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G.R.S. Form #114-B

FULL NAME BRIGHT, Alexander *M. Sgt.*

RANK..... Private ✓ SERIAL..... 1567699 ✓

DIVISION & ORGANIZATION Company A, 102nd Infantry ✓ *26 Div*

DATE OF DEATH..... *July 23/18.*

STATE FROM WHICH HE CAME..... *Ind*

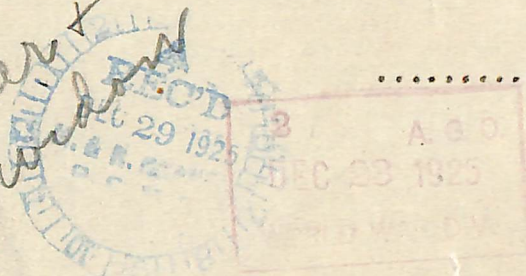
MEDALS OR DECORATIONS AWARDED..... *none shown*

FINAL GRAVE LOCATION.....	<i>28</i>		
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	Date	Grave	Row
			Block

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CODE SLIP



HEADING	SUB-HEADING	NO. OF COLS	CODE
NAME	Bright	3	2 8 9
BURIED	Alexander M		
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	ROW 6	2	06
	BLOCK a	1	1
STATE	Ind	2	15
RANK	Priv	1	2
DIVISION	36	2	26
ORGANIZATION	102	3	102
ARM	Inf.	1	1
MARTIAL	Mo	1	2
NAME	Bright	3	2 8 9
RESIDENCE	Mrs. Jane		
	STATE Ind	2	15
	COUNTY Madison	2	48
	CITY Alexandria	3	001
RELATION	Mother	1	1
OTHER		1	
ELIGIBILITY	yes	1	1
NATIVITY		1	
RACE		1	
ENGLISH	yes	1	
ATTENDANT		1	
HEALTH	bad	1	2
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DATE OF TRIP		1	
ACCEPTANCE		1	
	no ag	1	

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IN REPLY
REFER TO

QM 293 A-M

WAR DEPARTMENT

OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

October 13, 1932

Bright Alexander M (OA)

Mrs Jane Bright
RR #1
Alexander Ind

SPECIAL

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.

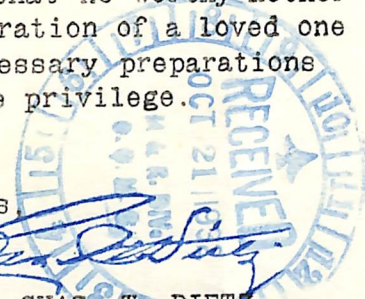
Will you please devote a few moments of your time to write either the word "YES" or "NO" in the following space no, thus indicating whether or not you desire to make the pilgrimage during 1933 and sign your name here Mrs Jane Bright. Use the enclosed envelope, which requires no postage, and return this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



Please don't think I did not love my boy that is the reason it would bring back sad memories he always said don't go to the grave

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-M
Bright, Alexander M. OA

September 6, 1932.

Mrs. Jane Bright,
R.R. #1,
Alexander, Ind.

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.

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WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-M

Bright, Alexander M. (OA)

July 11, 1932.

Mrs. Jane Bright,
R. R. #1,
Alexander, Ind.

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) _____

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Bright, Alexander M. Pvt (OA) M

January 8, 1932.

Mrs. Jane Bright,
Alexandria, R.R.#1,
Indiana,

Dear Madam:

Reference is made to correspondence forwarded you from this office relative to a pilgrimage to the grave of your son, the late Private Alexander M. Bright. In reply to a questionnaire you advised that you did not desire to make a pilgrimage during the summer of 1932.

It is noted you previously stated your health was poor, and in this connection you are advised that personnel to care for your comfort and needs will be provided, and doctors and nurses will be available. During the past two years a number of mothers in poor health and of advanced age made the pilgrimage and appear to have benefited by the sea air and the excellent care they received.

It is believed that you would experience no difficulty in making the journey, and should you later decide to visit your son's grave next summer, it is requested that you so notify this office. You are assured that not only will the pilgrimage be made at the expense of the United States, but everything possible will be provided for your comfort and welfare.

For The Quartermaster General.

Very truly yours,

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

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Washington, D. C., July 7, 1931

MRS. SUSIE IRWIN,
2214 BELLAIRE ST.,
DENVER, COLO.

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WHILE MAKING PILGRIMAGE 3063GSM ADH

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QM 293 A-M Irwin, Emory S. (Sur.) M



WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM-293-AM
Bright, Alexander M. Pvt.(OA) M

June 20, 1931

Mrs. Jane Bright,
Merkle, Indiana.

