

G.R.S. Form #114-B

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MAY 14 1926

FULL NAME ..... BRIGGS, Oscar

RANK ..... Cpl. .... SERIAL ..... 279296

DIVISION & ORGANIZATION ..... Co. C, 126th Inf. .... 32 Div

DATE OF DEATH ..... 10-26-18

STATE FROM WHICH HE CAME ..... Mich

MEDALS OR DECORATIONS AWARDED. ....

FINAL GRAVE LOCATION. .... 10-21-21 38 5 D  
Date Grave Row Block

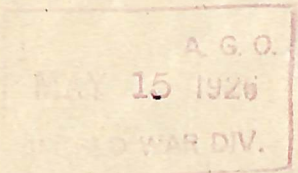
1232 - Meuse-Argonne

Cemetery



Robert C. Devia  
Major General,  
The Adjutant General.

MAY 19 1926



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GRAVE LOCATION BLANK.

LOCATION OF THE GRAVE OF

Briggs 279296 Oscar F. (Surname.) (Number.) (First Name and Initials.)  
Private Co. "M", 355th Infantry. (Rank.) (Organization.)

DATE OF BURIAL... October 36th, 1918.

PLACE OF BURIAL.....

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

500 Meters East of Gesnes by the West  
side of the road from Gesnes to the  
main road.

GRAVE NUMBER.....

HOW MARKED: Name Peg?..... Cross? Yes,.....

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

Co. 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:

Was hit  
Front  
and  
outs

LIGGS Oscar F. Cpl. 279296.  
Home: R.F.D. Allegan, Mich.

a German hand grenade. Was  
to the right of Roumagne,  
had reached its objective  
was killed, he was buried just  
for members of this company.

Raymond W. Cpl. 2180982.  
126th Infantry.  
Town, Nobraska.

REPORTED BY:

A. J. [Signature] (Signature and Rank of Reporting Officer.)

Surgeon,  
Lieut. 126th Infantry.  
2/21/19.

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

Emer  
Mr. THOMAS BRIGGS  
as above.

I.C.

Co. C. 126th Infantry.  
32nd Division.

BRIGGS Oscar T. Cpl. 279296.  
Home: R.F.D. Allegan, Mich.

Was killed instantly on Oct. 5th, 1918 by a German hand grenade. Was hit in the head by same about 500 yards to the right of Roumagne, France, on the Argonne Front. The company had reached its objective and was waiting to be relieved when he was killed, he was buried just outside of Roumange with a number of other members of this company.

Informant: REESE Raymond W. Cpl. 2180982.  
Co. C. 126th Infantry.  
Home : Pleasant Town, Nobraska.

Signed: M. SPURGEON,  
Lieut. 126th Infantry.  
2/21/19.

Emergency address:  
Mr. Thomas BRIGGS  
as above.

I.C.

Place NEUFCHATEAU

Date 27th, June 1919

REPORT OF DISINTERMENT AND REBURIAL.

Remains of:

Name BRIGGS, Osear T.

Number: 279296

Rank Unkn Organization: Unkn

Unit

Disinterment and Reburial made by Group

Unit

Disinterred (Date)

From: (Give complete location)

11th, June 1919

Isolated Grave Romagne Meuse

35 NE 306.5 E; 283.9 N.

Reburied (Date)

in: (Give complete location)

11th, June 1919

Grave 112 Sec. 101 Plot 3

ARGONNE AMER. CTY. #1232

ROMAGNE MEUSE

1232

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

Burial good; buried in uniform; body decomposed.

Was one identification tag found upon body?

Yes

What other means of identification were found upon the body?

