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G.R.S. Form #114 B

MMB

Listed as John Howard Breeze MAY 14 1920

Address sig. John H. Breeze

DATE 10/11/21

1. NAME BREESE, John H. SERIAL No. 8958

RANK Pvt. 1st cl. ORGANIZATION Sec. 580 U.S. Amb. Serv. & DIVISION not shown

GRAVE LOCATION French Mil. Cty. La Cheppe, Marne 540

CTY. NAME NUMBER

822

GRAVE ROW PLOT

2. ORIGINAL BATTLE AREA GRAVE LOCATION 822, Fr1Mil.Cty, LaCheppe (Marne)

GRAVE COMMUNE DEPT.

COORDINATES East 261.90 North 256.85.

CONCENTRATED TO DATE GRAVE ROW PLOT

CEMETERY CTY. NUMBER

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

(Information in Par. 2, taken from Form 1.)

DATE OF DEATH July 30/18

STATE FROM WHICH HE CAME N.Y.

MEDALS OR DECORATIONS AWARDED

SUBSEQUENT REBURIALS

DATE GRAVE ROW PLOT CEMETERY

Notice prepared Off. for Victory Medal John Howard Breeze

DATE GRAVE ROW PLOT CEMETERY

SIGNATURE, AREA SUPERVISOR G.F. WAUGH, Major, Inf., Supervisor, Area #2.

3. FINAL GRAVE LOCATION 10/11/21 35 36 D DATE GRAVE ROW Block PLOT

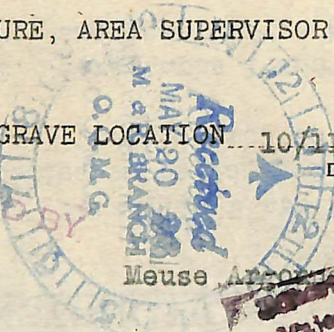
Meuse, Arr. de American Cty # 1232 Romagne sous Montfaucon Meuse

CEMETERY

MAJOR GENERAL The Adjutant General. MAY 19 1920

A. G. O. MAY 15 1926 WORLD WAR DIV.

AUDITED BY M.M.E. 2-6-23



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

**Breese** ..... **8958** ..... **John H.** .....  
(Surname.) (Number.) (First Name and Initials.)

**Pvt. 1cl** ..... **Section 580, U.S.A.A.S.** .....  
(Rank.) (Organization.)

DATE OF BURIAL **July 31, 1918, 3:00 P.M.**

PLACE OF BURIAL **Military cemetery of Mount**

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

**Frenet Hospital (French). East of main  
Chalons - Suippes road and 500 metres  
north of road leading east to la Cheppe.  
Department of the Marne (arrondissement of  
Chalons-sur-Marne).**

**U. 580, Convois Automobiles,  
par B.C.M., A.E.F., France,  
August 8th, 1918.**

GRAVE NUMBER **822** ..... **1 John H. Breese, 8958.**

HOW MARKED: Name Peg? **No** ..... Cross? **Yes** .....

Headboard? **No** ..... Bottle? **Yes** .....

IDENTIFICATION TAGS:

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

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

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

**1cl John H. Breese, 8958, late  
d July 30, 1918 and died the**

*W. D. Seymour*  
**W. D. Seymour  
USAAS Comdg.**

REPORTED BY:

*James W. D. Seymour* ..... **1st Lt. U.S.A.A.**  
(Signature and Rank of Reporting Officer.)

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

Per *W*  
Casualty Section, S.D.,  
NOTED

S.S.U. 580, Convois Automobiles,  
par B.C.M., A.E.F., France,  
August 8th, 1918.

From: Section Commander.  
To: The Adjutant General, E.E.F.  
Subject: Grave Location Blank of Pvt 1cl John H. Breese, 8958.

1. Herewith Grave Location Blank of Pvt 1cl John H. Breese, 8958, late of this Section, who was severely wounded July 30, 1918 and died the same day.

*James W. D. Seymour*  
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BRESEE, John Howard

Party "A" - Itinerary - Meuse-Argonne Group

Sailed June 21, 1930 on SS ROOSEVELT. Major J. F. Cottrell in charge.

Arrived Cherbourg 5 a.m. June 29th. Met by Major Bailey, Capt. Mitchell, Capt. Dalton, Lieut. Gregory, Lieut. Freeman, Major Kinderman, three nurses and two civilian employees. Train left at 2.21 a.m. for Paris. Arrived Gare des Invalides at 2.33 p.m. Met by Lt. Col. Bartlett and members of the staff, with interpreters and nurses. Escorted to hotel. Remainder of day devoted to rest.

June 30th. Morning devoted to personal business; changing money, preparing laundry, etc. Left hotel at 3 p.m. for Arc de Triomphe. Wreath placed on tomb of the Unknown Soldier by Mrs. Wilhelmina Ohlson, who was selected by party for this duty. A wreath was also laid by Mrs. Anna Johnson on behalf of the N.Y. Fire Department. Proceeded to restaurant Laurent after ceremony where tea and reception tendered by U.S. Government was held. Returned to hotel. Evening free.

July 1st. 7.15 a.m. depart Montmirail, Chalons s/s, Harne, St. Mencheuld, Verdun.

July 2nd. Visited Meuse-Argonne American Cemetery. Returned to 3-4. Verdun.

July 3th. Visited Cemetery, Suippes and Reims.

July 4th. Visited Reims Cathedral, Lunch at Reims. Chateau Thierry. Returned to Paris.

July 7th. Notre-Dame - Sacre-Coeur.

July 8th. Morning free. Napoleon's Tomb. Sightseeing Night Trip.

July 9th. Visit to Louvre - Versailles. Prepared for return trip.

July 10th. Due to the fact that the date of return was changed from July 10th to July 11th, this day was free and was devoted to shopping, etc.

July 11th. Left Hotel between 1 and 1.30 p.m. for Invalides Railway Station. Train left at 2.15 p.m. Accompanied by 5 officers, 1 doctor, 5 nurses and 1 civilian employee. Arrived Cherbourg 5.33 p.m. Sailed 7.25 p.m. on SS REPUBLIC. Major Cottrell in charge. Arrived Hoboken, N.J. 3 p.m. July 20th.

Mrs. Mabel K. Breese

324 E 25 St 311

1499

NAME BREESE, MRS. MABEL K.

S.S. REPUBLIC

JUL 19 1930

HOME BROOKLYN, KINGS COUNTY, N. Y.

R.R.

STATION

TRAIN #

CAR #

BERTH OR SEAT

TIME

DATE

Mr. Chas H Brees

402/410 W 14<sup>th</sup>

N.Y.C.

Name **BREESE, Mrs. Mabel K.**

Paris Hôtel **HOTEL AMBASSADOR**

**BOULEVARD HAUSSMANN**

Home address **324 E. 25th St., Brooklyn, Kings Co., New York.**

Party **H** Group **I** Unit **§§.ROOSEVELT**

Date of arrival **June 29-1930** Date of departure **§§.REPUBLIC-July II-1930**

Relationship **Mother**

Name of deceased **BREESE, John Howard**

Rank **Pvt Ic** Organization **CO.Sec. 580 U.S. Amb.Serv.**

Cemetery **Meuse-Argonne**

REMARKS



WAR DEPARTMENT  
 "PILGRIMAGE, WAR MOTHERS AND WIDOWS"  
 ROOM 901  
 225 WEST 34TH ST., NEW YORK, N. Y.

*BREESE, John H. — M.A.*

Party ..... **H** .....  
 Number .. **1499** .....

REQUEST FOR PULLMAN RESERVATION

**MRS. MABEL K. BREESE** ..... Actual cost of through Pullman.  
 Name of Traveler

**BROOKLYN, KINGS COUNTY,** ..... New York, to .....  
 Home Address

**NEW YORK** ..... \$ .....

New York, to .....  
 Destination

Via .....  
 .....

.....  
 Date of Departure

	Road	Tr. No.	Date	Time	Lower or Seat	Car	U. S. G. Order No.	Actual Cost
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*Motor trans to home*

TOTAL .....

Remarks:

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June 10, 1930

Mrs. Mabel K. Breese  
324 East 25th Street  
Brooklyn, New York

Dear Madam:

In letter from this office requesting whether or not you desire transportation from your home to the Hotel Astor, you advised that it would be necessary for this office to furnish transportation.

