

*Levin*  
*9/24/27*

FULL NAME ..... BROWN, Leven

RANK ..... Pvt. *1/c* ..... SERIAL ..... 2655381

DIVISION & ORGANIZATION ..... Co. F, 148th Inf. *✓* *37th Div.*  
10-31-18 *✓*

DATE OF DEATH.....

STATE FROM WHICH HE CAME..... *Georgia*

*none*

**MEDALS OR DECORATIONS AWARDED.**

FINAL GRAVE LOCATION..... 6-21-22 ..... 18 ..... 3 ..... D  
Date Grave Row Block

Flanders Field, #1252

Cemetery

OC 325 @ 12/12

GRAVE LOCATION BLANK

LOCATION OF THE GRAVE OF

Brown 2655391 Levin  
(Surname). (Number). (First Name and Initials).

Sgt 148th Infantry  
(Rank). (Organization).

PLACE OF BURIAL Near Olsene Belgium

CAUSE OF DEATH: Schrapnel

DATE OF BURIAL: Nov 3rd 1918

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

Co-ordinates 201.5-467.4  
Map Thielts S.E.

GRAVE NUMBER: 5

Co. HOW MARKED: Name Peg? Cross? yes  
Headboard? Bottle? yes

IDENTIFICATION TAGS:  
Was one buried with body? yes

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

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

NEAREST RELATIVE:

ADDRESS:

RELATIONSHIP:

REPORTED BY:  
Mr. Chaplain W. R. Hughes  
(Signature and Rank of Reporting Officer).

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

Buried by Chaplain William R. Hughes  
Map Thielts S. E. co-ordinates 201.5-467.4

Pvt. Levin #2655381.

Address: Normantown, Ga.

18.

Nov. 1, 1918 near Olsene, Belgium  
as buried one kilometer east of

Liovel, Sgt. #1529767  
Co. "F". 148th Infantry.

Macedonio, Ohio.

n B. Alleman, 2nd Lt. 148th Inf.  
Feb. 16, 1919.

8th Inf. Co. "F". Nov. 3, 1918  
8th Infantry, near Olsene, Belgium.  
Grave #5.

OC 325 @ 12/12

Co. "F", 148th Infantry.

BROWN, Pvt. Levin #2655381.

Home Address: Normantown, Ga.

Killed November 1, 1918.

Brown was killed by machine gun fire on Nov. 1, 1918 near Olsene, Belgium while advancing with his platoon. He was buried one kilometer east of Olsene.

Informant: Peck, Liovel, Sgt. #1529767  
Co. "F", 148th Infantry.

Home Address: Macedonio, Ohio.

Searcher: Irven B. Alleman, 2nd Lt. 148th Inft.  
Feb. 16, 1919.

Next of kin:  
Mrs. Vandilla Brown,  
Normantown, Ga.

Burial Report: Brown, Levin 2655381, 148th Inft. Co. "F", Nov. 3, 1918  
Buried by Chaplain William R. Hughes 148th Infantry, near Olsene, Belgium.  
Map Thielt S. E. co-ordinance 201.5-467.4 Grave #5.

S.

July 12 1952

Brown,

(Surname.)

Leven

(Christian name in full.)

2655381

~~2,655,361~~

(Army serial number)

Pvt

Co. F, 148 Inf.

(Rank and organization.)

State your relationship to the deceased

mother

Do you desire the remains brought to the United States?

no

(Yes or no.)

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

(Yes or no.)

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

(Name of person to receive remains.)

(Express office.)

(Telegraph office.)

(Number and street.)

(City or town.)

(State.)

(Sign here)

Vandilla Powell Brown

R.F.D. Swainsboro

Ga

(Number and street or rural route.)

(City, town, or post office.)

(State.)

Read carefully the letter accompanying this card.

Drawn by P.F.

1252-66

10-15

Checked by F.S.

10-29-20

REPORT OF DISINTERMENT AND REBURIAL.

Remains of:

Name: BROWN, Levin

Number: 2655381

Rank: unknown

Organization: Co. F, 148 Inf.

