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To The A. O.

12373

AUG 31 1926

G.R.S. Form #114-B

FULL NAME... BURROUGHS, Roy E.

RANK... Pvt. SERIAL... 1835139

DIVISION & ORGANIZATION... Bat. B, 314th Field Art. 80 Div.

DATE OF DEATH... 10-8-1918

STATE FROM WHICH HE CAME... W. Va.

AWARDS OR DECORATIONS AWARDED... Silver Star

FINAL GRAVE LOCATION.	7/7/26	25	43	Robert C. Davis,
	Date	Grave	Row	Major General,
				The Adjutant General.
				By

Meuse-Argonne American Cemetery # 1232 Cemetery

24/292/EYS

H/S/2

Burroughs, Roy E.

**GRAVE LOCATION BLANK**

LOCATION OF THE GRAVE OF

Burroughs, 1835739 ..... Roy E.  
(Surname.) (Number.) (First Name and Initials.)

Pvt. Battery B. 314<sup>th</sup> F.A.  
(Rank.) (Organization.)

DATE OF BURIAL Oct. 8<sup>th</sup> 1918

PLACE OF BURIAL Hill 281

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

Map 1/50,000 Montfaucon  
Between Malancourt and Cuisy on  
side of hill near R.R. track

GRAVE NUMBER none

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

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:

REPORTED BY:

314<sup>th</sup> F.A.  
Thomas H. Saunders Chaplain  
(Signature and Rank of Reporting Officer.)

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

CODE SLIP

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HEADING	SUB-HEADING	NO. OF COLS	CODE
NAME <i>Burroughs</i>	<i>BUR</i>	3	<i>2 1<sup>2</sup> 8</i>
BURIED <i>Roy E</i>	CEMETERY <i>1732</i>	1	<i>1</i>
	GRAVE <i>25</i>	2	<i>25</i>
	ROW <i>43</i>	2	<i>43</i>
	BLOCK <i>G</i>	1	<i>7</i>
STATE	<i>West Va</i>	2	<i>57</i>
RANK	<i>Pvt</i>	1	<i>2</i>
DIVISION	<i>80</i>	2	<i>80</i>
ORGANIZATION	<i>314</i>	3	<i>314</i>
ARM	<i>Field Art</i>	1	<i>3</i>
MARTIAL	<i>Remarried</i>	1	<i>3</i>
NAME <i>Burroughs</i>	<i>BUR</i>	3	<i>2 1<sup>2</sup> 8</i>
<i>Mrs Sarah L</i>	STATE <i>West Va</i>	2	<i>57</i>
RESIDENCE	COUNTY <i>Harrison</i>	2	<i>17</i>
<i>323 Liberty Ave.</i>	CITY <i>Clarksburg</i>	3	<i>008</i>
RELATION	<i>Mother</i>	1	<i>1</i>
OTHER		1	
ELIGIBILITY	<i>Yes</i>	1	<i>1</i>
NATIVITY		1	
RACE		1	
ENGLISH	<i>Yes</i>	1	<i>1</i>
ATTENDANT		1	
HEALTH	<i>Good</i>	1	
NO. OF SONS		1	
DATE OF TRIP	MO.	1	
	YR. <i>1931</i>	1	
ACCEPTANCE	<i>Age</i>	1	

**AUDITED**

MAR. 1 1932

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CODE SLIP



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DIVISION		2	
ORGANIZATION		3	
AFM		1	
MARITAL		1	
NAME	<i>Layman</i>	3	
RESIDENCE	<i>Mrs Alberta Box 261 Bridgeport, W. Va.</i>	2	
	STATE	2	
	COUNTY	2	
	CITY	3	
RELATION	<i>Widow</i>	1	5
OTHER		1	
ELIGIBILITY	<i>No</i>	1	2
NATIVITY		1	
RACE		1	
ENGLISH		1	
ATTENDANT		1	
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DATE OF TRIP	MO.	1	
	YR.	1	
ACCEPTANCE		1	

**AUDITED**  
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# IMMEDIATE ACTION

IN REPLY  
REFER TO

QM 293 A-M

## WAR DEPARTMENT

Burroughs, Roy E. (MA)

OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

# SPECIAL

October 13, 1932.

Mrs. Sarah L. Burroughs,  
323 Liberty Ave.,  
Clarksburg, W. Va.  
Dear Madam:

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

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

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

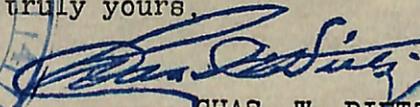
You probably do not realize how important it is that a reply be received from you. If we do not receive replies, it becomes very difficult to make the necessary and proper arrangements for those who are to make the trip, as everything must be arranged in advance. Consequently, it is just as important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

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

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

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

# IMMEDIATE ACTION

WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-M

Sept. 7, 1932.

Burroughs, Roy E. (MA)

Mrs. Sarah L. Burroughs,  
323 Liberty Ave.,  
Clarksburg, W. Va.

Dear Madam:

Reference is made to the questionnaire recently forwarded you, making inquiry as to whether you desire to make a pilgrimage to the cemeteries of Europe during the summer of 1933, and inviting attention to the fact that 1933 is the LAST YEAR for which the pilgrimages are authorized. To date no reply has been received.

In order that your desires may be of record, and arrangements made accordingly, it is requested you complete the form below by writing in the space provided, your answers to the questions listed, sign your name and return this letter in the enclosed envelope which requires no postage.

1. Do you desire to make a pilgrimage in 1933? (Answer "Yes" or "No")	
2. Please state your age and condition of health:	Age: Health:
3. Do you speak English?	
4. What other language do you speak?	

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Sign here

NOTE CAREFULLY, THIS IS THE LAST CHANCE WHICH YOU WILL HAVE TO MAKE THE PILGRIMAGE, AND THERE IS NO PROVISION OF LAW FOR A MONEY ALLOWANCE INSTEAD.

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

Encl:  
Env.

WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-M

Burroughs Roy E (MA)

July 8 1932

Mrs Sarah L Burroughs  
323 Liberty Ave  
Clarksburg W Va

Dear Madam:

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

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

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

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

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

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

2 Encls.

DO YOU DESIRE TO MAKE A PILGRIMAGE DURING THE YEAR 1933?

