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G.R.S. Form #114-B

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FULL NAME ..... **BUMPAS, James** ✓

RANK ..... **Pvt.** ✓ SERIAL ..... **2130113** ✓

DIVISION & ORGANIZATION ..... **Co.D, 312th Labor Bn.** ✓ *not Dir.*

DATE OF DEATH ..... *Aug 1/18*

STATE FROM WHICH HE CAME ..... *Ark.*

MEDALS OR DECORATIONS AWARDED. ✓

FINAL GRAVE LOCATION..... **10** **4** **C**

Date Grave Row Block

**Suresnes, #34**

Cemetery

15 Received A. G. O. SEP 3 1924

23/306/ARK

REC'D WORLD WAR DIV  
SEP 3 24

*WR 17/18 (as)*  
**GRAVE LOCATION BLANK**

*Bumpas, 23*

LOCATION OF THE GRAVE OF

*Bumpas*  
*Roddy, 230115 James Charles*  
.....  
(Surname.) (Number.) (First Name and Initials.)

*D*  
*Private, Co. A, 312 Labor Bn.*  
.....  
(Rank.) (Organization.)

DATE OF BURIAL *August 3, 1918*

PLACE OF BURIAL.....

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

**American Expeditionary Forces**

**Cemetery #25, Talence, Bordeaux,**

**Section B.**

GRAVE NUMBER *90*

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?..... *Yes*

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

REPORTED BY:

*G. W. Everberg*

(Signature and Rank of Reporting Officer.)

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

*Bumpas 1 James*

Koddy, Chas

Honorably discharged 6/26/17

Pvt A 312 Serv Bn

(DO NOT SIGN IN DEPARTMENT)

# REPORT OF DISINTERMENT AND REBURIAL

Date Sept. 14, 1921.

1. REMAINS OF RODDY, Charles

*Bumpas James*

SERIAL NUMBER 2346557

*2130113*

RANK Pvt.

ORGANIZATION Co. A, 312th Labor Bn.

2. Disinterred (date):

Sept. 14, 1921.

From (give complete location):

Grave 90 Sect. B, Talence # 25.

By: Group

4

Unit

Sect. 7.

3. Reburied (date):

In (give complete location):

By: Group

Unit

Nature of reburial

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

**Badly decomposed. Features not recognizable.**

**Wooden box. Appears to have been buried in shroud.**

5. (a) Identification tags; Buried with body? Yes On grave marker? Yes (See 5(B))

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

**Body tag reads: Pvt. Charles Roddy, 2346557, Co. A, 312 Labor Bn. Body found in grave 90, Sect. B, under the cross of Bumpas, James 2130113, Pvt. Co. D, 312th Labor Bn. Grave 90, Sect. B, Cross tag reads: James Bumpas, Pvt. Co. --- 312th Labor Co. Q.M.C.**

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

(a) Height (actual measurement) Indiscernable

(b) Weight (estimated) due to decomposition.

(c) Hair—Color None visible.

Quantity None.

Characteristics None.

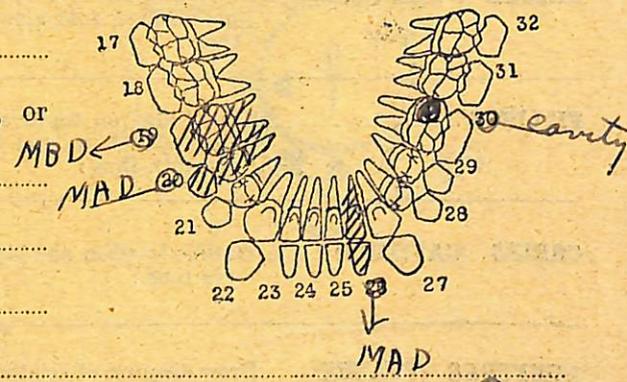
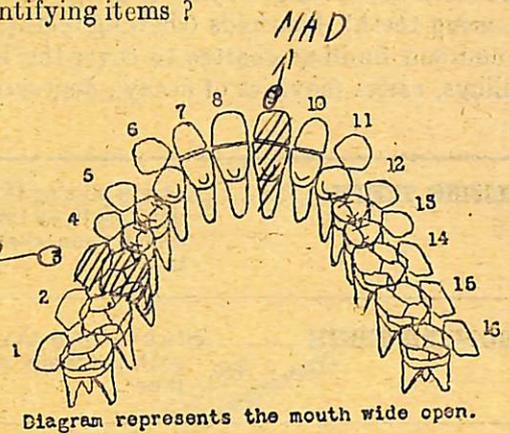
(d) Hair on face—Color None appearing.

Location None.

Quantity None.

(e) Permanent marks on body (old scars, peculiarities, or missing parts) Indiscernable due to decomposition.

(f) Wounds or missing parts (received at time of casualty) None.



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F.C. Stark, Checker.

7. Disinterment supervised by

FRANK L. KAELIN, Sup.Emb.

Approved:

*O.E. Davis*

(Title)

O.E. DAVIS,  
1st Lt. Q.M.C.

