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APR 27 1926

DATE 12/13/21

1. <sup>rem</sup> NAME BRIDGES, Avery SERIAL No. 1891015

RANK Pvt. ORGANIZATION Co. C. 165th Inf.

GRAVE LOCATION Meuse-Argonne Amer.Cty. Romagne-sous-Montfaucon, Meuse. 1232 - 36

CTY. NAME NUMBER

182 Sec.36. 4  
GRAVE ROW PLOT

2. ORIGINAL BATTLE AREA GRAVE LOCATION 39 Landres et St Georges  
GRAVE COMMUNE (Ardenne).

COORDINATES 35NE 285.7N 301.4E.

CONCENTRATED TO 4.26.19. 182 36 4.  
DATE GRAVE ROW PLOT

Meuse Argonne 1232.

CEMETERY CTY. NUMBER

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

DATE OF DEATH

Oct 15 - 1918

STATE FROM WHICH HE CAME

Tag on cross and body.

MEDALS OR DECORATIONS AWARDED

Subsequent Reburials

hb DATE GRAVE ROW PLOT CEMETERY

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Signature: J. W. B. BIRDSEYE  
1st Lt., Q.M. Corps, U.S. Army

SIGNATURE, AREA SUPERVISOR

3. FINAL GRAVE LOCATION 12/13/21 13 31 C  
DATE GRAVE ROW Block

Meuse-Argonne Amer.Cty. #1232 - Romagne-sous-Montfaucon (Meuse)

The Adjutant General, CEMETERY

By

MAY 1 - 1928

APR 30 1926

WORLD WAR DIV.

AUDITED BY  
1024-4-43

RECEIVED  
GRAVES REGISTRATION  
JUL 17 1922

# INSTRUCTIONS FOR PREPARATION OF FORM 114 B

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

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

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

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

Received  
MAY 5 28  
M & R BRANCH  
O.Q.M.G.

DP 118 cc 444. Receipt buried, date  
cause to be determined

# GRAVE LOCATION BLANK

LOCATION OF THE GRAVE OF *at 2/7*

*RPO*  
Bridges, 1891015, Avery  
(Surname). (Number). (First Name and Initials).

Co. G, 165th Inf.  
(Rank). (Organization).

PLACE OF DEATH: Battlefield

CAUSE OF DEATH:

DATE OF BURIAL: Oct. 16/18

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

S. of Sommerance-Landres Rd. 10Yd.  
from Rd. Coord. 301.5-286.2

GRAVE NUMBER:

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? **Yes**

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

NEAREST RELATIVE:

ADDRESS:

RELATIONSHIP:

REPORTED BY:

F. P. Duffy, Chaplain, 165th Inf.  
(Signature and Rank of Reporting Officer).

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

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**GRAVE LOCATION BLANK**

LOCATION OF THE GRAVE OF

Bridges 1891015 Avery  
(Surname) (Number) (First Name and Initials).  
Pvt. Co. C. 165<sup>th</sup> Inf.  
(Rank) (Organization).

PLACE OF DEATH: Near London & St George

CAUSE OF DEATH: H. E.

DATE OF BURIAL: Nov 4<sup>th</sup> 1918

PLACE OF BURIAL: Near London & St George  
(Give Cemetery, Town and Department). Map reference must specify clearly what map is used.

1 1/2 Miles S.W. of London & St George on East  
side of Somerance road. 301.7-286.3  
Remonville, Wroons

GRAVE NUMBER: 36

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

IDENTIFICATION TAGS: *yes*

Was one buried with body? *yes*

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

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

NEAREST RELATIVE: .....

ADDRESS: .....

RELATIONSHIP: .....

REPORTED BY: Joseph H. O'Donnell  
Chaplain 23<sup>rd</sup> Inf.  
(Signature and Rank of Reporting Officer).

CODE SLIP



HEADING	SUB-HEADING	NO. OF COLS	CODE
NAME <i>BRIDGES</i>	<i>B R I</i>	3	<i>2 8 9</i>
<i>Avery</i>	CEMETERY <i>1232</i>	1	1
BURIED	GRAVE <i>13</i>	2	<i>13</i>
	ROW <i>31</i>	2	<i>31</i>
	BLOCK <i>C</i>	1	<i>3</i>
STATE	<i>S.C.</i>	2	<i>46</i>
RANK	<i>Pvt.</i>	1	<i>2</i>
DIVISION	<i>42</i>	2	<i>42</i>
ORGANIZATION	<i>165</i>	3	<i>165</i>
ARM	<i>Inf.</i>	1	<i>1</i>
MARTIAL	<i>no</i>	1	<i>2</i>
NAME <i>Bridges</i>	<i>B R I</i>	5	<i>2 8 9</i>
<i>Mrs Seila D</i>	STATE <i>S.C.</i>	2	<i>46</i>
RESIDENCE	COUNTY <i>Laurens</i>	2	<i>30</i>
	CITY <i>Goldville</i>	3	<i>+++</i>
RELATION	<i>Mother</i>	1	<i>1</i>
OTHER	<i>Father</i>	1	<i>1</i>
ELIGIBILITY	<i>yes</i>	1	<i>1</i>
NATIVITY		1	
RACE		1	
ENGLISH	<i>yes</i>	1	
ATTENDANT		1	
HEALTH	<i>Bad</i>	1	<i>7</i>
NO. OF SONS		1	
DATE OF TRIP	MO.	1	
	YR.	1	
ACCEPTANCE	<i>no</i>	1	<i>2</i>
29/514/PJ	<i>Age</i>		<i>56</i>

