

To The A. G. O.

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G.R.S. Form #114-B

*Soldier's Reg.*

OCT 6 1926

*Summary*

FULL NAME ..... BROOTHEN, Gunnar O. ✓

RANK ..... Pvt. ✓ ..... SERIAL ..... 3958549 ✓

DIVISION & ORGANIZATION ..... Co. I, 28th Inf. ✓ *1st Div.*

DATE OF DEATH ..... *November 9, 1918*

STATE FROM WHICH HE CAME ..... *Montana*

MEDALS OR DECORATIONS AWARDED

*None*

FINAL GRAVE LOCATION. .... 5 ..... 19 ..... H .....  
Date Grave Row Block

Meuse-Argonne, #1232

Cemetery

OCT 6 1926  
A. G. O.  
WORLD WAR DIV.

Robert C. Davis,  
Major General,  
The Adjutant General.  
By *RC*

AMERICAN EXPEDITIONARY FORCES  
HEADQUARTERS SERVICES OF SUPPLY  
OFFICE OF THE CHIEF QUARTERMASTER, A.E.F.  
GRAVES REGISTRATION SERVICE.

26 FÉV 1919

FROM : Chief, Graves Registration Service, American E.F.  
TO : Mr. Nels Olson, Chicago, Ill.  
SUBJECT : Place of Burial.  
Private; Gunner O. Broothen, Co. I. 28th. Infantry.  
Died; November 7, 1918.  
Cemetery; American, Vitrey, Haute Saone, France.

I am sure that you will pardon the use of a form letter such as we are sending you to-day, when you try to realize under what great stress this office is working in order to give as prompt advice as possible concerning facts which are of such very vital importance to our sorrowing friends, whose brave men have suffered martyrdom on battle-fields within our sphere of European operation.

It is with great sorrow that I am writing you, and only the urgency of your desire to know, prompts me to push forward this notification when my note is required to be so formal because of the great number to which my name has to be signed.

You have probably already received official advice concerning the death of the one whom you gave to your country and the world for the saving of civilization.

You will be comforted in knowing that his body has been recovered, that it lies buried in a spot which is under our care and control, and that there will be no danger of its loss or neglect.

We are sending you, herewith, a note which gives general answers to a number of questions which our bereaved friends are often asking, and it will probably give information concerning some of the things you are anxious to understand.

Please be sure of our earnest desire to guard your interests in every possible way, and our satisfaction in being able to care for the resting places of our dead.

CHARLES C. PIERCE  
Lieut. Colonel, Q.M.C., U.S.A.

CCP/GBL

293, 3 - Broothen, Gunner O.

AMERICAN EXPEDITIONARY FORCES  
HEADQUARTERS SERVICES OF SUPPLY  
OFFICE OF THE CHIEF QUARTERMASTER, A. E. F.  
GRAVES REGISTRATION SERVICE

G. R. S.  
BULLETIN  
No. 10-B.

INFORMATION FOR THE FRIENDS OF OUR DEAD

1. **THE GRAVES REGISTRATION SERVICE**, a branch of the Quartermaster Corps, is the official organization of the War Department, charged with the acquisition and control of cemeteries in every country embraced within the Field of Operations. It is also responsible for the marking and preservation of all graves. No other organization shares this authority, or has power to effect arrangements or make promises concerning this work. It must be remembered also that this Service does not bury the dead, but confines its operations to the location and control of graves. It is not prepared to give information on other subjects.

2. **CIRCUMSTANCES OF DEATH.** The Graves Registration Service does not receive information relative to the circumstances surrounding the death of soldiers, and inquiries under this heading should be addressed to the chaplain of the organization in which the soldier was serving at the time of his death.

3. **OUR FIELD FORCE** operates within all areas, and every effort is made to perfect identifications and to guard the resting places of our dead. The Government has undertaken to do everything which is humanly possible, in view of the extreme difficulties involved in the stress or consequence of the greatest war in the history of the world.

4. **THE EXACT LOCATION OF A GRAVE** is communicated, whenever possible, to the person whom the soldier had previously registered as the proper one to be addressed, in case of casualty. The great mass of information to be gathered, verified, and transmitted, will generally account for delays in notification.

5. **FLOWERS, FLAGS, ETC.** We are frequently asked to accept commissions to place flowers, flags and other gifts on separated graves, but such requests must necessarily be denied because of the wide extent of our territory, the exhausting nature of the work, and the impossibility of reaching a thousand or more burial places under the difficult conditions which obtain. Such requests are also discouraged for the reason that there should be no inequality in the treatment of our nation's dead.

6. **MONUMENTS.** For the same reason, in addition to the fact that the Government would eventually be obliged to transport monuments with bodies to designated places of final burial, it is not at present permitted to erect any permanent monument; all graves being temporarily marked with a cross or the regulation headboard, such as is used in National Cemeteries in the United States. No other markers can be authorized until the final disposition of the dead has been made.

7. **PERSONAL EFFECTS.** Personal effects are not handled by this Service. Inquiries concerning the same should be addressed to The Adjutant General of the Army, Washington, D.C.

