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FULL NAME... *del. sig.* BROWN, John H.

RANK... Private SERIAL... 570243

DIVISION & ORGANIZATION... Company E, 47th Infantry *42nd*

DATE OF DEATH... *Aug 3, 1918*

STATE FROM WHICH HE CAME... *Pa*

MEDALS OR DECORATIONS AWARDED... *no rec*

FINAL GRAVE LOCATION... 30 11 D

Date Grave Row Block

608

Cemetery

24/292/EYS

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JAN 22 1926  
WORLD WAR DIV.

Robert C. Davis,  
Major General,  
The Adjutant General,  
By *H*  
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# GRAVE LOCATION BLANK

LOCATION OF THE GRAVE OF

**Brown** ..... **570.243** ..... **John H.**  
(Surname). (Number). (First Name and Initials).

**Private** ..... **Co. E. 47th Infantry** ..  
(Rank). (Organization).

PLACE OF DEATH: .....

CAUSE OF DEATH: .....

DATE OF BURIAL: **September 12 1918** .....

PLACE OF BURIAL: **Directly south across** .....

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

**river from chateau at Bazoches** .....

**201.00 - 286.4** .....

GRAVE NUMBER: ..... **54** .....

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

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

IDENTIFICATION TAGS:

Was one buried with body? ..... **yes** .....

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

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

NEAREST RELATIVE: .....

ADDRESS: .....

RELATIONSHIP: .....

REPORTED BY:

**Chaplain Voorsanger, H.Q. 77th Division**  
(Signature and Rank of Reporting Officer).

This portion to be forwarded to Central Records Office, A. G. O., A. E. F.

Date May 20/19

REPORT OF DISINTERMENT AND REBURIAL.

Remains of:

Name: ~~MONK~~ JohnH. Brown

Number: 570243

Rank: Pvt.

Organization:

No ne

Disinterment and Reburial made by Group 1

Unit 304

Disinterred (Date) May 20/19

From: (Give complete location)

From Grave # 80 Cemetery #19-Forsberg.

#33 SE 204.45-W 286.82-N

Reburied (Date) May 20/19

in: (Give complete location)

Grave # 65 Section M. Cemetery #18 Fismes (Marne)

Map #34 Reims. S.W. 286.25N-205.75E

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

Buried 5 feet deep-- Body badly decomposed.

Was one identification tag found upon the body? Yes and one on cross.

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

CONFIRMED NO. D

20642

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: Pvt. N.W.McKay

Is t Lt.OscarW. Forsberg.

C.O.Group 1 Unit 304

FILE

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*Brown, John H.* Party "G" - Itinerary - Cise-Aiane Group.

SAILED July 30, 1930 on SS "AMERICA". Major E. W. Malpine in charge. Colonel Oliver L. Spaulding Jr. Observer. Arrived Cherbourg at day break. Special tender arrived 4:25 am bearing Capt. Wm. V. Ochs, Lawrence Mitchell and Wm. F. Dalton; Lts. Wm. J. Moroney, Michael E. Zwicker, E. V. Freeman and K. J. Morin; Major E. W. Hinderman; Miss Blanche Kullen, Capt. A. E. C. and 4 nurses; 3 civilian employees. Train left 8:21 am; arrived Gare des Invalides, Paris, 2:16pm. Met by Col. Ellis and members of his staff, interpreters and nurses. Taken to hotel in busses.

- August 9th Morning devoted to transaction of personal business. Exchange of money, preparation of laundry, etc. Afternoon - Arc de Triomphe. Wreath laid by Mrs. J. Lukish for party. Tea and reception at Restaurant Laurent. Dinner at hotel.
- August 10th Morning, free or church, lunch at hotel, 2:00pm visit to Louvre. Dinner at hotel. 9:00 - 11:00pm sightseeing Night Trip.
- August 11th Morning, sightseeing trip Notre Dame; lunch at hotel; 2:15 pm sightseeing trip Napoleon's Tomb; Dinner at hotel.
- August 12th Morning free or shopping. Lunch at hotel. Afternoon free. Dinner at hotel - pack luggage to be left at hotel.
- August 13th Morning free, lunch at hotel, 1:40 pm leave via Porte de Pantin for La Ferté s/s Jouarre. Leave La Ferté s/s Jouarre 4:30pm. Arrive Soissons 6:16pm. Dinner & sleep Hotel Lion Rouge.
- August 14th Daily trips made from Soissons to the Cise-Aiane American Cemetery, 15, and 16
- August 17th Last visit to cemetery. Lunch at hotel. 2:00pm depart Soissons via Fismes. Arrive Reims 4:25. Dinner and sleep Hotel Crystal.
- August 18th Visit Reims & Cathedral, 11:30 lunch at hotel. 1:30 pm depart Reims via Berry-au-Bac, Carbecy, Crusnes, Chemin-des-Dames, Vouzrat, Ferno. to Soissons. Leave Soissons 3:30pm. Arrive 4:28pm Compiègne. Dinner and sleep Hotel Rond Royal.
- August 19th 9:30am depart for Carrefour de l'Armistice. 10:00am return Compiègne. Lunch Hotel Rond Royal. 2:00pm Leave Compiègne via La Croix St. Guen Senlis. 4:00 pm arrive Chantilly, rest stop Hotel du Parc. Arrive 5:45 pm Paris. Dinner at hotel.
- August 20th Leave 9:45 am for Fontainebleau via Barbizon, lunch Hotel Legris. Visit Chateau. Depart 4:00 pm via Melun for Paris. Arrive Paris 6:30pm. Dinner at hotel.
- August 21st Leave 9:15 am for Versailles. Visit Chateau (entrance from 10:00 to 10:30 am). Leave Versailles 11:30 am. Lunch 12:30 at Belle Cyclist - Suresnes. 2:15 pm depart sightseeing trip Sacre Coeur, Paris. Dinner at Hotel - Pack luggage.
- August 22nd Leave Gare Des Invalides for Cherbourg and United States.

Boat train arrived Cherbourg 4:16pm. SS President Roosevelt sailed 6:20pm. Arrived NY Aug 30th.

Mrs. Mary K. Brown

WAR DEPARTMENT  
 "PILGRIMAGE, WAR MOTHERS AND WIDOWS"  
 ROOM 901  
 225 WEST 34TH ST., NEW YORK, N. Y.

BROWN, JOHN H.

O.A.

Party ... 0 .....

Number .. 2765 .....

REQUEST FOR PULLMAN RESERVATION

MRS. MARY K. BROWN ..... Actual cost of through Pullman.  
 Name of Traveler

JOHNSONBURG, ELK COUNTY ..... New York, to ... JOHNSONBURG, PA. ....  
 Home Address

PA. .... \$ ..... 4.50

New York, to JOHNSONBURG, PA. ....  
 Destination

Via ..... PENN. TO DEST. ....

TICKET EXPIRES: ..... AUGUST 31, 1930 .....  
 SEPT; 25, 1930 ..... Date of Departure

	Road	Tr. No.	Date	Time	Lower or Seat	Car	U. S. G. Order No.	Actual Cost
LV								
*AR	PENN. STA.	55	8-31	6:05P				
	JOHNSONBURG	581	9-1	6:22A	27	N50	#111V	4.50
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TOTAL .....

Remarks:

Escorted to train by Lt. H. R. Emery. ....

Arrived 9:25 A.M. July 29th, 1930 met by Capt. Morrill Ross and escorted to the Penna. Hotel where she occupied room with Mrs. Margaret Murray.

Occupied Cabin # 232 with Mrs. John Y. Schultz and Mrs. Gustana Krogstad. Two pieces baggage.