8. Reburial supervised by

Approved:

(Title)

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## 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), bicuspid (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 :



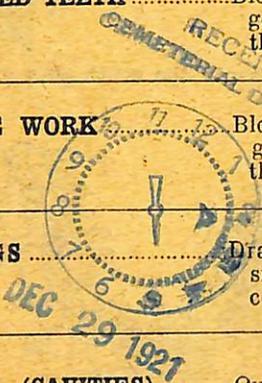
**CARIES (CAVITIES)**.....Outline location and size of cavity, shade in thus :



**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.



WAR DEPARTMENT,  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL OF THE ARMY,  
WASHINGTON.

10/3/22

Case of;  
File 13942  
BUMPAS, 2130113 James  
Pvt. Co D, 312 Labor Bn.

Subject: Correct spelling.

Ref. letter from Europe, June 24, 1922, parag. 4.  
The records of the Adj. Gen. Office show the correct spelling to

be:

BUMPAS, 2130113 James, Pvt. Co D, 312th Lab. Bn.  
Date of Death- August 1st, 1918.

Investigator  
B. Wilbourn.

*B. Wilbourn*

*James  
10/5/22*

WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE ADJUTANT GENERAL  
WASHINGTON  
LIST OF GRS FILES

NAME.

FILE NUMBER.

PERLUTSKIE, 58032 S

10/3/52

Case of:  
File 13942  
RUMBAS, JAMES  
Pvt. Co D, 312 Lab. Bn.

Subject: Correct spelling.

Ref. letter from Europe, June 24, 1952, para. 4.  
The records of the Adj. Gen. Office show the correct spelling to

RUMBAS, JAMES  
Pvt. Co D, 312 Lab. Bn.  
Date of Death - August 1, 1918.

Investigator  
B. Wilbourn

*[Handwritten signature]*  
10/3/52

In reply refer to:  
293.8 C-R #13942

Oct. 9, 1922.

*File*

SUBJECT: Correct spelling of name.

TO: Chief, American Graves Registration Service,  
Q.M.C. in Europe.

1. With reference to paragraph 4 of your letter dated June 24th 1922, File No. 293.8 Reports Cty. 25, you are advised that the records of The Adjutant General of the Army, show the correct spelling to be:

"Bumpas, #2130113, James Pvt. Co. D, 312th  
Labor Battalion, Date of death - August  
1st 1918."

By order of the Quartermaster General.

H. J. CONNER,  
Assistant.

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MAILED

OCT -9 1922

G.R.S.

HEADQUARTERS  
AMERICAN GRAVES REGISTRATION SERVICE, Q.M.C., IN EUROPE  
8, AVENUE D'IENA  
OFFICE OF THE CHIEF OF THE SERVICE.

*HW*  
HW.NWA

File No. *293.8 Reports Cty 25*

PARIS, France.  
June 24th 1922.

SUBJECT: G.R.S. Forms.  
TO: The Quartermaster General, Munitions  
Building, Washington, D.C.

1. Attached herewith are G.R.S. Forms 1-A, 114-A, 16-A and 114-B covering all bodies exhumed from American Cemetery #25, TALENCE (Gironde) and permanently concentrated into Suresnes American Cemetery #34, Suresnes (Seine).

2. By letter, March 16, 1922, your office was advised of the evacuation of American Cemetery #25, Talence (Gironde). This Cemetery was evacuated September 17th 1921 and Clearance Certificate obtained from the Mayor, September 28th 1921.

3. Reference paragraph 5, above mentioned letter, remains reported as those of Private Charles RODDY, 2346557, Co. A., 312th Labor Battalion, have been identified by your office as:

BUMPAS, James, 2130113, Pvt.Co.D., 312th Labor Bn.  
Date of Death: August 1st 1918,

G.R.S. Forms covering concentration of above mentioned soldier are forwarded herewith.

4. The Quartermaster General, while on his Inspection Trip in Europe, directed that designation pertaining to bodies to remain in Europe, be checked against the records of your Office and those of the Office of the Adjutant General. It is, therefore, requested that the foregoing be checked as to correct spelling of name, correct serial number, rank, organization and date of death, and this Office advised at the earliest practicable date of all discrepancies found thereon.

5. The remains of UNKNOWN AMERICAN SOLDIER, mentioned in paragraph 5, above mentioned letter, have been identified as:

FLETCHER, Newman, 98254, Pvt. Co. L., 167th Inf.  
Date of Death: July 31st 1918,

and shipped to the United States.

FOR THE CHIEF OF THE SERVICE:

*R. P. Harbold*  
R. P. HARBOLD,  
Assistant.

529 Encls.  
(1 of 14 sheets)



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WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL OF THE ARMY

WASHINGTON September 21, 1922. *file*

FILE: 293.8 C-R #13942

SUBJECT: Permanent Grave Location of Pvt. James Bumpas,  
Co. D, 312th Labor Bn.

TO: Mrs. Clara Bell Bumpas, De Queen, Ark.