8. **DISINTERMENTS.** The exhumation of bodies is at present prohibited by the laws of the countries in which we are operating. No exception can be made until the War Department shall have completed its plans for the shipment of bodies to the States. This applies also to disinterments for emplacement in metal caskets; such action, for military reasons, having been disapproved.

9. **RETURN OF BODIES** to the U.S. will be made in due time, except in cases where a specific request to the contrary is made; which request should be addressed to The Adjutant General of the Army, Washington, D. C., who will issue proper instructions. Due announcement of the return of bodies will be made, and the time cannot be hastened by appeals for priority, precedence, or favoritism in the listing of claims. The final disposition of bodies will be considered and executed as an entire project, at such time, probably after the conclusion of peace, as the vastness and difficulty of this almost inconceivable task may make possible.

10. While some of these restrictions may seem unreasonable to friends in the first outburst of their sorrow, experience has shown the same to be necessary, and our people are asked to accept the sacrifice which they impose, in the same spirit in which our men on the world's battle field have offered up themselves, viz., for the good of a great Cause.

By authority :

Charles C. PIERCE  
Lieut. Colonel. Q. M. C., U. S. A.  
Chief, G. R. S.

## PHOTOGRAPHY OF GRAVES AMERICAN EXPEDITIONARY FORCES

1. **PHOTOGRAPHY OF GRAVES** is entirely controlled by the Chief of the Graves Registration Service, American Expeditionary Forces, France. No photographs of graves should be taken except by the special photographers of this Service, who, under the operation of military orders, are assigned to the Staff of its Chief, by the American Red Cross.

2. An officer of the American Red Cross, designated as Director of Photography, is assigned to the Staff of the Chief, Graves Registration Service, for this work, under his direction, and funds are provided through the War Chest contributed by the American people. No funds should be sent to the Graves Registration Service, the Red Cross, or individual officers for this purpose from any private source.

3. Operators are now photographing graves in France, Belgium, Italy, Great Britain and Ireland, and it is expected that within a very few months the finished photographs will be transmitted to the relatives of our dead.

4. Owing to the difficulties of obtaining the necessary technical staff, and the inadvisability of setting up a large photographic laboratory in France, it has been decided to distribute these photographs through the Bureau of Communication, American Red Cross National Headquarters, Washington, D. C., and all applications for pictures should be filed there, as soon as notification of the location of grave has been received by a relative from the Chief, Graves Registration Service.

5. The photographers work under route instructions issued by the Chief, Graves Registration Service, and in the interest of economy and labor-saving, it has been decided that these operators will not be able to make special trips to distant points to take individual photographs in response to urgent requests received from the United States or elsewhere. The time so consumed would prolong the period of waiting on the part of many others.

6. It is the desire to furnish the best possible service to sorrowing friends at home, and with this end in view, it is earnestly requested that relatives of our dead will be as patient as possible in awaiting these photographs. It will be appreciated that if requests are forwarded directly to the Graves Registration Service of the Army in France, it will only add to the burden of the work, without achieving the end in view; as, for reasons given above, appeals for priority, precedence or favoritism in the listing of claims cannot be considered, and photographs can only be forwarded from Washington.

By direction of Lieutenant Colonel CHARLES C. PIERCE  
Chief, Graves Registration Service :

Maurice B. Dix.  
Captain, American Red Cross,  
Director of Photography,  
Graves Registration Service.

WAR DEPARTMENT.

PENALTY FOR PRIVATE USE TO AVOID  
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**GRAVES REGISTRATION SERVICE**

★ **United States Army Forces**

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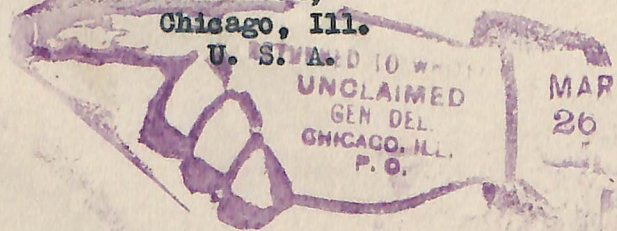
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Mr. Nels Olson,  
Chicago, Ill.  
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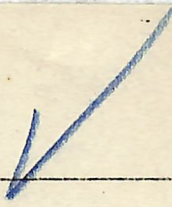
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	Sumner O.		
	CEMETERY	1	1
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	ROW	2	19
	BLOCK	1	8
STATE	Mont.	2	31
RANK	Priv.	1	2
DIVISION	1	2	01
ORGANIZATION	28	3	028
ARM	Inf.	1	1
MARTIAL	NO	1	2
NAME	Olsen	3	
	Mr. Mrs.		
	1516 La Vergne Ave		
RESIDENCE	Chicago, Illinois		
	STATE	2	
	COUNTY	2	
	CITY	3	
RELATION	Mother	1	1
OTHER		1	
ELIGIBILITY	Dead (Service)	1	6
NATIVITY		1	
RACE		1	
ENGLISH		1	
ATTENDANT		1	
HEALTH		1	
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ACCEPTANCE		1	

(Brother)

*Auditor*  
 APR 14 1932  
 W.D.

