

REPORT OF DISINTERMENT AND REBURIAL

Place Toul Met M.
Date Mar 30 1921

1. REMAINS OF Charles L. Burke SERIAL NUMBER 1099961
RANK Sergeant ORGANIZATION Co. G 55th Inf.

2. Disinterred (date): Mar 30 1921 From (give complete location): Grave 1137. Pt. D Row 9 Cem 91
By: Group 1 Unit Sect 9

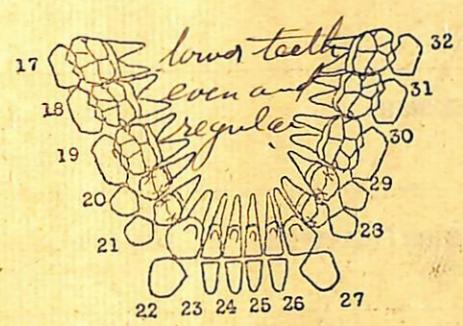
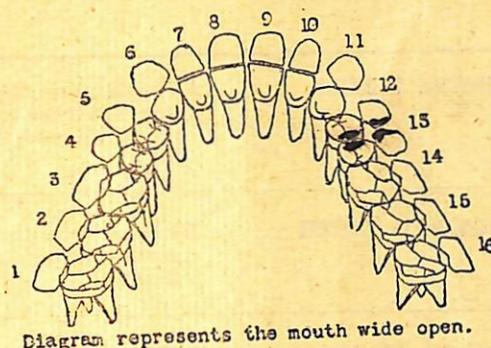
3. Reburied (date): Mar 30 1921 In (give complete location): Gr. 1137 Pt. D Row 9. Cem 91.
By: Group 1 Unit Sect 9
Nature of reburial: In burlap in pine box, bottle record placed with body.

4. Report as to nature of original burial and condition of body upon disinterment: In uniform in wooden box. Body badly decomposed. recognition impossible

5. (a) Identification tags: Buried with body? Yes On grave marker? Yes
(b) Other means of identification found upon disinterment, and general remarks: No effects found.

6. What does examination of body show as regards the following identifying items? 12. 13. Sil filling

- (a) Height (actual measurement) Impossible to determine
- (b) Weight (estimated) do
- (c) Hair—Color do
Quantity do
Characteristics do
- (d) Hair on face—Color do
Location do
Quantity do
- (e) Permanent marks on body (old scars, peculiarities, or missing parts) do



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

7. Disinterment supervised by H. Shaler Approved: _____
1st Lt. FA. (Title)

8. Reburial supervised by _____ Approved: _____
(Title)

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

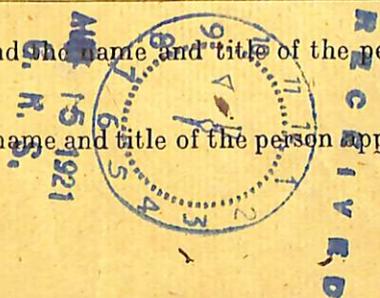
Enter information, as noted below, on reverse side of sheet in the *corresponding numbered space*. This form is supplemental to and is to be forwarded with G. R. S. Form 1-a, reporting reburial locations. To be used in answer to Question 26, Form 114, in case no means of identification on body.

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), 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.



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G.R.S. Form #114-B

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1. NAME BURKE, Charles L. DATE _____
 SERIAL No. 1099961
 RANK Cook ORGANIZATION Co. G 55th Inf.
 DIVISION 7th
 GRAVE LOCATION Amer. Cty., Toul, Met-M CTY. NAME 91 NUMBER
 GRAVE 1137 ROW 9 PLOT D

2. ORIGINAL BATTLE AREA GRAVE LOCATION 1137 Toul (M et M)
 GRAVE COMMUNE DEPT.

COORDINATES 69 NE 361.4 E 209.15 N

CONCENTRATED TO Hospital Burial 1137 9 D
 DATE GRAVE ROW PLOT
Toul (M et M) 91
 CEMETERY CTY. NUMBER

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

Tag on body and cross.

DATE OF DEATH Jan 2, 1919
 STATE FROM WHICH HE CAME Missouri
 AWARDS OR DECORATIONS AWARDED none

Data Form 1-A
 SUBSEQUENT REBURIALS
 DATE GRAVE ROW PLOT CEMETERY
 DATE GRAVE ROW PLOT CEMETERY

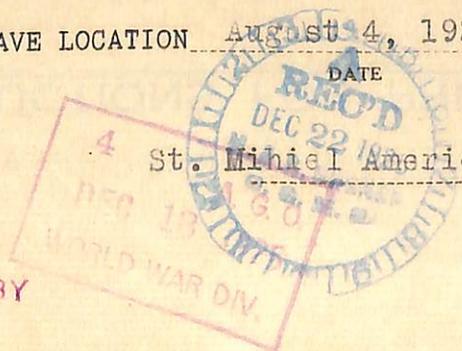
SIGNATURE, AREA SUPERVISOR L.H. JOFFEE, 1st Lt. MC.

3. FINAL GRAVE LOCATION August 4, 1922, 15 11 Block D
 DATE GRAVE ROW PLOT

St. Michel American Cty. #1233, Thiaucourt, M et M.
 CEMETERY

Robert O. Davis,
 Major General
 The Adjutant General

AUDITED BY



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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 16, 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.

