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G.R.S. Form #114-B

To The A. G. O.

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FEB 9 - 1926

FULL NAME.....BROWER, William J. *Sol Sieg*

RANK.....*Private*.....SERIAL.....1215051

DIVISION & ORGANIZATION.....*Company H, 108th Infantry 27th Div*

DATE OF DEATH.....*Sept 29/18*

STATE FROM WHICH HE CAME.....*N.Y.*

MEDALS OR DECORATIONS AWARDED.....*None*

FINAL GRAVE LOCATION.....

Date	Grave	Row	Block
	1	22 21	B

636

Cemetery

Rec'd World War Div.

5 MAR 24 1926

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A. G. O.
FEB 9 1926
WORLD WAR DIV.

Robert G. Davis,
Major General,
The Adjutant General,
By *ML*

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FEB 15 36
M. & R. BRANCH
O. Q. M. G.

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Handwritten initials

Co. H. 108th Inf.
27th Division.

BROWER, William J. - Pvt. 1215051
Home: 80 Henneky Pk?
Rochester, N.Y.

On Sept. 29th, 1918, Brower was killed by machine-gun bullet thru the head. He was killed on the way to the Hindenburg Line. He was a member of a machine-gun crew and was carrying two bags of machine-gun ammunition.

He is buried at St. EMILIE, France.

Informant: Cutting, Arthur R. - Sgt. 1214995.
Co. H. 108th Inf.
Home: 153 Rodney Ave. Buffalo, N.Y.

Emergency address:
Mrs. Hattie Brower (Mother)
80 Henneky Pk.
Rochester, N.Y.
G.P.

Date May, 15th, 1919.REPORT OF DISINTERMENT AND REBURIAL.

Remains of:

Name: Brower, W.J.Number: 1215051Rank: PvtOrganization: Co.H. 108 Inf.Disinterment and Reburial made by Group: # 2Unit 302Disinterred (Date) May, 15th, 1919. From: (Give complete location)Grave # 2, Row B, Plot 1, Benjamin Post Military Cemetery, Map Rfs., Cambrai S.W.
East 174.0 North 363.2.Reburied (Date) May, 15th, 1919. in: (Give complete location)Grave # 53, Row 3, Plot G., Bony Military Cemetery, Map Rfs., 13 S.W. East 176.3
North 363.8.

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

No wrapping, condition very poor.Was one identification tag found upon the body? No.What other means of identification were found on the body? None.

Note:

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

Supervised By: James M. SimpsonCarl E. Braden
C.O. Group #2 Unit 302

Specified by:

Specimen will be made and returned to the
after being carefully examined for any
sent to the Effects Dept direct as is
If upon disinterment, effects are found
Note:



What other means of identification were found on the body No.
Was one identification tag found upon the body No.

QUALIFIED by

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No visible condition upon body.

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

North 503.6.

Grave # 53, Row 3, Plot 1, Fort Military Cemetery, Wash. D.C., Dist. D.C., Plot 116.2

Register (Date) May, 1882, 1882 (Give complete location)

Next Int. O North 503.6.

Graves # 53, Row 3, Plot 1, Fort Military Cemetery, Wash. D.C., Cemetery

Disinterment (Date) May, 1882, 1882 (Give complete location)

Disinterment and Register made by Graves # 3 Unit 503

Rank: Pvt Organization: Co. H. 108 Inf.

Name: Brower, W. J.

Number: 1212081

Remarks of:

REPORT OF DISINTERMENT AND IDENTIFICATION

O.N.S. FORM NO. 13

May, 1882, 1882

Washington, D.C.

Washington

6-7-33

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Brower, William J. Pvt.

I *decline* the invitation extended

Accept or decline

me to make a pilgrimage to Europe at the expense of
the Government of the United States under the pro-
visions of the Act of Congress approved March 2, 1929.