M.L.H. 29/514/PJ.

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C-126892

Brooken, Gunnar O. P.A.-C.I.-28 July, 1941  
Single -

Date mother's death? Parents were living in  
Father living? Norway in 1925 - no records of date

Bro - Nels Olsen, 1516 La Verne Ave - Chicago

Bro is inf.

~~600 N 5th~~

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WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

July 7, 1930

Broothan, Gunner O. 1232-B

Mr. Nels Olson  
1516 LaVergne Ave.  
Chicago, Ill.

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:

No

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:

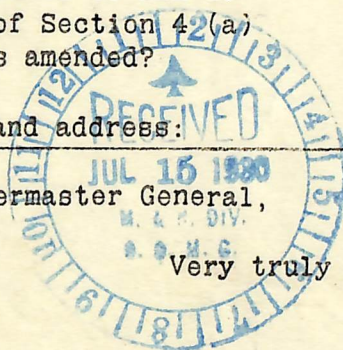
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For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

Enclosures:  
Envelope  
Act  
Amendment

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



*Chicago Ill July 1930*  
*Nels Olson*  
*1516 LaVergne Ave*  
*From*

Chicago Ill. 12<sup>th</sup> July 1930

OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

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Mr. Nels Olson  
1516 LaVergne Ave.  
Chicago, Ill.

Nels Olson  
1516 LaVergne ave  
brother of deceased soldier.

Dear Sir:

Your attention is invited to the enclosed copy of the proposed amendment to the Act of May 15, 1930.

This office has no record of any person entitled under the Act mentioned to make a pilgrimage to the cemetery 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.

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

Broothen, Gunner <sup>a</sup> O.

August 21, 1929

Mr. Nels Olson,  
1516 North Laveigne Ave.,  
Chicago, Ill.

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 brother of the late P vt. Gunner O. Broothen, Co. I. 28th Inf., whose remains are now interred in the Meuse Argonne Amer. Cty. Romagne-sous-Montfaucon, Meuse, 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.

No. (not married)

Can not  
travel because  
of sickness

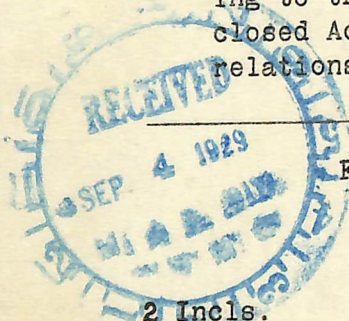
For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

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*Nels Olson*  
*1516 La Verque ave*  
*Chicago Ill.*



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OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

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Broothen, Gunner O.

June 29, 1929.

Mr. Nels Olson,  
1642 Ballou Street,  
Chicago, Ill.

*Brother*  
*Mr Nels Olson*  
*1516 North Laveigne Ave*  
*Chicago - Ill*  
*(add 3/1/29)*  
*C 126892*  
*7/27/29*

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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.

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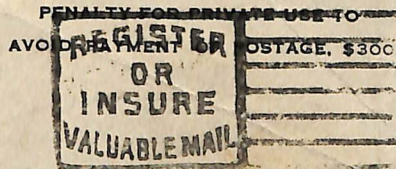
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Assistant.

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OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL

WASHINGTON, D. C.

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Humboldt  
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CORRECT NAME:

BROOTHEN, Gunner O.  
Pvt., Co. I, 28th Inf., 1st Div.

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BROOTHEN, Gunnar O.

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

Broo then,

(Surname.)

Gunner O

(Christian name in full.)

3,958,549

(Army serial number.)

Pvt

Co I, 28th Inf

(Rank and organization.)

State your relationship to the deceased

Brother

Do you desire the remains brought to the United States?

No

(Yes or no.)

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

Yes

(Yes or no.)

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

(Name of person to receive remains.)

(Express office.)

(Telegraph office.)

(Number and street.)

(City or town.)

(State.)

(Sign here)

Nels Olsen

(Number and street or rural route.)

(City, town, or post office.)

(State.)

1642 Baldu St Chicago Ill.

Read carefully the letter accompanying this card.

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Drawn by a l e

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In reply refer to:  
293.3 C-R

95473.

January 6, 1923.

Mr. Ole O. Broothen,  
Busnes, HoFodden,  
Norway.

Dear Sir:

The Quartermaster General desires that you be informed that the permanent grave of the late Gunner O. Broothen, Pvt. Co. I, 28th Infantry, is Grave 5, Block H, Row 19, Meuse-Argonne American Cemetery at Romagne-sous-Montfaucon, Department of 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, organization, date of soldier's death and State from which he came. The headstones will be placed at all graves in connection with the improvement work now in progress, as soon as possible and without waiting for special action or request on the part of relatives.

