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To The A. G. O.

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G.R.S. Form #114-B

DEC 1 - 1925

*Soldier's signature*

Listed per soldier's signature DATE 3/7/27

1. NAME BUZIAK, William SERIAL No. 1025112

RANK Cpl. ORGANIZATION Co. C 34th Inf.

GRAVE LOCATION Amer. Cty., Toul, M-et-M & DIVISION 7th CTY. NAME NUMBER

777 6 D

GRAVE ROW PLOT

2. ORIGINAL BATTLE AREA GRAVE LOCATION 777 Toul (M et M)

COORDINATES 69 NE 361.4 E 209.15 N

CONCENTRATED TO Hospital Burial 777 6 D

DATE GRAVE ROW PLOT

Toul (M et M) 91

CEMETERY CTY. NUMBER

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

Tag on Cross.

DATE OF DEATH

*8 auth. card 10-9-26*  
*Nov 9 - 1918*

STATE FROM WHICH HE CAME

*Illinois*

Data Form 1-A  
SUBSEQUENT REBURIALS

MEDALS OR DECORATIONS AWARDED

*none*

DATE GRAVE ROW PLOT CEMETERY

DATE GRAVE ROW PLOT CEMETERY



SIGNATURE, AREA SUPERVISOR

*I.H. JOFFE, 1st Lt. OMC.*

3. FINAL GRAVE LOCATION July 27, 1922 7 24 Block C

DATE GRAVE ROW PLOT

St. Mihiel American Cemetery #1233, Thiaucourt, M et M.

CEMETERY

AUDITED BY

Robert C. Davis,  
Major General,  
The Adjutant General,  
By *MS*

DEC 3 1925

WORLD WAR DIV.

DEC 5 - 1925

# INSTRUCTIONS FOR PREPARATION OF FORM 114 B

1. Forms 114-B are to be prepared by Registration Branch in quadruplicate, three copies to be forwarded to Area Supervisor who will accomplish paragraph 2 and return all three copies to Headquarters, American Graves Registration Service.

2. Paragraphs 1 and 3 will be accomplished by Registration Branch, Headquarters, American Graves Registration Service, Q.M.C., in Europe.

3. Paragraph 2 will be accomplished by Area Supervisor from data on file in his office.

4. If data is entered on Form 114-B from Form 1, Form 16, Form 1-A or Form 16-A, statement to this effect will be made on Form 114-B STATING WHICH G.R.S. form data is taken from. If data concerning co-ordinates is approximate and NOT accurate, statement to this effect will be made on these forms.

DEC 7 - 1952

**GRAVE LOCATION BLANK**

LOCATION OF THE GRAVE OF

*Bucio* *1025112* *William*  
(Surname). (Number). (First Name and Initials).

*Srpl. Co. 34* *Infantry*  
(Rank). (Organization)

*BX # 87*  
PLACE OF DEATH:

*Broncho pneumonia*  
CAUSE OF DEATH:

*Nov 10th 1918*  
DATE OF BURIAL:

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

*Justice Hospital Group Cemetery*  
*Ill*

*747*  
GRAVE NUMBER:

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:

*Walter Bucio*  
NEAREST RELATIVE:

*Chicago Ill*  
ADDRESS:

RELATIONSHIP:

REPORTED BY:

*Gruderman, Lt*  
(Signature and Rank of Reporting Officer).

This portion to be forwarded to Central Records Office, A. G. O., A. E. F.

BVB-ml-1-217

AG 201 Busiak, William (WW)

October 9, 1926.

Date of death.

The Quartermaster General,  
Washington, D. C.

An investigation recently completed by this office in the case of William Busiak, Army serial number 1,025,112, Corporal, Company C, 34th Infantry, who was reported to have died November 9, 1918 of wounds (gas) received in action, shows that the report is erroneous and that this soldier died November 8, 1918 of wounds (gas) received in action.

By order of the Secretary of War:

J. N. Dalton

Adjutant General.



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Busiak, William

Q. Q. M. G.

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Busiak, William

CODE SLIP

LOCO PARENTIS

HEADING	SUB-HEADING	NO. OF COILS	CODE
NAME	<i>Buss</i>	3	<i>2 12 90</i>
BURIED	CEMETERY <i>1233</i>	1	<i>3</i>
	GRAVE <i>4</i>	2	<i>07</i>
	ROW <i>24</i>	2	<i>24</i>
	BLOCK <i>C</i>	1	<i>3</i>
STATE	<i>Ill</i>	2	<i>13</i>
RANK	<i>Cpl</i>	1	<i>9</i>
DIVISION	<i>7</i>	2	<i>07</i>
ORGANIZATION	<i>34</i>	3	<i>034</i>
ARM	<i>Inf</i>	1	<i>1</i>
MARITAL	<i>no</i>	1	<i>2</i>
NAME	<i>Russ</i>	3	<i>8 12 90</i>
RESIDENCE	STATE <i>Ill</i>	2	<i>13</i>
	COUNTY <i>Cook</i>	2	<i>16</i>
	CITY <i>Chicago</i>	3	<i>028</i>
RELATION	<i>LoCo Parentis</i>	1	<i>4</i>
OTHER		1	
ELIGIBILITY	<i>no</i>	1	<i>2</i>
NATIVITY		1	
RACE		1	
ENGLISH		1	
ATTENDANT		1	
HEALTH		1	
NO. OF SONS		1	
DATE OF	MO.	1	
TRIP	YR.	1	
ACCEPTANCE		1	

AUDITED

APR 4 1932

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*PWA*

CODE SLIP

HEADING	SUB-HEADING	NO. OF COLS	CODE
NAME	<i>Bucsiak</i>	3	<i>2 12 09</i>
	<i>William</i>		
	CEMETERY <i>1233</i>	1	<i>1</i>
BURIED	GRAVE	2	
	ROW	2	
	BLOCK	1	
STATE		2	
RANK		1	
DIVISION		2	
ORGANIZATION		3	
ARM		1	
MARITAL		1	
NAME		3	
	STATE	2	
RESIDENCE	COUNTY	2	
	CITY	3	
RELATION	<i>Mother</i>	1	<i>1</i>
OTHER		1	
ELIGIBILITY	<i>Head</i>	1	<i>6</i>
NATIVITY		1	
RACE		1	
ENGLISH		1	
ATTENDANT		1	
HEALTH		1	
NO. OF SONS		1	
DATE OF	MO.	1	
TRIP	YR.	1	
ACCEPTANCE		1	
29/514			

**AUDITED**  
 APR 4 1932  
*AK*

QM 293 A-M

June 19, 1931.

Buciak, William (StM)

Mr. William A. Benedix,  
Post Commander,  
Flanders Post No. 734,  
1224 W. 52nd Place,  
Chicago, Illinois.

Dear Sir:

Receipt is acknowledged of your letters of June 12, 1931, in behalf of Mrs. Anna Ruszaj, 2939 Farrell Street, Chicago, Illinois, who desires to be furnished with affidavit forms and the grave location of her brother, the late Corporal William Buciak.

Please be advised that under date of July 24, 1930, Mrs. Ruszaj submitted affidavits to this office to substantiate her claim as having stood in loco parentis to her brother within the meaning of Section 4 (a) of the Act of Congress of March 2, 1929, as amended.

However, the information contained in the affidavits indicates that her status of loco parentis did not begin until her brother was eighteen years of age, and for this reason it is regretted to advise that Mrs. Ruszaj is not eligible to make a pilgrimage to his grave at the expense of the Government.

The enclosed card shows the exact location of the grave of the late Corporal Buciak.

For The Quartermaster General.

Very truly yours,

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

Enclosure:  
Card

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June 12, 1931.

War Department,  
Office of the Quartermaster General,  
Washington, D.C.

Replying to  
QM 293 A-M  
Busiak, William 1233 LP

Dear Sir:

Request is being made by Mrs. Anna Ruszaj, a sister of the deceased, of 2939 Farrell Street, Chicago, Illinois, for forms for application for pilgrimage to the cemetery in Europe under the provision of Section 4 (a) of the Act of March 2, 1929 as amended May 15, 1930.

She bases her eligibility on the fact that she acted as a mother, i.e. loco parentis.

Kindly send the necessary forms to execute this application. It appears that forms have once been sent to the claimant, but she states that were misplaced before she applied here for help.