Mrs. Hattie Brower

.....
Name

Klem Road, 2 RD, Webster, Monroe County, New York

.....
Town or City

State

*Mrs Hattie Brower, Klem Road Webster
Monroe Co New York*



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CODE SLIP

HEADING	SUB-HEADING	NO. OF COLS	CODE
NAME	BROWER	3	285
BURIED	CEMETERY	1	5
	GRAVE	2	01
	ROW	2	21
	BLOCK	1	2
STATE	new york	2	37
RANK	Plt	1	2
DIVISION	27	2	27
ORGANIZATION	108	3	108
ARM	Inf	1	1
MARITAL	Mo	1	2
NAME	Brower	3	285
RESIDENCE	STATE	2	37
	COUNTY	2	28
	CITY	3	XXX
RELATION	Mother	1	/
OTHER		1	
ELIGIBILITY	yes	1	/
NATIVITY		1	
RACE		1	
ENGLISH	yes	1	/
ATTENDANT		1	
HEALTH	Poor	1	2
NO. OF SONS		1	
DATE OF	MO.	1	
TRIP	YR.	1	4
		1	2
ACCEPTANCE	no	1	70
	882	1	

Decl. for 6-7-33

Audited
 DEC 15 1931
 MB Jm

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WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-M

Brower, William J. (Som)

July 12, 1932

Mrs. Hattie Brower,
138 Ohio St.,
Rochester, N.Y.

*Mrs Hattie Brower
Klem Road
2nd Webster N.Y.*

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



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

Yes
(Write answer here)

(Sign here) Mrs Hattie Brower

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-M

Brower, William J. Som M

December 18, 1931.

Mrs. Hattie Brower,
138 Ohio St.,
Rochester, N. Y.

Dear Madam:

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

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

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

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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



Dear Sir

I gess I will give it up my Husband does not want me to go he is not well so I will stay at home but I do thank you for your kindness

H Brower

BROWER William J-Pvt Co H 108th Inf N Y

Mother - Brower Mrs Hattie

~~Widow ?~~

Single

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WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-M

Brower, William J. Som M

December 18, 1931.

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For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-M

Brower, William J. (Som) M

November 2, 1931.

Mrs. Hattie Brower,
138 Ohio St.
Rochester, N. Y.

Dear Madam:

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

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

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

2. Please state your age and condition of health:

3. Do you speak English?

4. What other language do you speak?

I should like to
Age: *70* my health is
Health: *not very good*
so I shall have to
give it up

Hattie Brower

Sign here

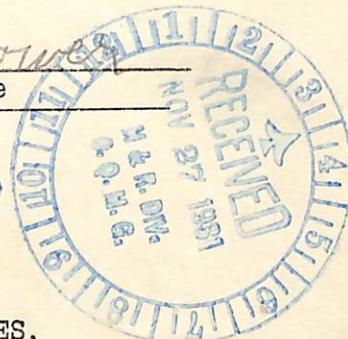
For The Quartermaster General,

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-AM

Brower, William J. (Som) M*

July 14, 1931.

Mrs. Hattie Brower,
138 Ohio St.,
Rochester, New York

Dear Madam:

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

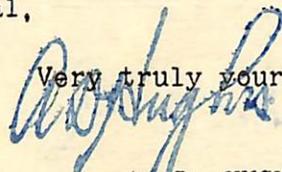
To assure proper and satisfactory accommodations, reservations for steamship transportation required during the summer of 1932 must be made by this office not later than August 1st of this year. It is therefore desired that you answer the question below by writing either of the words "Yes", "No", or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

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

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

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,



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



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

Undecided
Write answer here

Mrs Hattie Brower

Sign here

America

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Brower, William J.

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I _____ *decline* the invitation extended
(Accept or decline)

me to make a pilgrimage to Europe at the expense of
the Government of the United States under the pro-
visions of the Act of Congress approved March 2, 1929.

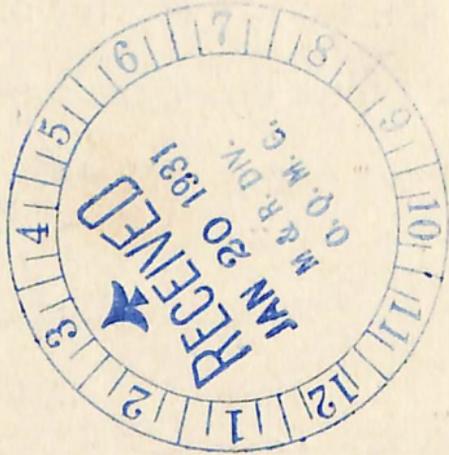
_____ Mrs. Hattie Brower _____

(Name)

138 Ohio St., Rochester, Monroe Co., New York _____

(Town or City)

(State)



WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

Brower, William J. - 636 M

July 1, 1930.

