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DATE

JAN 15 1926

1. NAME **BROWN, Watson**

SERIAL No. **1800399**

RANK **Pvt.**

ORGANIZATION **Co.L. 371st. Inf.**

GRAVE LOCATION **American Cty., NOYERS (Loir et Cher)**

93 319

CTY. NAME

NUMBER

205

GRAVE

ROW

PLOT

2. ORIGINAL BATTLE AREA GRAVE LOCATION

205

Noyers

Loir et Cher

As shown by cemetery directory

GRAVE

COMMUNE

DEPT.

Hq. AGRS., Dec.9,1919.

COORDINATES

Not given

CONCENTRATED TO **Nothing of record**

DATE

GRAVE

ROW

PLOT

CEMETERY

CTY. NUMBER

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

Nothing of record

SUBSEQUENT REBURIALS

None of record

DATE OF DEATH

Oct 11, 1918

DATE

GRAVE

ROW

PLOT

CEMETERY

STATE FROM WHICH HE CAME

Pa

DATE

GRAVE

ROW

PLOT

CEMETERY

MEDALS OR DECORATIONS AWARDED

Not of record
Stanley J. Grogan
STANLEY J. GROGAN, Capt. Inf. USA.

SIGNATURE, AREA SUPERVISOR

3. FINAL GRAVE LOCATION **Sept/8/22**

34

27

Block C,

DATE

GRAVE

ROW

PLOT

Oise-Aisne, Amer. #608 Seringes-et-Nesles (Aisne)

CEMETERY

gr.

JAN 16 1926
WORLD WAR DIV.

AUDITED BY
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1-26-26

INSTRUCTIONS FOR PREPARATION OF FORM 114 B

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

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

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

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AMERICAN GRAVES REGISTRATION SERVICE (PART OF C.M.C.)

HEADQUARTERS, QUARTERMASTER GENERAL'S OFFICE, WASHINGTON, D. C.

FORM 114-B (REV. 1-15-50)

Brown, Watson.
Port.

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PARTY Q, S.S. AMERICAN MERCHANT
SCHEDULES FOR GOLD STAR PILGRIMS LEAVING NEW YORK
AUG. 16, 1930

FLORIDA

Hillsborough County

Brown, Mrs. Lydia, (Q-2)
c/o Mr. Wm. C. McLean,
701-4 Wallace S. Bldg.,
Tampa, Fla.

Lv. Tampa	ACL	#82	10:30 PM (ET) Aug. 12
Ar. New York	PennRR	#124	12:30 PM (ET) Aug. 14

Route Going: ACL Richmond, RF&P Washington, PennRR ~~New York~~

Return: ~~PennRR Washington, RF&P Richmond, ACL Tampa~~
Same route

Sleeper Tampa to New York

Elapsed time 38 hours

1 3/4

A.G.H.

7/14

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-M

From Watson

OAK

July 13 1932

*Mrs Willis Hatliff
Tucissa Fla*

26 - sailed - 1930

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For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

*Free
6/14/33
e.R*

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

2 Encls.

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

(Write answer here)

(Sign here) _____

Party Q

MEDICAL RECORD

Brown, Watson.
Post Co L, 371 9mf.

Station: Em. Merchant

Date: Eastbound

Name Brown, Lydia

Home address 1030 Yakon St., Sulphur Springs, Fla.

Address of Nearest friend or relative Mrs. Louise Mickens,
same address

Religion Prot. Age 49

History of Present complaint: Constipated.

INSTRUCTIONS. — This card will be started in all cases of Pilgrims requiring medical attention by the Medical Officer or Nurse first rendering such attention. Subsequently it will be carried by the nurse in attendance upon the group to which the Pilgrim is assigned. All Medical Officers rendering any assistance in the case will make an appropriate entry which will include date, time and signature. Upon final disposition of the case the Nurse in charge will deliver the card to the Office of the Chief Surgeon. Pilgrims sent to the American Hospital will be accompanied by this card properly completed, which will be authority for admission, in which case a duplicate card will be made and sent without delay to the Office of the Chief Surgeon.

(over)

Diagnosis and complications: *(include dates)*

Aug 14, 1930, Constipation.

Treatment and Progress: *(include dates)*

Physic

Aug. 16th, Spiritus Gallici, as directed.

Aug. 18th, discharged. Condition relieved and apparently good.

Disposition: *(include dates)*

Remarks: Aug. 25th recovered. A.W.K.

Party "Q" - Itinerary - Oise-Aisne Group

Sailed August 16th on AMERICAN MERCHANT. Col. B. O. Davis in charge. Accompanied by Mrs. B. J. Runner, and Miss N. Bost, nurses, and Mrs. N. Brown, hostess. Arrived Cherbourg August 25th. Met by Col. Ellis, Maj. Dailey, Capt. Conway, Lts. Moroney and Freeman, Maj. Kinderman, Miss Blanche Rulon, 2 nurses, 2 civilian employees. Train left 8.24am. Arrived Gare des Invalides 2.15pm. Met at station by executive officer and his staff, nurses, interpreters, and Noble Sissle and his band. Quarters Hotel Imperator.

- August 26th. Morning devoted to transaction of personal business. Exchange of money, preparation of laundry, etc. Wreath laid on tomb of Unknown Soldier in afternoon by Mrs. Kimbro for party. Tea and reception at Restaurant Laurent. Dinner at hotel. Evening free.
- August 27th. Free.
- August 28th. Visited Fontainebleau.
- August 29th. Left 8 am for Soissons via La Ferte (rest stop Hotel de La Terrasse) Chateau Thierry (lunch Hostellerie du Bonhomme) Oise-Aisne Cemetery. Arrived Soissons 6pm. Quarters Hotel du Lion Rouge. Dinner at hotel.
- August 30th. Breakfast at hotel. Visited cemetery and Chateau Thierry in morning. Lunch Hostellerie du Bonhomme. Visited Belleau Wood, Aisne Marne Cemetery, Monument Hill 204, Quentin Roosevelt's grave in afternoon. Tea at Oise-Aisne Cemetery. Returned to Soissons. Dinner at hotel.
- August 31st. Breakfast at hotel. Visited cemetery in morning. Returned to Soissons for Lunch. Pierrefonds in afternoon. Dinner at hotel in Soissons.
- Sept. 1st. Free or visit cemetery. Lunch at hotel. Left 1.30pm for Reims via Chemin des Dames. Arrived 5pm. Quarters at Hotel Bristol Crystal. Dinner at hotel.
- Sept. 2nd. Visited Fort de la Plmpelle and Cathedral. Lunch at hotel. Left 2pm for Compeigne via Fismes, Soissons. Arrived 4.30pm. Quarters Hotel Rond Royal. Dinner at hotel.
- Sept. 3rd. Visited Carrefours de l'Armistice. Lunch at Hotel Rond Royal. Left Compeigne 2pm for Paris via La Croix, St. Quentin, Senlis, Chantilly (tea at Hotel du Parc). Arrived Parris 5.45pm. Dinner at hotel.
- Sept. 4th. Visited Louvre and Versailles.
- Sept. 5th. Morning free. Sacre Coeur, Morgan's for dinner. Sightseeing trip at nite.
- Sept. 6th. Notre Dame. Lunch at hotel. Napoleon's Tomb. Dinner at hotel.
- Sept. 7th. Sailed for home on AMERICAN MERCHANT. Arrived New York September 16th.

Brown, Watson - La

Mrs. Lydia Brown

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

BROWN, WATSON - O.A.

Party
 Number **3061**

REQUEST FOR PULLMAN RESERVATION

Mrs. Lydia Brown

..... Actual cost of through Pullman.

Name of Traveler

Tampa, Hillsborough County

Tampa, Fla.

..... New York, to

Home Address

Fla.

\$

New York, to **Tampa, Fla.**

Destination

PENN. to Washington - RP&P to Richmond - ACL to dest.