*Alexandria noted
RR,*

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.

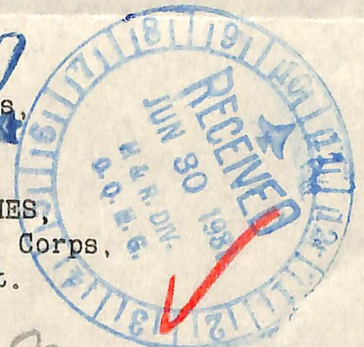
As soon as you have answered the question, please sign your name and return this sheet in the enclosed addressed envelope which requires no postage. Do not delay, as a prompt reply is essential.

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? no

Write answer here

Jane Bright
Sign here

Alexandria Dnd R.P.T.

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-M
Bright, Alexander M. Pvt 608 M

October 11, 1930

Mrs. Jane Bright
Markle
Indiana

Dear Madam:

A reply has not been received to office letter of recent date relative to the pilgrimage to the cemeteries of Europe, authorized by the Act of Congress of March 2, 1929, as amended May 15, 1930.

The records of this office show that you are the mother of the deceased veteran named above and in order that plans may be completed for conducting the pilgrimages in 1931, it is requested you answer the following questions by filling out the blanks left therefor and return the letter to this office in the enclosed envelope which requires no postage.

1. Do you desire to make this pilgrimage?	<i>i would love to make</i>
2. Do you desire to make the pilgrimage in the calendar year 1931?	<i>The trip but cannot</i>
3. Please give your age and state your health.	Age <i>78</i> last may Condition of health <i>heart trouble</i>
4. Do you speak English?	<i>yes</i>
5. What other language do you speak?	<i>none</i>

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

June 7, 1930.

Bright, Alexander M. - 608 M

Mrs. James Bright,
Marble, Ind.

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
Bright, Alexander M. 608 M

October 7 , 1929.

**Mrs. Jane Bright,
Markle, Ind.**

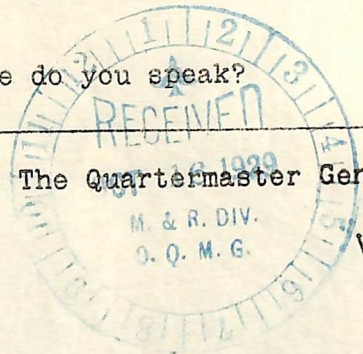
Dear Madam:

The Act of Congress which provides for pilgrimages to cemeteries in Europe by mothers and widows of members of the military or naval forces of the United States who died in the military or naval service at any time between April 5, 1917 and July 1, 1921, and whose remains are now interred in such cemeteries, all necessary expenses of which pilgrimages are to be paid by the United States Government, requires that the Secretary of War make an investigation and submit the results of such investigation in a report to Congress not later than December 15, 1929. The purpose of the investigation is to determine the total number of mothers and widows entitled to make the pilgrimages, the number of such mothers and widows who desire to make the pilgrimages, the number who desire to make the pilgrimages during the calendar year 1930 and the probable cost of the pilgrimages to be made.

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

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

For The Quartermaster General,



Very truly yours,

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

Bright, Alexander M.
608

Aug. 29, 1929.

Mrs. Jane Bright,
East Washington St.,
Summitville, Ind.

Dear Madam:

The records of this office do not indicate that a reply has been received to our communication dated June 24, 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:

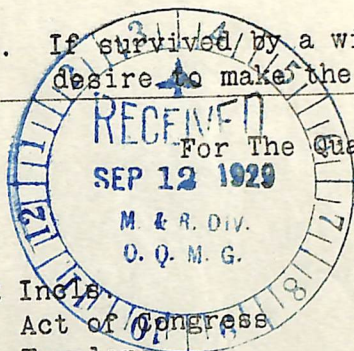
*Never was
married*

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.

*Just a mother
near the end
I would like to
make the pilgrimage
but health will not
permit going*

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

Mrs Jane Bright



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

Bright, Alexander M.

June 24, 1929.

Mrs. Jane Bright,
East Washington St.,
Summitville, Ind.

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 mother of the late **Private Alexander M. Bright, Co. A., 102nd Inf., 26th Div.,** whose remains are now interred in the **Oise-Aisne American Cemetery, Seringes-et-Nesles, Aisne, France.**

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

In the event your son was survived by a widow who has since remarried it is 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.

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-M
Bright, Alexander M. OA

September 6, 1932.

Mrs. Jane Bright,
R.R. #1,
Alexander, Ind.