In the future all communications relative to the above should be addressed direct to the claimant at above given address.

Yours very truly,

William A. Benedix,  
Post Commander.



WILLIAM A. BENEDIX  
1224 W. 32nd PLACE

CHICAGO, ILL.



FLANDERS POST NO. 734  
THE AMERICAN LEGION  
CHICAGO

June 12, 1931.

War Department,  
Quartermaster Corps,  
Grave Registration Office,  
Washington, D.C.

File No. 293.8 Cem. Div. Cor. Br.  
(BUGIAK, WILLIAM)

Dear Sir;

Information is requested by Mrs. Anna Ruszaj, of 2939 Farrell Street, Chicago, Illinois, as to the location of the grave of the above captioned deceased veteran.

Kindly furnish grave number and location and forward direct to address given above.

Yours very truly,



William A. Benedix,  
Post Commander.



WILLIAM A. BENEDIX  
1224 W. 32nd PLACE

CHICAGO, ILL.

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 SPENCER

War Department  
 Office of the Quartermaster General  
 Washington, D.C.

*Case*

Dear Sir:

I have had some correspondence with your office on the subject of the eligibility of Mrs. Gladys Evans to make the Gold Star Pilgrimage to the grave of her brother, James H. Thoma, Bty. F. 15th F.A.

Upon the receipt of the affidavits which you forwarded to her, Mrs. Dora Kurtz of Washington, Iowa, who apparently knows the Thoma family, wrote me the following letter, and some time later, Mrs. Evans sent the blank affidavits to me for inspection.

I am inclosing Mrs. Kurtz' letter. If there is anything which can be done for Mrs. Evans, I shall be glad to help her in any way. I have returned the blank forms to her and have requested her to have them completed so fully as may be possible and send them to you, in order that you may have absolute dates and complete facts at hand in the consideration of her case.

If there have been any additions made to the list of Iowa woman sailing this summer, since the list sent me under date of April 28th, please send me the names and sailing dates.

Thanking you for your usual kindness, I am

Very respectfully,

*Helen Clapp*

Helen Clapp  
 Department Chairman  
 Gold Star and Memorials



*293 Thoma James H*



**AMERICAN LEGION AUXILIARY**  
 DEPARTMENT OF IOWA  
 424 FLEMING BUILDING  
 DES MOINES, IOWA

West Union, Iowa  
 June 10th, 1931

War Department  
 Office of the Quartermaster General  
 Washington, D.C.

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*293 Thoma James H*

QM 293 A-M  
Busiak, William 1233 LP

August 1, 1930,

Mrs. Anna Ruzsaj,  
2939 Farrell Street,  
Chicago, Illinois.

Dear Madam:

Receipt is acknowledged of the affidavits you forwarded this office to substantiate your claim as having stood in loco parentis to your brother, the late Corporal William Busiak.

It has been held that in order for a woman to have stood in loco parentis to a deceased member of the American forces, she must have provided for him as a father in supplying food, clothing and shelter for a period of not less than five years prior to the service man becoming eighteen years of age.

The information contained in the affidavits indicates that your status of loco parentis did not begin until your brother was eighteen years of age, and for this reason it is regretted to advise that you are not eligible under the provisions of the Act of March 2, 1929, as amended May 15, 1930, to make a pilgrimage to his grave at the expense of the Government.

For The Quartermaster General.

Very truly yours,

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

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Came here 1909

he Enl. 17-18

Bn in 1899?

10-18

36 or 2-51

21-17

he was 18 in 1909.

*[Signature]*

Busiak

*[Faint, illegible handwriting]*

*[Faint, illegible handwriting]*

*[Faint, illegible handwriting]*



State of Illinois )  
County of Cook ) ss

2 - 19 - 27

26 yrs 2 mos  
at ent.  
5-21-17

name of deceased soldier William Buciak  
Rank Corporal, Company C, Organization 34th Infantry

1. The undersigned disinterested persons, not related to the applicant or to the deceased soldier, depose and say of their own personal knowledge that:

(a) Mrs. Anna Ruszaj stood in loco parentis to William Buciak (name of applicant) (deceased soldier) from 1918 to 1925.

(b) The age of the deceased soldier at the time the status in loco parentis began was 18 years, \_\_\_\_\_ months, \_\_\_\_\_ days. The age of Anna Ruszaj at the time the status in loco parentis began was 32 years, \_\_\_\_\_ months, \_\_\_\_\_ days.

(c) Anna Ruszaj during the time she stood in loco parentis to the said deceased soldier, actually provided for such soldier in the following manner and to the following extent:

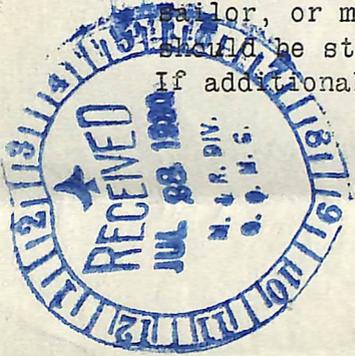
Said William Buciak was living with me and I had taken care of him providing him with food and necessaries.

(d) The following additional circumstances, facts and declarations tend to show that the said applicant actually assumed the obligations which a father would have assumed in the matter of making provision for the support of the deceased soldier:

I am a sister to said William Buciak and when I came to the United States of America with him I have provided him with all the necessaries that a father or mother could do.

2. In making the above statements, it is understood that the term in loco parentis means that:

- (a) A person must act the part of a lawful father in performing the duty of providing for him; taking the place of a father in this particular.
- (b) To obtain the benefits of the Act of March 2, 1929, a woman must have occupied this status towards a particular deceased service man for a period of not less than 5 years at any time prior to the soldier, sailor, or marine becoming 18 years of age. Circumstances and facts should be stated in detail in order to insure intelligent decision. If additional space is required please write on the back of this sheet.



Signed: A. Gadowski  
Address: 3144 S. Morgan Str.  
Signed: A. Grabowski  
Address: 3135 S. Morgan St

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 24th day of July 1930.

(Seal)

John P. Guminicki  
(Notary Public)

This is to advise that I, Mrs. Anna Ruzaj, am a sister to William Buciak, Corporal, Company C, 34th Infantry. I have come to the United States of America with him on or about the year of 1909. He was born in Wies Wiekow, Gmina Stare Miasto Poczta Konin, Powiat Konin, Kalisz, Poland.

When my brother William Buciak and I arrived in this country he was 18 years of age and at that time he was in my care. I have provided him with the necessaries that a father or mother could give.

Said William Buciak was in my care until the year of 1917 when then he enlisted in the U. S. Army.

I am making this application to make a pilgrimage to the cemeteries of Europe under the provisions of Section 4 (a) of the Act of March 2, 1929, as amended May 15, 1930, as requested in your letter dated July 17, 1930.

(her mark)  
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Mrs. Anna Ruzaj



State of Illinois )  
County of Cook ) SS

name of deceased soldier William Buciak  
Rank Corporal, Company C, Organization 34th Infantry

1. The undersigned disinterested persons, not related to the applicant or to the deceased soldier, depose and say of their own personal knowledge that:

(a) Mrs. Anna Ruszaj stood in loco parentis to William Buciak (name of applicant) from 1918 to 1925 (deceased soldier)

(b) The age of the deceased soldier at the time the status in loco parentis began was 18 years, \_\_\_\_\_ months, \_\_\_\_\_ days. The age of Anna Ruszaj (name of applicant) at the time the status in loco parentis began was 32 years, \_\_\_\_\_ months, \_\_\_\_\_ days.

(c) Anna Ruszaj (name of applicant) during the time she stood in loco parentis to the said deceased soldier, actually provided for such soldier in the following manner and to the following extent:

Said William Buciak was living with me and I had taken care of him providing him with food and necessaries.

(d) The following additional circumstances, facts and declarations tend to show that the said applicant actually assumed the obligations which a father would have assumed in the matter of making provision for the support of the deceased soldier:

I am a sister to said William Buciak and when I came to the United States of America <sup>with him</sup> I have provided him with all the necessaries that a father or mother could do.

2. In making the above statements, it is understood that the term in loco parentis means that:

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(b) To obtain the benefits of the Act of March 2, 1929, a woman must have occupied this status towards a particular deceased service man for a period of not less than 5 years at any time prior to the soldier, sailor, or marine becoming 18 years of age. Circumstances and facts should be stated in detail in order to insure intelligent decision. If additional space is required please write on the back of this sheet.