Disinterment and Reburial made by Group 3

Unit 302

Disinterred (Date)

From: (Give complete location)

6-3-19 Grave 34, American Mil Cem., Olsene, East Flanders, Belgium

B.M. 1/40,000. Sheet 21-W-13-c-8-3

Reburied (Date)

in: (Give complete location)

6-3-19 Grave 71, Plot D, American Mil.Cem., Waereghem, West Flanders

Belgium. B.M. 1/40,000. heet 29-D-28-d-6.9.5

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

Body buried in full uniform, badly decomposed.

Was one identification tag found upon the body? yes

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

**CONFIRMED N° D** 11653

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: Sgt. E. Engle.

H.E. Felter, 2nd Lieut. OMC USA

C.O. Group 3

Unit 302

First Name

Date

REPORT OF DISINTERMENT AND REBURIAL

Remains of:

Number: 250381

Name: BROWN, Levin

Co. H, 148 Inf.

Organization:

Rank: unknown

Unit 303

3

Disinterment and Reburial made by Group

From: (Give complete location)

Disinterred (Date)

Grave 24, American Mil. Cem., Wiesbaden, West Germany

B.M. 140,000. Sheet 21-W-15-C-2-2

From: (Give complete location)

Reburied (Date)

Grave 71, Field No. 1, American Mil. Cem., Wiesbaden, West Germany

B.M. 140,000. Sheet 21-W-15-C-2-2

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

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H. K. Keller, 2nd Lt. Col., 148 Inf., 303rd Group, 303rd Unit

Prepared by: Sgt. E. [Name]



CODE SLIP

HEADING	SUB-HEADING	NO. OF COLS	CODE
NAME <i>Brown</i>	<i>BRO</i>	3	<i>285</i>
BURIED <i>Lerin</i>	CEMETERY <i>1252</i>	1	<i>8</i>
	GRAVE <i>18</i>	2	<i>18</i>
	ROW <i>3</i>	2	<i>03</i>
	BLOCK <i>10</i>	1	<i>4</i>
STATE	<i>Ga</i>	2	<i>10</i>
RANK	<i>Private</i>	1	<i>9</i>
DIVISION	<i>37</i>	2	<i>37</i>
ORGANIZATION	<i>148</i>	3	<i>148</i>
ARM	<i>Inf</i>	1	<i>1</i>
MARITAL <i>(brother)</i>	<i>No</i>	1	<i>2</i>
NAME <i>Brown</i>		3	
RESIDENCE <i>R.L. Wesley Ga.</i>	STATE	2	
	COUNTY	2	
	CITY	3	
RELATION	<i>Mother</i>	1	<i>1</i>
OTHER	<i>(6-3-31)</i>	1	
ELIGIBILITY <i>no</i>	<i>Dead</i>	1	<i>6</i>
NATIVITY <i>no</i>		1	
RACE		1	
ENGLISH		1	
ATTENDANT		1	
HEALTH		1	
NO. OF SONS		1	
DATE OF TRIP	MO.	1	
	YR.	1	
ACCEPTANCE 29/514/		1	

**AUDITED**  
 APR 26 1952  
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*Jan 1*

*Brown*

WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM-293-AM

Brown, Levin Pvt. 1c1 (F.F.) M

June 23, 1931

Mrs. Vandilla Powell Brown,  
R. F. D. #5,  
Wesley, Georgia.

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.

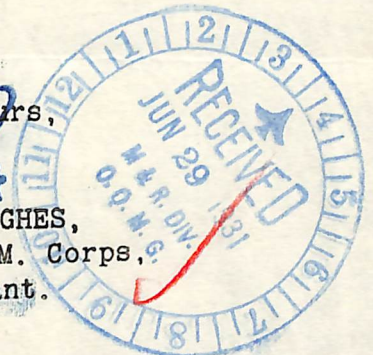
For The Quartermaster General,

Mrs. Vandella Powell Brown Died,  
June, 3rd, 1931, at her home at  
Wesley, Georgia.

*R. L. Brown, her son:*  
R. L. Brown.

Very truly yours,

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



6-27-31 *Wesley, Ga.*  
DO YOU DESIRE TO MAKE A PILGRIMAGE DURING THE YEAR 1932?

Write answer here

Sign here

WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO CM 293 A-M  
Brown, Levin Pvt.1/c(F.F.) M

May 12, 1931

Mrs. Vandilla Powell Brown,  
R. F. D. #5,  
Swainsboro, Georgia.