Please be ready with your baggage at 2:00 P.M., Friday, June 20th, as arrangements have been made for a taxicab of the Terminal Taxi Company to call for you at that time.

You should not pay the driver any money, as payment will be made by this office.

Yours very truly

GEORGE F. R. TAYLOR <sup>11013</sup>  
1st Lieut. Q.M.C. (DOL.)  
Assistant

JFM:CHB  


201  
Mrs Mabel K Breese

WAR DEPARTMENT  
"PILGRIMAGE, WAR MOTHERS AND WIDOWS"

----- ROOM 901 -----  
225 WEST 34TH ST., NEW YORK, N.Y.

June 5th, 1930



Mrs. Mabel K. Breese,  
324 E. 25th Street,  
Brooklyn, N. Y.

Dear Madam:

From advice received from the Quarter-  
master General's Office, Washington, D. C.,  
your name shows as a passenger scheduled to  
sail for Europe on the S. S. "ROOSEVELT"  
sailing June 21st, 1930.

Enclosed herewith please find two baggage  
tags which should be attached to your baggage  
for identification.

Reservations have been made for you to stop  
at the Hotel "ASTOR", the night of June 20.  
Necessary transportation will be provided for  
you from your home to the hotel, unless you  
desire to travel by your own transportation.

Please advise what your desires are in this  
respect, using the lower portion of this  
letter for your reply.

There is enclosed a self-addressed envelope  
which requires no postage.

For the Officer in Charge.

*George F. R. Taylor*  
George F. R. Taylor<sup>37</sup>  
1st Lieut. Q. M. C.  
Assistant

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I will require transportation from my home to hotel.

~~will not~~

*Mrs. Mabel K. Breese*

CODE SLIP

HEADING	SUB-HEADING	NO. OF COLS	CODE
NAME	B Reese	3	285
BURIED	CEMETERY 1232	1	1
	GRAVE 35	2	35
	ROW 36	2	36
	BLOCK D	1	4
STATE	Ny	2	37
PANK	Post-10e	1	2
DIVISION	Mid Camp	2	52
ORGANIZATION	580	3	580
ARM	US Ambulance	1	1
MARTIAL	No	1	2
NAME	B Reese	3	285
RESIDENCE	STATE Ny	2	37
	COUNTY Kings	2	24
	CITY Brooklyn-Ny	3	101
RELATION	Mother	1	1
OTHER	Father	1	1
ELIGIBILITY	yes	1	1
NATIVITY		1	
RACE		1	
ENGLISH	yes	1	1
ATTENDANT		1	
HEALTH	Good	1	
NO. OF SONS		1	
DATE OF TRIP	MO.	1	
	YR.	1	
ACCEPTANCE	yes	1	1
	Reg		54

June 2 1950

Dated

Audited  
OCT 12 1931  
SMB

Breese, John H. Pvt. 1c1 Med- Corps 580 U.S. Amb Ser. N.Y.

C 29355-

~~Widow ?~~

Single

H.  
NAME Brese Mrs Mabel K.

ADDRESS 324 East 25th St. Brooklyn, N. Y.

DATE July 21, '30

TO:

OFFICER-IN-CHARGE,  
PILGRIMAGE, WAR MOTHERS AND WIDOWS

I BEG TO INFORM YOU THAT I HAVE RETURNED  
TO MY HOME SAFELY AND IN GOOD HEALTH.

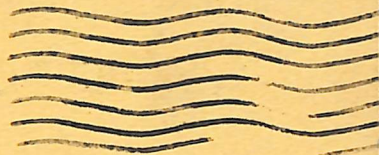
SINCERELY,

(SIGNED) Mrs. Mabel K. Brese.

WAR DEPARTMENT

==  
OFFICIAL BUSINESS

PENALTY FOR PRIVATE USE \$300.



PILGRIMAGE, WAR MOTHERS AND WIDOWS

225 WEST 34TH STREET,

NEW YORK, N. Y.

STATE

... NEW YORK ...

Breese, John H.

**M.**  
 NAME .. Breesa, Mrs. Mabel K. .... HOME ADDRESS .. 324 E. 25th St.,  
 Brooklyn, Kings County

NAME AND ADDRESS OF NEAREST KIN .. Chas. Breese 402-2014 St.  
 NYC

ARRIVAL IN NEW YORK

DATE .. June 20 ..... HOTEL .. Astor ..... ROOM NO. .. 311 .....

DEPARTURE NEW YORK

DATE ... June 21, 1930 ..... VESSEL .. S. S. ROOSEVELT ..... CABIN NO. .. 140C .....

DESTINATION .. CHERBOURG, FRANCE ..... CEMETERY ... MEUSE-ARGONNE .....

RETURN NEW YORK

DATE JUL 20 1930 .....

324 E. 25th St.,  
Brooklyn, N.Y.  
Kings Co.

Mother

NAME Breese, Mrs. Mabel K. .... HOME ADDRESS .....

S/S REPUBLIC

RETURN ON S. S. .... HOTEL ..... ROOM NO. ....

DEPARTURE NEW YORK

DATE .....

ROAD ..... TRAIN ..... CAR ..... BERTH or SEAT .....

REMARKS .....

*Local*

1428

1232

RETURN RECEIPT

Passport 6/21/30

Received from the Postmaster the Registered or Insured Article, the original number of which appears on the face of this Card.

Mrs. Mabel N. Bruce

(Signature or name of addressee.)

(Signature of addressee's agent.)

Date of delivery,

5-29-30

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Deliver to addressee only

**Post Office Department**

**OFFICIAL BUSINESS**

**REGISTERED ARTICLE**

No. 926489

**INSURED PARCEL**

No. \_\_\_\_\_

PENALTY FOR PRIVATE USE TO AVOID PAYMENT OF POSTAGE, \$300



AND DATE 1880

Return to **Q. M. GENERAL**

Street and Number, **MUNITIONS BUILDING** (NAME OF SENDER)  
or Post Office Box, }

Post Office at \_\_\_\_\_

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State Washington, D. C.

WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

Breese, John H. 1232-M  
Roosevelt 6-21

May 10, 1930

Mrs. Mabel K. Breese,  
324 E 25th St.,  
Brooklyn, N. Y.

*Noted*

Dear Madam:

The records of this office show that you have not furnished the name of your Emergency Addressee as requested in letter of instructions from this office.

It is requested that in the blank space below you write the name and address of the person in the United States whom you desire to be notified in case you become seriously ill or other emergency arises while you are making the pilgrimage to Europe authorized by the Act of Congress approved March 2, 1929.

Charles H. Breese

Name

402-410 West 14th St. New York City

Address

Please fill in the above and mail it TODAY in the self-addressed envelope which requires no postage.

For The Quartermaster General,



Very truly yours,

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

Encl.  
Env.

WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C  
Breese, John H. 1232 M

April 12, 1950.

Mrs. Mabel K. Breese,  
324 E. 25th St.,  
Brooklyn, N.Y.

Dear Madam:

The following instructions prepared by the Secretary of State contain the necessary instructions to be followed by you in obtaining the passport or travel document to be utilized in connection with your pilgrimage to the cemeteries in Europe. Please read the directions carefully and call in person upon the nearest Passport Agent or clerk of a Federal or State court having jurisdiction to naturalize aliens. Passport Agencies are located in Boston, Chicago, New Orleans, New York City, San Francisco and Seattle. In large cities there are usually two or more courts and at each county-seat a state court authorized to accept these passport applications.

When you make this call be sure to take with you the four photographs called for in the instructions together with your invitation as a means of identification. You should take with you to the passport office at this time a friend who is an American citizen and who has known you for several years. The passport Agent or clerk of the court will mail your application to the Secretary of State in Washington, D. C., who will issue the passports and travel documents and will deliver them to The Quartermaster General to be held by him until your arrival in New York.

The instructions prepared by the Secretary of State are as follows:

"A mother or widow who owes allegiance to the United States must apply to the Department of State for a Special Pilgrimage Passport through a Passport Agent or through a clerk of a Federal court or State court having jurisdiction to naturalize aliens and on the form prescribed by that Department. When making application, she should be accompanied by a credible witness who is an American citizen and who has known her for a period of two years or more. With her application she should submit four photographs on a light background and on thin paper not more than 3x3 inches in size not less than 2½x2½ inches in size and such documentary

evidence of her American citizenship as she may have in her possession. In the absence of evidence of citizenship, her application should be witnessed by a credible person residing in the same community who is an American citizen, has known her for a long period of time and is able to swear to the best of his or her knowledge and belief that she is a citizen of the United States.