None

12220  
CONFIRMED No. 3

Note:

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

Supervised by

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Lt. Gill

R. H. ROSENTHAL

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

C.O. Group

Unit

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HEADING	SUB-HEADING	NO. OF COLS	CODE
NAME	Briggs	3	289
	oscar		
	B A I	3	
	CEMETERY	1	1
BURIED	GRAVE	2	38
	38		
	ROW	2	05
	5		
	BLOCK	1	4
	D		
STATE	Mich.	2	26
RANK	Cpl.	1	2
DIVISION	32	2	32
ORGANIZATION	126	3	126
ARM	Inf.	1	1
MARTIAL	no	1	2
NAME	Briggs	3	
	Thomas Franklin		
	R/D 56		
RESIDENCE	Allegan, Mich.		
	STATE	2	26
	COUNTY	2	
	CITY	3	
RELATION	Mother	1	1
OTHER		1	
ELIGIBILITY	Dead	1	6
NATIVITY		1	
RACE		1	
ENGLISH		1	
ATTENDANT		1	
HEALTH		1	
NO. OF SONS		1	
DATE OF	MO.	1	
TRIP	YR.	1	
ACCEPTANCE		1	

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WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

Briggs, Oscar 1232 F

July 8, 1930

Mr. Thos. Franklin Briggs  
R. F. D. #6,  
Allegan, Michigan

Dear Sir:

Your attention is invited to the enclosed copy of an Act of Congress of March 2, 1929, together with an amendment thereto, approved May 15, 1930.

This office has no record of any person entitled under the Act mentioned to make a pilgrimage to the cemeteries in Europe as the mother or widow of the above named deceased service man. To complete the list of eligibles and to assure that, if the above named man is survived by a mother or widow entitled to make a pilgrimage she receive an invitation to do so, it is requested you answer the following questions in the space provided on this letter and return to this office in the enclosed envelope which requires no postage.

1. Is the deceased survived by a mother?

If so, give her name and address:

*his mother is dead*

2. Is the deceased survived by a widow who has not remarried?

If so, give her name and address:

*no*

3. Is the deceased survived by any woman who stood in loco parentis to him according to the terms of Section 4 (a) of the enclosed Act as amended?

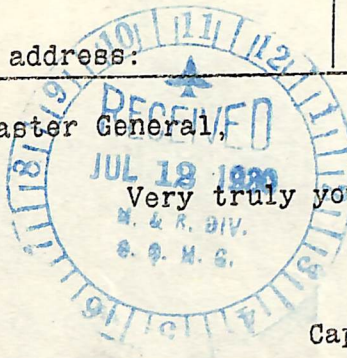
If so, give her name and address:

*not any*

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

Enclosures:  
Envelope  
Act  
Amendment



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

*Thomas F. Briggs*

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IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

Briggs, Oscar  
1232

Sept. 4, 1929.

Mr. Thomas Franklin Briggs,  
RFD #6,  
Allegan, Mich.

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:

*He left no widow*

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.

*His mother is  
Dead*

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

*He had no step  
Mother*

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

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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.

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

QM 293 C-R

October 16, 1923.

Mr. Thomas Franklin Briggs,  
R.F.D. #6,  
Allegan, Mich.

Dear Sir:

The Quartermaster General desires you to be informed that the permanent grave of Corporal Oscar Briggs, Company C, 126th Infantry, is Grave 38, Row 5, Block D, Meuse-Argonne American Cemetery, Romagnous-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. 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.

You are assured in effecting removal of the remains, the utmost care and reverence were exercised and more than willingly accorded by those who performed 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,

**Q. M. G.**  
B. O. C. FOSTER  
CENTRAL MAIL ROOM

Assistant,



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B. O. C.

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VII. G. R. S. Form No. 114 made \_\_\_\_\_, 192

Typed by \_\_\_\_\_, Checked by \_\_\_\_\_, 192

VIII. FINAL ACTION:

Following advice forwarded to Europe by { cable on \_\_\_\_\_, 192  
letter on **JUN 4 1921**, 192

*Sec. #101*

**Par. 2 Not To Be Returned**

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**REMARKS**

WRITE NOTHING BELOW THIS LINE

To be prepared in triplicate.

DATE Sept. 12. 1921

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 - BRIGGS, Oscar
2. No. 279296
3. Rank Cpl.
4. Org. Co. C. 126th Inf.
5. D.D. Oct. 5. 1918
6. C.D. m.a.

