

To The A. G. O.

DATE _____
 1. NAME BURNS, Michael F. *DEC 1 - 1925* SERIAL No. 154476
 RANK Pvt. ORGANIZATION Co.F, 1st Eng.
 GRAVE LOCATION St.Mihiel American Cty, Thisucourt, M-et-M. #1233
 CTY. NAME NUMBER
 100 Sec.18 2
 GRAVE ROW PLOT

2. ORIGINAL BATTLE AREA GRAVE LOCATION #1 Isolated Lahayville, Meuse
 GRAVE COMMUNE DEPT.
 COORDINATES 52SW, 234.78N, 355.61E.

CONCENTRATED TO 6/17/19 100 Sec.18 2
 DATE GRAVE ROW PLOT
 St.Mihiel 1233
 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 *Sept 12, 1918*
 STATE FROM WHICH HE CAME *Michigan*
 MEDALS OR DECORATIONS AWARDED *cited in G.O. 1st rev. dated Jan 1, 1920.*

Data F-1
 SUBSEQUENT REBURIALS
 DATE GRAVE ROW PLOT CEMETERY



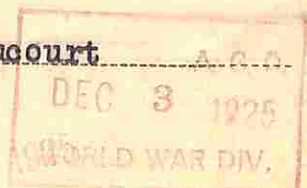
SIGNATURE, AREA SUPERVISOR *I.H. Joffe, 1st Lt., MC.*

3. FINAL GRAVE LOCATION July 17, 1922 3 16 Block C
 DATE GRAVE ROW PLOT

AUDITED BY

St.Mihiel American No.1233, Thisucourt

CEMETERY
 Robert G. Davis,
 Major General,
 The Adjutant General



GRAVE LOCATION BLANK

LOCATION OF THE GRAVE OF

BURNS #154476 Michael F.
(Surname.) (Number.) (First Name and Initials.)

Pvt. Co. F. 1st Eng.
(Rank.) (Organization.)

DATE OF BURIAL: Sept 13th 1918.

PLACE OF BURIAL: Hoosier Area.

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

Thiancourt Map Am. Ed. 29th Eng 1918

Scale 1: 50,000

234.7 by 355.8

GRAVE NUMBER: Single Grave

HOW MARKED: Name Peg? Yes. Cross?

Headboard?

Bottle?

IDENTIFICATION TAGS:

Was one buried with body? Yes.

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

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

REPORTED BY:

Earl H. Wood, Chaplain 16th Inf.
(Signature and Rank of Reporting Officer.)

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

GRAVE LOCATION BLANK

LOCATION OF THE GRAVE OF

BURNS #154476 Michael F.
(Surname.) (Number.) (First Name and Initials.)

Pvt. Co. F. 1st Engrs.
(Rank.) (Organization.)

DATE OF BURIAL: Sept 16, 1918.

PLACE OF BURIAL:

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

Open field, half distance between
St. Baussant and Montsec, 800 yards.

North of wagon road 234.6. 355.8

(Thiancourt, 29th Engrs Map.)

GRAVE NUMBER: no.

HOW MARKED: Name Peg?

Cross? Yes

Headboard?

Bottle? Tobacco tin

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:

Chaplain H. R. Lissner, 26th Inf.
(Signature and Rank of Reporting Officer.)

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

Co. F. 1st. Engrs.
1st. Division.

BURNS, Michael F.-Pvt. 154476

Pvt. Michael F. Burns was killed in the St. Mihiel Drive on September 12th 1918 about 10:00 A. M. He was a member of a bangalore squad and was advancing with the Infantry north of Reichscourt when he was struck in the mouth by a machine gun bullet and was instantly killed. He was buried in the vicinity of where he was killed about 1/2 kilometer north of Reichscourt near a patch of woods.

Informant: Kane, James C.-Pvt. 155089
Co. F. 1st. Engrs.
Home : 894 Car ut hers St.
Portland Oregon.
Signed : J. T. McLure
Captain Engineers.

Emergency address:
Mrs. Bridget Burns
(unknown)

EB.

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CODE SLIP

| HEADING | SUB-HEADING | NO. OF COLS | CODE |
|--------------|----------------|-------------|------|
| NAME | Burns | 3 | 218 |
| BURIED | CEMETERY | 1 | 3 |
| | GRAVE | 2 | 03 |
| | ROW | 2 | 16 |
| | BLOCK | 1 | 3 |
| STATE | Mich | 2 | 26 |
| RANK | Priv | 1 | 2 |
| DIVISION | 1 | 2 | 01 |
| ORGANIZATION | 1 | 3 | 001 |
| ARM | Eng. | 1 | 4 |
| MARITAL | no | 1 | 2 |
| NAME | | 3 | |
| RESIDENCE | STATE | 2 | |
| | COUNTY | 2 | |
| | CITY | 3 | |
| RELATION | Mother | 1 | 1 |
| OTHER | | 1 | |
| ELIGIBILITY | Head | 1 | 6 |
| NATIVITY | Head since war | 1 | |
| RACE | | 1 | |
| ENGLISH | | 1 | |
| ATTENDANT | | 1 | |
| HEALTH | | 1 | |
| NO. OF SONS | | 1 | |
| DATE OF | MO. | 1 | |
| | YR. | 1 | |
| ACCEPTANCE | | 1 | |

V.B. no rec of sub. no ins. case completed

no loco no SM

AUDITED

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Burns, Michael F. StM
Pvt., Co. F, 1st Engrs.