1. The permanent grave of this soldier is No. 10 Row 4,  
Block C, Suresnes American Cemetery at 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 main-  
tained by this Government in a manner befitting the last resting  
place of our heroes.

For the Quartermaster General:

GEORGE H. PENROSE,  
Assistant.

MAILED  
SEP 21 1922  
G.R.S.

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HCK

DATE 6/14/22

1. NAME Bumpas, James SERIAL No. 2130113

RANK Pvt ORGANIZATION Co.D.312th Labor Bn

GRAVE LOCATION Talence (Gironde) CTY. NAME 25 NUMBER

90 - Sec B  
GRAVE ROW PLOT

2. ORIGINAL GRAVE LOCATION

The records of this office have shown the body of Pvt. James Bumpas, 2130113, Co. D 312th Labor Bn in Gr. 90, Section B, Cemetery 25, Talence (Gironde). In two letters dated September 21, 1921, from the Commanding Officer, Field Section #7 to Chief, A.G.R.S., Q.M.C. in E., Paris (Attention Board of Review) it is stated that in the grave under the cross of Pvt. Bumpas was found the body of Pvt. Chas. Roddy, 2346557, Co. A 312th Labor Bn., and that the body of Pvt. Bumpas was not found.

DEPT.

PLOT

*Chas. Roddy discharged Camp Sherman 6/26/19  
Bumpas identified by I and A.*

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 6/14/22 10 C 4  
DATE GRAVE ROW Block PLOT

Sur-esnes American Cty # 34 Sur-esnes Seine CEMETERY

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*8/28/22  
N.G.D.*

DATE 6/14/22

1. NAME Bumpas, James SERIAL No. 2130116

RANK Pvt ORGANIZATION Co.D.312th Labor Bn

GRAVE LOCATION Talence (Gironde) CTY. NAME 25 NUMBER

90 - Sec.B  
GRAVE ROW PLOT

ORIGINAL BATTLE AREA GRAVE LOCATION GRAVE COMMUNE DEPT.

ORDINATES

CONCENTRATED TO 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.

SUBSEQUENT REBURIALS DATE GRAVE ROW PLOT CEMETERY

DATE GRAVE ROW PLOT CEMETERY

SIGNATURE, AREA SUPERVISOR W. R. NICHOLS Major, C. A. C.

3. FINAL GRAVE LOCATION 6/14/22 10 C 4  
DATE GRAVE ROW Block PLOT

Sur-esnes American Cty # 34 Sur-esnes Seine CEMETERY

8/28/22  
M.G.D.  
FR

## 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.

Place Talence 25

# REPORT OF DISINTERMENT AND REBURIAL

Date Sept 14, 1921.

1. REMAINS OF BUMPAS, James SERIAL NUMBER 2130113

RANK Pvt ORGANIZATION Co. D, 312th Labor Bn

2. Disinterred (date): Sept. 14, 1921 From (give complete location): Grave 90 Sec B Talence # 25

By: Group 4 Unit 7

3. Reburied (date): June 14, 1922. In (give complete location): Grave 10, Row 4, Block C, Cty 34, Suresmes.

By: Group special Unit \_\_\_\_\_ Nature of reburial \_\_\_\_\_

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

Badly decomposed. Features not recognizable

Wooden box. Appears to have been buried in Shroud

5. (a) Identification tags: Buried with body? Yes On grave marker? Yes (see 5b) (B.)

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

Body tag reads. Pvt Charles Roddy 2346557. Co. A. 312th Labor Bn. Body found in Grave 90 Sec B. under the cross of Bumpas, James 2130113. Pvt Co D. 312th Labor Bn. Grave 90. Sec B Cross tag reads James Bumpas, Pvt Co --- 312th Labor Co. OMC.

*Roddy discharged 6/26/19 P. a. G. M. J. D.*

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

(a) Height (actual measurement) Indiscernable

(b) Weight (estimated) Due to decomposition

(c) Hair—Color None visible

Quantity None

Characteristics None

(d) Hair on face—Color None appearing

Location None

Quantity None

(e) Permanent marks on body (old scars, peculiarities,

or missing parts) Indiscernable due to

decomposition

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

None

F.C. Stark checker

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7. Disinterment supervised by Frank. L. KAELIN Approved: O. E. Davis. 1st Lt OMC