10. Name Oscar T. Briggs (On disc on body).
11. No.
12. Rank
13. Org.
14. (a) D.D.
(b) D.B.

Discrepancy found upon disinterment

7. Grave No. 112 Sec. 101
8. Plot 3 Row
9.

15. Grave No. Sec.
16. Plot Row
17. no idscrep.

18. Cemetery Argonne Amer.

19. Commune or town Romagne/s/Montfaucon

20. Dept. or County Meuse

21. Country France

22. G.R.S. Hdqrs. Code No. 1232 Sec. 101

23. Disinterred (Date) Sept. 12. 1921

By C.V. Russell

24. Inscription on grave marker:

Name Briggs, Oscar
Rank Cpl.

Serial No. 279296
Organization Co. C. 126th Inf.

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

Signature Junior Technical Assistant

PREPARATION

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

G.R.S. plaque on box, reads "Oscar Briggs, 279296, U.S.A."

27. Condition of body Badly decomposed, Unrecognizable.

28. Nature of burial Pine box, Uniform & burlap.

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

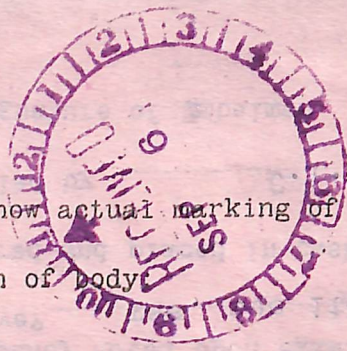
30. Body prepared and placed in casket: Date Sept. 12. 21 By C.V. Russell

31. Casket sealed by C.V. Russell

Signature of Embalmer, (Supervisor)

AUDITED BY LMG 5-3-23

C.V. Russell



*R. J. Younger*

SHIPMENT. (Show actual marking of box.) Box No. 0.5517

32. Designation of body

Name BRIGGS, Oscar Serial No. 279296

Rank Cpl. Organization Co. C. 126th. Inf.

33. Consigned to:  
Name of Permanent Cemetery Argonne Amer. Romagne/s/Montfaucon 1232

34. Casket boxed and marked (Date) Sept. 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.

Signature of G.R.S. Inspector *S.D. Archer*  
S.D. Archer 1st. Lt. QMC

36. Remarks

37. Shipped from point of Operation: (Date) Sept. 12. 1921

To point of Concentration Morgue Cem. #1232.

Convoyer \_\_\_\_\_ 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 \_\_\_\_\_ Signature Shipping Officer \_\_\_\_\_

40. Received: Date Sept 12 1921

G.R.S. Representative *Alfred H. Mearns*

41. Reinterred: Mouse Argonne Cemetery # 1232 Oct 21st 1921  
(Date)

42. Grave No. 0B138 Section \_\_\_\_\_

43. Plot block D Row 5

G.R.S. Representative *James W. Younger*  
James W. Younger, Capt QMC.

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# REPORT OF DISINTERMENT AND REBURIAL

Place Romange Sous Montfaucou

Date Sept. 13, 1921 1921.

1. REMAINS OF BRIGGS, OSCAR SERIAL NUMBER 279296

RANK Cpl. ORGANIZATION Co., c. 126th Inf.

2. Disinterred (date): Sept. 12, 1921. From (give complete location):

Gr. 112 Sec. 101 Pt. 3, Meuse-Argonne Cem., #1232.

By: Group Russell Unit Sec. 1

3. Reburied (date): Oct 21st 1921 In (give complete location): Meuse Argonne Cemetery # 1232 Gr 38 block D row 5

By: Group re-burial S Unit  Nature of reburial unlined casbt

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

Pine box and U. S. uniform, body decomposed skeleton disarticulated.

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

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

GRS. Plac on box reads: "Oscar T. Briggs, 279296. U.S.A."

