

Buffum,
(Surname.)

Arthur D
(Christian name in full.)

586, 366
(Army serial number.)

Pvt.

Btry D, 56 CAC
(Rank and organization.)

State your relationship to the deceased.....

Adopted. Parents Dead.

Do you desire the remains brought to the United States?.....

Yes
(Yes or no.)

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

(Yes or no.)

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

Mrs Hannah W. Fielding. Pawtucket Rhode Island
(Name of person to receive remains.) (Express office.) (Telegraph office.)

59 Nevins St. Pawtucket Rhode Island
(Number and street.) (City or town.) (State.)

(Sign here)

Mrs Hannah W. Fielding
59 Nevins St. Pawtucket Rhode Island
(Number and street or rural route.) (City, town, or post office.) (State.)

Read carefully the letter accompanying this card.

Drawn by Pm

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G.R.S. Form #114-B

BUFFUM, Arthur D.

FULL NAME

RANK **Pvt.** SERIAL **587366**

DIVISION & ORGANIZATION **66th Coast Artillery Corps.. Bty. D.** *not Div.*

DATE OF DEATH **Aug 20/18**

STATE FROM WHICH HE CAME **P.I.**

MEDALS OR DECORATIONS AWARDED: ✓

FINAL GRAVE LOCATION. **19** **4** **A**
Date Grave Row Block

Suresnes American Cemetery 34
Cemetery

15 Received A. G. O. SEP 3 1924

REC'D WORLD WAR DIV
SEP 3 24

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GRAVE LOCATION BLANK.

LOCATION OF THE GRAVE OF

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

Pvt......Bty. B., 65th C.A.S......
(Rank.) (Organization.)

DATE OF BURIAL.....Aug. 20th, 1918......

PLACE OF BURIAL.....Limoges, France......

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

American cemetery.

GRAVE NUMBER.....29.....

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

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

IDENTIFICATION TAGS :

Was one buried with body?.....Yes.....

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

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

REPORTED BY :

R. B. Balloufaut

Capt. Col., U.S.A.

(Signature and Rank of Reporting Officer.)

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

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL OF THE ARMY
WASHINGTON July 28, 1922.

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FILE: 293.8 C-R- #13006

SUBJECT: Permanent Grave Location of Arthur D. Buffum, Private,
Bty D. 66th Coast Art. Corps.

TO: Mr. Charles E. Buffum, 42 Whitman St., Pawtucket, R.I.

1. The permanent grave of this soldier is No. 19 Row 4
Block A, The American Cemetery of Suresnes, Department of Seine, France.

2. This is one of the permanent American military cemeteries to be maintained by this Government in Europe. Each grave will be marked by a headstone of white marble, of suitable design, with name, rank, organization and date of soldier's death. The headstones will be placed at all graves in connection with the improvement work now in progress, as soon as possible and without waiting for special action or request on the part of relatives.

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

For the Quartermaster General:

MAILED

JUL 29 1922

G.R.S.

GEORGE H. PENROSE,
Assistant.

DATE Oct. 21st 1921.

1. NAME Buffum, Arthur D SERIAL No. 587366

RANK Pvt. ORGANIZATION Bat. D 66th CAC

GRAVE LOCATION Limoges - Haute Vienne CTY. NAME 151 NUMBER

29
GRAVE ROW PLOT

2. ORIGINAL ~~BATTLE AREA~~ GRAVE LOCATION 29 Limoges, (Hte. Vienne)
GRAVE COMMUNE DEPT.

COORDINATES None.

CONCENTRATED TO Aug. 20, 1918. 29
DATE GRAVE ROW PLOT

Limoges, (Hte. Vienne) 151
CEMETERY CTY. NUMBER

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

SUBSEQUENT REBURIALS
DATE GRAVE ROW PLOT CEMETERY

DATE GRAVE ROW PLOT CEMETERY

SIGNATURE, AREA SUPERVISOR *W. R. Nichols*
W. R. Nichols, Major, C.A.C.