**AUDITED**  
 DEC 16 1991  
*(Signature)*

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WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-M  
Bridges Avery (MA)

July 8 1932

Mrs Leila D Bridges  
Goldville S C

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)

Leila D. Bridges

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WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-M  
Bridges, Avery Pvt. (M-<sup>A</sup>) M

June 1, 1931.

Mrs. Leila D. Brieges,  
Goldville, S. C.

Dear Madam:

Arrangements are now being made for conducting pilgrimages during the year 1932 to the cemeteries in Europe under the provisions of the Act of Congress of March 2, 1929, as amended.

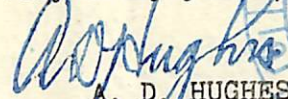
To assure proper and satisfactory accommodations, reservations for steamship transportation required during the summer of 1932 must be made by this office not later than August 1st of this year. It is therefore desired that you answer the question below by writing either of the words "Yes", "No", or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

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

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

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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



DO YOU DESIRE TO MAKE A PILGRIMAGE DURING THE YEAR 1932? no

Write answer here

Mrs Leila D Bridges  
Sign here

WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

June 7, 1930.

**Bridges, Avery - 1232 M**

**Mrs. Leila D. Bridges,  
Goldville, S. Car.**

Dear Madam:

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

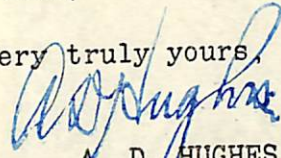
To assure proper and satisfactory accommodations, reservations for steamship transportation required during the summer of 1931 must be made by this office not later than August 1st of this year. It is therefore desired that you answer the question below by writing the word "Yes" or "No" in the blank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

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

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

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

DO YOU DESIRE TO MAKE THE PILGRIMAGE DURING THE YEAR 1931? no ✓  
(Write answer here)

Mrs. Leila D. Bridges  
(Sign here)



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OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C  
Bridges, Avery 1232 M

October 7 , 1929.

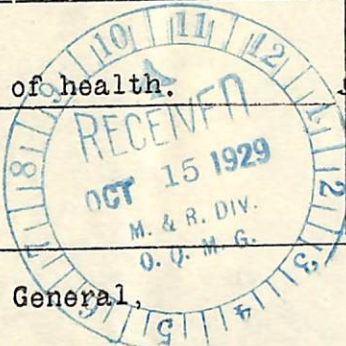
Mrs. Leila D. Bridges,  
Goldville, South Carolina.

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	Health
5. What language do you speak?	56 (Years)	(Good) (Poor)
	English -	(Yes) (No)
	Other language (Specify language spoken)	



For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

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WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

Bridges, Avery  
1232

Sept. 4, 1929

Mr. William P. Bridges,  
RD 2  
Salude, S. Car.

Dear Sir:

The records of this office do not indicate that a reply has been received to our communication dated June 29, 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:

Deceased was  
unmarried -

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.

Mrs. Leila Delouch Bridge  
Goldville, A.C.  
Mother -

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

Mother is physically  
unable to make the  
pilgrimage

For The Quartermaster General.

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SEP 17 1929  
M. & R. DIV.  
O. O. M. G.

Very truly yours,

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

WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
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IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C  
Bridges, Avery

June 29 1929.

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RFD 2,  
Saluda, S.C.

Dear Sir:

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The records of this office show that you are the father of the late Pvt. Avery Bridges, Co. C. 165th Inf. whose remains are now interred in the Meuse-Argonne American Cemetery, Romagne-sous-Montfaucon, Meuse, France.

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

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

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

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

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IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-M

Bridges Avery (MA)

July 8 1932

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Goldville S C

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2 Encls.

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

(Write answer here)

(Sign here) \_\_\_\_\_

WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO ~~QM 293 A-M~~  
Bridges, Avery Pvt. (M-4) M

June 1, 1931.

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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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IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

June 7, 1930.

Bridges, Avery - 1232 M

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Assistant.

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

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Sign here)

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OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
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4. Please give your age and state of health.	Age (Years)	Health (Good) (Poor)
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For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

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Write answers in space below

1. Is the deceased survived by a widow who has not since remarried? If so, give her complete address:

2. If he is survived by a mother, stepmother, mother thru adoption, or any other woman who stood in loco parentis to him, according to the terms of Section 4 of the enclosed Act, give her name, address, and relationship in the space opposite.

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

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

WAR DEPARTMENT  
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IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

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

Bridges, Avery 1,891,015 ✓  
(Surname.) (Christian name in full.) (Army serial number)

Pvt. Co C, 165th Inf.  
(Rank and organization.)