"A mother or widow who does not owe allegiance to the United States must apply to the Department of State for a Pilgrimage Travel Document through a clerk of a Federal court or a State court having jurisdiction to naturalize aliens or through a Passport Agent upon the form of application prescribed for that purpose, entitled APPLICATION FOR A PILGRIMAGE TRAVEL DOCUMENT, issued under the Act of March 2, 1929, submitting therewith four photographs on a light background and on thin paper not more than 3 x 3 inches in size and not less than 2½ x 2½ inches in size. When making application she should be accompanied by a credible witness who has known her for a period of two years or more.

"The Act of March 2, 1929, provides that no fee shall be charged for the execution of an application for a passport or travel document or for the issue of a passport or travel document to a mother or widow making a pilgrimage to the cemeteries of Europe in which deceased soldiers, sailors, and marines of the American forces are now interred.

"Special Pilgrimage Passports and Pilgrimage Travel Documents when issued by the Department of State will be forwarded to the War Department.

"Applicants resident in Boston, Chicago, New Orleans, New York City, San Francisco and Seattle should execute applications at the Passport Agencies in those cities."

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

Roosevelt  
6/21/30  
1232

Breese, John H.

I accept 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 provisions of  
the Act of Congress approved March 2, 1929.

Mrs. Mabel K. Breese

(Name)

324 E. 25th St., Brooklyn, Kings County, N. Y.

(Town or City)

(State)

U. S. GOVERNMENT PRINTING OFFICE. 1929

Mrs. Mabel K. Breese: 324 E. 25th St.  
Brooklyn, N. Y.



WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C  
Breese, John H. 1232 M

October 7, 1929.

Mrs. Mabel K. Breese,  
324 E. 25th St.,  
Brooklyn, N. Y.

Sealed  
JUN 21 1930

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.

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)
	<i>Yes.</i>	
2. Do you desire to make the pilgrimage in the calendar year 1930?	(Yes)	(No)
	<i>Yes.</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 <i>54</i> Health <i>good.</i>	
	(Years)	(Good) (Poor)
5. What language do you speak?	English - <i>Yes.</i> (Yes) (No)	
	Other language (Specify language spoken)	

RECEIVED  
OCT 17 1929  
M & R. DIV.  
Q. Q. M. G.

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

Encl.  
Act  
Envelope

REMOVED TO  
679 HUDSON STREET  
NEAR WEST 14 STREET  
PHONE WATKINS 3345-6797

C. H. BREESE  
BROKER  
PACKING HOUSE PRODUCTS  
PRODUCE EXCHANGE BUILDING  
NO. 2 BROADWAY  
NEW YORK, N. Y.

TELEPHONE  
BOWLING GREEN 0383

July 15 1929

QM 293 A-C  
Breese, John Howard,

Mr. John T. Harris  
Major, Q.M. Corps, assistant,  
Washington D.C.,

Dear Sir:

I am the father of John Howard Breese, who was in  
the service, Sec.580 U.S.Ambulance Service.

Our government has advised us that his remains are  
now interred in the Meuse-Argonne American Cemetery, Romagne-  
sous-Montfaucon, Meuse, France.

My wife, his mother, Mabel K. Breese, will be only  
too glad to accept the opportunity offered by the government  
to visit the grave of her son in France in accordance with the  
act of Congress approved March 2 1929.

Yours very truly,

Charles H. Breese

324 East 25th St.,

Brooklyn N.Y.

*C. H. Breese*



WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

Case, John Howard,

June 29 1929.

*Breese*

Mr. Charles H. Breese,  
324 E. 25th St.,  
Brooklyn, N.Y.

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 Pvt. 1/c John H. Breese, Co. Sec. #580. U.S.Amb. Ser., whose remains are now interred in the Meuse-Argonne American Cemetery, Romagne-sous-Montfaucon, Meuse, France.

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

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

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

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

2 incls.  
Act of Congress.  
Envelope.

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

WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

June 12, 1930.

Breese, John H. 1232 M

Mrs. Mabel K. Breese,  
324 E. 25th St.,  
Brooklyn, N. Y.

Dear Madam:

Somewhat heavier clothing is required to be worn in Europe than is necessary in the United States, in order to be comfortable. During the summer in Europe it is cool during the day and the nights are frequently chilly. Considerable rain is usually encountered during this time.

In order that you may be comfortable at all times, regardless of the condition of the weather, and may avoid missing any of the sights or any part of the itinerary which has been planned for you, the following suggestions are made.

The clothing which you will take with you should be slightly heavier and warmer than you would normally wear in the United States during the summer and should be strong and durable. It is essential that you take with you the necessary equipment to afford protection from the cold and dampness. Be sure to take at least two pairs of comfortable shoes to provide a change in the event your feet become wet, a pair of rubbers, an umbrella, and a sweater or some warm wrap to be used should the weather become uncomfortably cool. It is very desirable that, in addition to the sweater, you have with you a full length coat of medium weight for general wear.

The shortages of suitable facilities for laundry and the frequency of the moves you will make while in Europe will make it impracticable to secure as frequent service of this nature as may be desired. You should therefore provide yourself with sufficient underwear, nightgowns, stockings and handkerchiefs to meet your requirements should it be impossible to have your washing done more frequently than once in two weeks.

If you will read carefully the suggestions made above, and comply with them, it will add greatly to your comfort throughout the trip and will assist the Government in carrying out successfully its plans for conducting the pilgrimage. This letter is being sent to every mother and widow who has accepted the invitation sent to her by the Government to visit the grave of her son or husband.

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

Breese, John H. 1232-H  
Roosevelt 6-21

May 10, 1930

Mrs. Mabel K. Breese,  
334 E 25th St.,  
Brooklyn, N. Y.

Dear Madam:

The records of this office show that you have not furnished the name of your Emergency Addressee as requested in letter of instructions from this office.

It is requested that in the blank space below you write the name and address of the person in the United States whom you desire to be notified in case you become seriously ill or other emergency arises while you are making the pilgrimage to Europe authorized by the Act of Congress approved March 2, 1929.

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Name

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Address

Please fill in the above and mail it TODAY in the self-addressed envelope which requires no postage.

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

Encl.  
Env.

WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

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Breese, John H. 1232M  
Roosevelt 6-21

May 8 1930

Mrs. Label K. Breese,  
324 E. 25th St.,  
Brooklyn, N.Y.

Dear Madam:

Requests for stop-overs on return from the pilgrimage to the American cemeteries in Europe are being received by this office, in some cases, too late to take action. ,

Transportation arrangements for the round-trip are made a month before departure and requests for stop-overs on return must be in this office at that time.

Stop-overs can not be allowed on the trip to New York or in Europe, but may be allowed at any point on return from New York provided there is no additional cost or, if there is, that it is paid in advance by the pilgrim.

If you desire stop-overs at any point on return, please advise this office AT ONCE as to the cities where you desire to stop and we will be glad to arrange accordingly, or advise you if there is any additional cost to be paid by you. Send your request direct to this office and do NOT include it with your passport application.

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

R. E. SHANNON,  
Captain, Q. M. Corps,  
Assistant.

WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C  
Breese, John H. 1232 M

April 12, 1930.

Mrs. Mabel K. Breese,  
324 E. 25th St.,  
Brooklyn, N.Y.

Dear Madam:

The following instructions prepared by the Secretary of State contain the necessary instructions to be followed by you in obtaining the passport or travel document to be utilized in connection with your pilgrimage to the cemeteries in Europe. Please read the directions carefully and call in person upon the nearest Passport Agent or clerk of a Federal or State court having jurisdiction to naturalize aliens. Passport Agencies are located in Boston, Chicago, New Orleans, New York City, San Francisco and Seattle. In large cities there are usually two or more courts and at each county-seat a state court authorized to accept these passport applications.

When you make this call be sure to take with you the four photographs called for in the instructions together with your invitation as a means of identification. You should take with you to the passport office at this time a friend who is an American citizen and who has known you for several years. The passport Agent or clerk of the court will mail your application to the Secretary of State in Washington, D. C., who will issue the passports and travel documents and will deliver them to The Quartermaster General to be held by him until your arrival in New York.

