

Bridges,

(Surname.)

William G.

(Christian name in full.)

1,590,233 ✓

(Army serial number.)

Pvt

Co H 7th Inf

(Rank and organization.)

4. State your relationship to the deceased

Father

Do you desire the remains brought to the United States?

no
(Yes or no.)

If remains are brought to the United States, do you wish them interred in a national cemetery?

(Yes or no.)

If you desire the remains interred at the home of the deceased, give full information below as to where they should be sent:

(Name of person to receive remains.)

(Express office.)

(Telegraph office.)

(Number and street.)

(City or town.)

(State.)

(Sign here)

W. B. Bridges

(Number and street or rural route.)

(City, town, or post office.)

(State.)

Pittsburgh

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Read carefully the letter accompanying this card.

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G.R.S. Form #114-B CAUSE OF DEATH - *w. P. J. O.*

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FULL NAME..... *Bridges, William* *g.*

RANK..... *Private* *O.K.* SERIAL..... *1590233* *O.K.*

DIVISION & ORGANIZATION..... *Company H - 7th Infantry* *O.K. 3rd Div.*

DATE OF DEATH..... *7/24/18* *O.K.*

STATE FROM WHICH HE CAME..... *Arkansas*

EDALS OR DECORATIONS AWARDED..... *None*

FINAL GRAVE LOCATION..... *12/16/22* *44* *7* *B*

A. G. O.
MAY 9 1927
DIV.

Date Grave Row Block
1764
Cemetery

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AUDITED BY ✓

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OTHER	<i>Father</i>	1	<i>1</i>
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NATIVITY		1	
RACE		1	
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ATTENDANT		1	
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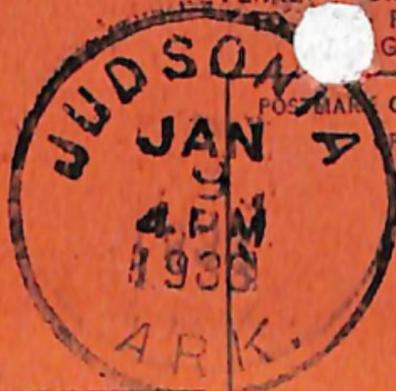
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MUNITIONS BUILDING

WASHINGTON,

Bridges, William G AM

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RETURN RECEIPT

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

Retta Bridges

(Signature or name of addressee)

Ralph Bridges

(Signature of addressee's agent)

Date of delivery

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WAR DEPARTMENT

OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

QM 293 A-M

Bridges, William G 1764

January 6, 1933

Mrs. Retta Bridges,
Judsonia, Ark.

Dear Madam:

During the past three years, numerous communications have been forwarded you relative to the pilgrimage to the cemeteries of Europe, authorized by the Act of Congress of March 2, 1929, as amended.

Under the law, 1933 is the last year you may make the pilgrimage at the expense of the Government, and it is imperative that this office have an expression from you as to whether or not you desire to take advantage of the opportunity afforded you.

It is requested therefore you answer the following inquiry, sign your name, and return this letter to this office.

DO YOU DESIRE TO MAKE A PILGRIMAGE IN 1933? _____
(Yes) or (No)

Sign here

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

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

Encl.:
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QM 293 A-M
Bridges, William G. (AM)

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

Mrs. Retta Bridges

Oct 13, 1932

Judsonia, Ark.

Dear Madam:

Your Government has provided an opportunity for all Mothers and Widows of deceased members of the American Forces who were lost, buried at sea, or whose remains are now interred in Europe, to make a pilgrimage to the cemeteries in Europe. This was done in the hope that all who may make the pilgrimage will derive a measure of comfort and solace from the visit.

You are numbered among those who are privileged to make this pilgrimage.

During July and September of this year, inquiries were addressed to you as to whether or not you desire to make the pilgrimage to Europe. To these inquiries no reply has been received from you.

You probably do not realize how important it is that a reply be received from you. If we do not receive replies, it becomes very difficult to make the necessary and proper arrangements for those who are to make the trip, as everything must be arranged in advance. Consequently, it is just as important for the Government to know the names of those who do not desire to take advantage of its offer as it is to know the names of those who do.

Will you please devote a few moments of your time to write either the word "YES" or "NO" in the following space _____, thus indicating whether or not you desire to make the pilgrimage during 1933 and sign your name here _____ . Use the enclosed envelope, which requires no postage, and return this sheet.

This reply will assure your Government that no worthy Mother or Widow has failed to receive its offer in commemoration of a loved one departed, and will greatly assist in making the necessary preparations for those of them who wish to take advantage of the privilege.

For The Quartermaster General,
Very truly yours,

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

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-M
Bridges, Wm. G. (AM) s

Sept. 8, 1932

Mrs. Retta Bridges
Judsonia, Ark.