LOCO PARENTIS

CODE SLIP



H E A D I N G	S U B- H E A D I N G	N O . O F C O L S	C O D E
NAME <i>Burke</i>	<i>BUR</i>	3	<i>2 1² 8</i>
<i>Charles L.</i>	CEMETERY <i>1233</i>	1	3
BURIED	GRAVE <i>15</i>	2	15
	ROW <i>11</i>	2	11
	BLOCK <i>D</i>	1	4
STATE	<i>Missouri</i>	2	29
RANK	<i>Cook</i>	1	2
DIVISION	<i>7</i>	2	07
ORGANIZATION	<i>55</i>	3	055
ARM	<i>Inf</i>	1	1
MARTIAL	<i>No</i>	1	2
NAME <i>Linker,</i>	<i>LIN</i>	3	2 9 4
<i>Mrs. Frances</i>	STATE <i>Ill</i>	2	13
RESIDENCE	COUNTY <i>Monroe</i>	2	67
<i>Rt 1 - Box 106</i>	CITY <i>Waterloo</i>	3	X X X
<i>(Mother dead)</i>	<i>Loco + v</i>	1	4
RELATION		1	
OTHER		1	
ELIGIBILITY	<i>yes</i>	1	1
NATIVITY		1	
RACE		1	
ENGLISH		1	
ATTENDANT		1	
HEALTH	<i>Bad</i>	1	
NO. OF SONS		1	
DATE OF	MO.	1	
TRIP	YR.	1	
ACCEPTANCE	<i>no</i>	1	

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QM 293 A-M

WAR DEPARTMENT

Burke, Chas. L. (L)ST M) OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL October 13, 1932
WASHINGTON

Mrs. Frances Linker,
R.F.D.#1, Box 106,
Waterloo, Ill.
Dear Madam:

Your Government has provided an opportunity for all Mothers and Widows of deceased members of the American Forces who were lost, buried at sea, or whose remains are now interred in Europe, to make a pilgrimage to the cemeteries in Europe. This was done in the hope that all who may make the pilgrimage will derive a measure of comfort and solace from the visit.

You are numbered among those who are privileged to make this pilgrimage.

During July and September of this year, inquiries were addressed to you as to whether or not you desire to make the pilgrimage to Europe. To these inquiries no reply has been received from you.

You probably do not realize how important it is that a reply be received from you. If we do not receive replies, it becomes very difficult to make the necessary and proper arrangements for those who are to make the trip, as everything must be arranged in advance. Consequently, it is just as important for the Government to know the names of those who do not desire to take advantage of its offer as it is to know the names of those who do.

Will you please devote a few moments of your time to write either the word "YES" or "NO" in the following space _____, thus indicating whether or not you desire to make the pilgrimage during 1933 and sign your name here _____. Use the enclosed envelope, which requires no postage, and return this sheet.

This reply will assure your Government that no worthy Mother or Widow has failed to receive its offer in commemoration of a loved one departed, and will greatly assist in making the necessary preparations for those of them who wish to take advantage of the privilege.

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-M

Burke, Charles L. (STM)

September 29, 1932

Mrs. Frances Linker,
Route 1, Box 106,
Waterloo, Illinois.

Dear Madam:

The Act of Congress of March 2, 1929, as amended May 15, 1930, authorizes pilgrimages to the cemeteries Of Europe during the years 1930, 1931, 1932 and 1933 for the mothers and widows of deceased members of the American forces who were lost or buried at sea or whose remains are interred in Europe.

Your attention is particularly invited to the fact that this is the last opportunity you will have to make the pilgrimage under the provisions of the above mentioned Act. Unless you take advantage of this LAST chance to make a trip in 1933 you will receive no benefit from the Act. There is no provision of law which will permit the Government to make a money allowance to any mother or widow who does not choose to make the pilgrimage.

IT IS REQUESTED THAT YOU GIVE THE MATTER YOUR MOST CAREFUL CONSIDERATION BEFORE REACHING A DECISION, BEARING IN MIND THAT THIS IS THE LAST OPPORTUNITY YOU WILL HAVE TO MAKE THE TRIP AT GOVERNMENT EXPENSE.

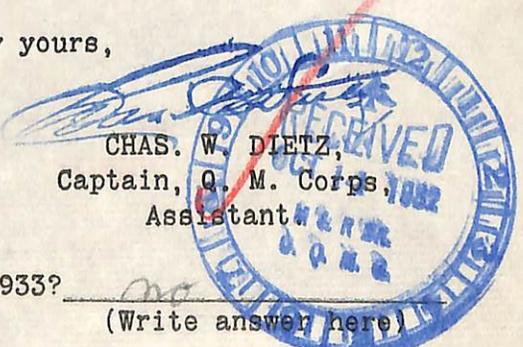
In order to assure proper and satisfactory accommodations for the mothers and widows making the journey in 1933, reservations for steamship transportation must be made by this office several months in advance. It is requested that you answer the questions below by writing "Yes" or "No" or "Undecided" in the blank space following the question. When you have answered the question, sign your name and return this sheet in the enclosed addressed envelope which requires no postage. PLEASE DO NOT DELAY, as it is essential that the information be in this office promptly.

This letter is being sent to all eligible mothers and widows who did not make the pilgrimage during the years 1930, 1931 or 1932. There is enclosed a circular of information WHICH YOU SHOULD READ VERY CAREFULLY BEFORE MAKING YOUR DECISION.

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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



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DO YOU DESIRE TO MAKE A PILGRIMAGE DURING THE YEAR 1933? no

(Write answer here)

(Sign here)

Mrs. Frances Linker

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-M
Burke, Charles L. (STM)

September 29, 1932

Mrs. Frances Linker,
Route 1, Box 106,
Waterloo, Illinois.

Dear Madam:

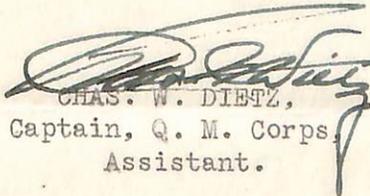
Affidavits have been furnished this office which substantiate your claim as having stood in loco parentis to the late Charles L. Burke, Cook, who lost his life during the late war.

In view thereof, you are eligible to make a pilgrimage to his grave at the expense of the Government. It is therefore requested that you complete and return the enclosed questionnaire, in order that your desires may be properly recorded and arrangements made accordingly.

As you will note from the enclosed circular, all expenses of the journey will be borne by the Government and everything possible will be done for your comfort and welfare.

For The Quartermaster General.

Very truly yours,


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

Enclosure:
1933 Qn.
Cir. of Inf.
Envelope.





VETERANS ADMINISTRATION

WASHINGTON

September 23, 1932

YOUR FILE REFERENCE: QM 293 A-M

Office of the Quarter-
master General,
War Department,
Washington, D. C.