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

Very truly yours,

H. J. CONNER,  
Assistant.

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DATE 11/2/21

1. NAME BROOTHEN, Gunner O. SERIAL No. 3958549  
 RANK Pvt. ORGANIZATION Co. I. 28th Inf.  
 GRAVE LOCATION Sedan American, Letanne, Ardennes # 1203  
CTY. NAME NUMBER

167 Sec. 4  
GRAVE ROW PLOT

2. ORIGINAL BATTLE AREA GRAVE LOCATION No record Amer. B/A Cty #1054  
GRAVE COMMUNE DEPT.

COORDINATES No record Cheveuges, Ardennes

CONCENTRATED TO No record 117 3 3  
DATE GRAVE ROW PLOT  
Sedan Amer. Cty #1203 Letanne, Ardennes  
CEMETERY CTY. NUMBER

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

SUBSEQUENT REBURIALS Jan. 7, 21. 167 Sec 4 4 1203  
DATE GRAVE ROW PLOT CEMETERY

data taken form form 16-A 11/2/21 5 19 H  
DATE GRAVE ROW PLOT CEMETERY

SIGNATURE, AREA SUPERVISOR Wm M. Cline Wm M. CLINE  
Captain Q.M.C.

3. FINAL GRAVE LOCATION 11/2/21 5 19 H  
DATE GRAVE ROW PLOT  
 AUDITED BY M.M.E.  
12-4-21  
Meuse-Argonne Amer. Cty #1232, Romagne-sous-Montfauc on, Meuse.  
CEMETERY

*JR*

## INSTRUCTIONS FOR PREPARATION OF FORM 114 B

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

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

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

4. If data is entered on Form 114-B from Form 1, Form I6, Form 1-A or Form 16-A, statement to this effect will be made on Form 114-B STATING WHICH G.R.S. form data is taken from. If data concerning co-ordinates is approximate and NOT accurate, statement to this effect will be made on these forms.

Place LETTANNE ARDENNES

# REPORT OF DISINTERMENT AND REBURIAL

Date Sept. 8th 1921

1. REMAINS OF BROOTHEN, Gumer O. SERIAL NUMBER 3958549

RANK Pvt. ORGANIZATION Co. I, 28th Inf.

2. Disinterred (date) : Sept. 8th 1921. From (give complete location) :

Grave 167, Sec. 4, Pl. 4, Cem. 1205.

By : Group FOUR Unit F.S.#3.

3. Reburied (date) : Nov. 2nd, 1921. In (give complete location) :

Grave 5, Row 19, Block H. Cemetery 1232.

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

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

Badly decomposed recognition impossible, uniform blanket 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 : Orig. record buried with body dated 1-7-21, sign. JP Glandon 1st Lt. OMC. reburied with body. Tag on body corroded beyond recognition, leaden grave marker #91 found in box.

Tag on body grave marker reads Gumer H. Broothen.

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

(a) Height (actual measurement) Package intact, not disturbed

(b) Weight (estimated) per auth letter dated 8-29-21, Operations Division, AGRS OMC in H.

(c) Hair—Color

Quantity

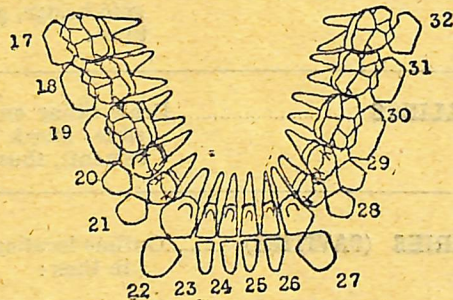
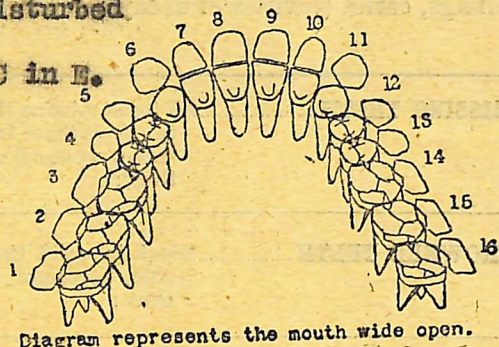
Characteristics

(d) Hair on face—Color

Location

Quantity

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



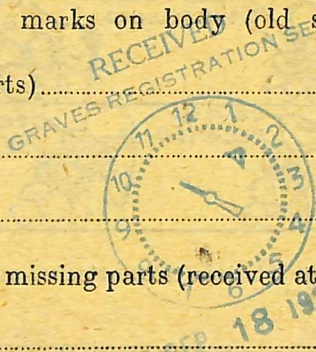
(f) Wounds or missing parts (received at time of casualty)

7. Disinterment supervised by A. Cheney

Approved : J. S. Robinson  
(Title) 1st Lt. C.A.C.

8. Reburial supervised by A. U. Dufault






Approved : James W. Young  
(Title) Captain O.M.C.



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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), 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.

<b>MISSING TEETH</b> .....All teeth missing through previous extraction (not those fractured or displaced by recent wounds) should be scratched out, thus :	 <p style="text-align: center;">TOOTH MISSING      TOOTH MISSING</p>
<b>CROWNED TEETH</b> .....Block in solid the crown of tooth (label gold, porcelain, or gold and porcelain), thus :	 <p style="text-align: center;">GOLD CROWN      PORCELAIN CROWN</p>
<b>BRIDGE WORK</b> .....Block in solid the crown of tooth (label gold bridge, gold and porcelain bridge), thus :	 <p style="text-align: center;">GOLD AND PORCELAIN BRIDGE      GOLD BRIDGE</p>
<b>FILLINGS</b> .....Draw filling on tooth accurately as possible (block in and label gold, silver, cement), thus :	 <p style="text-align: center;">SILVER FILLING      GOLD FILLING</p>
<b>CARIES (CAVITIES)</b> .....Outline location and size of cavity, shade in thus :	 <p style="text-align: center;">CAVITY DECAYED      DECAYED</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."	