On return to New York From Europe she went to Penna Hotel where she occupied room with Mrs. Margareta Warmbrodt and Mrs. Margaret Murray.

Name ..... BROWN, Mrs Mary K. ....

Paris Hôtel ..... HOTEL CARLTON .....

Home address ..... AV. DES CHAMPS-ÉLYSÉES  
302 First Ave, Johnsonburg, ,Elk Co. Penn. ....

Party ..... 0 ..... Group ..... 2 ..... Unit SS. AMERICA .....

Date of arrival ..... Aug-8-1930 ..... Date of departure SS. ROOSEVELT-Aug-22-1930

Relationship ..... Step Mother .....

Name of deceased ..... BROWN, John H. ....

Rank ..... Pvt. ..... Organization Co. E. 47th Inf. ....

Cemetery ..... Oise. -Aisne .....

REMARKS



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2765

NAME BROWN, MRS. MARY K.

S.S. ROOSEVELT AUG 80 1930

HOME JOHNSONBURG, ELK COUNTY, PA.

R.R. Penn to dist

STATION

TRAIN #

CAR #

BERTH OR SEAT

TIME

DATE Sept 25-30

Frank J. Murray  
Johnsonburg  
Pa

VIA WESTERN UNION

MR. JAMES BERNARD BROWN,  
302 FIRST AVE.,  
JOHNSONBURG, PA.

A.C. TIPTON,  
Major, Inf. (DOL)

August 31st, 1930.

YOUR MOTHER ARRIVES HOME VIA PRR TRAIN FIVE EIGHTY ONE AT SIX TWENTY TWO AM  
MONDAY MEET HER

MAJOR CARLOCK

Mrs. Mary K. BROWN,  
Party "O"  
Pennsylvania Hotel

July 14th, 1930

Mrs. Mary K. Brown,  
302 First Avenue,  
Johnsonburg, Pa.

Dear Madam:

Please attach the enclosed tags to each piece of baggage, thus to protect the safe arrival of same in New York.

Upon your arrival in this City, you will be met at the Railroad Station by a United States Army Officer, in uniform, who will wear on the left sleeve of his coat a blue cloth band, showing a Gold Star and the word "Pilgrimage". This officer will escort you and your baggage to your Hotel in New York City.

For The Officer in Charge:

George F. R. Taylor,  
1st. Lieut., Q.M. Corps,  
Assistant.

Enclosures:  
2 tags.

Brown, John H.  
Pot.

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Pennsylvania

GOLD STAR MOTHERS PILGRIMAGE

S.S.AMERICA, JULY 30, 1930

Elk County

Name: Mrs. Mary K. Brown (O-11)

Address: 302 First Ave., Johnsonburg, Pa.

Route: Pennsylvania R.R. to New York

Lv. Johnsonburg Train No. 580

10.10 P.M., July 28

Ar. New York (Penna. Sta.) No. 40

9.25 A.M., July 29

Accommodations: Through Sleeper

Elapsed Time: 11 hours 15 minutes  $\frac{1}{2}$  ✓

H. G. H.

MA

CODE SLIP



HEADING	SUB-HEADING	NO. OF COLS	CODE
NAME <i>Brown</i>	<i>BRO</i>	3	<i>285<sup>00</sup></i>
<i>John H</i>	CEMETERY <i>608</i>	1	<i>2</i>
BURIED	GRAVE <i>30</i>	2	<i>30</i>
	ROW <i>11</i>	2	<i>11</i>
	BLOCK <i>12</i>	1	<i>4</i>
STATE	<i>Pa</i>	2	<i>44</i>
RANK	<i>Pvt</i>	1	<i>2</i>
DIVISION	<i>4</i>	2	<i>04</i>
ORGANIZATION	<i>47</i>	3	<i>047</i>
ARM	<i>Inf</i>	1	<i>1</i>
MARTIAL	<i>No</i>	1	<i>2</i>
NAME <i>Brown</i>	<i>BRO</i>	3	<i>285<sup>00</sup></i>
<i>Mary R</i>	STATE <i>Pa</i>	2	<i>44</i>
RESIDENCE	COUNTY <i>Eck</i>	2	<i>24</i>
	CITY <i>Johnsonburg</i>	3	<i>138</i>
RELATION	<i>Step-mother</i>	1	<i>3</i>
OTHER	<i>Father</i>	1	<i>1</i>
ELIGIBILITY	<i>yes</i>	1	<i>1</i>
NATIVITY		1	
RACE		1	
ENGLISH	<i>yes</i>	1	<i>1</i>
ATTENDANT		1	
HEALTH	<i>Good</i>	1	
NO. OF SONS		1	
DATE OF TRIP	MO.	1	
	YR. <i>1930</i>	1	<i>1</i>
ACCEPTANCE	<i>yes</i>	1	<i>1</i>

*Sailed*  
*JUL 30 1930*

*Audited*  
*OCT 7 1931*  
*A.S.*

29/514/PJ *Age*

*47*

CODE SLIP



HEADING	SUB-HEADING	NO. OF COLS	CODE
NAME	<i>Brown</i>	3	<i>2 0 0 5</i>
BURIED	CEMETERY <i>608</i>	1	<i>2</i>
	GRAVE <i>30</i>	2	<i>30</i>
	ROW <i>11</i>	2	<i>11</i>
	BLOCK <i>20</i>	1	<i>4</i>
STATE	<i>Penna</i>	2	<i>44</i>
RANK	<i>Pvt.</i>	1	<i>2</i>
DIVISION	<i>4</i>	2	<i>04</i>
ORGANIZATION	<i>47</i>	3	<i>847</i>
ARM	<i>Inf</i>	1	<i>1</i>
MARITAL	<i>no</i>	1	<i>2</i>
NAME		3	
RESIDENCE	STATE	2	
	COUNTY	2	
	CITY	3	
RELATION	<i>Mother</i>	1	<i>1</i>
OTHER		1	
ELIGIBILITY	<i>Head</i>	1	<i>6</i>
NATIVITY		1	
RACE		1	
ENGLISH		1	
ATTENDANT		1	
HEALTH		1	
NO. OF SONS		1	
DATE OF	MO.	1	
	YR.	1	
THP		1	
ACCEPTANCE		1	

*Audited*  
OCT 15 1951  
*AL*

Brown, John H. Co. 47th Inf. Pa.

XCO 39 648

Step-Mother sailed

single

Natural Mother

*Dead - no date*

*father dead.*

ORGANIZATION

FILE NO.

SURNAME	SERIAL NO.	FIRST NAME AND INITIALS	RANK
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DIED—(DATE)

(CAUSE)

BURIED AND REBURIED

DATE	PLACE	FORM #1-A NO.
ORIG.		D—
REB.		D—
REB.		D—
REB.		D—

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G. R. S. Form 127.  
ORGANIZATION INDEX.

NAME ..... BROWN, MRS. MARY K. ....

ADDRESS ... 302 FIRST AVE., JOHNSONBURG, ELK CO.,  
PA?

DATE .....

TO:                   Officer-In-Charge,  
                          PILGRIMAGE, WAR MOTHERS AND WIDOWS

I beg to inform you that I have returned to my  
home safely and in good health.

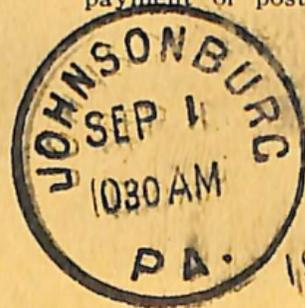
Sincerely,

(Signed) *Mrs. Mary K. Brown.*

WAR DEPARTMENT

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payment of postage.