\_\_\_\_\_ (Write answer here)

(Sign here) \_\_\_\_\_

WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-M

September 29, 1931.

Burroughs, Roy E. (M-A) M

Mrs. Sarah L. Burroughs,  
323 Liberty Avenue,  
Clarksburg, West Virginia.

Dear Madam:

Reference is made to previous correspondence relative to the pilgrimage to the cemeteries of Europe, authorized by the Act of Congress of March 2, 1929, as amended May 15, 1930. To date information has not been received as to whether or not you desire to make a pilgrimage during the summer months of 1932, in honor of the deceased veteran named above.

In order that the records may be complete, and arrangements made accordingly, it is requested you complete the form below by writing in the space provided, your answers to the questions listed, sign your name, and return this letter in the enclosed envelope which requires no postage.

1. Do you desire to make a pilgrimage in 1932?	
2. Please state your age and condition of health:	Age: Health:
3. Do you speak English?	
4. What other language do you speak?	

Sign here

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

Encl:  
Env.

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

WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM-293-AM

July 22, 1931.

Burroughs, Roy E. Pvt. (M-A) M\*

Mrs. Sarah L. Burroughs,  
323 Liberty Ave.,  
Clarksburg, W. Va.

Dear Madam:

Arrangements are now being made for conducting pilgrimages during the year 1932 to the cemeteries in Europe under the provisions of the Act of Congress of March 2, 1929, as amended.

To assure proper and satisfactory accommodations, reservations for steamship transportation required during the summer of 1932 must be made by this office not later than August 1st of this year. It is therefore desired that you answer the question below by writing either of the words "Yes", "No", or "Undecided" in the blank space following the question.

As soon as you have answered the question, please sign your name and return this sheet in the enclosed addressed envelope which requires no postage. Do not delay, as a prompt reply is essential.

This letter is being sent to all eligible mothers and widows who did not make a pilgrimage at the expense of the Government during 1930 and are not making the journey in 1931.

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

DO YOU DESIRE TO MAKE A PILGRIMAGE DURING THE YEAR 1932? \_\_\_\_\_

Write answer here

\_\_\_\_\_  
Sign here

George Washington

Burroughs, Roy E., Pvt.

~~7-29-31~~

1232

I Decline the invitation extended  
(Accept or decline)

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

Mrs. Sarah L. Burroughs

(Name)

323 Liberty Ave., Clarksburg, Harrison Co., W. Va.

(Town or City)

(State)

WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

Burroughs, Roy E. 1232-A

May 28, 1930.

Mrs. Sarah L. Burroughs,  
323 Liberty Ave.,  
Clarksburg, W. Va.

Dear Madam:

Arrangements are now being made for conducting pilgrimages during the year 1931, to the cemeteries in Europe under the provisions of the Act of Congress of March 2, 1929.

To assure proper and satisfactory accommodations, reservations for steamship transportation required during the summer of 1931 must be made by this office not later than August 1st of this year. It is therefore desired that you answer the question below by writing the word "Yes" or "No" in the blank space following the question.

As soon as you have answered the question, please sign your name and return this sheet in the enclosed addressed envelope, which requires no postage. Do not delay, as a prompt reply is essential.

This letter is being sent to all mothers and widows who are not making the pilgrimage in 1930, regardless of whether or not they have expressed a desire to make the pilgrimage.

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

DO YOU DESIRE TO MAKE THE PILGRIMAGE DURING THE YEAR 1931? \_\_\_\_\_

(Write answer here)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Sign here)

WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

October 7 , 1929.

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C  
Burroughs, Roy E. 1232 M

Mrs. Sarah L. Burroughs,  
323 Liberty Avenue,  
Clarksburg, W. Va.

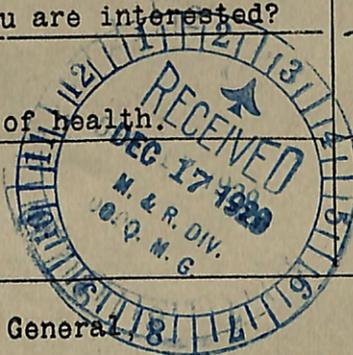
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1931*

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)
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
2. Do you desire to make the pilgrimage in the calendar year 1930?	(Yes)	(No)
		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
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)
		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
4. Please give your age and state of health.	Age (Years) <u>58</u>	Health <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> (Good) <input type="checkbox"/> (Poor)
5. What language do you speak?	English - <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> (Yes) <input type="checkbox"/> (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

Burroughs, Roy E.  
1232

September 11, 1929.

Mrs. Sarah L. Burroughs,  
309 Bridge St.,  
Clarksburg, W. Va.

Dear Madam:

The records of this office do not indicate that a reply has been received to our communication dated Aug. 24, 1929 making inquiry concerning the name and address of the mother and widow of the deceased service man above named. These addresses are desired with a view to ascertaining the number of mothers and widows who desire to make a pilgrimage to the cemeteries of Europe in which the remains of their sons and husbands are interred.

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

Write answers in space below

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

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

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

Mrs Sarah L Burroughs  
323 Liberty Ave. - Clarksburg  
W. Va. (Mother)

Yes

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

2 Incls.  
Act of Congress  
Envelope

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

WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

Burroughs, Roy E.

August 24, 1929

Mrs. Sarah L. Burroughs,  
309 Bridge St.,  
Clarksburg, W. Va.

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 Pvt. Roy E. Burroughs, Baty. B. 314th F. A., whose remains are now interred in the Meuse Argonne Amer. Cty. Romagne-sous-Montfaucon, Meuse, France.

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

Write answers in space below:

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

2. If so, give her complete address.

3. Will you make the pilgrimage?

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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Act of Congress  
Envelope

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

WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

Burroughs, Roy E.

August 24, 1929

Mrs. Alberta Layman,  
Box 261,  
Bridgeport, W. Va.

Dear Madam:

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

The records of this office show that you are the widow of the late Pvt. Roy E. Burroughs, Baty. B. 514th F. A., whose remains are now interred in the Meuse Argonne Amer. Cty. Romagne-sous-Montfaucon, Meuse, France.