3. FINAL GRAVE LOCATION. 10-21-21. 19. 4. Block A.
DATE GRAVE ROW PLOT

SURRESNES AMERICAN CEMETERY #34 SURRESNES (SEINE).
CEMETERY

4/7/22
J. O. E.
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INSTRUCTIONS FOR PREPARATION OF FORM 114 B

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

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

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






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



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.

SHIPMENT. (Show actual marking of box.) Box No. C-7668

32. Designation of body:

Name Buffum, Arthur D Serial No. 587366

Rank Pvt. Organization Bat. D 66th CAC

33. Consigned to:

Name of Permanent Cemetery Suresnes Amer. Cem. #34

34. Casket boxed and marked (Date) Oct. 14, 1921 By B.F. FAIR

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

Signature of G.R.S. Inspector O. B. DAVIS, 1st Lt. Q.M.C.

36. Remarks None.

37. Shipped from point of Operation: (Date) Oct. 17th, 1921:

To point of Concentration Paris Morgue, (Seine)

Convoyer James J. [Signature] Signature Shipping Officer S. D. CAMPBELL, Capt. Q.M.C.

38. Received at ~~Railhead~~ or Point of Concentration: Date Paris Morgue, Octob. 19, 1921.

By G.R.S. Representative [Signature] H. L. WARD, Major Q.M.C.

39. Shipped from ~~Railhead~~ or Point of Concentration: Date Oct. 20th, 1921.

To Permanent Cemetery No. 34, Suresnes, (Seine)

Convoyer [Signature] Signature Shipping Officer H. L. WARD, Major, Q.M.C.

40. Received: Date October 21st, 1921.

G.R.S. Representative [Signature] R. G. RICHARDS, 1st Lieut. Q.M.C.

41. Reinterred Suresnes Cemetery. October 21st, 1921.
(Date)

42. Grave No. 19. Section _____

43. Plot ~~Block~~ A. Row 4.

G.R.S. Representative [Signature]
R. G. RICHARDS,
1st Lieut. Q.M.C.

To be prepared in triplicate.

DATE Oct. 14th, 1921.

REPORT OF DISINTERMENT, PREPARATION, SHIPMENT AND REBURIAL OF BODY

DISINTERMENT

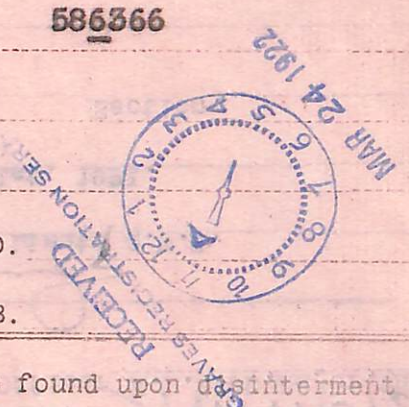
COMPARATIVE REPORT

Records of G.R.S. Headquarters.

Discrepancy found upon exhumation of body

1. Name Buffum, Arthur D
 2. No. 587366 *OK 5-18-22*
 3. Rank Pvt.
 4. Org. Bat. D 66th CAC
 5. D.D. 8-21
 6. C.D. killed, result of bicycle acc.

10. Name _____
 11. No. 586366
 12. Rank _____
 13. Org. _____
 14. (a) D.D. _____
 (b) D.B. _____



Discrepancy found upon disinterment

7. Grave No. 29 Sec. _____
 8. Plot _____ Row _____
 9. _____

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

18. Cemetery Amer.
 20. Dept. or County Haute Vienne
 22. G.R.S. Hdqrs. Code No. 151

19. Commune or town Limoges
 21. Country France

23. Disinterred (Date) Oct. 14th, 1921. By B.F. FAIR

24. Inscription on grave marker:

Name BUFFUM, Arthur D.
 Rank Pvt.

Serial No. 587366.
 Organization Bat. D, 66th C.A.C

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

L.R. Knasin
 Signature Junior Technical Assistant
L.R. KNASIN.