Serial 154476

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WIDOW —

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LOCO

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STEP-M

Bridget Burns (m. insane)
Hudson River State Hosp. (retal
Paykeeper n. g

no rec of rel.

no ins - case completed

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-M
Burns, Michael F. Pvt. (St.M) M

April 8, 1931.

Mrs. Bridget Burns,
61 Albany Street,
Albany, New York

Deceased

Dear Madam:

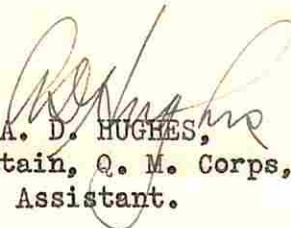
In order that your desires may be properly recorded and arrangements made for you accordingly, it is requested that you complete and return the enclosed questionnaire at your earliest convenience.

Kindly advise as to whether or not the late Private Michael F. Burns was married and is survived by a widow 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,


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

Enclosures:
Questionnaire
Act - Amendment
Envelope

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

Burns, Michael F. Pvt. (St.M) M

April 8, 1931.

Mrs. Bridget Burns,
61 Albany Street,
Albany, New York

Dear Madam:

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

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

1. Do you desire to make this pilgrimage?

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

3. Please give your age and state your
health.

Age

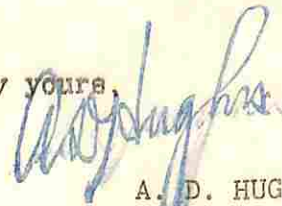
Condition of Health

4. Do you speak English?

5. What other language do you speak?

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,



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

Enclosures:

Envelope
Act
Amendment

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

Burns, Michael F 1233-M

July 8, 1930

Mrs. Bridget Burns,
61 Albany Street,
Albany, New York

Madame

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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JED 114-31*



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



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ALBANY, N. Y.



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WASHINGTON D. C.

OFFICIAL BUSINESS

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PENALTY FOR PRIVATE USE TO AVOID

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OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

Burns, Michael F. Pvt. (St.M) M

April 8, 1931.

Mrs. Bridget Burns,
61 Albany Street,
Albany, New York

Dear Madam:

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

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

1. Do you desire to make this pilgrimage?

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

3. Please give your age and state your health.

Age
Condition of Health

4. Do you speak English?

5. What other language do you speak?

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

Enclosures:
Envelope
Act
Amendment

QM 293 A-M
Burns, Michael F. Pvt. (St.M) M

April 6, 1931.

Mrs. Bridget Burns,
61 Albany Street,
Albany, New York

Dear Madam:

In order that your desires may be properly recorded and arrangements made for you accordingly, it is requested that you complete and return the enclosed questionnaire at your earliest convenience.

Kindly advise as to whether or not the late Private Michael F. Burns was married and is survived by a widow and if so, her name and address.

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For The Quartermaster General.

Very truly yours,

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

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G. W. & I. DIV.
ENCLOSURES:
Questionnaire
Act - Amendment
Envelope
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TM 293 A-M
Burns, Michael F. Pvt 1233 M

October 11, 1930

Mrs. Bridget Burns
61 Albany Street
Albany, New York

Dear Madam:

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

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

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

For The Quartermaster General:

Very truly yours,

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

Encls:
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Amendment
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WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

Burns, Michael F 1233-M

July 8, 1930

Mrs. Bridget Burns,
61 Albany Street,
Albany, New York

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.

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For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

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COMPILATION OF DISPOSITION OF REMAINS DATA

File # 22104



I. LOCATION INDEX CARD:

(a) Name BURNS, Michael F. Ser. No. 154476
 (b) Rank Pvt. Organization Co. F, 1st Engrs.
 (c) Date of death 9-12-18 (d) Cause of death K/A

TYP. DB
 CKR. [Signature]

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

(a) Grave No. 100 Row - Plot 2 Sec. 18 TYP. DB
 (b) Emerg. Address Mrs. Bridget Burns, (Mother) 61 Albany St. Albany
N.Y.

III. Files of soldiers dying from contagious diseases -- CKR. [Signature]

IV. A. G. O. DISPOSITION CARD: no card in file - 68R-2-1-21 Date of receipt 2-1-21

(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 correspondence

Examiner's Initials 68R Date 2-1-, 1920.

