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DATE 6/14/22

1. NAME BURNS, William J.

SERIAL No. 154113.

RANK Pvt.

ORGANIZATION ^{anti aircraft} 2nd. A.A. Batty. C.A.C
& DIVISION - none shown

GRAVE LOCATION American E.F.Cty., Is-sur-Tille, Cote-D'Or.

58

CTY. NAME

NUMBER

114

GRAVE

ROW

PLOT

2. ORIGINAL BATTLE AREA GRAVE LOCATION

54

IS-s-TILLE (Côte d'Or)

GRAVE

COMMUNE

DEPT.

COORDINATES E.302.26 N.84.23

CONCENTRATED TO 11-6-20

114

DATE

GRAVE

ROW

PLOT

AEF. Cem. IS-s-TILLE (Côte d'Or)

N°. 58

CEMETERY

CTY. NUMBER

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

Tag buried with body (from data on form 16-A. No other data)

DATE OF DEATH

September 28, 1918

STATE FROM WHICH HE CAME

California

MEDALS OR DECORATIONS AWARDED

none.

SUBSEQUENT REBURIALS Not of record

DATE

GRAVE

ROW

PLOT

CEMETERY

DATE

GRAVE

ROW

PLOT

CEMETERY

SIGNATURE, AREA SUPERVISOR

W. H. Quarterman

W. H. QUARTERMAN, CAPT. F.A., Supervisor Area N°4.

3. FINAL GRAVE LOCATION

6/14/22

1

26

DATE

GRAVE

ROW

Block

A
PLOT

AUDITED BY

m.h.s.

5722/23

St Mihiel American Cty # 1233. The court Meurthe et Moselle Davis,

CEMETERY

Major General,

The Adjutant General.

By MEW

GRAVE LOCATION BLANK

LOCATION OF THE GRAVE OF

Burns, 154113 William
(Surname.) (Number.) (First Name and Initials.)

Private 2nd Anti Aircraft Bt
(Rank.) (Organization.)

DATE OF BURIAL. Sept 29th, 1918

PLACE OF BURIAL. Is-sur-Tille

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

American Exp. Force Cometary #58

Map D-24

GRAVE NUMBER 55

HOW MARKED: Name Peg? Yes Cross? Yes

Headboard? Bottle?

IDENTIFICATION TAGS:

Was one buried with body? Yes

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

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

REPORTED BY: Joseph A. Morris

Joseph A. Morris, Chaplain, 2nd Pioneer
(Signature and Rank of Reporting Officer.)

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

GRAVE LOCATION BLANK

LOCATION OF THE GRAVE OF

Burns 154113 William
(Surname.) (Number.) (First Name and Initials.)

Pvt. 2nd Anti-Aircraft Bty.
(Rank.) (Organization.)

DATE OF BURIAL. Sept 29 1918.

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Place Is-sur-Tille Cemetery #58

REPORT OF DISINTERMENT AND REBURIAL

Date November 6, 1920

1. REMAINS OF William J. Burns SERIAL NUMBER 154113
RANK Pvt ORGANIZATION 2 A.A. Bty. C.A.C.

2. Disinterred (date): 11-6-20 From (give complete location): Between grave #54 and #55 in cemetery #58 JCA
commune of Is-sur-Tille, Cote d'Or, France
By: Group #4 Unit Section II Field Forces

3. Reburied (date): 11-6-20 In (give complete location): Grave #114 in cemetery #58 JCA
commune of Is-sur-Tille, Cote d'Or, France
By: Group #4 Unit Section II FF Nature of reburial wooden box (Uniform) burlap

4. Report as to nature of original burial and condition of body upon disinterment:
Wooden box (Uniform) Badly decomposed

5. (a) Identification tags: Buried with body? Yes On grave marker? Yes
(b) Other means of identification found upon disinterment, and general remarks:
Grave marker read Grave #55

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

(a) Height (~~actual measurement~~) estimated 69 inches

(b) Weight (estimated) 150 lbs

(c) Hair—Color light brown

Quantity full head

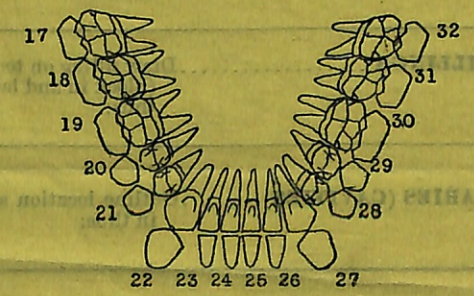
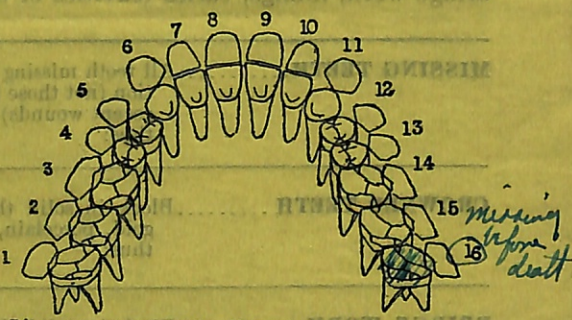
Characteristics straight

(d) Hair on face—Color none

Location ---

Quantity ---

(e) Permanent marks on body (old scars, peculiarities, or missing parts) none discernible owing to decomposition



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

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7. Disinterment supervised by James McGourty Approved: H. A. Wadsworth

(Title) Major, Inf.

8. Reburial supervised by James McGourty Approved: H. A. Wadsworth

(Title) Major, Inf.

WESTERN MILITARY BUREAU
ROUTE AND SCHEDULE

Burns, Wm. J.
Pvt.

EUROPEAN PILGRIMAGE SAILING FROM NEW YORK CITY June 4, 1930

Los Angeles County, State of California

Name Burns, Mrs Francis

Address 2446 Echo Park Ave., Los Angeles, Calif. (F-13)

Route going: Sou Pac, Santa Rosa, C R I & P, Chicago, NYC, New York

Return: Same route.

Desires stop-over in Chicago two (2) weeks

		ROAD	TRAIN	TIME	DATE
Itinerary going	✓ Lv Los Angeles	Sou Pac	4	6:00 PM	May 29
	✓ Ar Chicago	CRI&P	4	9:15 AM	June 1
	✓ Lv "	NYC	10	10:35 AM	June 1
	✓ Ar New York	"	142	3:45 PM	June 2
	Lv (Grand Central)				
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Accommodations: Standard sleeper, Los Angeles to Chicago and Chicago to New York.

Elapsed Time: 90 hours, 45 minutes.

Extra Fare:

ITINERARY FOR ST. MICHEL AMERICAN CEMETERY

PARTY "Y"

BURNS, Wm J.

Left New York June 4th on the SS AMERICA in charge of Captain Merrill Ross. Arrived Cherbourg about 4 a.m. June 13th - A special tender arrived alongside the boat at 5:25 a.m. The following personnel met the ship: Major G.F.N. Bailey, Captains J. M. Reynolds, H. W. Kinderman, R.L. Earnest, T. H. Clark, Lt. E. R. Freeman, Miss Bulon, 7 nurses and 2 civilians. Train left at 8:48 a.m. and arrived at 2:25 p.m. at the Gare des Invalides. Met by Colonel Ellis and others and conducted to the hotel.