PREPARATION

26. What other means of identification were on body? (If no disc or other means of identification on body, give description of body in detail).
Body tag reads 586366, rest checks.

27. Condition of body Badly decomposed. Features not recognizable.

28. Nature of burial Wooden box. Uniform.

29. Any discrepancy noted upon examination of body, as compared with G.R.S. records quoted above? Body tag reads 586366, rest checks.

30. Body prepared and placed in casket: Date Oct. 14, 1921. By B. F. FAIR

31. Casket sealed by B.F. FAIR

Signature of Embalmer, (Supervisor)

B.F. FAIR
B.F. FAIR.



COMPILATION OF DISPOSITION OF REMAINS DATA

File # 13006

1. LOCATION INDEX CARD:

(a) Name Buffum, Arthur D. Ser. No. 586366
 (b) Rank Pvt. Organization Bty. D. 66th C. A. C.
 (c) Date of death 8-21-18 of death Collision of bicycle.
 (d) Cause Accidentally killed -

TYP. ILH

CKR

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

(a) Grave No. 29 Row --- Plot --- Sect. --- TYP. ILH

(b) Emerg. Address Miss Hannah M. Fielding, (Friend), 59 Mervick St., Pawtucket, R. I.

III. Files of soldiers dying from contagious diseases; no card CKR OK

IV. A.G.O. DISPOSITION CARD:

Date of receipt none

(a) Name Mrs Hannah M Fielding (b) Relationship Adopted Mother

(c) Address 59 Merrick St, Pawtucket, R. I.

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

(e) To be interred in National Cemetery in U. S. at ---

(f) Shipping instructions upon arrival of body in U.S. Hannah M Fielding 59 Merrick St, Pawtucket Rhode Island (Ex + Del) Pawtucket, Island.

(g) Disposition instructions if not brought to U.S. See Suspension Remarks.

Examiner's Initials mm Date 5- 1920

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

---, dated --- confirmed request in Par. IV. item ---, above, or requesting that ---

Examiner's Initials mm Date 5/6/ 1920

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

59 Merrick St Pawtucket, R. I. (Adopted Mother) requests photo of this soldier's grave. No request for disposition. (date of letter 11-27-18)

(a) Cancellation memos referred to? Yes. F. L.

Examiner's Initials F. L. Date 5-7- 1920

COUNTRY France CEMETERY NO. 151 SHEET NO. 25

G.R.S. Form #115 Amended April 6, 1920.

Make Form #114

Concentrated into P.A.C. 34

10-25-20

Examined 2-19-22
 for Concentration
 Surveys 34 Feb 22
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Rechecked by you

VII. G. R. S. FORM No. 114 made 1920, 5-7-1920, checked by 1920, 5-7-1920

VIII. FINAL ACTION: TYPED BY also

Following advice forwarded to Europe by- (cable on 1920, MAY 13 1920, letter on 1920, APR 11-3-20, APR 12-7-20)

Par. 1. To be returned - APR 11-3-20, APR 12-7-20

IX. CORRECTIONS

CHANGE OF ADVICE PROJECT 503-803 CEMETERY DIVISION

RECEIVED. DEC 24 1920

Body to be shipped to

Desires body be

X. SUSPENSION REMARKS:

and 100 removed from Charles E. Buffum
desires body remain in France
6/17/20 - 3
Desires advised by postpaid cablegram not
to return body 6/22/20 HRC
Telegram 5-25-20 from Buffalo, Penna/H
request to body remain in Europe - 2c

FORM 115 RETURNED BY HOSKIN - BODY DEC 24 1920

TO REMAIN IN EUROPE. HRC

3:120 + J.A. Benson Form 3101 - sent to J.A. Benson during
1/11/20 - HRC

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

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FROM: Chief, Graves Registration Service, Q.M.C.
TO: Chas. E. Buffum, Pawtucket, R.I.
SUBJECT: Remains of Pvt. Arthur Buffum

Rush Answer

The records of this office show that you have requested that his body be not returned to U.S.