IN REPLY REFER TO: MCC-Bb

BURKE, Charles L.

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Gentlemen:

In response to request contained in your letter of September 10, 1932, there is transmitted herewith photostatic copy of affidavit (Form 524) executed by Mrs. Frances Linker, Waterloo, Illinois, to establish her relationship of foster-mother to Charles L. Burke, the above named veteran. An award of \$20.00 per month is running in her favor.

Respectfully,

George E. Brown

GEORGE E. BROWN,
Director of Compensation.



[Handwritten initials]

AFFIDAVIT OF PERSON CLAIMING TO
HAVE STOOD IN THE RELATION OF
PARENT.

INSTRUCTIONS,-- All questions to be answered in detail and as fully as possible.

I, Mrs Louis Linster residing at
Waterloo, Illinois - Route - 1, believe myself
(Compensation)
to be entitled to receive the monthly payments of (Insurance) granted by
the United States on account of the death of Charles L Burke
(Name of Deceased).
who, I am informed and believe, died at in France on the
2nd day of January, 1919, as the result of
Cerebro spinal meningitis. I base my claim to such (Compensation)
(Insurance)

on the facts contained in the following answers:

1. Date of claimant's birth, (Day) 27th (Month) June (Yr) 1870.
2. Date of deceased's birth, (Day) 3rd (Month) July (Yr) 1892 - 1892
or deceased's age at time of death, 25 Years.

3. When did you first become acquainted with deceased and under what circumstances? Took the boy from St Annis Hospital on October 14 - 1895 - I was then Mrs J Welch

4. If the deceased was placed in your custody by an institution, state when, the name of the institution, and attach copy of agreement under which he was placed with you. St. Annis Hospital - St Louis, Mo - on Oct 14 - 1895 - Never had papers of adoption

5. If deceased was placed in your custody by his parents or relatives, name of the person or persons who placed him in your custody, the present address of said person or persons, if living, the date on which the deceased was placed in your custody, and the agreement or understanding, if any, which was entered into at the time.

*St Annis Hospital - St Louis
Mo.*

6. If the deceased placed himself in your custody, state when, the attending circumstances and what agreement, if any, was entered into by you and the deceased at the time or at any time thereafter.

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7. Did you send the deceased to school? If so, when, where and for how long?

*yes - Parochial School - Madouville Ills
Monroe Co. and public school at Monroe
City - Monroe Co. Ills - 8 years in all*

8. Approximately what amount did you expend toward the support, clothing, and other necessary expenses of the deceased? (Answer fully and with as much detailed information as possible).

*clothes, shoes - school
books*

9. Did any other person contribute toward the support of deceased while he was in your custody? If so, give name of said person or persons, and state what amount was contributed. (Answer fully and in detail).

no

Did the deceased ever contribute toward your support? If so, in what amount and under what circumstances? (Answer fully).
around place. When he was in camp he received 5⁰⁰ He claimed to have sent mom

11. Did the deceased at all times, from the date on which you first assumed the alleged relation of parent toward him, remain in your house? If at any time the deceased did not occupy the same house with you, state the period or periods when he was absent from your house and the circumstances attending the absence.
He always considered it his home and was always with me except when away at work

12. Give the names and addresses of the natural parents of deceased, if living. If either or both are dead, state when they died and where.
Know nothing whatsoever of his relatives. When I took him they claimed he had no relatives

13. Did the deceased in any document, deed, instrument, or insurance policy, etc., ever characterize you as standing in the relation of parent to him? If so, describe fully.
Yes letters - which is on file in Department also in instrument where he attempted to make me beneficiary in policy

14. Was the deceased married? If so, state his wife's maiden name, when he was married, where, and wife's present address, if living.
Never married

15. State any other facts on which you base your claim.

ms Loris Linker

Signature.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 15th day of

October, 1921.

W. St. Frederick
Notary Public.

IMPORTANT.

NOTE:-

Any letters or communications which passed between you or any other person and the deceased which tend to show the relationship which existed between you and the deceased should be attached hereto.

AFFIDAVITS OF DISINTERESTED PERSONS.

Affidavit No. 1.

State of Illinois)
County of Monroe { ss:

On this 15th day of October, 1921,
personally appeared George W. Wiesenborn residing at
Valmeyer, Monroe County, Illinois,

who, being duly sworn, according to law, deposes and says:

That I first became acquainted with the claimant, ms Loris Linker,
ms Loris Linker, on or about the 15 day

of May, 1892, and with the deceased on or about the 15
 day of November, 1895, and the said acquaintances were made in the
 following manner: *By his foster parents visiting at
 Mr. John Foster, Monro City, Ill., and later
 going to school with my children, also
 me being school Director.*

and since making the acquaintances of the said parties, I have been in a posi-
 tion which permitted me to observe them and their relations toward each other,
 to-wit: *as Foster mother and child.*

That I have read the answers made by the claimant to the questions
 put to ~~him~~, her, and know, of my own personal knowledge that the answers to the
 following questions are true :- 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15;
 (check number with an x).

and the answers to the following questions are true to the best of my belief:-
 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15; or, I do not know whether
 (Check number with an x)

the answers to the following questions are true:-1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10,
 (Check number with an x)
 11, 12, 13, 14, 15.

I further desire to set forth the following facts or explanations:
Mrs Louis Linker was formerly Mrs J. Welsh

That my relation to the claimant is None,
and my occupation is Retired Farmer, age, 70.

George W. Wiesenborn
Signature,
George W. Wiesenborn

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 15 day of
October, 1921.
my commission expires Feb 17, 1923.

George P. Hutter
Notary Public.

Affidavit No. 2.