June 14th - A.M. free - conference with conducting officer - explanation of points of general information. Departed 3 p.m. for Arc de Triomphe Ceremony followed by tea and reception at Restaurant Laurent. Dinner at hotel. Night sightseeing trip.

June 15th - A. M. free or church - Sightseeing trip Sacre Coeur

June 16th - Depart for Nancy via Rezey on Eric, Sezanne, Vitry-le-Francois, Bar-le-duc (stayed at the Hotel de Metz overnight) then to Thiaucourt where lunch was served and visited the cemetery in a.m. Arrived Nancy at 6:15 p.m. and stopped at the Grand Hotel

June 18th -19th -20th - Daily visits to cemetery and sightseeing in vicinity.

June 21st - Left Nancy via Toul, Neufchateau, Bar-sur-Aube and Troyes where stopped for night at the Grand Hotel.

June 22nd - Left Troyes at 8:30 a.m. and stopped at Sens and Fontainebleau and arrived Paris 6:00p.m.

June 23rd - Free and in p.m. visited Napoleon's tomb.

June 24th - A. M. free and visited Versailles in p.m. also Belle Cyliste - Surames.

June 25th - Visited Notre Dame in a.m. and had p.m. free.

June 26th - Visited Louvre in a.m. and had p.m. free

June 27th - Left Gare des Invalides at 10:30 in charge of the following: Captains Mitchell, Halsey, Dalton, Lts. Gregory, Moroney, Binns, Captain Kinderman, 4 nurses and 2 civilian employees. Arrived Cherbourg at 4:12 p.m. and sailed at 6:03 on the PRESIDENT HARDING. Captain A. J. Funk as Liaison officer.

Mrs. Francis V. Burns

WAR DEPARTMENT
 "PILGRIMAGE WAR MOTHERS AND WIDOWS"
 -- ROOM 901 --
 225 West 34th St., New York, N. Y.

BURNS, William J.

ST.M.

PARTY "F"
 NUMBER 896

REQUEST FOR PULLMAN RESERVATION

Mrs. Francis V. Burns
 Name of Traveler
Los Angeles, Los Angeles County
 Home Address
California

Actual cost of through Pullman.
 New York, to Los Angeles, Cal.

\$ 32.63

New York, to Los Angeles, Cal.
 Destination

Via N.Y.C. to Chicago - C.R.L.&P. to Santa Rosa - Sou. Pac. to dest.

July 5th, 1930
 Date of Departure

	Road	Train Number	Date	Time	Lower or Seat	Car	U.S.G. Order No.	Actual Cost
LV	Gr. Cant. Ter	Nyc	7/6	2040	Lo 6	182	WD-1021-588	9.00
AR	Chicago		7/7	4180				
LV	" "	Pa		9110	A		WD-1021-589	23.63
AR	Los Angeles			8310				
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TOTAL

Remarks: Validate

Stopover - 2 weeks in Chicago.

Left Hotel Pennsylvania at 1:15 P.M. escorted by Capt. Pieters.

Name BURNS, Mrs Francis V.,

HOTEL DE PARIS

Paris Hôtel BOULEVARD DE LA MADELEINE

Home address 2446 Echo Park Ave., Los Angeles, California

Party F Group 3 Unit S/S AMERICA

Date of arrival JUNE 13, 1930 Date of departure JUNE 27, 1930 S/S HARDING

Relationship Mother

Name of deceased BURNS, William J.

Rank Pvt. Organization 2d A.A. Bty C.A.C.

Cemetery St. Mihiel

REMARKS

Desires stop over in Chicago, Ill. two weeks on return trip.

Mrs Mary L. McMann to accompany her mother Mrs Frances V. BURNS .
Letter to Cherbourg . No assistance requested .



Mrs. Francis Burns

Arrived June 2, 1930 on N.Y.C Railroad, train No. 142 at 3:45 P.M.

Met by Capt. Joseph A. Cistaro and taken to Hotel New Weston.

Quarters with Mrs M. C. Davis and Mrs H. B. Wood
2 days.

Quarters with no one on return from pilgrimage at
Hotel Pennsylvania 1 day.

432 ✓ 896

Validate

NAME BURNS, MRS. FRANCIS V.

S.S. HARDING JUL 4 1930

HOME Los Angeles, Calif.
" " County

R.R. N Y C to Chicago - CRIP
STATION to Santa Rosa - San Pae to
dest.

TRAIN #

CAR #

BERTH OR SEAT

TIME

DATE June 1-30

Stopover - 2 weeks
Chicago

Mr. R.H. Mc Mann

2446 Echo Park

Los Angeles.

Calif

FVR

Pilgrimage, War Mothers & Widows,
R 901, 225 W. 34th St.,
New York City, N.Y.

VIA POSTAL TELEGRAPH

Mrs. Anna Arnold,
1410 Gregory Street,
Wilmette, Illinois.

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

July 6, 1930

MRS BURNS ARRIVES CHICAGO FOUR FIFTY EIGHT P M JULY SEVENTH
NEW YORK CENTRAL PLEASE MEET

COLONEL WILLIAMS

Mrs. Francis V. Burns, Party "F", Hotel Pennsylvania.

May 17th, 1930.

Mrs. Francis V. Burns,
2446 Echo Park Avenue,
Los Angeles, Calif.

Dear Madam:

Please attach the enclosed tags to each piece of baggage, thus to protect the safe arrival of same in New York.

Upon your arrival in this City, you will be met at the Railroad Station by a United States Army Officer, in uniform, who will wear on the left sleeve of his coat a blue cloth band, showing a Gold Star and the word "Pilgrimage". This officer will escort you and your baggage to your Hotel in New York City.

For The Officer in Charge:

George F. R. Taylor,
1st. Lieut., G.M. Corps
Assistant.

Enclosures:
2 tags.

GOLD STAR MOTHERS

Pilgrimage sailing from New York City June 4, 1930

Consolidated schedules

Schedule No. 9

<u>State</u>	<u>County</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Address</u>
California	Ventura	Davis, Mrs. Miriam G.	Santa Paula
"	Santa Barbara	Harter, Mrs. Jay P.	Santa Barbara
"	Los Angeles	Applegate, Mrs. Esther L.	Los Angeles
"	"	Bean, Mrs. Mary W.	"
"	"	Bisbee, Mrs. Hattie B.	"
"	"	Burns, Mrs. Francis V.	"
"	"	Snyder, Mrs. Kate C.	"
"	"	Watson, Mrs. W. T.	"
"	"	Wolport, Mrs. Marie M.	"
"	San Bernardino	Wood, Mrs. Hannah G.	Ontario
"	Riverside	Barber, Mrs. Carrie N.	Riverside
"	"	Tomson, Mrs. John J.	"
"	San Diego	Deming, Mrs. Elizabeth	Mesa Grande (RR Sta-San Diego)
"	"	Bonhart, Mrs. Anna J.	San Diego
"	"	Donnelly, Mrs. Catherine A.	"
"	"	Mattimore, Mrs. Margaret E.	"
"	"	Soff, Mrs. Lizzie	Campo

Burns, Mrs. Francis V.