Mrs. Hattie Brower,
138 Ohio St.,
Rochester, N. Y.

Dear Madam:

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.

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, 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?	Yes
2. Do you desire to make the pilgrimage in the calendar year 1931?	Yes
3. Please give your age and state your health.	Age 68 Condition of Health good
4. Do you speak English?	Yes
5. What other language do you speak?	not any

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

QM 293 A-C

IN REPLY REFER TO _____

Brower, William J.

May , 1929.

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Mrs. Hattie Brower,
689 Winton Road,
Rochester, N. Y.

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 William J. Brower, Company H, 108th Infantry, whose remains are now interred in the Some American Cemetery, Bony, 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.

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WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-M
Brower, William J. (Son)

July 12, 1932

Mrs. Hattie Brower,
138 Ohio St.,
Rochester, N.Y.

Dear Madam:

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

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

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

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

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

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

2 Encls.

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

(Write answer here)

(Sign here) _____

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO OM 295 A-M
Brower, William J. Son M

December 18, 1931.

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Mrs. Hattie Brower,
138 Ohio St.,
Rochester, N. Y.

Dear Madam:

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

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

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

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

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COMMUNICATIONS SECTION

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-M

Brower, William J. (Son) M

November 2, 1931.

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Mrs. Hattie Brower,
188 Ohio St.
Rochester, N. Y.

Dear Madam:

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

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

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

Sign here

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

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COMM. MEX. BR.

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

Brower, William J. - 636 N

July 1, 1930.

Mrs. Hattie Brower,
138 Ohio St.,
Rochester, N. Y.

Dear Madam:

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.

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, 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?

2. Do you desire to make the pilgrimage in the calendar year 1931?

3. Please give your age and state your health.

4. Do you speak English?

5. What other language do you speak?

Age
Condition of Health

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

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WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

Brower, William J. 636 M

June 5, 1930

Mrs. Hattie Brower
669 Winton Road,
Rochester, N. Y.

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

Brower, William J.
636

August 27, 1929.

Mrs. Hattie Brower,
669 Winton Road,
Rochester, N. Y.

Dear Madam:

The records of this office do not indicate that a reply has been received to our communication dated May 16, 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,

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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

Brower, William J.

May 16, 1929.

Mrs. Hattie Brower,
669 Winton Road,
Rochester, N. Y.

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 William J. Brower, Company H, 108th Infantry, whose remains are now interred in the Somme American Cemetery, Bony, 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 re-married it is requested that a statement to that effect be made.

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Major, Q. M. Corps,
Assistant.

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Place Bony (Aisne) France.

REPORT OF DISINTERMENT AND REBURIAL

Date 1-27-21

1. REMAINS OF BROWER, William J.

SERIAL NUMBER 1215051

RANK Pvt.

ORGANIZATION Co.H.108th Inf.

2. Disinterred (date) : 1-27-21

From (give complete location) :

Gr.53 Plot G. Row 3 Cem 636, Bony (Aisne) France.

By : Group 8

Unit Sect. No.4.

3. Reburied (date) :

16th February, 1921.

In (give complete location) : Cty 636

Grave 53, Plot G. Row 3, Bony(Aisne)
Blanket pine box.

By : Group 4

Unit Sect. 7.

Nature of reburial

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

Badly decomposed.recognition impossible, uniform and burlap

5. (a) Identification tags : Buried with body ? No

On grave marker ? Yes

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

On collar insignia "Co H. 108th Inf." Identification by location of graves.

No effects found.

6. What does examination of body show as regards the following identifying items ? Nos.1, 17, 32 not out
Nos.3, 6, 9, 10, 12, 14, 16, 19 30
missing before death

(a) Height (actual measurement) Unable to determine

(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)..... None

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

Skull crushed.