The instructions prepared by the Secretary of State are as follows:

"A mother or widow who owes allegiance to the United States must apply to the Department of State for a Special Pilgrimage Passport through a Passport Agent or through a clerk of a Federal court or State court having jurisdiction to naturalize aliens and on the form prescribed by that Department. When making application, she should be accompanied by a credible witness who is an American citizen and who has known her for a period of two years or more. With her application she should submit four photographs on a light background and on thin paper not more than 3x3 inches in size not less than 2½x2½ inches in size and such documentary

evidence of her American citizenship as she may have in her possession. In the absence of evidence of citizenship, her application should be witnessed by a credible person residing in the same community who is an American citizen, has known her for a long period of time and is able to swear to the best of his or her knowledge and belief that she is a citizen of the United States.

"A mother or widow who does not owe allegiance to the United States must apply to the Department of State for a Pilgrimage Travel Document through a clerk of a Federal court or a State court having jurisdiction to naturalize aliens or through a Passport Agent upon the form of application prescribed for that purpose, entitled APPLICATION FOR A PILGRIMAGE TRAVEL DOCUMENT, issued under the Act of March 2, 1929, submitting therewith four photographs on a light background and on thin paper not more than 3 x 3 inches in size and not less than 2½ x 2½ inches in size. When making application she should be accompanied by a credible witness who has known her for a period of two years or more.

"The Act of March 2, 1929, provides that no fee shall be charged for the execution of an application for a passport or travel document or for the issue of a passport or travel document to a mother or widow making a pilgrimage to the cemeteries of Europe in which deceased soldiers, sailors, and marines of the American forces are now interred.

"Special Pilgrimage Passports and Pilgrimage Travel Documents when issued by the Department of State will be forwarded to the War Department.

"Applicants resident in Boston, Chicago, New Orleans, New York City, San Francisco and Seattle should execute applications at the Passport Agencies in those cities."

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

In reply refer to QM 293 A-C

Breese, John H. 1232-M

March 25, 1930

Mrs. Mabel K. Breese,  
724 E. 25th Street,  
Dear Madam:  
Brooklyn, New York.

This letter, which contains general information regarding the pilgrimage to the cemeteries of Europe, is being sent to each mother and widow who has expressed a desire to make the pilgrimage during the calendar year 1930. The general plan for the conduct of the pilgrimage is shown in the Pilgrimage Regulations, a copy of which is enclosed herewith. In addition to the information shown in the regulations, the following explains in detail some of the most important things connected with the pilgrimage.

Formal invitations are being extended to each mother and widow who has expressed a desire to make the pilgrimage during 1930. In so far as practicable, these invitations are being extended with a view to keeping the women from each state together and the order in which the invitations to the women from the several states are issued is based on a drawing by lot which was held about one month ago. Inclosed with each invitation is a card for acknowledgment and it is quite important that you accept or decline this invitation promptly in order that the necessary railroad, steamship and hotel reservations may be arranged. The government will defray all the necessary expenses of the pilgrimage, including railroad fare, hotel accommodations, steamship fare and all other incidental expenses. It will not provide anything other than the necessary expenses so that you should bring with you such funds as you may desire to use for making small purchases and for other uses distinctly of a personal nature.

Arrangements have been made with the American Railroad Association which assures us the united support and cooperation of all of the railroads in the United States in handling the movement to and from New York City. The local ticket agent will secure your railroad and sleeper ticket and will make the necessary pullman reservations. Before your departure from your home we will mail you a check, sufficient to pay for your meals and other travelling expenses while enroute to New York. Your railroad ticket will provide for a round trip from your home to New York and upon arrival in New York the army officer in charge of the New York office will collect the return trip stub and hold it until your return to New York from Europe.

Upon arrival in New York, you will be met by an army officer

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and escorted to a first class hotel where reservations have been made. The duration of your stay in New York will be from 24 to 48 hours. At the proper time, you will be escorted to the steamship upon which passage has been engaged for Europe. All of the women making this trip will be provided with cabin class accommodations aboard steamers which means that from two to four will be quartered in the same stateroom. If you have any friend that you would like to be quartered with we will endeavor to arrange it if you will communicate with this office.

The ocean voyage will last about 8 days and when the ship docks at Cherbourg, France, each party will be met by officers especially detailed for the purpose and taken in a special train to Paris where first class hotel accommodations have been reserved. The first day in Paris will be a day of rest. On the 2d day, the women of each party will place a wreath on the tomb of the French unknown soldier. In the afternoon there will be a reception in which the French war mothers, government officials, and prominent civilians will participate. The following morning the groups going to the different cemeteries will leave Paris, travelling in motor busses, and proceed to the cemeteries where they will remain for about 7 days. Twenty-five women will be assigned to each bus and an army officer will have charge of the bus. The itineraries to and from the cemeteries and the daily itineraries while at the cemeteries have been varied so as to take in points of historical interest as well as some parts of the battlefields where American troops were engaged. Upon return to Paris, each party will remain for about 5 days and during this time an opportunity will be given to see the points of historical interest in Paris and vicinity. The entire duration of your stay in Europe will be 14 days, and the itineraries have been so arranged that each day will be provided for. Except in case of illness or other unavoidable cause it will not be possible for any woman making the pilgrimage to remain in Europe for a longer period than 14 days nor to leave the party with which she is travelling unless she is prepared to pay all of her expenses after leaving the party since the Act of Congress authorizing the pilgrimage specifically states that the government shall not pay the expenses of any woman who willfully leaves her party.

Upon return to the United States each ship will be met in New York City by army officers who will escort the mothers and widows to the trains which will take them home. Before leaving New York each woman will be provided with her return railroad ticket, a sleeping car ticket and funds to cover the cost of meals and other travelling expenses.

Army officers are being used as guides and escorts throughout this entire movement and care has been taken to select officers who will see that proper care is taken of the women who are entrusted to their charge. Arrangements have been made for taking care of women who may be taken sick during the pilgrimage and also to care for the remains of any who may die and provision has been made for returning the remains of any who may die to their homes. It is essential that each woman making the pilgrimage furnish The Quartermaster General with an emergency address of some relative or friend to be notified in the event of an emergency. Medical care will be provided by civilian agencies. If such care is needed in New York City it will be furnished by the hotel physicians or

by local hospitals. Aboard ship, medical care will be provided by the ship's doctors and in Paris arrangements have been made with the American Hospital for the hospitalization and treatment of any women who may need it. In addition to this, six doctors of the regular army will be on duty throughout the pilgrimage.

Baggage will be limited to not to exceed two pieces of hand baggage and the articles taken should be such as will be required for a trip of about one month. Laundry service can be obtained in New York and Paris. Since the climate of Europe is much colder than that of the United States, each woman should provide herself with sufficient warm clothing to stand the motor bus trip and the visit to the cemeteries.

Since it is necessary for this office to make all reservations for your accommodations throughout this pilgrimage, it will be greatly appreciated if you will make prompt reply to any communications received from this office.

For The Quartermaster General:

Very truly yours,

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

1 Enclosure.  
Regulation.

WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C  
Breese, John H. 1252 M

October 7, 1929.

Mrs. Mabel K. Breese,  
324 E. 25th St.,  
Brooklyn, N. Y.

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.

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  
Breese, John Howard,

June 29 1929.

Mr. Charles H. Breese,  
324 E. 25th St.,  
Brooklyn, N.Y.

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 Pvt. 1/c John H. Breese, Co. Sec. #580, U.S. Amb. Ser., whose remains are now interred in the Meuse-Argonne American Cemetery, Romagne-sous-Montfaucon, Meuse, France.

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

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

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

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

2 incls.  
Act of Congress.  
Envelope.

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

In reply refer to:  
293 C-R

7790

May 8, 1923.

Mr. Charles H. Breece,  
324 E. 25th St.,  
Brooklyn, N.Y.

Dear Sir:

The Quartermaster General desires that you be informed that the permanent grave of Pvt. 1/cl. John Howard Breece, Co. Sec. 580 U.S. Amb. Serv., is No. 35, Row 36, Block D, Meuse-Argonne American cemetery, Romagne-sous-Montfaucon (Meuse) France.

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

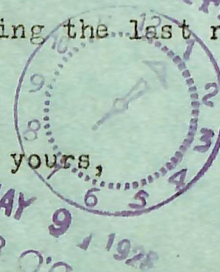
In effecting removal, the utmost care and reverence were exacted and more than willingly accorded by those performing this sacred duty. The grave of the deceased will be perpetually maintained by this Government in a manner befitting the last resting place of our heroes.