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

Write answers in space below:

1. Have you remarried since the death of the above named veteran?
2. If not, do you desire to make the pilgrimage?
3. Is the deceased survived by a mother?
4. If so, give her name and complete address.

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

*Widow - remarried*  
*Mrs Alberta Layman*

*Box 261*

*Bridgeport, W. Va*

*June 29, 1929. (add 3/4/22)*

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C  
Burroughs, Roy E.

*Mother*

Mrs. Alberta Burroughs,  
Box 109, South Chestnut St.,  
Clarksburg, W. Va.

*C 85116*  
*Mrs. Sarah L. Burroughs*  
*309 Bridge St*  
*Clarksburg, W. Va. (3/5/25)*

Dear Madam:

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

The records of this office show that you are the widow of the late Private Roy E. Burroughs, Batty. B, 314th F.A. whose remains are now interred in the Meuse Argonne American Cemetery, Romagne-sous-Montfaucon, Meuse, France.

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

Your attention is particularly invited to Section 4 of the enclosed Act, which defines the terms "mother" and "widow". If the relationship is that of a stepmother, mother through adoption or a woman who stood in loco parentis to the decedent, a statement as to her relationship is requested. In case you have remarried it is also requested that a statement to that effect be made.

For your reply, you may use the enclosed envelope which requires no postage.

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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JOHN T. HARRIS,  
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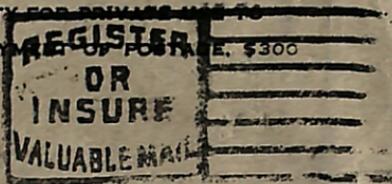
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WASHINGTON, D. C.

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IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-M

Sept. 7, 1932.

Burroughs, Roy E. (MA)

Mrs. Sarah L. Burroughs,  
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Clarksburg, W. Va.

Dear Madam:

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Sign here

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For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

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WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-M

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July 8 1932

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

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DO YOU DESIRE TO MAKE A PILGRIMAGE DURING THE YEAR 1933? \_\_\_\_\_

(Write answer here)

(Sign here) \_\_\_\_\_

WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-M  
Burroughs, Roy E. (M-A) M

September 29, 1931.

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Dear Madam:

Reference is made to previous correspondence relative to the pilgrimage to the cemeteries of Europe, authorized by the Act of Congress of March 2, 1929, as amended May 15, 1930. To date information has not been received as to whether or not you desire to make a pilgrimage during the summer months of 1932, in honor of the deceased veteran named above.

In order that the records may be complete, and arrangements made accordingly, it is requested you complete the form below by writing in the space provided, your answers to the questions listed, sign your name, and return this letter in the enclosed envelope which requires no postage.

1. Do you desire to make a pilgrimage  
in 1932?

2. Please state your age and condition  
of health:

3. Do you speak English?

4. What other language do you speak?

Age:  
Health:

Sign here

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

Encl:  
Env.

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

WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM-293-AM

July 22, 1931.

Burroughs, Roy E. Pvt. (M-A) M\*

Mrs. Sarah L. Burroughs,  
323 Liberty Ave.,  
Clarksburg, W. Va.

Dear Madam:

Arrangements are now being made for conducting pilgrimages during the year 1932 to the cemeteries in Europe under the provisions of the Act of Congress of March 2, 1929, as amended.

To assure proper and satisfactory accommodations, reservations for steamship transportation required during the summer of 1932 must be made by this office not later than August 1st of this year. It is therefore desired that you answer the question below by writing either of the words "Yes", "No", or "Undecided" in the blank space following the question.

As soon as you have answered the question, please sign your name and return this sheet in the enclosed addressed envelope which requires no postage. Do not delay, as a prompt reply is essential.

This letter is being sent to all eligible mothers and widows who did not make a pilgrimage at the expense of the Government during 1930 and are not making the journey in 1931.

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

DO YOU DESIRE TO MAKE A PILGRIMAGE DURING THE YEAR 1932? \_\_\_\_\_

Write answer here

\_\_\_\_\_  
Sign here

QM 293 A-M

October 21, 1930.

Burroughs, Roy E 1232 M Pvt.

Mrs. Sarah L. Burroughs,  
323 Liberty Ave.,  
Clarksburg, W. Va.

Dear Madam:

A reply has not been received to office letter of recent date relative to the pilgrimage to the cemeteries 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 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.

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WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

Burroughs, Roy E. 1232-4

May 28, 1930.

Mrs. Sarah L. Burroughs,  
323 Liberty Ave.,  
Clarksburg, W. Va.

Dear Madam:

Arrangements are now being made for conducting pilgrimages during the year 1931, to the cemeteries in Europe under the provisions of the Act of Congress of March 2, 1929.

To assure proper and satisfactory accommodations, reservations for steamship transportation required during the summer of 1931 must be made by this office not later than August 1st of this year. It is therefore desired that you answer the question below by writing the word "Yes" or "No" in the blank space following the question.

As soon as you have answered the question, please sign your name and return this sheet in the enclosed addressed envelope, which requires no postage. Do not delay, as a prompt reply is essential.

This letter is being sent to all mothers and widows who are not making the pilgrimage in 1930, regardless of whether or not they have expressed a desire to make the pilgrimage.

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

DO YOU DESIRE TO MAKE THE PILGRIMAGE DURING THE YEAR 1931? \_\_\_\_\_

(Write answer here)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Sign here)

WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

October 7, 1929.

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C  
Burroughs, Roy E. 1232 M

Mrs. Sarah L. Burroughs,  
323 Liberty Avenue,  
Clarksburg, W. Va.

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.

Encl.  
Act  
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WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

Burroughs, Roy E.  
1232

September 11, 1929.

Mrs. Sarah L. Burroughs,  
309 Bridge St.,  
Clarksburg, W. Va.

Dear Madam:

The records of this office do not indicate that a reply has been received to our communication dated Aug. 24, 1929 making inquiry concerning the name and address of the mother and widow of the deceased service man above named. These addresses are desired with a view to ascertaining the number of mothers and widows who desire to make a pilgrimage to the cemeteries of Europe in which the remains of their sons and husbands are interred.

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

Write answers in space below

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

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

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

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

2 Incls.  
Act of Congress.  
Envelope

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

WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

Burroughs, Roy E.