Signed: A. Gadowski

Address: 3144 L. Morgan St.

Signed: A. Grabowski

Address: 3135 S Morgan St

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 27<sup>th</sup> day of July 1930.

(Seal)

John L. Purnicki  
(Notary Public)



This is to advise that I, Mrs. Anna Ruszaj, am a sister to William Buciak, Corporal, Company C, 34th Infantry. I have come to the United States of America with him on or about the year of 1909. He was born in Wies Fiekow, Gmina Stare Miasto Poczta Konin, Powiat Konin, Kalisz, Poland.

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(her mark)  
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Mrs Anna Ruszaj



July 17, 1930.

QM 295 A-M  
Busiak, William 1238 LP

Mrs. Anna Ruszaj,  
2939 Farrell Street,  
Chicago, Illinois.

Dear Madam:

Receipt is acknowledged of your reply to the form letter recently forwarded to you from this office in which you indicate that you stood in loco parentis to the late William Busiak.

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

In the event you consider yourself eligible to make a pilgrimage to the cemeteries of Europe under the provisions of Section 4 (a) of the Act of March 2, 1929, as amended May 15, 1930, it is requested that the enclosed form be completed and returned to this office in order that your eligibility may be determined. Under paragraphs 1 (c) and 1 (d) sufficient information should be included to permit an intelligible decision as to eligibility.

For The Quartermaster General.

Very truly yours,

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

Enclosures:  
Forms  
Env.

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WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

Busiak William 1233-S

July 8, 1930

Mrs. Annie Rusay,  
2939 Farrell St.,  
Chicago, Illinois

*Noted on Card  
" loco? "*

Dear Madam:

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

This office has no record of any person entitled under the Act mentioned to make a pilgrimage to the cemeteries in Europe as the mother or widow of the above named deceased service man. To complete the list of eligibles and to assure that, if the above named man is survived by a mother or widow entitled to make a pilgrimage she receive an invitation to do so, it is requested you answer the following questions in the space provided on this letter and return to this office in the enclosed envelope which requires no postage.

1. Is the deceased survived by a mother?

*No*

If so, give her name and address:

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

*No*

If so, give her name and address:

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

*His sister, at whose home deceased lived for 9 years. Mrs. Anna Rusay, 2939 Farrell St. Chicago, Illinois*

If so, give her name and address:

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

Enclosures:  
Envelope  
Act  
Amendment

*W. M. Hughes*  
W. M. HUGHES,  
Captain, Q. M. Corps,  
Assistant.

WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

August 29, 1929.

Busiak, William  
1233

Mr. Walter Busiak,  
2737 Hillock Ave.,  
Chicago, Ill.

Dear Sir:

The records of this office do not indicate that a reply has been received to our communication dated May 28, 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?

SEP 6 - 1929

Write answers in space below

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

Had no wife

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.

~~Parents~~ have died.  
only survivors are  
Mrs Annil Rusay sister  
2939- Farrell Street  
and  
Walter Busiak Brother  
2737 Hillock Ave  
CHICAGO, ILL.

3. If survived by a widow or mother does she desire to make the pilgrimage? 2

For The Quartermaster General,

12 1929

U. Q. M. G.

Very truly yours,

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

2 Incls.  
Act of Congress  
Envelope

WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C  
Busiak, William

May 28 , 1929.

Mr. Walter Busiak,  
2733 Hallock Ave.,  
Chicago, Ill.

Dear Sir:

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 brother of the late Corporal William Busiak, Co. C, 34th Inf., whose remains are now interred in the St. Mihiel American Cemetery, Thiaucourt, Meurthe-et-Moselle, France.

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

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

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

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

2 incls.  
Act of Congress.  
Envelope.

QM 293 A-M

June 19, 1931.

Buciak, William (StM)

Mr. William A. Benedix,  
Post Commander,  
Flanders Post No. 734,  
1224 W. 32nd Place,  
Chicago, Illinois.

Dear Sir:

Receipt is acknowledged of your letters of June 12, 1931, in behalf of Mrs. Anna Ruszaj, 2939 Farrell Street, Chicago, Illinois, who desires to be furnished with affidavit forms and the grave location of her brother, the late Corporal William Buciak.

Please be advised that under date of July 24, 1930, Mrs. Ruszaj submitted affidavits to this office to substantiate her claim as having stood in loco parentis to her brother within the meaning of Section 4 (a) of the Act of Congress of March 2, 1929, as amended.

However, the information contained in the affidavits indicates that her status of loco parentis did not begin until her brother was eighteen years of age, and for this reason it is regretted to advise that Mrs. Ruszaj is not eligible to make a pilgrimage to his grave at the expense of the Government.

The enclosed card shows the exact location of the grave of the late Corporal Buciak.

For The Quartermaster General.

Very truly yours,

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

Enclosure:  
Card

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*Buciak, William*

QM 293 A-M  
Buciak, William 1235 LP

August 1, 1930.

Mrs. Anna Ruszaj,  
2939 Farrell Street,  
Chicago, Illinois.

Dear Madam:

Receipt is acknowledged of the affidavits you forwarded this office to substantiate your claim as having stood in loco parentis to your brother, the late Corporal William Buciak.

It has been held that in order for a woman to have stood in loco parentis to a deceased member of the American forces, she must have provided for him as a father in supplying food, clothing and shelter for a period of not less than five years prior to the service man becoming eighteen years of age.

The information contained in the affidavits indicates that your status of loco parentis did not begin until your brother was eighteen years of age, and for this reason it is regretted to advise that you are not eligible under the provisions of the Act of March 2, 1929, as amended May 15, 1930, to make a pilgrimage to his grave at the expense of the Government.

For The Quartermaster General.

Very truly yours,

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

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*Busiak*

July 17, 1930.

QM 295 A-M  
~~Busiak, William~~ 1233 LP

Mrs. Anna Buszaj,  
2939 Farrell Street,  
Chicago, Illinois.

Dear Madam:

Receipt is acknowledged of your reply to the form letter recently forwarded to you from this office in which you indicate that you stood in loco parentis to the late William Busiak.

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

In the event you consider yourself eligible to make a pilgrimage to the cemeteries of Europe under the provisions of Section 4 (a) of the Act of March 2, 1929, as amended May 15, 1930, it is requested that the enclosed form be completed and returned to this office in order that your eligibility may be determined. Under paragraphs 1 (c) and 1 (d) sufficient information should be included to permit an intelligible decision as to eligibility.

For The Quartermaster General.

Very truly yours,

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

Enclosures:  
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*Buciak*

WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293-A-C

Buciak William 1233-S

July 8, 1930

Mrs. Annie Rusay,  
2939 Farrell St.,  
Chicago, Illinois

Dear Madam:

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

This office has no record of any person entitled under the Act mentioned to make a pilgrimage to the cemeteries in Europe as the mother or widow of the above named deceased service man. To complete the list of eligibles and to assure that, if the above named man is survived by a mother or widow entitled to make a pilgrimage she receive an invitation to do so, it is requested you answer the following questions in the space provided on this letter and return to this office in the enclosed envelope which requires no postage.

1. Is the deceased survived by a mother?

If so, give her name and address:

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

If so, give her name and address:

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

If so, give her name and address:

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

Enclosures:  
Envelope  
Act  
Amendment

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

WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

*Busiak*

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

August 29, 1929.

Busiak, William  
1233

Mr. Walter Busiak,  
2733 Hillock Ave.,  
Chicago, Ill.

Dear Sir:

The records of this office do not indicate that a reply has been received to our communication dated May 28, 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

*Buziak*

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C  
Buziak, William

May 28 , 1929.

Mr. Walter Buziak,  
2733 Hillock Ave.,  
Chicago, Ill.

Dear Sir:

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".

late Corporal ~~William Buziak~~ <sup>brother of the</sup> ~~Co. C, 36th Inf., whose remains are now interred~~ <sup>in the St. Mihiel American Cemetery, Thiaucourt, Meurthe-et-Moselle, France.</sup>

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

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

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

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Very truly yours,

JOHN T. HARRIS,  
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WAR DEPARTMENT  
THE ADJUTANT GENERAL'S OFFICE  
WASHINGTON

BVB-ml-1-217

IN REPLY REFER TO AG 201 Busiak, William (WW)

October 9, 1926.