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

No request for disposition of same as H&B

(a) Cancellation memos referred to? _____

Examiner's Initials [Signature] Date 2-2-, 1920.

COUNTRY FRANCE CEMETERY No. 1233 SHEET No. 477

FEB 26 1921

CARDED

[Handwritten notes]

RECEIVED BY
MAIL UNIT

JUN 21 1921

VII. G. R. S. Form No. 114 made _____, 1920.

Typed by _____ Checked by _____, 1920.

VIII. FINAL ACTION:

Cemeterial Division
Overseas Project Sub-Section

Following advice forwarded to Europe by { cable on _____, 1920
letter on FEB 18 1921, 1920

MAR 3 1921



Par. 2 Not to be returned.

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IX.

CORRECTIONS

CHANGE OF ADVICE.

ACTION TAKEN.

Desires body be _____

Body to be shipped to _____

X. SUSPENSION REMARKS:

Let. 4-19-21 fr. W. S. Ryan, Poughkeepsie, N.Y. Stating that Mrs B. Burns of 61 Albany St. Albany, N.Y. is incompetent by reason of insanity. #14-2621C

5-26-21 - Letter from War Risk - advises soldier did not carry insurance - records show E/A is Mrs. Bridget Burns, 61 Albany St., Albany, N.Y. 5-6-21-25.

To be prepared in triplicate.

DATE July 17, 1922.

REPORT OF DISINTERMENT, PREPARATION, SHIPMENT AND REBURIAL OF BODY

DISINTERMENT

COMPARATIVE REPORT

Records of G.R.S. Headquarters. ^{jw.} Discrepancy found upon exhumation of body

1. Name BURNS, Michael F. 10. Name _____

2. No. 154476 11. No. _____

3. Rank Pvt. 12. Rank _____

4. Org. Co. F, 1st Eng. 13. Org. _____

5. D.D. Sept. 12th 1918 14. (a) D.D. _____

6. C.D. KIA (b) D.B. None

Discrepancy found upon disinterment

7. Grave No. 100 Sec. 18 15. Grave No. _____ Sec. _____

8. Plot 2 Row _____ 16. Plot _____ Row _____

9. _____ 17. None

18. Cemetery St. Mihiel American 19. Commune or town Thiaucourt

20. Dept. or County M-et-M. 21. Country France

22. G.R.S. Hdqrs. Code No. # 1233

23. Disinterred (Date) July 17, 1922 By C.V. Russell

24. Inscription on grave marker:

Name Burns, Michael F. Serial No. 154476

Rank Pvt. Organization Co. F, 1st Eng.

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

J.T. White
Signature Junior Technical Assistant

J.T. White.

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).

G.R.S. plaque nailed on box reads, Michael Bur--. Tag on body completely corroded. Collar ornaments, cross cannon-3.

27. Condition of body Badly decomposed, features unrecognizable.

28. Nature of burial Wooden box and U.S. uniform.

29. Any discrepancy noted upon examination of body, as compared with G.R.S. records quoted above? None

30. Body prepared and placed in casket: Date July 17, 1922 By C.V. Russell

31. Casket sealed by C.V. Russell

Signature of Embalmer, (Supervisor)

C.V. Russell
C.V. Russell

AUDITED BY
Barb 11/5/23

FILE

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SHIPMENT. (Show actual marking of box.) Box No. C-29472

32. Designation of body:

Name Michael F. BURNS Serial No. 154476

R nk Pvt. Organization Co.F, 1st Eng.

33. Consigned to:

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

34. Casket boxed and marked (Date) July 17, 1922 By C.V.Ruseell

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 J.J. Powers
J.J. Powers, 1st Lt., Q.M.C.

36. Remarks

None

37. Shipped from point of Operation: (Date) July 17, 1922.

To point of Concentration

Convoyer _____ Signature Shipping Officer _____
(Name)

38. Received at Railhead or Point of Concentration: Date _____

By G.R.S. Representative _____

39. Shipped from Railhead or Point of Concentration: Date _____

To Permanent Cemetery St.Mihiel Amer. 1233 Thiaucourt, France

Convoyer _____ Signature Shipping Officer J.J. Powers
(Name) J.J. Powers, 1st Lt., Q.M.C.

40. Received: Date July 17, 1922.

G.R.S. Representative A.E. Dewey
A.E. Dewey, 1st Lt. Q.M.C.

41. Reinterred: July 18, 1922.

42. Grave No. 3 (Date) _____ Section _____

43. Plot block C Row 16

G.R.S. Representative A.E. Dewey
A.E. Dewey, 1st Lt. Q.M.C.

REPORT OF DISINTERMENT AND REBURIAL

1. REMAINS OF BURNS, Michael F. SERIAL NUMBER 154476
 RANK Pvt. ORGANIZATION Co. F. 1st Eng.

2. Disinterred (date) : July 17, 1922 From (give complete location) : Gr. 100, Sec. 18, Plot 2 Cem. 1233.

By : Group 1 Unit 1

3. Reburied (date) July 17, 1922 In (give complete location) : Gr 3, row 16, Block G, Cty. 1233. Thiaucourt, France.

By : Group reburial Unit _____ Nature of reburial regulation casket.