August 24, 1929

Mrs. Sarah L. Burroughs,  
309 Bridge St.,  
Clarksburg, W. Va.

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 Pvt. Roy E. Burroughs, Baty. B. 314th F. A., whose remains are now interred in the Meuse Argonne Amer. Cty. Romagne-sous-Montfaucon, Meuse, France.

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

Write answers in space below:

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

2. If so, give her complete address.

3. Will you make the pilgrimage?

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

2 Incls.  
Act of Congress  
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JOHN T. HARRIS,  
Major, Q. M. Corps,  
Assistant.

WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

Burroughs, Roy E.

August 24, 1929

Mrs. Alberta Layman,  
Box 261,  
Bridgeport, W. Va.

Dear Madam:

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

The records of this office show that you are the widow of the late Pvt. Roy E. Burroughs, Baty. B. 314th P. A., whose remains are now interred in the Meuse Argonne Amer. Cty. Romagne-sous-Montfaucon, Meuse, France.

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

Write answers in space below:

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|---|--|
| 1. Have you remarried since the death of the above named veteran? |  |
| 2. If not, do you desire to make the pilgrimage?                  |  |
| 3. Is the deceased survived by a mother?                          |  |
| 4. If so, give her name and complete address.                     |  |

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

2 Incls.  
Act of Congress  
Envelope

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

WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C  
Burroughs, Roy E.

June 29, 1929.

Mrs. Alberta Burroughs,  
Box 109, South Chestnut St.,  
Clarksburg, W. Va.

Dear Madam:

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

The records of this office show that you are the widow of the late Private Roy E. Burroughs, Batty. B, 314th F.A. whose remains are now interred in the Meuse Argonne American Cemetery, Romagne-sous-Montfaucon, Meuse, France.

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

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

For your reply, you may use the enclosed envelope which requires no postage.

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

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Act of Congress.  
Envelope.

WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

August 27, 1926

(Burroughs, Roy E.)

Mrs. Alberta Augusta Burroughs,  
South Chestnut Street,  
Box 109,  
Clarksburg, West Va.

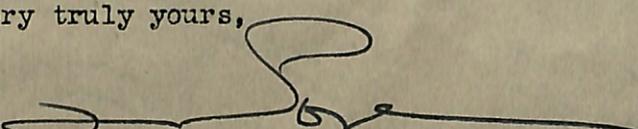
Dear Madam:

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

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

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

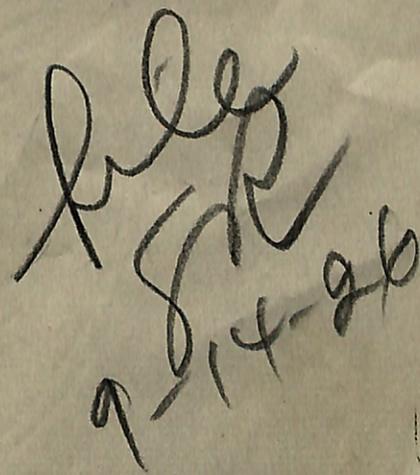
Very truly yours,

  
F. H. POPE,  
Colonel, Q.M.C.,  
Assistant

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Record card.

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Burroughs, Roy E.

  
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**Soldier's**  **Overseas**  
**Grave**

Name Roy E. Burroughs

Rank Private

Organization Battery B, 314th Field Artillery

Grave No. 25 Row 43 Block G

Cemetery Meuse-Argonne American

Location Romagne-sous-Montfaucon (Meuse,) France

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OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
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WASHINGTON

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August 27, 1926

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(Burroughs, Roy E.)

Mrs. Alberta Augusta Burroughs,  
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Box 109,  
Clarksburg, West Va.

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Very truly yours,

F. H. POPE,  
Colonel, Q.M.G.,  
Assistant

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QM 293 A-C

Burroughs, Roy, E. Pvt.

1st Ind.

War Dept., OQMG, Washington, D.C., June 9, 1926--To the Chief, American Graves Registration Service, Q.M.C., in Europe.

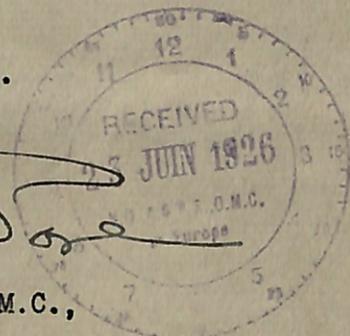
1. Identification of the remains of the late Roy E. Burroughs, 1835139, Battery B, 314th Field Artillery, is confirmed by this office. The body is to remain buried in France. When final burial has been accomplished concentration forms will be forwarded to this office.

2. The correct rank of the soldier is "Private".

By order of The Quartermaster General:

*LOR*

*[Signature]*  
F. H. POPE,  
Colonel, Q.M.C.,  
Assistant.



293 Burroughs, Roy E.

2nd Ind.

Hqrs. American G.R.S., Q.M.C., in E., 20 rue Molitor, Paris, France. July 22, 1926. To: The Quartermaster General, Munitions Building, Washington, D.C.

1. In compliance with above instructions, forwarded herewith are G.R.S. Forms 114-A, 16-A and 1-A covering permanent concentration of the remains of this late soldier in Grave 25, Block G, Row 43, Meuse-Argonne American Cemetery #1232.

3 Incls.

Forms 114-A, 16-A and 1-A.



*Wm. O. Smith*  
Wm. O. Smith,  
Lieut. Col., Q.M. Corps,  
Chief.



AUG-5-1926

HEADQUARTERS  
AMERICAN GRAVES REGISTRATION SERVICE Q.M.C., IN EUROPE  
OFFICE OF THE CHIEF OF THE SERVICE.  
20 RUE MOLITOR

IN REPLYING  
PLEASE ADDRESS:  
CHIEF, AMERICAN GRAVES  
REGISTRATION SERVICE.

FILE NO. 293 Burroughs, Roy E.

PARIS, FRANCE.  
April 26, 1926.

Subject: Recovery of Remains.

To: The Quartermaster General, Munitions Building, Washington, D.C.