SUBJECT: Date of death.

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

An investigation recently completed by this office in the case of William Busiak, Army serial number 1,025,112, Corporal, Company C, 34th Infantry, who was reported to have died November 9, 1918 of wounds (gas) received in action, shows that the report is erroneous and that this soldier died November 8, 1918 of wounds (gas) received in action.

By order of the Secretary of War:



OCT 11 1926  
*JOHN DUTTON*  
Adjutant General.

O.O.M.G.  
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Bureau of William

*File 1-13-27 102*

QM 293 A-C

BUCIAK, William Cpl.

February 18, 1924

Mr. Walter Buciak,  
2733 Hillock Ave.,

Chicago, Ill.

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,

1-Incl.  
Record card.

Assistant.

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C. O. M. G. R. L. POSTER  
CENTRAL MAIL ROOM



FEB 18 1924

B. O. C.

Buciak, William 1,025,112  
(Surname.) (Christian name in full.) (Army serial number.)

Corp Co C 34 Inf  
(Rank and organization)

State your relationship to the deceased Brother

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.)

2733 - Hellock ave Chicago Ill  
(Number and street.) (City or town.) (State.)

(Sign here) Walter Buciak  
(over)

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

Read carefully the letter accompanying this card.

Original letter sent to-  
Walter Buciak,  
2773 Hillock Ave.,  
Chicago, Ill.

Drawn by MKS

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11-23-20

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# COMPILATION OF DISPOSITION OF REMAINS DATA

File #53934

## I. LOCATION INDEX CARD:

(a) Name BUCIAK, William Ser. No. 1025112  
 (b) Rank Cpl. Organization Co. C, 34th Inf.  
 (c) Date of death 11/8/18 (d) Cause of death B. Pneumonia

*5/16/22 Exhumed*  
*1st. Conventration*  
*St. Michael 1233*  
*att 5/20/22*

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

(a) Grave No 777 Row - Plot - Sec. - TYP. HB  
 (b) Emerg. Address Walter Buciak (brother) 2737 Hilcock Ave., Chicago, Ill.

III. Files of soldiers dying from contagious diseases - NO CARD CKR. J

## IV. A. G. O. DISPOSITION CARD:

Date of receipt -

(a) Name Walter Buciak (b) Relationship Brother  
 (c) Address 2733 Hilcock Ave - Chicago - Ill  
 (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 of body in U. S. -  
 (g) Disposition instructions if not brought to U. S. -

*see suspension*

Examiner's Initials MKS Date 11-22, 1920.

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

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

*no corresp*

Examiner's Initials MKS Date 11-22, 1920.

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

*request for disposition, E.A. Walter Buciak, Chicago, Ill.*

(a) Cancellation memos referred to? yes

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

*Rev. 5-18-21 E.F.*

COUNTRY France CEMETERY No. 91 SHEET No. 142

G. R. S. Form No. 115  
 Amended Apr. 16, 1920

Make Form No. 114

**FORM 115 - A COMPLETED**  
*AP. JAN 5 1921*

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VII. G. R. S. Form No. 114 made \_\_\_\_\_, 1920.

Typed by \_\_\_\_\_, Checked by \_\_\_\_\_, *Cemeterial Division*, 1920.

*Overseas Project Sub-Section*

VIII. FINAL ACTION:

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

*Par. # 2. Not to be returned (E&S) 12/28/20.*

IX.

CORRECTIONS

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

X. SUSPENSION REMARKS: *2-31-21 - Letter from sister, Mrs. Anna Ruszay, 2939 Farrell St., Chicago, Ill. requests another application form, as brother has the other, and refuses to give it up to her (#-2-19-21-8)*

*W. R. Beneficiary Lives*

*Walter Buciak (Brother)*

*2937 Hallock Ave. Chicago, Ill. C H 3-31-21*

*3/18/21 # 20 Anna Ruszay (sister) 2939 Farrell St. Chicago Ill. requests body shipped to her at this address. Father n. k. Joseph Buciak, Konin, Kalisz, Poland. H 4-4-21 E C S*

*4/4/21 Hoboken referred case to Europe for follow-up & necessary action - recd 5/5/21*

*4-13-21 Prob. advises sister, that this case has been referred to Europe for "further action" 5/18/21 EP*

*11-7-21 - Europe states no appls have been received from father in Poland. Body will be interred in P.A.C. in France*

Form 115- (Continued).

Let. 12-5-21 - Brother, Mr. Walter Buciak, 2737 Hellock Ave., Chicago, Ill. advised that since no replies have been rec'd from communications addressed to the Father in Poland, the body will remain in France for burial in a P.A.C. (ALB-11/5/21).

Let. 12-5-21 - Sister, Mrs. Anna Ruzaj, advised that body of brother will remain in France for burial in a P.A.C. as no replies had been rec'd from Father in Poland to our communication.

Let. 12-10-21 from sister requesting return of remains to her for burial. (ALB-11/10/21)

Let. to sister 12-20-21 advises that remains will be permanently interred in France at request of brother who is n/R and also no change of request after Aug 15. (Pm 12-20-21)

COMPILATION OF DISPOSITION OF REMAINS DATA

File #53934

See Form 115  
att 5/25/22

I. LOCATION INDEX CARD:

(a) Name BUCLAK, William Ser. No. 1025112 } TYP HB  
 (b) Rank Cpl. Organization Co. G, 34th Inf. }  
 (c) Date of death 11/8/18 Cause of death B. Pneumonia } *L.*

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

(a) Grave No. 777 Row - Plot - Sect. - TYP HB  
 (b) Emerg. Address Walter Buciak (brother) 2737 Hilcock Ave., Chicago, Ill.

III. Files of soldiers dying from contagious diseases NO CARD CKR. *L.*

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

*A.G.O. Card: Walter Buciak (brother) 2733  
 Hilcock Ave., Chicago, Ill. requests body  
 remain in Europe. (Eel) 12/28/20*

V. Following advice forwarded to Europe by (cable on 192  
 (Letter of transmittal on 12/7/1920)

*Par. # 2. Not to be returned (Eel) 12/28/20*  
JAN 8 1921

VI. Form 115 forwarded to G.R.S. Hoboken, N.J. 192

VII. SUPPLEMENTARY REQUESTS

Date of and Source	Relationship and name	Desires	Action taken
			<i>Nov. 7/21: Europe states no replies have been received from father in Poland. Body will be interred in P.A.C. in France 12-2-21 <i>su</i></i>

VIII. Form 115 received from G.R.S. Hoboken, N.J. APR 18 1921 192

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To be prepared <sup>for</sup> in triplicate.

DATE Febr. 24, 1922

REPORT OF DISINTERMENT, PREPARATION, SHIPMENT AND REBURIAL OF BODY

DISINTERMENT

COMPARATIVE REPORT

Records of G.R.S. Headquarters.

Discrepancy found upon exhumation of body

- 1. Name BUCIAK, William
- 2. No. 1025112
- 3. Rank Cpl.
- 4. Org. Co. C 34th Inf.
- 5. D.D. Nov. 8/18
- 6. C.D. Broncho Pneumonia

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

Discrepancy found upon disinterment

- 7. Grave No. 777 Sec. \_\_\_\_\_
- 8. Plot D Row 6
- 9. \_\_\_\_\_

- 15. Grave No. \_\_\_\_\_ Sec. \_\_\_\_\_
- 16. Plot \_\_\_\_\_ Row \_\_\_\_\_
- 17. This Cemetery is not divided into Plots or Rows at the present time.

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

- 19. Commune or town Toul
- 21. Country France

23. Disinterred (Date) Febr. 24, 1922 By C. J. Osgood

24. Inscription on grave marker:

Name William Buciak

Rank Cpl..

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

Organization Co. C. 34th. Inf.

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

Archie A. Pope  
 Signature Junior Technical Assistant  
Archie A. Pope

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).  
None

27. Condition of body Badly decomposed. Features unrecognizable

28. Nature of burial Box and uniform.

29. Any discrepancy noted upon examination of body, as compared with G.R.S. records quoted above? See No. 17 above. Body disc agrees with Form 114-A. Rank not shown. Org. reads: "U.S.A"

30. Body prepared and placed in casket: Date Febr. 24, 1922 By C. J. Osgood

31. Casket sealed by C. J. Osgood

Signature of Embalmer, (Supervisor \_\_\_\_\_)

C. J. Osgood  
 Signature

AUDITED BY Lab 8/29/23

SHIPMENT. (Show actual marking of box.) Box No. C-24569

32. Designation of body:

Name William BUCIAK Serial No. 1025112

Rank Cpl. Organization Co. C 34th Inf.