4. Report as to nature of original burial and condition of body upon disinterment :
Wooden box, U.S. uniform, badly decomposed, features unrecognizable.

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

(b) Other means of identification found upon disinterment, and general remarks :
G.R.'S. plaque nailed on box reads Michael Bur--. Tag on body completely corroded. Collar ornaments, cross cannons, 3.

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

(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

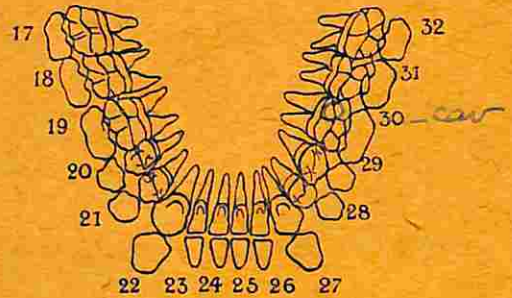
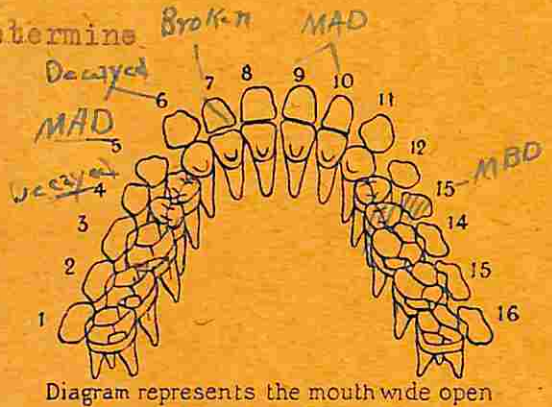
Location do

Quantity do

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

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

none visible



7. Disinterment supervised by C.V. Russell

Approved: J.J. Powers
 (Title) J.J. Powers, 1st Lt., C.M.C.

8. Reburial supervised by H.J. Kramer

Approved: A.E. Dewey
 (Title) A.E. Dewey, 1st Lt. C.M.C.

COMPILATION OF DISPOSITION OF REMAINS DATA

File # 22104

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BURNS, Michael F. 154476
 (a) Name.....Ser.No..... DB
 Pvt. Co. F, 1st Engrs. TYP... 3A...
 (b) Rank.....Organization.....
 9-12-18 Cause of K/A
 (c) Date of death.....death.....

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

100 - 2 18 DB
 (a) Grave No.....Row.....Flot.....Sect..... TP.....
 Mrs. Bridget Burns, (Mother) 61 Albany St. Albany
 (b) Emerg. Address..... E.Y.....

III. Files of soldiers dying from contagious diseases.....CKR..... 3e

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

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V. Following advice forwarded to Europe by (cable on.....192.....
 (letter of transmittal on.....192.....

Par. 2 Not to be returned.

FEB 18 1921 EW

VI. Form 115 forwarded to G.R.S. Hoboken, N.J. MAR 1- 1921 192.....

VII. SUPPLEMENTARY REQUESTS

Date of Relationship
 and Source.....and name.....Desires.....Action taken.....

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

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

CEMETERY NO.

SHEET NO.

FRANCE

1282

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PRIORITY 104

MSB FEB 26 1921

WAR DEPARTMENT
QUARTERMASTER CORPS
GRAVES REGISTRATION SERVICE
PIER 2, HOBOKEN, N. J.

June 13th, 1921.

File No. 293.8 Cem.Div.,Cor.Br.
(BURNS, Michael F.)


MEMORANDUM FOR: Chief, Cemeterial Division, O.Q.M.G.,
Washington, D. C.

SUBJECT: Return of Records - Cemetery #1233, Ref.
#477. Transmittal Memorandum H-104.

1. Returned herewith are records pertaining
to the case of the late Michael F. Burns, Private, Serial
Number 154476, Company F, 1st Engineers.

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

BY:


J. F. BUTLER,
Captain, Infantry.

encls.

R-6-23-21 M

June 13th, 1921.

File No. 295,8 Cem.Div.,Cor.Br.
(BURNS, Michael F.)

MEMORANDUM FOR: Chief, Cemeterial Division, O.Q.M.G.,
Washington, D. C.

