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1. NAME BRASSEA, Joseph SERIAL No. 2187605

RANK Pvt. ORGANIZATION Co. C. 354th Inf.

DIVISION 89

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

133 Sec. 7 3 GRAVE ROW PLOT

2. ORIGINAL BATTLE AREA GRAVE LOCATION Isolated Near Xammes M.et M. C-138 GRAVE COMMUNE DEPT.

COORDINATES 52NE, 242.5N, 361.9E

CONCENTRATED TO 4/24/19 133 Sec. 7 3 DATE GRAVE ROW PLOT

St. Mihiel 1233 CEMETERY CTY. NUMBER

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

Tag on cross. DATE OF DEATH Sept 14, 1918

STATE FROM WHICH HE CAME Colo

Data R-1 MEDALS OR DECORATIONS AWARDED No medals

SUBSEQUENT REBURIALS DATE GRAVE ROW PLOT CEMETERY



DATE GRAVE ROW PLOT CEMETERY

SIGNATURE, AREA SUPERVISOR I. H. Joffe, 1st Lt., G.M.C.

3. FINAL GRAVE LOCATION Aug. 5, 1922 16 21 Block D DATE GRAVE ROW PLOT



St. Mihiel American No. 1233, Thiaucourt CEMETERY

Robert G. Davis

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INSTRUCTIONS FOR PREPARATION OF FORM 114 B

1. Forms 114-B are to be prepared by Registration Branch in quadruplicate, three copies to be forwarded to Area Supervisor who will accomplish paragraph 2 and return all three copies to Headquarters, American Graves Registration Service.

2. Paragraphs 1 and 3 will be accomplished by Registration Branch, Headquarters, American Graves Registration Service, Q.M.C., in Europe.

3. Paragraph 2 will be accomplished by Area Supervisor from data on file in his office.

4. If data is entered on Form 114-B from Form 1, Form I6, Form 1-A or Form 16-A, statement to this effect will be made on Form 114-B STATING WHICH G.R.S. form data is taken from. If data concerning co-ordinates is approximate and NOT accurate, statement to this effect will be made on these forms.

GRAVE LOCATION BLANK

LOCATION OF THE GRAVE OF

Brassea 2187605 Joseph
 (Surname.) (Number.) (First Name and Initials.)
Pvt Co C 354th Inf.
 (Rank.) (Organization.)

DATE OF BURIAL.....

PLACE OF BURIAL.....

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

*about 1/2 way from Beney Meurth
 to Morelle to Xammes on right
 of road about 100 ft from road.*

GRAVE NUMBER..... *1*

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

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

IDENTIFICATION TAGS:

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

Was one fastened to name peg or stake used as a grave marker?..... *no*

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

REPORTED BY:

Chaplain J. E. Woods
 (Signature and Rank of Reporting Officer.)

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

354th Inf

BRASSEA, Joseph, Pvt 2187605

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 ed instantly by shell fragment,
 t. 13/1918. His body was covered
 eney. France.

band, William F. Cpl 2845619
C. 354 Inf.

18 Westminster Ave. Fulton, Mo.

Miller, A.S. 2nd Lt. C° C 354 Inf.

Gen. Col. Keating,
Colo.

C° C. 354th Inf.
89th Div.

BRASSEA, Joseph, Pvt 2187605

Killed in action Sept. 13/1918.

Pvt Brassea, Joseph, was killed instantly by shell fragment, about 9.00 AM. on the morning of Sept. 13/1918. His body was covered with wounds and death occurred near Beney. France.

Informant : Beand, William F. Cpl 2845619
C° C. 354 Inf.

Home : 418 Westminster Ave. Fulton, Mo.

Signed : Waller, A.S. 2nd Lt. C° C 354 Inf.

Emerg. add. :
James Brassea (F);
Gen. del. Keating,
Colo.

REPORT OF DISINTERMENT AND REBURIAL

Date April 28, 1921

1. REMAINS OF BRASSEA, Joseph SERIAL NUMBER 2187605
RANK Pvt. ORGANIZATION Co.C. 354th Inf.

2. Disinterred (date): April 28, 1921. From (give complete location): Grave 133. Row 2. Plot 3. Sec.7 Cem. 1233.

By: Group 4 Unit Section 9.

3. Reburied (date): April 28, 1921. In (give complete location): Grave 133 Row 2. Plot 3. Sec.7. Cem. 1233.

By: Group 4 Unit Section 9. Nature of reburial In uniform in pine box. Bottle record placed with body.

4. Report as to nature of original burial and condition of body upon disinterment: In uniform in burlap in wooden box. Badly decomposed.

5. (a) Identification tags: Buried with body? No On grave marker? Yes
Tag on peg over body.