Lv Santa Paula	9:34 AM	Sou Pac Train 33-77	May 29
Ar. Santa Barbara	11:23 AM	" " "	"
Lv. "	2:10 PM	" " 32	"
Ar Los Angeles	5:25 PM	" " "	"
Lv Los Angeles	6:00 PM	" " 4	"
Lv Ontario	7:21 PM	" " "	"
Ar Colton	7:52 PM	" " "	"
Lv Riverside	6:55 PM	" " Elec	"
Ar Colton	7:17 PM	" " "	"
Lv Colton	7:52 PM	" " 4	"
Ar Yuma	12:55 AM	" " "	30
Lv San Diego	5:15 PM	S D & A " 150	29
Lv Campo	7:37 PM	" " "	"
Ar Yuma	12:45 AM	" " "	30
Lv Yuma	2:05 AM	Sou Pac " 4	"
Ar Chicago	9:15 AM	Cri&P " "	June 1
Lv Chicago	10:35 AM	NYC " 10	"
Ar New York	3:45 PM	" " 142	2

(Grand Central Station)

CODE SLIP

HEADING	SUB HEADING	NO. OF COLS	CODE
NAME	BURNS <i>Wm. J.</i>	3	2 4 8
	CEMETERY <i>1233</i>	1	3
BURIED	GRAVE <i>1</i>	2	01
	ROW <i>26</i>	2	26
	BLOCK <i>A</i>	1	1
STATE	<i>Calif</i>	2	04
RANK	<i>Priv.</i>	1	2
REVISION	<i>G. A. C.</i>	2	48
ORGANIZATION	<i>2nd</i>	3	002
ARM	<i>A. A. Bn</i>	1	3
M. RITUAL		1	2
NAME	<i>Mrs. Francis U. Burns</i>	3	2 4 8
	STATE <i>Calif</i>	2	04
RESIDENCE	COUNTY <i>Los Angeles</i>	2	19
	CITY <i>Los Angeles</i>	3	036
RELATION	<i>Mother</i>	1	1
OTHER		1	
ELIGIBILITY	<i>yes</i>	1	1
NATIVITY		1	
RACE		1	
ENGLISH	<i>yes</i>	1	
ATTENDANT		1	
HEALTH	<i>Good</i>	1	
NO. OF SONS		1	
DATE OF TRIP	NO. YR. <i>1930</i>	1	
ACCEPTANCE	<i>yes</i>	1	
29/514/EAB	<i>Age 63</i>		63

AUDITED
 OCT 6 1931
RS

STATE

Burns, Wm. J.

CALIFORNIA

Mother

2446 Echo Park Ave.,
Los Angeles
Los Angeles County

NAME Burns, Mrs. Francis V. HOME ADDRESS

NAME AND ADDRESS OF NEAREST KIN Mr. R.H. Mc Mann 2446 Echo Park Ave.,
Los Angeles, Cal.

ARRIVAL IN NEW YORK

DATE June 3, 1930 HOTEL NEW WESTON ROOM NO. 432

DEPARTURE NEW YORK

DATE June 4, 1930 VESSEL AMERICA CABIN NO. 314C

DESTINATION Cherbourg, France CEMETERY St. Mihiel

RETURN NEW YORK

JUL 5 1930

DATE

Mother

2446 Echo Park Ave.
Los Angeles, Calif.

NAME Burns, Mrs. Francis V. HOME ADDRESS

RETURN ON S/S HARDING HOTEL PENNSYLVANIA ROOM NO. 1643

DEPARTURE NEW YORK

DATE 7/6

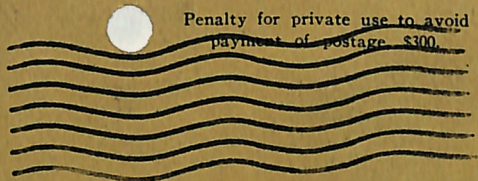
ROAD NYC TRAIN 7 CAR 182 BERTH or SEAT 26

REMARKS

Chicago, Ill. 2 weeks

WAR DEPARTMENT

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



OFFICIAL BUSINESS

PILGRIMAGE, WAR MOTHERS AND WIDOWS

225 WEST 34TH STREET,

NEW YORK, N. Y.

NAME

Mrs Francis Burn

JH

ADDRESS

Los Angeles, Calif.

DATE

Aug 21, 1930

TO:

Officer-In-Charge,

PILGRIMAGE, WAR MOTHERS AND WIDOWS

I beg to inform you that I have returned to my home safely and in good health.

Sincerely,

(Signed)

Mrs Francis V. Burne.

Post Office Department

OFFICIAL BUSINESS

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TO AVOID PAYMENT OF
POSTAGE, \$300.

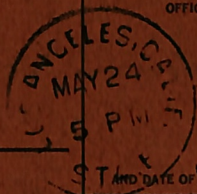
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Return to **Q. M. GENERAL**

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WASHINGTON

D. C.

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RETURN RECEIPT

1233

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

X Mrs Francis V Burns

(Signature or name of addressee.)

(Signature of addressee's agent.)

Date of delivery,

5-24-1930

Form 3811

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Amica 6/4/30

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QM 293 A-G
Burns, William J. 1233-M

April 9, 1930

Mrs. Francis V. Burns,
2446 Echo Park Avenue,
Los Angeles, California.

Dear Madam:

Receipt is acknowledged of your acceptance of the invitation to sail on the SS AMERICA, June 4th, to make the pilgrimage to the grave of your son, the late Private William J. Burns, in the St. Mihiel American Cemetery, France.

With reference to your desire to stopover in Chicago for two weeks on your return home, this will be arranged without additional expense to you for rail or pullman transportation. You, of course, understand any additional expenditures, due to your stopover for meals or other miscellaneous expenses, must be paid for by you from personal funds, as the per diem allowance paid you will be on the basis of a direct trip home.

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

April 5, 1930.

INDEXED, REFILED, QM 293 A-C
1258 M

Mrs. Francis Burns,
2446 Echo Park Ave.,
Los Angeles, Calif.

Dear Madam:

The following instructions prepared by the Secretary of State contain the necessary instructions to be followed by you in obtaining the passport or travel document to be utilized in connection with your pilgrimage to the cemeteries in Europe. Please read the directions carefully and call in person upon the nearest Passport Agent or clerk of a Federal or State court having jurisdiction to naturalize aliens. Passport Agencies are located in Boston, Chicago, New Orleans, New York City, San Francisco and Seattle. In large cities there are usually two or more courts and at each county-seat a state court authorized to accept these passport applications.