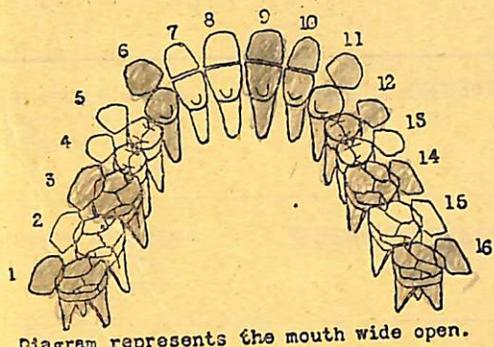
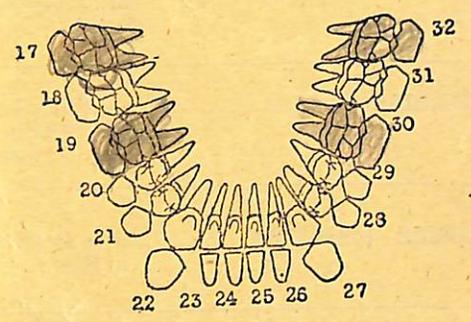


Diagram represents the mouth wide open.



No 11, missing after death

No.18- cavity

File 19/20

D-52913

7. Disinterment supervised by A.R.CHENEY

Approved : A.J.MCSHANE

1st Lt. Q.M.C.

gvc

8. Reburial supervised by A E DEWEY

2nd Lt. MC

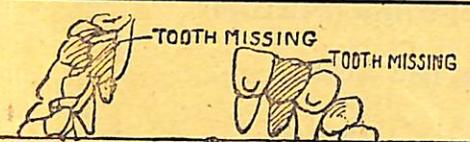
Approved : E W AUSTIN

(Title) Major F.A.

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

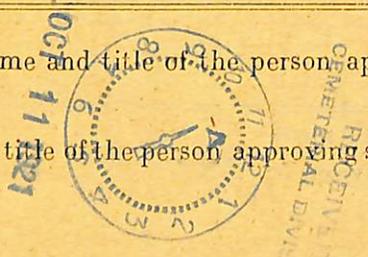
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1. Show soldier's name, serial number, rank and organization, and by whom disinterred and reburied.
2. Give date and accurate information as to location from which the body was disinterred and the group and unit which made disinterment.
3. Give date 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.

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

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

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



To be prepared in triplicate.

DATE March 28, 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 BROWER, William J.
- 2. No. 1215051
- 3. Rank Pvt.
- 4. Org. Co. H, 108th Inf.
- 5. D.D. Sept. 29, 1918
- 6. C.D. KIA
- 10. Name _____
- 11. No. _____
- 12. Rank _____
- 13. Org. _____
- 14. (a) D.D. _____
- (b) D.B. _____

Discrepancy found upon disinterment

- 7. Grave No. 1 Sec. _____
- 8. Plot Block B Row 22
- 9. _____
- 15. Grave No. _____ Sec. _____
- 16. Plot _____ Row _____
- 17. _____
- 18. Cemetery Somme
- 19. Commune or town Bony
- 20. Dept. or County Aisne
- 21. Country France
- 22. G.R.S. Hdqrs. Code No. #636
- 23. Disinterred (Date) March 28, 1928 By L. Gordon
- 24. Inscription on grave marker:
 - Name BROWER, William J. Serial No. 1215051
 - Rank Pvt. Organization Co. H, 108th Inf.
- 25. Was identification disc found on grave marker? _____ On body? T.O.B.

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).
 - 1 collar ornament 108 x H - x represents crossed rifles.
- 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 March 28, 1928 By L. Gordon
- 31. Casket sealed by L. Gordon

Signature of Embalmer, (Supervisor)

L. Gordon
L. GORDON

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

32. Designation of body:

Name BROWER, William J. Serial No. 1215051

Rank Pvt. Organization Co. H, 108th Inf.

33. Consigned to:

Name of Permanent Cemetery Somme, Bony, Aisne

34. Casket boxed and marked (Date) March 28th, 1928 By J.J. DILLON

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.J. DILLON

36. Remarks _____

J.J. Dillon

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

To point of Concentration _____
(Name)

Convoyer _____ 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 _____
(Name)

Convoyer _____ Signature Shipping Officer _____

40. Received: Date _____

G.R.S. Representative _____

41. Reinterred March 28, 1928 Somme American Cty
(Date)

42. Grave No. 1 Section _____

43. Plot Block B Row 21

G.R.S. Representative _____

J.F.V. Brady
J. F. V. BRADY
Superintendent.