Via

Sept. 17, 1930

Limit-Oct. 31/30

.....
 Date of Departure

	Road	Tr. No.	Date	Time	Lower or Seat	Car	U. S. G. Order No.	Actual Cost
LV	Penn. sta.	Penn.	129	9/17	2.10 P.			
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Remarks:

** THRU CAR*

escorted to R. P. Sta. by Capt. Field

Name..... BROWN, Mrs. Lydia.....

Paris Hôtel..... HOTEL IMPERATOR, 70 Rue Beaubourg.....

Home address..... care of Wm. C. McLean, 701-4 Wallace S. Bldg, Tampa, Hillsborough Count Florida

Party..... Q..... Group..... 2..... Unit ~~SS~~ AMER. MERCHANT.....

Date of arrival..... AUG. 25. 1930..... Date of departure S/S AMERICAN MERCHANT Sept. 7. 1930

Relationship..... Widow.....

Name of deceased..... BROWN, Watson.....

Rank..... Pvt..... Organization..... Co. L, 371st Inf.....

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

REMARKS



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NAME BROWN, MRS. LYDIA

3064

S.S. AMERICAN MERCHANT SEP 16 1930

HOME TAMPA, HILLSBOROUGH COUNTY, FLA.

R.R. Penn to Wash - RFP

STATION to Richmond - A C L to

TRAIN # dent

CAR #

BERTH OR SEAT

TIME

DATE Oct 31 - 30

~~Emergency Address~~

Mrs Louise Alice Mickens

1029 Yukon St.,

Tampa, (Sulphur Springs P.O.)

Fla.

ATLANTIC COAST LINE

(Standard Railroad of the South)

*Offices with Passenger Traffic
Representatives located at*

Atlanta, Ga.	104 Central Ave.
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Buffalo, N. Y.	13 South Division St.
Charleston, S. C.	Francis Marion Hotel
Chicago, Ill.	1426 Marquette Bldg.
Cincinnati, O.	305 Mercantile Library Bldg.
Cleveland, O.	777 Union Trust Bldg.
Detroit, Mich.	11-217 General Motors Bldg.
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Lake Wales, Fla.	12 Rhodesbilt Arcade
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New York City	8 West 40th St.
Norfolk, Va.	105 Granby St.
Orlando, Fla.	43 E. Pine St.
Philadelphia, Pa.	214 South 16th St.
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Richmond, Va.	801 East Main St.
St. Louis, Mo.	1707 Railway Exchange Bldg.
St. Petersburg, Fla.	Taylor Arcade
Sarasota, Fla.	224 Main St.
Savannah, Ga.	Savannah Hotel
Tampa, Fla.	Hillsboro Hotel
Thomasville, Ga.	A. C. L. Passenger Station
Washington, D. C.	1418 H. St. N. W.
Wilmington, N. C.	General Office, A. C. L. Bldg.

Let them arrange your return or other trips
NORTH—SOUTH—EAST—WEST

ATLANTIC COAST LINE



THE STANDARD RAILROAD OF THE SOUTH

Mr. Sybil Brown
Tampabay 30P

Your train leaves at _____ M.

Date 8-12

Seat _____ }
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Upper _____ } Car _____
Dr. Room _____ }
Comp. _____ }

Rail Fare \$ Govt
Pullman \$ _____
Seat Fare \$ _____
Accident \$ _____

Total \$ _____

Please show your ticket at
the Gate.

Thank you. Peor
Ticket Seller

If this ticket is found,
please return to Mr. _____
Address _____

LOOK AT YOUR TICKET
READ THE CONDITIONS UNDER WHICH IT IS SOLD AND
CHECK ROUTING. IF IT IS AN EXCURSION TICKET AND
YOUR SIGNATURE IS NECESSARY TO VALIDATE IT FOR THE
RETURN JOURNEY, DO NOT OVERLOOK THAT REQUIREMENT.

THE PULLMAN COMPANY

PASSENGER'S CHECK. To identify accommodations purchased. The amount charged is The Pullman Company's rate and a surcharge of 50% of that amount required by and collected as agent for the Railroad Company, as shown on the ticket.

TAMPA, FLA.

To *New York*

Accommodations *Room Car*

Line No. _____ Via _____ R.R.

Property taken into car will be entirely at owner's risk.

Passengers

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Office 21-57

Form 100-6

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THE PULLMAN COMPANY

PASSENGER'S TRANSFER CHECK—To be retained by passenger to identify accommodations to which transferred. It is not a receipt for fare paid. Property taken into the car will be entirely at owner's risk. Subject to all other conditions stated on the ticket.

Transfer Ticket Form A

From *St. Louis*

To *Chicago*

Accommodations *Room*

Car *21*

Line No. _____ Date _____

Number of Passengers

1 2 3 4
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A.C.L.R.R.CO.
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AUG 12 '30
CITY TKT. OFFICE
TAMPA, FLA.

Any claim for refund on account of this ticket should be accompanied by this check and addressed to the PASSENGER TRAFFIC MANAGER, THE PULLMAN CO., CHICAGO, ILL

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WAR DEPARTMENT
PILGRIMAGE, WAR MOTHERS & WIDOWS
225 WEST 34TH ST., N. Y., N. Y., ROOM 901

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

Sept 16, 1930

VIA POSTAL TELEGRAPH

Mrs. Louise Alice Mickens
1029 ~~Yukon~~ Yukon Street
Tampa (Sulphur Springs, P.O.) Florida

MRS. BROWN ARRIVES TAMPA VIA ATLANTIC COAST LINE TRAIN EIGHTY THREE AT
TEN THIRTY PM THURSDAY PLEASE MEET HER

MAJOR COTTRELL

Mrs. Lydia Brown Y.W.C.A. PARTY "Q"

WAR DEPARTMENT
PILGRIMAGE, WAR MOTHERS & WIDOWS
225 WEST 34TH ST., N. Y., N. Y., ROOM 901

Mrs. Jane Henry,
1031 Yukon Street, Sulphur Springs,
Tampa, Florida.

Aug. 14, 1930.

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

Mrs. Lydia Brown arrived safely. Sails Saturday August sixteenth.

Colonel Williams.

Via Postal.

Mrs. Lydia Brown, Party "Q" YWCA

July 25th, 1930.

Mrs. Lydia Brown,
c/o Mr. Wm. C. McLean,
701-4 Wallace S. Bldg.,
Tampa, Fla.

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.

Arr. N. Y. 12:30 P.M. - escorted by W. C. A. by

Capt. Child.

File 301.

(Brown, Mrs. Lydia
Party "Q")

AEW:FVR

June 26, 1930

Mrs. Lydia Brown,
1031 Yukon Street,
Sulphur Spring, P.O.,
Tampa, Florida.

Dear Mrs. Brown:

I have your letter of June 22d asking about your pilgrimage to Europe. You are scheduled to sail with a party of Gold Star Mothers and Widows on August 16th. We expect you to arrive in New York on the 14th of August and have arranged for you to have a room at the Y. W. C. A. while in New York. The ship sails from New York August 16th and arrives in France August 25th. You will be in France until September 7th when you sail for the United States, arriving in New York on September 16th and you will leave for home September 17th.

You had better have a warm coat with you, because it gets pretty cold on the ship and also in France at night.

Sincerely yours,

A. E. Williams,
Colonel, Quartermaster Corps.

DO NOT DETACH THIS SLIP.

DATE. *6/25/30*

---ROUTING AND REFERENCE SLIP---

Port of Embarkation,
Pilgrimage, War Mothers &
Widows, NYC.

FOR ACTION AS INDICATED.

TO:

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COMMANDING OFFICER
ASSISTANT TO C.O.
MEDICAL OFFICER
FINANCE OFFICER
LIAISON OFFICER:

FOR:

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ACKNOWLEDGEMENT
ACTION
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CORRECTIVE ACTION
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RECOMMENDATION
REMARK
INVESTIGATION
FOLLOW UP
INFORMATION
SEE THE C.O.
COPIES FURNISHED

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CHIEF CLERK
ADMINISTRATION DIVISION:
FISCAL & ACCOUNTING
PERSONNEL
HOTEL ASSIGNMENT
TRANSPORTATION:
RAIL
WATER
MOTOR
MAIL AND RECORDS

REMARKS:

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INSTRUCTIONS:

Indicate to whom sent and action desired by check marks to the left.