When you make this call be sure to take with you the four photographs called for in the instructions together with your invitation as a means of identification. You should take with you to the passport office at this time a friend who is an American citizen and who has known you for several years. The passport Agent or clerk of the court will mail your application to the Secretary of State in Washington, D. C., who will issue the passports and travel documents and will deliver them to The Quartermaster General to be held by him until your arrival in New York.

The instructions prepared by the Secretary of State are as follows:

"A mother or widow who owes allegiance to the United States must apply to the Department of State for a Special Pilgrimage Passport through a Passport Agent or through a clerk of a Federal court or State court having jurisdiction to naturalize aliens and on the form prescribed by that Department. When making application, she should be accompanied by a credible witness who is an American citizen and who has known her for a period of two years or more. With her application she should submit four photographs on a light background and on thin paper not more than 3x3 inches in size not less than 2½x2½ inches in size and such documentary

evidence of her American citizenship as she may have in her possession. In the absence of evidence of citizenship, her application should be witnessed by a credible person residing in the same community who is an American citizen, has known her for a long period of time and is able to swear to the best of his or her knowledge and belief that she is a citizen of the United States.

"A mother or widow who does not owe allegiance to the United States must apply to the Department of State for a Pilgrimage Travel Document through a clerk of a Federal court or a State court having jurisdiction to naturalize aliens or through a Passport Agent upon the form of application prescribed for that purpose, entitled APPLICATION FOR A PILGRIMAGE TRAVEL DOCUMENT, issued under the Act of March 2, 1929, submitting therewith four photographs on a light background and on thin paper not more than 3 x 3 inches in size and not less than 2½ x 2½ inches in size. When making application she should be accompanied by a credible witness who has known her for a period of two years or more.

"The Act of March 2, 1929, provides that no fee shall be charged for the execution of an application for a passport or travel document or for the issue of a passport or travel document to a mother or widow making a pilgrimage to the cemeteries of Europe in which deceased soldiers, sailors, and marines of the American forces are now interred.

"Special Pilgrimage Passports and Pilgrimage Travel Documents when issued by the Department of State will be forwarded to the War Department.

"Applicants resident in Boston, Chicago, New Orleans, New York City, San Francisco and Seattle should execute applications at the Passport Agencies in those cities."

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

America
6-4-30
1233

I would like to stop over
two weeks in Chicago on return
trip home

I accept the invitation extended
(Accept or decline)

Burns, Mrs. J.

07/25/30

me to make a pilgrimage to Europe at the expense of the
Government of the United States under the provisions of
the Act of Congress approved March 2, 1929.

Mrs. Francis V. Burns

(Name)

2446 Echo Park Ave., Los Angeles, California

(Town or City)

(State)

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C
Burns, William J. 1233 M.

October 8, 1929.

Mrs. Francis V. Burns,
2446 Echo Park Ave.,
Los Angeles, Calif.

Sailed
JUN 4 1930

Dear Madam:

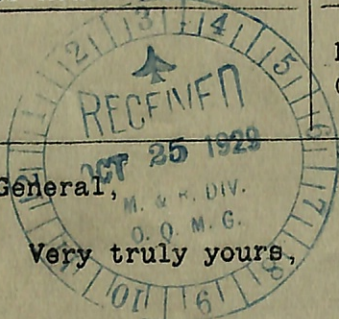
The Act of Congress which provides for pilgrimages to cemeteries in Europe by mothers and widows of members of the military or naval forces of the United States who died in the military or naval service at any time between April 5, 1917 and July 1, 1921, and whose remains are now interred in such cemeteries, all necessary expenses of which pilgrimages are to be paid by the United States Government, requires that the Secretary of War make an investigation and submit the results of such investigation in a report to Congress not later than December 15, 1929. The purpose of the investigation is to determine the total number of mothers and widows entitled to make the pilgrimages, the number of such mothers and widows who desire to make the pilgrimages, the number who desire to make the pilgrimages during the calendar year 1930 and the probable cost of the pilgrimages to be made.

In order that the report referred to may be made and plans completed for conducting the pilgrimages, it is requested that you answer the following questions by filling out the blanks left therefor and return the letter to this office by return mail in the enclosed envelope which requires no postage.

1. Do you desire to make this pilgrimage if eligible?	(Yes)	(No)
2. Do you desire to make the pilgrimage in the calendar year 1930?	(Yes)	(No)
3. Have you at any time made a previous visit to the grave of the deceased member of the military or naval forces in whom you are interested?	(Yes)	(No)
4. Please give your age and state of health.	Age 63 Health (Years) (Good) (Poor)	
5. What language do you speak?	English - (Yes) (No) Other language (Specify language spoken)	

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,



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

Encl.
Act
Envelope

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

May , 1929.

Burns, William J

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Mrs. Francis V. Burns,
2446 Echo Park Ave.,
Los Angeles, Calif.

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 mother of the late Private William J. Burns, 2nd Anti Aircraft Bty, C.A.C., 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 widow who is entitled under the provisions of the above quoted Act, to make the pilgrimage, and if so, will you please furnish her full name and address in order that action may be taken to extend an invitation to her to make the pilgrimage. Both mothers and widows are entitled to make the pilgrimage.

In the event your son was survived by a widow who has since remarried it is 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,

2 incls.
Act of Congress.
Envelope.

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

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QM 293 A-C
Burns, William J.

May 25, 1929.

Mrs. Francis V. Burns,
2446 Echo Park Ave.,
Los Angeles, Cal.

Dear Madam:

Replying to your letter of May 15th, 1929, please find enclosed herewith a card showing the location of the grave of your son, the late Private William J. Burns, in the St. Mihiel American Cemetery in France, which may be considered permanent for all time.

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

1 incl. Form 120 states single.

Card. No inquiry letter necessary.

Barns, Wm. J. - 1233

May 19, 1930.

Mrs. Francis V. Burns,
2446 Echo Park Ave.,
Los Angeles, California.

Dear Madam:

Arrangements have been completed for your transportation to New York City on your pilgrimage to the American Cemeteries in Europe. One week before your departure the railroad ticket agent, of the first road shown below, will deliver your railroad and pullman ticket to you. Your route to New York will be as follows:

Leave Los Angeles	Sou Pac	Train 4	6:00 PM	May 29.
Arrive Chicago	CRI&P	" "	9:15 AM	June 1
Leave "	NYC	" 10	10:35 Am	" "
Arrive New York	"	" 142	3:45 Pm	" 2

All railroad employees have been instructed by their officials to see that you are shown every courtesy and given assistance, particularly at points where it is necessary to change cars.

Should you not receive your ticket six days before the date shown for your departure please take up at once with the ticket agent and if he does not have your ticket, telegraph this office, collect, to that effect.

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

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QM 293 A-G
Burns, William J. 1233-M

April 9, 1930

Mrs. Francis V. Burns,
2446 Echo Park Avenue,
Los Angeles, California.