33. Consigned to:

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

34. Casket boxed and marked (Date) Febr. 23-1-24, 1922 By C. J. Osgood

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

Signature of G.R.S. Inspector J. J. Powers, 1st Lt. QMC

36. Remarks

None

37. Shipped from point of Operation: (Date) Febr. 24, 1922

To point of Concentration Toul (M-et-M)

Convoyer Frank Atwell Signature Shipping Officer J. J. Powers, 1st Lt. QMC

38. Received at Railhead or Point of Concentration: Date Febr. 24, 1922

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

39. Shipped from Railhead or Point of Concentration: Date

To Permanent Cemetery St. Mihiel Amer. No. 91 Thiaucourt (M-et-M)

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

40. Received: Date 1 MAR 1922

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

41. Reinterred July 27, 1922. (Date)

42. Grave No. 7 Section

43. Plot block C Row 24

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

Place Toul (M et M)

REPORT OF DISINTERMENT AND REBURIAL

Date Feb. 24, 1922.

1. REMAINS OF Buciak, William SERIAL NUMBER 1025112  
RANK Cpl. ORGANIZATION Co. C. 34th Inf.

2. Disinterred (date): Feb. 24, 1922. From (give complete location): Gr. 777. Cty. 91. Toul (M et M)

By: Group 4 Unit F.S. 8.

3. Reburied (date): July 27, 1922. In (give complete location): Regulation casket.  
Gr 7, row 24, block C. Cty. 1233,

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

4. Report as to nature of original burial and condition of body upon disinterment:  
Box and uniform. Badly decomposed. Features unrecognizable.

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

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

None

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

(a) Height (actual measurement) Imp. to Det.

(b) Weight (estimated) Imp. to estimate

(c) Hair—Color None visible

Quantity \_\_\_\_\_

Characteristics \_\_\_\_\_

(d) Hair on face—Color None visible

Location \_\_\_\_\_

Quantity \_\_\_\_\_

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

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

None visible

Checker: A.A. Pope

7. Disinterment supervised by C.J. Osgood

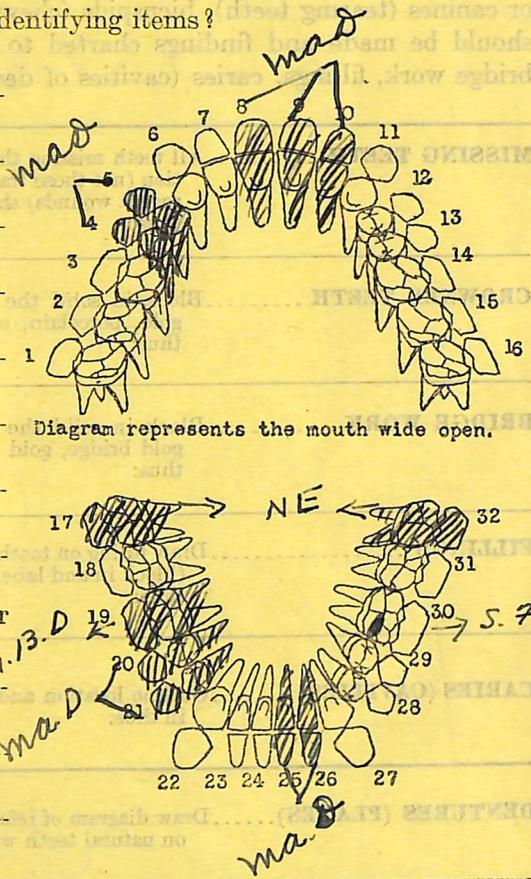
Approved: J.J. Powers

(Title) 1st Lieut. U.S.C.

8. Reburial supervised by H.L. Kramer

Approved: A.E. Dewey

(Title) 1st Lt. U.S.C.



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

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

1. Show soldier's name, serial number, rank and organization, and by whom disinterred and reburied.
2. Give date and accurate information as to location from which the body was disinterred and the group and unit which made disinterment.
3. Give date and accurate information as to location of reburial and the group and unit which made reburial, and how reburial was made—in casket, wooden box, etc.
4. State to what degree decomposition has progressed, whether recognition is possible, and how the body was originally buried—in a casket, box, burlap, etc. This statement should be as complete as possible.
5. (a) State whether identification tags were found buried with body and on grave marker by reporting "Yes" or "No."
- (b) State whether or not body appears to have been a hospital case. Were any identifying articles found in or on body or grave? List any personal effects, letters, money-order receipts, and the like found on body or in grave. Give any and all information which it is thought might be of use in identifying the body, other than that tabulated under Item No. 6.

6. Give all information as to body description and dental chart as nearly correctly as the condition of the body will allow. Items (e) and (f) under the body description are very important and should be very complete. The dental chart is also very important and should be filled in with great care. There are 32 teeth to be accounted for, as shown by the numbers on the chart. Beginning at the middle line in both upper and lower jaws, the teeth are arranged symmetrically on either side and classed as incisors (cutting teeth), cuspids or canines (tearing teeth), bicuspid (chewing teeth), and molars (principal chewing teeth). An examination should be made and findings charted to cover the following basic conditions: Lost teeth, crowned teeth, bridge work, fillings, caries (cavities of decay), dentures (plates), and any deformity of jaws found.

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

**DENTURES (PLATES)**.....Draw diagram of relative size and shape of plate, block in teeth attached and indicate retaining clasps on natural teeth with the word "clasp."

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

November 7th 1921

File No.293.9 Disp.Cem.#91

From : Chief  
To : Quartermaster General, Munitions Building, Washington, D.C.  
Subject : Disposition of remains of Cpl. William BUCIAK, #1025112,  
Co. C, 34th Inf., Cem.#91, Toul, Meurthe-et-Moselle, France.

1. Reference letter Cem.Div., Hoboken, dated April 13th, 1921, File No.293.8, to this office, wherein it was directed that we communicate with the next of kin of the above deceased soldier, you are advised that letters were written, as instructed, to Mr. Joseph Buciak (Father), Konin, Kalisz, Poland, on May 13th, July 29th, and September 15th, 1921, enclosing our official form certificate for execution.

2. No replies having been received to said correspondence, the remains of the above deceased soldier will be left in France for final burial in a permanent American cemetery.

C. L. SAMPSON

H. F. RETHERS,  
Colonel, Q.M. Corps.

<sup>K</sup>  
JLK/CR

CEMETERY DIVISION  
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*Original in g.N.S.  
12-2-21  
[Signature]*

November 1921

File No. 238.9 Disp. Cem. 491

From: Chief

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

Subject: Disposition of remains of Cpl. William BUGIAK, #1088112, Co. G, 34th Inf., Cem. 491, Neuville-st-Macelle, France.

1. Reference is made to letter Gen. Div., Hoboken, dated April 15th, 1921, File No. 238.9, to this office, wherein it was directed that we communicate with the next of kin of the above deceased soldier, you are advised that letters were written, as instructed, to Mr. Joseph Bugiak (father), Konin, Poland, on May 18th, July 29th, and September 15th, 1921, enclosing our official form certificates for exhumation.

2. No replies having been received to said correspondence, the remains of the above deceased soldier will be left in France for final burial in a permanent American cemetery.

C. J. SAMMONS  
R. Y. BISHOP  
Colonel, G.M. Corps.

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*Handwritten notes:*  
Cpl. Bugiak  
10/25/21

Date

2/14/21

To G.R.S. Hoboken:

Returned, the Form 115  
in this case was forwarded under  
date of 1-8-21

Thomas G. Hanson, Jr.,  
1st Lieut., Q.M.C.

Per

*W.S.G.*

Chicago Ill

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Recorded, Cemeterial Div. O. O. M. G.  
File # 293.8#-53934

War Department

Graves Registration Service

Hoboken N. J.

NOTED ON FORM #118  
4-2-1938

Gentlemen: -

Just a few lines

let you know, that I the sister  
of William Buczak, would like  
to have the body of Corporal William  
Buczak brought home from France

Buczak, William

You have sent an application  
to be filled by any member of  
the family, and my brother has  
same, but he fails to give them up.