Receipt will be acknowledged by initial to the right of the Official indicated.

Original of this slip will remain with the papers to which attached until action is completed or the papers filed. A copy will be attached to the record file pending completion of action. After completion of action file original slip with record.

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201 Broun Mrs

June the 22. 9/30. From Mrs Lydia Broun
1031 Yukon St Sulphur Spring p.o.
Tampa Fla
widow of Broun Watson private
Co. 371 9th

To c/o Col: A. E. Williams
D. M. C. Room 901 census. Bldg.
225 west 34th New York City

Will you please give me some
information on the Pilgrimage as I
don't understand it
I want to goe but I want to noe what
I am doing

Yours Mrs Lydia Broun

please send my mail to
1031 Yukon St Sulphur Spring p.o.
Tampa Fla

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-M

~~ROWN Watson~~

~~ONE~~

July 13 1932

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Assistant.

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

_____ (Write answer here)

(Sign here) _____

CODE SLIP

HEADING	SUB-HEADING	NO. OF COLS	CODE
NAME <i>Brown</i>	<i>BRO</i>	3	<i>285</i>
<i>Watson</i>	CEMETERY <i>608</i>	1	<i>2</i>
BURIED	GRAVE <i>34</i>	2	<i>34</i>
	ROW <i>27</i>	2	<i>27</i>
	BLOCK <i>C</i>	1	<i>3</i>
STATE	<i>Pa.</i>	2	<i>44</i>
RANK	<i>Pvt.</i>	1	<i>2</i>
DIVISION	<i>93</i>	2	<i>93</i>
ORGANIZATION	<i>371</i>	3	<i>371</i>
ARM	<i>Inf</i>	1	<i>1</i>
MARTIAL	<i>yes</i>	1	<i>1</i>
NAME <i>Brown</i>	<i>BRO 30</i>	3	<i>285</i>
<i>Lydia</i>	STATE <i>Fla.</i>	2	<i>09</i>
RESIDENCE	COUNTY <i>Hillsborough</i>	2	<i>29</i>
<i>Mother died 11-15-31</i>	CITY <i>Tampa</i>	3	<i>028</i>
RELATION <i>no son no dau</i>	<i>Widow</i>	1	<i>5</i>
OTHER		1	
ELIGIBILITY	<i>yes</i>	1	<i>1</i>
NATIVITY		1	
RACE	<i>BLACK</i>	1	<i>2</i>
ENGLISH	<i>yes</i>	1	<i>1</i>
ATTENDANT		1	
HEALTH	<i>Good</i>	1	
NO. OF SONS		1	
DATE OF TRIP	MO. <i>1930</i>	1	
	YR. <i>1930</i>	1	
ACCEPTANCE	<i>yes</i>	1	

Lydia
Widow
no son no dau
yes
BLACK
yes

Audited
OCT 7 1931
1-29-32
BB
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QM 293 A-M

Brown, Watson (OA) x

July 27, 1932.

SUBJECT: Claim for Burial Expenses, etc. (XC 135 099)
TO: Director, Veterans Administration, Washington, D. C.

1. The enclosed copy of a letter from Mrs. Lydia Rountree, daughter of the late Mrs. Willie Ratliff, is forwarded for attention to so much thereof as pertains to your office.

2. Mrs. Rountree has been advised of this reference.
For The Quartermaster General.

CHAS. W. DIETZ,
Captain, Q. M. Corps,
Assistant. 0

Encl.
Copy of letter

mf

QM 293 A-M

July 27, 1932.

Brown, Watson (QA) x

Mrs. Lydia Rountree,
Wacissa, Florida.

Dear Madam:

Receipt is acknowledged of your letter of July 18, 1932, advising this office of the death of your mother, Mrs. Willie Ratliff, on November 15, 1931.

Your mother's death is deeply regretted, and sincerest sympathy is extended to her family in its bereavement.

Your inquiry relative to your claim for expenses incurred by the illness and death of your mother has been forwarded to the Director, Veterans Administration, Washington, D. C., for attention as this is a matter coming within the jurisdiction of his office.

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

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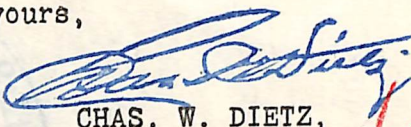
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Assistant.

2 Encls.

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

Deceased 11-15-31
(Write answer here)

(Sign here) _____

July 18 - 1932

To the Quartermaster General
Kind Sir the answer aint
Bee given in this letter By
Mrs Willie Ratliff for she is
dead an Buried she died last
November the 15-1931
i Have sent sent in her
death and also her Burial
Expenses and doctor Bill and
i would Bee glad if i could
Get some aid from government
to Help me pay her Endyptness

Very truly yours

Mrs Lydia Rountree

daughter of

Mrs Willie Ratliff

Wacissa

Fla



WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-M

October 2, 1931

Brown, Watson O-A M-

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Mrs. Willis Ratliff,
Wacissa, Fla.

Dear Madam:

Reference is made to previous correspondence relative to the pilgrimage to the cemeteries of Europe, authorized by the Act of Congress of March 2, 1929, as amended May 15, 1930. To date information has not been received as to whether or not you desire to make a pilgrimage during the summer months of 1932, in honor of the deceased veteran named above.

In order that the records may be complete, and arrangements made accordingly, it is requested you complete the form below by writing in the space provided, your answers to the questions listed, sign your name, and return this letter in the enclosed envelope which requires no postage.

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

Sign here

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

Encl:
Env.

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM-293-AM

June 20, 1931

Brown, Watson Pvt.(OA) M

Mrs. Willis Ratliff,
Wacissa, Florida.

Dear Madam:

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

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

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

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

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

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

Write answer here

Sign here

American Merchant

~~8-16-30~~

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Brown Watson

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.

Lydia Mrs. Lydia Brown, Brown
(Name)

c/o Mr. Wm. C. McLean, 701-4 Wallace S. Bldg., Tampa,
(Town or City) Hillsborough Co., Fla. (State)



Q

NAME BROWN, MRS. LYDIA
ADDRESS c/o Mr. Wm. C. McLean
701-4 Wallace S. Bldg, Tampa, Florida

DATE *sept 19th - 1930*

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) *Brown: Mrs. Lydia*

WAR DEPARTMENT

Penalty for private use to avoid
payment of postage, \$300.

OFFICIAL BUSINESS



PILGRIMAGE, WAR MOTHERS AND WIDOWS

225 WEST 34TH STREET,

NEW YORK, N. Y.

STATE

Florida

BROWN, WATSON

Hillsborough County

c/o Mr Wm McBlain
101-4 Wallace S. Bldg.
Tampa, Fla.NAME *W Brown, Mrs Lidia* HOME ADDRESSNAME AND ADDRESS OF NEAREST KIN *Mrs Louise Andrews 1029 Yukon St.
Tampa, Fla.*ARRIVAL IN NEW YORKDATE *Aug 14, 1930* HOTEL *Ywca* ROOM NO. *422*DEPARTURE NEW YORKDATE *Aug 16, 1930* VESSEL *Amer. Merch.* CABIN NO. *186*
DESTINATION *Charbourg* CEMETERY *Opse Aisne*

RETURN NEW YORK

W

DATE *9/16*

HILLSBOROUGH COUNTY

NAME *BROWN, MRS. LYDIA* HOME ADDRESS *c/o MR. WM. C. MC LEAN*
701-4 WALLACE S. BLDG.

RETURN ON S. S. *Quiver Merch* HOTEL *yuca* ROOM NO. *107*
TAMPA, FLORIDA

DEPARTURE NEW YORK

DATE *9/17*

ROAD *Penn* TRAIN *129* CAR *K37* BERTH or SEAT *L12*

REMARKS

411

MEDICAL RECORD

Party: L

S. S. _____ Eastbound
Westbound

Name Brown, Mrs. Lydia

Home Address 1030 Yukon St, Sulphur Springs,

Name and address of nearest relative or friend Nichens, Mr. Louis Fla.
1029 Yukon St. Sulphur Springs, Fla.