Remain in France
no change

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 115
6/17/20

NAME OF	NO. & STREET	TOWN	STATE
Soldier's Widow	<u>Was not married</u>		
Soldier's Children	1. <u>Charles E. Buffum</u>	<u>42 Whitman St.</u>	<u>Pawtucket, R.I.</u>
(Name oldest first)	2. <u>None</u>		
	3. <u>None</u>		
Father	<u>Not living</u>		
Mother	<u>Not living</u>		
Brothers	1. <u>Charles E. Buffum</u>	<u>42 Whitman St.</u>	<u>Pawtucket, R.I.</u>
(Name oldest first)	2. <u>None</u>		
Sisters	<u>Mary L. Hargreaves</u>	<u>42 Whitman St.</u>	<u>Pawtucket, R.I.</u>
	<u>Minnie E. Buffum</u>	<u>81 Montgomery St.</u>	<u>Pawtucket R.I.</u>
Date	<u>6/8/20</u>	Signature	<u>Charles E. Buffum</u>
Address	<u>42 Whitman St Pawtucket, R.I.</u>	Relationship	<u>Brother</u>

Overseas advised by proposed cable
6-28-20

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

Your department has been forwarding various letters & blanks to a Mrs Fielding of 59 Merrick St. Pawtucket R.I. at whose home the deceased man formerly boarded. This woman is no relation of the deceased man. These blanks are being filled in opposition to the wishes of both my sisters & I.

One instance is the case where she (the Fielding woman) requested that my brother's body be exhumed & shipped to her in spite of the fact that my sisters & I desired the body left in France.

I believe much of the confusion attending this case can be avoided by consulting the wishes of the deceased man's relatives instead of consulting outsiders.



INSTRUCTIONS FOR FILLING OUT

1. This paper MUST be signed by the person who is the NEXT of kin in the order shown in the square on other side of this sheet.
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.
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 this matter.
4. If YOU are not the nearest relative, please ask the nearest relative, if living near you, to fill out this paper.
5. If YOU are not the nearest living relative and do not know who or where the nearest relatives are, please fill out this paper AT ONCE and mail to this office.
6. You are requested to return this paper AT ONCE in order to avoid delay in the case of this body.
7. Use the enclosed envelope - pay no postage.

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

MAY 12 1920

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Brother

Tush Answer

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

TO: Mrs. Hannah M. Field, 59 Merrick St., Pawtucket, R. I.

SUBJECT: Remains of Pvt. Arthur Buffum.

The records of this office show that you have requested that his body be returned to U. S.

Ship To: Mrs. Hannah M. Fielding, 59 Merrick St., Pawtucket, R. I.

*Telegram 5/25/20
Brother requests
body remain
in Europe
Remain in Europe*

*We all agreed to let
stay in France*

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:

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

Noted on Form No. 115

NAME OF	NO. & STREET	TOWN	STATE
Soldier's Widow			
Soldier's Children	1.		
(Name oldest first)	2.		
	3.		
Father	<i>Dead</i>		
Mother			
Brothers	1.		
(Name oldest first)	2.	<i>Charles E Buffum</i>	
Sisters	<i>Minnie Etta Buffum</i>		
	<i>Mrs Mary Louise Buffum Hargreaves</i>		
Date	<i>May 16, 1920</i>	Signature	<i>Mrs Mary Louise Hargreaves</i>
Address	<i>42 Whitman St</i>	Relationship	<i>Sister</i>

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.

At the time of the request for his
body to be returned by me I did not
know the address of his relatives
and thus wish to that his body
always in France.
From the H. Frickling
57 Munich St
Dunstable
Pg.

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COMPILATION OF DISPOSITION OF REMAINS DATA

File--13006

See Form 115
Att 7/23/22

(10-25)

I. LOCATION INDEX CARD:

(a) Name	Buffum, Arthur D	Ser. No.	586366	} TYP	ILH
(b) Rank	Pvt.	Organization	Bty.D. 66th C.A.C.		MEF
(c) Date of death	8-21-18	Cause of death	Accidentally killed Collision of bicycle		LM ap.