1. Forwarded herewith is G.R.S. Form 16-A for the remains of Pvt. Roy E. Burroughs, 1835139, Bty.B, 314th F.A., recovered by the Research personnel of this office. Report of Investigator who located the remains is as follows:

"The remains of the above mentioned deceased American soldier were this date recovered from an isolated grave in valley west of hill 281 and about 400 meters north of the Bethincourt-Guisy road.

"The report of Chaplain Saunders is wrong as to location of hill 281, also information given by former Sgt. Burke as to place of burial and location of hill 281. Verdun A map does not show hill 281 midway between Guisy and Malancourt about 314.2, N-276. These co-ordinates strike a point on hill 285, altitude 281. The number of the hill is always given in black and altitude in brown ink on 1/20000 maps. Co-ordinates for hill 281 are Map Verdun B, E-317.4, N-277.

"Lieut. Pelham who signed one of the Grave Location Blanks gives the information which led to finding of remains. Grave was found about as described except that location was 400 meters up from the road, not 300 as given.

"Burial was originally made at a depth of 5 feet and someone had opened the grave at some previous date to a depth of two feet without finding the body.

"Identification was established upon exhumation by tag on body and collar ornaments, Bty.B, 314th F.A.

"Attention is invited to the fact that tag on body read Sgt."

2. Correct rank of this late soldier is requested.

3. Dental information on file here for this casualty agrees with that shown on attached form as to teeth 16,19 and 28 missing before death.

4. No effects were found with the remains.

5. These remains are being held in the Meuse-Argonne mortuary pending receipt of advice from your office as to confirmation of identification and disposition.

1 encl.  
Form 16-A.

*Wm. O. Smith*  
Wm. O. Smith,  
Lieut. Col., Q.M. Corps,  
Chief.

*293 - Burroughs, Roy E.*



To be prepared in triplicate.

DATE July 7th, 1926.

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 BURROUGHS, Roy E.
- 2. No. 1835139
- 3. Rank Pvt.
- 4. Org. Bty. B., 314th F.A.
- 5. D.D. Oct. 8, 1918.
- 6. C.D. KIA.

- 10. Name \_\_\_\_\_
- 11. No. \_\_\_\_\_
- 12. Rank Sgt.
- 13. Org. \_\_\_\_\_
- 14. (a) D.D. \_\_\_\_\_
- (b) D.B. \_\_\_\_\_

Isol. grave valley west of hill 281. Commune Bethincourt, Meuse. Map Verdun A East 316.61; North 276.89.

Discrepancy found upon disinterment

- 7. Grave No. \_\_\_\_\_ Sec. \_\_\_\_\_
- 8. Plot \_\_\_\_\_ Row \_\_\_\_\_
- 9. \_\_\_\_\_

- 15. Grave No. \_\_\_\_\_ Sec. \_\_\_\_\_
- 16. Plot \_\_\_\_\_ Row \_\_\_\_\_
- 17. No discrepancies.

18. Cemetery \_\_\_\_\_

19. Commune or town Bethincourt

20. Dept. or County Meuse

21. Country France

22. G.R.S. Hdqrs. Code No. \_\_\_\_\_

23. Disinterred (Date) April 16th, 1926, By Philip McCabe.

24. Inscription on grave marker: None.

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Serial No. \_\_\_\_\_

Rank \_\_\_\_\_

Organization \_\_\_\_\_

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

Philip McCabe.  
Signature Junior Technical Assistant

PREPARATION

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

TOB corroded reads "Sgt. B----UGHS. R. E. 1835139". Collar ornaments U.S.N.A., and 314 cross cannon B. Buried. No effects.

27. Condition of body Skeleton disarticulated, flesh entirely decomposed.

28. Nature of burial Buried 4 feet deep in OD US uniform, field shoes size 7.

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

30. Body prepared and placed in casket: Date April 17, 1926. By James McGourty.

31. Casket sealed by James McGourty.

Signature of Embalmer, (Supervisor) James McGourty.

AUTHORIZED BY  
8/17/26

SHIPMENT. (Show actual marking of box.) Box No. C-33110

32. Designation of body:

Name BURROUGHS, Roy E. Serial No. 1835139

Rank Pvt. Organization Bty B, 314th F.A.

33. Consigned to:

Name of Permanent Cemetery Meuse-Argonne Amer. #1232, Romagne-s/Montfaucon (Meuse).

34. Casket boxed and marked (Date) July 7th, 1926, By James McGourty.

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

*James McGourty*  
James McGourty.

36. Remarks

37. Shipped from point of Operation: (Date)

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

Convoyer Signature Shipping Officer (Name)

40. Received: Date

G.R.S. Representative

41. Reinterred July 7th, 1926.

(Date)

42. Grave No. Twenty-five (25), #1117 Block "G",

43. Plot ----- Row Forty-three (43).

G.R.S. Representative

*W.B. Shields*  
W.B. Shields,  
Caretaker.

Meuse-Argonne Amer. Cemetery #1232, Romagne sous Montfaucon (Meuse).

Place

April 17, 1926.

Date

REPORT OF DISINTERMENT AND REBURIAL

1. REMAINS OF BIRROUGHS, Roy E., SERIAL NUMBER 1835139

RANK Pvt. ORGANIZATION 1st Lt. B 31st F. I.

2. Disinterred (date): April 16, 1926. From (give complete location): Trench valley west of Hill 281 Comm Bethincourt Map Verdun East 316.61 North 276.89.

By: Group Tva Unit

3. Reburied (date): July 7th, 1926. In (give complete location): Grave 25, Block G, Row 43, Meuse-Argonne Amer. Cemetery, #1232, Romagne-sous-Montfaucon (Meuse), France.

By: Group W.B. Sheild, Caretaker, Unit AGRS. QMC. in E., Nature of reburial GRS case, casket, sheet & OD Blanke

4. Report as to nature of original burial and condition of body upon disinterment: Buried 4 feet deep in OD US uniform, field shoes size 7. Skeleton disarticulated, flesh entirely decomposed.

5. (a) Identification tags: Buried with body? Yes On grave marker? None.

TOB corroded reads "Sgt. B. BIRROUGHS R.I. 1835139"

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

Collar ornaments U.S.A.A. and 314 cross cannon B. buried. No effects.