Dear Madam:

Reference is made to the questionnaire recently forwarded you, making inquiry as to whether you desire to make a pilgrimage to the cemeteries of Europe during the summer of 1933, and inviting attention to the fact that 1933 is the LAST YEAR for which the pilgrimages are authorized. To date no reply has been received.

In order that your desires may be of record, and arrangements made accordingly, it is requested you complete the form below by writing in the space provided, your answers to the questions listed, sign your name and return this letter in the enclosed envelope which requires no postage.

1. Do you desire to make a pilgrimage in 1933? (Answer "Yes" or "No")	
2. Please state your age and condition of health:	Age: Health:
3. Do you speak English?	
4. What other language do you speak?	

Sign here

NOTE CAREFULLY, THIS IS THE LAST CHANCE WHICH YOU WILL HAVE TO MAKE THE PILGRIMAGE, AND THERE IS NO PROVISION OF LAW FOR A MONEY ALLOWANCE INSTEAD.

For The Quartermaster General,
Very truly yours,

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

Encl:
Env.

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-M

Bridges, William G. (AM)s

July 13, 1932

Mrs. Retta Bridges,

Judsonia, Ark.

Dear Madam:

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

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

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

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

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

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

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

(Write answer here)

(Sign here) _____

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-M

Bridges, William G. AM SM

December 17, 1931.

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Mrs. Retta Bridges,
Judsonia, Arkansas

Dear Madam:

Receipt is acknowledged of your reply to form letter forwarded you under recent date relative to the pilgrimage to the cemeteries of Europe, wherein you advise that your health will not permit you to make a pilgrimage during the year 1932.

Competent personnel will be provided to care for the mothers and widows from the time of their arrival in New York until their return thereto. Medical attendants and all other necessities will be arranged for and in the event you decide to make a pilgrimage, you are assured everything possible will be done for your care and welfare. During the summers of 1930 and 1931 many mothers of advanced age and in poor health made the pilgrimage and appear to have benefited therefrom.

Your name is being placed on the list of mothers and widows who are eligible to make a pilgrimage in 1933. However, should you change your mind in view of the above, and desire to make a pilgrimage during the summer months of 1932, it is requested you advise this office in order that arrangements may be made for you.

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-M
Bridges, William G. Pvt. (AM) SM

December 16, 1931.

Mrs. Retta Bridges,
Judsonia,
Arkansas.

Dear Madam:

In order to complete the records of this office, please advise whether the late Private William G. Bridges is survived by his natural mother, and if so, kindly furnish her full name and address.

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

For The Quartermaster General.

Very truly yours,


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

Enclosure:
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*I am his stepmother his own
mother. I is dead*

Mrs Retta Bridges



WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-M

Bridges, William G. AM SM

November 2, 1931

Mrs. Retta Bridges
Judsonia, Arkansas

Dear Madam:

Reference is made to previous correspondence relative to the pilgrimage to the cemeteries of Europe, authorized by the Act of Congress of March 2, 1929, as amended May 15, 1930. In your reply to the recent inquiry as to whether or not you desired to make a pilgrimage in 1932, you advised you were undecided.

In view of the fact that steamship reservations must be made several months in advance, it is essential that this office know how many mothers and widows must be arranged for. It is possible that you may have made your decision by this time. It is therefore requested that you complete the form below by writing in the space provided, your answers to the questions listed, sign your name, and return this letter in the enclosed envelope which requires no postage. In the event you state you desire to make the journey in 1932 and circumstances prevent your making the pilgrimage, it is requested you notify this office as promptly as possible.

1. Do you desire to make a pilgrimage
in 1932?

no

2. Please state your age and condition
of health:

Age: *46*

Health: *Very good*

3. Do you speak English?

yes

4. What other language do you speak?

None

Mrs Retta Bridges
Sign here

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-AM

Bridges, William G. Pvt (AM) SM

July 9, 1931

Mrs. Retta Bridges,
Judsonia,
Arkansas.

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.

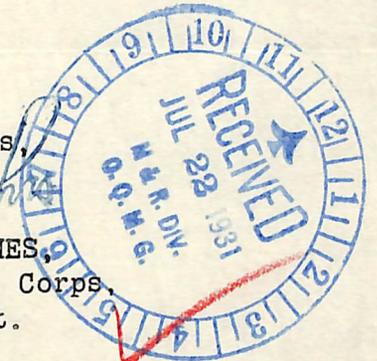
As soon as you have answered the question, please sign your name and return this sheet in the enclosed addressed envelope which requires no postage. Do not delay, as a prompt reply is essential.

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



DO YOU DESIRE TO MAKE A PILGRIMAGE DURING THE YEAR 1932?

undecided
Write answer here

Mrs. Retta Bridges
Sign here

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

June 5, 1930.