Dear Madam:

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For The Quartermaster General,

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

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WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-M

Bright, Alexander M. (OA)

July 11, 1932.

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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) _____

QM 293 A-M

Bright, Alexander M. Pvt (OA) M

January 8, 1932.

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Alexandria, R.R.#1,
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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-AM

June 20, 1931

Bright, Alexander M. Pvt.(OA) M

Mrs. Jane Bright,
Markle, Indiana.

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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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October 11, 1930

Bright, Alexander M. Pvt 608 M

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Markle
Indiana

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For The Quartermaster General:

Very truly yours,

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

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

June 7, 1930.

Bright, Alexander H. - 608 H

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

Bright, Alexander M.
608

Aug. 29, 1929.

Mrs. Jane Bright,
East Washington St.,
Summitville, Ind.

Dear Madam:

The records of this office do not indicate that a reply has been received to our communication dated ^{June 24, 1929} making inquiry concerning the name and address of the mother and widow of the deceased service man above named. These addresses are desired with a view to ascertaining the number of mothers and widows who desire to make a pilgrimage to the cemeteries of Europe in which the remains of their sons and husbands are interred.

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

Write answers in space below

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

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

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

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

Bright, Alexander M.

June 24, 1929.

**Mrs. Jane Bright,
East Washington St.,
Summitville, Ind.**

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 mother of the late **Private Alexander M. Bright, Co. A., 103rd Inf., 26th Div.,** whose remains are now interred in the **Oise-Aisne American Cemetery, Seringes-et-Nesles, Aisne, France.**

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

In the event your son was survived by a widow who has since remarried it is requested that a statement to that effect be made.

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

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

2 incls.
Act of Congress.
Envelope.

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

QM 293 A-C

Bright, Alexander H.

February 11, 1929.

Mrs. Jane Bright,
East Washington Street,
Summitville, Indiana.

Dear Madam:

In order to conform to the plans for beautification of the permanent American Military Cemeteries in Europe it has been necessary to make a re-arrangement of the graves in these Cemeteries, which may be considered as permanent for all time.

The enclosed card gives the final resting place of your son, the late Alexander H. Bright, Private, Company A, 102nd Infantry.

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

G. McOLINTOCK,
Major, Q. M. Corps,
Assistant.

1 Incl.
Record card.

Q.M.G.-M & R

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DISPATCHED

To be prepared in triplicate.

DATE February 21, 1928

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 BRIGHT, Alexander *M. Ind*

10. Name

2. No. 1567699

11. No.

3. Rank Pvt.

12. Rank

4. Org. Co. A, 102nd Inf., *26th Div*

13. Org.

5. D.D. July 23, 1918

14. (a) D.D.

6. C.D. KIA.

(b) D.B.

Discrepancy found upon disinterment

7. Grave No. 54 Sec. _____

15. Grave No. _____ Sec. _____

8. Plot Block A Row 6

16. Plot _____ Row _____

9. _____

17. _____

18. Cemetery Oise-Aisne19. Commune or town Seringes-et-Nesles20. Dept. or County Aisne21. Country France.22. G.R.S. Hdqrs. Code No. 60823. Disinterred (Date) February 21, 1928 By P.D.Woodman

24. Inscription on grave marker:

Name BRIGHT, AlexanderSerial No. 1567699Rank Pvt.Organization Co. A, 102nd Inf.25. Was identification disc found on grave marker? _____ On body? YesSignature Junior Technical Assistant

PREPARATION

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

27. Condition of body _____

28. Nature of burial Pine box and burlap

29. Any discrepancy noted upon examination of body, as compared with G.R.S. records quoted above? _____

30. Body prepared and placed in casket: Date February 21, 1928 By P.D.Woodman31. Casket sealed by P.D.Woodman

Signature of Embalmer, (Supervisor) _____

P.D.Woodman

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

32. Designation of body:

Name BRIGHT, Alexander Serial No. 1567699

Rank Pvt. Organization Co. A, 102nd Inf.

33. Consigned to:

Name of Permanent Cemetery Oise-Aisne, Seringes-et-Nesles, Aisne

34. Casket boxed and marked (Date) February 21, 1928 By Charles E. Spahn

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 Charles E. Spahn

Charles E. Spahn

36. Remarks _____

37. Shipped from point of Operation: (Date) _____

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 _____

Convoyer _____ (Name)
Signature Shipping Officer _____

40. Received: Date _____

G.R.S. Representative _____

41. Reinterred February 21, 1928, Oise-Aisne American Cty.

42. Grave No. 28 (Date) _____

43. Plot Block A Row 6

G.R.S. Representative William E. Moore

William E. Moore, Superintendent.