Dear Madam:

Receipt is acknowledged of your acceptance of the invitation to sail on the SS AMERICA, June 4th, to make the pilgrimage to the grave of your son, the late Private William J. Burns, in the St. Mihiel American Cemetery, France. *see card list.*

With reference to your desire to stopover in Chicago for two weeks on your return home, this will be arranged without additional expense to you for rail or pullman transportation. You, of course, understand any additional expenditures, due to your stopover for meals or other miscellaneous expenses, must be paid for by you from personal funds, as the per diem allowance paid you will be on the basis of a direct trip home.

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

Q.M.G. DIV.

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WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

April 5, 1930.

Burns, William J. 1233 M

Mrs. Francis Burns,
2446 Echo Park Ave.,
Los Angeles, Calif.

Dear Madam:

The following instructions prepared by the Secretary of State contain the necessary instructions to be followed by you in obtaining the passport or travel document to be utilized in connection with your pilgrimage to the cemeteries in Europe. Please read the directions carefully and call in person upon the nearest Passport Agent or clerk of a Federal or State court having jurisdiction to naturalize aliens. Passport Agencies are located in Boston, Chicago, New Orleans, New York City, San Francisco and Seattle. In large cities there are usually two or more courts and at each county-seat a state court authorized to accept these passport applications.

When you make this call be sure to take with you the four photographs called for in the instructions together with your invitation as a means of identification. You should take with you to the passport office at this time a friend who is an American citizen and who has known you for several years. The passport Agent or clerk of the court will mail your application to the Secretary of State in Washington, D. C., who will issue the passports and travel documents and will deliver them to The Quartermaster General to be held by him until your arrival in New York.

The instructions prepared by the Secretary of State are as follows:

"A mother or widow who owes allegiance to the United States must apply to the Department of State for a Special Pilgrimage Passport through a Passport Agent or through a clerk of a Federal court or State court having jurisdiction to naturalize aliens and on the form prescribed by that Department. When making application, she should be accompanied by a credible witness who is an American citizen and who has known her for a period of two years or more. With her application she should submit four photographs on a light background and on thin paper not more than 3x3 inches in size not less than 2½x2½ inches in size and such documentary

evidence of her American citizenship as she may have in her possession. In the absence of evidence of citizenship, her application should be witnessed by a credible person residing in the same community who is an American citizen, has known her for a long period of time and is able to swear to the best of his or her knowledge and belief that she is a citizen of the United States.

"A mother or widow who does not owe allegiance to the United States must apply to the Department of State for a Pilgrimage Travel Document through a clerk of a Federal court or a State court having jurisdiction to naturalize aliens or through a Passport Agent upon the form of application prescribed for that purpose, entitled APPLICATION FOR A PILGRIMAGE TRAVEL DOCUMENT, issued under the Act of March 2, 1929, submitting therewith four photographs on a light background and on thin paper not more than 3 x 3 inches in size and not less than 2½ x 2½ inches in size. When making application she should be accompanied by a credible witness who has known her for a period of two years or more.

"The Act of March 2, 1929, provides that no fee shall be charged for the execution of an application for a passport or travel document or for the issue of a passport or travel document to a mother or widow making a pilgrimage to the cemeteries of Europe in which deceased soldiers, sailors, and marines of the American forces are now interred.

"Special Pilgrimage Passports and Pilgrimage Travel Documents when issued by the Department of State will be forwarded to the War Department.

"Applicants resident in Boston, Chicago, New Orleans, New York City, San Francisco and Seattle should execute applications at the Passport Agencies in those cities."

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

Burns, William J. 1233-M

March 20, 1930

Mrs. Francis V. Burns,
2446-Echo Park Ave.,
Los Angeles, Calif.

Dear Madam:

This letter, which contains general information regarding the pilgrimage to the cemeteries of Europe, is being sent to each mother and widow who has expressed a desire to make the pilgrimage during the calendar year 1930. The general plan for the conduct of the pilgrimage is shown in the Pilgrimage Regulations, a copy of which is enclosed herewith. In addition to the information shown in the regulations, the following explains in detail some of the most important things connected with the pilgrimage.

Formal invitations are being extended to each mother and widow who has expressed a desire to make the pilgrimage during 1930. In so far as practicable, these invitations are being extended with a view to keeping the women from each state together and the order in which the invitations to the women from the several states are issued is based on a drawing by lot which was held about one month ago. Inclosed with each invitation is a card for acknowledgment and it is quite important that you accept or decline this invitation promptly in order that the necessary railroad, steamship and hotel reservations may be arranged. The government will defray all the necessary expenses of the pilgrimage, including railroad fare, hotel accommodations, steamship fare and all other incidental expenses. It will not provide anything other than the necessary expenses so that you should bring with you such funds as you may desire to use for making small purchases and for other uses distinctly of a personal nature.

Arrangements have been made with the American Railroad Association which assures us the united support and cooperation of all of the railroads in the United States in handling the movement to and from New York City. The local ticket agent will secure your railroad and sleeper ticket and will make the necessary pullman reservations. Before your departure from your home we will mail you a check, sufficient to pay for your meals and other travelling expenses while enroute to New York. Your railroad ticket will provide for a round trip from your home to New York and upon arrival in New York the army officer in charge of the New York office will collect the return trip stub and hold it until your return to New York from Europe.

Upon arrival in New York, you will be met by an army officer

and escorted to a first class hotel where reservations have been made. The duration of your stay in New York will be from 24 to 48 hours. At the proper time, you will be escorted to the steamship upon which passage has been engaged for Europe. All of the women making this trip will be provided with cabin class accommodations aboard steamers which means that from two to four will be quartered in the same stateroom. If you have any friend that you would like to be quartered with we will endeavor to arrange it if you will communicate with this office.

The ocean voyage will last about 8 days and when the ship docks at Cherbourg, France, each party will be met by officers especially detailed for the purpose and taken in a special train to Paris where first class hotel accommodations have been reserved. The first day in Paris will be a day of rest. On the 2d day, the women of each party will place a wreath on the tomb of the French unknown soldier. In the afternoon there will be a reception in which the French war mothers, government officials, and prominent civilians will participate. The following morning the groups going to the different cemeteries will leave Paris, travelling in motor busses, and proceed to the cemeteries where they will remain for about 7 days. Twenty-five women will be assigned to each bus and an army officer will have charge of the bus. The itineraries to and from the cemeteries and the daily itineraries while at the cemeteries have been varied so as to take in points of historical interest as well as some parts of the battlefields where American troops were engaged. Upon return to Paris, each party will remain for about 5 days and during this time an opportunity will be given to see the points of historical interest in Paris and vicinity. The entire duration of your stay in Europe will be 14 days, and the itineraries have been so arranged that each day will be provided for. Except in case of illness or other unavoidable cause it will not be possible for any woman making the pilgrimage to remain in Europe for a longer period than 14 days nor to leave the party with which she is travelling unless she is prepared to pay all of her expenses after leaving the party since the Act of Congress authorizing the pilgrimage specifically states that the government shall not pay the expenses of any woman who willfully leaves her party.