Dear Madam:

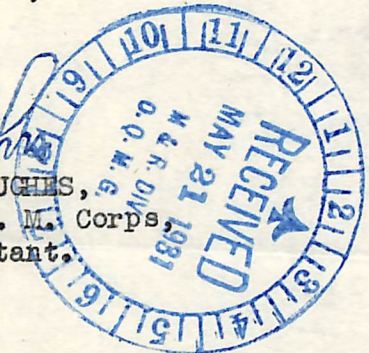
In order that the records of this office may be complete and correct, it is requested that you advise whether or not the late Private 1st class Levin Brown was married and is survived by a widow, and if so her name and address.

For your convenience in replying, there is enclosed here-with a 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.



Enclosure:  
Envelope

*Dear Sir*

*The Soldier above mentioned  
was not married as far as I know  
Mrs Vandella Powell Brown Swainsboro, Ga*

WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

October 11, 1930

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-M  
Brown, Levin Pvt 1 C1 1252 M

Mrs. Vandilla Powell Brown  
~~R. F. D. #5~~  
~~Swainsboro, Georgia~~

*Wesley, Ga*

Dear Madam:

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

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

1. Do you desire to make this pilgrimage?	<i>No</i>
2. Do you desire to make the pilgrimage in the calendar year 1931?	<i>No</i>
3. Please give your age and state your health.	Age <i>68y. 11-m</i> Condition of health <i>Fair</i>
4. Do you speak English?	<i>yes</i>
5. What other language do you speak?	<i>none</i>

For The Quartermaster General:

Very truly yours,

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

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WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

Brown, Levin 1252

February 24, 1930

Mrs. Vandilla Powell Brown,  
R. F. D. #5,  
Swainsboro, Georgia.

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 <sup>mother of the late</sup> Private Levin Brown, Co. F, 148th Inf., whose remains are now interred in the Flanders Field American Cemetery, Waerghem, Belgium.

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

Write answers in space below:

1. Is the deceased survived by a widow who has not since remarried?
2. If so, give her complete address.
3. If he is survived by a mother, stepmother, mother thru adoption, or any other woman who stood in loco parentis to him, according to the terms of Section 4 of the enclosed Act, give her name, address, and relationship in the space opposite.

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  
Brown, Levin

April 23, 1929.

Mrs. Vandilla Powell Brown,  
R.F.D. #5,  
Swainsboro, Ga.

Dear Madam:

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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.

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

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

J. McCLINTOCK,  
Major, Q. M. Corps,  
Assistant.

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

Brown, Levin Pvt. 1cl (F.F.) M

June 23, 1931

Mrs. Vandilla Powell Brown,  
R. F. D. #5,  
Wesley, Georgia.

Dear Madam:

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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? \_\_\_\_\_  
Write answer here

\_\_\_\_\_  
Sign here

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JUN 23 1931

CORRECT NAME

BROWN, Leven, 2655381, Pvt.Co.F, 148th Inf.

change to

BROWN, Levin

CM 293 A-M  
Brown, Levin Pvt.1/c(F.F.) M

May 12, 1931

Mrs. Vandilla Powell Brown,  
R. F. D. #5,  
Swainsboro, Georgia.

Dear Madam:

In order that the records of this office may be complete and correct, it is requested that you advise whether or not the late Private 1st class Levin Brown was married and is survived by a widow, and if so her name and address.

For your convenience in replying, there is enclosed with a self-addressed envelope which requires no postage.

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

✓ *PH*  
Enclosure:  
Envelope  
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QM 293 A-M

October 11, 1930

Brown, Levin Pvt 1 Cl 1253 M

Mrs. Vandilla Powell Brown  
R. F. D. #5  
Swainsboro, Georgia

Dear Madam:

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

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

1. Do you desire to make this pilgrimage?	
2. Do you desire to make the pilgrimage in the calendar year 1931?	
3. Please give your age and state your health.	Age Condition of health
4. Do you speak English?	
5. What other language do you speak?	

For The Quartermaster General:

Very truly yours,

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

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WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

Brown, Levin 1252 H

June 5, 1930

Mrs. Vandilla Powell Brown  
R. P. D. #5  
Swainsboro, Ga.