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

6. What does examination of body show as regards the following identifying items? 14-M.B.D. 6-7-8-9-M.A.D.

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

(b) Weight (estimated) do

(c) Hair—Color do

Quantity do

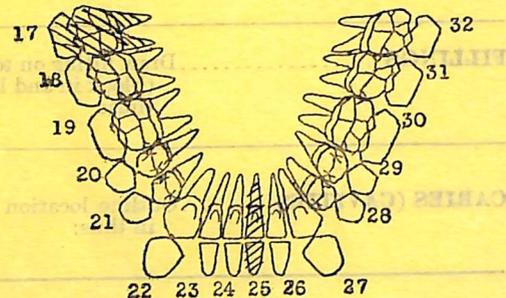
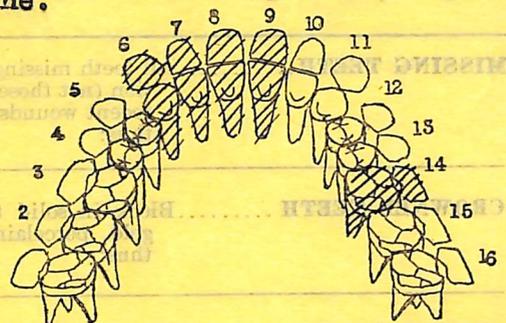
Characteristics do

(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) do

7. Disinterment supervised by D. Bachman

Approved: H. Shaler, 1st. Lieut. F.A.
(Title)

8. Reburial supervised by D. Bachman

Approved: H. Shaler, 1st. Lieut. F.A. gbt
(Title)

INSTRUCTIONS FOR THE PROPER COMPLETION OF G. R. S. FORM NO. 16-A

Enter information, as noted below, on reverse side of sheet in the *corresponding numbered space*. This form is supplemental to and is to be forwarded with G. R. S. Form 1-a, reporting reburial locations. To be used in answer to Question 26, Form 114, in case no means of identification on body.

1. Show soldier's name, serial number, rank and organization, and by whom disinterred and reburied.
2. Give date and accurate information as to location from which the body was disinterred and the group and unit which made disinterment.
3. Give date and accurate information as to location of reburial and the group and unit which made reburial, and how reburial was made—in casket, wooden box, etc.
4. State to what degree decomposition has progressed, whether recognition is possible, and how the body was originally buried—in a casket, box, burlap, etc. This statement should be as complete as possible.
5. (a) State whether identification tags were found buried with body and on grave marker by reporting "Yes" or "No."
 (b) State whether or not body appears to have been a hospital case. Were any identifying articles found in or on body or grave? List any personal effects, letters, money-order receipts, and the like found on body or in grave. Give any and all information which it is thought might be of use in identifying the body, other than that tabulated under Item No. 6.
6. Give all information as to body description and dental chart as nearly correctly as the condition of the body will allow. Items (e) and (f) under the body description are very important and should be very complete. The dental chart is also very important and should be filled in with great care. There are 32 teeth to be accounted for, as shown by the numbers on the chart. Beginning at the middle line in both upper and lower jaws, the teeth are arranged symmetrically on either side and classed as incisors (cutting teeth), cuspids or canines (tearing teeth), bicuspids (chewing teeth), and molars (principal chewing teeth). An examination should be made and findings charted to cover the following basic conditions: Lost teeth, crowned teeth, bridge work, fillings, caries (cavities of decay), dentures (plates), and any deformity of jaws found.

MISSING TEETHAll teeth missing through previous extraction (not those fractured or displaced by recent wounds) should be scratched out, thus:	
CROWNED TEETHBlock in solid the crown of tooth (label gold, porcelain, or gold and porcelain), thus:	
BRIDGE WORKBlock in solid the crown of tooth (label gold bridge, gold and porcelain bridge), thus:	
FILLINGSDraw filling on tooth accurately as possible (block in and label gold, silver, cement), thus:	
CARIES (CAVITIES)Outline location and size of cavity, shade in thus:	

DENTURES (PLATES).....Draw diagram of relative size and shape of plate, block in teeth attached and indicate retaining clasps on natural teeth with the word "clasp."

7. Show name of person supervising the disinterment and the name and title of the person approving same.

8. Show name of person supervising the reburial and the name and title of the person approving same.



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CODE SLIP

HEADING	SUB-HEADING	NO. OF COLS	CODE
NAME <i>Brassea</i>	<i>BRA</i>	3	<i>2 8 1</i>
BURIED	CEMETERY <i>1233</i>	1	<i>3</i>
	GRAVE <i>16</i>	2	<i>16</i>
	ROW <i>21</i>	2	<i>21</i>
	BLOCK <i>D</i>	1	<i>4</i>
STATE	<i>Colo</i>	2	<i>05</i>
RANK	<i>Priv</i>	1	<i>2</i>
DIVISION	<i>89</i>	2	<i>89</i>
ORGANIZATION	<i>354</i>	3	<i>354</i>
ARM	<i>Inf</i>	1	<i>1</i>
MARITAL	<i>no</i>	1	<i>2</i>
NAME <i>Brassea</i>	<i>BRA</i>	3	<i>2 8 1</i>
RESIDENCE	STATE <i>Colo</i>	2	<i>05</i>
	COUNTY <i>Custer</i>	2	<i>14</i>
	CITY <i>Hotmore</i>	3	<i>X X X</i>
RELATION	<i>mother</i>	1	<i>1</i>
OTHER		1	
ELIGIBILITY	<i>yes</i>	1	<i>1</i>
NATIVITY		1	
RACE		1	
ENGLISH		1	
ATTENDANT		1	
HEALTH		1	
NO. OF SONS		1	
DATE OF	MO.	1	
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ACCEPTANCE	<i>no</i>	1	<i>2</i>
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Pres. Roosevelt