Very truly yours,

H. J. Conner,  
Assistant.

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23/236/ARK



Breese  
(Surname.)

John Howard  
(Christian name in full.)

8,958  
(Army serial number.)

Pvt 1st Cl Section 580 US Amb Service  
(Rank and organization.)

State your relationship to the deceased Mother

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? } No.  
(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. Mabel K Breese

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

324 E. 25th St. Brooklyn 4 N.Y.

Read carefully the letter accompanying this card.

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Bill  
in  
Library

Drawn by - b80e

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1-20-21

# REPORT OF DISINTERMENT AND REBURIAL

Place La Chapelle, Marne

Date Sept 24-21

1. REMAINS OF Breese John Howard SERIAL NUMBER 8958

RANK Pvt. 1st Cl. ORGANIZATION Sec. 580 U.S. Amb. Ser.

2. Disinterred (date) : Sept 24-21 From (give complete location) : Gr. 822 Com 540

By : Group 4 Unit P.S.3.

3. Reburied (date) : Oct. 11, 1921, Meuse Argonne Cem. 1232, Row 36 Bl. D. Gr. 35.

By : Group Reburial Sec. Unit  Nature of reburial unlined casket

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

Wooden box

Badly decomposed recognition impossible.

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

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

Strip on back of cross reads John H. Breese

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

(a) Height (actual measurement) Impossible to determine

(b) Weight (estimated) Impossible to determine

(c) Hair—Color Impossible to determine

Quantity Small

Characteristics Two inches long medium

(d) Hair on face—Color Impossible to determine

Location Impossible to determine

Quantity Impossible to determine

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

missing parts) Impossible to determine

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

Right and left femur at junction of knee right fibia and tibia

Fractured.

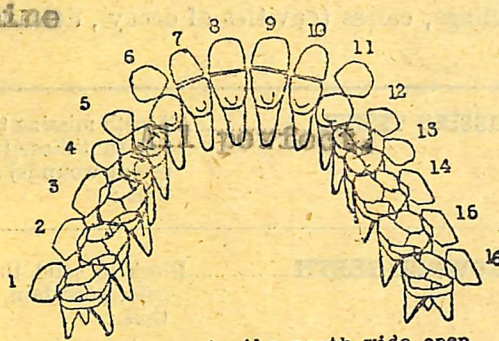
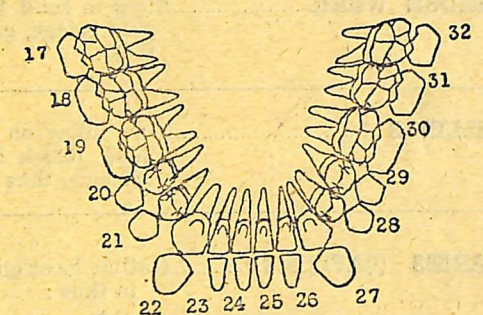


Diagram represents the mouth wide open.



17 and 32 Not cut.

7. Disinterment supervised by W. Logan Approved: C. Allendon Capt MC

(Title)






8. Reburial supervised by W. B. SHEILD Approved: JAMES W. YOUNGER

(Title) CAPT. MC.

**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.

<p><b>MISSING TEETH</b>.....All teeth missing through previous extraction (not those fractured or displaced by recent wounds) should be scratched out, thus :</p>	
<p><b>CROWNED TEETH</b>.....Block in solid the crown of tooth (label gold, porcelain, or gold and porcelain), thus :</p>	
<p><b>BRIDGE WORK</b>.....Block in solid the crown of tooth (label gold bridge, gold and porcelain bridge), thus :</p>	
<p><b>FILLINGS</b>.....Draw filling on tooth accurately as possible (block in and label gold, silver, cement), thus :</p>	
<p><b>CARIES (CAVITIES)</b>.....Outline location and size of cavity, shade in thus :</p>	
<p><b>DENTURES (PLATES)</b>.....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.



To be prepared in triplicate.

DATE Sept 24-21

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 BREESSE, John Howard  
 2. No. 8958  
 3. Rank Pvt. 1st cl.  
 4. Org. Sec. 580 U.S. Amb. Serv.  
 5. D.D. 7-30-18  
 6. C.D. D.O.W.

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

Discrepancy found upon disinterment

7. Grave No. 822 Sec. \_\_\_\_\_  
 8. Plot \_\_\_\_\_ Row \_\_\_\_\_  
 9. \_\_\_\_\_

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

18. Cemetery French Mil. Cty.  
 20. Dept. or County Marne  
 22. G.R.S. Hdqrs. Code No. 4540

19. Commune or town La Chapelle  
 21. Country France

23. Disinterred (Date) Sept 24-21

By W. J. Logan

24. Inscription on grave marker:

Name John H. Breesse  
 Rank Pvt. 1st cl.

Serial No. \_\_\_\_\_  
 Organization Sec. 580 U.S. Amb. Serv.

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

Raymond J. Philibert  
 Signature Junior Technical Assistant

PREPARATION

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

27. Condition of body Badly decomposed recognition impossible

28. Nature of burial Wooden 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 Sept 24-21 By W. J. Logan

31. Casket sealed by W. J. Logan

Signature of Embalmer, (Supervisor) W. J. Logan

SHIPMENT. (Show actual marking of box.)

Box No.

0-9391



32. Designation of body:

Name BREESE, John H.

Serial No. 8958

R nk Pvt.

Organization Sec. 560 U.S. Amb. Serv.

1st cl.

33. Consigned to: Officer in Charge Operations,

Meuse-Argonne Amer. Cty. Romagne/s/Montfaucon 1232

Name of Permanent Cemetery

34. Casket boxed and marked (Date) Sept 24-21

By W. J. Logan

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 J. P. Glandon Capt. QMC.

36. Remarks

37. Shipped from point of Operation: (Date) Sept 24-21

To point of Concentration Romagne sous Montfaucon Meuse.

(Name)

Convoyer James Flynn

Signature Shipping Officer

J. P. Glandon Capt QMC.

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

(Name)

Convoyer

Signature Shipping Officer

40. Received: Date Sept 29, 1921

G.R.S. Representative Alfred M. Moigne

41. Reinterred Meuse Argonne Cem. 1232, Oct, 11, 1921.

(Date)

42. Grave No. Row 36 Bl. D. Gr. 35.

Section

43. Plot Row

G.R.S. Representative

James W. Younger  
JAMES W. YOUNGER  
CAPT. QMC.

COMPILATION OF DISPOSITION OF REMAINS DATA

File #7290

I. LOCATION INDEX CARD:

(a) Name BREESE, John H. <sup>(ok a 210)</sup> <sup>e. r. - 10-1-21 5706</sup> Howard Ser. No. 8958 <sup>(ok a. 9.0)</sup>  
(b) Rank Pvt. 1/c Organization Sect. 580, U.S. AAS <sup>amb. Service</sup>  
(c) Date of death 7/30/18 (d) Cause of death Shrapnel wounds both legs.

TYP. EVS  
CKR. B. J.

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

(a) Grave No. 822 Row - Plot French Sec. - TYP. EVS  
(b) Emerg. Address Mr. Charles H. Breese (Father) 324 E. 25th St., Brooklyn, New York.

III. Files of soldiers dying from contagious diseases

CKR. B. J.

IV. A. G. O. DISPOSITION CARD:

Date of receipt

(a) Name Mrs. Mabel K. Breese (b) Relationship mother  
(c) Address 324 E. 25th St., Brooklyn, N.Y.  
(d) Remains to be brought to U. S.? no  
(e) To be interred in National Cemetery in U. S. at  
(f) Shipping instructions upon arrival of body in U. S.  
(g) Disposition instructions if not brought to U. S.

Examiner's Initials BBR Date 1-20-1920

V. A. G. O. CORRESPONDENCE shows communication from

dated confirming request in Par. IV., item no correspondence, above, or requesting that

Examiner's Initials BBR Date 1-20-1920

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

Let 12/14/18  
Mrs. Chas. Breese (mother) 324 E. 25th St. Brooklyn, N.Y. Requests photograph of grave.