OFFICIAL BUSINESS



**PILGRIMAGE, WAR MOTHERS AND WIDOWS**

**225 WEST 34TH STREET,**

**NEW YORK, N. Y.**

STATE

Brown, Jonno H.

PENNSYLVANIA.....

SM

NAME ... **Brown, Mrs. Mary K.** ..... HOME ADDRESS **302 First Ave., Johnsonburg, Elk County**

NAME AND ADDRESS OF NEAREST KIN *James Brown same* .....

ARRIVAL IN NEW YORK

DATE *July 29* ..... HOTEL *Peer* ..... ROOM NO. *1141* .....

DEPARTURE NEW YORK

DATE **JUL 30 1930** ..... VESSEL **S/S AMERICA** ..... CABIN NO. *2328* .....

DESTINATION **CHERBOURG** ..... CEMETERY **O. A.** .....

RETURN NEW YORK

DATE .. AUG 30 1930 ..

SM

302 First Ave.,

NAME **Brown, Mrs. Mary K.** ..... HOME ADDRESS **Johnsonburg, Elk County**

**Penn.**

RETURN ON S. S. .... HOTEL ..... ROOM NO. *1175A*

*S/S ROOSEVELT*  
*PENNSYLVANIA*

DEPARTURE NEW YORK

DATE .. AUG 31 1930 ..

ROAD *Pen* ..... TRAIN *55* ..... CAR *150* ..... BERTH or SEAT *L7* .....

REMARKS .....

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RETURN RECEIPT

*Amica 7-30-30*

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

*Mary E. Brown*

(Signature or name of addressee.)

(Signature of carrier's agent.)

Date of delivery,

*7/12*, 192*8*

Form 3811

05-6116

**DELIVER TO ADDRESSEE ONLY**

# Post Office Department

OFFICIAL BUSINESS

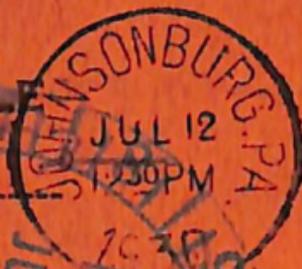
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REGISTERED ARTICLE

No. 929098

INSURED PARCEL

No. \_\_\_\_\_



POSTMARK OF DELIVERING OFFICE
AND DATE OF DELIVERY

Return to

**Q. M. GENERAL**

(NAME OF SENDER)

Street and Number,  
or Post Office Box,

**MUNITIONS BUILDING**

Post Office at

Washington, D. C.

State \_\_\_\_\_

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*Am...*

Received from the number of which appears

Insured Article, the original

*Mrs. Mary S. Brown.*

(Signature or name of addressee.)

*J...*

Date of delivery,

Form 3811



agent.)

JUL 25 1930

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Post Office Department

OFFICIAL BUSINESS

REGISTERED ARTICLE

No. 924701

INSURED PARCEL

No. \_\_\_\_\_

Return to GEN. M. GENERAL

(NAME OF SENDER)

Street and Number, or Post Office Box, 38 1000 MUNITIONS BUILDING

WASHINGTON

D. C.

PENALTY FOR PRIVATE USE  
TO AVOID PAYMENT OF  
POSTAGE, \$300.

POSTMARK OF DELIVERING  
OFFICE



WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

July 10, 1930.

Brown, John H. - 608 SM

Mrs. Mary K. Brown,  
302 First Ave.,  
Johnsonburg, Pennsylvania.

Dear Madam:

There is enclosed herewith Check No. ~~364281~~ in the amount of \$ ~~2.50~~ , to pay for your meals and incidental expenses from your home to New York on the pilgrimage authorized by the Act of March 2, 1929.

UNDER NO CIRCUMSTANCES MUST THIS CHECK BE CASHED AND USED FOR ANY PURPOSE OTHER THAN THAT SPECIFIED.

If for any reason, you are not able to sail on the date mentioned in your invitation, the check must be returned to this office immediately.

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

1 Incl.  
Check No.

Brown, John H. 508 SM

July 2, 1930

Mrs. Mary K. Brown  
502 First Ave.  
Johnsonburg, Pa.

Dear Madam:

Arrangements have been completed for your transportation to New York City on your pilgrimage to the American Cemeteries in Europe. One week before your departure the railroad ticket agent, of the first road shown below, will deliver your railroad and pullman ticket to you. Your route to New York will be as follows:

Lv. Johnsonburg	Penna	No. 580	10.10 PM	July 28
Ar. New York	"	"	40 9.25 AM	29

All railroad employees have been instructed by their officials to see that you are shown every courtesy and given assistance, particularly at points where it is necessary to change cars.

Should you not receive your ticket six days before the date shown for your departure please take up at once with the ticket agent and if he does not have your ticket, telegraph this office, collect, to that effect.

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

R. E. SHANNON,  
Captain, Q. M. Corps,  
Assistant.

WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

May 15, 1930.

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

Brown, John H. -608 M  
America 7-30

Mrs. Mary K. Brown,  
302 First Avenue,  
Johnsonburg, Pa.

Dear Madam:

The records of this office show that you have not furnished the name of your Emergency Addressee as requested in letter of instructions from this office.

It is requested that in the blank space below you write the name and address of the person in the United States whom you desire to be notified in case you become seriously ill or other emergency arises while you are making the pilgrimage to Europe authorized by the Act of Congress approved March 2, 1929.

Name

Address

*James Bernard Brown*  
*302 First Avenue, Johnsonburg, Pa.*

Please fill in the above and mail it TODAY in the self-addressed envelope which requires no postage.

For The Quartermaster General,



Very truly yours,

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

Encl.  
Env.

WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

April 25, 1930.

Brown, John H. 308 M

Mrs. Mary K. Brown,  
302 First Ave.,  
Johnsonburg, Pa.

Dear Madam:

The following instructions prepared by the Secretary of State contain the necessary instructions to be followed by you in obtaining the passport or travel document to be utilized in connection with your pilgrimage to the cemeteries in Europe. Please read the directions carefully and call in person upon the nearest Passport Agent or clerk of a Federal or State court having jurisdiction to naturalize aliens. Passport Agencies are located in Boston, Chicago, New Orleans, New York City, San Francisco and Seattle. In large cities there are usually two or more courts and at each county-seat a state court authorized to accept these passport applications.

When you make this call be sure to take with you the four photographs called for in the instructions together with your invitation as a means of identification. You should take with you to the passport office at this time a friend who is an American citizen and who has known you for several years. The passport Agent or clerk of the court will mail your application to the Secretary of State in Washington, D. C., who will issue the passports and travel documents and will deliver them to The Quartermaster General to be held by him until your arrival in New York.

The instructions prepared by the Secretary of State are as follows:

"A mother or widow who owes allegiance to the United States must apply to the Department of State for a Special Pilgrimage Passport through a Passport Agent or through a clerk of a Federal court or State court having jurisdiction to naturalize aliens and on the form prescribed by that Department. When making application, she should be accompanied by a credible witness who is an American citizen and who has known her for a period of two years or more. With her application she should submit four photographs on a light background and on thin paper not more than 3x3 inches in size not less than  $2\frac{1}{2} \times 2\frac{1}{2}$  inches in size and such documentary

evidence of her American citizenship as she may have in her possession. In the absence of evidence of citizenship, her application should be witnessed by a credible person residing in the same community who is an American citizen, has known her for a long period of time and is able to swear to the best of his or her knowledge and belief that she is a citizen of the United States.

