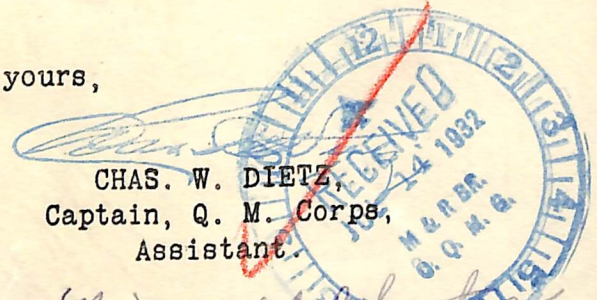
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DO YOU DESIRE TO MAKE A PILGRIMAGE DURING THE YEAR 1933?

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(Sign here) *Mrs Ida Brannon*



XC 118 633 Brannon, Boy L.

Mother - Ida Brannon - Troy, W. Va.

Widow - Gertrude Brannon - *Nicholson*
~~mail ret. from box 743~~ Clarksburgh . W. Va.

widow num. 9-9- 24

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OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-M
Brannon, Doy L. (MA) -

July 12, 1932.

Mrs. Gertrude Brannon,
Box 743,
Clarksburg, W. Va.

Dear Madam:

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For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,



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

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

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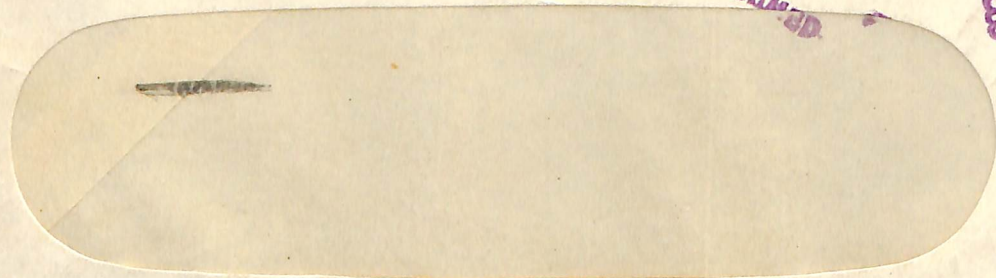
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QM 293 A-M
Brannon, Doy L. (MA)

December 12, 1931

Mrs. Gertrude Brannon,
Box #743,
Clarksburg, West Virginia.

Dear Madam:

The Act of Congress of March 2, 1929, authorizes pilgrimages to the cemeteries of Europe for the mothers and widows of deceased members of the American forces. The purpose of the Act is an endeavor to bring a measure of peace and comfort to the hearts of the mothers and widows whose loved ones made the supreme sacrifice, and it appears from communications from women who have made the journey that this effort has not been in vain.

All necessary expenses of a pilgrimage to the grave of your husband, the late Private Doy L. Brannon, will be borne by the Government and personnel to care for the comfort and needs of the women making the journey will be provided. Doctors and nurses are available and should you make a pilgrimage, you are assured the journey will not only be made at the expense of the United States but everything possible for your comfort and care will be provided. In other words, you will be the honored guest of the United States Government. o

It is the earnest endeavor of this office to discover the wishes of each mother and widow with reference to the pilgrimage so that necessary arrangements may be made. It is hoped that you will decide to make the pilgrimage and will so state; however, if you feel you cannot accept the invitation, it is important that we know that. You can realize that in arranging all details for a trip for so many people it is necessary to have all information at once. For the reasons stated, it will be appreciated if you will complete the questionnaire enclosed herewith and return it to this office in the enclosed envelope which requires no postage.

This letter is forwarded in a final effort to obtain your wishes, inasmuch as previous letters relative to the pilgrimage have remained unanswered.

For The Quartermaster General.

Very truly yours,

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

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OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-M

Brannon, Doy L. (MA)

December 12, 1931

Mrs. Gertrude Brannon,
Box #743,
Clarksburg, West Virginia.

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:

3. Do you speak English?

4. What other language do you speak?

Age:
Health:

Sign here

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

Encl:
Env.

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

Brannon, Doy L. 1232
Pvt., Co. C, 6th f.

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Mother

Ida A. Brannon

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W. G. Ingrid Brannon

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OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-M

Brannon, Doy L. (M-A) W-

September 29, 1931 ed

Mrs. Gertrude Brannon,
Box 743,
Clarksburg, W. Va.

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.

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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,

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

Encl:
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WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM-293-AM

Brannon, Doy L. Pvt. (MA) W-

July 9, 1931.

Mrs. Gertrude Brannon,
Box 743,
Clarksburg, W. Va.

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

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WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A*M
Brannon, Doy L. Pvt. (M-A) M

June 11, 1931.

Mrs. Ida Brannon,
Leopold, W. Va.

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.

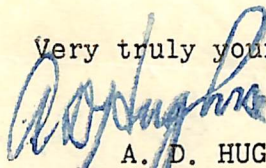
To assure proper and satisfactory accommodations, reservations for steamship transportation required during the summer of 1932 must be made by this office not later than August 1st of this year. It is therefore desired that you answer the question below by writing either of the words "Yes", "No", or "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.