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St.M.

Brassea, Joseph Pvt.

I Decline..... the invitation extended

Accept or decline

me to make a pilgrimage to Europe at the expense of
the Government of the United States under the pro-
visions of the Act of Congress approved March 2, 1929.

.....
Mrs. Maddalena Brassea.....

Name

.....
Wetmore, Custer County, Colorado.....

Town or City

State



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O. Q. M. G.

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-M

Brassea, Joseph (STM)*

July 13, 1932

Mrs. Maddalena Brassea,

Wetmore, Colo.

Dear Madam:

The Act of Congress of March 2, 1929, as amended May 15, 1930, authorizes pilgrimages to the cemeteries Of Europe during the years 1930, 1931, 1932 and 1933 for the mothers and widows of deceased members of the American forces who were lost or buried at sea or whose remains are interred in Europe.

Your attention is particularly invited to the fact that this is the last opportunity you will have to make the pilgrimage under the provisions of the above mentioned Act. Unless you take advantage of this LAST chance to make a trip in 1933 you will receive no benefit from the Act. There is no provision of law which will permit the Government to make a money allowance to any mother or widow who does not choose to make the pilgrimage.

IT IS REQUESTED THAT YOU GIVE THE MATTER YOUR MOST CAREFUL CONSIDERATION BEFORE REACHING A DECISION, BEARING IN MIND THAT THIS IS THE LAST OPPORTUNITY YOU WILL HAVE TO MAKE THE TRIP AT GOVERNMENT EXPENSE.

In order to assure proper and satisfactory accommodations for the mothers and widows making the journey in 1933, reservations for steamship transportation must be made by this office several months in advance. It is requested that you answer the questions below by writing "Yes" or "No" or "Undecided" in the blank space following the question. When you have answered the question, sign your name and return this sheet in the enclosed addressed envelope which requires no postage. PLEASE DO NOT DELAY, as it is essential that the information be in this office promptly.

This letter is being sent to all eligible mothers and widows who did not make the pilgrimage during the years 1930, 1931 or 1932. There is enclosed a circular of information WHICH YOU SHOULD READ VERY CAREFULLY BEFORE MAKING YOUR DECISION.

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,


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

2 Encls.

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

No
(Write answer here)

(Sign here)

Maddalena Brassea

December 28, 1931.

QM 293 A-M

Brassea, Joseph (StM) M

Mrs. Maddalena Brassea,
Wetmore, Colorado.

Dear Madam:

The records show that a questionnaire similar to the enclosed was forwarded you on September 23, 1931, but has not been returned to this office. Inasmuch as it is necessary that the information called for on the questionnaire be available in order to assure you a satisfactory pilgrimage it is requested that you complete and return it to this office promptly.

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

For The Quartermaster General.

Very truly yours,

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

Enclosures:

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WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

December 28, 1931.

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 AM

Brassea, Joseph (StM) M

Mrs. Maddalena Brassea,
Wetmore, Colorado.

Dear Madam:

The records of this office show that you are the **mother** of the deceased veteran named above and have expressed your desire to make a pilgrimage to the cemeteries of Europe during 1932 in his honor.

In order to assure a satisfactory journey, 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. Please give your age and state your health.	Age Condition of Health
2. Do you speak English?	
3. What other language do you speak?	

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

Brascea, Joseph Pvt. (StM) H

September 23, 1931.

Mrs. Maddalena Brascea,
Wetmore, Colorado

Dear Madam:

The records of this office show that you are the mother of the deceased veteran named above and have expressed your desire to make a pilgrimage to the cemeteries of Europe during 1932 in his honor.

In order to assure a satisfactory journey, 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. Please give your age and state your health.	Age Condition of Health
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For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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Assistant.

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OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM-293-AM

Brassea, Joseph Pvt. (StM) M-

July 10, 1931.

Mrs. Maddalena Brassea,
Wetmore, Colorado

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?

Yes
Write answer here

Maddalena Brassea
Sign here

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

Brascea, Joseph 1233 M

June 6, 1930

Mrs. Maddalena Brascea
Netmore, Colo.