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

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

To be prepared in triplicate.

DATE Sept 8th 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 BROOTHEN, Gunner O.
- 2. No. 3959549
- 3. Rank Pvt.
- 4. Org. Co. I, 28th Inf.
- 5. D.D. Nov. 7th 18.
- 6. C.D. K.I.A.

- 10. Name \_\_\_\_\_
- 11. No. \_\_\_\_\_
- 12. Rank \_\_\_\_\_
- 13. Org. \_\_\_\_\_
- 14. (a) D.D. \_\_\_\_\_
- (b) D.B. None

Discrepancy found upon disinterment

- 7. Grave No. 167 Sec. 4
- 8. Plot 4 Row \_\_\_\_\_
- 9. \_\_\_\_\_

- 15. Grave No. \_\_\_\_\_ Sec. \_\_\_\_\_
- 16. Plot \_\_\_\_\_ Row \_\_\_\_\_
- 17. \_\_\_\_\_

18. Cemetery Sedan American

19. Commune or town Letanne

20. Dept. or County Ardennes

21. Country France

22. G.R.S. Hdqrs. Code No. 1203

23. Disinterred (Date) Sept 8th 1921

By A.R. Cheney

24. Inscription on grave marker:

Name Gunner O. Broothen  
 Rank Pvt.

Serial No. \_\_\_\_\_  
 Organization Co. I, 28th Inf.

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

E. J. John  
 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) and in Box  
Co. I, 28th Inf. body reads Gunner O. Broothen, original record  
Buried with body dated 1-7-21 signed J.P. Glendon 1st Lt. MC.  
Reburied with body.

27. Condition of body Badly decomposed recognition impossible  
Blanket and wooden box.

28. Nature of burial \_\_\_\_\_

29. Any discrepancy noted upon examination of body, as compared with G.R.S. records quoted above? None.

30. Body prepared and placed in casket: Date Sept 8th 1921 By A.R. Cheney

31. Casket sealed by A.R. Cheney

Signature of Embalmer, (Supervisor) A.R. Cheney

SHIPMENT. (Show actual marking of box.) Box No. C-4401

32. Designation of body:

Name BROOTHAN, Gunner O. Serial No. 3958549

Rank Pvt. Organization Co. I, 28th Inf.

33. Consigned to: Officer in Charge Operations,

Name of Permanent Cemetery Argonne American, 1232, Romagne-sous-Montfaucon

34. Casket boxed and marked (Date) Sept 8th 1921 By A. R. Cheney

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

Signature of G.R.S. Inspector J. S. Robinson, 1st Lt. CAC.

36. Remarks Package intact body not disturbed authority letter Operations Div. dated August 29th 1921.

37. Shipped from point of Operation: (Date) Sept 8th 1921.

To point of Concentration Romagne sous Montfaucon, Meuse.  
(Name)

Convoyer James Flynn Signature Shipping Officer J. P. Glandon, Capt. OMC.

38. Received at Railhead or Point of Concentration: Date \_\_\_\_\_

By G.R.S. Representative \_\_\_\_\_

39. Shipped from Railhead or Point of Concentration: Date \_\_\_\_\_

To Permanent Cemetery \_\_\_\_\_

(Name)  
Convoyer \_\_\_\_\_ Signature Shipping Officer \_\_\_\_\_

40. Received: Date Sept 9, 1921

G.R.S. Representative James W. Younger

41. Reinterred Meuse Argonne Cemetery, Nov. 2nd, 1921.

(Date)

42. Grave No. 5 Section \_\_\_\_\_

43. ~~Plot~~ Block H. Row 19

G.R.S. Representative James W. Younger

JEL.

James W. Younger,  
Captain Q.M.C.

WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL OF THE ARMY  
GRAVES REGISTRATION SERVICE  
WASHINGTON

NOV 22 1920

FROM: Chief, Graves Registration Service, Q. M. C.  
To: Mr. Nels Olson, ~~1512 Ballou St.~~ <sup>1516 La Verque Ave</sup>, Chicago, Ill.  
SUBJECT: Remains of Pvt. Gunner O. Broothen, Ser. No. 3958549,

Co. I, 28th Inf. The records of this office show that you have requested that his body remain in Europe.

Gentlemen: as I stated before, I wish that my brother's body remain in France.

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

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

By authority of the Quartermaster General.

CHARLES C. PIERCE,  
Major, U. S. A.

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 these relatives are STILL LIVING.