"A mother or widow who does not owe allegiance to the United States must apply to the Department of State for a Pilgrimage Travel Document through a clerk of a Federal court or a State court having jurisdiction to naturalize aliens or through a Passport Agent upon the form of application prescribed for that purpose, entitled APPLICATION FOR A PILGRIMAGE TRAVEL DOCUMENT, issued under the Act of March 2, 1929, submitting therewith four photographs on a light background and on thin paper not more than 3 x 3 inches in size and not less than 2½ x 2½ inches in size. When making application she should be accompanied by a credible witness who has known her for a period of two years or more.

"The Act of March 2, 1929, provides that no fee shall be charged for the execution of an application for a passport or travel document or for the issue of a passport or travel document to a mother or widow making a pilgrimage to the cemeteries of Europe in which deceased soldiers, sailors, and marines of the American forces are now interred.

"Special Pilgrimage Passports and Pilgrimage Travel Documents when issued by the Department of State will be forwarded to the War Department.

"Applicants resident in Boston, Chicago, New Orleans, New York City, San Francisco and Seattle should execute applications at the Passport Agencies in those cities."

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

America

7/30/30

608

Brown, John A

✓  
I accept 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 provisions of the Act of Congress approved March 2, 1929.

Mrs. Mary K. Brown

(Name)

302 1st Ave., Johnsonburg, Elk Co., Pa.

(Town or City)

(State)



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APR 28 1980

M. & R. DIV.

O. G. N. G.

WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C  
Brown, John H. 608 -SM

October 7, 1929.

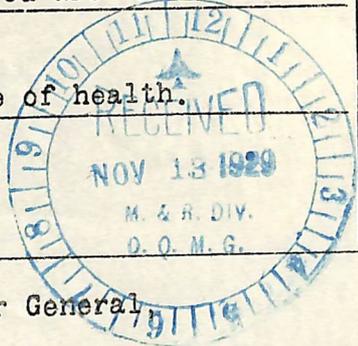
Mrs. Mary K. Brown,  
302 First Avenue,  
Johnsonburg, Pa.

Dear Madam:

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

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

1. Do you desire to make this pilgrimage if eligible?	(Yes)	(No)
2. Do you desire to make the pilgrimage in the calendar year 1930?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> (Yes)	(No)
3. Have you at any time made a previous visit to the grave of the deceased member of the military or naval forces in whom you are interested?	(Yes)	(No) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
4. Please give your age and state of health.	Age <u>47</u> (Years)	Health <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> (Good) <input type="checkbox"/> (Poor)
5. What language do you speak?	English <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> (Yes)	(No) Other language (Specify language spoken)



For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

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Envelope

John T Harris

7/22/29

Major, J. M. Coopers.

Assistant

In reply to the invitation  
to the pilgrimage

of my step son Grove

the late private John H.

Brown. Co. E. 47th Inf.

I thank you very much

and would like very much

to go and I will if I can.

as near as I can recall

Private John H. Brown. was eleven  
years old when I married his father.  
he left home to to join the service  
of the Worlds war in 1917 that  
would make him 21 years of age  
he wasent married.

he lived with his father and I. his  
stepmother for eleven years.  
then he went to war.

Very truly yours

Mrs. Mary K Brown

302 first ave

Johnsonburg Pa.



WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

June 21, 1929.

**Brown, John H.**

**Mrs. Mary K. Brown,  
136 First Avenue,  
Johnsonburg, Penna.**

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 John H. Brown, Co.E, 47th Inf. whose remains are now interred in the Oise-Aisne American Cemetery, Seringes-et-Nesles, Aisne, France.**

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

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

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

2 incls.  
Act of Congress.  
Envelope.

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

Brown, John H. 608 SM

July 2, 1930

Mrs. Mary K. Brown  
302 First Ave.  
Johnsonburg, Pa.

Dear Madam:

Arrangements have been completed for your transportation to New York City on your pilgrimage to the American Cemeteries in Europe. One week before your departure the railroad ticket agent, of the first road shown below, will deliver your railroad and pullman ticket to you. Your route to New York will be as follows:

Lv. Johnsonburg	Penna	No. 580	10.10 PM	July 28
Ar. New York	"	"	40 9.25 AM	29

All railroad employees have been instructed by their officials to see that you are shown every courtesy and given assistance, particularly at points where it is necessary to change cars.

Should you not receive your ticket six days before the date shown for your departure please take up at once with the ticket agent and if he does not have your ticket, telegraph this office, collect, to that effect.

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

R. E. SHANNON,  
Captain, Q. M. Corps,  
Assistant.

WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

June 12, 1930.

Read carefully the suggestions made above,  
Brown, John H. -608 SM will add greatly to your comfort throughout the trip and will assist the Government in carrying out successfully the plans for conducting the pilgrimage. This letter is being  
Mrs. Mary K. Brown, and widow who has accepted the invitation sent  
302 First Ave.,  
Johnsonburg, Pa.

For The Quartermaster General,

Dear Madam:

Very truly yours,

Somewhat heavier clothing is required to be worn in Europe than is necessary in the United States, in order to be comfortable. During the summer in Europe it is cool during the day and the nights are frequently chilly. Considerable rain is usually encountered during this time.

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

In order that you may be comfortable at all times, regardless of the condition of the weather, and may avoid missing any of the sights or any part of the itinerary which has been planned for you, the following suggestions are made.

The clothing which you will take with you should be slightly heavier and warmer than you would normally wear in the United States during the summer and should be strong and durable. It is essential that you take with you the necessary equipment to afford protection from the cold and dampness. Be sure to take at least two pairs of comfortable shoes to provide a change in the event your feet become wet, a pair of rubbers, an umbrella, and a sweater or some warm wrap to be used should the weather become uncomfortably cool. It is very desirable that, in addition to the sweater, you have with you a full length coat of medium weight for general wear.

The shortages of suitable facilities for laundry and the frequency of the moves you will make while in Europe will make it impracticable to secure as frequent service of this nature as may be desired. You should therefore provide yourself with sufficient Underwear, nightgowns, stockings and handkerchiefs to meet your requirements should it be impossible to have your washing done more frequently than once in two weeks.

If you will read carefully the suggestions made above, and comply with them, it will add greatly to your comfort throughout the trip and will assist the Government in carrying out successfully its plans for conducting the pilgrimage. This letter is being sent to every mother and widow who has accepted the invitation sent to her by the Government to visit the grave of her son or husband.

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

May 15, 1930.

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C  
Brown, John H. --608 M  
America 7-30

Mrs. Mary K. Brown,  
302 First Avenue,  
Johnsonburg, Pa.

Dear Madam:

The records of this office show that you have not furnished the name of your Emergency Addressee as requested in letter of instructions from this office.

It is requested that in the blank space below you write the name and address of the person in the United States whom you desire to be notified in case you become seriously ill or other emergency arises while you are making the pilgrimage to Europe authorized by the Act of Congress approved March 2, 1929.

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Name

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Address

Please fill in the above and mail it TODAY in the self-addressed envelope which requires no postage.

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

Encl.  
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WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

Brown, John H. 608 SM  
America 7-30

May<sup>9</sup> 1930

Mrs. Mary K. Brown,  
302 First Ave.,  
Johnsonburg, Pa.

Dear Madam:

Requests for stop-overs on return from the pilgrimage to the American cemeteries in Europe are being received by this office, in some cases, too late to take action.

Transportation arrangements for the round-trip are made a month before departure and requests for stop-overs on return must be in this office at that time.

Stop-overs can not be allowed on the trip to New York or in Europe, but may be allowed at any point on return from New York provided there is no additional cost or, if there is, that it is paid in advance by the pilgrim.