(a) Cancellation memos referred to? Yes B. J.  
Examiner's Initials B. J. Date 1/21, 1920

COUNTRY FRANCE CEMETERY No. 540 SHEET No. 15

FEB 17 1921

FORM 115 - A COMPLETED

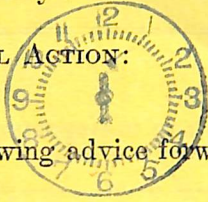
EXHUMED FOR CONCENTRATION in New Argonne # 1232

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

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

MEMORIAL DIVISION

VIII. FINAL ACTION:



Following advice forwarded to Europe by { cable on \_\_\_\_\_, 1920  
letter on **JAN 27 1921**, 1920

~~File 21 1921~~  
Par. #2, Not To Be Returned

*EW*

IX. CORRECTIONS

CHANGE OF ADVICE.	ACTION TAKEN.
Desires body be _____	
Body to be shipped to _____	

X. SUSPENSION REMARKS: March 5-21-F. #120-Mr. Charles H. Breese, 324 E. 25th St., Brooklyn, N.Y., father n.k. wishes remains left in Europe. *near Chateau Thierry preferred.*

*Letter 4/21/21 Inf. advises father - that concentration into permanent city is based on geographical location of said city and in accordance with present policy the remains will be removed to the Argonne Amer city about 80 miles from Chateau Thierry. M.P. 4/28/21*

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DISCONTINUED

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Rank \_\_\_\_\_

Serial No. \_\_\_\_\_

Name .....

Rank .....

Serial No. ....

Org. ....

Remarks:

*Rice - 1-20-21*

A. G. O. Card & Corr. ....

Discrepancies

Name ✓ .....

Rank .....

Serial No. ....

Org. ✓ .....

Remarks:

G. R. S. Corr. ....

Discrepancies

Name .....

Rank .....

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Rank .....

Serial No. ....

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Remarks:

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April 21, 1921.

293.3 Cem. File #7290 (Breese, John Howard Pvt.1/cl.)

The Quartermaster General, U. S. Army, (Cemeterial Division)

Mr. Charles H. Breese, 324 E. 25th Street, Brooklyn, N. Y.

Private 1st Class John Howard Breese.

1. In reply to your notation on G. R. S. Form No.120, you are advised that a decision has been made and approved by the Quartermaster General and the Secretary of War that concentrations into permanent cemeteries in Europe shall be effected in accordance with a prearranged plan based on geographical location of the present cemeteries in relation to the permanent cemetery. In accordance with this policy the remains of your son, the late Private 1st Class John Howard Breese, Company Section No.580, United States Ambulance Service, will be transferred to the Argonne American Cemetery at Romagne-sous-Montfaucon, Department of Meuse, where the grave will be perpetually cared for by the United States Government. This cemetery is approximately eighty miles from Chateau Thierry.

2. Upon the reburial of the remains of your son you will be advised of the new grave location.

By authority of the Quartermaster General:

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CHARLES J. WYNNE,  
Captain, Q. M. C. bpa

NOTED ON HIS  
M. R. 4/28/21

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Cemeterial Division  
Overseas Project S. B. Section

April 14, 1921.

File No. 29E.8 Com.Div.Cor.Br.

MEMORANDUM FOR: Chief, Cemeterial Division, O.Q.M.G.,  
Washington, D. C.

SUBJECT: Return of Record - Cemetery #540.  
Transmittal Memorandum Number H - 2170.

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

2. No reply has been made by this office to father's request on Form 120 that son be buried near Chatou Thierry.

REFERENCE NO:

15 Breese, John H., Private First Class, Serial  
Number 8958, Section 580, U.S. Ambulance  
Service.

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

BY:

*FL*  
F. C. PALLAS,  
Executive Assistant.

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April 14, 1921.

File No. 222.8 Col. Div. Cor. Br.

MEMORANDUM FOR: Chief, Cemeterial Division, O.C.M.G., Washington, D. C.

SUBJECT: Return of Record - Cemetery #240. Transmittal Memorandum Number H - 2170.

- 1. The records pertaining to the following case are retained herewith, it having been definitely determined that the body is to remain in Europe.
- 2. No reply has been made by this office to father's request on Form 130 that son be buried near Orléans, France.

REFERENCE NO:

15 Bressé, John H., Private First Class, Serial Number 8956, Section 880, U.S. Ambulance Service.

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

BY:

F. O. BALLEW, Executive Assistant.

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G. H. S.



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WAR DEPARTMENT

OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL OF THE ARMY

CEMETERIAL DIVISION

WASHINGTON

HO BOKEN, N. J.

FEB 26 1921

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

To: Mr. Charles H. Breese, 324 E. 25th St., Brooklyn, N.Y.

SUBJECT: Remains of Pvt. 1/Cl. John H. Breese, Ser. No. 8958, Sect. 580, U.S. Amb. Service.

Mrs. Mabel K. Breese (mother) has  
 The records of this office show that you have requested that the body of the above-named soldier  
 remain in France.

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.

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

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? no

NAME OF—	NO. AND STREET.	TOWN.	STATE.
Soldier's widow			
Soldier's children. { 1			
(Name oldest first.) { 2			
{ 3			
Father <u>Chas H Breese</u>	<u>324 East 25 St</u>	<u>Brooklyn</u>	<u>N.Y.</u>
Mother <u>Mabel K Breese</u>	<u>" " " "</u>	<u>" "</u>	<u>" "</u>
Brothers. { 1			
(Name oldest first.) { 2			
{ 3			
Sisters. { 1 <u>Mildred A. Breese</u>	<u>324 East 25 St</u>	<u>Brooklyn</u>	<u>N.Y.</u>
(Name oldest first.) { 2 <u>Ruth E Breese</u>	<u>" " " "</u>	<u>" "</u>	<u>" "</u>
{ 3 <u>Miniam J Breese</u>	<u>" " " "</u>	<u>" "</u>	<u>" "</u>

Date March 5<sup>th</sup> 1921

Signature Chas H Breese

Address 324 East 25 St  
Brooklyn

Relationship Father

I, the undersigned, am the Father 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.)

1. As stated on first page of this sheet.

2. ~~To be returned to the U. S. and shipped to~~ \_\_\_\_\_  
(Name.)

(R. R. station.)

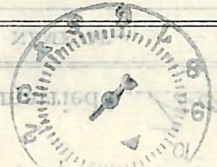
(State.)

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.

*near Chateau Thierry preferred*

Signature Chas H Owen



**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.

COMPILATION OF DISPOSITION OF REMAINS DATA

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 EXHUMED FOR CONCENTRATION  
 in Mouse Camp #1202

Fib #7290

I. LOCATION INDEX CARD:

(a) Name *BREESER, John Howard* Ser. No. *8258*  
 (b) Rank *Pvt. 1/c* Organization *Sect. 580, U.S. AAS* TYP. *EVS*  
 (c) Date of death *7/30/18* Cause of death *Shrapnel wounds both legs.*

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

(a) Grave No. *822* Row *-* Plot *French* Sect. *-* TYP. *EVS*  
 (b) Emerg. Address *Mr. Charles H. Breese (Father) 324 E. 25th St., Brooklyn, New York.*

III. Files of soldiers dying from contagious diseases. CKR

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

*AG Card - Mrs. Mabel K. Breese (mother) 324 E. 25th St., Brooklyn, N.Y. requests body not returned to U.S.*

V. Following advice forwarded to Europe by - (cable on *192*)  
 (letter of transmittal on *JAN 27 1921*)

Par. #2, Not To Be Returned

*EW*

VI. Form 115 forwarded to G.R.S. Hoboken, N.J. *FEB 19 1921* 192

VII. SUPPLEMENTARY REQUESTS

Date of and Source	Relationship and name	Desires	Action taken

VIII. Form 115 received from G.R.S. Hoboken, N.J. *4-19* 192

FEB 17 1921 *7.2*

2nd. Ind.

Statistical Officer, Hq. USAAS, 18 Aug. 1918, To: Central  
Records Office, AGD, APO 717

1. Forwarded.

M.E. McCosh, 2nd. Lt.  
Statistical Officer,

By

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(Attach this end.)

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C.C. Rep to Wash

8/7/18

Statistical Officer, Hq. USAAS, 18 Aug. 1918, To: Central  
Records Office, AGD, APO 717

1. Forwarded.

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M.E. McCosh, 2nd. Lt.  
Statistical Officer,

By

SEP 1918

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From

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No. 107050

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7290  
Soldier's No

Name : Breese, John H.