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

(a) Grave No. 29 Row --- Plot --- Sect. --- TYP ILH

(b) Emerg. Address Miss Hannah M. Fielding, (Friend) 59 Mervick St., Pawtucket, R.I.

III. Files of soldiers dying from contagious diseases. no card CKR AW

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

A.G.O. Card:- Mrs. Hannah M. Fielding (adopted mother), 59 Merrick St., Pawtucket, R.I., desires remains returned to U.S. to her at above address. - ap. 11/3/20

V. Following advice forwarded to Europe by (cable on 192 (Letter of transmittal on 5-13 192 0

Par. 1. To be returned. - ap. 11-3-20. ms

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
6-8-20	Brother n/k.	body remain in Europe.	6-22-20. Overseas advised by proposed c/g not to return body.
2 nd 12.0.	Charles E. Buffum 42 Whitman St. Pawtucket, R.I.		- acp 11-3-20.

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

COUNTRY France

CEMETERY NO. 151

SHEET NO. 25

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

Concentrated into P. A. C. 34

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11-3-20

RECEIVED.

DEC 24 1920

CEMETERY DIVISION
OVERSEAS PROJECT SUB-SEC.

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CEMETERY DIVISION

POSTAL TELEGRAPH - COMMERCIAL CABLES

CLARENCE H. MACKAY, PRESIDENT.

RECEIVED AT
EVANS BUILDING
1418 NEW YORK AVENUE
WASHINGTON, D. C.
TELEPHONE: MAIN 6600

TELEGRAM

DELIVERY NO.

The Postal Telegraph-Cable Company (Incorporated) transmits and delivers this message subject to the terms and conditions printed on the back of this blank.

This is a fast Day Telegram unless otherwise indicated by signal after the number of words:—"N. L." (Night Lettergram) or "Nite" (Night Telegram). || 16-50887

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Pawtucket RI May 25

Rogers

Q M General NX Washington DC

Please let him remain there might be a mistake in transferring remains

Chas E Buffum

Noted on Form No. 115
Date me

POSTAL TELEGRAPH-COMMERCIAL CABLES

OPERATOR'S NOTATIONS,
TIME SENT, Etc.



THE GREATEST TELEGRAPH AND CABLE SYSTEM IN THE WORLD. EXTENDS OVER TWO-THIRDS OF THE WAY AROUND THE EARTH.

THE POSTAL TELEGRAPH-CABLE COMPANY (INCORPORATED)

TRANSMITS AND DELIVERS THE WITHIN TELEGRAM SUBJECT TO THE FOLLOWING TERMS AND CONDITIONS:

To guard against mistakes or delays, the sender of a telegram should order it REPEATED; that is, telegraphed back to the originating office for comparison. For this, one-half the unrepeated telegram rate is charged in addition. Unless otherwise indicated on its face, THIS IS AN UNREPEATED TELEGRAM AND PAID FOR AS SUCH, in consideration whereof it is agreed between the sender of the telegram and this Company as follows:

1. The Company shall not be liable for mistakes or delays in the transmission or delivery, or for non-delivery, of any UNREPEATED telegram beyond the amount received for sending the same; nor for mistakes or delays in the transmission or delivery, or for non-delivery, of any REPEATED telegram beyond fifty times the rate received for sending the same, UNLESS SPECIALLY VALUED; nor in any case for delays arising from unavoidable interruption in the working of its lines; NOR FOR ERRORS IN CIPHER OR OBSCURE TELEGRAMS.
2. In any event the Company shall not be liable for damages for any mistakes or delays in the transmission or delivery, or for the non-delivery of this telegram, whether caused by the negligence of its servants or otherwise, beyond fifty times the REPEATED telegram rate, at which amount this telegram, if sent as a REPEATED telegram, is hereby valued, unless a greater value is stated in writing hereon at the time the telegram is offered to the Company for transmission, and an additional sum paid or agreed to be paid based on such value equal to one-tenth of one per cent. thereof.
3. The Company is hereby made the agent of the sender, without liability, to forward this telegram over the lines of any other company when necessary to reach its destination.
4. Messages will be delivered free within the established free delivery limits of the terminal office. For delivery at a greater distance a special charge will be made to cover the cost of such delivery.
5. No responsibility regarding messages attaches to this Company until the same are presented and accepted at one of its transmitting offices; and if any message is sent to such office by one of this Company's messengers, he acts as the agent of the sender for the purpose of delivering the message and any notice or instructions regarding it to the Company's agent in his said office. Messages sent to the Company's office by private wire or telephone are sent at the sender's risk of errors or failures in such service and all of the terms and conditions herein shall apply to the message throughout.
6. The Company shall not be liable for damages or statutory penalties in any case where the claim is not presented in writing within sixty days after the telegram is filed with the Company for transmission.
7. It is agreed that prompt and correct transmission and delivery of this message shall be presumed in any action for recovery of tolls therefor, unless however, to rebuttal by competent evidence.
8. The above terms and conditions shall be binding upon the receiver as well as the sender of this telegram.
9. Special terms governing the transmission of messages under the classes of messages enumerated below shall apply to messages in each of such respective classes in addition to all foregoing terms.
10. NO EMPLOYEE OF THIS COMPANY IS AUTHORIZED TO VARY THE FOREGOING.

EDWARD REYNOLDS, VICE-PRES. AND GENERAL MANAGER.

CLARENCE H. MACKAY, PRESIDENT.

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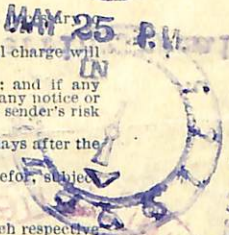
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MAY 25 1912
NEW YORK

GRAVE LOCATION BLANK.

LOCATION OF THE GRAVE OF

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

Pvt..... Bty. B, 66th C.A.C.....
(Rank.) (Organization.)

DATE OF BURIAL... Aug. 20th, 1918.

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

..... American cemetery.
.....
.....

GRAVE NUMBER... 29

HOW MARKED: Name Peg?..... Cross?.....
Headboard? **Yes**..... Bottle?.....

IDENTIFICATION TAGS :
Was one buried with body?..... **Yes**.....
Was one fastened to name peg or stake used as a grave marker?.....
If name unknown and tags missing, description and marks should be given here :

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REPORTED BY :
R. Ballantyne
Capt. Q.M., U.S.A.
(Signature and Rank of Reporting Officer.)

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

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25 AUG 1918

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CHARGE TO:
GOVERNMENT RATE

WAR DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM

OFFICIAL BUSINESS

WASHINGTON

May 24, 1920.

Charles E. Buffum,
.....

42 Whitman St.,
.....

Pawtucket, R. I.
.....

Necessary that you as brother of late Private Arthur Buffum

.....state whether you desire body returned to United States and
buried National Cemetery, shipped to you or remain in Europe. In this case
no other than your wish is desired. Telegram signed by you
necessary. Wire immediately, Government expense. **A-762-G**

ROGERS
Quartermaster General

NIGHT

RECEIVED
DEC 24 1920
GENERAL PROJECT SUB-SECTION

OFFICIAL:

CHARLES C. PIERCE,
Colonel, U.S. Army,
Chief, Cemeterial Division.

BY:
C. D. ANNIS,
1st Lieut. Q.M. Corps,
Chief, Overseas Project Sub-Section.

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WAR DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM

CHARGE TO GOVERNMENT RATE

OFFICIAL BUSINESS

WASHINGTON

May 24, 1920.

Charles C. Pierce,

Colonel, U.S. Army,

Chief, Cemeterial Division.

Necessary that you as soon as possible of late

state whether you desire body returned to United States and buried National Cemetery, shipped to you or remain in Europe. In this case no other than your wish is desired. Telegram signed by you

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Wire immediately. Government expense.