	NAME OF—	NO. AND STREET.	TOWN.	STATE.
Was soldier married?	No			
Soldier's widow				
Soldier's children. (Name oldest first.)	1	None		
	2			
	3			
Father	Ole O Broothen	Burnes	Katodde	Norway
Mother	Anne N Broothen	"	"	"
Brothers. (Name oldest first.)	1	Ovald O Broothen	"	"
	2			
	3			
Sisters. (Name oldest first.)	1	Ingeborg O Broothen	"	"
	2			
	3			

Date Nov. 24 - 1920

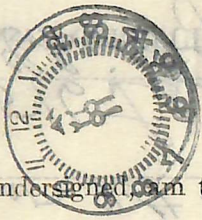
Signature Nels Olson

Address 1516 La Verque Ave  
Chicago Ill

Relationship Brother

IMPORTANT! CAREFULLY read instructions before filling out this paper.

CEMETERY DIVISION



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Nov 24, 1920

I, the undersigned, am the Brother (Relationship.) and nearest living relative of the within-named 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. yes

*No other relatives in this country.*

Signature Nels Olsen

INSTRUCTIONS FOR FILLING OUT.

1. If definite instruction as to the disposition of a body are not received from the nearest relative 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 living relatives 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 relative, please ask the nearest relative, if living near you, to fill out this paper.
7. If YOU are not the nearest living relative 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.

3-7800

*Please give me the name of the cemetery in France where he is buried.*

1502-31 GEN

REPORT OF DISINTERMENT AND REBURIAL.

Remains of:

Name: BROOTHEN Gunnar A.

Number: 3958549

Rank: Unknown

Organization: Unknown

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

Disinterred (Date) \_\_\_\_\_ From: (Give complete location) \_\_\_\_\_

1st April 1919 \_\_\_\_\_ Grave #26 Battle Area Cemetery  
CHEVEUGES, ARDENNES 24 NW 294.6 E 321.57 N

Reburied (Date) \_\_\_\_\_ in: (Give complete location) \_\_\_\_\_

1st April 1919 \_\_\_\_\_ Grave #117 Sec #3 Plot #3  
Amer B/A Cemetery #25 1203  
LETANNE, ARDENNES 24 SE 307.45 E 308.42 N

1203

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

Burial good, body clothed and in blanket.

Was one identification tag found upon the body? Yes

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

CONFIRMED IN D 11355 1355

Note:

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

R. H. ROSENTHAL

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

Supervised by: Lt Grimm.

wws.

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

Subscribed by: \_\_\_\_\_  
14 June



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Note:

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Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Organization: \_\_\_\_\_

Rank: \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Rank: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature of:

... of the ...

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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Place Letanne, Ardennes  
Date Jan 7th 1921

REPORT OF DISINTERMENT AND REBURIAL

1. REMAINS OF BROOTHEN, GUNNER O SERIAL NUMBER 3958549  
RANK Pvt. ORGANIZATION Co I 38th INF.

2. Disinterred (date): JAN. 7th 1921 From (give complete location): Gr. 117 Sec. 3 Plot. 3  
Sedan Amer. Cem. 1203 Letanne, Ardennes

By: Group Bowes (4) Unit \_\_\_\_\_

3. Reburied (date): same date In (give complete location): Gr. 167 Sec. 4 Plot 4  
Same Cemetery

By: Group Bowes (4) Unit \_\_\_\_\_ Nature of reburial Blanketed & Coffin

4. Report as to nature of original burial and condition of body upon disinterment:  
U. S. uniform, overcoat, burlap, box 9 5 ft. earthen grate.  
Badly disintegrated, features not capable of recognition

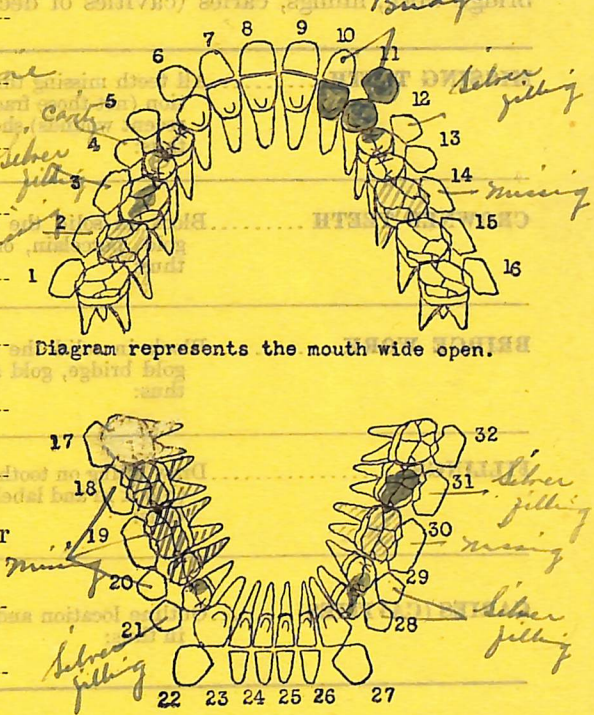
5. (a) Identification tags: Buried with body? yes On grave marker? yes  
(b) Other means of identification found upon disinterment, and general remarks:

Jag on body corroded beyond recognition. Leaden GR marker  
#91 found in box. Jag on body reads GUNNAR A BROOTHEN

6. What does examination of body show as regards the following identifying items?  
(a) Height (actual measurement) 5 ft. 9" gold Bridges

(b) Weight (estimated) Impossible to determine

(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) 0-30166

Impossible to determine






7. Disinterment supervised by [Signature] Approved: \_\_\_\_\_  
(Title) \_\_\_\_\_

8. Reburial supervised by [Signature] Approved: \_\_\_\_\_  
(Title) \_\_\_\_\_

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<p><b>CARIES (CAVITIES)</b>.....Outline location and size of cavity, shade in thus:</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."