State your relationship to the deceased *father*

Do you desire the remains brought to the United States? *No*  
(Yes or no.)

If remains are brought to the United States, do you wish them interred in a national cemetery? *Yes*  
(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) *William Peter Bridges*

*Rt 802 Saluda S.C.*  
(Number and street or rural route.) (City, town, or post office.) (State.)

Read carefully the letter accompanying this card.

Noted

by G. C.

Date

4-29-21

1232 Sec. 36-26

Checked by

4-29-21

In reply refer to:  
293 C-R

July 17, 1923.

Mr. William P. Bridges,  
R.F.D. #2,  
Saluda, S.C.

Dear Sir:

The Quartermaster General desires that you be informed that  
the permanent grave of ~~Private First Class, Bridges, Company D, 102nd Infantry,~~  
is Grave 18, Row 31, Block C, 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.

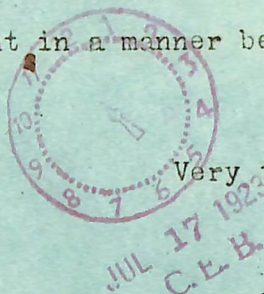
In effecting removal, the utmost care and reverence were exacted and more than willingly accorded by those performing this sacred duty. The grave of the deceased will be perpetually maintained by this Government in a manner befitting the last resting place of our heroes.

Very truly yours,

H. J. Conner,  
Assistant.

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23/236/ARK



Date 3rd June 1919

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REPORT OF DISINTERMENT AND REBURIAL.

Remains of:

Name: BRIDGES Avery

Number: 1891015

Rank: Unkn

Organization: Co. C. 165th Inf.

Disinterment and Reburial made by Group \_\_\_\_\_ Unit \_\_\_\_\_

Disinterred (Date)

From: (Give complete location)

26th April 1919

Grave No. 39 B/A Cemetery

LANDRES ET ST. GEORGES ARDENNES

35NE. E. 301.4 N. 285.7

Reburied (Date)

in: (Give complete location)

26th April 1919

Grave No. 182 Sect. 36 Plot.4

ARGONNE AMERICAN CEMETERY #1232

ROMAGNE MEUSE

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

Buried in uniform Body in good condition Burial good

Was one identification tag found upon the body? Yes

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

CONFIRMED No. D

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Note:

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

Supervised by: Lt. Grant

FHH

R. H. ROSENTHAL

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

C.O. Group \_\_\_\_\_ Unit \_\_\_\_\_

Date: 27th June 1919

REPORT OF DISTINGUISHMENT AND REBURIAL

Remains of:

Name: BRIDGES AVERY

Rank: Unknown

Number: 1891078  
Organization: Co. C. 188th Inf.

Distinction and Reburial made by Group Unit

Reburied (Date)  
28th April 1919

From: (Give complete location)  
Grave No. 38 B/A Cemetery

Lieutenant Colonel  
JAMES H. ST. GEORGE

Reburied (Date)  
28th April 1919

in: (Give complete location)  
Grave No. 188 Sect. 38 Plot A

ASSOCIATED AMERICAN CEMETERY  
REMAINS NUMBER

Report as to nature of original burial and condition of body upon disinterment  
Buried in uniform body in good condition burial good

Has any identification tag found upon the body?  
None



Approved by: Lt. Group  
2nd Lt. G.M.C. & A.  
G.R.S.

COMPILATION OF DISPOSITION OF REMAINS DATA

File #69778

3/14/22  
C. L. L. L. L.  
for Concentration  
M. L. L. L. L.  
#1232  
3/30/22

I. LOCATION INDEX CARD:

(a) Name BRIDGES, Avery Ser. No. 1891015  
(b) Rank Pvt. Organization Co. C, 165th Inf.  
(c) Date of death 10-15-18 (d) Cause of death K/A

TYP. als  
CKR. B. J.

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

(a) Grave No. 182 Row -- Plot 4 Sec. 36 TYP. als  
(b) Emerg. Address Mr. William P. Bridges, (Father) RFD #2, Saluda, S.C.

III. Files of soldiers dying from contagious diseases *a. G. O. 2019 8-23-20 confirms (R. G. 4-29-21)* CKR. B. J.

IV. A. G. O. DISPOSITION CARD: *Of Per card*

Date of receipt none

(a) Name William Peter Bridges (b) Relationship Father  
(c) Address RFD #2, Saluda, S.C.  
(d) Remains to be brought to U. S.? No  
(e) To be interred in National Cemetery in U. S. at Yes

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

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

Examiner's Initials G. C. Date 4-29-21, 1920.

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

dated confirming request in Par. IV., item above, or requesting that

Examiner's Initials Date, 1920.

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

no request for disposition.

(a) Cancellation memos referred to?

Examiner's Initials G. C. Date 4-29-21, 1920.

COUNTRY FRANCE CEMETERY No. 1232-Sec. 36. SHEET No. 26

Checked  
MAR 8/5/21  
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Name .....

Rank .....

Serial No. ....

Org. ....

Remarks .....

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

Discrepancies .....

Name .....

Rank .....

Serial No. ....

Org. ....

Remarks .....