Upon return to the United States each ship will be met in New York City by army officers who will escort the mothers and widows to the trains which will take them home. Before leaving New York each woman will be provided with her return railroad ticket, a sleeping car ticket and funds to cover the cost of meals and other travelling expenses.

Army officers are being used as guides and escorts throughout this entire movement and care has been taken to select officers who will see that proper care is taken of the women who are entrusted to their charge. Arrangements have been made for taking care of women who may be taken sick during the pilgrimage and also to care for the remains of any who may die and provision has been made for returning the remains of any who may die to their homes. It is essential that each woman making the pilgrimage furnish The Quartermaster General with an emergency address of some relative or friend to be notified in the event of an emergency. Medical care will be provided by civilian agencies. If such care is needed in New York City it will be furnished by the hotel physicians or

by local hospitals. Aboard ship, medical care will be provided by the ship's doctors and in Paris arrangements have been made with the American Hospital for the hospitalization and treatment of any women who may need it. In addition to this, six doctors of the regular army will be on duty throughout the pilgrimage.

Baggage will be limited to not to exceed two pieces of hand baggage and the articles taken should be such as will be required for a trip of about one month. Laundry service can be obtained in New York and Paris. Since the climate of Europe is much colder than that of the United States, each woman should provide herself with sufficient warm clothing to stand the motor bus trip and the visit to the cemeteries.

Since it is necessary for this office to make all reservations for your accommodations throughout this pilgrimage, it will be greatly appreciated if you will make prompt reply to any communications received from this office.

For The Quartermaster General:

Very truly yours,

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

1 Enclosure.
Regulation.

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C
Burns, William J. 1233 M.

October 8, 1929.

Mrs. Francis V. Burns,
2446 Echo Park Ave.,
Los Angeles, Calif.

Dear Madam:

The Act of Congress which provides for pilgrimages to cemeteries in Europe by mothers and widows of members of the military or naval forces of the United States who died in the military or naval service at any time between April 5, 1917 and July 1, 1921, and whose remains are now interred in such cemeteries, all necessary expenses of which pilgrimages are to be paid by the United States Government, requires that the Secretary of War make an investigation and submit the results of such investigation in a report to Congress not later than December 15, 1929. The purpose of the investigation is to determine the total number of mothers and widows entitled to make the pilgrimages, the number of such mothers and widows who desire to make the pilgrimages, the number who desire to make the pilgrimages during the calendar year 1930 and the probable cost of the pilgrimages to be made.

In order that the report referred to may be made and plans completed for conducting the pilgrimages, it is requested that you answer the following questions by filling out the blanks left therefor and return the letter to this office by return mail in the enclosed envelope which requires no postage.

1. Do you desire to make this pilgrimage if eligible?	(Yes)	(No)
2. Do you desire to make the pilgrimage in the calendar year 1930?	(Yes)	(No)
3. Have you at any time made a previous visit to the grave of the deceased member of the military or naval forces in whom you are interested?	(Yes)	(No)
4. Please give your age and state of health.	Age (Years)	Health (Good) (Poor)
5. What language do you speak?	English - (Yes) (No) Other language (Specify language spoken)	

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

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QM 293 A-C
Burns, William J.

May 25, 1929.

Mrs. Francis V. Burns,
2446 Echo Park Ave.,
Los Angeles, Cal.

Dear Madam:

Replying to your letter of May 15th, 1929, please find enclosed herewith a card showing the location of the grave of your son, the late Private William J. Burns, in the St. Mihiel American Cemetery in France, which may be considered permanent for all time.

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

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Card.

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War Department, A. G. O., May 22, 1929; - To the Quartermaster General, U. S. Army, Washington, D. C.

This communication has been acknowledged and the writer advised of its transmission.



J. H. Bridges

Major General,
The Adjutant General.

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Mr. Michiel
Form letter*

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2446 Echo Park Ave.,

Los Angeles, Calif.,
May 15, 1929

Gentlemen:

In re. William J. Burns
XC-65,637

Will you kindly give
me the location and
number of my son's
grave, who is buried
overseas. His serial no.
154113.

I have a letter from
the American Red
Cross dated April
18, 1919 stating he was
buried



in American Cemetery No. 58
at Es-sur-Tulle, grave No. 55.

I would like to know if he
still buried in the same
place, or if his body has been
moved to another cemetery.
If so the location and
the grave number.

Thanking you kindly
for your trouble in this
matter. I am

yours truly

Mrs Francis V. Burns.

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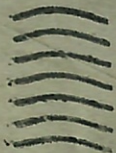
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Adjutant General's Office
War Department
attention of Graves
Registrar Dept
Washington, D.C.

Miss Francis V Burns
2446 Echo Park ave.
Los Angeles, Cal.



IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C
BURNS, William J. - Pvt.

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

January 11, 1924

Mrs. Francis V. Burns,
1574 Gower St.,
Hollywood, Calif.

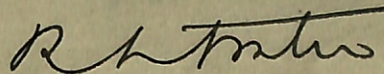
Dear Madam:

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

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

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

Very truly yours,



R.L. FOSTER
Assistant.

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Record card.

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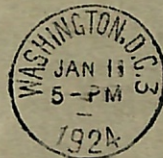
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL OF THE ARMY

WASHINGTON, D. C.

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PENALTY FOR PRIVATE USE TO AVOID

PAYMENT OF POSTAGE, \$300.



ADDRESS YOUR MAIL TO STREET AND NUMBER

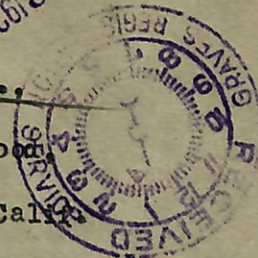
Mrs. Francis V. Burns

~~1574 Gower St.~~

Hollywood

Calif.

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RETURN WRITER UNCLAIMED



Soldier's  Overseas
Grave

Name BURNS, William J.

Rank Private

2nd Anti-Aircraft Battalion,
Organization Coast Artillery Corps

Grave No. 1 Row 26 Block A

Cemetery St. Mihiel American Cemetery

Location Thiaucourt, Meurthe-et-Moselle, France

Cy 58-29

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Burns, William J. 154,113

(Surname) (Christian name in full.) (Army serial number.)

Pvt 2 Anti-Aircraft Btry CAC

(Rank and organization.)

State your relationship to the deceased Mother

Do you desire the remains brought to the United States? no

(Yes or no.)

If remains are brought to the United States, do you wish them interred in a national cemetery? } no

(Yes or no.)

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

(Name of person to receive remains.) (Express office.) (Telegraph office.)

(Number and street.) (City or town.) (State.)

(Sign here) Francis V Burns

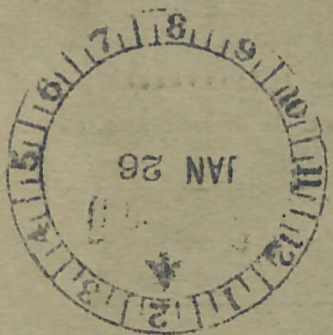
1574 Gower St., Hollywood, California
(Number and street or rural route.) (City, town, or post office.) (State.)