State of Illinois)
(ss:
County of Monroe)

On this 20 day of October, 1921,
personally appeared Fred Wiesenborn residing at
Valmeyer, Illinois,
who, being duly sworn, according to law, deposes and says:

That I first became acquainted with the claimant,
Mrs. Louis Linker, nee Mrs. J. Welsh, on or about the 15 day

of April, 1894, and with the deceased on or about the 15
day of October, 1895, and the said acquaintances were made in the

following manner: *when he was adopted by Mrs. Mrs
J. Welsh, I was their neighbor at that time*

and since making the acquaintances of the said parties, I have been in a posi-
tion which permitted me to observe them and their relations toward each other,
to-wit: *as Foster mother & Child.*

That I have read the answers made by the claimant to the questions
put to ~~him~~, her, and know, of my own personal knowledge that the answers to the
following questions are true :- 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, ^x 7, ^x 8, ^x 9, 10, ^x 11, 12, 13, ^x 14, 15;
(check number with an x).

and the answers to the following questions are true to the best of my belief:-
^x 1, ^x 2, ^x 3, ^x 4, ^x 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, ^x 10, ^x 11, ^x 12, ^x 13, 14, ^x 15; or, I do not know whether
(Check number with an x)

the answers to the following questions are true:-1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10,
(Check number with an x)
11, 12, 13, 14, 15.

I further desire to set forth the following facts or explanations:
Mrs Louis Linker was formally Mrs J. Welsh

That my relation to the claimant is none,
and my occupation is weigher & Retailer in flour mill.

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Signature.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 20 day of
October, 1924.

my commission expires Feb. 17, 1923. George P. Hutter
Notary Public.

QM 293 A-M
Burke, Charles L. (STM)

September 10, 1932

Subject: Status of Mrs. Frances Linker.

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

1. Information has been furnished this office that Mrs. Frances Linker, Route 1, Box 106, Waterloo, Illinois, has submitted affidavits which were acceptable to your office in establishing her claim as the foster mother of the late Charles L. Burke, Cook, Company G, 56th Infantry, C 14677.

2. It is therefore requested that you furnish this office copies of these affidavits, together with any other data of record which will aid in the determination of Mrs. Linker's eligibility to make a pilgrimage to the cemeteries of Europe under the provisions of the Act of March 2, 1929, as amended May 15, 1930.

For The Quartermaster General.

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

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Burke, Charles L. Cook Co. C. 56 Inf.

Missouri

born 7-3-92

enl

Single

date of Mothers death

date of Fathers death

Did Mrs Francews Linker legally adopt vet?

Vet placed in St Ann's Hosp. 7-4-92 - by an ^{unknown} woman - taken out by a nurse 7-13-92
 Batten adopted 10-14-95 by Mrs J. Welch
 who is the same woman as Mrs Linker
 (twice married)

no adoption papers in file
but plenty of proofs that
she was foster mother.
No record of any rel.
She is being paid court + ins.

QM 293 A-M
Burke, Charles L. (StM)

August 18, 1931.

Mrs. Frances Linker,
R.F.D. #1, Box 106,
Waterloo, Illinois.

Dear Madam:

Reference is made to office letter of July 28, 1930, wherein you were requested to furnish affidavits in the event you considered yourself eligible to make a pilgrimage to the grave of the late Charles L. Burke, Cook, under the provisions of section 4 (a) of the Act of Congress of March 2, 1929, as amended, which reads in part "or any woman who stood in loco parentis to the deceased member of the military or naval forces for a period of not less than 5 years at any time prior to the soldier, sailor or marine becoming 18 years of age."

To date the affidavits have not been received and in order that the records may be completed, it is requested you advise whether or not you consider yourself eligible to make a pilgrimage under this provision of the law. A self-addressed envelope which requires no postage is enclosed for your convenience in replying.

In the event you consider yourself eligible and desire to make a pilgrimage, it is requested the affidavit forms sent you be completed by two persons who are not related to you and returned to this office. If you have misplaced the forms mentioned, another set will be mailed you upon request.

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

Encl:
Env.

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QM 293 A-M

July 28, 1930

Burke, Charles L. 1233 LP

Mrs. Frances Linker,
R. F. D. #1, Box 106,
Waterloo, Illinois.

Dear Madam:

Receipt is acknowledged of form letter completed by you relative to the pilgrimage authorized by the Act of March 2, 1929.

The only provision of the law under which anyone other than the mother or widow could be considered for this privilege is contained in section 4 (a) of the Act, which was amended May 15, 1930, to read in part as follows: "or any woman who stood in loco parentis to the deceased member of the military or naval forces for a period of not less than five years at any time prior to the soldier, sailor, or marine becoming eighteen years of age."

In order to satisfy the legal requirements, it will be necessary for you to furnish as proof of the relationship, in loco parentis, the affidavits of at least two persons not related to you.

In the event you believe yourself eligible, under this provision of the law, to make the pilgrimage, it is requested that the enclosed forms be completed and returned to this office in order that your eligibility under the Act may be determined. Under paragraphs 1 (c) and 1 (d), sufficient information should be included to permit an intelligible decision as to eligibility.

For The Quartermaster General.

Very truly yours,

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

Enclosures:
Aff. Forms,
Envelope.
BE

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

July 12, 1930

Burke, Charles L.

1233-AM

Mrs. Frances Linker
R.F.D.#1, Box 106
Waterloo, Ill.

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:

*A Foster Mother only
Francis Linker
Waterloo, Illinois - Route 1*

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

If so, give her name and address:

no

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:

*yes - Francis Linker
a Foster mother who stood
in loco parentis to him according
to terms of Sec 4-a*

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

Enclosures:
Envelope
Act
Amendment

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



Dear Sirs

In reply to the letter from you which I am returning to you, I wish to inform you that I did not receive any letter or communication from you at all except the inclosed letter if you sent any before they did not get here.

At the time that I adopted said Charles L. Burke there were none of his relatives known to be alive and I never heard of any since

Very Truly Yours
Francis Linker

Per. Louis C. Linker, husband

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

August 28, 1929.

Burke, Charles L.
1233

Mrs. Francis Luiker,
Route #1,
Waterloo, Ill.