Sup. Emb

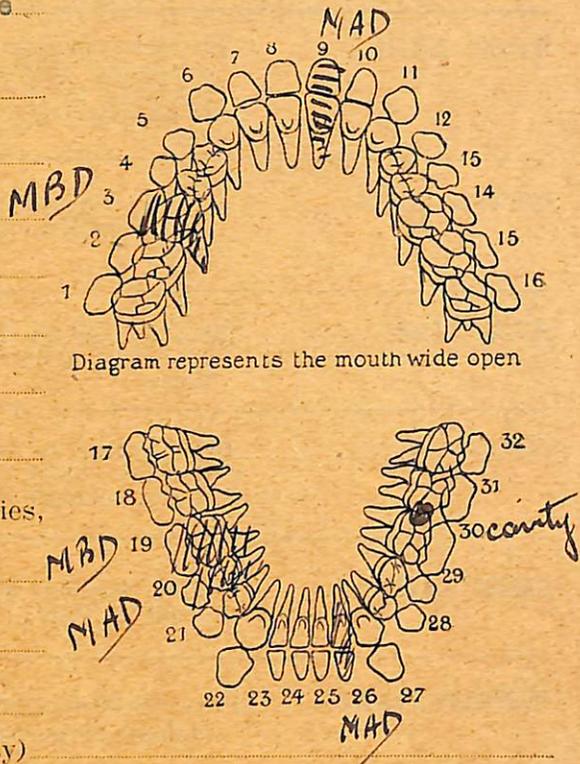
(Title)

8. Re-burial supervised by [Signature] Approved: [Signature]

R. RICHARDS, 1st. Lieut. OMC.

(Title)

R. P. HARBOLD, Major. OMC.,



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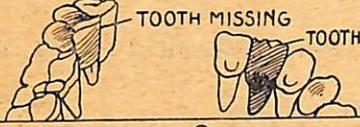
3. Give date and accurate information as to location of reburial and the group and unit which made reburial, and how reburial was made—in casket, wooden box, etc.

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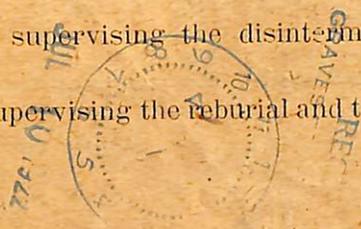
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<b>MISSING TEETH</b>	All teeth missing through previous extraction (not those fractured or displaced by recent wounds) should be scratched out, thus :	
<b>CROWNED TEETH</b>	Block in solid the crown of tooth (label gold, porcelain, or gold and porcelain),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

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

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



To be prepared in triplicate.

DATE Sept. 14, 1921.

REPORT OF DISINTERMENT, PREPARATION, SHIPMENT AND REBURIAL OF BODY

DISINTERMENT COMPARATIVE REPORT

jw.

Records of G.R.S. Headquarters.

Discrepancy found upon exhumation of body

- 1. Name BUMPAS, James
- 2. No. 2130113
- 3. Rank Pvt.
- 4. Org. Co.D, 312th Labor Bn.
- 5. D.D. Aug. 1st 1918
- 6. C.D. Disease
- 10. Name \_\_\_\_\_
- 11. No. \_\_\_\_\_
- 12. Rank \_\_\_\_\_
- 13. Org. \_\_\_\_\_
- 14. (a) D.D. \_\_\_\_\_
- (b) D.B. \_\_\_\_\_

Discrepancy found upon disinterment

- 7. Grave No. 90 Sec. B
- 8. Plot \_\_\_\_\_ Row \_\_\_\_\_
- 9. \_\_\_\_\_
- 15. Grave No. \_\_\_\_\_ Sec. \_\_\_\_\_
- 16. Plot \_\_\_\_\_ Row \_\_\_\_\_
- 17. \_\_\_\_\_

- 18. Cemetery American
- 19. Commune or town Talence
- 20. Dept. or County Gironde
- 21. Country France
- 22. G.R.S. Hdqrs. Code No. # 25

23. Disinterred (Date) Sept/14, 1921 By Frank L. Kaelin, Sup.Emb.

24. Inscription on grave marker:

Name BUMPAS, James Serial No. 2130113  
 Rank Pvt. Organization Co.D, 312th Labor Bn.

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

Signature Junior Technical Assistant

PREPARATION

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

Body tag reads: Pvt. Charles Roddy, 2346557, Co.A, 312th Labor Bn. Body found in Grave 90, Sec.B, under the cross of Bumpas, James, 2130113, Pvt. Co.D, 312th Labor Bn. Grave 90, Sec.B, Cross tag reads: James Bumpas, Pvt. Co. --- 312th Labor Co. Q.M.C.

27. Condition of body Badly decomposed, features not recognizable.

28. Nature of burial Wooden box. Appears to have been buried in shroud.

29. Any discrepancy noted upon examination of body, as compared with G.R.S. records quoted above?

30. Body prepared and placed in casket: Date Sept/ 14, 1921 By Frank L. Kaelin, Sup.Emb.

31. Casket sealed by Frank L. Kaelin, Sup.Emb.

Signature of Embalmer, (Supervisor) Frank L. Kaelin, Sup.Emb.

SHIPMENT. (Show actual marking of box.) Box No. C-32042

32. Designation of body:

Name James BUMPAS Serial No. 2130113

Rank Pvt. Organization Co. D, 312th Labor Bn.

33. Consigned to:

Name of Permanent Cemetery Suresnes American Cty #34, Suresnes, Seine

34. Casket boxed and marked (Date) Sept. 14, 1921 By Frank L. Kaelin, Sup. Emb.

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

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

36. Remarks

37. Shipped from point of Operation: (Date)

To point of Concentration

(Name

Convoyer Arthur De Wasch Signature Shipping Officer E.P. DOYLE, Capt. Q.M.C.