REPORT OF DISINTERMENT AND REBURIAL

Place Oise-Aisne Cty., 608

Date February 21, 1928

1. REMAINS OF BRIGHT, Alexander SERIAL NUMBER 1567699
RANK Private ORGANIZATION Co. A. 102nd Inf.

2. Disinterred (date) : February 21, 1928 From (give complete location) :
Grave 54, Block A, Row 6

By : Group Cty. Unit _____

3. Reburied (date) February 21, 1928 In (give complete location) :
Grave 28, Block A, Row 6

By : Group Cty. Unit _____ Nature of reburial Metalic casket

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

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

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

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

(a) Height (actual measurement) _____

(b) Weight (estimated) _____

(c) Hair—Color _____

Quantity _____

Characteristics _____

(d) Hair on face—Color _____

Location _____

Quantity _____

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

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

Right and left ulna missing. Lower jaw missing.

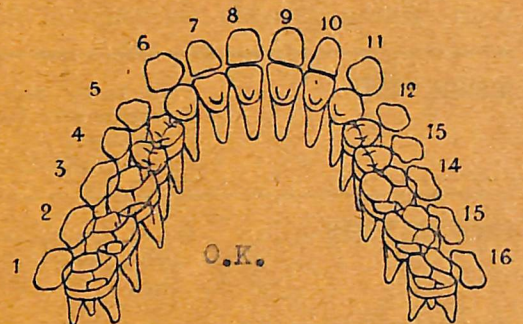
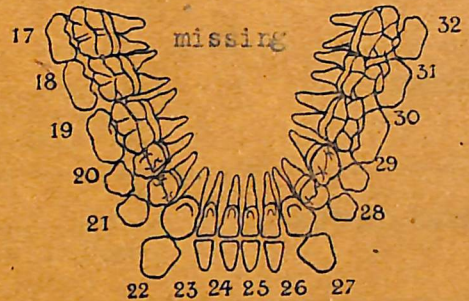


Diagram represents the mouth wide open



7. Disinterment supervised by W. Woodman Approved : _____

(Title) _____

8. Reburial supervised by Charles E. Spahn Approved : _____

(Title) _____

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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.

O. G. M. O.

GRAVE LOCATION BLANK

LOCATION OF THE GRAVE OF

Bright 1587699 Alexander
(Surname.) (Number.) (First Name and Initials.)

Pvt. Co. A. 102nd Inf.
(Rank.) (Organization.)

DATE OF BURIAL *July 26 - 1918*

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

*Map. Truck 1120000
186 2644*

GRAVE NUMBER

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

REPORTED BY: *Orville A. Petty
Chaplain 102nd US Inf.*
(Signature and Rank of Reporting Officer.)

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

1918 returned from

Number: 1587699

1918 returned City 711-58

1919 Unit 304 City 608

plete location)

plete location)

Alexander, pvt 1587699
Home: ..

1918. On the edge of the
he was buried where he
w Haven, Ct was in charge of

Carangelo, William cpl. 63613
Co A. 102nd Infantry
17 Arker St, Waterbury, Ct.

John Fitzgibbins, 1st Lt,
102nd US Inf.

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*file
2/16/25*

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STATISTICAL DIVISION
HEALTH DEPARTMENT

12 OCT 1918

Seriales (Initials)

ORIGINAL PAPER FILED

Date June 21/19

1918 returned from

Number: 1567699

1918 returned City 711-58
1919 Unit 304 City 608

Rank: Pvt.

Organization: Co. A.

Discharge and Reburial data by Group

Discharged (Date) June 21/19 From (Give complete location)

Leave # 30 Con #1

Co A. 102nd Infantry
26th Division;

Bright, Alexander, pvt I567699
Home: ..

S.R. at Central Records Office.

Killed in action on the 22nd July 1918. On the edge of the town of Epieds I saw him just before he was buried where he fell at Epieds. Chaplain Petty of New Haven, Ct was in charge of the burial party.

Informant; Carangelo, William cpl. 63613
Co A. 102nd Infantry
Home: 17 Arker St, Waterbury, Ct.

Searcher: John Fitzgibbins, 1st Lt,
102nd US Inf.

S/A

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1/16/25

Place Seringes (Aisne)

Date June 9/19

REPORT OF DISINTERMENT AND REBURIAL.

Remains of:

Name Alexander Bright

Number: 1587699

Rank: Pvt.

Organization: Co. A. 102nd. Inf.