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

(a) Height (actual measurement) Up to determine

(b) Weight (estimated) Medium sized bones

(c) Hair—Color None

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) Teeth #6, 10, 11, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, 35, 36, 37, 38, 39, 40, 41, 42, 43, 44, 45, 46, 47, 48, 49, 50, 51, 52, 53, 54, 55, 56, 57, 58, 59, 60, 61, 62, 63, 64, 65, 66, 67, 68, 69, 70, 71, 72, 73, 74, 75, 76, 77, 78, 79, 80, 81, 82, 83, 84, 85, 86, 87, 88, 89, 90, 91, 92, 93, 94, 95, 96, 97, 98, 99, 100.

Head, both clavicles, both scapulas, both humeri, and all vertebrae in neck shattered.

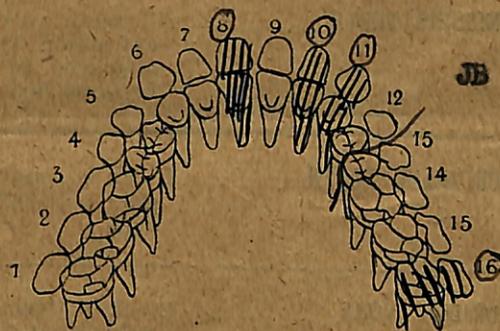
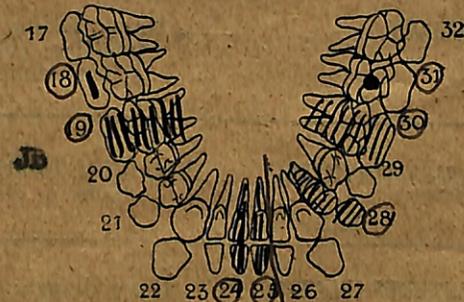


Diagram represents the mouth wide open



7. Disinterment supervised by Philip J. McCabe

Approved: James M. Murray Chief Investigator

8. Reburial supervised by W.B. Sheild, Caretaker.

Approved: (Title)

BURROUGHS, 1835139, Roy E.  
Pvt. Bat. B, 314th Fld. Art.

or SGT.

DID THIS SOLDIER EVER HOLD THE RANK OF SGT.?

Printed  
ago  
8-13-26

QM 293 A-C

Burroughs, Roy, E. Pvt.

1st Ind.

War Dept., OQMG, Washington, D.C., June 9, 1926--To the Chief, American Graves  
Registration Service, Q.M.C., in Europe.

1. Identification of the remains of the late Roy E. Burroughs, 1835139,  
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2. The correct rank of the soldier is "Private".

By order of The Quartermaster General:

F. H. POPE,  
Colonel, Q.M.C.,  
Assistant.

*[Signature]*  
Noted by Statistical Clerk:

Date 6, 9/26 RD

SWE  
*[Handwritten initials]*



293 Burroughs, Roy E.

April 26, 1926.

Subject: Recovery of Remains.

To: The Quartermaster General, Munitions Building, Washington, D.C.

1. Forwarded herewith is G.R.S. Form 16-A for the remains of Pvt. Roy E. Burroughs, 1635139, Bty.B, 314th P.A., recovered by the Research personnel of this office. Report of Investigator who located the remains is as follows:

"The remains of the above mentioned deceased American soldier were this date recovered from an isolated grave in valley west of hill 281 and about 400 meters north of the Bethincourt-Cuisy road.

"The report of Chaplain Saunders is wrong as to location of hill 281, also information given by former Sgt. Burke as to place of burial and location of hill 281. Verdun A map does not show hill 281 midway between Cuisy and Malancourt about 314.2, N-276. These co-ordinates strike a point on hill 285, altitude 281. The number of the hill is always given in black and altitude in brown ink on 1/20000 maps. Co-ordinates for hill 281 are Map Verdun B, E-317.4, N-277.

"Lieut. Felham who signed one of the Grave Location Blanks gives the information which led to finding of remains. Grave was found about as described except that location was 400 meters up from the road, not 300 as given.

"Burial was originally made at a depth of 5 feet and someone had opened the grave at some previous date to a depth of two feet without finding the body.

"Identification was established upon exhumation by tag on body and collar ornaments, Bty.B, 314th P.A.

"Attention is invited to the fact that tag on body read Sgt."

2. Correct rank of this late soldier is requested.

3. Dental information on file here for this casualty agrees with that shown on attached form as to teeth 16, 19 and 28 missing before death.

4. No effects were found with the remains.

5. These remains are being held in the Meuse-Argonne mortuary pending receipt of advice from your office as to confirmation of identification and disposition.

1 encl.  
Form 16-A.

Wm. O. Smith,  
Lieut. Col., Q.M. Corps,  
Chief.

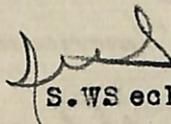


May 27, 1926

Burroughs, Roy E.

Advise Europe of confirmation of ident  
and that body is to remain.

When consent is received from  
Europe E.A. will be advised of recovery and  
final grave location.

  
S.W. Schrest

*The American Red Cross  
National Headquarters  
Washington, D.C.*

*With deep sympathy in your loss  
The American Red Cross  
sends you the photograph of the grave of  
this American Soldier  
who gave his life for his country*

COMPILATION OF DISPOSITION OF REMAINS DATA.

I. Location Index Card

(a) Name BURROUGHS, Roy E. Ser.No. 1,835,139  
(b) Rank Pvt. Organization Batty. B, 314th Field Art.  
(c) Date of Death 10-8-18 (d) Cause of Death K/A CKR

II. Registration Card

(a) Grave No. 1232 Row Plot Sec. Block  
(b) Emerg. Address Mrs. Alberta Augusta Burroughs (Wife), South Chestnut St.,  
Box 109, Clarksburg, W. Va.

III. A.G.O. DISPOSITION CARD:

(a) Name Alberta Burroughs (b) wife  
(c) Address Clarksburg, W. Va.  
(d) Remains to be brought to U.S.? No  
(e) To be interred in National Cemetery in U.S. at  
(f) Shipping instructions upon arrival in U.S.  
(g) Disposition instructions if not brought to U.S.