If you desire stop-overs at any point on return, please advise this office AT ONCE as to the cities where you desire to stop and we will be glad to arrange accordingly, or advise you if there is any additional cost to be paid by you. Send your request direct to this office and do NOT include it with your passport application.

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

R. E. SHANNON,  
Captain, Q. M. Corps,  
Assistant.

WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

Apr 11 25, 1930.

Brown, John H. 508 H

Mrs. Mary K. Brown,  
302 First Ave.,  
Johnsonburg, Pa.

Dear Madam:

The following instructions prepared by the Secretary of State contain the necessary instructions to be followed by you in obtaining the passport or travel document to be utilized in connection with your pilgrimage to the cemeteries in Europe. Please read the directions carefully and call in person upon the nearest Passport Agent or clerk of a Federal or State court having jurisdiction to naturalize aliens. Passport Agencies are located in Boston, Chicago, New Orleans, New York City, San Francisco and Seattle. In large cities there are usually two or more courts and at each county-seat a state court authorized to accept these passport applications.

When you make this call be sure to take with you the four photographs called for in the instructions together with your invitation as a means of identification. You should take with you to the passport office at this time a friend who is an American citizen and who has known you for several years. The passport Agent or clerk of the court will mail your application to the Secretary of State in Washington, D. C., who will issue the passports and travel documents and will deliver them to The Quartermaster General to be held by him until your arrival in New York.

The instructions prepared by the Secretary of State are as follows:

"A mother or widow who owes allegiance to the United States must apply to the Department of State for a Special Pilgrimage Passport through a Passport Agent or through a clerk of a Federal court or State court having jurisdiction to naturalize aliens and on the form prescribed by that Department. When making application, she should be accompanied by a credible witness who is an American citizen and who has known her for a period of two years or more. With her application she should submit four photographs on a light background and on thin paper not more than 3x3 inches in size not less than  $2\frac{1}{2} \times 2\frac{1}{2}$  inches in size and such documentary

evidence of her American citizenship as she may have in her possession. In the absence of evidence of citizenship, her application should be witnessed by a credible person residing in the same community who is an American citizen, has known her for a long period of time and is able to swear to the best of his or her knowledge and belief that she is a citizen of the United States.

"A mother or widow who does not owe allegiance to the United States must apply to the Department of State for a Pilgrimage Travel Document through a clerk of a Federal court or a State court having jurisdiction to naturalize aliens or through a Passport Agent upon the form of application prescribed for that purpose, entitled APPLICATION FOR A PILGRIMAGE TRAVEL DOCUMENT, issued under the Act of March 2, 1929, submitting therewith four photographs on a light background and on thin paper not more than 3 x 3 inches in size and not less than  $2\frac{1}{2}$  x  $2\frac{1}{2}$  inches in size. When making application she should be accompanied by a credible witness who has known her for a period of two years or more.

"The Act of March 2, 1929, provides that no fee shall be charged for the execution of an application for a passport or travel document or for the issue of a passport or travel document to a mother or widow making a pilgrimage to the cemeteries of Europe in which deceased soldiers, sailors, and marines of the American forces are now interred.

"Special Pilgrimage Passports and Pilgrimage Travel Documents when issued by the Department of State will be forwarded to the War Department.

"Applicants resident in Boston, Chicago, New Orleans, New York City, San Francisco and Seattle should execute applications at the Passport Agencies in those cities."

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-608 SM  
*Brown, John H.*

April 12, 1930

Mrs. Mary K. Brown,  
302 First Ave.,  
Johnsonburg, Pa.

Dear Madam:

This letter, which contains general information regarding the pilgrimage to the cemeteries of Europe, is being sent to each mother and widow who has expressed a desire to make the pilgrimage during the calendar year 1930. The general plan for the conduct of the pilgrimage is shown in the Pilgrimage Regulations, a copy of which is enclosed herewith. In addition to the information shown in the regulations, the following explains in detail some of the most important things connected with the pilgrimage.

Formal invitations are being extended to each mother and widow who has expressed a desire to make the pilgrimage during 1930. In so far as practicable, these invitations are being extended with a view to keeping the women from each state together and the order in which the invitations to the women from the several states are issued is based on a drawing by lot which was held about one month ago. Inclosed with each invitation is a card for acknowledgment and it is quite important that you accept or decline this invitation promptly in order that the necessary railroad, steamship and hotel reservations may be arranged. The government will defray all the necessary expenses of the pilgrimage, including railroad fare, hotel accommodations, steamship fare and all other incidental expenses. It will not provide anything other than the necessary expenses so that you should bring with you such funds as you may desire to use for making small purchases and for other uses distinctly of a personal nature.

Arrangements have been made with the American Railroad Association which assures us the united support and cooperation of all of the railroads in the United States in handling the movement to and from New York City. The local ticket agent will secure your railroad and sleeper ticket and will make the necessary pullman reservations. Before your departure from your home we will mail you a check, sufficient to pay for your meals and other travelling expenses while enroute to New York. Your railroad ticket will provide for a round trip from your home to New York and upon arrival in New York the army officer in charge of the New York office will collect the return trip stub and hold it until your return to New York from Europe.

Upon arrival in New York, you will be met by an army officer

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and escorted to a first class hotel where reservations have been made. The duration of your stay in New York will be from 24 to 48 hours. At the proper time, you will be escorted to the steamship upon which passage has been engaged for Europe. All of the women making this trip will be provided with cabin class accommodations aboard steamers which means that from two to four will be quartered in the same stateroom. If you have any friend that you would like to be quartered with we will endeavor to arrange it if you will communicate with this office.

The ocean voyage will last about 8 days and when the ship docks at Cherbourg, France, each party will be met by officers especially detailed for the purpose and taken in a special train to Paris where first class hotel accommodations have been reserved. The first day in Paris will be a day of rest. On the 2d day, the women of each party will place a wreath on the tomb of the French unknown soldier. In the afternoon there will be a reception in which the French war mothers, government officials, and prominent civilians will participate. The following morning the groups going to the different cemeteries will leave Paris, travelling in motor busses, and proceed to the cemeteries where they will remain for about 7 days. Twenty-five women will be assigned to each bus and an army officer will have charge of the bus. The itineraries to and from the cemeteries and the daily itineraries while at the cemeteries have been varied so as to take in points of historical interest as well as some parts of the battlefields where American troops were engaged. Upon return to Paris, each party will remain for about 5 days and during this time an opportunity will be given to see the points of historical interest in Paris and vicinity. The entire duration of your stay in Europe will be 14 days, and the itineraries have been so arranged that each day will be provided for. Except in case of illness or other unavoidable cause it will not be possible for any woman making the pilgrimage to remain in Europe for a longer period than 14 days nor to leave the party with which she is travelling unless she is prepared to pay all of her expenses after leaving the party since the Act of Congress authorizing the pilgrimage specifically states that the government shall not pay the expenses of any woman who willfully leaves her party.

Upon return to the United States each ship will be met in New York City by army officers who will escort the mothers and widows to the trains which will take them home. Before leaving New York each woman will be provided with her return railroad ticket, a sleeping car ticket and funds to cover the cost of meals and other travelling expenses.

Army officers are being used as guides and escorts throughout this entire movement and care has been taken to select officers who will see that proper care is taken of the women who are entrusted to their charge. Arrangements have been made for taking care of women who may be taken sick during the pilgrimage and also to care for the remains of any who may die and provision has been made for returning the remains of any who may die to their homes. It is essential that each woman making the pilgrimage furnish The Quartermaster General with an emergency address of some relative or friend to be notified in the event of an emergency. Medical care will be provided by civilian agencies. If such care is needed in New York City it will be furnished by the hotel physicians or

by local hospitals. Aboard ship, medical care will be provided by the ship's doctors and in Paris arrangements have been made with the American Hospital for the hospitalization and treatment of any women who may need it. In addition to this, six doctors of the regular army will be on duty throughout the pilgrimage.