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

Brown, Levin 1252

February 24, 1930

Mrs. Vandilla Powell Brown,  
R. F. D. #5,  
Swainsboro, Georgia.

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 Levin Brown, Co. F, 148th Inf., whose remains are now interred in the Flanders Field American Cemetery, Waereghem, Belgium.

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

Write answers in space below:

1. Is the deceased survived by a widow who has not since remarried?
2. If so, give her complete address.
3. If he is survived by a mother, stepmother, mother thru adoption, or any other woman who stood in loco parentis to him, according to the terms of Section 4 of the enclosed Act, give her name, address, and relationship in the space opposite.

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Assistant.

WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C  
Brown, Levin

August 7, 1929.

Mrs. Vandilla Powell Brown,  
R. F. D. #5,  
Swainsboro, Ga.

Dear Madam:

The records of this office do not indicate that a reply has been received to our communication dated April 23, 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,

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 203 A-C~~  
Brown, Levin

April 23, 1929.

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R.F.D. #5,  
Swainsboro, Ga.

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QM 293 A-C

BROWN, Leven Pvt.

February 9, 1924

Mr. Lovette E. Brown,  
Herndon,  
Georgia.

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,

1-Incl.  
Record card.

Assistant.  
R. L. FOSTER

MPK  
KAK

O. Q. M. G.  
CENTRAL MAIL ROOM



FEB. 9 1924  
B. O. C.

BROWN, Leven. Pvt.

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O. Q. M. G.  
CENTRAL MAIL ROOM



FEB 9 1924  
B. O. C.

Place Waareghem, 1252

## REPORT OF DISINTERMENT AND REBURIAL

Date June 21, 1922

1. REMAINS OF BROWN, Leven SERIAL NUMBER 2655381  
 RANK Pvt. ORGANIZATION Co. F. 148th Inf.

2. Disinterred (date) : June 21, 1922 From (give complete location): Gr. 71 Plot D. Cem 1252

By : Group 4 Unit Sec. 2.

3. Reburied (date) June 21, 1922. In (give complete location) Gr 18 Plot D  
Row 3, Flanders Field American Cemetery No. 1252 Waareghem,  
Belgium. In regulation metallic casket and shipping case.  
Bottle record placed with body  
 By : Group Reburial Unit Section 2. Nature of reburial Clear

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

Badly decomposed, features unrecognizable.

Uniform only.

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

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

Corroded body tag: Brown and serial number 2655381 legible. Rest  
illegible

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

(a) Height (actual measurement) Indiscernable  
due to decomposition

(b) Weight (estimated) \_\_\_\_\_

(c) Hair—Color none visible

Quantity none

Characteristics none

(d) Hair on face—Color none visible

Location none

Quantity none

(e) Permanent marks on body (old scars, peculiarities,  
 or missing parts) none visible.

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

Skull shattered

Lower jaw fractured.

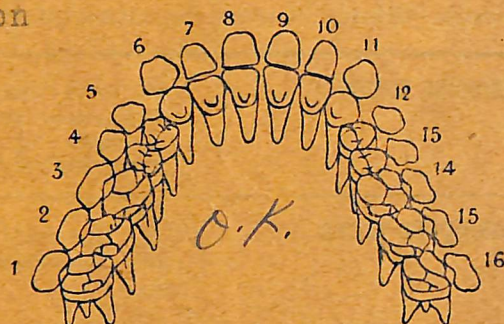
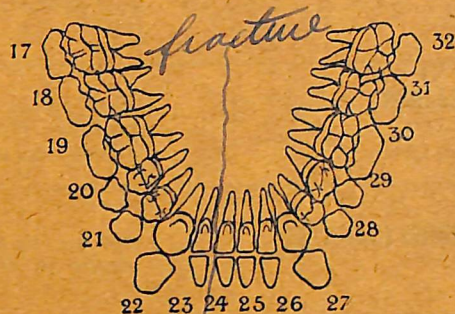


Diagram represents the mouth wide open



7. Disinterment supervised by Edmo Maire

Approved : O. H. Davis

(Title) 1st Lt. U.S. Army

8. Reburial supervised by J. S. Pantelis

Approved : W. D. Cleary

(Title) Chaplain, U.S. Army

## 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.

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

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

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



To be prepared in triplicate.