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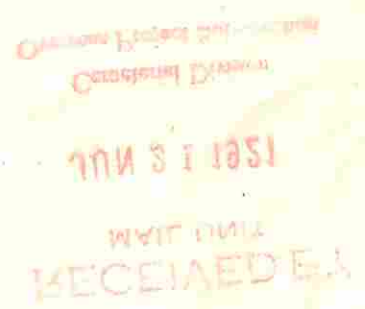
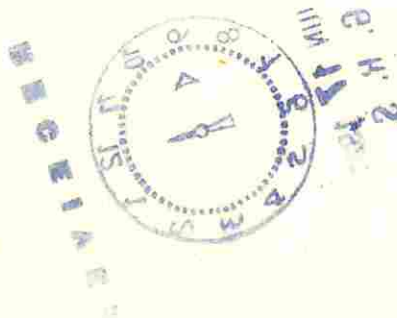
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R. E. SHANNON,
Captain, O.Q.M.G.,
Officer in Charge.

BY:

J. F. BUYER,
Captain, Infantry.

encs.
Rt/Lcm



State of New York—Hudson River State Hospital

STATION B
POUGHKEEPSIE, N. Y.WALTER G. RYON, M. D.,
SUPERINTENDENT

Apr. 19, 1921.

Graves Registration Service,
Pier #2,
Hoboken, N. J.

1233-477

Gentlemen:-

On April 11th you sent G.R.S. Form 120, concerning the remains of Pvt. Michael F. Burns, Serial No. 154476, Co. F, First Engineers, deceased, to Mrs. Bridget Burns of 61 Albany St., Albany, N.Y., and the communication was forwarded to our patient, Bridget Burns, who has been at this hospital for several years. Mrs. Burns is incompetent, by reason of insanity, to answer your inquiries but, if possible, I will secure the information from the nearest relatives. However, our records show that we have no correspondents in her case and that her sons are both dead. Your communication does not show whether Mrs. Burns is the mother of the deceased soldier. Will you be so kind as to inform me whether such is your record.

Eventually, if you so desire, I will see that Form 120 is filled in over my signature unless there is some near relative to do so, but, I believe, there is none.

Very truly yours,

CEMETERIAL DIVISION



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WAR RISK INSURANCE
Chief Clerk Division

File No. 293.8 Cem.Div., Cor.Br. May 16th, 1921.
(BURNS, Michael F.)

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MEMORANDUM FOR: Director, Compensation & Claims, R-16
Bureau of War Risk Insurance,
Washington, D. C.

MAIL SECTION

SUBJECT: Request for Information re Beneficiary.

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1. To permit of an early decision in the matter of final disposition of the remains of the late Private Michael F. Burns, Serial Number 154476, Company F, 1st Engineers, please furnish this office at the earliest possible moment the name and address of the beneficiary.

By authority of the Quartermaster
General:

R. E. SHANNON,
Captain, Quartermaster Corps,
Officer in Charge.

BY: *F. C. Pallas*
F. C. PALLAS,
Executive Assistant.

1st End. May 26, 1921

The above named soldier did not carry War Risk Insurance therefore, this Bureau has no record of any beneficiary. There is no record of compensation being paid to any dependents. The records of the file disclose that the Adjutant General supplied the name Mrs. Bridget Burns 61 Albany St., Albany, N.Y. as being the emergency address of the soldier.

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Leon Fraser,
Assistant Director,
In Charge of Compensation,
and Insurance Claims Division.

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WAR DEPARTMENT

OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL OF THE ARMY
CEMETERIAL DIVISION
WASHINGTON

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FROM: Chief, Cemeterial Division, O. Q. M. G.
To: Mrs. Bridget Burns, 61 Albany St., Albany, N. Y.
Pvt. Michael F. Burns, Ser. No. 151476 Co. F. 1st Engrs.
SUBJECT: Remains of -----

The records of this office show that you have requested that the body of the above-named -----
no request has been made for the disposition of his remains.

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

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

By authority of the Quartermaster General.
GEORGE H. PENROSE,
Colonel, Q. M. C.

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 or not these relatives are STILL LIVING.

Was soldier married? -----

| NAME OF-- | NO. AND STREET. | TOWN. | STATE. |
|---|-----------------|-------|--------|
| 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 ----- | | |

Date ----- Signature -----

Address ----- Relationship -----

I, the undersigned, am the _____ and nearest living next of kin of the within-named
(Relationship.)

soldier, and desire the following disposition of his remains, viz:
(Strike out all except the one showing the disposition desired.)

- 1. As stated on first page of this sheet.
- 2. To be returned to the U. S. and shipped to _____
(Name.)

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

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

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

Signature _____

INSTRUCTIONS FOR FILLING OUT.

1. If definite instructions for the disposition of a body are not received from the next of kin within two weeks of its arrival at New York, burial will be made without further notice in the World War Section of Arlington National Cemetery.
2. The transfer of bodies will be made ENTIRELY at Government expense.
3. This paper MUST BE SIGNED BY THE PERSON WHO IS THE NEXT OF KIN IN THE ORDER shown in the square on the other side of this sheet.
4. This paper must be returned showing the name and address of each of the nearest next of kin 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 next of kin, please ask the nearest next of kin, if living near you, to fill out this paper.
7. If YOU are not the nearest living next of kin 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.