38. Received at Railhead or Point of Concentration: Date Paris Morgue, Oct. 17, 1921

By G.R.S. Representative E.P. Doyle E.P. DOYLE, Capt. Q.M.C. ✓

39. Shipped from Railhead or Point of Concentration: Date Paris Morgue, June 14, 1922.

To Permanent Cemetery SURESNES Amer. Cty. No. 34, Suresnes, Seine

(Name

Convoyer Arthur De Wasch Signature Shipping Officer E.P. DOYLE, Capt. Q.M.C.

40. Received: Date June 14, 1922.

G.R.S. Representative R. Richards 1st Lieut. Q.M.C.

41. Reinterred June 14, 1922.

(Date

42. Grave No. 10 Section

43. Plot Block C Row 4. Cty 34, Suresnes.

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

Certified a true copy of exhumation data taken from G.R.S. Form #16-A, in the case of Pvt. Charles RODDY, 2346557, Pvt. Co. A, 312th Labor Bn.

R. Richards  
R. RICHARDS,  
1st Lt., Q.M.C.

COMPILATION N/R REQUESTS

I. DATA COMPILATION

A. Location Index Card:-

(1) Name BUMPAS, James Ser. No. 2130113

TYP. EML

(2) Rank Pvt. Organization Co. D. 312th Labor Bn.

CKR. JDB

(3) Date of death 8-1-18

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

(4) Cause of death Lobar Pneumonia TYP. EML

(5) Grave No. 90 Row --- Plot --- Sect. B CKR. JS

II. FILES EXAMINATION

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

B. A. G. O. DISPOSITION CARD Date of receipt \_\_\_\_\_

(6) Relationship no card in file - E. S. 4-24-20

(7) Name \_\_\_\_\_

(8) Address \_\_\_\_\_

(9) Desires remains brought to U. S.? \_\_\_\_\_

(10) Desires remains brought to U. S. and interred in National Cemetery at \_\_\_\_\_

(11) If brought back, what shipping instructions? \_\_\_\_\_

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

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

(13) A. G. O. Files EXAMINED by EWE (Date) 4-26-20

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

No request for disposition

(15) G. R. S. Files EXAMINED by MAS (Date) 4-26-20

III. FINAL ACTION

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

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

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

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

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

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

C. SUSPENSION REMARKS:

*Form 120 7/11/20, Mrs. Calara Bell Bumpers (widow)  
De Queen, Ark, requests that body remain in  
France.*

*R.L. 7/31/20*

**MAY 7**

D. Dispatched (Date) ..... (Let. Trans. No. ....)

*Par. #2 Not to be returned*

Approved by .....

(Date) .....

*E/A - Mrs. Clara Bell Bumpers (wife)  
De Queen, Ark.*

*Investigation made by this office and grave  
location shown on our records is correct. <sup>met</sup> 5/10/20*



Name *James Rumba*

Rank *Priv* Co. *A* Corps  
Regt. *3/2 Labor*

Date of Death *Aug 1 - 1918*

Place .....

Cause .....

Date of Burial *Aug 3 - 1918*

Grave No. *90 Section B*

Cemetery *A, E, 7, 25*

Identified by { Tag  
Papers  
Clothing } *Headboard*

List of Effects .....

Field Record Made by *Sgt E. E. Morris*

*H*  
Company....., Graves Registration Service

WAR DEPARTMENT 25-61  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL OF THE ARMY  
GRAVES REGISTRATION SERVICE  
WASHINGTON

MAY 4 1920

*mjc*

FROM: Chief, Graves Registration Service, Q.M.G.  
TO: Mrs. Clara Bell Bumpas, De Queen, Ark.  
SUBJECT: Remains of Pvt. James Bumpas

*Rush Answer*

*Remain in France*

The records of this office show that you have ~~requested that this~~  
~~body be~~ Not expressed your desires .

*(Instructions given on opposite side of this sheet)*

*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.

JW

NAME OF	NO. & STREET	TOWN	STATE
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Soldier's Widow

*Mrs. Clara Bell Bumpas De Queen Arkansas*

Soldier's Children 1.  
(Name oldest first) 2.  
3.

*He had no children.*

Father

*Newt Bumpas - His father is dead*

Mother

*Net Bumpas His mother is dead.*

Brothers

(Name oldest first) 1. *George Bumpas - address unknown*  
2.

Sisters

*Mary Bumpas - address unknown*

Date

*7/17/20*

Signature

*Mrs. Clara Bell Bumpas*

Address

*De Queen, Ark.*

Relationship

*Wife, widow*

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

(OVER)

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

St Louis, Arkansas, July 17, 1920.

I, am the widow of Pvt. James Beumpas,  
the Soldier mentioned on the other side of this  
sheet and it is my desire that his body be  
permitted to remain in France.