Religion Prot. Age 49

History of present complaint:

OK
Constipated

(OVER)

INSTRUCTIONS: This card will be prepared for each Pilgrim treated on ship, east or west bound. Cards to be included in report of Liaison Officer upon return to New York.

Diagnosis and complications: (include dates) Aug. 14, 1930

Constipated.

Treatment and Progress: (include dates)

Physic -

August 16, 17. Spiritus gallici, as directed

Disposition: (include dates)

Discharged August 18, 1930

Remarks:

Condition relieved and apparently
good. 8/25/30 - Recovered a

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8-16-30

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RETURN RECEIPT.

American Merchant

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

Lydia Braun

(Signature or name of addressee.)

DELIVER TO ADDRESSEE ONLY

(Signature of addressee's agent.)

3143

Date of delivery, 303 7-25, 191 30

Post Office Department

OFFICIAL BUSINESS

REGISTERED ARTICLE

No. 924557

INSURED PARCEL

No. _____



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

POSTMARK OF DELIVERY

SULPHUR SPRINGS ST

AND DATE OF DELIVERY

Return to

Q. M. GENERAL

Street and Number, }
or Post Office Box, }

MUNITIONS BUILDING



Post Office at _____

State _____

3192

8-16-30

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RETURN RECEIPT

American Merchant

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

Lydia Brown

(Signature or name of addressee.)

(Signature of addressee's agent)

Date of delivery, *7-29-30*, 192*30*

Form 3811

Post Office Department

OFFICIAL BUSINESS

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

REGISTERED ARTICLE

No. 92 4889

INSURED PARCEL

No. _____

TAMPA
JUL 29
5
1930

RECEIVED
JUL 31 1930

POSTMARK OF DELIVERING OFFICE
DATE OF DELIVERY

Return to _____

O. Z. M. J. ...
(NAME OF SENDER)
Mumfords Bldg

Street and Number, }
or Post Office Box, }

TAMPA,
Washington, D.C.

FLORIDA.

ORIGINAL PAPER FILED

CROSS INDEX

O. Q. M. G.

October 9, 1930

QM 293 AM
Brown, Watson 608 W

Mrs. Lydia Brown,
% William C. McLean,
701-4 Wallace S. Bldg.,
Tampa, Florida.

Dear Madam:

The testimonial addressed by you and the other mothers and widows of Party "Q" to The Adjutant General has been referred to me for notation of your expressions of appreciation for the pilgrimage you have recently made to the cemeteries in Europe under the provisions of the Act of Congress approved March 2, 1929.

It is gratifying to know that you were pleased with the accommodations and arrangements made by the Quartermaster Corps for your comfort and welfare and that the Officers of the Army and other personnel in connection with the pilgrimage rendered such thoughtful and considerate service throughout the journey. The Quartermaster Corps is proud of the honor bestowed upon it by being charged with the conduct of these pilgrimages and has expended every effort that those making the journey might have a pleasant trip. It is pleasing to receive such complimentary remarks as those contained in the testimonial, but I feel that the task during the past summer was materially lightened by the wonderful spirit of cooperation shown by the mothers and widows taking advantage of the offer of the Government.

With sincere appreciation of the sentiments expressed by the mothers and widows of Party "Q," I am,

Sincerely yours,

J. L. DeWITT,
Major General,
The Quartermaster General.

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WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

Brown, Watson - 608 W

July 22, 1930.

Mrs. Lydia Brown,
% Mr. Wm C. McLean,
701-4 Wallace S. Bldg.,
Tampa, Florida.

Dear Madam:

There is enclosed herewith Check No. ~~337920~~ in the amount of \$ ~~17.50~~ , 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, Watson 608 W

July 10, 1930

Mrs. Lydia Brown
C/o Mr. Wm. C. McLean
701-4 Wallace S. Bldg.
Tampa, Florida

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. Tampa ACL No. 82 10.30 PM August 12
Ar. New York Penna " 124 12.30 PM 14

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.

QM 293 A-M

Brown, Watson - 408

July 8, 1930.

Mrs. Lydia Brown,
c/o Mrs. Wm. C. Mablean,
701-4 Wallace B. Bldg.,
Tampa, Florida.

Dear Madam:

This office has not yet received your passport for use in connection with your pilgrimage to the American Cemeteries of Europe and it is imperative that EVERY mother or widow making this pilgrimage have a passport issued before she begins her trip.

If you have not applied for your passport, please go at once to the Clerk of the Circuit Court at Tampa, Hillsborough County, Fla. Take this letter with you and four(4) photographs of yourself (not more than 3x3 or less than 2½x2½ inches) and any evidence of your citizenship, such as a birth certificate, that you may have. If you have no evidence of your citizenship, this will not prevent the issuance of your passport, but be sure to have some one who has known you for at least two years accompany you to identify you.

The Clerk will fill out your application on the usual form and mail it to the Passport Bureau, State Department, Washington D. C., where the passport will be issued and sent to this office. There will be no charge for the application or the passport.

If you have any difficulty in making this application, please let this office know at once and it will be glad to assist you.

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

R. E. SHANNON,
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, Watson - 608 M

June 30, 1930.

Mrs. Willis Ratliff,
Wacissa, Fla.

Dear Madam:

Your attention is invited to the enclosed copy of an Act of Congress of March 2, 1929, together with an amendment thereto, approved May 15, 1930.

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

1. Do you desire to make this pilgrimage?

No.

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

No.

3. Please give your age and state your health.

Age

67 years

Condition of Health

Poor.

4. Do you speak English?

yes

5. What other language do you speak?

No Other

For The Quartermaster General,



Very truly yours,

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

Enclosures:
Envelope
Act
Amendment

QM 295 A-II
Brown, Watson 608M

June 21, 1930.

Mrs. Willis Ratliff,
Wacissa, Florida.

Dear Madam:

Receipt is acknowledged of your communication of recent date in which you state your health will not permit you to make the pilgrimage to the grave of your son the late Watson Brown, authorized by the Act of Congress approved March 2, 1929.

Your name has been placed upon the list of mothers and widows who are eligible to make the journey in 1931 and you will be communicated with when the pilgrimages are being arranged for that year. At that time your health may have improved sufficiently for you to make the trip.

In connection with your inquiry concerning a sum of money to be allowed in lieu of the pilgrimage, you are advised that there is no provision of the law which would permit the Government to make a money allowance to any mother or widow who is unable or does not desire to make the pilgrimage.

For The Quartermaster General.

Very truly yours,

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

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WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

June 9, 1930.

Brown, Watson 608 W
American Merchant 8-16

Mrs. Lydia Brown,
c/o Mrs Wm. C. McLean,
701-4 Wallace S. Bldg.,
Tampa, Fla.

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.

LOUISE MICKENS

Name 1029 YUKON ST

SULPHUR SPRINGS, FLORIDA

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

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

Encl.
Env.

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

June 7, 1930.

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

Brown, Watson - 608 M

**Mrs. Willis Ratliff,
Wacissa, Fla.**

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*Purchased
1931*

Dear Madam:

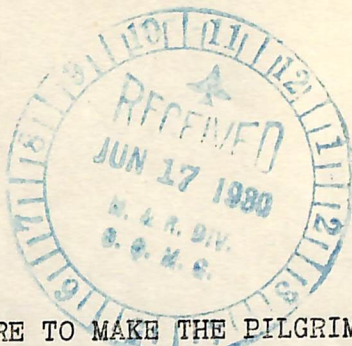
Arrangements are now being made for conducting pilgrimages during the year 1931, to the cemeteries in Europe under the provisions of the Act of Congress of March 2, 1929.