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Handwritten signature

FILE 13006

Adjustment made
2-201 VAG
Oct 9/20

WAR DEPARTMENT,
THE ADJUTANT GENERAL'S OFFICE,
WASHINGTON,

IN REPLY AG201 (Buffum, Arthur D.) WW
REFER TO

October 9, 1920.

From: The Adjutant General of the Army.

To: The Quartermaster General of the Army
Washington, D. C.

Subject: Date of death of Private Arthur D. Buffum.

1. Upon investigation, it has been ascertained that the date of death of the above man heretofore communicated to you, is erroneous, and that Private Arthur D. Buffum, #587,366, Battery D, 66th Artillery, C.A.C., died August 20, 1918 of fractured skull, accidentally incurred in fall from bicycle. ✓

2. For purposes of identification, you are advised that the records show that the deceased was enlisted Aug. 24, 1917, and the name of the person to be notified in case of emergency was given as: Hannah M. Fielding, (friend), 59 Merrick St., Pawtucket, R.I. ✓

By order of the Secretary of War:

P. C. Harris
The Adjutant General.
per *L. M. F. K.*

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OCT 10 1920
U. S. DEPARTMENT OF WAR
OFFICE OF THE ADJUTANT GENERAL
WASHINGTON, D. C.

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FILE 13008

WAR DEPARTMENT

THE ADJUTANT GENERAL'S OFFICE

WASHINGTON

OCTOBER 2, 1926



IN REPLY REFER TO
AGSOI (Butler, Arthur D.)

From: The Adjutant General of the Army

OCT-8 1926

To: The Quartermaster General of the Army
Washington, D. C.

Subject: Date of death of Private Arthur D. Butler.

1. Upon investigation, it has been ascertained that the date of death of the above man heretofore communicated to you is erroneous, and that Private Arthur D. Butler, 4503, 1st Battery D, 68th Artillery, C.A.C., died August 10, 1918, at Camp Taylor, Kentucky, and that he was accidentally injured in the line of duty.

2. For purposes of identification, you are advised that the records show that the deceased was enlisted and the name of the person to be notified in case of emergency given as: Hannah M. Keiser, (friend), 22 West 11th St., E.I.

By Order of the Secretary of War:



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The Adjutant General

FILE

File 13006
Hdqrs. Graves Registration Service,
Quartermaster Corps,
American Expeditionary Forces,

13006
December 18, 1918.

FROM: Chief, Graves Registration Service,
TO: Mrs. Hannah M. Fielding, 59 Merrick St., Pawtucket, R.I.
SUBJECT: Private Arthur D. Buffum, Battery D, 66th C.A.C.

I have your letter dated the 27th ult., in respect to the place of burial of the late soldier mentioned above, and beg to inform you that the regulations at present in force provide that the bodies of all American soldiers now buried in France will be returned to the United States when it is practicable. I regret that I am unable to furnish you with more definite information.

Your request for a photograph of the grave has been duly noted, and immediately the negative is received, copies will be forwarded to you through the "Bureau of Communication, American Red Cross National Headquarters, Washington," to whom any further correspondence regarding this photograph should be addressed.

Per direction

CHARLES C. PIERCE,
Lieut.-Colonel, O.M.C., A.E.F.

per

MAURICE B. DIX,
Captain, American Red Cross
Representative assigned to
Graves Registration Service.

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DEC 22 1918

Nov 29th 1918
Mrs Hannah M Fielding
59 Merrick St
Pawtucket R.I.


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Chief Graves Registration Service A & F

Dear Sir I write these few lines in answer
to your letter which we received on the
24th day of Nov concerning Arthur D Buffum
Battery D 66th C A & F we feel better satisfied now
we know where he is buried and that his
grave is under your care as we know
there will be no danger of loss or neglect
as if it is they remove their bodies we would
like to have his sent home for burial
as you see we looked to him as one of our
own boys as we took him in after his

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parents died he had lived with us nine
years we regret exceedingly to have lost
him as we were praying and hoping
for their safe return but when God
calls we can't shun as he offered his life
for the good of his country we would
be pleased to have a photograph
photograph of his grave at your
convenience if possible so this is all at
present remaining your ever sincere
friend Mrs Fielding.