Dear Madam:

The records of this office do not indicate that a reply has been received to our communication dated May 27, 1929 making inquiry concerning the name and address of the mother and widow of the deceased service man above named. These addresses are desired with a view to ascertaining the number of mothers and widows who desire to make a pilgrimage to the cemeteries of Europe in which the remains of their sons and husbands are interred.

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

Write answers in space below

1. Is the deceased survived by a widow who has not since remarried? If so, give her complete address:

*The never was married
Parents are dead*

2. If he is survived by a mother, stepmother, mother thru adoption, or any other woman who stood in loco parentis to him, according to the terms of Section 4 of the enclosed Act, give her name, address, and relationship in the space opposite.

*Francis Liniker
Foster mother
R. F. D. No. 1 Box 106
Waterloo,*

3. If survived by a widow or mother does she desire to make the pilgrimage?

*Illinois
Unable to go due
to poor health*

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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



WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

Burke, Charles L

May 27 , 1929.

Mrs. Francis Luiker,
Route # 1,
Waterloo, Ill.

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 ~~adopted-mother~~ of the late Charles L. Burke, Cook, Co. G, 56th Inf., whose remains are now interred in the St. Mihiel American Cometary, Thiaucourt, Mourthe-et-Moselle, 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.

2 incls.
Act of Congress.
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QM 293 A-M
Burke, Charles L. (STM)

September 10, 1932

Subject: Status of Mrs. Frances Linker.

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

1. Information has been furnished this office that Mrs. Frances Linker, Route 1, Box 106, Waterloo, Illinois, has submitted affidavits which were acceptable to your office in establishing her claim as the foster mother of the late Charles L. Burke, Cook, Company G, 56th Infantry, C 14677.

2. It is therefore requested that you furnish this office copies of these affidavits, together with any other data of record which will aid in the determination of Mrs. Linker's eligibility to make a pilgrimage to the cemeteries of Europe under the provisions of the Act of March 2, 1929, as amended May 15, 1930.

For The Quartermaster General.

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

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QM 293 A-M
Burke, Charles L. (STM)

September 29, 1932

Mrs. Frances Linker,
Route 1, Box 106,
Waterloo, Illinois.

Dear Madam:

Affidavits have been furnished this office which substantiate your claim as having stood in loco parentis to the late Charles L. Burke, Cook, who lost his life during the late war.

In view thereof, you are eligible to make a pilgrimage to his grave at the expense of the Government. It is therefore requested that you complete and return the enclosed questionnaire, in order that your desires may be properly recorded and arrangements made accordingly.

As you will note from the enclosed circular, all expenses of the journey will be borne by the Government and everything possible will be done for your comfort and welfare.

For The Quartermaster General.

Very truly yours,

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

Enclosure
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WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-M

Burke, Charles L. (STM)

September 29, 1932

Mrs. Frances Linker,
Route 1, Box 106,
Waterloo, Illinois.

Dear Madam:

The Act of Congress of March 2, 1929, as amended May 15, 1930, authorizes pilgrimages to the cemeteries of Europe during the years 1930, 1931, 1932 and 1933 for the mothers and widows of deceased members of the American forces who were lost or buried at sea or whose remains are interred in Europe.

Your attention is particularly invited to the fact that this is the last opportunity you will have to make the pilgrimage under the provisions of the above mentioned Act. Unless you take advantage of this LAST chance to make a trip in 1933 you will receive no benefit from the Act. There is no provision of law which will permit the Government to make a money allowance to any mother or widow who does not choose to make the pilgrimage.

IT IS REQUESTED THAT YOU GIVE THE MATTER YOUR MOST CAREFUL CONSIDERATION BEFORE REACHING A DECISION, BEARING IN MIND THAT THIS IS THE LAST OPPORTUNITY YOU WILL HAVE TO MAKE THE TRIP AT GOVERNMENT EXPENSE.

In order to assure proper and satisfactory accommodations for the mothers and widows making the journey in 1933, reservations for steamship transportation must be made by this office several months in advance. It is requested that you answer the questions below by writing "Yes" or "No" or "Undecided" in the blank space following the question. When you have answered the question, sign your name and return this sheet in the enclosed addressed envelope which requires no postage. PLEASE DO NOT DELAY, as it is essential that the information be in this office promptly.

This letter is being sent to all eligible mothers and widows who did not make the pilgrimage during the years 1930, 1931 or 1932. There is enclosed a circular of information WHICH YOU SHOULD READ VERY CAREFULLY BEFORE MAKING YOUR DECISION.

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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) _____

QM 293 A-M
Burke, Charles L. (StM)

August 18, 1931.

Mrs. Frances Linker,
R.F.D. #1, Box 106,
Waterloo, Illinois.

Dear Madam:

Reference is made to office letter of July 28, 1930, wherein you were requested to furnish affidavits in the event you considered yourself eligible to make a pilgrimage to the grave of the late Charles L. Burke, Cook, under the provisions of section 4 (a) of the Act of Congress of March 2, 1929, as amended, which reads in part "or any woman who stood in loco parentis to the deceased member of the military or naval forces for a period of not less than 5 years at any time prior to the soldier, sailor or marine becoming 18 years of age."

To date the affidavits have not been received and in order that the records may be completed, it is requested you advise whether or not you consider yourself eligible to make a pilgrimage under this provision of the law. A self-addressed envelope which requires no postage is enclosed for your convenience in replying.

In the event you consider yourself eligible and desire to make a pilgrimage, it is requested the affidavit forms sent you be completed by two persons who are not related to you and returned to this office. If you have misplaced the forms mentioned, another set will be mailed you upon request.

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

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QM 293 A-M
Burke, Charles L. 1233 LP

July 28, 1930

Mrs. Frances Linker,
R. F. D. #1, Box 106,
Waterloo, Illinois.

Dear Madam:

Receipt is acknowledged of form letter completed by you relative to the pilgrimage authorized by the Act of March 2, 1929.

The only provision of the law under which anyone other than the mother or widow could be considered for this privilege is contained in section 4 (a) of the Act, which was amended May 15, 1930, to read in part as follows: "or any woman who stood in loco parentis to the deceased member of the military or naval forces for a period of not less than five years at any time prior to the soldier, sailor, or marine becoming eighteen years of age."