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

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

DO YOU DESIRE TO MAKE THE PILGRIMAGE DURING THE YEAR 1931? *Health will not*
(Write answer here)

*William Permit, Will accept expenses of trip in money.
A.H. Bland,
Wacissa, Fla.
Charlie P. Boland
Wacissa, Fla.*

Willis Ratliff
(Sign here)



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WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C
Brown, Watson 608 M

October 7, 1929.

Mrs. Willie Ratliff,
Wacissa, Fla.

Dear Madam:

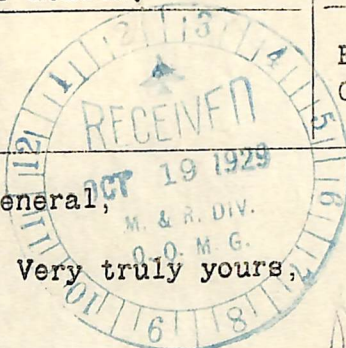
The Act of Congress which provides for pilgrimages to cemeteries in Europe by mothers and widows of members of the military or naval forces of the United States who died in the military or naval service at any time between April 5, 1917 and July 1, 1921, and whose remains are now interred in such cemeteries, 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) <i>No</i>
2. Do you desire to make the pilgrimage in the calendar year 1930?	(Yes)	(No) <i>No</i>
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) <i>No</i>
4. Please give your age and state of health.	Age (Years) <i>58</i> (60)	Health (Poor)
5. What language do you speak?	English - (Yes) No	Other language (Specify language spoken)

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,



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

Encl.
Act
Envelope

QM 293 A-C
Brown, Watson

October 26, 1929.

Mrs. Willie Ratliff,
Wacissa,
Florida.

Dear Madam:

Receipt is acknowledged of your letter of October 17, 1929, in which you advise that you will not be able to make the pilgrimage authorized by Congress in the Act of March 2, 1929.

As the U. S. Veterans Bureau has charge of insurance and compensation matters, your letter has been referred to that office for reply to so much thereof as pertains to your son's death claim. You will no doubt receive a reply from that office in due course.

Should you later decide to make the pilgrimage, please advise this office in order that arrangements may be made for you to go.

For The Quartermaster General.

Very truly yours,

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

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QM 293 A-C
Brown, Watson

October 26, 1929.

The Director,
U. S. Veterans Bureau,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

There is referred herewith for reply to so much thereof
as pertains to insurance claim for the late Private Watson Brown,
copy of letter of Mrs. Willie Ratliff, Wacissa, Fla., dated October
17, 1929. Mrs. Ratliff has been advised of this reference.

For The Quartermaster General.

Very truly yours,

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

SC/p
1 Inclosure:
c/let./10/17/29

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Wacissa Fla 10-17-1929

The Quartermaster General

Dear Sir

I thank you so much
for your great offer but
i am unable to come
my mother are very old
she are 79 yrs old and
i cant leave her and
my arm are broken in
to places it would
be a consolation to me
for me to come and
look at my child
grave but i havent
even got sutiable
cloths to wear and
havent got no one to
help me and have to
try to see for my mother

i would be so thankful
if i could get just a
brother part of my
son death claim and
i want to ask you ^{this}
if i could get a brother
part of my son death
claim will close
from

Willie Radly

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

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IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C
Brown, Watson 608 W

October 7, 1929.

Mrs. Lydia Brown,
% Mr. Wm. C. McLean,
701 - 4 Wallace S. Bldg.,
Tampa, Fla.

Sailed
AUG 16 1930

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) <i>yes</i>	(No)
2. Do you desire to make the pilgrimage in the calendar year 1930?	(Yes) <i>yes</i>	(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) <i>No</i>
4. Please give your age and state of health.	Age <i>40</i> (Years)	Health <i>✓</i> (Good) (Poor)
5. What language do you speak?	English - (Yes) (No)	Other language <i>None</i> (Specify language spoken)

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OCT 18 1929
M. & F. DIV.
O. Q. M. G.

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

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WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

Brown, Watson

July 30, 1929.

Mrs. Lydia Brown,
c/o Mr. Wm. C. McLean,
701 4 Wallace S. Budg.,
Tampa, Fla.

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 widow of the late Private Watson Brown, Co. L, 371st Inf., whose remains are now interred in the Oise-Aisne American Cemetery, Seringes-et-Nesles, Aisne, France.

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

Write answers in space below:

1. Have you remarried since the death of the above named veteran?

No

2. If not, do you desire to make the pilgrimage?

yes

3. Is the deceased survived by a mother?

yes

4. If so, give her name and complete address.

Willie Rolliff
Wacissa
Florida

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

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WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

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

June 21, 1929.
XC 135 099

Mrs. Lydia Brown,
Lloyd, Fla.

Mr. Wm. C. McLean, Attorney for
Mrs Lydia Brown (W)
701 - 4 Wallace S. Budg.
Tampa, Fla.

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".

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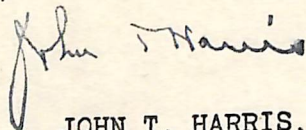
Will you please advise this office whether or not he is survived by a mother who is entitled under the provisions of the above quoted Act, to make the pilgrimage, and if so, will you please furnish her full name and address in order that action may be taken to extend an invitation to her to make the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

Your attention is particularly invited to Section 4 of the enclosed Act, which defines the terms "mother" and "widow". If the relationship is that of a stepmother, mother through adoption or a woman who stood in loco parentis to the decedent, a statement as to her relationship is requested. In case you have remarried it is also 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,



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

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Act of Congress.
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WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO
OM 225 A-6
Brown, Watson

June 21 1929
XC 185 038

Mrs. Lydia Brown,
Lloyd, Fla.

Mr. W. C. McLean, Attorney for
Mrs. Lydia Brown (W)
701 - 4 Wallace S. Bldg.
Tampa, Fla.

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 widow of the
late Private Watson Brown, U.S.A., 371st Inf., whose remains are now interred
in the Oise-Aisne American Cemetery, Arras, France.

Will you please advise this office whether or not he is survived
by a mother 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 pil-
grimage.

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ship is that of a stepmother, mother through adoption or a woman who stood
in loco parentis to the decedent, a statement as to her relationship is re-
quested. In case you have remarked it is also requested that a statement of
that effect be made.

For your reply, you may use the enclosed envelope which requires

of the Quartermaster General.

Very truly yours,

JOHN T. HARRIS,
Major, U. S. Corps,
Assistant.



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QM 293 A-M

July 27, 1932.

Brown, Watson (OA) x

Mrs. Lydia Rountree,
Wacissa, Florida.

Dear Madam:

Receipt is acknowledged of your letter of July 18, 1932, advising this office of the death of your mother, Mrs. Willie Ratliff, on November 15, 1931.

Your mother's death is deeply regretted, and sincerest sympathy is extended to her family in its bereavement.

Your inquiry relative to your claim for expenses incurred by the illness and death of your mother has been forwarded to the Director, Veterans Administration, Washington, D. C., for attention as this is a matter coming within the jurisdiction of his office.

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

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QH 293 A-M
Brown, Watson (OA) x

July 27, 1932.

SUBJECT: Claim for Burial Expenses, etc. (XC 135 099)

TO: Director, Veterans Administration, Washington, D. C.

1. The enclosed copy of a letter from Mrs. Lydia Rountree, daughter of the late Mrs. Willie Ratliff, is forwarded for attention to so much thereof as pertains to your office.

2. Mrs. Rountree has been advised of this reference.

For The Quartermaster General.

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

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WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-M

October 2, 1931

Brown, Watson O-A M-

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Mrs. Willis Ratliff,
Wacissa, Fla.

Dear Madam:

Reference is made to previous correspondence relative to the pilgrimage to the cemeteries of Europe, authorized by the Act of Congress of March 2, 1929, as amended May 15, 1930. To date information has not been received as to whether or not you desire to make a pilgrimage during the summer months of 1932, in honor of the deceased veteran named above.

In order that the records may be complete, and arrangements made accordingly, it is requested you complete the form below by writing in the space provided, your answers to the questions listed, sign your name, and return this letter in the enclosed envelope which requires no postage.