Dear Madam:

Arrangements are now being made for conducting pilgrimages during the year 1931, to the cemeteries in Europe under the provisions of the Act of Congress of March 2, 1929.

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

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

This letter is being sent to all mothers and widows who are not making the pilgrimage in 1930, regardless of whether or not they have expressed a desire to make the pilgrimage.

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

DO YOU DESIRE TO MAKE THE PILGRIMAGE DURING THE YEAR 1931? _____

(Write answer here)

(Sign here)

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

May 13, 1930.

Brascea, Joseph 1233-N

Mrs. Maddalena Brascea,
Wetmore, Custer Co.,
Colorado.

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,

Encl.
Act
Envelope

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

BRASS, Joseph C-527

Mother

Mrs Maddalena Brassea

Wetmore, Col.

~~or Keating, Col.~~

veteran single.

COPY FOR CENTRAL OFFICE
CLAIMS DIVISION

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C
Brascea, Joseph

May 26, 1929.

Mr. James Brascea,
Keating,
Colorado.

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 Joseph Brascea, Co. C, 354th Inf., whose remains are now interred in the St. Mihiel American Cemetery, Thiaucourt, Meurthe-et-Moselle, France.

Will you please advise this office whether or not he is survived by a mother or widow who is entitled under the provisions of the above quoted Act, to make the pilgrimage, and if so, will you please furnish the full names and addresses of the mother and widow in order that action may be taken to extend invitations to them to make the pilgrimage. Both mothers and widows are entitled to make the pilgrimage.

Your attention is particularly invited to Section 4 of the enclosed Act, which defines the terms "mother" and "widow". If the relative is a stepmother, mother through adoption, or any woman who stood in loco parentis to the decedent, a statement as to her relationship is requested. If he was survived by a widow who has since remarried it is also requested that a statement to that effect be made.

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

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

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Act of Congress.
Envelope.

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WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-M

Brassea, Joseph (STM)*

July 13, 1932

Mrs. Maddalena Brassea,

Wetmore, Colo.

Dear Madam:

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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.

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In order to assure proper and satisfactory accommodations for the mothers and widows making the journey in 1933, reservations for steamship transportation must be made by this office several months in advance. It is requested that you answer the questions below by writing "Yes" or "No" or "Undecided" in the blank space following the question. When you have answered the question, sign your name and return this sheet in the enclosed addressed envelope which requires no postage. PLEASE DO NOT DELAY, as it is essential that the information be in this office promptly.

This letter is being sent to all eligible mothers and widows who did not make the pilgrimage during the years 1930, 1931 or 1932. There is enclosed a circular of information WHICH YOU SHOULD READ VERY CAREFULLY BEFORE MAKING YOUR DECISION.

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

2 Encls.

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

(Write answer here)

(Sign here) _____

December 28, 1931.

QM 293 A-M

Brassea, Joseph (StM) M

Mrs. Maddalena Brassea,
Wetmore, Colorado.

Dear Madam:

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For The Quartermaster General.

Very truly yours,

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

Enclosures:

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OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
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December 28, 1931.

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 AM

Brassea, Joseph (StM) M

Mrs. Maddalena Brassea,
Wetmore, Colorado.

Dear Madam:

The records of this office show that you are the **mother** of the deceased veteran named above and have expressed your desire to make a pilgrimage to the cemeteries of Europe during 1932 in his honor.

In order to assure a satisfactory journey, 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. Please give your age and state your health.	Age Condition of Health
2. Do you speak English?	
3. What other language do you speak?	

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 AM

Brascea, Joseph Pvt. (StM) M

September 23, 1931.

Mrs. Maddalena Brascea,
Wetmore, Colorado

Dear Madam:

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The records of this office show that you are the mother of the deceased veteran named above and have expressed your desire to make a pilgrimage to the cemeteries of Europe during 1932 in his honor.

In order to assure a satisfactory journey, 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.

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For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM-293-AM

Brassea, Joseph Pvt. (StM) M-

July 10, 1931.

Mrs. Maddalena Brassea,
Wetmore, Colorado

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-C

Brassea, Joseph Pvt. (St.M) M

April 6, 1931.

Mrs. Maddalena Brassea,
Wetmore, Colorado

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 ^{mother} 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.

Age
Condition of Health

4. Do you speak English?

5. What other language do you speak?

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

Enclosures:
Envelope
Act
Amendment

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

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QM 293 A-M

October 11, 1930

Brassea, Joseph Pvt 1233 M

Mrs. Maddalena Brassea
Westmore
Colorado

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,
Assistant.

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WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

Brascea, Joseph 1233 M

June 6, 1930

Mrs. Maddalena Brascea
Wetmore, Colo.

Dear Madam:

Arrangements are now being made for conducting pilgrimages during the year 1931, to the cemeteries in Europe under the provisions of the Act of Congress of March 2, 1929.