DATE June 21, 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, LEVEN

10. Name

2. No. 2655381

11. No.

3. Rank Pvt.

12. Rank

4. Org. Co. F 148th Inf.

13. Org.

5. D.D. 10-31-18

14. (a) D.D.

6. C.D. KIA

(b) D.B. none

Discrepancy found upon disinterment

7. Grave No. 71 Sec.

15. Grave No. Sec.

8. Plot D Row

16. Plot Row

9.

17. none

18. Cemetery American

19. Commune or town WAEREGHEM

20. Dept. or County

21. Country BELGIUM

22. G.R.S. Hdqrs. Code No. 1252

23. Disinterred (Date) June 21, 1922

By Edmo Maire

24. Inscription on grave marker:

Name Brown Leven

Serial No. 2655381

Rank Pvt.

Organization Co. F. 148th Inf.

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

Signature Junior Technical Assistant

L.R. Knasin.

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).

Corroded body tag: Brown and serial number 2655381 legible. Rest illegible.

27. Condition of body Badly decomposed, features unrecognizable.

28. Nature of burial Uniform only.

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 June 21, 1922 By Edmo Maire

31. Casket sealed by Edmo Maire

Signature of Embalmer, (Supervisor)

Edmo Maire

AUDITED BY 5/16/23  
M.J. 2.

SHIPMENT. (Show actual marking of box.) Box No. **C-876**

32. Designation of body:

Name **BROWN, LEVEN** Serial No. **2655381**  
Rank **PVT.** Organization **CO. F 148th Inf.**

33. Consigned to:

Name of Permanent Cemetery **Flanders Field American Cemetery #1252, Waereghem, Belgium.**

34. Casket boxed and marked (Date) **June 21, 1922** By **Edmo Maire**

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 *[Signature]*  
**O.E. Davis, 1st Lt Q.M.C.**

36. Remarks

**none**

37. Shipped from point of Operation: (Date) **June 21, 1922**

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 **Flanders Field, Amer Cem 1252 Waereghem, Belgium**  
(Name)  
Convoyer \_\_\_\_\_ Signature Shipping Officer *[Signature]*  
**O.E. Davis, 1st Lt Q.M.C.**

40. Received: Date **June 21, 1922**

G.R.S. Representative *[Signature]*  
**W.D. Cleary, Chaplain.**

41. Reinterred **June 21, 1922.**

(Date)

42. Grave No. **18** Section \_\_\_\_\_

43. Plot **BLOCK D** Row **3**

**EL** G.R.S. Representative *[Signature]*  
**W. D. Cleary**  
**Chaplain, U.S. Army**

COMPILATION N/R REQUESTS

I. DATA COMPILATION

A. Location Index Card:-

(1) Name Brown, Leven Ser. No. 2655381 <sup>OK</sup> <sub>10/5</sub>) TYP. TW.  
 (2) Rank Pvt. Organization Co. F. 148th Inf.) CKR. VH.  
 (3) Date of death 10/31/18)

B. Registration Card:- (Check Reg. Card Inf. against Loc. Ind. Inf.)

(4) Cause of death K/A) TYP. ESW  
 (5) Grave No. 71 Row --- Plot D Sect. ---) CKR. MB

II. FILES EXAMINATION

A. Files of soldiers dying from contagious diseases; No card.

B. A. G. O. DISPOSITION CARD Date of receipt None

(6) Relationship Mother  
 (7) Name Vandella Powell Brown  
 (8) Address R. 710 5 Swainboro, Ga  
 (9) Desires remains brought to U. S.? no  
 (10) Desires remains brought to U. S. and interred in National Cemetery at \_\_\_\_\_  
 (11) If brought back, what shipping instructions? \_\_\_\_\_

*MB 8/29/20*

C. A. G. O. CORRESPONDENCE Date of communication \_\_\_\_\_

(12) Does correspondence Change or qualify request as made on A.G.O. card? If so, specify such information. \_\_\_\_\_

No correspondence.

(13) A. G. O. Files EXAMINED by F.L. (Date) 3-30-20.

D. (14) G. R. S. Files - Correspondence. (Has reference been made to File No. Cancellation memos.? Yes - MCH Does such correspondence, if containing request for disposition, reconcile with that of A. G. O.? - MCH (Specify "Yes or "No".) If "No", give date of communication, the name, address, and relationship and substance of request.