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

Discrepancies .....

Name .....

Rank .....

Serial No. ....

Org. ....

Remarks .....

Checkers .....

Discrepancies .....

Name .....

Rank .....

Serial No. ....

Org. ....

Remarks *Ed - place*

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*checked by  
624-28-21*

To be prepared in triplicate.

DATE Dec. 12, 1921.

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## 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 BRIDGES, Avery 10. Name \_\_\_\_\_  
 2. No. 1891015 11. No. \_\_\_\_\_  
 3. Rank Pvt. 12. Rank \_\_\_\_\_  
 4. Org. Co. C. 165th Infantry. 13. Org. \_\_\_\_\_  
 5. D.D. Oct. 15, 1918 14. (a) D.D. \_\_\_\_\_  
 6. C.D. H. J. A. (b) D.B. None.

Discrepancy found upon disinterment

7. Grave No. 182 Sec. 36 15. Grave No. \_\_\_\_\_ Sec. \_\_\_\_\_  
 8. Plot 4 Row \_\_\_\_\_ 16. Plot \_\_\_\_\_ Row \_\_\_\_\_  
 9. \_\_\_\_\_ 17. None.  
 18. Cemetery Meuse-Argonne Amer. 19. Commune or town Romagne-sous-Montfaucon  
 20. Dept. or County Meuse. 21. Country France  
 22. G.R.S. Hdqrs. Code No. \_\_\_\_\_ 1232 - 36  
 23. Disinterred (Date) Dec. 12, 1921. By C.V. Russell  
 24. Inscription on grave marker:  
 Name Avery Bridges Serial No. 1891015  
 Rank Pvt. Organization Co. C. 165 Inf.  
 25. Was identification disc found on grave marker? No On body? Yes

Signature Junior Technical Assistant

E. J. Rasch

## 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).  
Tag on body "-----1891015".  
 27. Condition of body Badly decomposed; features unrecognizable.  
 28. Nature of burial Box, US uniform and burlap.  
 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 Dec. 12, 1921. By C.V. Russell  
 31. Casket sealed by C.V. Russell  
 Signature of Embalmer, (Supervisor C.V. Russell)

SHIPMENT. (Show actual marking of box.) Box No. **C-18930**

32. Designation of body:

Name **Avery BRIDGES.** Serial No. **18930**

Rank **Pvt.** Organization **Co. C. 165th Infantry.**

33. Consigned to:

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

34. Casket boxed and marked (Date) **Dec. 12, 1921.** By **C. V. Russell**

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

*F. B. Daniel*

Signature of G.R.S. Inspector **F. B. Daniel, Captain, QMC.**

36. Remarks **None.**

37. Shipped from point of Operation: (Date) **Dec. 12, 1921.** d

To point of Concentration **Morgue, Romagne.**

Convoyer **W. J. Royed.** Signature Shipping Officer **J. Gerald Cole**  
**J. GERALD COLE**  
**Captain, C. A. C.**

38. Received at Railhead or Point of Concentration: Date

By G.R.S. Representative

39. Shipped from Railhead or Point of Concentration: Date

To Permanent Cemetery

Convoyer (Name) Signature Shipping Officer

40. Received: Date

G.R.S. Representative

41. Reinterred: **Meuse Argonne Cemetery 1232** (Date) **Dec 13-21**

42. Grave No. **13** Section

43. Block Plot **C** Row **31**

G.R.S. Representative *James W. Younger*

**James W. Younger**  
**Captain, QMC** gcs

AUDITED BY

Place Romagne-sous-Montfaucon

Date Dec 12 1921

# REPORT OF DISINTERMENT AND REBURIAL

1. REMAINS OF BRIDGES, Avery SERIAL NUMBER 1891 015

RANK Pvt ORGANIZATION Co C 165 Inf

2. Disinterred (date): Dec 12 1921 From (give complete location):  
Gr 182 Sec 36 Plot 4 Cem 1232

By: Group 6 Unit Sec 1

3. Reburied (date): Dec 13-21 In (give complete location):  
Grave 13, Row 31, Block C, Cem 1232

By: Group Reburial S. Unit Unlined Nature of reburial Casket

4. Report as to nature of original burial and condition of body upon disinterment:  
Box, US Uniform, burlap

Badly decomposed features unrecognizable.

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

(b) Other means of identification found upon disinterment, and general remarks:  
Tag on body "1891015"

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

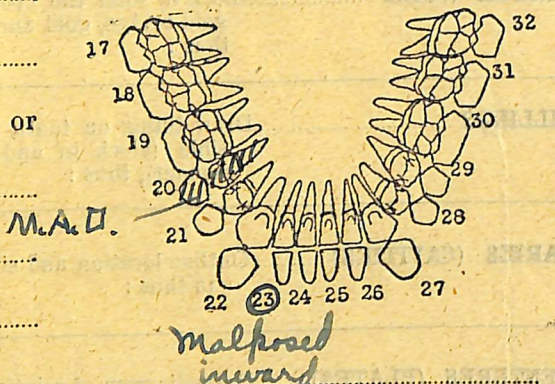
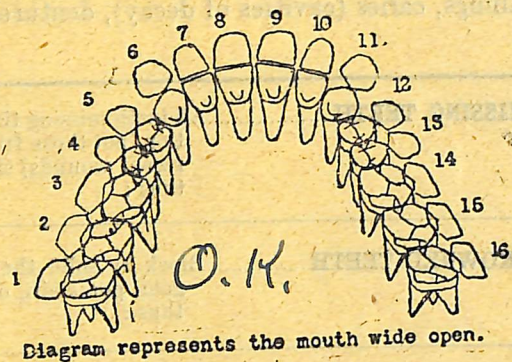
(d) Hair on face—Color do