IV. G.R.S. Files, Correspondence-shows as follows

Examiner's Initials OP W Date 6/17/26

COUNTRY Cemetery No. Morgue 1232 Sheet No. 383

V. Final Action:

Following advice forwarded to Europe by letter on \_\_\_\_\_

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# REPORT OF DISINTERMENT AND REBURIAL

Date April 17, 1926.

1. REMAINS OF BIRROUGHS, Roy E., SERIAL NUMBER 1835139  
RANK Pvt. ORGANIZATION Bty. B 314th F.A.

2. Disinterred (date): April 16, 1926. From (give complete location): Isol. Dr. Valley west of Hill 281 Comme Bethincourt / Map Verdun A East 316.61 North 276.89.

By: Group Two Unit \_\_\_\_\_

3. Reburied (date): \_\_\_\_\_ In (give complete location): \_\_\_\_\_

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

4. Report as to nature of original burial and condition of body upon disinterment: Buried 4 feet deep in OD US uniform, field shoes size 7. Skeleton disarticulated, flesh entirely decomposed.

5. (a) Identification tags: Buried with body? Yes On grave marker? None.

TOB corroded reads "Sgt. B----UGHS R.E. 1835139"

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

Collar ornaments U.S.N.A. and 314 cross cannon B. buried.  
No effects.

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

(a) Height (actual measurement) Imp to determine

(b) Weight (estimated) Medium sized bones

(c) Hair—Color None

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.

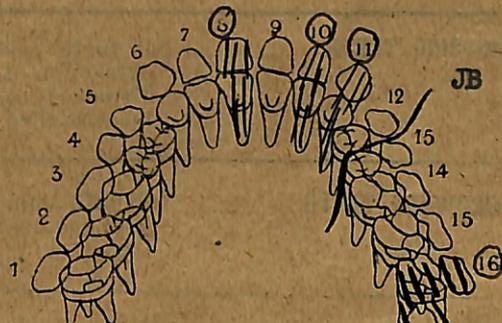
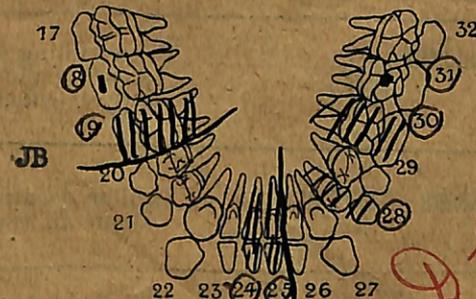


Diagram represents the mouth wide open



(f) Wounds or missing parts (received at time of casualty) Teeth #8, 10, 11, 24, 25 MAD #16, 19, 28, 30 MBD. #18, 31, S.F. Head, both clavicles, both scapulae, both manerii, and all vertebrae in neck shattered.

7. Disinterment supervised by Philip N. McCabe.

Approved: James Mc Gourty  
JAMES MC GOURTY  
(Title) Chief Investigator.

8. Reburial supervised by \_\_\_\_\_

Approved: \_\_\_\_\_  
(Title) \_\_\_\_\_

*Handwritten red mark:* 22218

Btry. B 314th F.A.  
80th Division

BURROUGHS Roy E. - Pvt. 1835130  
( 1835139 ? )

Killed October 8th 1918

Place of Death : Hill 281 , Montfaucon I/50000 Map same as grave location.  
Grave Location ; Hill 281 , Map I/50,000 Montfaucon , between  
Montfaucon and Guisy on side of hill near R.R. Track ,  
grave is alone . Left side of balley W. of Hill 281 ,  
300 meters up from Bethencourt-Guisy road .

SIGNED STATEMENT FROM EYEWITNESS

" Tuesday , October 8th 1918 , about 9 A.M. at the Battalion Eschelon at Hill 281 , Pvt. Burroughs was instantly killed by a splinter from a large ( 150 ) mm. enemy shell . The Eschelon was under fire from across the Meuse River and several shells dropped near the Dugout in which Pvt. Burroughs was seeking safety . The entrance to the dugout was away from the direction of the enemy guns and led down from the corner of a Z-shaped trench . The shell struck squarely in the other angle of the trench , a large splinter flying down the cross-arm of the trench striking Pvt. Burroughs on the left side of the head just back of and above the ear , passing completely through his head . He also was wounded in the left shoulder and left hip . He was buried within ten feet of where he met his death . "

Informant : H.F. Pelham , Ist /Lt.  
314th F.A.

" Burks , Sgt. Gas N.C. O  
Btry. B. 314th F.A.

From records of Major Carl H. Tobey ,  
Adjutant 80th Division

Emergency Address :-  
Mrs/ R.E. Burroughs ( Wife )  
Box 109 Clarksburg , W; Va.

C.F.

*File  
with papers  
10/20/26*

Burroughs Roy E

1,835,139 ✓

(Surname.)

(Christian name in full.)

(Army serial number.)

Pvt

Btry B 314th FA

(Rank and organization.)

State your relationship to the deceased wife

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? } (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)

Alberta Burroughs  
Clarkburg, W. Va

(Number and street or rural route.) (City, town, or post office.) (State.)

Read carefully the letter accompanying this card.

3-5713

WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

Mrs. Ruth  
Room 2142

4-17-1926

Date \_\_\_\_\_

SUBJECT: Information required for Cemeterial Division.

TO: The Adjutant General of the Army, World War Division, Washington, D.C.

1. It is requested that the items checked below be completed:

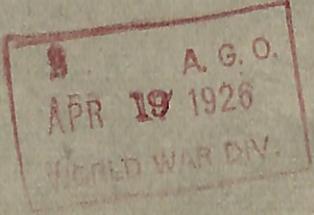
- a. Surname BURROUGHS
- b. Christian name Roy E.
- c. Serial number 1835139
- d. Organization Bat B. 314th F.A.
- e. Rank Pvt. or ~~Mess Sgt.~~
- f. Emergency Address Mrs Alberta Burroughs (wife)  
Box 109 Clarkburg, W. Va.
- g. Date of death 10-8-18
- h. Authority \_\_\_\_\_
- i. Cause of death Killed in action
- j. Place of death \_\_\_\_\_
- k. Place of burial \_\_\_\_\_
- l. Date of discharge \_\_\_\_\_

BODY DESCRIPTION

- a. Date of enlistment \_\_\_\_\_
- b. Age at enlistment \_\_\_\_\_
- c. Color of hair \_\_\_\_\_
- d. Height \_\_\_\_\_
- e. Weight\* \_\_\_\_\_
- f. Fractures or breaks \_\_\_\_\_

DENTAL CHARTS

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For The Quartermaster General:

W. REDINGTON  
MAJOR, Q. M. G.

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FILE UNDER NO. 293. - Burroughs, Roy E.,  
Pvt. Bty. B. 314th F.A.