Bridges, William G. - 1764 MStep

Mrs. R. Bridges,
Judsonia, Ark.

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.

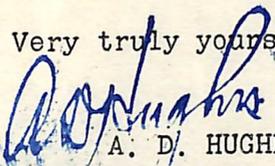
To assure proper and satisfactory accommodations, reservations for steamship transportation required during the summer of 1931 must be made by this office not later than August 1st of this year. It is therefore desired that you answer the question below by writing the word "Yes" or "No" in the blank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

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

Bridges, William G. 1764-SM

May 2, 1930

Mrs. Retha Bridges,
Judsonia,
Ark.

Dear Madam:

The Act of Congress which provides for pilgrimages to cemeteries in Europe by mothers and widows of members of the military or naval forces of the United States who died in the military or naval service at any time between April 5, 1917 and July 1, 1921, and whose remains are now interred in such cemeteries, all necessary expenses of which pilgrimages are to be paid by the United States Government, requires that the Secretary of War make an investigation and submit the results of such investigation in a report to Congress. The purpose of the investigation is to determine the total number of mothers and widows entitled to make the pilgrimages, the number of such mothers and widows who desire to make the pilgrimages, the number who desire to make the pilgrimages during the calendar year 1930 and the probable cost of the pilgrimages to be made.

In order that the report referred to may be made and plans completed for conducting the pilgrimages, it is requested that you answer the following questions by filling out the blanks left therefor and return the letter to this office by return mail in the enclosed envelope which requires no postage.

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

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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, William G. - 1764

March 27, 1930.

Mrs. Retha Bridges,
Judsonia, Ark.

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Dear Madam:

Your attention is invited to the enclosed copy of an Act of Congress approved March 2, 1929, enabling the mothers and widows of the members of the military and naval forces of the United States now interred in the cemeteries of Europe to make a pilgrimage to these cemeteries.

The records of this office indicate that you were the stepmother of the late Private William G. Bridges and in order to determine your eligibility under the Act to make the pilgrimage to his grave it will be appreciated if you will furnish the following information:

- (1) Date of your marriage to the father of Private Bridges. *October 7, 1909*
- (2) Were you married to Mr. Bridges at the time his son entered the military service? *yes*
- (3) Were you married to Mr. Bridges at the time of his son's death? *yes*
- (4) If not, give date of your separation from him.
- (5) If Mr. Bridges is deceased, give date of his death.

For The Quartermaster General.

Very truly yours,

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



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WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C
Bridges, William G. 1764

March 8, 1930

Mr. Isaac B. Bridges,
Judsonia, Arkansas.

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. William G. Bridges, Co. H, 7th Inf., whose remains are now interred in the Aisne-Marne American Cemetery, Belleau, Aisne, France.**

Will you please fill in the answers to the following questions in the space provided on this letter, and return 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?

No

2. If so, give her complete address.

3. 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.

*Rutha Bridges
Stepmother.*

P.O. Judsonia Ark

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, William G.

June 12, 1929.

Mr Isaac D. Bridges,
Fitchugh, Ark.

Dear Sir:

Your attention is invited to the enclosed copy of an Act of Congress approved March 2, 1929, entitled an Act "To enable the mothers and widows of the deceased soldiers, sailors and marines of the American forces now interred in the cemeteries of Europe to make a pilgrimage to these cemeteries".

The records of this office show that you are the father of the late Private William G. Bridges, Co. H, 7th Inf., whose remains are now interred in the Aisne-Marne American Cemetery, Belleau, Aisne, France.

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

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

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

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

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Act of Congress.
Envelope.

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-M
Bridges, Wm. G. (AM) s

Sept. 8, 1932

Mrs. Retta Bridges
Judsonia, Ark.

Dear Madam:

Reference is made to the questionnaire recently forwarded you, making inquiry as to whether you desire to make a pilgrimage to the cemeteries of Europe during the summer of 1933, and inviting attention to the fact that 1933 is the LAST YEAR for which the pilgrimages are authorized. To date no reply has been received.

In order that your desires may be of record, and arrangements made accordingly, it is requested you complete the form below by writing in the space provided, your answers to the questions listed, sign your name and return this letter in the enclosed envelope which requires no postage.

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Sign here

NOTE CAREFULLY, THIS IS THE LAST CHANCE WHICH YOU WILL HAVE TO MAKE THE PILGRIMAGE, AND THERE IS NO PROVISION OF LAW FOR A MONEY ALLOWANCE INSTEAD.

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

Encl:
Env.

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

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-M

Bridges, William G. (AM)s

July 13, 1932

Mrs. Retta Bridges,

Judsonia, Ark.

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

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

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

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

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

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

(Write answer here)

(Sign here) _____

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-M

Bridges, William G. AM SM

December 17, 1931.