Will you kindly send me  
another application by return mail?

Yours Truly

Mrs Anna Buczak 2939 Farrell St. Chicago Ill.

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OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
CENTRAL DIVISION  
QUESTIONS PROJECT SUB-SECTION

Please Rush  
DATE

NAME OF DECEASED SOLDIER

CIVILIAN NO.

Buciak, William

91-142

2/23/21

SERIAL NUMBER

ORGANIZATION

~~XXXXXXXXXX~~

1025112

Co. C., 34th Inf.

Date of Death.

11/9/18

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Adjustment Department  
Date 3/10/21 B

WAR RISK INSURANCE INFORMATION

DATE, March 8, 1921.

NAME OF BENEFICIARY

RELATIONSHIP  
Brother

Mr. Walter Buciak,  
Address

2737 Hillock Ave., Chicago, Ill.

Cor. Sec.

Noted N. H. S.  
@ 3-31-21  
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WAR DEPARTMENT

OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL OF THE ARMY

CEMETERIAL DIVISION

WASHINGTON

March 15th, 1921.

*Handwritten:* 3/21/21 Klief

FROM: Chief, Cemeterial Division, O. Q. M. G.

To: Mrs. Anna Ruszaj, 2939 Farrell Street, Chicago, Illinois.

SUBJECT: Remains of Buciak, William, Cpl. Ser. No. 1025112, Co. C, 34th Inf.

The records of this office show that you have requested that the body of the above named ~~requester~~ ~~that the remains be returned to the United States.~~

*Handwritten in red:* Sister requests body shipped to her. E.C.S.

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

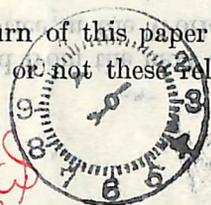
The nearest next of kin may choose between, (1) return of the body to any address in the United States; (2) interment in the National Cemetery, Arlington, Va., or any other National Cemetery; or (3) body to remain in Europe.

By authority of the Quartermaster General.

CHARLES C. PIERCE,  
Lieut. Colonel, U. S. Army.  
CEMETERIAL DIVISION

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

Was soldier married? no



NAME OF—	NO. AND STREET.	TOWN.	STATE.
Soldier's widow			
Soldier's children. (Name oldest first.)			
1			
2			
3			
Father	Joseph Buciak (In Poland)	Konin	Kalisz
Mother	Josephine Buciak (In Poland)	Konin	Kalisz
Brothers. (Name oldest first.)			
1	Walter Buciak 2737 Willock Avenue	Chicago	Illinois
2	Albert Buciak (In Poland)	Konin	Kalisz
3	John Buciak (In Poland)	Konin	Kalisz
Sisters. (Name oldest first.)			
1	Anna Ruszaj 2939 Farrell Street	Chicago	Illinois
2	Magdalen Lis (In Poland)	Konin	Kalisz
3	Nepomucena Kalecka (In Poland)	Konin	Kalisz

Date March 18-1921

Signature *Her* Anna Ruszaj

Address 2939 Farrell Street

Relationship Sister

March 18, 1921

I, the undersigned, am the Sister and nearest living next of kin of the within-named soldier, and desire the following disposition of his remains, viz: (Strike out all except the one showing the disposition desired.)

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1. As stated on first page of this sheet.

2. To be returned to the U. S. and shipped to Mrs. Anna Ruszaf Illinois  
New York Central (R. R. station.)

Cemeterial Division  
Section 1  
Illinois

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

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

Her  
Signature Anna Ruszaf

INSTRUCTIONS FOR FILLING OUT.

1. If definite instructions for the disposition of a body are not received from the next of kin within two weeks of its arrival at New York, burial will be made without further notice in the World War Section of Arlington National Cemetery.
2. The transfer of bodies will be made ENTIRELY at Government expense.
3. This paper MUST BE SIGNED BY THE PERSON WHO IS THE NEXT OF KIN IN THE ORDER shown in the square on the other side of this sheet.
4. This paper must be returned showing the name and address of each of the nearest next of kin in the spaces provided therefor on the other side of this sheet.
5. If there are minor children of the deceased soldier and no widow, the LEGALLY APPOINTED GUARDIAN of the children should ascertain their wishes and act for them in this matter.
6. If YOU are not the nearest next of kin, please ask the nearest next of kin, if living near you, to fill out this paper.
7. If YOU are not the nearest living next of kin and do not know who or where the nearest relatives are, please fill out this paper AT ONCE and mail to this office.
8. You are requested to return this paper AT ONCE in order to avoid delay in the case of this body.
9. Use the inclosed envelope—pay no postage.

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

File No. 293.8 Com.Div., Cor.Br.  
(BUCIAK, William)

April 13th, 1921.

Mrs. Anna Ruszaj,  
2939 Farrell Street,  
Chicago, Illinois.

Dear Madam:

Receipt of Shipping Inquiry Form dated March 18th, 1921, relative to the remains of your brother, the late Corporal William Buciak, Serial Number 1025112, Company C, 34th Infantry, is acknowledged.

This case has been referred to the Chief, American Graves Registration Service in Europe requesting that the remains be held in France until the wishes of the father, who resides in Poland, can be ascertained and complied with if practicable.

By authority of the Quartermaster General:

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

BY:

F. C. PALLAS,  
Executive Assistant.

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*Len*

*J.S.*

"MAILED"  
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"COR. BR. G. R. S."

Noted on Form No. 115  
Date 5/18/21

File No. 293.8 Cem.Div., Cor. Br.  
(BUCIAK, William)

April 13th, 1921.

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

SUBJECT: Return of Records.  
Transmittal Memorandum Number H- 2391.

1. Returned herewith are records pertaining to the late Corporal William Buciak, Serial Number 1025112, Company C, 34th Infantry, whose nearest of kin resides in Poland. This case has been referred to the Chief, American Graves Registration Service in Europe for follow up and it is recommended that the records be held in your office pending further advice from Europe as to the final disposition of the remains of the deceased soldier.

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

BY:

*Shannon*  
F. C. PALLAS,  
Executive Assistant.

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File No. 293.3 Gen. Div., Cor. Br.  
(BUGIAK, William)

April 13th, 1921.

FROM: The Graves Registration Service, Hoboken, N. J.  
TO: Chief, American Graves Registration Service in Europe.  
SUBJECT: Data relating to deceased soldier whose nearest of kin resides in a foreign country.

1. Reference remains, the late Corporal William Bugiak, Serial Number 1025112, Company C, 34th Infantry, cemetery 91, cable reference number 142; the records of this office indicate that Mr. Joseph Bugiak, father and nearest of kin to the late soldier, resides at Kenin, Kalisz, Poland.

2. Papers are forwarded for your information and it is requested that your office ascertain the desires of the nearest of kin and take such action as may be deemed advisable.

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

*Shm*

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for adm. files  
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"COR. BR. G. R. S."

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

File No. 293.8 Cem.Div., Cor.Br.  
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April 13th, 1921.

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

BY:

  
F. C. PALLAS,  
Executive Assistant.

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RE:

OFFICE IN CHARGE

OFFICE OF THE REGISTER

U. S. DEPARTMENT OF WAR

of the deceased subject.  
This refers to the final disposition of the  
records as kept in your office. Records which  
relate to your file and are recommended for  
to the office which should be retained in  
the records in your office. This case has been referred  
to the office of the Registrar, War Department,  
and the records should be retained in your  
office.

SUBJECT: DEPARTMENT OF WAR, RECORDS  
OFFICE OF THE REGISTER  
RECORDS SECTION  
WASHINGTON, D. C.  
APR 18 1921

WAR DEPARTMENT  
QUARTERMASTER CORPS  
SERVICES REGISTRATION SERVICE

ATTACHE WOJSKOWE  
przy Poselstwie Stanów Zjednoczonych  
Warszawa, Rymarska 8, m. 6.