REPORT OF DISINTERMENT AND REBURIAL

1. REMAINS OF BROWER, William J. SERIAL NUMBER 1215051

RANK Pvt. ORGANIZATION Co. H, 108th Inf.

2. Disinterred (date) : March 28, 1928 From (give complete location) : Grave 1, Block B, Row 22

By : Group _____ Cty. _____ Unit _____

3. Reburied (date) : March 28, 1928 In (give complete location) : Grave 1, Block B, Row 21

By : Group _____ Cty. _____ Unit _____ Nature of reburial Metallic 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 ? T.O.B. On grave marker ? _____

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

1 collar ornament 108 X H, X represents crossed rifles.

6. What does examination of body show as regards the following identifying items ? 9 and 10 broken out of jaw and missing.

(a) Height (actual measurement) _____

(b) Weight (estimated) _____

(c) Hair—Color _____

Quantity _____

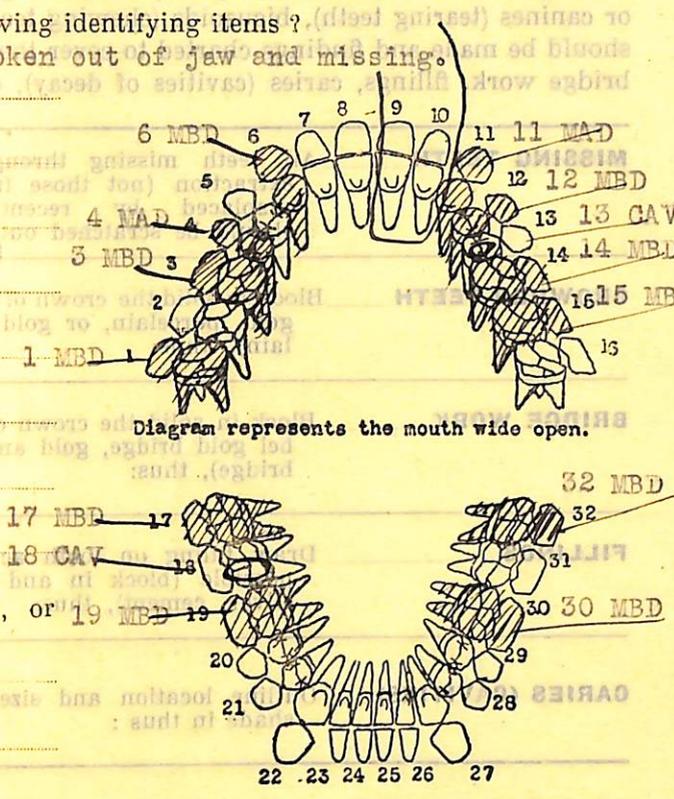
Characteristics _____

(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) _____

Head shattered right side.

7. Disinterment supervised by _____

Approved : _____

(Title) _____

8. Reburial supervised by _____

Approved : _____

(Title) _____

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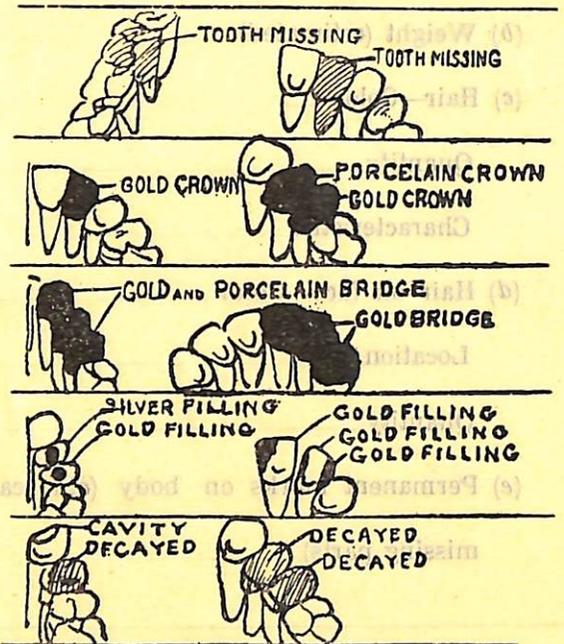
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7. Show name of person supervising the disinterment and the name and title of the person approving same.
8. Show name of person supervising the reburial and the name and title of the person approving same.