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Mrs. Retta Bridges,
Judsonia, Arkansas

Dear Madam:

Receipt is acknowledged of your reply to form letter forwarded you under recent date relative to the pilgrimage to the cemeteries of Europe, wherein you advise that your health will not permit you to make a pilgrimage during the year 1932.

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COMP. M. S. P. R.

Competent personnel will be provided to care for the mothers and widows from the time of their arrival in New York until their return thereto. Medical attendants and all other necessities will be arranged for and in the event you decide to make a pilgrimage, you are assured everything possible will be done for your care and welfare. During the summers of 1930 and 1931 many mothers of advanced age and in poor health made the pilgrimage and appear to have benefited therefrom.

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For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

QM 293 A-11
Bridges, William G. Pvt. (AM) SM

December 16, 1931.

Mrs. Retta Bridges,
Judsonia,
Arkansas.

Dear Madam:

In order to complete the records of this office, please advise whether the late Private William G. Bridges is survived by his natural mother, and if so, kindly furnish her full name and address.

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

For The Quartermaster General.

Very truly yours,

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

Enclosure:

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WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-M

Bridges, William G. AM SM

November 2, 1931

Mrs. Retta Bridges
Judsonia, Arkansas

MM

Dear Madam:

Reference is made to previous correspondence relative to the pilgrimage to the cemeteries of Europe, authorized by the Act of Congress of March 2, 1929, as amended May 15, 1930. In your reply to the recent inquiry as to whether or not you desired to make a pilgrimage in 1932, you advised you were undecided.

In view of the fact that steamship reservations must be made several months in advance, it is essential that this office know how many mothers and widows must be arranged for. It is possible that you may have made your decision by this time. It is therefore requested that you complete the form below by writing in the space provided, your answers to the questions listed, sign your name, and return this letter in the enclosed envelope which requires no postage. In the event you state you desire to make the journey in 1932 and circumstances prevent your making the pilgrimage, it is requested you notify this office as promptly as possible.

1. Do you desire to make a pilgrimage in 1932?	
2. Please state your age and condition of health:	Age: Health:
3. Do you speak English?	
4. What other language do you speak?	

Sign here

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

Encl:
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WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QMG 293-AM

Bridges, William G. Pvt (AM) SM

July 9, 1931

Mrs. Retta Bridges,
Judsonia,
Arkansas.

Dear Madam:

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

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

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

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

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

DO YOU DESIRE TO MAKE A PILGRIMAGE DURING THE YEAR 1932? _____
Write answer here

Sign here

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

June 5, 1930.

Bridges, William G. - 1764 MStep

Mrs. R. Bridges,
Judsonia, Ark.

Dear Madam:

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

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

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

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

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

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

(Write answer here)

(Sign here)

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

Bridges, William G. 1764-SM

May 2, 1930

Mrs. Retha Bridges,
Judsonia,
Ark.

Dear Madam:

The Act of Congress which provides for pilgrimages to cemeteries in Europe by mothers and widows of members of the military or naval forces of the United States who died in the military or naval service at any time between April 5, 1917 and July 1, 1921, and whose remains are now interred in such cemeteries, all necessary expenses of which pilgrimages are to be paid by the United States Government, requires that the Secretary of War make an investigation and submit the results of such investigation in a report to Congress. The purpose of the investigation is to determine the total number of mothers and widows entitled to make the pilgrimages, the number of such mothers and widows who desire to make the pilgrimages, the number who desire to make the pilgrimages during the calendar year 1930 and the probable cost of the pilgrimages to be made.

In order that the report referred to may be made and plans completed for conducting the pilgrimages, it is requested that you answer the following questions by filling out the blanks left therefor and return the letter to this office by return mail in the enclosed envelope which requires no postage.

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

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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Envelope

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

QM 293 A-C
Bridges, William G. - 1764

March 27, 1930.

Mrs. Retha Bridges,
Judsonia, Ark.

Dear Madam:

Your attention is invited to the enclosed copy of an Act of Congress approved March 2, 1929, enabling the mothers and widows of the members of the military and naval forces of the United States now interred in the cemeteries of Europe to make a pilgrimage to these cemeteries.

The records of this office indicate that you were the stepmother of the late Private William G. Bridges and in order to determine your eligibility under the Act to make the pilgrimage to his grave it will be appreciated if you will furnish the following information:

- (1) Date of your marriage to the father of Private Bridges.
- (2) Were you married to Mr. Bridges at the time his son entered the military service?
- (3) Were you married to Mr. Bridges at the time of his son's death?
- (4) If not, give date of your separation from him.
- (5) If Mr. Bridges is deceased, give date of his death.

For The Quartermaster General.