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

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

This letter is being sent to all mothers and widows who are not making the pilgrimage in 1930, regardless of whether or not they have expressed a desire to make the pilgrimage.

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

DO YOU DESIRE TO MAKE THE PILGRIMAGE DURING THE YEAR 1931? _____
(Write answer here)

(Sign here)

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

May 13, 1930.

Brascea, Joseph 1233-N

Mrs. Maddalena Brascea,
Wetmore, Custer Co.,
Colorado.

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,

Encl.
Act
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

August 26, 1929.

Brassea, Joseph
1233

Mr. James Brassea,
Keating,
Colorado.

Dear Sir:

The records of this office do not indicate that a reply has been received to our communication dated May 26, 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,

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
Brassee, Joseph

May 36, 1929.

Mr. James Brassee,
Keating,
Colorado.

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 Joseph Brassee, Co. C, 354th Inf., whose remains are now interred in the St. Mihiel American Cemetery, Thiaucourt, Meurthe-et-Moselle, France.

Will you please advise this office whether or not he is survived by a mother or widow who is entitled under the provisions of the above quoted Act, to make the pilgrimage, and if so, will you please furnish the full names and addresses of the mother and widow in order that action may be taken to extend invitations to them to make the pilgrimage. Both mothers and widows are entitled to make the pilgrimage.

Your attention is particularly invited to Section 4 of the enclosed Act, which defines the terms "mother" and "widow". If the relative is a stepmother, mother through adoption, or any woman who stood in loco parentis to the decedent, a statement as to her relationship is requested. If he was survived by a widow who has since remarried it is also requested that a statement to that effect be made.

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

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

2 incls.
Act of Congress.
Envelope.

QM 293 A-C

BRASSEBA, Joseph - Pvt.

February 6, 1924

Mr. James Brasseba,
General Delivery,
Keating, Colo.

Dear Sir: The Quartermaster General desires to invite your attention to the inclosed card which gives the permanent cemetery location of the soldier's grave in which you are interested.

This American military cemetery is one of those to be maintained by the United States for all time in Europe. Each grave will be marked by a headstone of white marble, of dignified design, with the name, rank, division, organization, date of soldier's death and State from which he came. Headstones will be placed at all graves in connection with the improvement work now in progress, as soon as possible and without waiting for special action or request on the part of relatives.

Please be assured that in effecting removal of the dead, the utmost reverential care was exercised and more than willingly accorded by those who performed this sacred duty. For the future, these graves will be perpetually maintained by the Government in a manner befitting the last resting place of our heroes.

Very truly yours,

1-Incl.
Record card.

Assistant
H. D. FOSTER RD

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FEB 6 1924
R. O. C.

COMPILATION OF DISPOSITION OF REMAINS DATA

File # 70220



I. LOCATION INDEX CARD:

(a) Name BRASSEA, Joseph Ser. No. 2187605
 (b) Rank Pvt. Organization Co. C. 354th Inf.
 (c) Date of death 9/14/18 (d) Cause of death K/A

TYPEK
 CKR. *AS*

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

(a) Grave No. 133 Row -- Plot 3 Sec. 7 TYP. EK
 (b) Emerg. Address James Brassea (father) C.D. Keating, Colo.

III. Files of soldiers dying from contagious diseases --- CKR. *AS*

IV. A. G. O. DISPOSITION CARD:

no card in file - BCR - 1-31-21

Date of receipt _____
 (a) Name _____ (b) Relationship _____
 (c) Address _____
 (d) Remains to be brought to U. S.? _____
 (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 _____ Date _____, 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 *BCR* Date *1-31-*, 1920.

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

no request for disposition

(a) Cancellation memos referred to? *yes mom*
 Examiner's Initials *mom* Date *2-1-*, 1920.

COUNTRY France CEMETERY No. 1233 SHEET No. 355

ms FEB 26 1921

checked 2-1-21 E.M. CARDED

To be prepared in triplicate.

DATE Aug. 5, 1922

REPORT OF DISINTERMENT, PREPARATION, SHIPMENT AND REBURIAL OF BODY

DISINTERMENT

COMPARATIVE REPORT

jc.

Records of G.R.S. Headquarters.

Discrepancy found upon exhumation of body

1. Name BRASSEA, Joseph

10. Name

2. No. 2187605

11. No.

3. Rank Pvt.

12. Rank

4. Org. Co. C. 354th Inf.

13. Org.

5. D.D. Sept. 14th 1918

14. (a) D.D.

6. C.D. MIA.

(b) D.B. None

Discrepancy found upon disinterment

7. Grave No. 133 Sec. 7

15. Grave No. Sec.

8. Plot 3 Row

16. Plot Row

9.

17. None

18. Cemetery St. Mihiel American Cty.

19. Commune or town THIAUCOURT

20. Dept. or County M-et-M

21. Country France

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

23. Disinterred (Date) Aug. 5, 1922

By Charles P. Keating

24. Inscription on grave marker:

Name BRASSEA, Joseph

Serial No. 2187605

Rank Pvt.