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

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For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

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WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM-293-AM

June 20, 1931

Brown, Watson Pvt.(OA) M

Mrs. Willis Ratliff,
Wacissa, Florida.

Dear Madam:

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

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

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

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

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

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

Write answer here

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October 9, 1930

QM 295 RM
Brown, Watson 606 W

Mrs. Lydia Brown,
% William C. McLean,
701-4 Wallace S. Bldg.,
Tampa, Florida.

Dear Madam:

The testimonial addressed by you and the other mothers and widows of Party "Q" to The Adjutant General has been referred to me for notation of your expressions of appreciation for the pilgrimage you have recently made to the cemeteries in Europe under the provisions of the Act of Congress approved March 2, 1929.

It is gratifying to know that you were pleased with the accommodations and arrangements made by the Quartermaster Corps for your comfort and welfare and that the Officers of the Army and other personnel in connection with the pilgrimage rendered such thoughtful and considerate service throughout the journey. The Quartermaster Corps is proud of the honor bestowed upon it by being charged with the conduct of these pilgrimages and has expended every effort that those making the journey might have a pleasant trip. It is pleasing to receive such complimentary remarks as those contained in the testimonial, but I feel that the task during the past summer was materially lightened by the wonderful spirit of cooperation shown by the mothers and widows taking advantage of the offer of the Government.

With sincere appreciation of the sentiments expressed by the mothers and widows of Party "Q," I am,

Sincerely yours,

J. L. DeWITT,
Major General,
The Quartermaster General.

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Brown, Watson 608 W

July 10, 1930

Mrs. Lydia Brown
C/o Mr. Wm. C. McLean
701-4 Wallace S. Bldg.
Tampa, Florida

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. Tampa	ACL No. 62	10.30 PM	August 12
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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.

QM 293 A-M

Brown, Watson - 608

July 8, 1930.

Mrs. Lydia Brown,
c/o Mrs. Wm. C. McLean,
701-4 Wallace S. Bldg.,
Tampa, Florida.

Dear Madam:

This office has not yet received your passport for use in connection with your pilgrimage to the American Cemeteries of Europe and it is imperative that EVERY mother or widow making this pilgrimage have a passport issued before she begins her trip.

If you have not applied for your passport, please go at once to the Clerk of the Circuit Court at Tampa, Hillsborough County, Fla. Take this letter with you and four (4) photographs of yourself (not more than 3x5 or less than 2 1/2 x 2 1/2 inches) and any evidence of your citizenship, such as a birth certificate, that you may have. If you have no evidence of your citizenship, this will not prevent the issuance of your passport, but be sure to have some one who has known you for at least two years accompany you to identify you.

The Clerk will fill out your application on the usual form and mail it to the Passport Bureau, State Department, Washington D. C., where the passport will be issued and sent to this office. There will be no charge for the application or the passport.

If you have any difficulty in making this application, please let this office know at once and it will be glad to assist you.

For the Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

R. E. SHANNON,
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, Watson - 608 M

June 30, 1930.

Mrs. Willis Ratliff,
Wacissa, Fla.

Dear Madam:

Your attention is invited to the enclosed copy of an Act of Congress of March 2, 1929, together with an amendment thereto, approved May 15, 1930.

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

1. Do you desire to make this pilgrimage?	
2. Do you desire to make the pilgrimage in the calendar year 1931?	
3. Please give your age and state your health.	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. HUGHES,
Captain, Q. M. Corps,
Assistant.

Enclosures:
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QM 295 A-M
Brown, Watson 608M

June 21, 1930.

Mrs. Willis Ratliff,
Wacissa, Florida.

Dear Madam:

Receipt is acknowledged of your communication of recent date in which you state your health will not permit you to make the pilgrimage to the grave of your son the late Watson Brown, authorized by the Act of Congress approved March 2, 1929.

Your name has been placed upon the list of mothers and widows who are eligible to make the journey in 1931 and you will be communicated with when the pilgrimages are being arranged for that year. At that time your health may have improved sufficiently for you to make the trip.

In connection with your inquiry concerning a sum of money to be allowed in lieu of the pilgrimage, you are advised that there is no provision of the law which would permit the Government to make a money allowance to any mother or widow who is unable or does not desire to make the pilgrimage.

For The Quartermaster General.

Very truly yours,

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

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WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

Brown, Watson 608-W

June 13, 1930

Mrs. Lydia Brown,
c/o Mr. Wm. C. McLean,
701-4 Wallace S. Bldg.,
Tampa, Florida.

Dear Madam:

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.

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

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

June 9, 1930.

Brown, Watson 608 W

Mrs. Lydia Brown,
C/o Mr. Wm. C. McLean,
701-4 Wallace S. Bldg.,
Tampa, Fla.

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 2½x2½ 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.

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

June 9, 1930.

Brown, Watson 608 W
American Merchant 8-16

Mrs. Lydia Brown,
c/o Mrs Wm. C. McLean,
701-4 Wallace S. Bldg.,
Tampa, Fla.

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

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.

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WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

June 7, 1930.

Brown, Watson - 608 H

Mrs. Willis Hatliff,
Wacissa, Fla.

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, Watson 608 W
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May 31 1930

Mrs. Lydia Brown,
c/o Mr. Wm. C. McLean,
701-4 Wallace S. Bldg.,
Tampa, Fla.

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.

QM 293 A-M
Brown, Watson

September 19, 1930.

Mrs. Lydia Brown,
1031 Yukon St.,
Sulphur Springs,
Tampa, Florida.

Dear Madam:

In compliance with your request of recent date, instructions have been issued to forward you a flag in honor of your husband, the late Private Watson Brown, Company L, 371st Infantry, now interred in the Oise-Aisne American Cemetery in France, provided a flag has not previously been furnished in his case.

For The Quartermaster General.

Very truly yours,

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

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O.D.M.C. & R. DIV.
COPY FOR: Quartermaster Supply Officer,
Washington General Depot,
20th & C Sts., N. W.,
Washington, D. C.

FOR INFORMATION AND COMPLIANCE IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE ABOVE.

1031 Yukon St. —
Sulphur Springs,
Tampa, Fla.

The Quartermaster General;

Dear Sir:

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I did not receive a flag for
the ~~my~~ ~~son~~, husband, Watson
Brown, buried in the Dis-Armed
Army in France. The flag
I understand the War Department
will give to all mothers whose
sons or husbands remain were
left in France.

Thanking you for sending
me a flag at your earliest
convenience, I am,
Very truly

Lydia Brown



WAR DEPARTMENT

OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL

WASHINGTON

In reply refer to QM 293 A-C

May 1, 1930.

Brown, Watson 608 W. ...

Mrs. Lydia Brown,
c/o Mr. Wm. C. McLean,
Dear Madam: 201 Wallace S. Bldg.,
Tampa, Fla.

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.

QM 293 A-C
Brown, Watson

October 26, 1929.

Mrs. Willie Ratliff,
Wacissa,
Florida.

Dear Madam:

Receipt is acknowledged of your letter of October 17, 1929, in which you advise that you will not be able to make the pilgrimage authorized by Congress in the Act of March 2, 1929.

As the U. S. Veterans Bureau has charge of insurance and compensation matters, your letter has been referred to that office for reply to so much thereof as pertains to your son's death claim. You will no doubt receive a reply from that office in due course.

Should you later decide to make the pilgrimage, please advise this office in order that arrangements may be made for you to go.

For The Quartermaster General.

Very truly yours,

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

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QM 295 A-C
Brown, Watson

October 26, 1929.

The Director,
U. S. Veterans Bureau,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

There is referred herewith for reply to so much thereof
as pertains to insurance claim for the late Private Watson Brown,
copy of letter of Mrs. Willie Ratliff, Wacissa, Fla., dated October
17, 1929. Mrs. Ratliff has been advised of this reference.

For The Quartermaster General.

Very truly yours,

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

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Wacissa, Fla.

October 17, 1929.