Location do

Quantity do

(e) Permanent marks on body (old scars, peculiarities, or missing parts) None visible

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



7. Disinterment supervised by C. V. Russell  
C V Russell

Approved: F B Daniel  
F B Daniel Capt. QMC.  
(Title)

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

Approved: James W. Younger  
James W. Younger  
(Title) Captain, QMC. GCS

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

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

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

**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.



COMPILATION OF DISPOSITION OF REMAINS DATA

File #69778

See Form 115  
att 3/30/22

I. LOCATION INDEX CARD:

(a) Name BRIDGES, Avery Ser. No. 1891015  
(b) Rank Pvt. Organization Co. C, 165th Inf. } TYP. als  
(c) Date of death 10-15-18 (d) Cause of death K/A } B. J.

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

(a) Grave No. 182 Row -- Plot 4 Sec. 36 TYP. als  
(b) Emerg. Address Mr. William P. Bridges, (Father) RFD #2, Saluda, S.C. a (4-29-21)

III. Files of soldiers dying from contagious diseases a 40. 201 of 8-23-20 confirmed (L.G. 4-29-21) CKR. B. J.

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 5/11/21, 192

section # 36  
par # 2 - Not to be returned - HD

VI. Form 115 forwarded to G. R. S., Hoboken, N. J., \_\_\_\_\_, 192

VII. SUPPLEMENTARY REQUESTS.

Date of and source.	Relationship and name.	Desires.	Action taken.
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VIII. Form 115 received from G. R. S., Hoboken, N. J. \_\_\_\_\_, 192

COUNTRY \_\_\_\_\_ CEMETERY No. \_\_\_\_\_ SHEET No. \_\_\_\_\_

WAR DEPARTMENT  
THE ADJUTANT GENERAL'S OFFICE  
WASHINGTON -

emb b 2-201

IN REPLY  
REFER TO

201(Bridges, Avery)WW

August 23, 1920.

*File 69778*  
*Adjustment made Aug 26/20*

From: The Adjutant General of the Army  
To: The Quartermaster General of the Army  
Washington, D. C.  
Subject: Notification of death.

1. Upon investigation it has been ascertained that Private Avery Bridges, #1,891,015, Company C, 165th Infantry, who was previously reported buried, date and cause of death to be determined, was killed in action October 15, 1918. A notation to that effect has been placed upon the official records, ✓

2. It appears from the records that the deceased was enlisted May 25, 1918, and gave the name of the person to be notified in case of emergency as William P. Bridges, father, Route 2, Saluda, S. C. ✓

By order of the Secretary of War:

*P. C. Harris*  
The Adjutant General.  
per. *M. A. K.*

**FILE** ✓



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69778-Inquiry  
(Bridges, Avery, Pvt.)

1st Ind. Con't.

O.Q.M.G., Cem. Div.-To: The A. G. of the Army.

6-19-20.

2. Grave location blank signed by Chaplain Joseph H. O'Donnell, 23rd Inf. gives the following information: Pvt. Avery Bridges, Serial #1891015, Company C, 165th Inf. buried Nov. 4th, 1918 at New Landres St. George, 1 1/2 kilometers southwest of Landres St. George on east side of Sommerance road. One identification tag buried with body and one attached to grave marker.

3. Grave location blank signed by P. P. Duffy, Chaplain 165th Infantry, gives date of burial as October 16, 1918; place of burial S. of Sommerance-Landres Rd. 10 yds. from Rd. In all probability Pvt. Bridges was buried by Chaplain Duffy and later disinterred by a shell explosion and reburied by Chaplain O'Donnell.

4. Pvt. Avery Bridges is buried in Grave 38. In grave 40 Cpl. Arthur Potter #89682 is buried. He was killed in action October 15, 1918. In grave 41 Sgt. J. P. Duff, #2133 is buried. He was killed in action October 16, 1918. Both of these men belonged to the 165th Infantry.

5. We have no record in this office of Pvt. Bridges being sent to a base hospital.

By authority of the Quartermaster General:

CHARLES C. PIERCE,  
Colonel, U. S. Army,  
Chf, Cemeterial Division.

BC

By CHARLES J. WYNNE,  
Captain, Q. M. G.

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G. R. S. MAILED

JUN 21 1920




69778-Inquiry  
(Bridges, Avery, Pvt.)

1st Ind.

O. Q. M. G., Cemeterial Division, Munitions Bldg., Washington, D. C.  
June 19, 1920. -To: The Adjutant General of the Army, War Department,  
Washington, D. C.