Read carefully the letter accompanying this card.

Drawn by JSD
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QM 293 A-C

BURNS, William J. - Pvt.

January 11, 1924

Mrs. Francis V. Burns,
1574 Gower St.,
Hollywood, Calif.

Dear Madam:

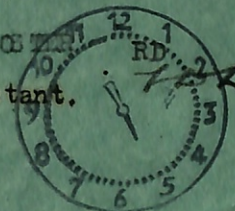
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Very truly yours, Q. M. G.
GENERAL MAIL ROOM

R. L. FOSTER
Assistant.



JAN 11 1924

B. O. C.

1-Incl.
Record card.

REPORT OF DISINTERMENT AND REBURIAL

Date Nov. 17, 1921.

1. REMAINS OF BURNS, William J. SERIAL NUMBER 154113
RANK Pvt. ORGANIZATION 2nd. A.A. Batty C.A.C.

2. Disinterred (date): Nov. 17, 1921. From (give complete location) Gr. 114.
Amer. Mil. Cem. # 58. Is-sur-Tille (Cote d'Or)

By: Group 4. Unit 4.

3. Reburied (date): June 14th, 1922 In (give complete location): Gr 1. Row 26. Block A.
Reburial Casket and shipping case.
By: Group _____ Unit _____ Nature of reburial _____

4. Report as to nature of original burial and condition of body upon disinterment:
Buried in uniform, blanket, and in wooden box. 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:

Bottle containing reburial slip found on body. No effects found.

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

(a) Height (actual measurement) Unable to determine.

(b) Weight (estimated) Unable to determine.

(c) Hair—Color Unable to determine.

Quantity Unable to determine.

Characteristics Unable to determine.

(d) Hair on face—Color Unable to determine.

Location Unable to determine.

Quantity Unable to determine.

(e) Permanent marks on body (old scars, peculiarities, or missing parts) Unable to determine.

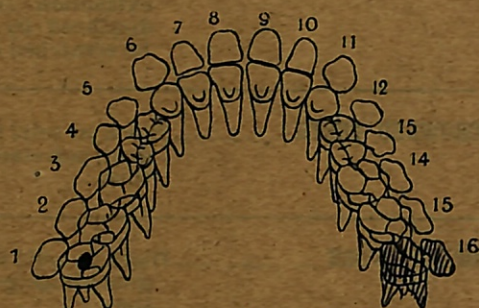
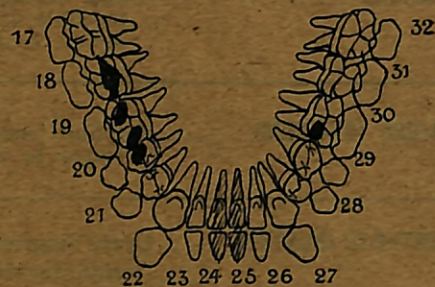


Diagram represents the mouth wide open



(f) Wounds or missing parts (received at time of casualty) No. 1, 18, 19, 30, SF. No. 16
MBD. No. 20, Cav. No. 24, 25
MAD.

None.

7. Disinterment supervised by W. C. Rapine

Approved: R. L. Fain
RB. R. L. FAIN,
(Title) Capt. QMC. bjm

8. Reburial supervised by H. L. Kramer

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

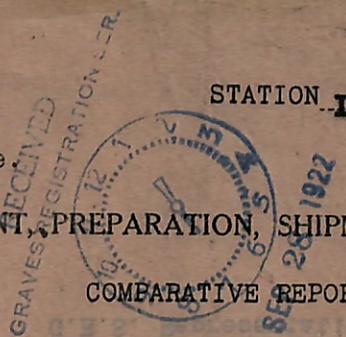
To be prepared in triplicate

DATE Nov. 17, 1921.

REPORT OF DISINTERMENT, PREPARATION, SHIPMENT AND REBURIAL OF BODY

DISINTERMENT

COMPARATIVE REPORT



Records of G.R.S. Headquarters.

Discrepancy found upon exhumation of body

1. Name BURNS, William J.

10. Name

2. No. 154113

11. No.

3. Rank Pvt.

12. Rank

4. Org. 2nd. A.A. Batty. C.A.C.

13. Org.

5. D.D. 9-28-18

14. (a) D.D.

6. C.D. Broncho Pneumonia

(b) D.B. None.

Discrepancy found upon disinterment

7. Grave No. 114 Sec.

15. Grave No. Sec.

8. Plot Row

16. Plot Row

9.

17. None.

18. Cemetery Amer. S. City.

19. Commune or town Is-sur-Tille,

20. Dept. or County Cote D'Or,

21. Country France.

22. G.R.S. Hdqrs. Code No. 80

23. Disinterred (Date) Nov. 17, 1921.

By W. C. Rapine.

24. Inscription on grave marker:

Name BURNS, William J.

Serial No.

Rank Pvt.

Organization 2nd. A.A. Batty C.A.C. Gr. 114.

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

Ray Brown.
Signature Junior Technical Assistant

RAY BROWN.

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).

No effects found. Form 16a accomplished. Bottle containing reburial slip found on body.

27. Condition of body Badly decomposed, recognition impossible

28. Nature of burial Buried in uniform, burlap, and in wooden box.

29. Any discrepancy noted upon examination of body, as compared with G.R.S. records quoted above? No.

30. Body prepared and placed in casket: Date Nov. 17, 1921. By W. C. Rapine.

AUDITED BY Mr. H.L.
31. Casket sealed by W. C. Rapine.
Signature of Embalmer, (Supervisor) W.C. Rapine

W. C. RAPINE.

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SHIPMENT. (Show actual marking of box.) Box No. C-17145.

32. Designation of body:

Name William J. BURNS Serial No. 154113

Rank Pvt. Organization 2nd. A.A. Batty. C.A.C.

33. Consigned to:

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

34. Casket boxed and marked (Date) Nov. 17, 1921. By W. C. Rapine.

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 [Signature]
R. L. FAIN. CRPT. QMC. BJM

36. Remarks

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

To point of Concentration Dijon (Cote d'Or) France.
(Name)

Convoyer [Signature] Signature Shipping Officer Capt. Q.M.C.

38. Received at Railhead or Point of Concentration: Date

By G.R.S. Representative

39. Shipped from Railhead or Point of Concentration: Date 30 NOV 1921

To Permanent Cemetery St. Mihiel (1233) THIAUCOURT (M-et-M)
(Name)

Convoyer Clinton J. Rielen Signature Shipping Officer [Signature]
5-DEC 1921 W. R. BUCKLEY, CAPT. QMC.

40. Received: Date

G.R.S. Representative J. B. Daniel, Capt. 2MC

41. Reinterred June 14th, 1922.
(Date)

42. Grave No. 1 Section

43. Plot No. Block A. Row 26.

G.R.S. Representative [Signature]
A. E. Dowey, 1st Lt. QMC.