Very truly yours,

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

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WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

Bridges, William G. 1764

March 8, 1930

Mr. Isaac B. Bridges,
Judsonia, Arkansas.

Dear Madam:

Your attention is invited to the enclosed copy of an Act of Congress approved March 2, 1929, entitled an Act "To enable the mothers and widows of the deceased soldiers, sailors and marines of the American forces now interred in the cemeteries of Europe to make a pilgrimage to these cemeteries".

The records of this office show that you are the father of the late Pvt. William G. Bridges, Co. H, 7th Inf., whose remains are now interred in the Aisne-Marne American Cemetery, Belleau, Aisne, France.

Will you please fill in the answers to the following questions in the space provided on this letter, and return 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?
2. If so, give her complete address.
3. 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.

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

Bridges, William G.
1764

Aug. 22, 1929.

Mr. Isaac B. Bridges,
Fitzhugh, Ark.

Dear Sir:

The records of this office do not indicate that a reply has been received to our communication dated **June 12, 1929** making inquiry concerning the name and address of the mother and widow of the deceased serviceman above named. These addresses are desired with a view to ascertaining the number of mothers and widows who desire to make a pilgrimage to the cemeteries of Europe in which the remains of their sons and husbands are interred.

Will you please fill in the answers to the following questions in the space provided on this letter, and return the letter to this office in the enclosed envelope which requires no postage?

Write answers in space below

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

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

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

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

2 Incls.
Act of Congress
Envelope

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

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C
Bridges, William G.

June 12, 1929.

Mr Isaac B. Bridges,
Fitzhugh, Ark.

Dear Sir:

Your attention is invited to the enclosed copy of an Act of Congress approved March 2, 1929, entitled an Act "To enable the mothers and widows of the deceased soldiers, sailors and marines of the American forces now interred in the cemeteries of Europe to make a pilgrimage to these cemeteries".

The records of this office show that you are the father of the late Private William G. Bridges, Co. B, 7th Inf., whose remains are now interred in the Aisne-Marne American Cemetery, Belleau, Aisne, France.

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

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

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

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

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To be prepared in triplicate.

DATE Nov. 27, 1922

REPORT OF DISINTERMENT, PREPARATION, SHIPMENT AND REBURIAL OF BODY

DISINTERMENT

COMPARATIVE REPORT

Records of G.R.S. Headquarters.

Discrepancy found upon exhumation of body
Body disc reads:

1. Name BRIDGES, William *Y.*

10. Name William B. Bridges.

2. No. 1590233

11. No. 1590233

3. Rank Pvt.

12. Rank

4. Org. Co. H. 7th Inf.

13. Org.

5. D.D. July 24th. 1918

14. (a) D.D.

6. C.D. KIA

(b) D.B.

Discrepancy found upon disinterment

7. Grave No. 61 Sec. V

15. Grave No. Sec.

8. Plot 2 Row

16. Plot Row

9.

17. no discrepancy

18. Cemetery Aisne-Marne Amer.

19. Commune or town Belleau

20. Dept. or County Aisne.

21. Country France

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

1764

23. Disinterred (Date) Nov. 27, 1922

By C.P. Keating

24. Inscription on grave marker:

Name William Bridges

Serial No. 1590233

Rank Pvt.

Organization Co. H, 7th Inf.

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

Signature *C.P. Keating*
W.D. Wall Jr.

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).

Bottle record agrees.

27. Condition of body Badly decomposed, features unrecognizable.

28. Nature of burial Burlap and wooden box.

29. Any discrepancy noted upon examination of body, as compared with G.R.S. records quoted above? yes (see line 10)

30. Body prepared and placed in casket: Date Nov. 27, 1922 By C.P. Keating

31. Casket sealed by C.P. Keating

Signature of Embalmer, (Supervisor) *C.P. Keating*

AUDITED BY
10/4/27
G.W.B.

SHIPMENT. (Show actual marking of box.) Box No. ~~XXXXXX~~ ~~XXXXXX~~ C-31410

32. Designation of body:

Name William BRIDGES. Serial No. 1590233

Rank Pvt. Organization Co.H.7th Inf.

33. Consigned to:

Name of Permanent Cemetery Aisne-Marne Amer.Cty.1764, Belleau, Aisne.

34. Casket boxed and marked (Date) Nov.27,1922 By C.P.Keating

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

Signature of G.R.S. Inspector S.D.Campbell, Capt., GMC.