Disinterment and Reburial made by Group

Unit 304

Disinterred (Date) June 9/19 From: (Give complete location)

Grave # 58 Cem. #711

Reburied (Date) June 9/19 in: (Give complete location)

Grave # 137 Sec. O. Plot. # 3 Cem. #608 Seringes et Nesles (Aisne)

Map #33 Soissons. SE

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

Buried 4 feet deep-- Body badly decomposed

Was one identification tag found upon the body? None--One on cross

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

Note:

If upon disinterment, effects are found upon the bodies, they will be promptly sent to the Effects Depot direct, as is required by G.O. 170, G.H. 2, 1911 after being carefully examined for clues to identity in doubtful cases, notes whereof will be made and reported to Chief, Graves Registration Service.

Supervised by: Sgt. W. Darnell

1st. Lt. Oscar W. Forsberg

C.O. Group _____ Unit 304

Place Seranges-et-Nesles, Aisne

REPORT OF DISINTERMENT AND REBURIAL

Date May 16/21

1. REMAINS OF BRIGHT. ALEXANDER SERIAL NUMBER 1567699

RANK Pvt. ORGANIZATION Co. A, 102nd Inf.

2. Disinterred (date): May 16/21 From (give complete location): Seranges-et-Nesles Amer. Cty. #608, Gr. 137-0-3

By: Group Maire Unit Sect. 6

3. Reburied (date): Same date In (give complete location): Same cemetery Gr. 53-0-2

By: Group Maire Unit Nature of reburial Box & burlap

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

5 ft. earthen grave. burlap and U uniform, decomposed, unrecognizable

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

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

Tag on body reads "Alexander-----156769" balance corroded. One "USNG" collar ornaments on body.

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

(a) Height (actual measurement) Impossible to determine

(b) Weight (estimated) "

(c) Hair—Color "

Quantity "

Characteristics "

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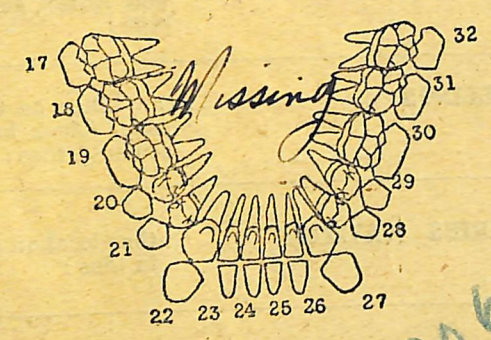
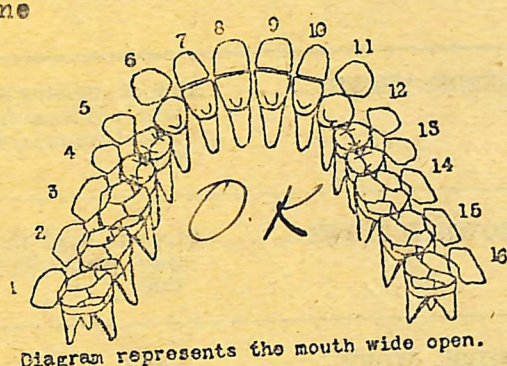
Location "

Quantity "

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

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

Hole in top of skull, lower jaw missing.



1930617

7. Disinterment supervised by E. Maire
E. Maire S.E.

Approved: James W. Younger, Capt. QMC.
(Title)






8. Reburial supervised by E. Maire
E. Maire S.E.

Approved: James W. Younger, Capt. QMC.
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8. Show name of person supervising the reburial and the name and title of the person approving same.



Bright, Alexander

1,567,699

(Surname.)
Pvt

(Christian name in full.)

(Army serial num)

Co A 102nd Inf

(Rank and organization.)

State your relationship to the deceased *mother*

Do you desire the remains brought to the United States? *no*

(Yes or no.)

If remains are brought to the United States, do you wish them interred in a national cemetery? } (Yes or no.)

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

(Name of person to receive remains.)

(Express office.)

(Telegraph office.)

(Number and street.)

(City or town.)

(State.)

(Sign here)

Mrs Jane Bright

over.

612 W. Washington St. Alexandria Ind

(Number and street or rural route.)

(City, town, or post office.)

(State.)

Read carefully the letter accompanying this card.

3-6713

over

Sir in regard to my dear sons Body
i would rather not have him Brought
back as i could not see him i could
not stand it as he had not ever
been away from me more than a week
at a time to have his body bear and
not get to see him i could not stand
it but you have him put away over
there and I want you Pleas send
me personal let of his, i never heard
non of the Particulars of his death want
you Pleas rite and Tell me

Jane Bright Letter sent 5-17-19 Dec-63

QM 293 A-C

BRIGHT, Alexander - Pvt.