Brower,

William J.

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1,215,051

(Surname.)

(Christian name in full.)

(Army serial number.)

Pvt.

Co H, 108th Inf.

(Rank and organization.)

State your relationship to the deceased

Father

Do you desire the remains brought to the United States?

yes

(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:

Jesse J. Brower American Western Union

(Name of person to receive remains.)

(Express office.)

(Telegraph office.)

669 Winton Road

Rochester

N.Y.

(Number and street.)

(City or town.)

(State.)

(Sign here)

Jesse J. Brower, Father

669 Winton Road, Rochester

New York

(Number and street or rural route.)

(City, town, or post office.)

(State.)

Read carefully the letter accompanying this card.

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Drawn by PM

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BROWER, William J. - Pvt.

April 24, 1926

Mr. Jesse J. Brower,
701 Winton Road North,
Rochester, N.Y.

Dear Sir:

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 overseas military cemetery is to be maintained by the United States for all time. The graves will be permanently marked by white headstones inscribed with the name, rank, division, organization, date of soldier's death and State from which he came. Headstones will be placed at all graves, as soon as possible, and without necessity 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 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,

1 Incl.
Record card.

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

RD
YBL



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COMPILATION OF DISPOSITION OF REMAINS DATA File # 37021

I. LOCATION INDEX CARD:

(a) Name BROWER, William J. Ser. No. 1215051
 (b) Rank Pvt. Organization Co. H. 108th Inf.
 (c) Date of death 9-29-18 (d) Cause of death K/A

TYP. LS
 CKR. J. E. V.

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

(a) Grave No. 53 Row 3 Plot G Sec. - TYP. DB
 (b) Emerg. Address Mrs. Hattie Brower, (Mother) 30 Hensky Park, Rochester, N.Y.

III. Files of soldiers dying from contagious diseases NO CASE CKR. J. E. V.

IV. A. G. O. DISPOSITION CARD:

Date of receipt None

(a) Name Jessie I. Brower (b) Relationship Father
 (c) Address 669 Winton Road Rochester, N.Y.
 (d) Remains to be brought to U. S.? Yes
 (e) To be interred in National Cemetery in U. S. at Y. 200

OK
PM

(f) Shipping instructions upon arrival of body in U. S. Jessie I. Brower
 669 Winton Road Rochester, N.Y.
 American Exp. Co. N. Y. Tel. 1
 (g) Disposition instructions if not brought to U. S. —

Examiner's Initials mm Date 9-1-, 1920.

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

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

No correspondence

Examiner's Initials mm Date 9-1-, 1920.

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

No request for disposition

(a) Cancellation memos referred to? yes H. H.

Examiner's Initials H. H. Date 9-2-, 1920.

COUNTRY France CEMETERY No. 636 SHEET No. 146

*Rechecked
 mm 2-8-'21*

VII. G. R. S. Form No. 114 made 9/2, 1920.

Typed by ltw, Checked by met 9-2-, 1920.

VIII. FINAL ACTION:

Following advice forwarded to Europe by { cable on _____, 1920
letter on 9/4, 1920

Par #1. To be returned (ess)

IX.

CORRECTIONS

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

X. SUSPENSION REMARKS:

Form 120 9-10-20 Jesse J. Brower
father, n/k, 669 Winton Road, Rochester, N.Y.
requests body remain in Europe.
SEP 25 1920 OVERSEAS ADVISED By proposed cablegram #142
not to return body - HBC.

COMPILATION OF DISPOSITION OF REMAINS DATA

File # 37021

I. LOCATION INDEX CARD:

(a) Name BROWER, William J. Ser. No. 1315051 TYP. LS
 (b) Rank Pvt. Organization Co. H. 108th Inf. JCW
 (c) Date of death 9/29/18 Cause of death K/A

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

(a) Grave No. 53 Row 3 Plot G Sect. 3 TYP. DB
 (b) Emerg. Address Mrs. Hattie Brower, (mother), 80 Hensky Park, Rochester, N.Y.