Baggage will be limited to not to exceed two pieces of hand baggage and the articles taken should be such as will be required for a trip of about one month. Laundry service can be obtained in New York and Paris. Since the climate of Europe is much colder than that of the United States, each woman should provide herself with sufficient warm clothing to stand the motor bus trip and the visit to the cemeteries.

Since it is necessary for this office to make all reservations for your accommodations throughout this pilgrimage, it will be greatly appreciated if you will make prompt reply to any communications received from this office.

For The Quartermaster General:

Very truly yours,

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

1 Enclosure.  
Regulation.

WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

October 7, 1929.

Brown, John H. 608 -SM

Mrs. Mary K. Brown,  
302 First Avenue,  
Johnsonburg, Pa.

Dear Madam:

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

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

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

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

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WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

Brown, John H.

June 21 1929.

Mrs. Mary K. Brown,  
136 First Avenue,  
Johnsonburg, Penna.

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 John H. Brown, Co.E, 47th Inf. whose remains are now interred in the Oise-Aisne American Cemetery, Seringes-et-Nesles, Aisne, France.**

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

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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THE ADJUTANT GENERAL'S OFFICE  
WASHINGTON

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IN REPLY  
REFER TO  
AG 201 Brown, John H. (WW)

SUBJECT: Date of death

January 9, 1929

293 Brown - Jim #

To:  
The Quartermaster General,  
Washington, D. C.

An investigation completed by this office in the case of John H. Brown, Army serial number 570,243, Private, Company E, 47th Infantry, who was reported to have been killed in action August 13, 1918, shows that the report is erroneous and that this soldier was killed in action August 3, 1918.

By order of the Secretary of War:



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Adjutant General.

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AG 201 Brown, John H. (WW)

Date of death

January 9, 1929

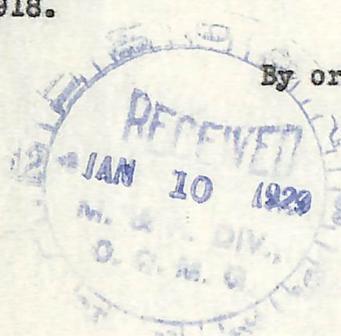
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By order of the Secretary of War:

E. E. Hagler, Jr.

Adjutant General.



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Brown, John, H.

Nov. 13, 1924.

Mrs. Mary K. Brown,  
136 First Ave.,  
Johnstown, Pa.

Dear Madam:

The Quartermaster General desires that receipt be acknowledged of your letter of November 11th, 1924.

Please be informed that the letter addressed to your deceased husband, Mr. James Brown, was returned to this office. The letter contained information as to the permanent grave location of your son, the late Private John E. Brown, Company E, 47th Infantry.

The body of the soldier now rests in Grave 30, Row 11, Block D, Oise-Aisne American Cemetery, Seringes-et-Nesles, Aisne, France. This American military cemetery is one of those to be maintained by the United States for all time in Europe. The grave of your son will be appropriately marked and maintained by the Government in a manner befitting the last resting place of our heroes.

There is inclosed herewith a card, giving the permanent grave location of Private Brown, which you no doubt will be pleased to possess.

Very truly yours,

R. P. HARBOLD,  
Major, Q. M. C.,  
Assistant.

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Record card.



WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

BROWN, John H. - Pvt.

November 7, 1924

Mr. James Brown,  
Johnsonburg,  
Pa.

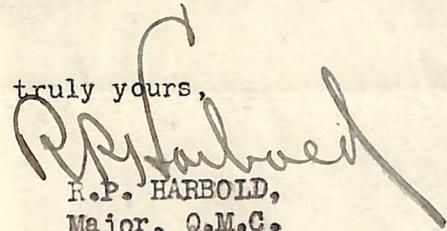
Dear Sir:

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

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

Very truly yours,



R.P. HARBOLD,  
Major, Q.M.C.  
Assistant.

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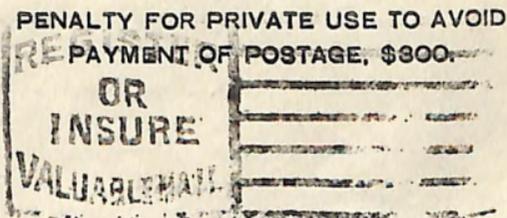
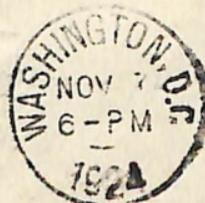


WAR DEPARTMENT

OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL OF THE ARMY

WASHINGTON, D. C.

OFFICIAL BUSINESS



~~Mr. James Brown, Deceased.~~

~~Johnsonburg,~~

Pa.



*Returned by wife*

11/11/24

O. Q. M. C.

Johnsonburg Pa  
Office of the War Department

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Brown

Kind Sir I am the Wife of James Brown  
as you see I have returned that letter which I  
was not allowed to open.

If there is any information you would like to know  
I think maby I could furnish you as he and I  
were corresponding with the Government all the time  
our sons John and Thomas were in the Army.

Yours truly Mrs. Mary K Brown

134 First Ave Johnsonburg Pa.



Brown,

(Surname.)

John H.

(Christian name in full.)

570,243

(Army serial number.)

Pvt.

Co E, 47 Inf.

(Rank and organization.)

State your relationship to the deceased

Father

Do you desire the remains brought to the United States?

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(Yes or no.)

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

(Yes or no.)

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

(Name of person to receive remains.)

(Express office.)

(Telegraph office.)

(Number and street.)

(City or town.)

(State.)

(Sign here)

James Brown  
Johnsonburg PA

(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 ~~EA~~

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BROWN, John H. - Pvt.

November 7, 1924

Mr. James Brown,  
Johnsonburg,  
Pa.

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Very truly yours,

R.P. HARBOLD,  
Major, Q.M.G.  
Assistant.

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Record card.



COMPILATION OF DISPOSITION OF REMAINS DATA  
File # 89908

I. LOCATION INDEX CARD:

(a) Name BROWN, John H. Ser. No. 570243  
(b) Rank Pvt. Organization Co. E, 47th Inf.  
(c) Date of death 8/3-18 (d) Cause of death K.A.  
TYP. DB  
CKR. E.M.

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

(a) Grave No. 65 Row - Plot 2 Sec. M TYP. DB  
(b) Emerg. Address Mr. James Brown, (Father) Johnsonburg, Pa.

III. Files of soldiers dying from contagious diseases -- CKR. E.M.

IV. A. G. O. DISPOSITION CARD:

Date of receipt none

(a) Name James Brown (b) Relationship Father  
(c) Address Johnsonburg, Pa  
(d) Remains to be brought to U. S.? no  
(e) To be interred in National Cemetery in U. S. at \_\_\_\_\_  
(f) Shipping instructions upon arrival of body in U. S. \_\_\_\_\_  
(g) Disposition instructions if not brought to U. S. \_\_\_\_\_

Examiner's Initials SH Date 12-1, 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 SH Date 12-1, 1920.

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

No request for disposition

(a) Cancellation memos referred to? yes all

Examiner's Initials SH Date 12-2, 1920.

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

Typed by \_\_\_\_\_, Checked by \_\_\_\_\_, 1920.

VIII. FINAL ACTION:

Cemeterial Division  
Overseas Project Sub-Section

Following advice forwarded to Europe by { cable on \_\_\_\_\_, 1920  
letter on 12-22, 1920

*Paragraph 2 - Not to be returned*

IX.