Organization Co. C. 354th Inf.

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

C.T. Brown
Signature Junior Technical Assistant

C.T. Brown

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).

No evidence on body to disprove identity

27. Condition of body Badly decomposed, features unrecognizable.

28. Nature of burial Wooden box, burlap and U.S. uniform

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 Aug. 5, 1922 By Charles P. Keating

31. Casket sealed by Charles P. Keating

Signature of Embalmer, (Supervisor) Charles P. Keating

AUDITED BY
11-16-23

SHIPMENT. (Show actual marking of box.) Box No. C-29431

32. Designation of body:

Name Joseph BRASSEA Serial No. 2187605

Rank Pvt. Organization Co. C, 354th Inf.

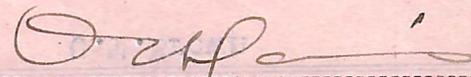
33. Consigned to:

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

34. Casket boxed and marked (Date) Aug. 5, 1922 By Charles P. Keating

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

Signature of G.R.S. Inspector



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

36. Remarks

None

37. Shipped from point of Operation: (Date) Aug. 5, 1922

To point of Concentration

(Name)

Convoyer Signature Shipping Officer

38. Received at Railhead or Point of Concentration: Date

By G.R.S. Representative

39. Shipped from Railhead or Point of Concentration: Date

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

(Name)

Convoyer Signature Shipping Officer

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

40. Received: Date

G.R.S. Representative

41. Reinterred August 5, 1922

(Date)

42. Grave No. 16 Section

43. Block D Row 21

G.R.S. Representative



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

REPORT OF DISINTERMENT AND REBURIAL

Place Thiaucourt, France

Date August 5, 1922.

1. REMAINS OF BRASSE, Joseph SERIAL NUMBER 2187605
RANK Pvt ORGANIZATION Co C 354th Inf

2. Disinterred (date) : August 5, 1922 From (give complete location) : Gr. 135 Sec 7 Plot 3 Cemetery 1233
By : Group w 3 Unit Sec 1

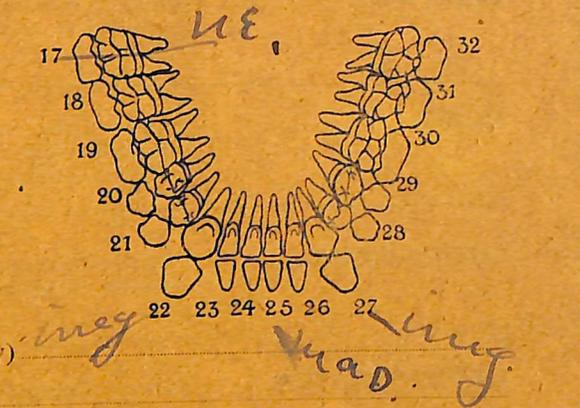
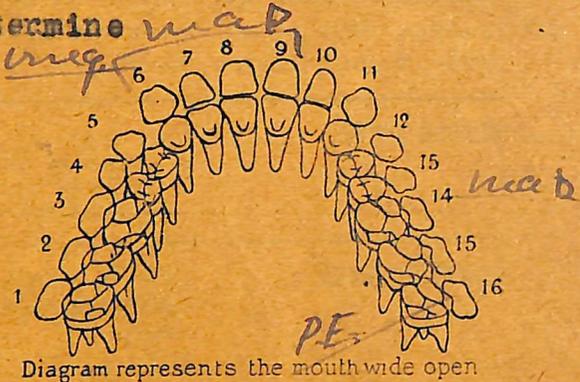
3. Reburied (date) August 5, 1922 In (give complete location) : City 1233
By : Group Reburial Unit Cemetery 1233 Nature of reburial Reburial

4. Report as to nature of original burial and condition of body upon disinterment :
wooden box, burlap and US uniform.
Badly decomposed. Features unrecognizable

5. (a) Identification tags: Buried with body? no On grave marker? no
(b) Other means of identification found upon disinterment, and general remarks :
No evidence on body to disprove identity.

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

(a) Height (actual measurement) impossible to determine
(b) Weight (estimated) -do
(c) Hair—Color -do
Quantity -do
Characteristics -do
(d) Hair on face—Color -do
Location -do
Quantity -do



(e) Permanent marks on body (old scars, peculiarities, or missing parts) none visible
missing after death 6, 7, 8, 9, 14, 25
irregular 6, 22, 27. Not erupted 17.
partly erupted 16.

(f) Wounds or missing parts (received at time of casualty)
none visible
CTB

7. Disinterment supervised by Charles P. Keating Approved : [Signature]
(Title) C. E. Davis
1st Lieut QMC

8. Reburial supervised by [Signature] Approved : [Signature]
(Title) 1st Lieut., QMC

INSTRUCTIONS FOR THE PROPER COMPLETION OF G. R. S. FORM NO. 16-A

Enter information, as noted below, on reverse side of sheet in the *corresponding numbered space*. This form is supplemental to and is to be forwarded with G. R. S. Form 1-a, reporting reburial locations. To be used in answer to Question 26, Form 114, in case no means of identification on body.