III. Files of soldiers dying from contagious diseases. NO CARD CKR JCW

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

a.g.o. Card - Jessie J. Brower (father) 669
Winton Road, Rochester N.Y. requests that body
be returned to U.S. and shipped to him at
above address. 98-10-5-20

V. Following advice forwarded to Europe by - (cable on 192)
 (letter of transmittal on 9/4 1920)
Par. #1. To be returned. (EGS)

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

VII. SUPPLEMENTARY REQUESTS

Date of and Source	Relationship and name	Desires	Action taken
<u>Form 120</u> <u>9/10/20</u>	<u>Jesse J. Brower</u> <u>(father)</u>	<u>Body remain</u> <u>in France</u>	<u>Overseas advised</u> <u>by proposed cable-</u> <u>gram #142 NOT</u> <u>to return body</u> <u>HD 10-23-20</u>

VIII. Form 115 received from G.R.S. Hoboken, N.J. 192

COUNTRY France CEMETERY NO. 636 SHEET NO. 146
 G.R.S. FORM 115-A
 August 1920

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HD 10-23-20

REPORT OF DISINTERMENT, PREPARATION, AND SHIPMENT OF BODY

DISINTERMENT

COMPARATIVE REPORT

Records Office Chief G. R. S.

Discrepancy found upon examination of body.

1. Name BROWER, William J.
2. No. 1215051
3. Rank Pvt.
4. Org Co. H. 108th Inf.
5. D. D. 9/29/18
6. C. D. K/A

10. Name
11. No.
12. Rank
13. Org
14. (a) D. D.
15. (b) D. B.

Discrepancy found upon disinterment.

7. Grave No. 53
8. Plot G
9. ---
Sec. --
Row 3

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

18. Cemetery Amer. Cty.
19. Commune or town Bony
20. Department or county Aisne
21. Country France
23. Disinterred (Date.)

22. R. S. Headquarters Code No. 636
By

24. Inscription on grave marker { Name
Rank

Serial No.
Organization

25. Was identification disk found on grave marker? On body?

Signature of Junior Technical Assistant.

(The following space is reserved for notations to be made by office Chief Graves Registration Service.)

PREPARATION

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

 27. Condition of body.....
 28. Nature of burial.....
 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.) By.....
 31. Casket sealed by

Signature of Embalmer (Supervisor).....

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

32. Designation of body { Name BROWER, William J. Serial No. 1215051
 Rank Pvt. Organization Co. H. 108th Inf.
 33. CONSIGNEE—Name Jesse J. Brower, (Amer. Exp. & W. U. Tele.)
 Address 669 Winton Road, Rochester, N. Y.
 34. Casket boxed and marked..... (Date.) By.....

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.....

36. Remarks.....

37. Shipped from cemetery..... (Date.) To..... (Point of concentration.)
 Convoyer..... Signature Shipping Officer.....

38. Received at point of concentration..... (Date.)
 Signature Receiving Officer.....

39. Shipped from point of concentration..... (Date.)
 To..... (Port.) Convoyer.....
 Signature Shipping Officer.....

40. Received European port..... (Date.)
 Signature of G. R. S. Representative.....

41. Shipped to..... (U. S. port.) On..... (Boat.)
 Date..... Convoyer..... (Signature of Shipping Officer.)

42. Received..... (Date.) By G. R. S. Representative..... (Signature.)

43. Shipped to destination..... (Date.) { B/L or Express Order No.
 Convoyer..... { Shipping Officer.....

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WAR DEPARTMENT

OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL OF THE ARMY

GRAVES REGISTRATION SERVICE

WASHINGTON

COMMERCIAL DIVISION
OVERSEAS PROJECT SECTION

Rush Answer

FROM: Chief Graves Registration Service, Q. M. C.

To: Jessie J. Brower, 669 Winton Road, Rochester, N.Y.

SUBJECT: Remains of Pvt. William J. Brower,
Co. H. 108th Inf. Ser.No. 1215051



The records of this office show that you have requested that his body
be shipped to: Jesse J. Brower, 669 Winton Road, Rochester, N.Y.

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.