Mrs Clara Bell Beumpas

Subscribed and sworn to before me this  
the 17<sup>th</sup> day of July, 1920.

W. H. S.  
Notary Public.

My Commission expires Dec. 31, 1921



JUL 20 1920  
G. H. S.

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 names 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.

HEADQUARTER  
AMERICAN GRAVES REGISTRATION SERVICE, Q.M.C., IN EUROPE  
8, AVENUE D'ENNA  
OFFICE OF THE CHIEF OF THE SERVICE.

*HW*  
HW/mn.

File No. *334. Cty 25*

PARIS, France.  
June 26th. 1922.

~~TO:~~ SUBJECT: Identification Tag.

~~TO:~~ The Quartermaster General, Munitions Building,  
WASHINGTON, D. C.

1. Attached herewith is Identification Tag inscribed :

RODDY, #2346557, Charles, Pvt. Co.A.  
312th. Labor Bn.

removed from the body of :

BUMPAS, #2130113, James, Pvt. Co.D.  
312th. Labor Bn.

exhumed from Cemetery #25, TALENCE, (Gironde). This tag is for-  
warded you for whatever disposition you may deem advisable.

For the Chief of the Service :

*R. P. Harbold*

R. P. HARBOLD,  
Assistant.

*CO*  
JUL 10 1922  
1 Incl.  
M. & H. STANBACH  
Q. Q. M. C.

*13942 Bumpas James 13942*

*Roddy Charles  
June 26/19*

*No. Incl. read in S. P. S.  
L & L*

CROSS REFERENCE

*Roddy Charles  
Alb file*

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GRAVES REGISTRATION SER.



JUL 11 1922

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*Investigation*

WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL OF THE ARMY  
WASHINGTON

Date *1-7-22*

File No. *13942* Registration.

From: The Quartermaster General, U. S. Army (Cemeterial Division).

To: The Adjutant General of the Army, Sixth and B Streets NW., Washington, D. C.

Subject: Information required for G. R. S.

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

- a. Surname. *Bumpas* f. Date of death. *8-1-18* *OK*
- b. Christian name. *James* *OK* g. Cause of death. *Lobar pneumonia*
- c. Serial number. *2130113* *OK* h. Authority (C. C. No.) *241* *OK*
- d. Organization. *GD - 312* *OK* i. Emergency address. *Clara Bell Bumpas*  
*De Queen, Ark.*
- e. Rank. *Priv.* *OK* j. Relationship. *Wife*

BODY DESCRIPTION.

(See page 2 of the Service Record.)

- a. Age at enlistment. *"22 and ?"*
- b. Color of eyes. *Blue*
- c. Color of hair. *Black*
- d. Height. *5'5"*
- e. Weight. *137*
- f. Permanent marks and physical defects at enlistment. (Old fractures or breaks.) *none*

DENTAL CHARTS.

(See physical report of examination prior to enlistment.)

a. Strike out teeth missing:

8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Upper right.								Upper left.							

8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Lower right.								Lower left.							

REC'D MAIL SECTION  
Archives Branch, A. G. O.  
2 JAN 10 1922

By

H. L. ROGERS,  
Quartermaster General, U. S. A.,

*H. J. Conner*  
H. J. CONNER,  
Captain, Q. M. C.

Rec'd World War Division

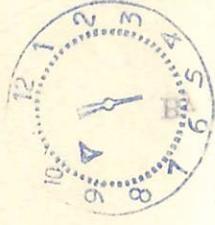
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*W.S.M.*  
1-10-22

*Conner*

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JAN 12 1922

Captain G. H. C.  
 H. T. COXLEE

Quartermaster General U. S. A.  
 H. F. BOGERS

*[Handwritten signature]*

presence of scars?  
 defects of equipment (OH)  
 1. Permanent marks and blemishes  
 2. Weight: 130  
 3. Height: 5, 2  
 4. Color of hair: brown  
 5. Color of eyes: brown  
 6. Age at enlistment: 22

(see page 2 of the service record)

**BODY DESCRIPTION**

7. Rank: *Private*  
 8. Organization: *Co B - 81st*  
 9. Serial number: *2120113*  
 10. Christian name: *James*  
 11. Surname: *Wagner*

12. Fingers left: 8 1 2 3 4 5 1  
 13. Fingers right: 8 1 2 3 4 5 1

14. Strike out teeth missing:

(see physical report of examination prior to enlistment)

**DETAILED SERVICE**

15. Relationship: *None*  
 16. Birth date: *1-1-85*  
 17. Authority (C. S. No.): *140*  
 18. Cause of death: *None*  
 19. Date of death: *2-1-22*

If it is requested that the items checked below be completed. Request confirmation of all information

Subject: Information required for G. R. S.

To: The Adjutant General of the Army, Sixth and B Streets NW, Washington, D. C.