1. The records of this office show that Private Avery Bridges, Serial No. 1891015, Company C, 165th Infantry was reported dead per CC-444-SP-118. His body was disinterred from Grave #39, American Cemetery, Landres-et-St. George, Department of Ardennes and reburied April 26, 1919 in Grave #182, Section #36, Plot #4 of the Argonne American Cemetery, Romagne-sous-Montfaucon, Department of Meuse. One identification tag was buried with body and one was attached to grave marker.



June 11, 1920.

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MEMORANDUM FOR CAPTAIN WYNNE:

Subject: Date of death & burial of Bridges, #1891015, Avery.

The following data is submitted for your information and guidance in answering inquiry A.G.O.

A.R.C. searchers' report gives killed by machine gun bullet October 15, 1918. No other date of death given in our records.

Two grave location blanks give:

G.L.B. signed by F.P. Duffy, Chaplain 165th Inf. gives date of burial Oct. 16, 1918.


G.L.B. signed by Joseph H. O'Donnell gives date of burial Nov. 4, 1918.

The following soldiers were buried near Pvt. Bridges.

Arthur Potter, Killed in Action October 15, 1918.

J. P. Duff, Killed in Action October 16, 1918.

The foregoing verifies information given in Miss Chiles' case paper, date April 28, 1918.

  
C.F. Hughitt,  
Clk. in Charge,  
Investigation Unit.

CFH/FW



WAR DEPARTMENT  
GRAVES REGISTRATION SERVICE  
OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR OF PURCHASE & STORAGE  
WASHINGTON

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Bridges

ANALYSIS OF INQUIRY 6/10/20

\_\_\_\_\_ Circumstances of Death  
(Par. #2, Bul. 10-C-W)

\_\_\_\_\_ Liberty Bonds  
(G.R.S. Form 111)

\_\_\_\_\_ Flowers, Flags, etc.  
(Par. #6, Bul. 10-C-W)

\_\_\_\_\_ War Risk Insurance  
(G.R.S. Form 111)

\_\_\_\_\_ Monument  
(Par. #6, Bul. 10-C-W)

\_\_\_\_\_ Photographs  
(Par. #11, Bul. 10-C-W)

\_\_\_\_\_ Discrepancies in Inscription  
(Par. #9, Bul. 10-C-W)

\_\_\_\_\_ Permanent Burial In  
\_\_\_\_\_ (a) France (G.R.S. Form 106)

\_\_\_\_\_ Personal Effects  
(G.R.S. Form 111)

\_\_\_\_\_ (b) Other Countries

\_\_\_\_\_ Accrued Pay  
(G.R.S. Form 111)

\_\_\_\_\_ Return of Bodies From  
\_\_\_\_\_ (a) France (G.R.S. Form 106)  
(Par. #12, Bul. 10-C-W)  
\_\_\_\_\_ (b) Other countries

\_\_\_\_\_ Maintenance  
(Par. #7, Bul. 10-C-W)

Remarks: Y.L.  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

NOTE: In addition to information furnished on Nos. 1, 6, 11; and 12, G.R.S. Form 101-A (Information Blank), supply data on the following:

Nos. 2, 3, 4, 5, 7, 8, 9, 10, 14, 15.

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Analysis Clerk.

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CASE PAPERS.

CASE OF: BRIDGES, #1891015 Avery, Pvt. Co. C. 165th Inf.

SUBJECT: Date of death and burial.

1. Grave Location Blank signed by F.P.Duffy, Chaplain 165th Infantry, gives date of burial as October 16, 1918; place of burial S of Sommerance-Landres Rd. 10 yds. from Rd. Corrd. 301.5 -286.2 Another Grave Location Blank signed by Joseph H. O'Donnell, Chaplain 23rd Infantry gives date of burial as Nov. 4th, 1918; place of burial 1 1/2 kilos S.W. of Landres & St. George on east side of Sommerance road. Map of Remonville, 1/20000 301.7 - 286.3. In all probability Pvt. Bridges was buried by Chaplain Duffy and later disinterred by a shell explosion and reburied by Chaplain O'Donnell.

2. Pvt. Avery Bridges is buried in grave 38. In grave 40 Cpl. Arthur Potter #89682 is buried. He was killed in action October 15, 1918. In grave 41 Sgt. J.P. Duff #89133 is buried. He was killed in action October 16, 1918. Both of these men belonged to 165th Infantry.

3. We have no record of Pvt. Bridges being sent to Base Hospital. All information of Miss Chiles Case Papers of April 28, 1920 has been verified and found to conform strictly to our records.

P.A. Cogan,  
Investigator.

June 9, 1920.



Memo for Capt. Wynne  
re: interviewing A. G. O.  
giving info. as noted by  
C. M. Peck.

Office Quartermaster General

Cemeterial Division

6/3

1920.

Memo. For:

Mr. Hughtitt:

Please have statement  
made verifying info.  
given in Miss Chile's  
case paper memo. &  
include info. as to  
G. L. B. in file from  
Chaplain Duffey  
showing burial  
on 10/16/18, <sup>ret to</sup> Capt. Wynne

CMP

AG 201 (Bridges, Avery)WW

May 28, 1920.