No request for disposition.  
Grava location blank only.

(15) G. R. S. Files EXAMINED by MCH (Date) 3-31-20

*Checked by F.S. 10-29-20.*

III. FINAL ACTION

A. MEMORANDUM to D. M. O. in E. made (Date) .....

(16) Removal of Remains (within custody of G.R.S.) to .....

(17) Instructions that remains be left undisturbed .....

(18) Typed by ..... Checked by ..... (Date) .....

B. G. R. S. FORM NO. 114 made (Date) .....

(19) Typed by ..... Checked by ..... (Date) .....

C. SUSPENSION REMARKS:

L.S. Form 120 - 8-27-20 from Berlin request? but  
confirms previous instructions remain in Europe  
8-31-20-P

D. Dispatched (Date) ..... (Let. Trans. No. 12-3-20) .....

PARAGRAPH 2 - NOT TO BE RETURNED

Approved by .....

(Date) .....



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GRAVES REGISTRATION SERVICE

WASHINGTON

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

TO: Lovette E. Brown, P.O., Hurndon, Ga.

SUBJECT: Remains of Pvt. Leven Brown, Co. F. 148th Inf. (2655381)

*Push Answer*

The records of this office show that you have requested that this body not expressed your desire regarding disposition of remains

*no change a.c.k.*

Mother requests body remain in Europe.

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 in Form 111*  
*Aug 1-20 - P*

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. & STREET	TOWN	STATE
Soldier's Widow	<i>none</i>		
Soldier's Children (Name oldest first)	1. <i>none</i> 2. <i>none</i> 3. <i>none</i>		
Father	<i>Lovette E Brown Living</i>	<i>Hurndon</i>	<i>Ga</i>
Mother	<i>Vandellor Brown</i>	<i>Swannock</i>	<i>Ga</i>
Brothers (Name oldest first)	1. <i>Archey Brown Living</i> 2. <i>Burrton</i> 3. <i>Gordon</i>	<i>Holly</i> <i>Cassport</i> "	<i>Ga</i> " "
Sisters (Name oldest first)	1. <i>Laura Bill Lewis Living</i> 2. <i>Rosa Simon</i> 3.	<i>Swannock</i> <i>Wedala</i> "	<i>Ga</i> <i>Ga</i> "

Date *Aug 27 - 1920*

Signature *Lovette Brown*

Address *Hurndon Ga*

Relationship *Father*

IMPORTANT:- CAREFULLY read instructions before filling out this paper.

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I, the undersigned, am the \_\_\_\_\_ and nearest living relative of the within  
(Relationship)  
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 \_\_\_\_\_

INSTRUCTIONS FOR FILLING OUT

1. If definite instructions as to the disposition of a body are not received from the nearest relative within 2 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 enclosed envelope - pay no postage.

You have failed to furnish this office the names and addresses of those persons indicated by the blue arrow on the enclosed form.

You are requested to furnish this office at the earliest practicable moment the name and address of each of those persons indicated by the blue arrow. If these persons are not living you should so state on the attached form and return the same at once to this office, otherwise there will be an endless and unnecessary delay in the handling of this case. Prompt action is necessary.

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

JUL 20 1920

Rush Answer

FROM: Chief, Graves Registration Service, Q.M.C.  
TO: Vandilla Powell Brown, RFD#5, Swainsboro, Ga.  
SUBJECT: Remains of Pvt. Leven Brown,

The records of this office show that you have requested that his  
body be Not returned to United States,

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

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

By authority of the Quartermaster General:

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

NAME OF	NO. & STREET	TOWN	STATE
Soldier's Widow	X		
Soldier's Children	1. X		
(Name oldest first)	2. X		
Father	<u>Louette E. Brown</u>	<u>P. Humdon</u>	<u>Ga.</u>
Mother	<u>Vandilla Powell Brown</u>		
Brothers	1.		
(Name oldest first)	2.		
Sisters			

*Is father living? yes mother do not together  
father Resident Swainsboro Ga  
son: P. Humdon Swainsboro Ga*

Date 7-27-20 Signature Vandilla Powell Brown  
*hur*  
*mark*

Address Swainsboro, Ga Relationship Mother

Note:- Instructions on the reverse side of this sheet should be carefully read before filling out this paper. SAF (OVER)

The transfer of bodies will be made  
entirely at Government expense.