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 None visible

Quantity undeterminable

Characteristics undeterminable

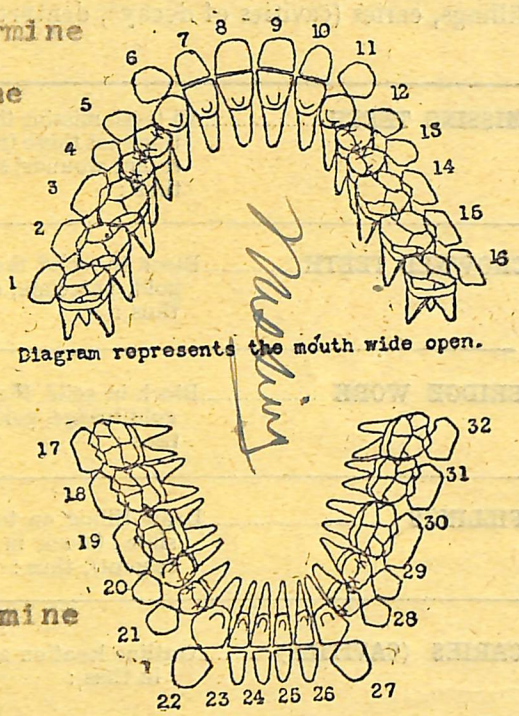
(d) Hair on face—Color None

Location None

Quantity None

(e) Permanent marks on body (old scars, peculiarities, or missing parts) Impossible to determine

(f) Wounds or missing parts (received at time of casualty) Head and jaws missing.



7. Disinterment supervised by C. V. Russell Approved: J. D. Archer






C. V. Russell S. E. S. (Title) Archer 1st Lt. QMC.

8. Reburial supervised by A. U. Dufault Approved: James W. Younger  
(Title) James W. Younger, Capt QMC.

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

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

1. Show soldier's name, serial number, rank and organization, and by whom disinterred and reburied.
2. Give date and accurate information as to location from which the body was disinterred and the group and unit which made disinterment.
3. Give date and accurate information as to location of reburial and the group and unit which made reburial, and how reburial was made—in casket, wooden box, etc.
4. State to what degree decomposition has progressed, whether recognition is possible, and how the body was originally buried—in a casket, box, burlap, etc. This statement should be as complete as possible.
5. (a) State whether identification tags were found buried with body and on grave marker by reporting "Yes" or "No".  
 (b) State whether or not body appears to have been a hospital case. Were any identifying articles found in or on body or grave? List any personal effects, letters, money-order receipts, and the like found on body or in grave. Give any and all information which it is thought might be of use in identifying the body, other than that tabulated under Item No. 6.
6. Give all information as to body description and dental chart as nearly correctly as the condition of the body will allow. Items (e) and (f) under the body description are very important and should be very complete. The dental chart is also very important and should be filled in with great care. There are 32 teeth to be accounted for, as shown by the numbers on the chart. Beginning at the middle line in both upper and lower jaws, the teeth are arranged symmetrically on either side and classed as incisors (cutting teeth), cuspids or canines (tearing teeth), 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><b>MISSING TEETH</b>.....All teeth missing through previous extraction (not those fractured or displaced by recent wounds) should be scratched out, thus :</p>	 <p style="text-align: center;">TOOTH MISSING      TOOTH MISSING</p>
<p><b>CROWNED TEETH</b>.....Block in solid the crown of tooth (label gold, porcelain, or gold and porcelain), thus :</p>	 <p style="text-align: center;">GOLD CROWN      PORCELAIN CROWN</p>
<p><b>BRIDGE WORK</b>.....Block in solid the crown of tooth (label gold bridge, gold and porcelain bridge), thus :</p>	 <p style="text-align: center;">GOLD AND PORCELAIN BRIDGE      GOLDBRIDGE</p>
<p><b>FILLINGS</b>.....Draw filling on tooth accurately as possible (block in and label gold, silver, cement), thus :</p>	 <p style="text-align: center;">SILVER FILLING      GOLD FILLING</p> <p style="text-align: center;">GOLD FILLING      GOLD FILLING</p>
<p><b>CARIES (CAVITIES)</b>.....Outline location and size of cavity, shade in thus :</p>	 <p style="text-align: center;">CAVITY DECAYED      DECAYED</p>
<p><b>DENTURES (PLATES)</b>.....Draw diagram of relative size and shape of plate, block in teeth attached and indicate retaining clasps on natural teeth with the word "clasp."</p>	