NOTE.—INSTRUCTIONS FOR THE DISPOSITION OF REMAINS will be issued by this office upon the properly executed authority of the legal next of kin in each case. The widow is the first person having disposition of the remains of her husband. Should there be no widow or children, the father and, in turn (upon his decease), the mother, is the proper authority. The brothers, in order of seniority, and then the sisters in order of seniority, if there are no brothers, rank next in authority to decide. Under an opinion rendered by the Judge Advocate General of the Army, if a widow has remarried she forfeits her right, and the next of kin as given above will make decision.

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File No. 293.8 Gen. Div., Cor. Br.
(BURNS, Michael F.)

May 16th, 1921.

MEMORANDUM FOR: Director, Compensation & Claims,
Bureau of War Risk Insurance,
Washington, D. C.

SUBJECT: Request for Information re Beneficiary.

1. To permit of an early decision in the matter of final disposition of the remains of the late Private Michael F. Burns, Serial Number 154476, Company F, 1st Engineers, please furnish this office at the earliest possible moment the name and address of the beneficiary.

By authority of the Quartermaster

General:

R. E. SHANNON,
Captain, Quartermaster Corps,
Officer in Charge.

BY:

F. C. FALLAS,
Executive Assistant.

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June 13th, 1921.

File No. 293.8 Gen.Div., Cor.Br.
(BURNS, Michael F.)

Mr. W. G. Ryan, Supt.,
Hudson River State Hospital,
Poughkeepsie, N. Y.

Dear Sir:

Receipt of your communication dated April 19th, 1921, relative to the remains of the late Michael F. Burns, Private, Serial Number 154476, Company F, 1st Engineers, is acknowledged.

Records in this office indicate that Mrs. Bridget Burns is the mother of the deceased.

Your cooperation in this connection is greatly appreciated.

By authority of the Quartermaster General:

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

BY:

J. F. Butler
J. F. BUTLER,
Captain, Infantry.

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June 13th, 1921.

File No. 293.6 Com.Div., Cor.Br.
(BURNS, Michael F.)

Mr. W. G. Ryan, Supt.,
Hudson River State Hospital,
Poughkeepsie, N. Y.

Dear Sir:

Receipt of your communication dated April 19th,
1921, relative to the remains of the late Michael F. Burns,
Private, Serial Number 154476, Company F, 1st Engineers, is
acknowledged.

Records in this office indicate that Mrs. Bridget
Burns is the mother of the deceased.

Your cooperation in this connection is greatly
appreciated.

By authority of the Quartermaster General:

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

BY:

J. F. BUTLER,
Captain, Infantry.

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Date June 23 1919

REPORT OF DISINTERMENT AND REBURIAL

Remains of :

NAME: BURNS, Michael F.

NUMBER: 154476

RANK: Pvt.

ORGANIZATION: Co.F.1st Eng.

DISINTERMENT AND REBURIAL MADE BY GROUP:

UNIT:

DISINTERRED: (Date)

FROM: (Give complete location)

17th June 1919

Grave isolated.

LAHAYVILLE MEUSE

52 SW.355.61E 234.78N

REBURIED (Date)

IN: (Give complete location)

17th June 1919

Grave #100 Sec #18 Plot #2

ST MIHIEL AMERICAN CEMETERY #1233

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

Burial good; buried in uniform; badly decomposed.

Was one identification tag found upon the body? Yes

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

CONFIRMED 11400

Note:

If, upon disinterment, effects are found on bodies, they will be promptly sent to the Effects Depot, direct, as is required by G. O. 170, G.H. Q, 1918; after being carefully examined for clues of identity in doubtful cases, notation thereof will be made and reported to the Chief, Graves Registration Service.

Supervised by: Capt. Orbeck

R. H. ROSENTHAL

2nd Lieut. O. M. C. U. S. A.

C. O. Group Unit

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AMERICAN EXPEDITIONARY FORCES
HEADQUARTERS SERVICES OF SUPPLY
OFFICE OF THE CHIEF QUARTERMASTER, A.E.F.
GRAVES REGISTRATION SERVICE
A.P.O. 717 FRANCE.

February 20th, 1919.

FROM : Chief, Graves Registration Service, A.E.F.
TO : Chaplain James Cannon, 1st Engineers, A.E.F.
SUBJECT : Location of graves of men of 1st Engineers.

FILE

1. Referring to your inquiry of recent date for grave location of soldiers of 1st Engineers, records of this office show the following:

Burns, Michael J.
#154476
Pvt. Co. F
1st Engineers

Killed in action Sept. 12, 1918. No date of burial on record. Buried in isolated grave Commune, of Baussant (Meurthe-et-Moselle). Map reference, one to fifty thousand scale Lambert map 52 SW: coordinates E 355.90: N 234.80. Grave marked with name peg and cross; one identification tag buried with body and one attached to grave marker.