From: The Quartermaster General, U. S. Army (Communications Division)

File No: 12875 Registration

Date: 1-1-22

WASHINGTON  
 OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL OF THE ARMY  
 WAR DEPARTMENT

*[Handwritten signature]*

FILE UNDER NO. 13942, Bumpas, James

## INDEX SHEET

### SYNOPSIS

See Board of Review letter dated 12/12/21 and reply thereto. The letter referred to above and the Board of Review Proceedings dated 12/6/21, which are held in this Department pending completion of their cases, will be filed in File #300.4, Board of Review, Cty. 608. Also see Board of Review Letter dated 12/15/21 which will be filed in File #300.4, Board of Review, Cty. #25.

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INSTRUCTIONS.—Under "Synopsis" make brief entry showing date of communication and from whom received and synopsis sufficient to identify the papers. When these index sheets become numerous under a subject they will be entered on the consolidated index sheet and then destroyed.

3-6642

(Sur)

Bumpas, James (Negro) XC 35 270 Pvt. Co. D, 312th Lab. Bn. Ark.

Date of mother's death

SM?

Loco?

Widow remarried

RS

*no record*

*Clara Beel Johnson*  
*2405 Uvalde st*

*Dallas - Texas*

CODE SLIP



HEADING	SUB-HEADING	NO. OF COLS	CODE
NAME	Bumpas, James	3	2 17 3
BURIED	CEMETERY	34	6
	GRAVE	10	10
	ROW	4	04
	BLOCK	C	3
STATE	Ark	2	03
RANK	Inf.	1	2
DIVISION	Inf	2	57
ORGANIZATION	312	3	312
AFM	Lab. Bn	1	1
MARITAL	(Rem. W.) Remarried	1	3
NAME	Johnson, Mrs.	3	
RESIDENCE	Clara Bell	2	
	2405 Ovalde St	2	
	Dallas, Texas	3	
RELATION	Mother	1	1
OTHER		1	
ELIGIBILITY	Head	1	6
NATIVITY		1	
RACE	Black	1	2
ENGLISH		1	
ATTENDANT		1	
HEALTH		1	
NO. OF SONS		1	
DATE OF TRIP	MO.	1	
ACCEPTANCE	YR.	1	
29/514		1	

W. D. T. O.  
W. D. S. M.

AUDITED

SEP 22 1932

RS

Qm 298 AM

Bumpas James

P 634

February 18, 1931

The Quartermaster General

This is to advise General

about the Late Private

James Bumpas is survived  
by his natural mother

he is not

his mother died when

he was a Little Boy

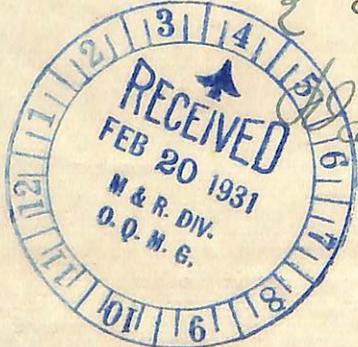
i am the only one i know  
of to him his widow

Clara Bell Bumpas Johnson

from Clara Bell Johnson

2628 1/2 Louise street,

Dallas, Texas,



February 14, 1951

QM 293 A-M  
Bumpas, James Pvt 34

Mrs. Clara Bell Johnson,  
2528 $\frac{1}{2}$  Louise Street,  
Dallas, Texas.

Dear Madam:

In order that the records of this office may be complete and correct, it is requested that you advise whether or not the late Private James Bumpas is survived by his natural mother, and if so, her name and address.

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

For The Quartermaster General.

Very truly yours,

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

Enclosure:  
Envelope.  
RE

Burjas 35-270

(mother left Hank in farm  
& scratched them)

34

Pen w  
Mrs Clara Beel Johnson

= 252 8 1/2 Louise st  
Dallas Texas

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AWARDS DIVISION

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WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

Bumpas, James 34-RW

Mrs. Clara Bumpas Johnson,  
General Delivery, 2528 1/2  
Dallas, Texas

July 7, 1930

*XC 35-270  
no rec of mother  
Louise at file  
not 2/2/31*

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.

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?

If so, give her name and address:

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

If so, give her name and address:

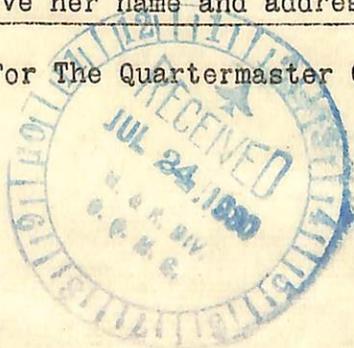
3. Is the deceased survived by any woman who stood in loco parentis to him according to the terms of Section 4 (a) of the enclosed Act as amended?

If so, give her name and address:

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

Enclosures:  
Envelope  
Act  
Amendment



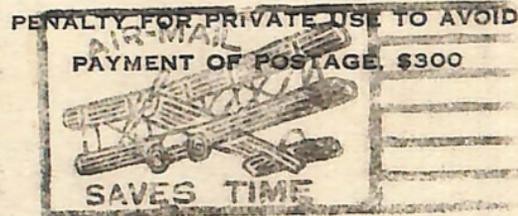
*A. D. Hughes*  
A. D. HUGHES,  
Captain, Q. M. Corps,  
Assistant.