Noted on Form No. 115
Date 9-17-20

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.
Soldier's widow	<i>SEP 25 1920 OVERSEAS ADVISED by proposed cablegram # 142</i>		
1	<i>not to return body HVBC.</i>		
Soldier's children (Name oldest first.)			
1			
2			
3			
Father	<i>Jesse J. Brower</i>	<i>669 Winton Road</i>	<i>Rochester, N.Y.</i>
Mother	<i>Hattie Brower</i>	<i>669 Winton Road</i>	<i>Rochester, N.Y.</i>
Brothers. (Name oldest first.)			
1	<i>Arthur Brower</i>	<i>329 Jefferson Ave</i>	<i>Rochester, N.Y.</i>
2			
3			
Sisters. (Name oldest first.)			
1	<i>Alice Brower</i>	<i>669 Winton Road</i>	<i>Rochester, N.Y.</i>
2			
3			

Date *Sept 10 1920*

Signature *Jesse J. Brower*

Address *669 Winton Road*

Relationship *Father*

IMPORTANT.—CAREFULLY read instructions before filling out this paper.

A

Sept 10th, 1920



I, the undersigned, am the Father 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.

Signature Joseph J. Brower

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.

OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL OF THE ARMY
WAR DEPARTMENT

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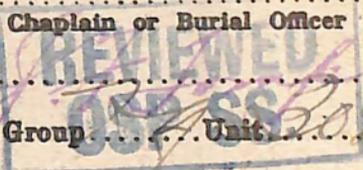
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2. Soldier's No. 1215051

3. Brower W. J. ✓
Surname (in block letters) First Name and Initials4. Pvt H 108 Inf ✓
Rank Company Regt. or Corps5. 9/29/18 ✓ K. I. A ✓
Date of Death Cause, if known6. 10/7/18 ✓ Benj. Post. Mil. ✓
Date of Burial Cemetery7. Ronssoy
Town or Commune (in block letters) Department8. 2 b 1 ✓
Grave No. Plot No. or Letter9. Name Peg? Cross? Headboard? Bottle?
Check Method of Marking10. Buried with Body? Attached to Grave Marker?
Identification Tags11. If name unknown and tags missing, give marks and description.
.....
.....12.
Map Reference, if interment is outside of cemetery
.....13.
Give name of Chaplain or Burial Officer

Signed.

Group Unit G. R. S.





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

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
GRAVES REGISTRATION SERVICE
WASHINGTON, D. C.
October 24, 1919.

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Mrs. Hattie Brower,
80 Hennekey Park,
Rochester, N. Y.

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

Case of: Pvt. William J. Brower,
Co. H, 108th Infantry.

Place of burial: Reburied- Bony Military Cemetery,
Bony, Department of Aisne, Grave 53,
Row 3, Plot G.

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

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

By authority of the Quartermaster General:

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

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

Date 10/20/19

FROM: - INQUIRY BRANCH.

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

NAME *Brower, William J.*

Serial Number

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ORGANIZATION

NO.	QUESTION	REPLY
1.	Do particulars of soldiers given above agree with Records?	<i>No. 1215051</i>
2.	Date of Death.	<i>Co. H, 108th Inf.</i>
3.	Cause and place of death.	
4.	Number of Casualty VCablegram.	
5.	Date buried.	<i>Rebd. -</i>
6.	Grave Location. (a) Complete record required. (b) Name of Cemetery or Commune only required. (c) Note reinterments.	<i>Gr. 53, Row 3, Plot 9, Bony Military Cty. #636, Bony, Aisne.</i>
7.	Who reported burial?	
8.	Confirmed by G.R.S.?	
9.	Report as to Grave Marker.	
10.	Identification Tags: (a) Buried with body? (b) Attached to grave marker?	
11.	Complete Emergency Address?	
12.	Has above been notified? (Give date)	
13.	Report the exact position of your inquiry on this case. (Reply in all cases if no information on record)	<i>Mrs. Hattie Brower, (Mo.) 88 Hensky Park, Rochester, N.Y.</i>
14.	What is the Photograph No.?	
15.	Inquiry made by?	

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OSP SS.
G. R. S. MAILED

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Gentlemen
E. H. [unclear]
Rochester

I thank you for the information

you sent me - if you will

kindly send me the location

of ~~the~~ my son William Brown

and a photograph of

same. Words can not express

my gratitude to you

he will not seem so far away

Very truly yours

Mrs Hattie Brown
80 Democracy Park

Rochester, N.Y.