Day, Ruel
#76082
Pvt. Co. A
1st Engineers

Killed in action Sept. 12, 1918. Buried Sept. 13, 1918 in Commune of Seicheprey (Meurthe-et-Moselle). Map reference, Lambert one to fifty thousand scale map 52 SW: coordinates E 357.0: N 231.3: Grave marked by a cross, to which is attached one identification tag; one tag also buried with body. Burial information on this soldier has not been confirmed.

Garrison, George H.
#154809
Pvt. Co. F
1st Engineers

Killed in action Sept. 12th, 1918. Buried Sept. 12th, 1918, in isolated grave Commune of Seicheprey (Meurthe-et-Moselle). Map reference Lambert one to fifty thousand scale map 52 SW: coordinates E 355.6: N 232.6. Grave marked with name peg and cross; one tag buried with body.

Pallatta, Fred
#653326
Pvt. Co. E
1st Engrs.

Killed in action October 4th, 1918. Buried (no date of burial on record) in grave 73, Plot A, American Battle Area Cemetery Commune of Apremont-sur-Aire, Apremont-sur-Aire (Ardennes). Grave marked with name peg and cross; one identification tag buried with body and one attached to grave marker.

Trowbridge, Carl B.
1st Lieut.
Co. C, 1st Engrs.

Killed in action October 9th, 1918. Buried October 10th, 1918, in grave #34, Plot 13, American Battle Area Cemetery Commune of Chatel-Chehery, Chatel-Chehery (Ardennes). Grave marked by name peg, to which is attached one identification tag; one tag also buried with body.

Clark, Gailey
#2050589
PFC Co. C
1st Engineers

Killed in action October 9th, 1918. Unconfirmed information shows this soldier to have been buried October 11th, 1918, in Commune of Exermont (Ardennes). Map reference Lambert one to fifty thousand scale map 35 NE: coordinates E 303.7: N 280.3. Grave marked by a cross, to which is attached one identification tag; one tag also buried with body.

Harper, Richard
#154928
PFC Co. A
1st Engineers

No burial information on file in this office on this soldier.

Sahler, Wellington G.
#155695
Cpl. Co. E
1st Engineers

No burial information on file in this office on this soldier.

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

ACL/mck.

HEAD ARTISTS. FIRST U. S. ENGINEERS.
AMERICAN EXPEDITIONARY FORCES. FRANCE.

October 23, 1918,

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From: Regimental Chaplain, First U. S. Engineers.

To : Graves Registration Service.

Subject : Location of graves.

1. Kindly supply from your records, if possible, the location, by coordinates, of the graves of the following men of the First Engineers :

| <u>SURNAME</u> | <u>NUMBER</u> | <u>GIVEN NAME</u> | <u>DATE KILLED</u> | <u>CO.</u> | <u>COORDINATES.</u> |
|----------------|---------------|-------------------|--------------------|------------|---------------------|
| Burns | 154476 | Michael J. | Sept. 12/18 | F | |
| Day | 76082 | Ruel W. | Sept. 12/18 | A | |
| Garrison | 154809 | George E. | Sept. 12/18 | F | |
| Pallata | 653326 | Fred | Oct. 4/18 | E | |
| Trowbridge | 1st Lt. | Carl B. | Oct. 9/18 | C | |
| Clark | 2030589 | Gailey | Oct. 9/18 | C | |
| Harper | 154928 | Richard | Oct. 9/18 | A | |
| Sahler | 155695 | W. G. | Oct. 10/18 | E | |

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James Cannon
James Cannon,
Chaplain, First Engineers.

*As
Cannon
1st Lt*

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GRAVE LOCATION BLANK

LOCATION OF THE GRAVE OF

BURNS #154476 **Michael F.**
(Surname.) (Number.) (First Name and Initials.)

Pvt. **Co. F. 1st Engrs.**
(Rank.) (Organization.)

DATE OF BURIAL **Sept 16, 1918.**

PLACE OF BURIAL

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

**Open field, half distance between
St Bausant and Montee, 800 yards
north of wagon road. 234.6. 355.8.
(Thiencourt 29th Engrs. Map.)**

GRAVE NUMBER **no.**

HOW MARKED: Name Peg? Cross? **Yes**

Headboard? Bottle? **Tobacco Tin**

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:

(Large blue scribble with '235' written inside)

27 SEP 1918

REPORTED BY:

Chaplain H. P. Wilson, 26th Inf.
(Signature and Rank of Reporting Officer.)

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

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GRAVE LOCATION BLANK

LOCATION OF THE GRAVE OF

Burns, #154476, Michael F

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

Pvt Co.F. 1st Eng.

(Rank.) (Organization.)

DATE OF BURIAL... Sept 13th 1918.

PLACE OF BURIAL... Nonsard Area.

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

Thiaucourt Map Am.Ed. 29th Eng 1918

Scale 1: 50,000

234.7 by 355.8

Isolated
Single Grave

GRAVE NUMBER.....