The Quartermaster General

Dear Sir:

I thank you so much for your great offer but I am unable to come My mother are very old She are 72 yrs. old and I can't leave her and my arm are broken in to places it would be a consolation to me for me to come and look at my child grave but I haven't even got suitable cloths to wear and haven't got no one to help me and have to try to see for my mother I would be so thankful if I could get just another part of my son death claim and I wants to ask you this if I could get another part of my son death claim Will close from

(Sgd.) Willie Ratliff

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C
Brown, Watson 608 M

October 7, 1929.

Mrs. Willie Ratliff,
Wacissa, Fla.

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,

Encl.
Act
Envelope

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

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

October 7 , 1929.

Brown, Watson 608 W

**Mrs. Lydia Brown,
% Mr. Wm. C. McLean,
701 - 4 Wallace S. Bldg.,
Tampa, Fla.**

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, Watson

July 30, 1929.

Mrs. Lydia Brown,
c/o Mr. Wm. C. McLean,
701 4 Wallace S. Bldg.,
Tampa, Fla.

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 widow of the late **Private Watson Brown, Co. L, 371st Inf., whose remains are now interred in the Oise-Aisne American Cemetery, Seringes-et-Nesles, Aisne, France.**

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

Write answers in space below:

- | | |
|---|--|
| 1. Have you remarried since the death of the above named veteran? | |
| 2. If not, do you desire to make the pilgrimage? | |
| 3. Is the deceased survived by a mother? | |
| 4. If so, give her name and complete address. | |

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

2 Incls.
Act of Congress
Envelope

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

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

June 21, 1929.

Mrs. Lydia Brown,
Lloyd, Fla.

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 widow of the late Private Watson Brown, Co.L, 371st 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 mother 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.

Your attention is particularly invited to Section 4 of the enclosed Act, which defines the terms "mother" and "widow". If the relationship is that of a stepmother, mother through adoption or a woman who stood in loco parentis to the decedent, a statement as to her relationship is requested. In case you have remarried it is also 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,

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

2 incls.
Act of Congress.
Envelope.

Brown

(Surname.)

Watson

(Christian name in full.)

1,800,399

(Army serial number.)

Pvt.

Co. L. 371 Inf.

(Rank and organization.)

State your relationship to the deceased

Wife

Do you desire the remains brought to the United States?

yes

(Yes or no.)

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

home

(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:

Lydia Brown

(Name of person to receive remains.)

Lloyd

(Express office.)

Lloyd

(Telegraph office.)

(Number and street.)

no i want him at home

(City or town.)

home

(State.)

(Sign here)

Lydia Brown
Lloyd

Fla
Fla

(Number and street or rural route.)

(City, town, or post office.)

(State.)

Read carefully the letter accompanying this card.

Drawn by Am

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11-11

REVIEWED
OSP SS.

MHS 11/12

QM 293 A-C

May 23, 1924

BROWN, Watson Pvt.

Mrs. Lydia Brown,
Lloyd,
Florida.

Dear Madam:

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

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

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

Very truly yours,
R. P. HAROLD

1-Incl.
Record card.

Assistant.

MFK
YDR



COMPLETION OF DISPOSITION OF REMAINS DATA

1. LOCATION INDEX CARD:

File # 28712

(a) Name Brown, Watson Ser. No. 1800399
(b) Rank Pvt. Organization Co. L. 371st. Inf.
(d) Cause Acute Regurgitation & Chronic Endocarditis
(c) Date of death 10-11-18 of death

TYP. AW

CKR. 2/6/22

1-16-22 Examined for Concentration Air - Ozone 608

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

(a) Grave No. 205 Row 8 Plot - - Sect. - -) TYP. HDP

(b) Emerg. Address Mrs. Lydia Brown, Wife, Wacissa, Fla.

111. Files of soldiers dying from contagious diseases; No Card) CKR. AW

IV. A.G.O. DISPOSITION CARD:

Date of receipt none

(a) Name Lydia Brown (b) Relationship Wife

(c) Address Lloyd, Fla

(d) Remains to be brought to U. S.? yes

(e) To be interred in National Cemetery in U. S. at no

(f) Shipping instructions upon arrival of body in U.S. Lydia Brown Lloyd, Florida

(g) Disposition instructions if not brought to U.S. NO

SEE SUSPENSION REMARKS

Examiner's Initials FB Date 5-13-1920

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

no correspondence, dated _____, confirmed request in Par. IV. item _____, above, or requesting that

Examiner's Initials m Date 5-13-1920

VI. G.R.S. Files - Correspondence - shows as follows:

No request for disposition

(a) Cancellation memos referred to? Yes FB

Examiner's Initials FB Date 5-13-1920

Rechecked 11/12

VII. G. R. S. FORM No. 114 made May 13th, 1920

Typed by V.A.H., Checked by [Signature], May 13th 1920

VIII. FINAL ACTION:

Following advice forwarded to Europe by- (cable on _____, 1920
(letter on 6/28, 1920

Not to be returned (macB)

IX. CORRECTIONS

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

X. SUSPENSION REMARKS: *Form 120 6/7/20 Mrs. Lydia Brown, Widow Lloyd, Fla., requests body remain in France. S.C. 6/11/20*

56-12-20

gr.

G.R.S. FORM #114-A.

STATION St. Aignan(L-et-C)

To be prepared in triplicate.

DATE Oct 22nd 1921

REPORT OF DISINTERMENT, PREPARATION, SHIPMENT AND REBURIAL OF BODY

DISINTERMENT

COMPARATIVE REPORT

Records of G.R.S. Headquarters.

Discrepancy found upon exhumation of body

1. Name BROWN, Watson

10. Name

2. No. 1800399

11. No.

3. Rank Pvt.

12. Rank

4. Org. Co.L, 371st Inf.

13. Org.

5. D.D. 10.11. - 1914

14. (a) D.D.

6. C.D. Aortic Regurgitation and Chronic Endocarditis.

(b) D.B. none

Discrepancy found upon disinterment.

7. Grave No. 205 Sec.

15. Grave No. Sec.

8. Plot Row

16. Plot Row

9.

17. none

18. Cemetery American

19. Commune or town Noyers

20. Dept. or County Loir et Cher

21. Country France

22. G.R.S. Hdqrs. Code No. 319

23. Disinterred (Date) Oct 22nd 1921

By E.T. Anderson

24. Inscription on grave marker:

Name Watson Brown

Serial No. -----

Rank Pvt

Organization Co.L, 371st Inf.

25. Was identification disc found on grave marker? yes On body? yes (entirely corroded)

Signature J.A. Dougherty
Junior Technical Assistant
J.A. Dougherty

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).

Name on top of box.

27. Condition of body badly decomposed, features unrecognizable.

28. Nature of burial wooden box and uniform.

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 Oct 22nd 1921 By E.T. Anderson

31. Casket sealed by E.T. Anderson

Signature of Embalmer, (Supervisor)

E.T. Anderson
E.T. Anderson

AUDITED BY
10/21/25-24

SHIPMENT. (Show actual marking of box.) Box No. **C-12404**

32. Designation of body:

10-2 Name **BROWN, Watson** Serial No. **1800399**
Rank **Pvt.** Organization **Co.L, 371st. Inf.**

33. Consigned to:

Name of Permanent Cemetery **Oise-Aisne Amer.Cty.608, Seringes-et-Nesles(Aisne)**
~~Aisne-Marne Amer.Cty.#1764, BELLEAU (Aisne)~~

34. Casket boxed and marked (Date) **Oct 22nd 1921** By **E.T.Anderson**

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

F. Overheiser
F. Overheiser, 1st. Lt. QMC

36. Remarks **none**

37. Shipped from point of Operation: (Date)

To point of Concentration

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 **NOV 10th 1921**

To Permanent Cemetery **Oise-Aisne Amer.Cty.608, Seringes-et-Nesles(Aisne)**
~~Aisne-Marne Amer.Cty.#1764, BELLEAU (Aisne)~~

Convoyer

H F Tebeau

Signature Shipping Officer

G. A Ross
**G. A Ross
Captain QMC**

40. Received: Date

17 NOV 1921

G.R.S. Representative

G. F. WAUGH

41. Reinterred **Sept. 8, 1922, Oise-Aisne Cem. 608, Seringes et Nesles(Aisne)**

(Date)

42. Grave No.

34

Section

43. Plot **BLOCK**

C

Row

27

G.R.S. Representative

C. J. Blake
**C. J. Blake
Capt., QMC.**

tab

Place Noyers L-et-C

REPORT OF DISINTERMENT AND REBURIAL

Date October 22, 1921.