October 21, 1925

Mrs. Jane Bright,
East Washington St.,
Summitville, Indiana.

Dear Madam:

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

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

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

Very truly yours,

L.W. REDINGTON,
Major, Q.M.C.,
Assistant.

1-Incl.
Record card.

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COMPILATION OF DISPOSITION OF REMAINS DATA

File # 7452

I. LOCATION INDEX CARD:

(a) Name BRIGHT, Alexander Ser. No. 1567699 } TYP. DB
 (b) Rank Pvt. Organization Co. A, 102nd Inf. } CKR. J.S.
 (c) Date of death 7-23-18 (d) Cause of death K/A

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

(a) Grave No. 137 Row - Plot 3 Sec. 0 TYP. DB
 (b) Emerg. Address Mrs. Jane Bright, (Mother) RFD #16 Alexandria, Ind.

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

IV. A. G. O. DISPOSITION CARD:

Date of receipt None

(a) Name Mrs. Jane Bright (b) Relationship Mother
 (c) Address 612 W. Washington St, Alexandria Ind
 (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. _____

see suspension

Examiner's Initials MH Date 12-13, 1920.

V. A. G. O. CORRESPONDENCE shows communication from Mrs. Jane Bright
Alexandria, Ind., dated _____

confirming request in Par. IV., item _____, above, or requesting that information
concerning his death & personal effects

Examiner's Initials MH Date 12-13, 1920.

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

No request for disposition

(a) Cancellation memos referred to? yes MH

Examiner's Initials MH Date 12-13, 1920.

COUNTRY FRANCE CEMETERY No. 608 SHEET No. 353

CARD

FORM 115 - A COMPLETED JAN 24 1921

Reviewed 2/25/21 B.P.

checked 12-13-20

VII. G. R. S. Form No. 114 made _____, 1920. **RECEIVED.**

Typed by _____, Checked by _____, 1920.

MAR 17 1921

VIII. FINAL ACTION:

Following advice forwarded to Europe by

cable on _____ 1920
letter on *Jan. 15-* 1920

Par. 2 - Not to be returned (821-17-21)

IX.

CORRECTIONS

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

X. SUSPENSION REMARKS:

*2-4-21 Form 115 - Mrs. Jane Bught
mother next of kin, E Wash. St. Drummetville
Ind. wishes body to remain in Europe. H-2-28-21*

MAR 17 1921

**FORM 115 RETURNED BY HOBOKEN - BODY
TO REMAIN IN EUROPE.**

C.M.

March 12, 1921.

File No. 293.8 Cem.Div.Cor.Br.
(BRIGHT, Alexander)

Mrs. Jane Bright,
E. Washington St.,
Summitville, Ind.

Dear Madam:-

Receipt of shipping inquiry dated February 4th, 1921, relative to the remains of your son, the late Private Alexander Bright, serial number 1567699, Company A, 102nd Infantry, is acknowledged.

In accordance with your desire, the remains will be left in France for burial in a permanent American Cemetery. You are assured that the grave site will always be maintained as a fitting memorial of the late soldier's sacrifice.

The Department wishes to convey to you renewed assurance of its sympathy in your bereavement.

By authority of the Quartermaster General:

R. H. SHANNON,
Captain, Q.M.C.,
Officer in Charge.

BY:

F. C. PALLAS,
Executive Assistant.

ff/cnw

MAILED
MAR 16 1921
COR. BR. C. R. S.

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL OF THE ARMY
CEMETERIAL DIVISION

WASHINGTON
Hoboken, N.J.

JAN 31 1921

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

To: Mrs. Jane Bright, ~~Alexandria, Ind.~~, ~~612 W. Washington St.~~ *Summitville Wash. E Main St.*

SUBJECT: Remains of Fvt. Alexander Bright, Ser. No. 1567699, Co. A, 102nd Inf.

The records of this office show that you have requested that the body of the above-named soldier remain in Europe.

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

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

By authority of the Quartermaster General.