Rank : Co Section 580 U.S.A., A.S.

Died :

Buried : July 30, 1918 .

Cemetery : Military of Camp LaFayette .

Commune of la Chapelle .

Grave No 822 Plot No . *very sketch - No 14*

( Buried in French section of cemetery )

How marked ? Cross, aluminum Plate attcd.

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

Map reference : Map 50 N.E. 256.8 N.,  
262.1 E.

Name of chaplain or burial officer .  
Buried by the French .

Signed- *Epl E. Hyde L. Stingers*  
Group One Unit "B" G.R.S.

*Robb 129*



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LOCATION OF THE GRAVE OF

Breese

8958

John H.

(Surname.)

(Number.)

(First Name and Initials.)

Pvt 1cl

Section 580, U.S.A.A.S.

(Rank.)

(Organization.)

DATE OF BURIAL. July 31, 1918, 3:00 P.M.

PLACE OF BURIAL. Military cemetery of Mount

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

Frenet Hospital, (French). East of main Chalons - Suippes road and 500 metres north of road leading east to la Cheppe. Department of the Marne (arrondissement of Chalons-sur-Marne).

GRAVE NUMBER. 822

HOW MARKED: Name Peg? No. Cross? Yes

Headboard? No. Bottle? Yes

IDENTIFICATION TAGS:

Was one buried with body? Yes

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

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

REPORTED BY:

*J. W. Seymour* 1st Lt., U.S.A.A.S.  
(Signature and Rank of Reporting Officer.)

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

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Breese

8958

John H.

(Surname.)

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REPORTED BY:

James W. Seymour 1st Lt. U.S.A.A.S.  
(Signature and Rank of Reporting Officer.)

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

Name **BREESE**..... **John H.**.....

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Rank..... **Pvt**..... Co. **S.S. U.580** {Corps  
Regt.}..... **U.S.A.S.**.....

Date of Death..... **7-30-18**.....

Place.....

Cause.....

Date of Burial.....

Grave No. **822**.....

Cemetery **Mont Frenet Hosp. Cem.**.....

Identified by { Tag  
Papers  
Clothing }..... **Headboard.**.....

List of Effects..... **SK #2**.....

Field Record Made by..... *Robert Lee S. M. L.*.....

Company..... *D*....., Graves Registration Service

For additional data use reverse side

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April 21, 1921.

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293.8 Com. File #7290 (Breese, John Howard Pvt.1/cl.)

The Quartermaster General, U. S. Army, (Cemeterial Division)

Mr. Charles H. Breese, 324 E. 25th Street, Brooklyn, N. Y.

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Private 1st Class John Howard Breese.

1. In reply to your notation on G. R. S. Form No.120, you are advised that a decision has been made and approved by the Quartermaster General and the Secretary of War that concentrations into permanent cemeteries in Europe shall be effected in accordance with a prearranged plan based on geographical location of the present cemeteries in relation to the permanent cemetery. In accordance with this policy the remains of your son, the late Private 1st Class John Howard Breese, Company Section No.580, United States Ambulance Service, will be transferred to the Argonne American Cemetery at Romagne-sous-Montfaucon, Department of Meuse, where the grave will be perpetually cared for by the United States Government. This cemetery is approximately eighty miles from Chateau Thierry.

2. Upon the reburial of the remains of your son you will be advised of the new grave location.

By authority of the Quartermaster General:

CHARLES J. WYNNE,  
Captain, Q. M. C.

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**G.R.S.**

**APR 22 1921**

Cemeterial Division  
Overseas Project Sub-Section

*NOTED ON HIS*  
*M. P. 4/22/21*  
*Yellow copy filed in O.S.P.*  
*Form #120 filed in O.S.P.*

WAR DEPARTMENT  
QUARTERMASTER CORPS  
GRAVES REGISTRATION SERVICE  
PIER 2, HOBOKEN, N. J.

April 14, 1921.

File No. 293.8 Cem.Div.Cor.Br.

MEMORANDUM FOR: Chief, Cemeterial Division, O.Q.M.G.,  
Washington, D. C.

SUBJECT: Return of Record - Cemetery #540.  
Transmittal Memorandum Number H - 2170.

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

2. No reply has been made by this office to father's request on Form 120 that son be buried near Chateau Thierry.

REFERENCE NO:

15 Breese, John H., Private First Class, Serial Number 8958, Section 580, U.S. Ambulance Service.

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

BY:

*F. C. Pallas*  
F. C. PALLAS,  
Executive Assistant.

1 Incl.

Recorded, Cemeterial Div., O. Q. M. G.  
File # 293.8 - 7290

Breese, John H.

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QUARTERMASTER CORPS  
GRAVES REGISTRATION SERVICE  
PIER 2, HOBOKEN, N. J.

April 19, 1921

File No. 122.8 Gen. Inv. Div. 12.

MEMORANDUM FOR: Chief, General Staff, G.O.C. & C...  
Washington, D. C.

REMARKS: Return of Record - Cemetery 4840.  
Statistical Record - Cemetery 4840 - 2170.

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

2. No reply has been made by this office to father's request on form 120 that son be buried near Chateau Thierry.

REMARKS:

1. Private First Class, Serial Number 4329, Station 884, U.S. Ambulance Service.

W. B. ...  
Chief, Graves Registration Service

APR 19 1921  
G. R. S.



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Breese, John H. 8958

Sec 580 U.S. A.S. Pat 1st

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John  
Breese, Howard # files  
# 7290 file

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Name appears on



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For further data see Casualty Files

WAR DEPARTMENT  
Office of the Quartermaster General of the  
Washington

FROM: O. Q. M. G.  
CEMETERIAL DIVISION  
Munitions Building  
Room 1128

PLEASE  
EXPEDITE

G.R.S. Form 8-W-A-0  
Information requested of A.G.O.

Date 1-21-21

File No. *Adjustment Made* Registration.

From: The Quartermaster General, U. S. Army, (Cemeterial Division)

To: The Adjutant General of the Army, 6th & B Sts., N.W., Washington, D.C.

Subject: Information required for G.R.S.

1. It is requested that the items checked below be completed, Request confirmation of all information shown.

- a. Surname **Breese**, *O.K.*
- b. Christian name **John H.** *O.K.*  
(~~John Howard~~)
- c. Serial Number **8,958** *O.K.*
- d. Organization **Sect. 580 U.S. AAS**  
or (**Sect. 580 US Amb. Service**) *O.K.*
- e. Rank **Pvt. 1 cl.** *O.K.*
- f. Date of death **7-30-18** *O.K.*
- g. Cause of death **shrapnel**  
**wounds both legs** *O.K.*
- h. Authority (C.O.#)
- i. Emergency address
- j. Relationship

BODY DESCRIPTION  
(See page #2 of the Service Record)

DENTAL CHARTS  
(See Physical report of examination prior to enlistment)

- a. Age of enlistment
- b. Color of eyes
- c. Color of hair
- d. Height
- e. Weight
- f. Permanent marks and physical defects at enlistment (Old fractures or breaks)

**FILE**

- a. Strike out teeth missing
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upper right upper left
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lower right lower left

*Donnelly (K.C. 701)  
Para Sect. 1/25/21  
Wg. 8.*

*SM*

CW

H. D. ROGERS,  
Quartermaster General, U.S.A.

BY: *H. J. Conner*

H. J. CONNER,  
1st. Lieut., Q.M.C.

CEMETERY NO: 540

SHEET NO: 15  
TYPED BY: egp

S/713/LML

*Rec'd World War Div.  
Date... 24 1921*

Rec'd S & S Div., A.G.O.

JAN 24 1921 6

*W. K. 8*

WAR DEPARTMENT  
Office of the Quartermaster General of the Army  
Washington

G.R.S. Form 8-W-A-C  
Information requested of A.G.C.

Date 1-21-21

File No. *72990* Requisition.

From: The Quartermaster General, U. S. Army, (Cemeterial Division)

To: The Adjutant General of the Army, 6th & B Sts., N.W., Washington, D.C.

Subject: Information required for G.R.S.