1. REMAINS OF Brown, Watson SERIAL NUMBER 1800399
RANK Pvt. ORGANIZATION Co. L. 371st Inf

2. Disinterred (date): October 22, 1921 From (give complete location): Gr. 205 Cemetery 319
By: Group 3 Unit Sec. 5

3. Reburied (date): Sept. 8, 1922 In (give complete location): Gr. 34, Block C, Row 27, 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:
Unrecognizable, badly decomposed, in pine box, in uniform

5. (a) Identification tags: Buried with body? yes, entirely corroded. on grave marker? yes
(b) Other means of identification found upon disinterment, and general remarks:
name on top of box

6. What does examination of body show as regards the following identifying items? MAD 8 alloy fil 18
(a) Height (actual measurement) unable to report

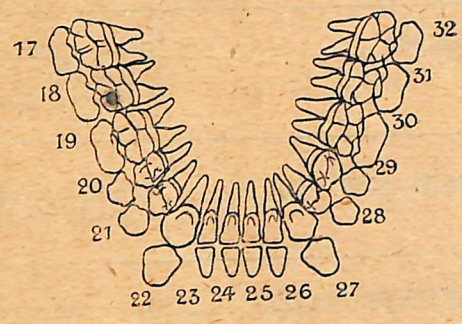
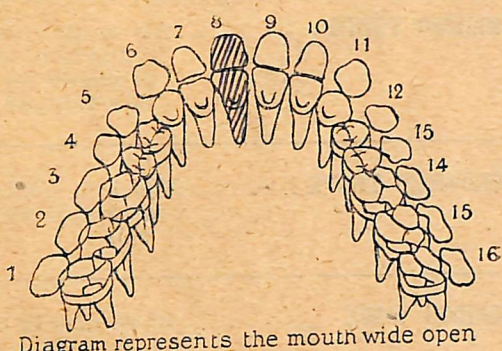
(b) Weight (estimated) unable to report

(c) Hair—Color none
Quantity none
Characteristics none

(d) Hair on face—Color none
Location none
Quantity none

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

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



Checker J. A. Dougherty

7. Disinterment supervised by E. T. Anderson Approved: F. Overheiser
E. T. Anderson, Supervising Emb (Title) 1st Lieut QMC

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

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.

MISSING TEETH All teeth missing through previous extraction (not those fractured or displaced by recent wounds) should be scratched out, thus :



CROWNED TEETH Block in solid the crown of tooth (label gold, porcelain, or gold and porcelain), thus :



BRIDGE WORK Block in solid the crown of tooth (label gold bridge, gold and porcelain bridge) thus :



FILLINGS Draw filling on tooth accurately as possible (block in and label gold, silver, cement), thus :



CARIES (CAVITIES) Outline location and size of cavity, shade in thus :



DENTURES (PLATES) Draw diagram of relative size and shape of plate block in teeth attached and indicate retaining clasps on natural teeth with the word "clasp"

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

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

COMPILATION OF DISPOSITION OF REMAINS DATA

File # 28712

See Form 115
Att 7/6/22

I. LOCATION INDEX CARD:

(a) Name **BROWN, Watson** Ser. No. **1800399** } TYP **AW**
 (b) Rank **Pvt.** Organization **Co. L, 371st. Inf.** } **DS**
 (c) Date of death **10/11/18** Cause of death **Acute Regurgitation & Chronic Endocarditis.** } **EGH** *REP*

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

(a) Grave No. **205** Row **8** Plot **--** Sect. **--** TYP **HDP**
 (b) Emerg. Address **Mrs. Lydia Brown, (wife) Wacissa, Fla.**

III. Files of soldiers dying from contagious diseases **No Card** **AW**
 CKR

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

*Form 120 recd. 6-7-20 Lydia Brown (wife)
 Lloyd, Fla. requests body not returned.
 R.H.C. NOV 20 1920*

V. Following advice forwarded to Europe by (cable on **6/28** 192
 (Letter of transmittal on **6/28** 192
Par #2 Not to be returned (MacB))

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

VII. SUPPLEMENTARY REQUESTS

Date of and Source	Relationship and name	Desires	Action taken

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

COUNTRY **France** CEMETERY NO. **319** SHEET NO. **47**

File # 28712

I. LOCATION TRACK

AW (a) Mrs. BROWN, Watson
 DS (b) Pvt.
 BGR (c) Date of death 10/11/18
 HDP II. REGISTRATION DATA - (Check box, then insert appropriate location data)
 (a) Grave No. 8
 (b) Mrs. Ledia Brown, (wife) Wallace, Wis.
 VA (c) No Card

III. Details of military service from conditions disclosed
 IV. Information on which service is based in order of precedence as listed
 (Faint handwritten notes and signatures)

NOV 10 1918

e/s

Part is not to be returned (MOS)

VII. TO BE FURNISHED BY THE SERVICE

Service No. _____
 Date of Birth _____
 Date of Discharge _____
 (Faint text and lines for service details)

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

319-47

MAY 20 1920
MAY 20 1920

FROM: Chief, Graves Registration Service, Q.M.C.
TO: Lydia Brown, Lloyd, Fla.
SUBJECT: Remains of Pvt. Watson Brown

Push Answer

The records of this office show that you have requested that his body be Shipped to: Lydia Brown, Lloyd, Florida.

Remains in France over

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.

By authority of the Quartermaster General:

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

Noted on Form No. 115 6/11/20

NAME OF	NO. & STREET	TOWN	STATE
Soldier's Widow	<i>Lydia Brown</i>		
Soldier's Children	1.		
(Name oldest first)	2.		
	3. <i>none</i>		
Father	<i>none</i>		
Mother	<i>Willie Bayde</i>		
Brothers	1.		
(Name oldest first)	2.		
Sisters			
Date	Signature		
V.A.H.	Relationship		

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

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

7. Use the enclosed envelope - pay no postage.

the case of this body.

6. You are requested to return this paper AT ONCE in order to avoid delay in

nearest relatives are, please fill out this paper AT ONCE and mail to this office.

5. If you are not the nearest living relative and do not know who or where the

near you, to fill out this paper.

4. If you are not the nearest relative, please ask the nearest relative, if living

this matter.

3. 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

2. 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.

shown in the square on other side of this sheet.

1. This paper MUST be signed by the person who is the NEXT of kin in the order

INSTRUCTIONS FOR FILLING OUT



Dear Sir will you please
keep the Body of Watson Brown
as his mother say she rather not
see it known that she could
not talk with her only son
she want it to stay where
they put him
his wife Lydia Brown
mother Willie Boyde

GRAVE LOCATION LANK

LOCATION OF THE GRAVE OF

Watson- 1800399- Brown
(Surname.) (Number.) (First Name and Initials.)

Pvt. Co. L, 371st. Infantry
(Rank.) (Organization.)

DATE OF BURIAL Oct. 12, 1918.

PLACE OF BURIAL Noyes, France

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

American Cemetery, Noyes

Loir-et-Cher, France

GRAVE NUMBER 205

HOW MARKED: Name Peg? Cross? Yes

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:

REPORTED BY

William Pippy, Chaplain 163. Inf.
(Signature and Rank of Reporting Officer.)

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

GRAVE LOCATION BLANK

LOCATION OF THE GRAVE OF

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

.....
(Rank.) (Organization.)

DATE OF BURIAL Oct. 12, 1918.....

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

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.....
.....

REPORTED BY:
.....
(Signature and Rank of Reporting Officer.)

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