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53934

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Warszawa, dnia 31go Sierpnia 1921

Wielm. Pan.....  
Jozef Buciak  
Konin,  
ziemia Kaliska

Szanowny Panie.:

Rząd Stanów Zjednoczonych pragnąc obecnie uregulować sprawę ostatecznego pochowania zwłok żołnierzy poległych we wojnie wszechświatowej według życzeń pozostałych, prosi Sz. Pana o decyzję w sprawie ostatecznego pochowania zwłok s. p. Kaprała Williama Buciaaka, # 1025112, (organizacji) Kompanji C, 34go pułku piechoty (pochowanego w) Toul, M-&-M, we Francji, na cmentarzu # 91

Rząd Stanów Zjednoczonych zgadza się:

- 1) na pochowanie zwłok na cmentarzu Narodowym w Ameryce;
- 2) na złożenie zwłok we wspólnym grobie żołnierskim na cmentarzu Narodowym we Francji;
- 3) na przewiezienie zwłok do Polski na koszt Rządu Stanów Zjednoczonych celem ostatecznego pochowania. W tym wypadku zmarły może być tylko wówczas w Polsce pochowany, o ile przed wstąpieniem do Armji Stanów Zjednoczonych tamże zamieszkiwał, to znaczy, że zwłoki mogą być odstawione na miejsce dawnego pobytu. Uprasza się o dokładne wymienienie miejscowości, powiatu etc. Przy przewiezieniu zwłok należy uwzględnić prawa sanitarne lub istniejące prawa zdrowia publicznego. Koszta pogrzebu ponosił by w tym wypadku Sz. Pan.

Uprasza się o łaskawą decyzję i o zwrot tege listu z dokładnym wymienieniem życzeń Sz. Pana celem odnotowania.

Kopertę na odpowiedz dołączamy.

Z poważaniem

(Podpis)

CHAS A. MORROW  
Kapitan.

51-1-103

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Komin dnia 4 września 1921 roku

W drugiem dniu września tego ja się do tego nie zgłaszam  
i tego że rodziny i dnoja srodce nie mam  
bracia moi są wszystkie w domu a synów jeszcze  
mam małoletnich. Moi familii niema żadnej w  
srodce a powicie moim neta i skoro jest bardzo daleko  
ja pochodze a familij i matki i stalskich  
gminy Bircano.

Z powaniem

Józef Birciak

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

File No 293.9 Disp. Cem.#91

PARIS July 29th 1921.

Mr. Joseph Buciak  
Konin, Kalisz  
Poland.

Dear Sir:

On May 13th 1921, this service communicated with you requesting an expression of your desire as to the final disposition of the remains of your son, Cpl. William Buciak, #1025112, Co C, 34th Inf., who is buried in Cem.#91 Toul, M-&-M, France.

Up to the present time no reply has been received and you are again informed that the American Government is prepared to bury these remains:

- (a) In a National Cemetery in the United States;
- (b) Concentrate the remains for permanent burial in a permanent American Cemetery in France;
- (c) Transport the remains to your address, at the expense of the U.S. Government, provided the health regulations and sanitary laws will permit the entry of the remains, and provided the deceased was, for a period of time prior to his enlistment in the U.S. ARMY, a resident of the city, town or neighbourhood in which you live, or if he was not a resident of the place at which you live, this service will transport the remains to such place at which he was a resident. Burial expenses are to be borne by you.

It is requested that you will return this letter with your wishes clearly indicated thereon, so that we may have a record as to your preference, and in the event that you desire the remains shipped to you or some other place under the conditions referred to in (c), the attached affidavit should be taken before an official in your commune, properly authorized to administer oaths, sworn to and sealed, and forwarded to this office together with your reply.

Yours sincerely,

No War Risk Insurance  
No Death Certificate

*Chas. A. Morrow*

Chas. A. Morrow,  
Captain, Q.M.C.

Chief, Administrative Division

Letter sent on September 1st 1921.

(Above address

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Note line 4. Indicate soldier's residence in Poland only.

CITY

PROVINCE

COUNTRY

Date

Personally appeared before me, the undersigned authority empowered to administer oaths one, \_\_\_\_\_ who being duly sworn, deposes and says that  
FULL NAME

Cpl. William Buciak #1025112 Co C 34th Inf., \_\_\_\_\_ was a bona-fide resident of  
SOLDIER'S NAME, RANK AND ORGANIZATION

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\_\_\_\_\_ for a period prior to his enlist-

CITY

PROVINCE

COUNTRY

\_\_\_\_\_ she  
ment in the United States Army; that or \_\_\_\_\_ is the legal  
he

next of kin and requests that the remains of William Buciak \_\_\_\_\_ be returned  
SOLDIER'S NAME

to \_\_\_\_\_ whose address is \_\_\_\_\_  
CONSIGNEE CITY PROVINCE COUNTRY

\_\_\_\_\_ her  
at the expense of the United States Government for delivery to or or above desig-  
him  
nated consignee. Further deponent sayeth that or \_\_\_\_\_ agrees  
she  
he NAME

to relieve the United States Government of all responsibility in connection  
with the burial of the remains, care and upkeep of the grave or cemetery, after  
\_\_\_\_\_ her  
said remains have been finally delivered to or or above designated consignee  
him

\_\_\_\_\_ by a representative of the American Graves Registration  
NAME

Service, Q.M.C., in Europe, at \_\_\_\_\_  
MUST BE SAME POINT AS APPEARS IN LINE NINE

Signature \_\_\_\_\_

\*Post Office Address \_\_\_\_\_

Subscribed and sworn to before me by the above named this \_\_\_\_\_

day of \_\_\_\_\_ 192 . At \_\_\_\_\_

Signature of Official \_\_\_\_\_

Official Title \_\_\_\_\_

The official seal must not be omitted.

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

File No. 293.9 Disp.Cem.#91.

PARIS May 13, 1921.

Mr. Joseph Buciak,  
Konin,  
Kalisz,  
Poland.

FILE

Dear Sir:

The United States Army requests a statement from you as to your wishes regarding the disposition of remains of your late son, Corporal William Buciak, #1025112, Co. C, 34th Inf., who is buried in Cemetery 91, Toul, (M.-et-M.) France.

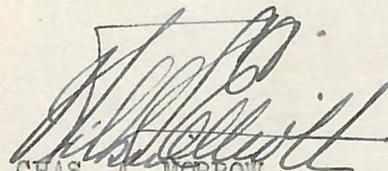
The American Government is prepared to bury these remains:

- (a) In a National Cemetery in the United States;
- (b) Concentrate the remains for final burial in a permanent American Cemetery in France;
- (c) Transport the remains to your address, at the expense of the U.S.Government, provided the health regulations and sanitary laws will permit the entry of the remains; and provided the deceased was, for a period of time prior to enlistment in the U.S.Army, a resident of the city, town or neighborhood in which you now live, or if the deceased was not a resident of the place at which you now live, this Service will transport the remains to such place at which he was a resident. Burial expenses are to be borne by you.

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It is requested that you will return this letter with your wishes clearly indicated thereon, so that we may have a record as to your preference, and in the event that you desire the remains shipped to you or some other place under the conditions referred to in (c), the attached affidavit should be taken before an official in your commune, properly authorized to administer oaths, sworn to and sealed, and returned to this office together with your reply.

Yours sincerely,

  
CHAS. A. MORROW,  
Captain, Q.M.C.

1 <sup>15</sup> 2021.  
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HEADQUARTERS  
AMERICAN GRAVES REGISTRATION SERVICE Q.M. IN EUROPE  
8, AVENUE D'IENA

File No. 293.9 Disp. Cem. #91.

PARIS September 15, 1921.

Mr. Joseph Buciak,  
Konin, Kalisz,  
Poland.

Dear Sir:-

On July 29, 1921, this office communicated with you, requesting a statement as to your wishes regarding the final disposition of the remains of your son, Cpl. William Buciak, #1025112, Co. C, 34th Inf., who is now buried in TEMPORARY Cemetery #91, Toul, (Meurthe-et-Moselle,) France. No reply has been received therefrom.

The American Government will pay all expenses attached to burying these remains either

- (a) In a National Cemetery in the United States, or
- (b) In a Permanent American Cemetery in France.

Or, the Government will, at its own expense,

(c) Deliver the remains to you for private interment, provided the health regulations and sanitary laws permit the entry into Poland; and provided further that the deceased was, at some time during his life, a resident of the town, city, or neighborhood in which you now live.

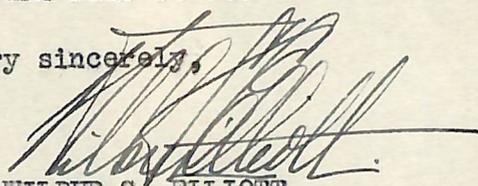
If the deceased never resided in your community, then this Service will transport the remains to the place where he actually did reside in Poland.