1. Show soldier's name, serial number, rank and organization, and by whom disinterred and reburied.
2. Give date and accurate information as to location from which the body was disinterred and the group and unit which made disinterment.
3. Give date and accurate information as to location of reburial and the group and unit which made reburial, and how reburial was made—in casket, wooden box, etc.
4. State to what degree decomposition has progressed, whether recognition is possible, and how the body was originally buried—in a casket, box, burlap, etc. This statement should be as complete as possible.

5. (a) State whether identification tags were found buried with body and on grave marker by reporting "Yes" or "No".

(b) State whether or not body appears to have been a hospital case. Were any identifying articles found in or on body or grave? List any personal effects, letters, money-order receipts, and the like found on body or in grave. Give any and all information which it is thought might be of use in identifying the body, other than that tabulated under Item No 6.

6. Give all information as to body description and dental chart as nearly correctly as the condition of the body will allow. Items (e) and (f) under the body description are very important and should be very complete. The dental chart is also very important and should be filled in with great care. There are 32 teeth to be accounted for, as shown by the numbers on the chart. Beginning at the middle line in both upper and lower jaws, the teeth are arranged symmetrically on either side and classed as incisors (cutting teeth), cuspids or canines (tearing teeth), bicuspids (chewing teeth), and molars (principal chewing teeth). An examination should be made and findings charted to cover the following basic conditions: Lost teeth, crowned teeth, bridge work, fillings, caries (cavities of decay), dentures (plates), and any deformity of jaws found.

MISSING TEETH	All teeth missing through previous extraction (not those fractured or displaced by recent wounds) should be scratched out, thus:	
CROWNED TEETH	Block in solid the crown of tooth (label gold, porcelain, or gold and porcelain), thus:	
BRIDGE WORK	Block in solid the crown of tooth (label gold bridge, gold and porcelain bridge) thus:	
FILLINGS	Draw filling on tooth accurately as possible (block in and label, gold, silver, cement), thus:	
CARIES (CAVITIES)	Outline location and size of cavity, shade in thus:	
DENTURES (PLATES)	Draw diagram of relative size and shape of plate block in teeth attached and indicate retaining clasps on natural teeth with the word "clasp"	

7. Show name of person supervising the disinterment and the name and title of the person approving same.

8. Show name of person supervising the reburial and the name and title of the person approving same.

COMPILED LIST OF DISPOSITION OF REMAINING DATA

File # 70220

I. LOCATION INDEX CARD:

(a) Name.....BRASSEBA, Joseph.....Ser.No.....2187605..

(b) Rank.....Pvt.....Organization.....Co. C. 354th Inf. ...

TYP.. RK.....

(c) Date of death. 9/14/18...death.....K/A.....

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

(a) Grave No. 188..Row.....Plot.....3.Sect.....7..... TP.... RK.....

(b) Emerg. Address.....James Brasseba(father)..C.D. Keating, Colo....

III. Files of soldiers dying from contagious diseases.....CKR... 31.....

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

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V. Following advice forwarded to Europe by (cable on.....192.....
(letter of transmittal on.....11/18/1921.....
Part 2 not to be returned

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

VII. SUPPLEMENTARY REQUESTS

Date of Relationship and Source.....and name.....Desires.....Action taken..

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VIII. Form 115 received from G.R.S. Hoboken, N.J.....192.....

COUNTRY G.R.S. FORM 115-A August, 1920 S/666/LML France CEMETERY NO. 1233 SHEET NO. 355

PRIORITY 104

M3 FEB 26 1921

29, May 1919

REPORT OF DISINTERMENT AND REBURIAL.

Remains of:

Name: ^EBRASSIA, Joseph

Number: 2187605

Rank: Pvt

Organization: Unkn

Disinterment and Reburial made by Group

Unit

Disinterred (Date)

From: (Give complete location)

24, April 1919

Isolated grave THIAUCOURT M et M

52N^E E361.9 N242.5

Reburied (Date)

in: (Give complete location)

24, April 1919

Grave #133 Sec 7 Plat 3

St Mihiel Am Cemetery #1233

THIAUCOURT M et M 52NE E362.03 N241.44

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

Burial fair, buried in uniform, body badly decomposed.

Was one identification tag found upon the body? Yes

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

Note:

CONFIRMED No. D.....

If upon disinterment, effects are found upon bodies, they will be promptly sent to the Effects Depot direct as is required by G.O. 170, G.H. 2, 1918., after being carefully examined for clues to identity in doubtful cases, notation whereof will be made and reported to Chief, Graves Registration Service.