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

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



# COMPILATION OF DISPOSITION OF REMAINS DATA

**I. LOCATION INDEX CARD:**

File # 88149

(a) Name BRIGGS, Oscar Ser. No. 279296  
 (b) Rank Cpl. Organization Co. C. 126th Inf. } TYP. hmp  
 (c) Date of death 10-26-18 (d) Cause of death k/a } B. J.

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

(a) Grave No. 112 Row --- Plot 3 Sec. 101 TYP. hmp  
 (b) Emerg. Address Mr. Thomas Franklin, Briggs(father) RFD #6 /Allegan.

III. Files of soldiers dying from contagious diseases ////// Mich 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  
*Acc. #101* letter of transmittal on JUN 4 1921, 192

**Par. 2 Not To Be Returned**

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

**VII. SUPPLEMENTARY REQUESTS.**

Date of and source.	Relationship and name.	Desires.	Action taken.
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COUNTRY \_\_\_\_\_ CEMETERY No. \_\_\_\_\_ SHEET No. \_\_\_\_\_

G.R.S. Form No. 113  
Reply to G. L. Inquiry.

WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
GRAVES REGISTRATION SERVICE  
WASHINGTON, D. C.

November 4, 1919.

Mrs. S. B. Swinehart,  
R.F.D. # 6, Box 45,  
Kalamazoo, Mich.

1. In reply to your inquiry we beg to say that the records of the Graves Registration Service contain the following information as to grave location:

Case of: ~~Corp. Oscar T. Briggs,~~  
Co. C, 126th Infantry.

Place of burial: Reburied- Argonne American Cemetery,  
Romagne-sous-Montfaucon, Department of  
Meuse, Grave 112, Section 101, Plot 3.

2. The grave has been registered and suitably marked for present purposes, pending the adoption of a more permanent monument by the National Fine Arts Commission, which now has the matter under consideration.

3. While it is a sad duty on our part to convey information concerning the burial of men who were our valient comrades, it is a satisfaction to answer the queries of those who suffer so grievously by the casualties of War.

By authority of the Quartermaster General:

CHARLES C. PIERCE,  
Colonel, Q. M. Corps,  
Chief, Graves Registration Service.

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Mrs S. B. Swinehart  
P. R. #6. Box 45.

Kalamazoo, Mich.,  
June 16<sup>th</sup>, 1919.

✓ Graves Registration Bureau,  
Headquarters S. O. S.,  
American C. F.

Dear Sir:-

Would you please  
give information or tell me  
where I could get information  
of my Cousins grave, and  
the number of same, Corporal  
Oscar T. Briggs, and where  
he was buried, he was with the  
126 Infantry, 32 Division, in  
France.

✓ Respectfully yours  
Mrs S. B. Swinehart.



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G.R.S.

**GRAVE LOCATION BLANK.**

LOCATION OF THE GRAVE OF

**BRIGGS** 279296 *Oscar T.*  
(Surname.) (Number.) (First Name and Initials.)

*Bot. ?*  
(Rank.) (Organization.)

DATE OF BURIAL *Oct. 26*

PLACE OF BURIAL *88149*  
(Give Cemetery, Town and Department.) Map reference must specify clearly what map is used.

*500 meters east of Genes & to west side of the road from Genes to the main road.*

GRAVE NUMBER.....

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

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

IDENTIFICATION TAGS :

Was one buried with body?.....

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 :

*1 no record*

*Genes (Genes) (E 306.2) (N 281.9)*  
*270 35 N.E.*

REPORTED BY : *H. J. China - First Lt. - 2nd Army*  
(Signature and Rank of Reporting Officer.)

This portion to be sent to Chief of Graves Registration Service



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