CORRECTIONS

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

X. SUSPENSION REMARKS:

To be prepared in triplicate.

DATE Jan. 26, 1922

REPORT OF DISINTERMENT, PREPARATION, SHIPMENT AND REBURIAL OF BODY

DISINTERMENT

COMPARATIVE REPORT

Records of G.R.S. Headquarters.

Discrepancy found upon exhumation of body

1. Name BROWN, John H.  
 2. No. 570243  
 3. Rank Pvt.  
 4. Org. Co. E 47th Inf.  
 5. D.D. Aug. 3rd - 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. 65 Sec. M  
 8. Plot 2 Row \_\_\_\_\_  
 9. \_\_\_\_\_

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

18. Cemetery American  
 20. Dept. or County Marne  
 22. G.R.S. Hdqrs. Code No. 617  
 23. Disinterred (Date) 1-26-22

19. Commune or town Fismes  
 21. Country France  
 By W.C. Rapine

24. Inscription on grave marker:

Name John H. Brown  
 Rank Pvt

Serial No. 570243  
 Organization Co. E. 47th Inf.

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

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).

**No evidence found on remains to establish or disprove identity Row regular**

27. Condition of body Badly decomposed features unrecognizable

28. Nature of burial Burlap

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 1-26-22 By W.C. Rapine

31. Casket sealed by W.C. Rapine

Signature of Embalmer, (Supervisor

*W.C. Rapine*

AUDITED BY  
AW 5/31/24

SHIPMENT. (Show actual marking of box.) Box No. C-22872

32. Designation of body:  
Name John H. BROWN Serial No. 570243  
Rank Pvt. Organization Co. E. 47th Inf.

33. Consigned to:  
Name of Permanent Cemetery Oise-Aisne Amer. #608, Seringes-et-Nesles, Aisne

34. Casket boxed and marked (Date) 1-26-22 By W.O. Rapine

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 *O. E. Davis*  
O. E. Davis, 1st Lt. MC

36. Remarks \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

37. Shipped from point of Operation: (Date) \_\_\_\_\_  
To point of Concentration \_\_\_\_\_ (Name)  
Convoyer *[Signature]* 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 Oise Aisne, Am. Cty 608 Seringes et Nesles, Aisne. (Name)  
Convoyer \_\_\_\_\_ Signature Shipping Officer *O. E. Davis*  
O. E. Davis, 1st Lt. MC

40. Received: Date FEB 3 1922  
G.R.S. Representative *R. H. Wood*

41. Reinterred Aug. 16, 1922, Oise-Aisne Cem. 608, Seringes et Nesles (Aisne)  
(Date)

42. Grave No. 30 Section ----

43. ~~Plot~~ BLOCK D Row 11

G.R.S. Representative *C. J. Blake*  
C. J. Blake,  
Capt., QMC.

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# REPORT OF DISINTERMENT AND REBURIAL

Place Fismes, Gen. 617

Date Jan. 26th, 1922

1. REMAINS OF BROWN, John H. SERIAL NUMBER 570243

RANK Pvt. ORGANIZATION Co. B. 47th Inf.

2. Disinterred (date): Jan. 26th, 1922 From (give complete location): Gr. 65, Plot 2, Sec. M. Cem. 617

By: Group 4 Unit Sec. 7

3. Reburied (date): Aug. 16, 1922 In (give complete location): Gr. 30, Block D, Row 11, Oise-Aisne Cem. 608, Seringes-et-Nesles (Aisne)

By: Group re-burial group Unit ---- Nature of reburial Lined casket

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

Badly decomposed, features unrecognizable. Buried in burlap.

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

(b) Other means of identification found upon disinterment, and general remarks:  
Regarding 6(f) a thorough search was made for remainder of body but not found. Row regular. ~~was~~ No evidence found on remains to establish or disprove identity.

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

(a) Height (actual measurement) Unable to determine

(b) Weight (estimated) " "

(c) Hair—Color None

Quantity -----

Characteristics -----

(d) Hair on face—Color None

Location -----

Quantity -----

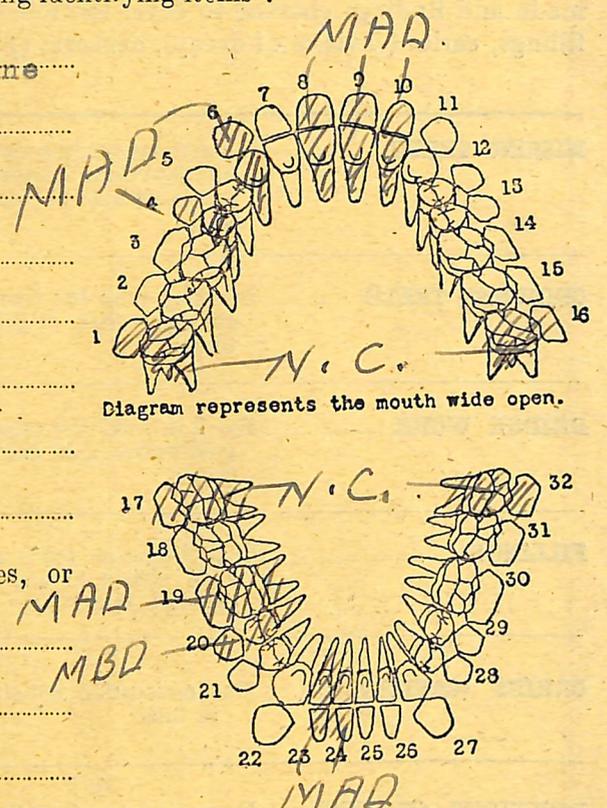
(e) Permanent marks on body (old scars, peculiarities, or missing parts) None

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

Two vertebrae, one rib and entire head found in grave. Remainder of body missing. (E. S. Bird, checker.)

7. Disinterment supervised by W. C. Rapine, Sup. Emb. Approved: O. E. Davis, 1st Lt., QMC.  
(Title)

8. Reburial supervised by L. D. Hays Approved: C. J. Blake, Capt., QMC.  
(Title)



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

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

1. Show soldier's name, serial-number, rank and organization, and by whom disinterred and reburied.
2. Give date and accurate information as to location from which the body was disinterred and the group and unit which made disinterment.
3. Give date and accurate information as to location of reburial and the group and unit which made reburial, and how reburial was made—in casket, wooden box, etc.
4. State to what degree decomposition has progressed, whether recognition is possible, and how the body was originally buried—in a casket, box, burlap, etc. This statement should be as complete as possible.
5. (a) State whether identification tags were found buried with body and on grave marker by reporting "Yes" or "No".  
 (b) State whether or not body appears to have been a hospital case. Were any identifying articles found in or on body or grave? List any personal effects, letters, money-order receipts, and the like found on body or in grave. Give any and all information which it is thought might be of use in identifying the body, other than that tabulated under Item No. 6.

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

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

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

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

COMPILATION OF DISPOSITION OF REMAINS DATA

File # 89908

I. LOCATION INDEX CARD:

(a) Name BROWN, John H. Ser. No. 570243  
 (b) Rank Pvt. Organization Co. E, 47th Inf. } TYP DB  
 (c) Date of death 8/3-18-18 Cause of death K.A. } *E.M.*

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

(a) Grave 65 Row - Plot 2 Sect. M TYP DB  
 (b) Emerg. Address Mr. James Brown, (Father) Johnsonburg, Pa.