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.

1923

# COMPILATION OF DISPOSITION OF REMAINS DATA

File # 93473

I. LOCATION INDEX CARD:

(a) Name BROOTHEN, Gunner O. Ser. No. 3958549  
(b) Rank Pvt. Organization Co. I, 28th Inf.  
(c) Date of death 11/7/18 (d) Cause of death K/A

TYP. EK  
CKR. AK

*10/18/21 - A. L. ...  
Misses ... 1232  
LPW-10/18/21*

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

(a) Grave No. 117 Row -- Plot 3 Sec. 3  
(b) Emerg. Address Mr. Nels Olson (brother) Chicago, Ill.

TYP. EK

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

CKR. UB

IV. A. G. O. DISPOSITION CARD:

Date of receipt none

(a) Name Nels Olsen (b) Relationship Brother  
(c) Address 1642 Ballou St. Chicago, Ill.  
(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. \_\_\_\_\_

*for preparation*

Examiner's Initials all Date 9-27, 1920.

V. A. G. G. CORRESPONDENCE shows communication from \_\_\_\_\_

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

*in correspondence*

Examiner's Initials all Date 9-27, 1920.

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

*No request for disposition*

(a) Cancellation memos referred to? yes mom

Examiner's Initials mom Date 9-28, 1920.

COUNTRY France CEMETERY No. 1203 SHEET No. 91

*4/11-10-20*

*o.k.  
all  
9-29-20*

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RECEIVED.

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

Typed by \_\_\_\_\_, Checked by \_\_\_\_\_, JAN 10 1921, 1920.

VIII. FINAL ACTION:

CEMETERIAL DIVISION  
OVERSEAS PROJECT SUB-SEC.

Following advice forwarded to Europe by { cable on \_\_\_\_\_, 1920  
letter on 11-4-\_\_\_\_\_, 1920

*Par 2 not to be returned. R.S.C.*

IX.

CORRECTIONS

CHANGE OF ADVICE.

ACTION TAKEN.

*7/22/21 - Europe states father, Mr. Ole O. Brosten, Dyresnes, Gausherred, no address Norway desires body be buried in P. A. Co. 28W-9/30/21*

*1-7-21 Hoboken referred case to Europe for follow up & necessary action  
1-13-21*

X. SUSPENSION REMARKS:

*11-24-20 Form # 120 Brother Nels Olsen changed address to 1516 La Vergne Ave Chicago Ill. Sister's body left in France. Ask for name of cemetery in which brother is buried. Father in Norway 12-2-20 E.C.L.  
W.R.L., Eja Mr Nels Olson (Brother) 1642 Ballou St, Chicago, Ill. 1/3/21 ee*

FORM 115 RETURNED BY HOBOKEN - COPY

TO REMAIN IN EUROPE.

JAN 7 1921

*hw*

COMPILATION OF DISPOSITION OF REMAINS DATA

see 116  
AGW-200/27/20

I. LOCATION INDEX CARD:

File # 93473

(a) Name... BROOTHEN, Gunner G. Ser. No. 3958549  
 (b) Rank Pvt. Organization Co. I, 88th Inf.  
 Cause of death K/A  
 (c) Date of death 11/7/18

TYP BK  
AGV

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

(a) Grave N117 Row -- Plot 3 Sect. 3  
 (b) Emerg. Address Mrs. Nels Olson (brother) Chicago, Ill.

TYP BK

III. Files of soldiers dying from contagious diseases

CKR MB

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

*A.G.O. card Nels Olson (Brother)  
 1642 Ballou St Chicago, Ill. requests body  
 not returned. R.G. 11-4-20*

V. Following advice forwarded to Europe by (cable on \_\_\_\_\_ 1920)  
 (letter of transmittal on 11-4-1920)

*Part not to be returned*

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

**NOV 15 1920**

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VII. SUPPLEMENTARY REQUESTS

Date of and Source	Relationship and name	Desires	Action taken

VIII. Form 115 received from G.R.S. Hoboken, N.J.

**JAN 10 1921**

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COUNTRY  
 G.R.S. FORM 115-A  
 August, 1920  
 S-666/MB **France**

CEMETERY NO.  
**1203**

SHEET NO.  
**91**

*8411-10-20*

January 7th, 1921.

File No. 293.8 ( BROOTHEN, Gunner O. )

FROM: The Graves Registration Service, Hoboken, New Jersey.

TO: Chief, American Graves Registration Service, Paris, France.

SUBJECT: Data relating to deceased soldier whose nearest of kin resides in a foreign country.