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CODE SLIP

HEADING	SUB HEADING	NO. OF COLS	CODE
NAME	<i>Buffman, Arthur D. Brief</i>	3	2 17 6
BURIED	CEMETERY <i>34</i>	1	6
	GRAVE <i>19</i>	2	19
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	BLOCK <i>a</i>	1	1
STATE	<i>R.I.</i>	2	45-
RANK	<i>Priv</i>	1	2
DIVISION	<i>C.A.C.</i>	2	48
ORGANIZATION	<i>66</i>	3	066
ARM		1	X
MARITAL	<i>(Bro.) No</i>	1	2
NAME	<i>Buffum, Charles E.</i>	3	
RESIDENCE	<i>90 Weekapaug Inn. Weekapaug, R.I.</i>	STATE	2
		COUNTY	2
		CITY	3
RELATION	<i>fm Mother</i>	1	1
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WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

Buffman, Arthur D 34-B

July 7, 1930

Mr. Charles E. Buffum,
c/o Weekapaug Inn,
Weekapaug, Rhode Island

Dear Sir:

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

This office has no record of any person entitled under the Act mentioned to make a pilgrimage to the cemeteries in Europe as the mother or widow of the above named deceased service man. To complete the list of eligibles and to assure that, if the above named man is survived by a mother or widow entitled to make a pilgrimage she receive an invitation to do so, it is requested you answer the following questions in the space provided on this letter and return to this office in the enclosed envelope which requires no postage.

1. Is the deceased survived by a mother?

No

If so, give her name and address:

2. Is the deceased survived by a widow who has not remarried?

No

If so, give her name and address:

3. Is the deceased survived by any woman who stood in loco parentis to him according to the terms of Section 4 (a) of the enclosed Act as amended?

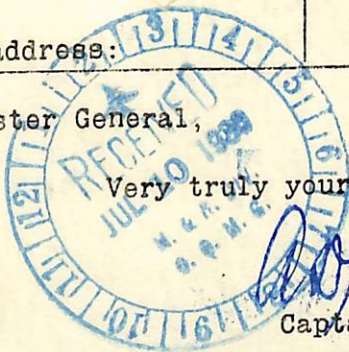
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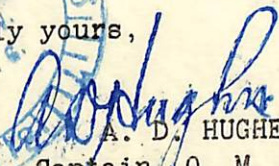
If so, give her name and address:

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

Enclosures:
Envelope
Act
Amendment




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

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WEEKAPPAUG, R. I.

F. C. BUFFUM

May 20, 1929

QM 293 A-C
Ware Department
Washington, D.C.

John T. Harris, Major:

Mr. Charles E. Buffum is employed
by me at the above address and has asked me
to write the following information for him:

Private Arthur D. Buffum
Battery D, 66th C.A. C.

had not married and his mother is dead.

Very truly yours,

George J. Grandi
Manager



293 Buffum
Arthur D

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C
Buffum, Arthur D.

May 6, 1929.

Mr. Charles E. Buffum,
42 Whitman Street,
Pawtucket, R. I.

Dear Sir:

Your attention is invited to the enclosed copy of an Act of Congress approved March 2, 1929, entitled an Act "To enable the mothers and widows of the deceased soldiers, sailors and marines of the American forces now interred in the cemeteries of Europe to make a pilgrimage to these cemeteries".

The records of this office show that you are the brother of the late Private Arthur D. Buffum, Battery D, 66th C.A.C., whose remains are now interred in the Suresnes American Cemetery, Suresnes, Seine, France.

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

Your attention is particularly invited to Section 4 of the enclosed Act, which defines the terms "mother" and "widow". If the relative is a stepmother, mother through adoption, or any woman who stood in loco parentis to the decedent, a statement as to her relationship is requested. If he was survived by a widow who has since remarried it is also requested that a statement to that effect be made.

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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WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

Buffum
IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

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

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
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