III. Files of soldiers dying from contagious diseases - CKR *E.M.*

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

*also* James Brown - Father - Johnsonburg, Pa. wishes body left in France 1-7-21 B

V. Following advice forwarded to Europe by (cable on 1/2-1921 192  
 (Letter of transmittal on 1/2-1921)  
*Paragraph 2*  
*Not to be returned B*

VI. Form 115 forwarded to G.R.S. Hoboken, N.J. JAN 18 1921 192

VII. SUPPLEMENTARY REQUESTS

Date of and Source	Relationship and name	Desires	Action taken

VIII. Form 115 received from G.R.S. Hoboken, N.J. 5-16 192 1

COUNTRY \_\_\_\_\_ CEMETERY NO. \_\_\_\_\_ SHEET NO. \_\_\_\_\_

G.R.S. FORM 115-A August, 1920

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WAR DEPARTMENT

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OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL OF THE ARMY

CEMETERIAL DIVISION

~~WASHINGTON~~

HOBOKEN, N. J.

JAN 28 1921

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

TO: Mr. James Brown, Johnsonburg, Pa.

SUBJECT: Remains of Pvt. John H. Brown, Ser. No. 570243, Co. E, 47th Inf.

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

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

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

By authority of the Quartermaster General.

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

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

Was soldier married? .....

NAME OF—	NO. AND STREET.	TOWN.	STATE.
Soldier's widow .....			
Soldier's children: (Name oldest first.)	1 .....		
	2 .....		
	3 .....		
Father .....			
Mother .....			
Brothers: (Name oldest first.)	1 .....		
	2 .....		
	3 .....		
Sisters: (Name oldest first.)	1 .....		
	2 .....		
	3 .....		

Date .....

Signature .....

Address .....

Relationship .....

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

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Address \_\_\_\_\_  
Date \_\_\_\_\_

Relationship \_\_\_\_\_  
Signature \_\_\_\_\_  
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**MAY 16 1921**

I, the undersigned, am the \_\_\_\_\_ and nearest living next of kin of the within-named soldier, and desire the following disposition of his remains, viz:  
(Strike out all except the one showing the disposition desired.)

**Cemeterial Division  
Overseas Project Sub-Section**

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 \_\_\_\_\_

**INSTRUCTIONS FOR FILLING OUT.**

1. If definite instructions for the disposition of a body are not received from the next of kin within two weeks of its arrival at New York, burial will be made without further notice in the World War Section of Arlington National Cemetery.
2. The transfer of bodies will be made ENTIRELY at Government expense.
3. This paper **MUST BE SIGNED BY THE PERSON WHO IS THE NEXT OF KIN IN THE ORDER** shown in the square on the other side of this sheet.
4. This paper must be returned showing the name and address of each of the nearest next of kin in the spaces provided therefor on the other side of this sheet.
5. If there are minor children of the deceased soldier and no widow, the LEGALLY APPOINTED GUARDIAN of the children should ascertain their wishes and act for them in this matter.
6. If YOU are not the nearest next of kin, please ask the nearest next of kin, if living near you, to fill out this paper.
7. If YOU are not the nearest living next of kin and do not know who or where the nearest relatives are, please fill out this paper AT ONCE and mail to this office.
8. You are requested to return this paper AT ONCE in order to avoid delay in the case of this body.
9. Use the inclosed envelope—pay no postage.

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

U. S. ARMY  
C. B. S. ROOM 140 130

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FILE

Co. E. 47th Inf.,  
4th Div.

BROWN, John H., - Pvt. 570843.

Killed in action Aug. 1918 on Vesle river near St. Thibaut, France.  
Buried by the burial officer of the 77th Div.  
No eye-witnesses. Killed along the Vesle River before Bazoches Aug. 7th or 8  
1918.

No informant given.

Signed: H.F. MARTIN,  
1st Lieut. 47th Inf.

I.O.

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# GRAVE LOCATION BLANK

LOCATION OF THE GRAVE OF

**Brown** **570 243** **John H.**  
(Surname). (Number). (First Name and Initials).

**Private** **Co. E. 47th Infantry**  
(Rank). (Organization).

PLACE OF DEATH: .....

CAUSE OF DEATH: .....

DATE OF BURIAL: **September 12 1918**

PLACE OF BURIAL: **Directly south across**

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

**river from chateau at Bazoches**

**201.00 - 286.4**

GRAVE NUMBER: **54**

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

Headboard? .....

Bottle? .....

IDENTIFICATION TAGS: **0**

Was one buried with body? **yes**

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

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

NEAREST RELATIVE: **Bazoches (Aime)**

ADDRESS: **92 SHY. 3356. (E. 201. M 286.4)**

RELATIONSHIP: .....

REPORTED BY:

**Chaplain Voorsanger, H.Q. 77th Division**

(Signature and Rank of Reporting Officer).

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Daily Report No. \_\_\_\_\_

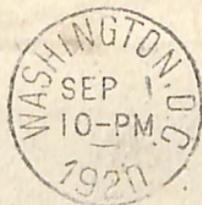
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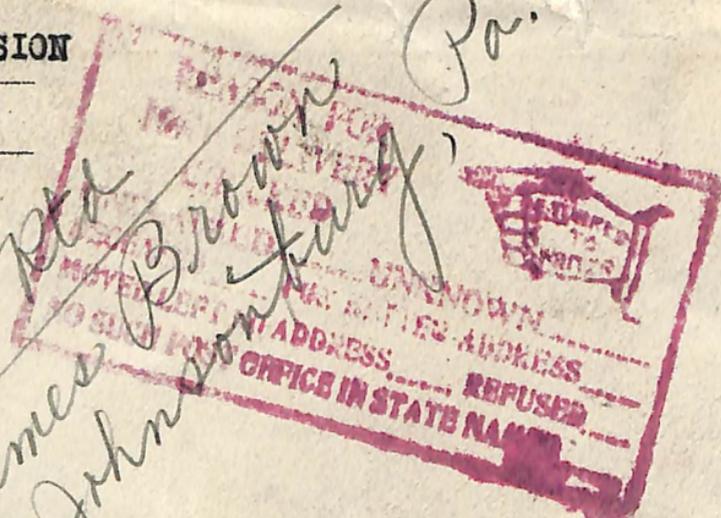
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PENALTY FOR PRIVATE USE TO AVOID  
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**FILE**



*Pa.*  
*file # 89908*  
*g-107-107-107*  
*Mr. James Brown*  
*(father) Johnsonburg*

~~Mr. James Brown, Deceased.~~

~~Vernard Addission.~~

~~Johnsonburg, Penna.~~

*Returned by his  
Wife Mrs. Mary E.  
Brown.*

*Returned  
9/7/20*

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CEMETERY DIVISION  
GRAVES REGISTRATION SERVICE  
REGISTRATION SECTION

File # 89908

*Qty 617*

Date 9/16/20

MEMORANDUM:

To: Registration Files Sub-Section

Subject: Adjustments made on Registration Files

1. Changes as checked have been made in the Registration Files which will necessitate a corresponding change in the Classification Files.

	CORP.	ADD. DATA		CORP.	ADD. DATA
File Number			Date of Burial		
Name			Date of Reburial		
Serial Number			Burial Information		
Rank			Nearest Relative <i>5X8</i>	✓	
Organization			Notified Nearest Relative <i>5X8</i>		✓
Cause of Death			Blue Card thrown out		
Date of Death			White Card set up		
Casualty Cablgram Number					
<i>Remarks 5X8</i>					

O.K. Alphabetical Files 9-16-20-ew

~~O.K. Organization Files~~

~~O.K. State Files~~

Cemetery Audit Department  
✓ Investigation & Adjustment Dept.

By *Johnson*

✓ Cards attached.