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

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

Was soldier married? *no.*

NAME OF—	NO. AND STREET.	TOWN.	STATE.
Soldier's widow			
Soldier's children. (Name oldest first.)	<i>Noted 7/15</i>		
1			
2	<i>2-26-21 W. Mac</i>		
3			
Father	<i>Dead</i>		
Mother	<i>Mrs. Jane Bright</i>	<i>E. Wash. St.</i>	<i>Summitville, Ind.</i>
Brothers. (Name oldest first.)			
1	<i>Orville Bright</i>	<i>E. Wash. St.</i>	<i>Summitville, Ind.</i>
2			
3			
Sisters. (Name oldest first.)			
1	<i>Edith Pearson</i>	<i>E. Wash. St.</i>	<i>Summitville, Ind.</i>
2	<i>Leona Johnson</i>	<i>E. Wash. St.</i>	<i>Summitville, Ind.</i>
3			

Date *February 4th 1921*

Signature *Mrs. Jane Bright*

Address *E. Wash. St. Summitville Ind.*

Relationship *Mother*

February 4th, 1921

I, the undersigned, am the Mother and nearest living next of kin of the within-named

(Relationship.)

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

1. As stated on first page of this sheet.

2. To be returned to the U. S. and shipped to _____

(Name.)

(R. R. station.)

(State.)

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

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

Signature Mrs. Jane Bright

INSTRUCTIONS FOR FILLING OUT.

1. If definite instructions for the disposition of a body are not received from the next of kin within two weeks of its arrival at New York, burial will be made without further notice in the World War Section of Arlington National Cemetery.

2. The transfer of bodies will be made ENTIRELY at Government expense.

3. This paper MUST BE SIGNED BY THE PERSON WHO IS THE NEXT OF KIN IN THE ORDER shown in the square on the other side of this sheet.

4. This paper must be returned showing the name and address of each of the nearest next of kin in the spaces provided therefor on the other side of this sheet.

5. If there are minor children of the deceased soldier and no widow, the LEGALLY APPOINTED GUARDIAN of the children should ascertain their wishes and act for them in this matter.

6. If YOU are not the nearest next of kin, please ask the nearest next of kin, if living near you, to fill out this paper.

7. If YOU are not the nearest living next of kin and do not know who or where the nearest relatives are, please fill out this paper AT ONCE and mail to this office.

8. You are requested to return this paper AT ONCE in order to avoid delay in the case of this body.

9. Use the inclosed envelope—pay no postage.

GRAVES REGISTRATION SERVICE
CORRESPONDENCE BRANCH

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

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GRAVE LOCATION BLANK

LOCATION OF THE GRAVE OF

Bright 1587699 A.
(Surname.) (Number.) (First Name and Initials.)

Plt. Col. 102 US Inf.
(Rank.) (Organization.)

DATE OF BURIAL July 26 - 1918

PLACE OF BURIAL N of Tregny

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

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186⁶ - 264⁴

GRAVE NUMBER

HOW MARKED: Name Peg? Cross?
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 mark should be given here:

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49 N.E. - E 186.6 - N 264.4

REPORTED BY:

Orville H. ...
Chaplain 102 US Inf.
(Signature and Rank of Reporting Officer.)

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

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Bright Alexander #1567699

Co. A. 102nd Inf.

DB 7/24-26/18

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GRAVE LOCATION BLANK

LOCATION OF THE GRAVE OF

Bright 1,567,690 Alexander

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

Co.A. 102nd Inf.

(Rank.) (Organization.)

DATE OF BURIAL.....

PLACE OF BURIAL **Chateau-Thierry 1/20M**

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

Co-ord 186.7-264.4

Comme. Epieds (Alone) 89
49 N. E. - E 186.7 - N 264.4

GRAVE NUMBER.....

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

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:

See paper file of Brennan

Jack J. (8/1/18)

REPORTED BY:

H. Boyd Edwards. Chap. 101st Eng.

(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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1. G. R. S. Form No. 1. G. R. S. File

2. Soldier's No.

3. Bright, 1567699, Alexander
Surname (In Block Letters) First Name and Initials

4. Pvt. A, 102nd Inf.
Rank Company Regt. or Corps

5. Date of Death Cause, if known

6. Date of Burial Cemetery

7. Town or Commune (In Block Letters) Department

8. 58 84- I. C. MYERS
Grave No. Plot No. or Letter

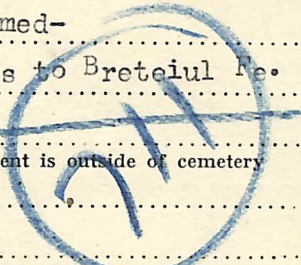
9. Name Peg? Cross? Headboard? Bottle?
Check Method of Marking

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

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

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12. Map Reference, if interment is outside of cemetery

13. Give name of Chaplain or Burial Officer

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Signed

GROUP N° 1

Unit 303. G. R. S.

Group Unit G. R. S.

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Co. A, 102nd Inf.

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WAR DEPARTMENT
THE ADJUTANT GENERAL'S OFFICE
WASHINGTON

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IN REPLY
REFER TO 201 (Bright, Alexander) WW

February 13, 1920.