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INSTRUCTIONS FOR FILLING OUT

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# GRAVE LOCATION BLAN

LOCATION OF THE GRAVE OF

Brown 2655381 Levin  
(Surname). (Number). (First Name and Initials).

Co 7 148th Inftry.  
(Rank). (Organization).

PLACE OF DEATH: Near Olsene Belgium

CAUSE OF DEATH: Schrapnel

DATE OF BURIAL: Nov 3rd 1918

PLACE OF BURIAL: Near Olsene Belgium

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

Coordinance 201.5-467.4

Map Thielte S.E.

GRAVE NUMBER: 5

HOW MARKED: Name Peg? Cross? yes

Headboard? Bottle? yes

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: MMME. Olsene (Belgium)

ADDRESS: (C-850) SHIT 21 SE (Thielte) COORDS SE. 201.5 N. 467.4

RELATIONSHIP:

REPORTED BY:

Chaplain W.P. Hughes  
(Signature and Rank of Reporting Officer).

148th Infantry



Communal List No. \_\_\_\_\_

1015-2104

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

OCT 20 1920

CEMETERIAL DIVISION  
Munitions Building  
Room 1123

PLEASE  
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WAR DEPARTMENT  
Office of the Quartermaster General of the Army  
Washington.

G.R.S. Form 8-W-A-0  
Information requested of A.G.O.

Date 10/18/20.

File No. *67305* Registration.  
From: The Quartermaster General, U. S. Army, (Cemeterial Division)  
To: The Adjutant General of the Army, 6th & B Sts., N. W., Washington, D. C.  
Subject: Information required for G.R.S.

1. It is requested that the items checked below be completed. Request confirmation of all information shown.

- a. Surname **Brown,** ✓
- b. Christian name **Leven,** ✓
- c. Serial Number **2655381 (2655361)** ✓
- d. Organization **Co. F, 148th Inf.** ✓
- e. Rank **Pvt.** ✓
- f. Date of death **10/31/18.** ✓
- g. Cause of death **K/A.** ✓
- h. Authority (C.C.#) **325**  
*Vandilla Powell Brown*
- i. Emergency address **R 7th St - Swainston Ga.**
- j. Relationship **mother**

BODY DESCRIPTION *061 51 1850*  
(See page #2 of the Service Record)

- a. Age of enlistment
  - b. Color of eyes
  - c. Color of hair
  - d. Height
  - e. Weight
  - f. Permanent marks and physical defects at enlistment (Old fractures or breaks)
- DENTAL CHARTS  
(See Physical report of examination prior to enlistment)
- |                                 |                                 |
|---------------------------------|---------------------------------|
| a. Strike out teeth missing     |                                 |
| 8 7 6 5 4 3 2 1 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 | 8 7 6 5 4 3 2 1 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 |
| upper right                     | upper left                      |
| 8 7 6 5 4 3 2 1 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 | 8 7 6 5 4 3 2 1 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 |
| lower right                     | lower left                      |

*10/21/20*

*Donnelly Sept 3/3*  
H. L. ROGERS,  
Quartermaster General, U.S.A.

CEMETERY NO: 1252.

BY: *H. J. Conner*  
H. J. CONNER,  
~~XXXXXXXXXXXXXX~~  
1st Lieut. QMC.

SHEET NO: 66.  
TYPED BY: rln.

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g. Cause of death K/A. ✓

c. Serial Number **2655381 (2655361)** ✓

h. Authority (C.C.#) *325*

d. Organization **Co. F, 148th Inf.** ✓

i. Emergency address *Vandilla Powell Brown*

e. Rank **Pvt.** ✓

j. Relationship *P.F.D.#5 Swainboro Ga.*

*mother*

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DENTAL CHARTS  
(See Physical report of examination prior to enlistment)

a. Age of enlistment

a. Strike out teeth missing

b. Color of eyes

8 7 6 5 4 3 2 1 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8  
upper right upper left

c. Color of hair

8 7 6 5 4 3 2 1 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8  
lower right lower left

d. Height

e. Weight

f. Permanent marks and physical defects at enlistment (Old fractures or breaks)

*Donnelly Sept 3/3*  
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