In order to satisfy the legal requirements, it will be necessary for you to furnish as proof of the relationship, in loco parentis, the affidavits of at least two persons not related to you.

In the event you believe yourself eligible, under this provision of the law, to make the pilgrimage, it is requested that the enclosed forms be completed and returned to this office in order that your eligibility under the Act may be determined. Under paragraphs 1 (c) and 1 (d), sufficient information should be included to permit an intelligible decision as to eligibility.

For The Quartermaster General.

Very truly yours,

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

Enclosures:
Aff. Forms.
Envelope.

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WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

July 12, 1930

Burke, Charles L. 1255-AM

Mrs. Frances Linker
R.F.D.#1, Box 105
Waterloo, Ill.

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,
Captain, Q. M. Corps,
Assistant.

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

August 28, 1929.

Burke, Charles L.
1233

Mrs. Francis Luiker,
Route #1,
Waterloo, Ill.

Dear Madam:

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

Write answers in space below

1. Is the deceased survived by a widow who has not since remarried? If so, give her complete address:

2. If he is survived by a mother, stepmother, mother thru adoption, or any other woman who stood in loco parentis to him, according to the terms of Section 4 of the enclosed Act, give her name, address, and relationship in the space opposite.

3. If survived by a widow or mother does she desire to make the pilgrimage?

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

Burke, Charles L

May 27 , 1929.

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Route # 1,
Waterloo, Ill.

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The records of this office show that you are the adopted-mother of the late Charles L. Burke, Cook, Co. G, 56th Inf., whose remains are now interred in the St. Mihiel American Cemetery, Thiaucourt, Meurthe-et-Moselle, 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.

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Assistant.

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WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C
BURKE, Charles L. - Cook

April 1, 1926

Mrs. Francis Luiker,
Route #1,
Waterloo, Ill.

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 overseas military cemetery is to be maintained by the United States for all time. The graves will be permanently marked by white headstones inscribed with the name, rank, division, organization, date of soldier's death and State from which he came. Headstones will be placed at all graves, as soon as possible, and without necessity 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 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,

L. W. Redington
L. W. REDINGTON,
Major, Q.M.C.,
Assistant.

1 Incl.
Record card.

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293 Burke, Charles L.

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON, D. C.
OFFICIAL BUSINESS



RETURN TO WRITER



Mrs. Francis Luiker,

Route #1,

Waterloo,

Illinois

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Soldier's  Overseas
Grave

Name Charles L. Burke

Rank Cook

Organization Company G, 55th Infantry

Grave No. 15 Row 11 Block D

Cemetery St. Mihiel American

Location Thiaucourt, Meurthe-et-Moselle, France

QM 293 A-C

BURKE, Charles L. - Cook

April 1, 1926

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Very truly yours,

L.W. REDINGTON,
Major, Q.M.G.,
Assistant.

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Record card.



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BURKE, 1499961, Charles L.

Cook, Co. G, 55th Inf.

Only address in file

Mrs. Francis Luiker (Adopted mother)

Monroe, Ill. (No such Post-Office)

auth V.B. 1-19-26

R # 1, Waterloo, Ill.

COMPILATION OF DISPOSITION OF REMAINS DATA

File #79086

*5/6/22 Exhumed
Concentration
Sgt. Michiel 1233
AM 5/25/22*

I. LOCATION INDEX CARD:

(a) Name BURKE, Charles L. Ser. No. 1099961
(b) Rank Cook Organization (Co. G, 55th Inf.) TYP. HB
(c) Date of death 1/2/19 (d) Cause of death Cerebro spinal meningitis CKR. ✓

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

(a) Grave No. 1137 Row - Plot - Sec. - TYP. HB
(b) Emerg. Address Mrs. Francis Luiker (adopted mother) Monroe, Ill.

III. Files of soldiers dying from contagious diseases CARD AGREES CKR. 1
no card in file 11-23-20 mks

IV. A. G. O. DISPOSITION CARD:

Date of receipt _____

(a) Name _____ (b) Relationship _____
(c) Address _____
(d) Remains to be brought to U. S.? _____
(e) To be interred in National Cemetery in U. S. at _____
(f) Shipping instructions upon arrival of body in U. S. _____
(g) Disposition instructions if not brought to U. S. _____

Examiner's Initials _____ Date _____, 1920.

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

_____, dated _____
confirming request in Par. IV., item _____, above, or requesting that _____

No corresp
Examiner's Initials mks Date 11-23, 1920.

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

No correspondence for disposition.

(a) Cancellation memos referred to? yes - JT

Examiner's Initials JT Date 11-23, 1920.

COUNTRY France

CEMETERY No. 91

SHEET No. 149

G. R. S. Form No. 115
Amended April 6, 1920

3-7729

Make Form No. 114

CARDED

FORM 115-A COMPLETED
JAN 5 1921
all

*checked
OK 11-23-20
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VII. G. R. S. Form No. 114 made _____, 1920.

Typed by _____, Checked by _____, 1920.

VIII. FINAL ACTION:

Following advice forwarded to Europe by { cable on _____, 1920
letter on 12/17/, 1920

RECEIVED
JUN 24 1921

Cemeterial Division
Overseas Project Sub-Section

Par # 2. not to be returned (E.S.S.) 12/28/20.

IX. CORRECTIONS

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

X. SUSPENSION REMARKS:

*Form 122 sent to Mrs. Francis Linker (father's mother) returned unclaimed 7/2/17/21 - Jt
7/4/21. unclaimed, no such post office in Ill. 7/9/21 J*

To be prepared in triplicate.

DATE Mar. 6, 1922

REPORT OF DISINTERMENT, PREPARATION, SHIPMENT AND REBURIAL OF BODY

DISINTERMENT

COMPARATIVE REPORT

Records of G.R.S. Headquarters.