Supervised by: Lt Scott

R. H. ROSENTHAL

2nd Lieut. O.M.C.U.S.A.

C.O. Group Unit

*Co C 10220
304th Div*

1233

10486

Number of copies: 10

Date: 1918
U. S. GOVERNMENT
WASHINGTON

It is hereby certified that the above named person is a member of the Communist Party of the United States of America.



Note:

COMMUNIST NO. 1

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

Was any identification tag found upon the body; Yes

Where was the body found; In the woods near the ...

Name of the person; ...

Address; ...

Date (Date) in: (State complete location)

Name of the person; ...

Address; ...

Date (Date) in: (State complete location)

Identification and results made by group DATE

Name: ... Organization: ...

Name: ... Address: ...

Name of: ...

REPORT OF INVESTIGATION AND RESULTS

Date: ...

Name: ...

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

Hq. G.R.S. File

2. Soldier's No. 2I87605

3. Brassia

Joseph

Surname

First Name and Initials

4. Private

Rank

Company

U.S.A.

Regt. or Corps

5. Sept. 16, 1918

Date of Death

K. in A.

Cause, if known

6. Sept. 17, 1918

Date of Burial

Cemetery

7. near Xammes

Town or Commune

M. et M.

Department

8.

Grave No.

Plot No. or Letter

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

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

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

Map 52 N.W.

N. 242.3 E 361.64

12.

Map Reference, if interment is outside of cemetery

OMRE, BENEY (MEUSE)

13.

Give name of Chaplain or Burial Officer

Signed

Group

Unit

G.R.S.

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2-18



181 52 NE COORD E 361.64 N 242.30

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GRAVE LOCATION BLANK

LOCATION OF THE GRAVE OF

Brassea 2187605- Joseph
(Surname.) (Number.) (First Name and Initials.)

Pvt- co. C. 354th Inf.
(Rank.) (Organization.)

DATE OF BURIAL... *Sept. 16th 1918*

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

*about one half way from Boney.
north it morells to Xammes
on right of road about 100 ft
from road.*

GRAVE NUMBER... *1*

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

IDENTIFICATION TAGS:

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

Was one fastened to name peg or stake used as a grave marker? *no*.....

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

REPORTED BY:

Chaplain J. E. Woods
(Signature and Rank of Reporting Officer.)

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

*26 SEP 1918
354th Inf*

APR 9 1921

WAR DEPARTMENT

OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL OF THE ARMY
 CEMETERIAL DIVISION

WASHINGTON

1233-355 01

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

To: Mr. James Brassea, C.D. Keating, Colo.

SUBJECT: Remains of Pvt. Joseph Brassea, Ser. No. 2187606 Co. C. 354th Inf.

The records of this office show that you have requested that the body of the above-named
 no request has been made for the disposition of his remains.

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

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

By authority of the Quartermaster General.

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

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

Was soldier married?

NAME OF—	NO. AND STREET.	TOWN.	STATE.
Soldier's widow			
Soldier's children. (Name oldest first.)	1		
	2		
	3		
Father			
Mother			
Brothers. (Name oldest first.)	1		
	2		
	3		
Sisters. (Name oldest first.)	1		
	2		
	3		

Date

Signature

Address

Relationship

Address _____ Relationship _____, 192

Date _____ Signature _____
I, the undersigned, am the _____ and nearest living next of kin of the within-named
(Relationship.)

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

RECEIVED BY
MAIL UNIT

JUN 14 1921

Cemeterial Division
Cemeterial Project Sub-Section

1. As stated on first page of this sheet.
2. To be returned to the U. S. and shipped to _____
(Name.)
_____ (R. R. station.) _____ (State.)

3. To be returned to the U. S. and buried in _____ National Cemetery.

4. To remain in Europe, for burial in a permanent American Cemetery.

Signature _____

INSTRUCTIONS FOR FILLING OUT.

1. If definite instructions for the disposition of a body are not received from the next of kin within two weeks of its arrival at New York, burial will be made without further notice in the World War Section of Arlington National Cemetery.
2. The transfer of bodies will be made ENTIRELY at Government expense.
3. This paper MUST BE SIGNED BY THE PERSON WHO IS THE NEXT OF KIN IN THE ORDER shown in the square on the other side of this sheet.
4. This paper must be returned showing the name and address of each of the nearest next of kin in the spaces provided therefor on the other side of this sheet.
5. If there are minor children of the deceased soldier and no widow, the LEGALLY APPOINTED GUARDIAN of the children should ascertain their wishes and act for them in this matter.
6. If YOU are not the nearest next of kin, please ask the nearest next of kin, if living near you, to fill out this paper.
7. If YOU are not the nearest living next of kin and do not know who or where the nearest relatives are, please fill out this paper AT ONCE and mail to this office.
8. You are requested to return this paper AT ONCE in order to avoid delay in the case of this body.
9. Use the inclosed envelope—pay no postage.

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