Date of Burial.

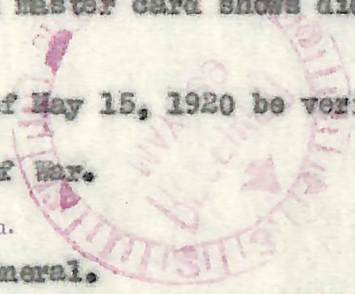
Quartermaster General of the Army,  
Washington, D.C.

A morning report dated October 28, 1918 on file in this office shows Private Avery Bridges, #1891015, Co. C, 165th Inf. to have been admitted to Base Hospital and dropped from rolls per GO 111; a statement by a Corporal of the same organization to an American Red Cross investigator shows this soldier mortally wounded by a machine gun bullet on the morning of October 15, 1918; CRO report shows died October 16, 1918; master card shows died October 16, 1918.

It is requested that your report of May 15, 1920 be verified.

By order of the Secretary of War.

I. Erwin.  
Adjutant General.



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MAY 29 1950



IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF

JOHN D. ROCKEFELLER, DECEASED

ORDER OF THE COURT IN AND FOR THE CITY AND COUNTY OF DENVER, COLORADO, IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF JOHN D. ROCKEFELLER, DECEASED, DATED MAY 29, 1950.

WITNESSED my hand and the seal of the Court at Denver, Colorado, this 29th day of May, 1950.

CLERK OF COURT

VS 201 (Blythe, V. L. & M.)

MAY 29 1950

201-1-100

69778 Inquiry (Bridges, Avery, Pvt.)

1st. Ind.

From: O.Q.M.G. U.S.A. (Cemeterial Division) Munitions Bldg., Washington, D.C., May 15, 1920 - To - The Adjutant General of the Army, War Department, Washington, D.C.

1. Original burial report in this office signed by Chaplain Joseph H. O'Donnell, 23rd Inf., shows that Private Avery Bridges, #1891015, Co. C. 165th Inf., was buried Nov. 4, 1918, near Landres et St. George (Ardennes) and shows one identification tag buried with the body and one attached to grave marker. Our records further show that the remains of this soldier were buried in Grave #39, American Cemetery at Landres et St. George, (Ardennes) and disinterred and reburied April 26, 1919 in Grave #182, Section #36, Plot #4, Argonne American Cemetery, Romagne-sous-Montfaucon, Department of Meuse. Reburial report shows that the body was buried in uniform; good condition; burial good. No date of death given in our files.

2. The following names of six men who were in Company C., 165th Inf., and date of death of these men as Oct. 15, 1918.

Hart, Clinton, Pvt.	#2870888	Medler, Daniel B., Pvt.	#89666
Murname, James Cpl.	#89672	Palumbo, Tony Pvt.	#1691559
Potter, Arthur, Cpl.	#89682	Rice, Edmond B., Pvt.	#380476

By authority of the Quartermaster General:

CHARLES C. PIERCE,  
Colonel, U.S. Army,  
Chief, Cemeterial Division

BY:

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Charles J. Wynne,  
Captain, Q.M.C.

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TO:- REGISTRATION BRANCH, G.R.S.

Date 4/3/20

FROM:- INQUIRY BRANCH.

Please furnish information as checked (✓) below regarding the following soldier:

NAME *Bridges, Avery.*

Serial Number *118911015*

RANK ORGANIZATION *Co C-165th Inf*

NO	QUESTION	REPLY
1.	Do particulars of soldiers given above agree with Records?	<i>1 Put</i>
2.	Date of Death.	<i>2 - no record</i>
3.	Cause and place of death	<i>3 - " "</i>
4.	Number of Casualty Cablegram	<i>4 CC-454, SP-118</i>
5.	Date buried	<i>5 - no record</i>
6.	Grave Location. (a) Complete record required. (b) Name of Cemetery or Commune only required. (c) Note reinterments.	<i>Disinterred from Grave 39, Asher, Chy Landres et St George, Ardennes, 689</i>
7.	Who reported burial?	<i>Reburied - 4-26-19 in Grave 182, Sec-36, Plot 4 Argonne Amer Chy 1232 Romagne-Com - Mort France</i>
8.	Confirmed by G.R.S.?	<i>10 - yes</i>
9.	Report as to Grave Marker.	<i>10 - yes</i>
10.	Identification Tags: (a) Buried with body? (b) Attached to grave marker?	<i>11 - Mr. Wm P. Bridges R 710 2 Saluda, SC</i>
11.	Complete Emergency Address?	<i>12 - 4-25-19</i>
12.	Has above been notified? (Give date)	Released by Information Control Dept. Directory Cards 5 x 8 Cards 4 x 6
13.	Report the exact position of your inquiry on this case. (Reply in all cases if no information on record)	<i>EM</i>
14.	What is the Photograph No.?	
15.	Inquiry made by?	

N.B. All Proper names to be typewritten, or printed in PLAIN BLOCK LETTERS.

*M. V. M.*

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March 31, 1920.