1. Reference remains, the late Private Gunner O. Broothen, Serial Number 3958549, Company I., 28th Infantry, cemetery 1203, sheet 91; the records in this office indicate that Mr. Ole O. Broothen, father and nearest of kin to the late soldier resides in Busnes, MoAadden, Norway.

2. Papers are forwarded for your information and it is requested that your office ascertain the desires of the next of kin and take such action as may be deemed advisable.

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

*Rak*

Mailed-O.F.D.  
*Rak*  
JAN 8 - 1921

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Mailed on Form No. 115  
Date 1-13-21 *Rak*

WAR DEPARTMENT  
QUARTERMASTER CORPS  
CEMETERIAL DIVISION, GRAVES REGISTRATION SERVICE, Q.M.C. 1203-91  
Room 353, 2nd Fl., Hoboken, N.J.

January 7th, 1921.

File No. 293.8 ( BROOTHEN, Gunner O. )

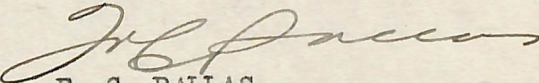
MEMORANDUM FOR: Cemeterial Division, O.Q.M.G., Overseas Project,  
Sub-Section, Washington, D. C.

SUBJECT: Return of Records.  
Transmittal Memorandum Number H-655

1. Returned herewith are records pertaining to the late Private Gunner O. Broothen, Serial Number 3958549, Company I., 28th Infantry, whose nearest of kin resides in a foreign country. This case has been referred to the Chief, American Graves Registration Service in Europe for follow up. It is recommended that the records be held in your office pending further advice from Europe as to the final disposition of the remains.

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

BY:

  
F. C. PALLAS,  
Executive Assistant.

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

2. Soldier's No. ~~5958849~~ 3485410

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3. Surname (in block letters) First Name and Initials

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4. Rank Company Regt. or Corps

K.I.A.

5. Date of Death Cause, if known

Date of Burial

Cemetery

Cheveuges

Ardennes

7. Town or Commune (in block letters) Department

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8. 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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#24 Mezieres NW E 294.51 N 321.6

Map reference, if interment is outside of cemetery

13. G.B.D. 7th French Division Army

Give name of Chaplain or Burial Officer

Signed W. B. Baley

Group... 1... Unit... <sup>st</sup> E... G. R. S.



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HEADQUARTERS  
AMERICAN GRAVES REGISTRATION SERVICE, Q.M.C., IN EUROPE  
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PARIS, July 22, 1921.

✓ File No. 293.9 Disp. Cem. #1203

From : Chief  
To : Quartermaster General, Munitions Building, Washington, D.C.  
Subject : Disposition of remains of Gunner O. BROOTHEN, #3958549,  
Co. I, 28th Inf., Cem. #1203, Letanne, Ardennes, France.

1. Reference letter from Hoboken dated January 7, 1921, File No. 1203, Cem. Div., to this office, wherein it was directed that we communicate with the next of kin of the above deceased soldier, you are advised that reply has been received from Mr. Ole O. Brooten, Bursnes, Gransherred, No Aodden, Norway, indicating that he wishes the remains of his son to be left in France for final burial in a permanent American cemetery.

2. There is enclosed herewith for your records copy of the letter from this office to Mrs. Ole O. Brootten, advising him that his wishes are of record and will be complied with.

*F. C. Johnson*

F. C. JOHNSON,  
Lieut. Col., Q.M. Corps,  
Acting Chief.

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Mr. Ole O. BROOTEN,  
Bursnes, Gransherred,  
No Aodden,  
Norway.

Min Herre,

Vi har modtaget Deres Brev af den July 11, 1921, an-  
gaende Liget af Deres Søn, Gunner O. Broothen, #3958549, Co. I,  
28th Inf.

Dette Regeringskontor er villige og skal rette sig  
efter Deres Ønske. Saa snart Liget er begravet i en bestandige  
militær Begravelsesplads i Frankrig, skal vi underrette Dem om  
Beliggenheden.

Aerbødigste,

CHAS. A. MORROW,  
Captain, Q.M.G.,

Chief Administrative Division.

Translation

Dear Sir,

Your letter dated July 11, 1921 with reference to the  
disposition of remains of your son, Gunner O. Broothen, #3958549,  
Co. I, 28th Inf., has been received.

This office is pleased to advise you that your wishes  
have been made of record and will be complied with. When the body  
has been placed in a permanent American Cemetery in France, you  
will be advised as to its location.

Yours sincerely.

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OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
CIMITERIAL DIVISION  
OVERSEAS PROJECT SUB-SECTION

*Copy*

HOBOKEN, N.J.

NAME OF DECEASED SOLDIER

CEMETERY NO.

DATE

BROOTHEN, Gunner O.

Pvt.

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12/8/20.

SERIAL NUMBER

ORGANIZATION

3958549.

Co. I, 28th Inf.

D/D. 11-7-18.

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to Hoboken  
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NAME OF BENEFICIARY

RELATIONSHIP

Mr. Nels Olson.

Brother.

Address

1642 Ballou St., Chicago, Ill.

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