36. Remarks none

37. Shipped from point of Operation: (Date) Nov.27,1922

To point of Concentration _____

Convoyer _____ (Name) _____ Signature Shipping Officer _____

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

By G.R.S. Representative _____

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

To Permanent Cemetery Aisne-Marne Cem.1764, Belleau(Aisne)

Convoyer _____ (Name) S.D.Campbell, Capt., GMC Signature Shipping Officer _____

40. Received: Date _____

G.R.S. Representative _____

41. Reinterred Dec. 16, 1922. Aisne-Marne Cem.1764.

(Date)

42. Grave No. 44 Section _____

43. Plot Block B Row 7

G.R.S. Representative W.D. Cleary

W.D. CLEARY, Lt. Chaplain USA

REPORT OF DISINTERMENT AND REBURIAL

Place Belleau (Aisne)

Date Nov. 27, 1922

1. REMAINS OF BRIDGES, William *g.* SERIAL NUMBER 1590233

RANK Pvt. ORGANIZATION Co. H, 7th Inf.

2. Disinterred (date) : Nov. 27, 1922 From (give complete location) :

Gr. 61, Sec. V, plot 2, Cem. 1764.

By : Group 1 Unit F.S. #1, Aisne-Marne Cem.

3. Reburied (date) : In (give complete location) :

Dec. 16, 1922. Grave 44, Row 7, Block B, Cem. 1764.

By : Group re-burial group Unit _____ Nature of Reburial lined casket

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

Burlap and wooden box.

Badly decomposed, features unrecognizable.

5. (a) Identification tags : Buried with body ? yes On grave marker ? yes

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

Bottle record agrees.

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

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

(b) Weight (estimated) do

(c) Hair—Color do

Quantity do

Characteristics do

(d) Hair on face—Color do

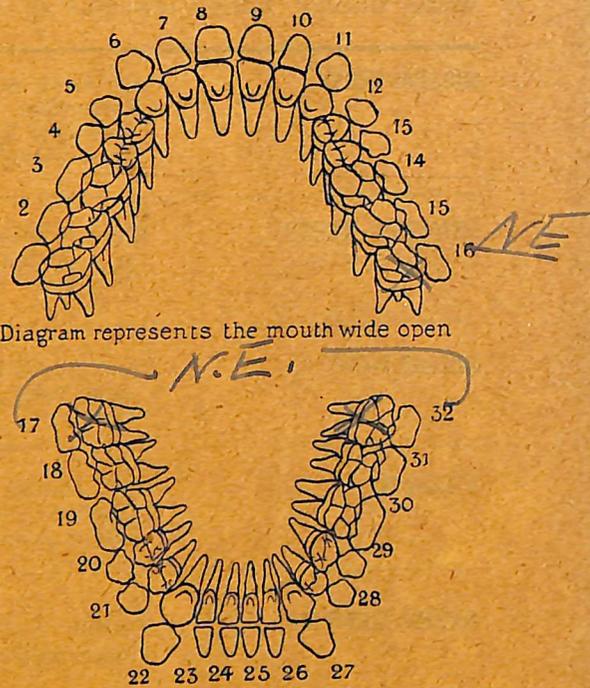
Location do

Quantity do

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

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

Left scapula fractured.



7. Disinterment supervised by C.P. Keating

Approved: S.D. Campbell

(Title) Capt., MC.

8. Reburial supervised by L.D. HAYS

Approved: W.D. Cleary

(Title) W.D. CLEARY, Lt. Chaplain USA.

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

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

1. Show soldier's name, serial number, rank and organization, and by whom disinterred and reburied.
2. Give date and accurate information as to location from which the body was disinterred and the group and unit which made disinterment.
3. Give date and accurate information as to location of reburial and the group and unit which made reburial, and how reburial was made—in casket, wooden box, etc.
4. State to what degree decomposition has progressed, whether recognition is possible, and how the body was originally buried—in a casket, box, burlap, etc. This statement should be as complete as possible.
5. (a) State whether identification tags were found buried with body and on grave marker by reporting "Yes" or "No".

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

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

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

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

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

COMPILATION OF DISPOSITION OF REMAINS DATA

File #8530

I. LOCATION INDEX CARD:

(a) Name BRIDGES, William ^{g. 2.6.9. 3-10-21} Ser. No. 1590233 } TYP. evs
(b) Rank Pvt. Organization Co. H, 7th Inf. } CKR. 13.7.
(c) Date of death 7/24/18 (d) Cause of death k/a M.R.O.G. ^{2.6.9. 3-10-21}

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

(a) Grave No. 61 Row - Plot 2 Sec. V TYP. evs
(b) Emerg. Address ^{B. 2.6.9. 3-10-21} Isaac Bridges (Father) Magness, Ark.

III. Files of soldiers dying from contagious diseases - CKR. 13.7.

IV. A. G. O. DISPOSITION CARD: ^{0.77. card 2.6.9. 3-10-21} Date of receipt none

(a) Name J. B. Bridges (b) Relationship Father
(c) Address Fitzhugh, Ark.
(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 MEX Date 2-19-21, 1920.

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

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

no correspondence

Examiner's Initials MEX Date 2-19-21, 1920.