Jan. 9, 1926.

## INDEX SHEET

### SYNOPSIS

Letter -

From - OQMG.,

To - Chief, Amer. G.R.S., QMC., in Europe, France.

Giving information regarding the graves of Wm. Tittle, and  
Roy E. Burroughs, both of 314th F.A.

DOCUMENT FILED UNDER NO. 293. - Tittle, Wm.  
Pvt. Bty. B., 314th F.A.

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

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January 7, 1926

Burroughs, Roy E.

Tittle, William

Letter to Europe advising that Mr. Burke made a personal call to this office and gave the following information : He was in France last year and that ~~ix~~ he went to the grave of Tittle, the cross was still standing but was overgrown with weeds . The grave was on the south slope of the hill near the top about 50 feet south west of the dugout. He was killed near center of the hill and was carried about 100 feet south for burial. The hill 281 is located about midway between Cuisy and Malancourt about E-314.2 N-276.

Burroughs was buried

Mr. Burke advised that Pvt Roy ~~Burke~~ south and east of the hill in the valley between ~~the~~ ridges or slopes . Follow ~~slope~~ of the hill from the road on west side around the south edge where the body should be found almost east of hill. Verdun A map of which you no doubt have a copy shows the hill and ~~ix~~ and altitude lines ~~which~~

*S.W. Sechrest*  
S.W. sechrest

ORIGINAL PAPER FILED

CROSS INDEX

CM 293 AC  
Able, Jacob, H.

1st Ind.

War Dept., OQMG, Washington, D.C., Sept. 2, 1924--To the Chief, AGRS, QMG.,  
in Europe.

1. In accordance with basic letter, the following information  
is furnished:

Private Able enlisted May 18, 1918, was 23½ yrs. of age,  
brown hair, 5'6½" in height and weighed 133 lbs. Teeth numbers  
3 and 19 missing.

Pvt. Burroughs enlisted Sept. 18, 1917, was 28 yrs. and 10  
months old, brown hair, 5'7½" in height and weighed 150 lbs.  
Teeth number 16, and 19 missing at camp. Local Board reports  
numbers 21 and 28 missing.

Pvt. Brennan enlisted May 27, 1918, 28 yrs. of age, Auburn  
hair, 67" in height and weighed 165½ lbs. Teeth O.K.

Pvt. Amundsen enlisted June 4, 1917, 23 yrs. and 6 mo., brown  
hair, 6 ft., 174 lbs. Teeth number 14 missing.

Private Hess - See report under separate cover, this date.

By order of The Quartermaster General:

R. P. HARBOLE,  
Assistant.

O. Q. M. G. X 293 Burroughs, Brennan

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August 29, 1924.

File No 293 Able, Jacob H.

~~(Burroughs, Roy)~~  
(Hess, Daniel)  
Brennan, John A.)  
(Asmundsen, Alban C)

Reference letter from Europe under date of May 9, 1924,  
the following information is given:

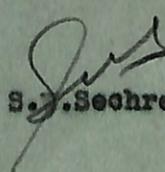
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S. J. Sechrest.

WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

Date 8/18/24

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O.Q.M.G.

SUBJECT: Information required for Cemeterial Division.

TO: The Adjutant General of the Army, World War Division, Washington, D.C.

1. It is requested that the items checked below be completed:

- a. Surname Burroughs
- b. Christian name Ray E.
- c. Serial number 1435139
- d. Organization Bat. B, 3177. Inf.
- e. Rank Pat.
- f. Date of death 10/8/18
- g. Cause of death 1r. a.
- h. Authority Cable #291
- i. Emergency Address Mrs Alberta  
Burroughs, Box 109,  
Clarksburg, W. Va.
- j. Relationship Wife

BODY DESCRIPTION:

- a. Date of enlistment Sept. 18, 1917. Height 6 feet and 7 1/2 inches
- b. Age at enlistment 28 and 10 mo. e. Weight 150 Lbs.
- c. Color of hair brown f. Fractures or breaks \_\_\_\_\_

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By G. Davis  
Adjutant General.  
The Adjutant General.  
By J.P.N.

For The Quartermaster General:

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J.P.N.  
Assistant.

Burroughs Ray E.

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GRAVE LOCATION BLOCK

LOCATION OF THE GRAVE OF

*Burns* (Surname.) *35189* (Number.) *Ray E.* (First Name and Initials.)

*Det.* (Rank.) *Battery B. 314<sup>th</sup> I. C.* (Organization.)

DATE OF BURIAL *Oct 8<sup>th</sup> 1918*

PLACE OF BURIAL *Hill 281*

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

*Map 150,000 Montauban*

*Between Government and Quiry on*

*side of hill near R.R. track*

GRAVE NUMBER *alone*

HOW MARKED: Name Peg? *X* Cross? *yes*

Headboard? *X* Bottle? *X*

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:

**COMME. MALANCOURT (MENSE)**  
**(G-177) SHT. 35 S. E COORD**

26 OCT 1918

REPORTED BY:

*Thomas H. Summers, Chaplain 34<sup>th</sup> I. C.*  
(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  
 (Surname.) (Number) (First Name and Initials.)  
 (Rank.) (Organization.)

DATE OF BURIAL 25, 1918 10:30 AM 281

PLACE OF BURIAL left side of valley bet. of hills

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

300 metres <sup>up</sup> from Bethincourt -  
 Cuisy road.

GRAVE NUMBER

HOW MARKED: Name Peg? 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:

*OMME BETHINCOURT (MEUSE)*  
*(0291) SUT. 35 S.E. COORD*

REPORTED BY:

*N. F. Pelham W. H. 70, U.S.*  
 (Signature and Rank of Reporting Officer.)

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

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