All expenses covering burial, tombstones, and future care of the grave and cemetery are to be paid by you.

In the event it is desired that the remains be shipped to your address or to some other address under the conditions referred to in paragraph (c), the attached Certificate should be filled out, signed and sworn to by you, as the next of kin, in the presence of an official of your commune who has authority to administer oaths; also it must be signed and sealed by said official. The legally-executed Certificate should then be returned to this Service.

If you wish to express your desires in any way, write them clearly on the bottom of this letter and return same to us.

Very sincerely,

  
WILBUR S. ELLIOTT,  
Captain, Q.M. Corps,  
Chief Statistical Branch, Adm. Div.

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C O P Y

293.8 Cem. Div., #53934, BUCZAK, William

Chicago Ill.,  
Jan 31 - 21

War Department  
Graves Registration Service  
Hoboken N. J.

Gentlemen:•

Just a few lines to let you know, that I the sister  
of William Buczak, would like to have the body of Corporal  
William Buczak brought home from France.

You have sent an application to be filled by any  
member of the family, and my brother has, same, but he fails  
to give them up

Will you kindly send me another application by  
return mail?

Yours Truly

Mrs Anna Ruszaj  
2939 Farrell St.  
Chicago Ill.

*Copy returned to Hoboken  
for reply + necessary action  
no case was sent there 1/8/21  
W.S. 2/4/21*

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OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
CEMETERIAL DIVISION  
OVERSEAS PROJECT SUB-SECTION

HOBOKEN, N.J.

NAME OF DECEASED SOLDIER	CEMETERY NO.	DATE
Buciak, William.	91 - 142	2/23/21.
SERIAL NUMBER	ORGANIZATION	

1025112	Co. C, 34th Inf.	Date of death - 11/8/18.
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WAR RISK INSURANCE INFORMATION

Original Forwarded  
to Hoboken  
Date *3/10/21*

DATE March 8, 1921

Adjustment Made  
*5-19 1922*

NAME OF BENEFICIARY  
Mr. Walter Buciak,  
Address

RELATIONSHIP  
Brother.

2737 Hillock Ave., Chicago, Ill.

File No. *53934*

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GRAVE LOCATION BLANK

LOCATION OF THE GRAVE OF

Bucisk 1025112 William  
(Surname) (Number) (First Name and Initials)

Corpl. Co. I. 34 Infantry  
(Rank) (Organization)

PLACE OF BURIAL:

CAUSE OF DEATH: Broncho pneumonia

DATE OF BURIAL: Nov 10<sup>th</sup> 1918

PLACE OF BURIAL:

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

Justice Hospital Group Cemetery  
Toul

GRAVE NUMBER: 777

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 mark should be given here:

NEAREST RELATIVE: Walter Bucisk

ADDRESS: Chicago Ill

RELATIONSHIP:

REPORTED BY:

Fred Sauer, et al

(Signature and Rank of Reporting Officer).

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



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

PARIS November 7th 1921

File No. 293.9 Disp. Cem. #91 *142*

From : Chief  
To : Quartermaster General, Munitions Building, Washington, D.C.  
Subject : Disposition of remains of Cpl. William BUCIAK, #1025112,  
Co. C, 34th Inf., Cem. #91, Toul, Meurthe-et-Moselle, France.

Recorded, Cemeterial Div., O. Q. M. S.  
File # 193.8  
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1. Reference letter Cem.Div., Hoboken, dated April 13th, 1921, File No. 293.8, to this office, wherein it was directed that we communicate with the next of kin of the above deceased soldier, you are advised that letters were written, as instructed, to Mr. Joseph Buciak (Father), Konin, Kalisz, Poland, on May 13th, July 29th, and September 15th, 1921, enclosing our official form certificate for execution.

2. No replies having been received to said correspondence, the remains of the above deceased soldier will be left in France for final burial in a permanent American cemetery.

*Buciak, William*

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H. F. REYMERS,  
Colonel, Q.M. Corps.

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Noted by Statistical Clerk.  
Date *11-26-21*  
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HEADQUARTERS  
AMERICAN GRAVES REGISTRATION SERVICE, C.M.G. IN EUROPE  
8, AVENUE D'ENNA

PARIS, FRANCE, 25th 1921

File No. 285.9 Dip. 20.401

To: Chief

From: Commandant General, American Graves Registration Service, Paris, France

Subject: Disposition of remains of G.I. William BROWN, 1918, Co. B, 38th Inf., 1st Div., American Expeditionary Force, France.

1. Reference is made to your letter of the 14th, dated 1921, to this office, wherein it was requested that we communicate with the War Office of the above described soldier, you are advised that letters were written, on 14th, 15th, 16th, 17th, 18th, 19th, 20th, 21st, 22nd, 23rd, 24th, 25th, 26th, 27th, 28th, 29th, 30th, 31st, and 1st December 1921, enclosing our official form certificate for execution.

2. No reply having been received to said correspondence, the remains of the above described soldier will be left in France for final burial in a permanent American cemetery.

*[Handwritten signature]*  
Colonel, A.G.R.S.

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Date 11/25/21

Dec. 20, 1921.

293.8 C-R #53934-(Buciak, William Corp.)Cty.91, Sht.142.

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

Mrs. Anna Ruszaj, 2939 Farrell St., Chicago, Ills.

Disposition of remains.

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1. In reply to your letter of December 10th 1921, you are advised that the records of this office contain a request from the brother of the late Corporal William Buciak, Company C, 34th Infantry, that the remains of the deceased be permanently interred in France and his wishes will be complied with, as his rights to direct the final disposition of these remains have priority over yours, according to a policy of this office.

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2. It is further stated, however, that the progress of the work in France has rendered it necessary to establish a definite policy governing requests relative to the disposition of the remains of our soldier dead; therefore, the Secretary of War has directed that no change of requests relative to the return of a body will be considered after August 15th 1921. According to this ruling, it would be too late to issue instructions for the return of these remains, if the brother so desired, this action now.

3. This office regrets that it is unable to comply with your wishes, but it is obligatory upon this office to follow the wishes of the legal next of kin.

By authority of the Acting Quartermaster General:

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CHARLES J. WYNNE  
Captain, Q. M. G.

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Date Pm 12-20-21

Re 293.86-2. (Buciah, William, byl) <sup>Aug 1921</sup> Ctry 91 Sht 142.  
The Quartermaster General, U.S. Army, (Cemeterial Division)  
Mrs. Anna Kushay 2939 Farrell St. Chicago Ill  
Subject Disposition of Remains

December 10th 1921

Quartermaster General  
Washington D C.

Sir:

Undersigned sister of above  
deceased soldier takes an  
exception of your letter under  
date of Dec 3-21

I being the nearest relative  
here request that his remains  
shall be send to me for final  
burial here

Please cooperate with my  
request and oblige

Respectfully  
Mrs Anna Kushay  
2939 Farrell Street  
Chicago Ill

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

Mr. Walter Buciak, 2737 Hilcock Ave., Chicago, Ills.

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Disposition of remains.

1. With further reference to the disposition of the remains of the late Corporal William Buciak, Company C, 34th Infantry, you are advised that information has been received from the Chief, American Graves Registration Service, Q.M.C. in Europe to the effect that no replies have been received to communications addressed to the father of the deceased, who resides in Poland; therefore, the body of this soldier will be left in France for final burial in a permanent American Cemetery.

By authority of the Acting Quartermaster General:

CHARLES J. WYNNE,  
Captain, Q.M.C.

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File No. 293.6 Gen.Div., Cor.Br.  
(BUCIAK, William)

April 13th, 1921.

FROM: The Graves Registration Service, Hoboken, N. J.  
TO: Chief, American Graves Registration Service in Europe.  
SUBJECT: Data relating to deceased soldier whose nearest of kin resides in a foreign country.

1. Reference remains, the late Corporal William Buciak, Serial Number 1025112, Company C, 34th Infantry, cemetery 91, cable reference number 142; the records of this office indicate that Mr. Joseph Buciak, father and nearest of kin to the late soldier, resides at Konin, Kalisz, Poland.

2. Papers are forwarded for your information and it is requested that your office ascertain the desires of the nearest of kin and take such action as may be deemed advisable.

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

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