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

no request for disposition
(a) Cancellation memos referred to? yes.

EM Examiner's Initials MEX Date 2-19-21, 1920.

COUNTRY FRANCE CEMETERY No. 1764 SHEET No. 235

FORM 115 - A COMPLETED

MAR 18 1921

CARDED

Make Form No. 114

Rev. 5-28-21 E.P.

Checked 2.6.9. 3-10-21

Location Index.....

..... Discrepancies.....

Name.....

Rank.....

Serial No.....

Org.....

Remarks

..... Hughes.....

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

..... Discrepancies.....

Name..... ✓.....

Rank.....

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Remarks

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

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Name.....

Rank.....

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Name.....

Rank.....

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2-17-21

*JW sent
4-23-21*

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COMPILATION OF DISPOSITION OF REMAINS DATA

File #8530

I. LOCATION INDEX CARD:

(a) Name BRIDGES, William *g. 269. 3-10-21* Ser. No. 1590233
 (b) Rank Pvt. Organization Co. H, 7th Inf. TYP. evs
 (c) Date of death 7/24/18 (d) Cause of death MROA. *269. 3-10-21* TYP. B.J.

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

(a) Grave No. 61 Row - Plot 2 Sec. V TYP. evs
 (b) Emerg. Address Issue Bridges (Father) Magness, Ark. *B. (269. 3-10-21)*

III. Files of soldiers dying from contagious diseases - CKR. B.J.

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

g.g.O Card - J. B. Bridges, father, Fitzhugh, Ark., desires body remain in Europe. (APR 3/18/21)

V. Following advice forwarded to Europe by { cable on MAR 10 1921, 192
 letter of transmittal on _____, 192

Par. # 2 Not To Be Returned

VI. Form 115 forwarded to G. R. S., Hoboken, N. J., MAR 22 1921 *m.c.H.*, 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. APR 28 1921, 192

COUNTRY _____ CEMETERY No. _____ SHEET No. _____

MAR 18 1921

J. L.

GRAVE LOCATION BLANK

LOCATION OF THE GRAVE OF

Bridges 15-90233 WW 5.
.....
(Surname.) (Number.) (First Name and Initials.)

Pvt Co H 7 Inf
.....
(Rank.) (Organization.)

DATE OF BURIAL *July 25*
.....

PLACE OF BURIAL *Amman*
.....

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

Ville Amman
.....

GRAVE NUMBER *72*
.....

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

IDENTIFICATION TAGS:

Was one buried with body? *yes*

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

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

REPORTED BY: *W. H. ...*
.....

(Signature and Rank of Reporting Officer.)

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

Place BELLEUE (AISNE) CTY 1764

REPORT OF DISINTERMENT AND REBURIAL

Date 6.7.21

1. REMAINS OF BRIDGES, WILLIAM SERIAL NUMBER 1590233

RANK PVT. ORGANIZATION CO. H. 7th. INF.

2. Disinterred (date): 6.7.21 From (give complete location): GR. 61 SEC. V. PT. 2.

By: Group Bosse. Unit FIELD SECTION # 7

3. Reburied (date): 6.7.21 In (give complete location): GR. 61 SEC. V. PT. 2.

By: Group Bosse. Unit FIELD SECTION # 7 Nature of reburial BURLAP & PINE BOX.

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

BADLY DECOMPOSED FEATURES UNRECOGNIZABLE

Blanket, burlap and pine box.

5. (a) Identification tags: Buried with body? YES On grave marker? YES

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

Disc on marker and body gave "G" as middle initial.

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 IMPOSSIBLE TO DETERMINE

Characteristics IMPOSSIBLE TO DETERMINE

(d) Hair on face—Color IMPOSSIBLE TO DETERMINE

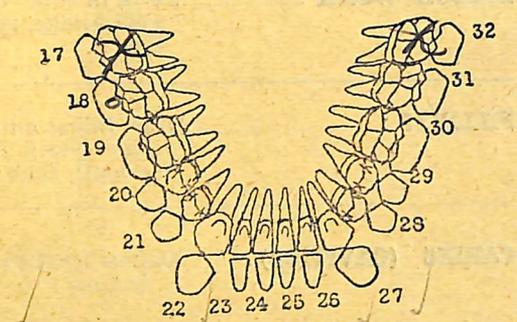
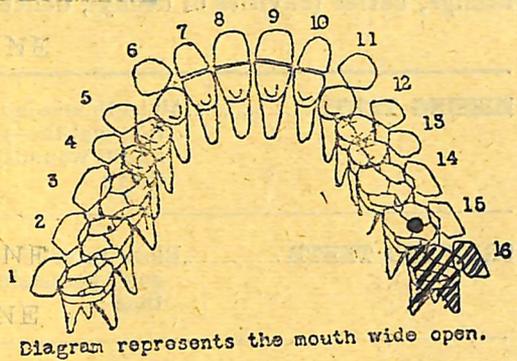
Location IMPOSSIBLE TO DETERMINE

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) IMPOSSIBLE TO DETERMINE



15 al. fil; 16 ext; 17, 32 undev; 18 cav.