Discrepancy found upon exhumation of body

1. Name BURKE, Charles L.
 2. No. 1099961
 3. Rank Cook
 4. Org. Co, G 55th Inf.
 5. D.D. Jan, 2nd 1919
 6. C.D. Cerebro spinal meningitis

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

Discrepancy found upon disinterment

7. Grave No. 1137 Sec. _____
 8. Plot D Row 9
 9. _____

15. Grave No. _____ Sec. _____
 16. Plot _____ Row _____
 17. This cemetery is not divided into plots or rows at the present time.

18. Cemetery Amer.
 20. Dept. or County M-et-M
 22. G.R.S. Hdqrs. Code No. 91

19. Commune or town Toul
 21. Country France

23. Disinterred (Date) Mar. 6, 1922

By H.T. Geiler

24. Inscription on grave marker:

Name Charles L. Burke
 Rank Cook

Serial No. _____
 Organization Co.G, 55th Inf.

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

Ralph C. Aharran
 Signature of 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 previously reburied by Field Section. Bottle record and metal strips agree with form 114-A.

27. Condition of body Badly decomposed. Features unrecognizable.

28. Nature of burial Burlap and wooden box.

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 Mar. 6, 1922 By H.T. Geiler

31. Casket sealed by H.T. Geiler

Signature of Embalmer, (Supervisor

H.T. Geiler
 H.T. Geiler

AUDITED BY
LDR 2/21/23

2/16/24 PD

SHIPMENT. (Show actual marking of box.) Box No. C-24570

32. Designation of body:

Name Charles L. BURKE Serial No. 1099961

Rank Cook Organization Co. G 55th Inf.

33. Consigned to:

Name of Permanent Cemetery St. Mihiel Amer. #1233, Thiaucourt, M-et-M

34. Casket boxed and marked (Date) Mar. 6, 1922 By H. T. Geiler

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 D. E. Lowry, 1st Lt. QMC

36. Remarks None.

37. Shipped from point of Operation: (Date) Mar. 6, 1922.

To point of Concentration Toul (M&M)

Convoyer Frank Atwell Signature Shipping Officer D. E. Lowry, 1st Lt. QMC

38. Received at Railhead or Point of Concentration: Date Mar. 6, 1922

By G.R.S. Representative L. B. Massie, Capt. QMC

39. Shipped from Railhead or Point of Concentration: Date

To Permanent Cemetery St. Mihiel Amer. Cem. 1233, Thiaucourt (M&M)

Convoyer Frank Atwell Signature Shipping Officer L. B. Massie, Capt. QMC

40. Received: Date 8 MAR 1922

G.R.S. Representative G. D. GAMBLE, Captain, Q. M. C.

41. Reinterred August 4, 1922

(Date)

42. Grave No. 15 Section

43. Plot Block D Row 11

G.R.S. Representative A. E. Dewey

A. E. Dewey,
1st Lt QMC

Place Toul (M&M)

REPORT OF DISINTERMENT AND REBURIAL

Date March 6, 1922.

1. REMAINS OF BURKE, Charles L. SERIAL NUMBER 1099961

RANK Cook ORGANIZATION Co.G, 55th Inf.

2. Disinterred (date): March 6, 1922, Gr. 1137, Cem. 91, Toul (M&M), France.
From (give complete location):

By: Group Geller's Unit P.S. 8

3. Reburied (date): August 4, 1922 In (give complete location): 15 Row 11 Bk D
City 1233

By: Group Reburial Unit 44771 Nature of reburial Casket & Shipping Case

4. Report as to nature of original burial and condition of body upon disinterment:
Burlap and wooden box. Badly decomposed. Features unrecognizable.

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

(b) Other means of identification found upon disinterment, and general remarks:
Body previously reburied by Field Section. Bottle record and metal strips agree with form 114-1.

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

(a) Height (actual measurement) Impossible to estimate

(b) Weight (estimated) Impossible to estimate

(c) Hair—Color None visible

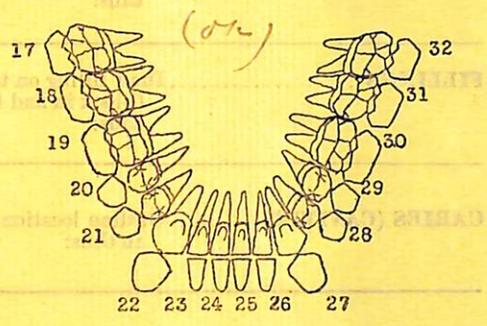
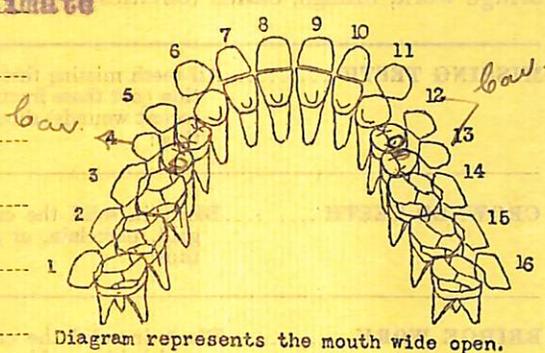
Quantity _____
Characteristics _____

(d) Hair on face—Color None visible

Location _____
Quantity _____

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

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



Ralph C. Aharran, Checker.

7. Disinterment supervised by H.T. Geller, Sup. Smb.

Approved: D. S. Lowry, 1st Lt. QMC
(Title)

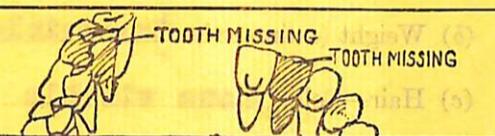
8. Reburial supervised by H. L. Kramer

Approved: A. E. Dewey, 1st L
(Title) t 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.

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

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."

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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.

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OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
GENERAL DIVISION
OVERSEAS MAIL AND AIR-SECTION

NAME OF DECEASED SOLDIER

CIVILIAN NO.

DATE

Burke, Charles L.

91-149

2/19/21

SERIAL NUMBER

ORGANIZATION

Date of Death.

1099961

Co. G., 55th Inf.