From: The Adjutant General of the Army.

To: The Quartermaster General of the Army.

Subject: Correct date of death.

Upon investigation it has been ascertained that Private Alexander Bright, #1,567,699, Company A, 102nd Infantry, was killed in action July 23, 1918.

For purposes of identification you are advised that the records show the deceased was enlisted September 20, 1917, and the name of the person to be notified in case of emergency was given as Jane Bright, mother R.R. #16, Alexandria, Indiana.

By order of the Secretary of War:

P.C. HARRIS,
The Adjutant General.

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WAR DEPARTMENT
THE ADJUTANT GENERAL'S OFFICE
WASHINGTON

February 13, 1920

201 (Bright, Alexander) WW

From: The Adjutant General of the Army.

To: The Quartermaster General of the Army.

Subject: Correct date of death.

Upon investigation it has been ascertained that Private Alexander Bright, #1, 287, 899, Company A, 102nd Infantry, was killed in action July 23, 1918.

For purposes of identification you are advised that the records show the deceased was enlisted September 20, 1917, and the name of the person to be notified in case of emergency was given as Jane Bright, mother R. H. #16, Alexandria, Indiana.

By order of the Secretary of War:



P. C. HARRIS
The Adjutant General

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February 13, 1920.

From: The Adjutant General of the Army.
To: The Quartermaster General of the Army.
Subject: Correct date of death.

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For purposes of identification you are advised that the records show the deceased was enlisted September 20, 1917, and the name of the person to be notified in case of emergency was given as Jane Bright, mother R.R. #16, Alexandria, Indiana.

By order of the Secretary of War:

P.C. HARRIS,
The Adjutant General.



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February 13, 1920

Wright (Bright), Alexander W

From: The Adjutant General of the Army.

To: The Quartermaster General of the Army.

Subject: Correct date of death.

Upon investigation it has been ascertained that Private Alexander Bright, #1, 107, 500, Company A, 108th Infantry, was killed in action July 23, 1918.

For purpose of identification you are advised that the records show the deceased was enlisted September 20, 1917 and the name of the person to be notified in case of emergency was Alexander, Indiana, mother R. R. #1, Alexander, Indiana.

By order of the Secretary of War:



The Adjutant General

Bright Alexander

THE ADJUTANT GENERAL'S OFFICE

RECORD OF COMMUNICATION RECEIVED

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From:

Mrs. Jane Bright,
612 W. Washington St.,
Alexandria, Indiana.

Dated:

Rec'd A. G. O.

Subject:

Bright Alexander, formerly Private, Company A, 102nd Infantry.

For full particulars of the death of the above named soldier.

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War Department, A. G. O., May 16, 1919.---To the Commanding General, American Expeditionary Forces.

For all available information regarding the death of Alexander Bright, formerly Private, Company A, 102nd Infantry, in order to enable this office to answer the inquiries in the foregoing letter.

By order of the Secretary of War:

W. V. Carter.

Adjutant General.

Synopsis made.

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295.8 (Bright, Alexander) Enl.

May 16, 1919.

Mrs. Jane Bright,
612 W. Washington St.,
Alexandria, Indiana.

Dear Madam:

Acknowledging the receipt of your notation on back of card relative to the death of your son, Alexander Bright, formerly Private, Company A, 102nd Infantry, I regret to advise you that details concerning the death of this soldier have not been received in this office. However, your letter is being forwarded to the Commanding General, American Expeditionary Forces, directing that all available information be furnished. As soon as a report is received from that officer, you will be further advised.

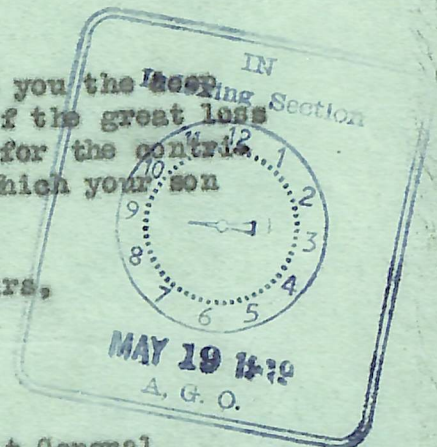
Inquiries concerning personal effects should be addressed as follows:

Effects Bureau,
Port of Embarkation,
Hoboken, New Jersey.

It is desired to express to you the sympathy of the Department on account of the great loss you have sustained, and to commend you for the contribution you have made to the cause for which your son gave his life.

Very respectfully yours,

The Adjutant General
W. V. Carter.
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