**From:** The Adjutant General of the Army.


**To:** The Quartermaster General of the Army,  
Washington, D.C.

**Subject:** Date and place of burial of Private Avery Bridges.

1. An investigation is being conducted to establish the date and cause of death and status at time of death of Private Avery Bridges #1,891,015, Company C, 165th Infantry.
2. The records of this office show that Private Bridges, #1,891,015, Company C, 165th Infantry, was reported by the Commanding General, American Expeditionary Forces, in Casualty Cablegram #444 as died, date and cause of death to be determined. Investigation of the Central Records Office files gives as authority for the death a report from Graves Registration Service, #523, which states: "Buried in Cemetery #698." The inventory of effects received in this office shows the date of death as November 18, 1918. In the 3rd indorsement on the service record of this soldier, this entry is found, "Killed in action, November 18, 1918 grave found, dropped from roll per G.O. 111 October 20, 1918."
3. It is requested that a thorough examination be made of the records of your office and that a report be furnished setting forth all details in connection with the discovery and burial of his body, the date and place of original burial, condition of body at the time of burial, by whom buried, and any other data which will enable this office to complete his record. It is also requested that your report embody a statement leading to such information as is afforded by your cemeterial files in connection with the names of members of the same organization who were buried in the same vicinity as this soldier's original place of burial.
4. If any of the information requested above cannot be furnished, it will be so stated.

By order of the Secretary of War.

F. C. Harris. Per  
The Adjutant General,  
per:





CASE PAPERS.

Case of,  
Bridges # 1891015 Avery.  
Pvt. Co. C. 165th Inf.

Subject: Date and place of burial of Pvt. Avery Bridges.

The records of this office have been searched and the information which follows was found.

The Searcher's Report is as follows,

Co. C. 165th Inf. Bridges Avery Pvt.  
42nd Div.

" During our advance of the morning of October 15, 1918, Private Avery Bridges was mortally wounded by a machine gun bullet entering his lungs. His last words before expiring were " Mother, Mother".  
( Statement by Corp Hanigan)  
No place of burial to record.

Informant: Hannigan Corp, 89566  
# 240 West 149th St. New York City.  
Feb. 26, 1919

Signed: Coon, Walter S. Sgt.

The following names of six men who were in Company C of 165th Inf. and dates of death of these men as October 15/1918,

Hart # 2870888	Clinton	Pvt.	Medler # 89666	Daniel B.	Pvt.
Murname # 89672	James	Corp.	Palumbo # 1691559	Tony	Pvt.
Potter # 89682	Arthur	Corp.	Rice # 380476	Edmond B.	Pvt.

The Grave Location Blank gives date of burial of Pvt. Avery Bridges, as Nov. 4th 1918, in Cemetery Landres et St. George # 689 and signed by Chaplain Joseph H. O'Donnell. 23rd Inf.

From 16 gives this information in regard to condition of body when disinterred and reburied in Cty. 1232 April 26/1919, " Buried in uniform. body in good condition. Burial good. "

4/28/20

*Francis Chiles*  
Investigator.

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# GRAVE LOCATION BLANK

LOCATION OF THE GRAVE OF

Bridges 1891015 Avery  
(Surname.) (Number.) (First Name and Initials.)

Pvt Co. C. 165th. Inf  
(Rank.) (Organization)

DATE OF BURIAL Nov 4th. 1918

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

1/2 miles S.W. of Landres St. George  
on east side of Sommerance road  
Map of Beauvoille 301-7  
286-3

GRAVE NUMBER 36

HOW MARKED: Name Peg? Cross? Yes  
Headboard? Bottle?

IDENTIFICATION TAGS: Yes  
Was one buried with body? Yes

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

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

NAME Landres-et-St. George  
COORD (E. 301.7  
N. 286.3  
33/ SHT. 35 W6

REPORTED BY: Joseph H. Donnell  
Chaplain 73rd. Inf.  
(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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LOCATION OF THE GRAVE OF

Bridges, 1891015, Avery,

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

Co. C, 165th Inf.

(Rank). (Organization).

PLACE OF DEATH: Battlefield

CAUSE OF DEATH:

DATE OF BURIAL: Oct. 16/18

PLACE OF BURIAL: Ardennes

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

S. of Commerance-Landres Rd. 10 Yds  
from Rd. Coord. 301.5-286.2

GRAVE NUMBER:

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? Yes

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

NEAREST RELATIVE:

ADDRESS:

RELATIONSHIP:

REPORTED BY:

F. P. Duffy, Chaplain, 165th Inf.  
(Signature and Rank of Reporting Officer).





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Co. C, 165th Inf.  
42nd Div.

Bridges, ~~xxxxx~~ Avery - Pvt.

During our advance of the morning of October 15, 1918, Private Avery Bridges was mortally wounded by a machine gun bullet entering his lungs. His last words before expiring were "Mother." (Statement by Corp. Hanigan).

No place of burial to record.

Informant: Hanigan, Thos. - Corp. 89566  
240 West 149th St., New York City.  
Feb. 26, 1919.

Signed: Coon, Walter S. - Sgt.

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