1-2-19

Copy forwarded to
Adjutant Department

WAR RISK INSURANCE INFORMATION

Date 5-7-21

DATE

NAME OF BENEFICIARY

Mrs. Francis Linker

RELATIONSHIP

(Adopted Mother)

Address

Monroe, Ill

(Em. Address)

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March 28th, 1921.

File No. 293.8 Cem. Div. Cor. Br.
(Burke, Charles L.)

The Postmaster,
Monroe, Illinois.

Sir:

A communication forwarded from this office addressed to Mrs. Francis Luiker, Monroe, Ill., has been returned unclaimed.

In view of the above, your co-operation is solicited in an effort to locate Mrs. Francis Luiker, and ascertain from her whether the late Charles L. Burke, Cook, Serial No. 1099961, Co. G, 55th Infantry, is survived by widow, children, father, mother, brothers, or sisters, and if so, kindly furnish their names and addresses.

If the deceased is not survived by any of the above mentioned relatives, please endeavor to obtain from the foster-mother of the late soldier, a signed statement indicating whether she desire the remains left in France for burial in a permanent American Cemetery, returned to the United States and shipped to her, or interred in the National Cemetery at Arlington, Virginia.

This information is necessary before proper disposition of the body can be made and your assistance in this connection will be greatly appreciated.

By authority of the Quartermaster General:

R. E. SHANNON,
Captain, Q. M. Corps,
Officer in Charge.

BY:

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J. F. BUTLER,
Captain, Infantry.

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Mrs. Francis Luiker,

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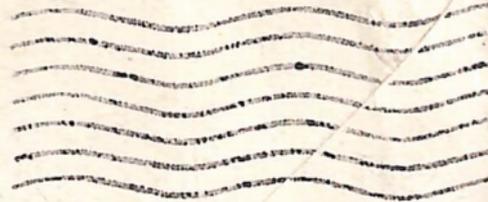
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By authority of the Quartermaster General:

R. E. SHANKER,
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Officer in Charge.

BY:

CB J. F. BUTLER,
Captain, Infantry.

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U.S. Form No. 10
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WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL OF THE ARMY
GRAVES REGISTRATION SERVICE
HOBOKEN, N.J.

JAN 20 1921

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

TO: Mrs. Francis Luiker, Monroe, Ills.

SUBJECT: Remains of Cook, Charles L. Burke, Ser. No. 1099961, Co. G., 55th Inf.

The records of this office show that no request has been made as to disposition of remains.

If these are not the correct instructions, please correct them. Make corrections on second page.

The nearest relative may choose between (1) return of the body to any address in the United States; (2) interment in Arlington, Va., or any other National Cemetery; or (3) remain in Europe. All removals are at Government expense.

By authority of the Quartermaster General:

CHARLES G. PIERCE,
Lt. Col., U.S.A.

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

NAME OF	NO. AND STREET	TOWN	STATE
Was soldier married?			
Soldier's Widow			
Soldier's children (Name oldest first)	(1..... (2..... (3.....		
Father			
Mother			
Brothers (Name oldest first)	(1..... (2..... (3.....		
Sisters (Name oldest first)	(1..... (2..... (3.....		

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Date..... Signature..... JUN 24 1921
Address..... Relationship.....

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

I, the undersigned, as the (relationship) and nearest living relative of the within-named soldier, and desire the following disposition of his remains, viz:

(Strike out all except the one showing the disposition desired.)

1. As set forth on first of this sheet.

2. To be returned to the U.S. and shipped to (Name)

..... (R.R. station) (State)

3. To be returned to the U.S. and buried in National Cemetery.

4. To remain in Europe, for burial in a permanent American cemetery.

Signature

INSTRUCTIONS FOR FILLING OUT.

1. If definite instructions as to the disposition of a body are not received from the nearest relative within 30 days of its arrival at New York, burial will be made without further notice in the World War Section of Arlington National Cemetery.

2. The transfer of bodies will be made ENTIRELY at Government expense.

3. This paper MUST BE SIGNED BY THE NEAREST RELATIVE OF KIN IN THE ORDER shown in the square on the other side of this sheet.

4. This paper must be returned showing the name and address of each of the nearest living relatives in the spaces provided therefor on the other side of this sheet.

5. If there are minor children of the deceased soldier and no widow, the LEGALLY APPOINTED GUARDIAN of the children should ascertain their wishes and act for them in this matter.

6. If YOU are not the nearest relative, please ask the nearest relative, if living near you, to fill out this paper.

7. If YOU are not the nearest living relative and do not know who or where the nearest relatives are, please fill out this paper AT ONCE and mail to this office.

8. You are requested to return this paper AT ONCE in order to avoid delay in the case of this body.

9. Use the inclosed envelope--pay no postage.

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G.R.S. Form No. 3: Central Records Liaison.
Memo For: G.R.S. representative, C.R.O.
SUBJECT: Information required for G.R.S.

1. Items checked are to be completed:

- () Surname: Burke. 1099961
() Number:
() First name: Charles.L.
() Rank: Cook.
() Company: G.
() Organization: 55th Inf.
() Date of death: Jan. 2. 1919
() Cause:
() Place:

Location of hospital:

- Number " "
Class " "
() Relative: Mrs. Francis Luiker
() Relationship: adopted mother
() Address: Monroe, Ill. *B.K.*

- () Authority:
Cablegram No:
Telegram from:

dated:

- () Reported to Washington:
C.C. Nos: 412

(UnderSCORE the "official" C.C.)

- () Remarks:

- () Show present status on reverse side.

Burial notification was sent to t his
address and returned, advise correct address.

CHARLES C. PIERCE,
Lieut.-Colonel, Q.M.C., U.S.A.

Initials of Reporter:

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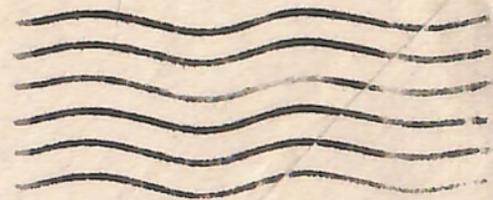
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