HOW MARKED: Name Peg? Yes. Cross?

Headboard? Bottle?

IDENTIFICATION TAGS:

C-1 35
Yes.

Was one buried with body?

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:

Earl H. Weed, Chaplain 16 Inf

(Signature and Rank of Reporting Officer.)

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

79 SEP 1918

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GRAVE LOCATION BLANK

LOCATION OF THE GRAVE OF

Burns *154476 Michael F.
(Surname). (Number). (First Name and Initials).

Pvt. Co F 1st U. S. Engrs
(Rank). (Organization).

PLACE OF DEATH:

CAUSE OF DEATH:

DATE OF BURIAL: Sep 16th 1918

PLACE OF BURIAL: 234.6 - 355.8 (Thiaucourt
(Give Cemetery, Town and Department). Map reference must
specify clearly what map is used. 29th Engrs Map)

Open field, half distance between St Bau-
ssant and Montsee, 800 yds north of wagon
road

GRAVE NUMBER:

HOW MARKED: Name Peg? Cross? Yes

Headboard? Bottle Tobacco tin

IDENTIFICATION TAGS:

Was one buried with body?

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

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

~~CAME LAHAYVILLE (MENSE)~~
(C-198) SITT. 52 S. W. COORD E 355.8

NEAREST RELATIVE: N 234.6

ADDRESS:

RELATIONSHIP:

REPORTED BY:

Chaplain H. R. Sisson 26th Inf
(Signature and Rank of Reporting Officer).

26 OCT 1918

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GRAVE LOCATION BLANK

LOCATION OF THE GRAVE OF

Burns 154476 Michael F.

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

Pvt. Co. 1st Engrs.

(Rank). (Organization).

PLACE OF BURIAL:

CAUSE OF DEATH:

DATE OF BURIAL: Sept. 13, 1918

PLACE OF BURIAL: Nonsard Area

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

Thiaucourt Map Am. Ed. 29th. Engrs.

Scale 1: 50,000

234.7 by 355.6

GRAVE NUMBER:

HOW MARKED: Name Peg? Yes Cross?

Headboard? Bottle?

IDENTIFICATION TAGS:

Was one buried with body? Yes

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

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

NEAREST RELATIVE:

ADDRESS:

RELATIONSHIP:

REPORTED BY:

Chaplain Earl H. Weed

(Signature and Rank of Reporting Officer).

26 OCT 1918

1. U.S. Form No. 1.

Hq. G. S. File

2. Soldier's No. 134476

3. Burns Michael F.
Surname First Name and Initials

4. Priv F 1st Engr's
Rank Company Regt. or Corps

5. Sept. 12 - 18 Killed in action
Date of Death Cause, if known

6. Sept 16-18 Battlefield
Date of Burial Cemetery

7. _____
Town or Commune Department

8. A _____
Grave No. Plot No. or Letter

9. Name Peg? Cross? Headboard? Bottle?
Check Method of Marking

10. Buried with Body? _____ Attached to Grave Marker?
Identification Tags

11. If name unknown and tag missing, give marks and description

Com. C 135 St. Saussant (M & M)

12. Map # 21 Roberts
Map Reference, if interment is outside of cemetery

355.90E. - 234.80N

13. MAP 52
Give name of Chaplain or Burial Officer

Signed Sgt. S. G. Roberts

Group 4 Unit 301 G.R.S.

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G.R.S. Form No. 8; Central Records Liaison.

Reg. Cards.

31- March 1919

MEMO FOR : G.R.S. representative, C.R.O.

SUBJECT : **FILE** Information required for G.R.S.I. Items checked are to be completed :

- () Surname : **BURNS**
 () Number : **154476**
 () First name : **Michael F.**
 () Rank : **Pvt**
 () Company : **Co F,**
 () Organization **1st Engineers.**
 () Date of death : **Sept 12th 1918**
 () Cause :
 () Place :

Location of hospital :

Number » »

Class » »

- (✓) Relative : **Mrs. Bridget Burns.**
 () Relationship : **mother**
 (✓) Address : **61 Albany St., Albany, N.Y.**

- () Authority :
 Cablegram No :
 Telegram from :

dated :

- () Reported to Washington :
 C.C. Nos : **267**

(Underscore the "official" C.C.)

- () Remarks :
Burial notification was sent to this address and returned, advise correct address, give another address if possible.

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

Initials of reporter :

WAR DEPARTMENT

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GRAVES REGISTRATION SERVICE
American Expeditionary Forces

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FILE

Miss Bridget Burns,
14 Albany St.,
Albany, New York.
U. S. A.



UNCLAIMED MAIL

~~*G. 220 Clinton Ave*~~

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FOR THE FILE
U. S. A. C.

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POST OFFICE, ALBANY, N. Y.
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War Department,

Graves Registration Service,

American Expeditionary Forces.