*3/22 Examined
for Concentration
St. Michael #1233
att 4/12/22*

COMPILATION N/R REQUESTS

I. DATA COMPILATION

A. Location Index Card:-

(1) Name BURNS, William J. Ser. No. 154113 TYP. EM
(2) Rank Pvt. Organization 2nd Anti-Aircraft Bty. C.A.C. CKR. EP
(3) Date of death 9-28-18

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

(4) Cause of death Broncho Pneumonia TYP. SH
(5) Grave No. 55 Row --- Plot --- Sect. --- CKR. EM

II. FILES EXAMINATION

A. Files of soldiers dying from contagious diseases; No card in file

B. A. G. O. DISPOSITION CARD Date of receipt none

(6) Relationship mother
(7) Name Frances V Burns
(8) Address 1574 Gower St, Hollywood, Calif.
(9) Desires remains brought to U. S.? no
(10) Desires remains brought to U. S. and interred in National Cemetery at ---
(11) If brought back, what shipping instructions? ---

C. A. G. O. CORRESPONDENCE Date of communication MM 4-13-20

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

No correspondence
(13) A. G. O. Files EXAMINED by EM (Date) 4-13-20

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

My request for disposition
have registration location blank.

(15) G. R. S. Files EXAMINED by MM (Date) 4-14-20

*Rechecked by JPK
3-10-21*

III. FINAL ACTION

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

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

(17) Instructions that remains be left undisturbed

(18) Typed by Checked by (Date)

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

(19) Typed by Checked by (Date)

C. SUSPENSION REMARKS:

Form # 120 - 5-22-20 Mrs. Francis V. Bunker # 1574
Gower Street Hollywood, Calif. (Mother - N.K.)
Makes no change 3-10-21 - JGR

D. Dispatched (Date) (Let. Trans. No. ^{9/8}

Par. # 2 Not to be returned (P/R)

Approved by

(Date)

B. V. C. O. DISPOSITION CARD

Date of receipt

V. LISTS OF SUBJECTS CLASSIFIED FROM COMPLETION OF DISCUSSION

NO COPY IN FILE

II. LISTS EXAMINATION

(2) Class No. 2P BOA ... 2662 ...

(4) Class of death BLOWING DISMEMBERED LIB PH

B. REGISTRATION CARD: (CHECK REG. CARD FOR REGISTRATION FOR IND. INT.)

(3) Date of death 2-28-78

(5) Name of ... DISMEMBERED ...

(1) Name of ...

V. DISPOSITION INDEX CARD

I. ONLY COMPLETION

COMPLETION AND REGISTRATION

Serial No. 22 Sheet No. 28 File No. 2000

Case No. 112 Control Status

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

58-29

MAY 13 1920

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FROM: Chief, Graves Registration Service, Q.M.C. *Rush Answer*
TO: Mrs. Frances V. Burns, 1574 Gower St., Hollywood, Calif.
SUBJECT: Remains of Pvt. William J. Burns.

The records of this office show that you have requested that his body be not returned to the United States.

no change

The above is correct.

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

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

By authority of the Quartermaster General:

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

JW

*Noted on Form No. 115
Date 3-10-21*

NAME OF	NO. & STREET	TOWN	STATE
➔ Soldier's Widow	<i>Soldier was single</i>		
➔ Soldier's Children	1.		
(Name oldest first)	2.		
	3.		
➔ Father	<i>Deceased</i>		
Mother	<i>Mrs Francis V. Burns - 1574 Gower St Hollywood Calif</i>		
Brothers	1.		
(Name oldest first)	2.		
Sisters	<i>Miss Dorothy Burns 1574 Gower St Hollywood Calif</i>		
	<i>Mrs Mary Mc Mann Hollywood Calif</i>		
Date	<i>5/25/20</i>	Signature	<i>Mrs Francis V. Burns</i>
Address	<i>1574 Gower St Hollywood</i>	Relationship	<i>Mother</i>

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

(OVER)

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

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GRAVE LOCATION BLANK

LOCATION OF THE GRAVE OF

Burns, 154113 William
(Surname.) (Number.) (First Name and Initials.)

Pvt. 2nd Anti-Aircraft Bty.
(Rank.) (Organization.)

DATE OF BURIAL. Sept 29 1918.

PLACE OF BURIAL. Is-sur-Tille

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

Amer, E.F. Cemetary #58

Map D-24

*Died 9/28/18
Camp #41
Cause B. pneumonia*

GRAVE NUMBER. 55

HOW MARKED: Name Peg? Yes Cross? Yes

Headboard? Bottle?

IDENTIFICATION TAGS:

Was one buried with body? Yes

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

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

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REPORTED BY: *Joseph A. Morris*

Joseph A. Morris, Chaplain, 2nd P. 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, 154113 William
(Surname.) (Number.) (First Name and Initials.)

Private 2nd Anti Aircraft Bt
(Rank.) (Organization.)

DATE OF BURIAL. Sept 29th, 1918

PLACE OF BURIAL. Is-sur-Tille

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

American Exp. Force Cemetary #58

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Burns William I. #154113

Pvt.

DD Sept 28/18

BURIED IS-SUR-TILLE, Cote d "Or
France

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1. G. R. S. Form No. 1.

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Hq. G. R. S. File

2. Soldier's No. 154113

3. ... Burns William... J.....

Surname (in block letters) First Name and Initials

4. Pvt. 2nd Anti Air Battery.

Rank Company Regt. or Corps

5. 9/28/18. B. Pneum.

Date of Death Cause, if known

6. 9/29/18. Is-sur-Tilla

Date of Burial Cemetery

7. Is-sur-Tille Cote d'Or

Town or Commune (in block letters) Department

8. 55

Grave No. Plot No. or Letter

9. Name Peg? Cross? Headboard? Bottle?

Check Method of Marking

10. Buried with Body? Attached to Grave Marker? Yes

Identification Tags

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

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12.

Map Reference, if interment is outside of cemetery

13.

Give name of Chaplain of Burial Office Pioneer Inf

Signed: Chap. Morris 2nd.

Group Unit... D... G. R. S.

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FILECEMETERIAL DIVISION
REGISTRATION SECTIONSept. 9, 1921MEMO FOR:
Cards Department.1.
CASE OF:2nd Anti Aircraft Bty. CAC
ORGANIZATION (Old)BURNS 154113 William J. Pvt.
(Name)

Correction or additional data changes as shown below have been made on the Registration Card of the above-mentioned soldier and a corresponding change will be necessary on the Organization Card:

ORGANIZATION (New)

FILE NO.

SURNAME

SERIAL NUMBER

FIRST NAME AND INITIALS

RANK

DATE OF DEATH

CAUSE OF DEATH

	Date	Place	F-1A No.
Orig.			D-
1st Reb.			D-
2nd Reb.	11/6/20	58	D- 30175
3rd Reb.			D-

(Note: In the above spaces below double line fill in ONLY the new data and data correcting previous information)

BY: Miss Lannon

Card

(Department)5 x 8 card was sent to file.Corrections made
on Organization
File Card:By 13

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