**Adjustment Made**  
**FEB 23 1921**  
**File No. 72990**

1. It is requested that the items checked below be completed, Request confirmation of all information shown.

- a. Surname **Breese, O.K.**
- b. Christian name **John H. O.K. or (John Howard)**
- c. Serial Number **8,958 O.K.**
- d. Organization **Sect. 580 U.S. AAS or (Sect. 580 US Amb. Service) O.K.**
- e. Rank **Pvt. 1 cl. O.K.**
- f. Date of death **7-30-18 O.K.**
- g. Cause of death **shrapnel wounds both legs O.K.**
- h. Authority (C.O.#)
- i. Emergency address
- j. Relationship

BODY DESCRIPTION  
(See page #2 of the Service Record)

DENTAL CHARTS  
(See Physical report of examination prior to enlistment)

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**FILE**

*Donnelly (K.C. 711)  
Per Sect. 1/25/21  
Wg. 8.*

*SM*

CW

H. L. ROGERS,  
Quartermaster General, U.S.A.

BY: *H. J. Conner*  
H. J. CONNER,  
1st. Lieut., Q.M.C.

CEMETERY NO: 540

SHEET NO: 15  
TYPED BY: egp

S/713/LML

*Rec'd World War Div.  
Date... July 24 1921*

*Rec'd S & S Div., A.G.C.*

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Classification

Adjustment

CEMETERIAL DIVISION  
GRAVES REGISTRATION SERVICE  
REGISTRATION SECTION

File # 7290

MEMORANDUM:

Date 8-11-20

To: Registration Files Sub-Section

Subject: Adjustments made on Registration Files

1. Changes as checked have been made in the Registration Files which will necessitate a corresponding change in the Classification Files.

	CORP.	ADD. DATA		CORP.	ADD. DATA
File Number <u>5X8</u>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		Date of Burial		
Name			Date of Reburial		
Serial Number			Burial Information		
Rank			Nearest Relative		
Organization			Notified Nearest Relative		
Cause of Death			<u>White</u> Blue Card thrown out <u>4X6</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
Date of Death			White Card set up		
Casualty Cablgram Number					

O.K. Alphabetical Files N.E.S. 8-17-20

O.K. Organization Files \_\_\_\_\_

O.K. State Files \_\_\_\_\_

Cemetery Audit Department  
Investigation & Adjustment Dept.

By Helmut Myers

3 Cards attached.

Address Reply To  
QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
DIRECTOR OF PURCHASE & STORAGE  
Munitions Building

WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
DIRECTOR OF PURCHASE AND STORAGE  
WASHINGTON

FROM: ~~██████████~~ C. Q. M. G.  
CEMETERIAL DIVISION  
Munitions Building  
Room 112-3

PLEASE  
EXPEDITE

G.R. S. Form 8-W-A  
Information requested of A.G.O.

~~107030~~

Cty. 540

Date 7-1

File No. Registration.

7290

From: The Quartermaster General, U. S. Army, (Cemeterial Division).

To: The Adjutant General of the Army, 6th & B Sts., N.W., Washington, D.C.

Subject: Information required for G.R.S.

1. It is requested that the items checked below be completed. Request confirmation of all information shown.

- a. Surname Bresse, Bresse ✓
- b. Christian name John H.
- c. Serial number 8,958 ✓
- d. Organization Sec. 580, 45 AAS <sup>u.S.</sup>
- e. Rank Pvt. 1st Class
- f. Date of death July 30, 1918
- g. Cause of death shrapnel wounds (both legs) ✓
- h. Authority (C.C.#) C 214 ✓
- i. Emergency address Charles H Bresse ✓
- j. Relationship (Father) Brooklyn N.Y. ✓

BODY DESCRIPTION

(See page #2 of the Service Record)

- a. Age at Enlistment
- b. Color of Eyes
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H. L. ROGERS,  
Quartermaster General, U.S.A.,  
Director of Purchase & Storage.

Donnelly - S&H - enl Packer  
May 8 - 7/12/20

By:  
Rec'd World War Div.  
Date 7-1-20

H. J. CONNER,  
Captain, Q.M.C.

Address Reply To  
QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
DIRECTOR OF PURCHASE & STORAGE  
Munitions Building

WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
DIRECTOR OF PURCHASE AND STORAGE  
WASHINGTON

G.R. S. Form 8-W-A

Information requested of A.G.O.

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Cty. 540

Date 7-10-20

File No. Registration.

7290

From: The Quartermaster General, U. S. Army, (Cemeterial Division).

To: The Adjutant General of the Army, 6th & B Sts., N.W., Washington, D.C.

Subject: Information required for G.R.S.

1. It is requested that the items checked below be completed. Request confirmation of all information shown.

- a. Surname Bresse, Bresse ✓
- b. Christian name John H.
- c. Serial number 8,958 ✓
- d. Organization Sec. 580, <sup>u.S</sup> 45 AAS
- e. Rank Pvt. 1st class
- f. Date of death July 30, 1918
- g. Cause of death shrapnel wounds (both legs)
- h. Authority (C.C.#) C 214
- i. Emergency address Charles H Bresse 324 E 23 St. N.Y.
- j. Relationship (father) Brooklyn N.Y.

BODY DESCRIPTION

(See page #2 of the Service Record)

- a. Age at Enlistment
- b. Color of Eyes
- c. Color of Hair
- d. Height
- e. Weight
- f. Permanent marks and physical defects at enlistment. (Old fractures or breaks)

DENTAL CHART

(See Physical report of examination prior to enlistment)

a. Strike out teeth missing

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~~Kept five  
photos~~

304 E. 25th St.

Brooklyn N.Y.

7170

Lieut. Colonel, Charles C. Pierce

Dear Sir,  
Wash. advised

Your letter giving place of burial of my son John H. Brees Section 580. U.S. Army Service who died July 30, buried in Military Cemetery No. 115-B has been received.

I am asking that a photograph

be taken of the grave  
through your service  
for this work.

Please accept our  
thankful appreciation  
for the efforts which  
will be made to grant  
our request.

Address.

Mrs. Chas. Breese

324 E. 20th St.

Brooklyn.

N. Y.

Dec. 14, '18

Reference:  
ENQ-8-B

Hdqrs. Graves Registration Service  
Quartermaster Corps,  
American Expeditionary Forces,

November 27, 1918

*File # 7290*

FROM: Chief, Graves Registration Service, American E. F.  
TO: Home Communication Section, American Red Cross, Paris  
SUBJECT: John H. Breese, Sec. 580, U.S. Ambulance Service

Reference your 1141, dated 24th ult. According to the records here the above mentioned soldier is buried in the Mt. Frenet Hospital Cemetery, Cuperly, Marne.

This information is furnished for the official use of the American Red Cross and may not be communicated to the public.

By direction

CHARLES C. PIERCE  
Lieut.-Colonel, R.M.C., A.E.F.

per

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

*File 1141*  
MBD-mf

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AMERICAN RED CROSS

Ref. 1141  
INTER-OFFICE LETTER

*From* Home Communication Section,

*Date* Oct. 24, 1918.

*To* M. B. Dix, Capt. A.R.C., Grave Reg. Bureau, A.P.O. 717,

*Subject* Pvt. John H. Breese, Sec. 580, U.S. Ambulance Service.

Casualty cable #214 reports the above man died from wounds received in action July 30th. Is it possible for you to give us the Hospital in which he died, and particulars as to his death and burial?

EM/sbf.

Home Communication Section of the  
Bureau of Home & Hospital Service.

#115-B

Mr. Frenet Hosp Cem -

Superly

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7290

9 Aug., 18.

From: Statistical Section, Hq. USAAS,  
To: C.O., SSV 580, USAAS.  
Subject: Grave Location.

1. Request that Grave Location Blank be filled out and forwarded, in duplicate, through this office, for Breese, 8958, John H., Pvt: 1 Cl. your section.

M. E. McCosh,  
2nd Lt. SD, AGD, NA.,

By

A. F. C.

1st Ind.

S.S.U. 580, Convois Automobiles, par B.C.M., A.E.F., France, August 13, 1918. To Statistical Officer, Hq. USAAS.

1. A Grave Location Blank for the above man has been sent to the Chief of Graves Registration Service and also one to the Adjutant General's Office. Through error the one for the Adjutant General was forwarded direct.

2. A third copy is enclosed for your information.

1 enc.

RECEIVED  
CENTRAL RECORDS OFFICE  
22 AOUT 1918

*J. W. D. Seymour*  
James W. D. Seymour  
1st Lt. USAAS Comdg.

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18 AOUT 1918  
STATISTICAL SECTION A.G.D.  
U.S. AMBULANCE SERVICE

21 SEP 1918