7. Disinterment supervised by Harry A Bosse H. V. BOSSE, SUP. EMB Approved: M. B. Birdseye M. B. BIRDSEYE, 1st. LT. QMC (Title)

8. Reburial supervised by Harry A Bosse H. V. BOSSE, SUP. EMB Approved: M. B. Birdseye M. B. BIRDSEYE, 1st. LT. QMC (Title)

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

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

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

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

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



REPORT OF DISINTERMENT AND REBURIAL.

Remains of:

Name Bridges, William G.

Number: 1590233

Rank:

Organization:

Disinterment and Reburial made by Group

Unit "B"

Disinterred (Date)

From: (Give complete location)

July 4, 1919

Plot-53 Cameron at Chamblon, Aisne

Coord. 247.N - - 184.80E

Grave 72

Reburied (Date)

in: (Give complete location)

July 4, 1919

American Cemetery at Belleau Woods, Aisne

Coord. 262.60N - - 176.04E

Plot-2, Sec. V, Grave 61.

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

Body in poor condition.

Was one identification tag found upon the body? no

What other means of identification were found upon the body? none

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Note:

If upon disinterment, effects are found upon the bodies, they will be promptly sent to the Effects Dept direct, as is required by G.O. 170, G.H.2, 1911, 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: Sgt W. Turner

H. C. McCameron
C.O. Group _____ Unit _____

Prov. Unit B. G.R.S.

REPORT OF DISTRICT OFFICER

Number of

Name of District Officer: [Faint text]

Organization: [Faint text]

Disturbance (Date): [Faint text]

Location of Disturbance: [Faint text]

Reported (Date): [Faint text]

Name of Person Reported: [Faint text]

Report as to nature of criminal offence and condition of body upon disturbance: [Faint text]

What other means of identification were found upon the body: [Faint text]

Other remarks: [Faint text]



GRAVE LOCATION BLANK

LOCATION OF THE GRAVE OF

Bridges 1590233 *corps*
(Surname.) (Number.) (First Name and Initials.)

Pvt *Co 71* *7 Inf*
(Rank.) (Organization.)

DATE OF BURIAL *July 23*

PLACE OF BURIAL *France*

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

Ville de Cambrai

GRAVE NUMBER *72*

HOW MARKED: Name Peg? *yes* Cross?
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 map should be given here:

REPORTED BY: *J. M. Jones*
3rd Lt
(Signature and Rank of Reporting Officer.)

This portion to be sent to Chief of Graves Registration Service

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FILE

DEPARTMENT
Office of the Quartermaster General of the Army
Washington

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

Special
Date **Adjustment Made** 23/21

File No. Requisition.

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

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

Subject: Information required for G.R.S.

MAR 25 1921
File No. 8520

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

- a. Surname **Bridges** *OK ✓*
- b. Christian name **William**
(**William G.**) *OK*
- c. Serial Number **1590233** *OK ✓*
- d. Organization **Co. H, 7th Inf.** *OK ✓*
- e. Rank **Pvt.** *OK ✓*
- f. Date of death **7/24/18** *OK ✓*
- g. Cause of death **K/A** *W.R.S.A. OK*
- h. Authority (C.O.#)
- i. Emergency address *J. B. Bridge
Magnolia*
- j. Relationship *OK
Father*

BODY DESCRIPTION

(See page #2 of the Service Record)

- 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)

DENTAL CHARTS

(See Physical report of examination prior to enlistment)

- a. Strike out teeth missing
- 8 7 6 5 4 3 2 1 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8
upper right upper left
- 8 7 6 5 4 3 2 1 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8
lower right lower left

*Received (C.C. 711)
Per. Sec. 2/21/21
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H. D. ROGERS,
Quartermaster General, U.S.A.

CW

BY:

[Signature]
H. J. CONNER,
1st. Lieut., Q.M.C.

CEMETERY NO: 1764

SHEET NO: 235
TYPED BY: JBC

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Co H, 7th Infantry.
3rd Division.

BRIDGES, William Pvt I590233

This soldier was wounded in action 22nd July 1918 by machine gun bullet during AISNE-MARNE offensive. No later reports.

Informant: Gaynor, Frank 1st Sgt 542154
Co H. 7th Infantry.
Home: Boston., Mass.,

Entered Hospital July 22, 1918 severe gun shot wounds incurred in line of duty. Died at 7.30 P.M. July 24, 1918 (Record at Field Hospital 27)

Not signed.

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