WAR DEPARTMENT

OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL

WASHINGTON D. C.

OFFICIAL BUSINESS



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ADDRESS  
FROM DALLAS TEX

NOTIFY YOUR  
CORRESPONDENT  
OF  
CHANGE OF ADDRESS



NOTIFY YOUR  
CORRESPONDENT  
OF  
CHANGE OF ADDRESS



YOUR  
NAME

ADDRESS

DALLAS, TX  
OCT 10  
11:11  
GEN. DEL.

YOUR  
NAME

ADDRESS

WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

DATE 2/8/30

NAME	RANK	SERIAL	ORGANIZATION	DATE OF DEATH
BUMPAS, James	Pvt.	2130113	Co. D 312th Lab. BN	Aug. 1/18

STATE	CTY. NO.	GRAVE	ROW	BLOCK
Arkansas	34	10	4	C

	<u>Check relationship</u>		<u>Living - Deceased</u>	
	MOTHER	:	:	<i>no record</i>
	STEPMOTHER (For the year prior to commencement of service)	:	:	<i>8-35-270</i>
		:	:	<i>2/13</i>
NAME	MOTHER THRU ADOPTION (For the year prior to commencement of service)	:	:	<i>Re. m. wife W</i>
AND		:	:	<i>Clara Bumpas Johnson</i>
ADDRESS		:	:	<i>Gen. Del.</i>
	MOTHER IN LOCO PARENTIS (For the year prior to commencement of service)	:	:	<i>2528 1/2 Davis Dallas Texas.</i>
		:	:	_____
	WIDOW (Who has not remarried)	:	:	_____
		:	:	_____
	<i>Married man</i>	:	:	

Veterans Bureau Claim Number \_\_\_\_\_  
29/156

WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

Bumpas, James

Aug. 2, 1929.

Mrs. Clara Bumpas Johnson,  
Gen. Del. Dallas, Tex.

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 James Bumpas, Co. D, 312th Labor Bn., whose remains are now interred in the Suresnes American Cemetery, Suresnes, Seine, 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.

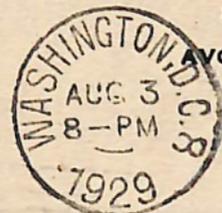
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**WAR DEPARTMENT**

**OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL**

**WASHINGTON, D. C.**

**OFFICIAL BUSINESS**



**PENALTY FOR PRIVATE USE TO**

**VOID PAYMENT OF POSTAGE \$300**

**CITIZENS  
MILITARY  
TRAINING  
-CAMPS-**

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DALLAS, TEX.

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WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C  
Bumpas, James

May 6, 1929.

XC 35 270

Mrs. Clara Bell Bumpas, Widow:  
De Queen,  
Arkansas.

Clara Bumpas Johnson  
Gen Del. Dallas, Tex.

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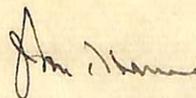
Will you please advise this office whether or not he is survived by a mother who is entitled under the provisions of the above quoted Act, to make the pilgrimage, and if so, will you please furnish her full name and address in order that action may be taken to extend an invitation to her to make the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

2 incls.  
Act of Congress.  
Envelope.



February 14, 1931

QM 293 A-M  
Bumpas, James Pvt 34

Mrs. Clara Bell Johnson,  
2528 $\frac{1}{2}$  Louise Street,  
Dallas, Texas.

Dear Madam:

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For The Quartermaster General.

Very truly yours,

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

Enclosures  
Envelopes.  
RE

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M 2 10

U.S. M. G. M. 2 DIV.  
1931 FEB 14 2 10 PM '31

WAR DEPARTMENT

OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL

WASHINGTON, D. C.

OFFICIAL BUSINESS

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WASHINGTON, D. C.  
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Mrs. Clara Bell Bumpas,  
De Queen,  
Arkansas.

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

MILITARY TRAINING - CAMPS -

*Handwritten signature*

DE QUE A ARK  
MAY 21  
4-PM  
1919



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WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

Bumpas, James 34-RW

July 7, 1930

Mrs. Clara Bumpas Johnson,  
General Delivery,  
Dallas, Texas

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1. Is the deceased survived by a mother?

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

WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

**Bumpas, James**

**Aug. 2, 1929.**

**Mrs. Clara Bumpas Johnson,  
Gen. Del. Dallas, Tex.**

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Write answers in space below:

- |   |  |
|---|--|
| 1. Have you remarried since the death of the above named veteran? |  |
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| 3. Is the deceased survived by a mother?                          |  |
| 4. If so, give her name and complete address.                     |  |

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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Act of Congress  
Envelope

**JOHN T. HARRIS,**  
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WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

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IN REPLY REFER TO  
~~Bumpas, James~~

May 6, 1929.

Mrs. Clara Bell Bumpas,  
De Queen,  
Arkansas.

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 James Bumpas, Company D, 312th Labor Battalion, 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 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.

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