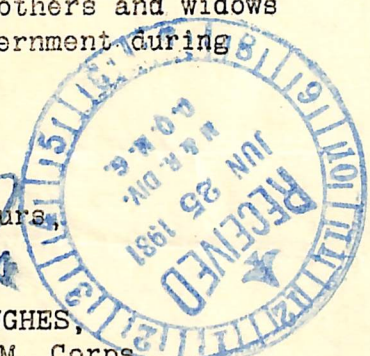
This letter is being sent to all eligible mothers and widows who did not make a pilgrimage at the expense of the Government during 1930 and are not making the journey in 1931.

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?

No.

Write answer here

Mrs. Ida Brannon
Sign here

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

June 6, 1930.

Brammon, Doy L - 1232 M

**Mrs. Ida Brammon,
Leopold, W. Va.**

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.

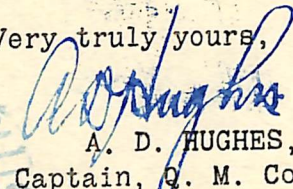
To assure proper and satisfactory accommodations, reservations for steamship transportation required during the summer of 1931 must be made by this office not later than August 1st of this year. It is therefore desired that you answer the question below by writing the word "Yes" or "No" in the blank space following the question.

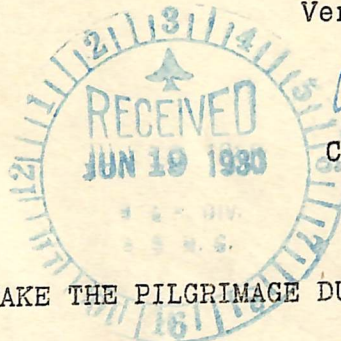
As soon as you have answered the question, please sign your name and return this sheet in the enclosed addressed envelope, which requires no postage. Do not delay, as a prompt reply is essential.

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,

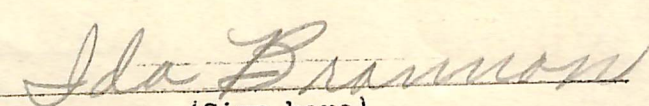
Very truly yours,


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



DO YOU DESIRE TO MAKE THE PILGRIMAGE DURING THE YEAR 1931? No

(Write answer here)


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WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

Brannon, Doy L. 1232 W

June 5, 1930

Mrs. Gertrude Brannon
Box 745
Clarksburg, West Virginia.

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

March 8, 1930

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C
Brannon, Doy L. 1232 W

Mrs. Gertrude Brannon,
Box 743,
Clarksburg, W. Va.

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. 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,

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

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

DATE November 26, 1929.

NAME	RANK	SERIAL	ORGANIZATION	DATE OF DEATH
Doy L. Brannon	Pvt.	3174167	Co. C 6th Inf.	10-14-18

STATE	CTY. NO.	GRAVE	ROW	BLOCK
	1232			

		<u>Living</u> - <u>Deceased</u>	
<u>Check relationship</u>	:	:	
MOTHER	:	: ✓ :	(m) Mrs. I. da Brannon
STEPMOTHER (For the year prior to commencement of service)	:	:	Seefeld, W. Va - (old add - no later on in file) 12-5-29
NAME	:	:	X 6118 633
AND	:	:	" / 307
ADDRESS	:	:	
MOTHER THRU ADOPTION (For the year prior to commencement of service)	:	:	
MOTHER IN LOCO PARENTIS (For the year prior to commencement of service)	:	:	
WIDOW (Who has not remarried)	:	: ✓ :	
(w) Mrs. Gertrude Brannon	:	:	Box 743, Clarksburg, W. Va -

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WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

October 7, 1929.

Brannon, Doy L. 1232 M

Mrs. Ida Brannon,
Leopold, West Virginia.

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.

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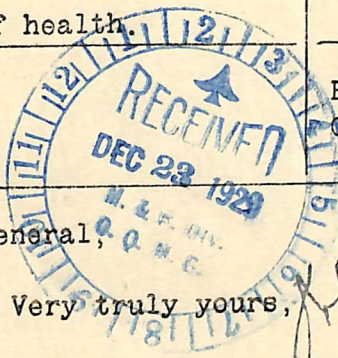
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2. Do you desire to make the pilgrimage in the calendar year 1930?	(Yes)	(No)	<i>no</i>
3. Have you at any time made a previous visit to the grave of the deceased member of the military or naval forces in whom you are interested?	(Yes)	(No)	<i>no</i>
4. Please give your age and state of health.	Age	Health	
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5. What language do you speak?	English - (Yes) <i>yes</i>	(No)	
	Other language	(Specify language spoken)	

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

John T. Harris
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
Brannon, Doy L.

June 27, 1929.

Mrs. Gertrude Brannon,
RFD 1, Box 53
Auburn, W. Va.

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[Signature]

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 Pvt. Doy L. Brannon, Co. C. 6th 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 who is entitled under the provisions of the above quoted Act, to make the pilgrimage, and if so, will you please furnish her full name and address in order that action may be taken to extend an invitation to her 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 relationship is that of a stepmother, mother through adoption or a woman who stood in loco parentis to the decedent, a statement as to her relationship is requested. In case you have 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

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

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