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To The A. G. O.

G.R.C. Form #114-B

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JAN 7 - 1926

FULL NAME ... BUSSING, Thomas L.

RANK ... Private ... SERIAL ... 2004101

DIVISION & ORGANIZATION ... Company A, 112th Infantry

DATE OF DEATH ... Aug, 22, 1918

STATE FROM WHICH HE CAME ... Ind.

MEDALS OR DECORATIONS AWARDED:

no record.

FINAL GRAVE LOCATION ... Date ... Grave ... Row ... Block

608

Cemetery

Robert O. Davis
Major General

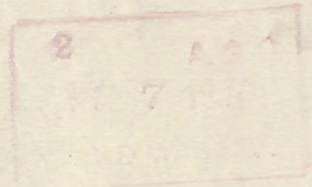
The Adjutant General
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Another





Place... 608.

Date... 4.25.21

REPORT OF DISINTERMENT AND REBURIAL

1. REMAINS OF BUSSING, THOMAS L. SERIAL NUMBER 2004101
RANK PVT. ORGANIZATION CO. A. 112TH. INF.

2. Disinterred (date): 4.25.21 From (give complete location): GR. 121. SEC. B. PT. 3.
By: Group KELLY'S Unit FIELD SECTION # 7

3. Reburied (date): 4.25.21 In (give complete location): GR. 121. SEC. B. PT. 3.
By: Group KELLY'S Unit FIELD SECTION # 7 Nature of reburial BURLAP & PINE BOX

4. Report as to nature of original burial and condition of body upon disinterment:
FEATURES UNRECOGNIZABLE BADLY DECOMPOSED
UNIFORM & BURLAP

5. (a) Identification tags: Buried with body? YES On grave marker? NO
(b) Other means of identification found upon disinterment, and general remarks:
BODY TAG O.K.

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

(a) Height (actual measurement)

(b) Weight (estimated)

(c) Hair—Color

Quantity

Characteristics

(d) Hair on face—Color

Location

Quantity

(e) Permanent marks on body (old scars, peculiarities, or missing parts)

IMPOSSIBLE TO DETERMINE

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

RIGHT LEG AMPUTATED BELOW HIP, FINGERS OF LEFT HAND AT FIRST JOINT

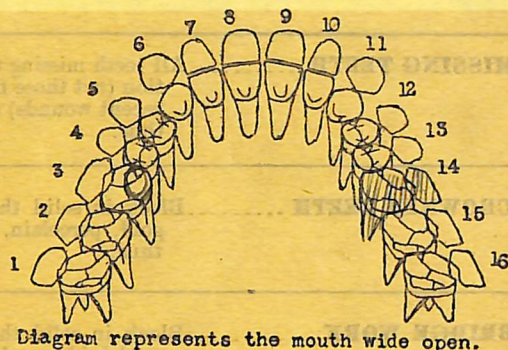
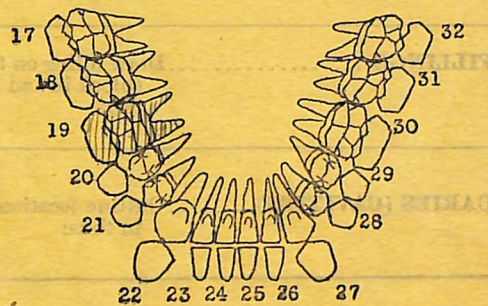


Diagram represents the mouth wide open.



3, cav; 14, ext.; 19, mis. a. d.

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7. Disinterment supervised by F. G. Kelly Approved: A. E. Dewey
F. G. KELLY, SUP. EMB. (Title) A. E. DEWEY, 1st Lt. QMC.

8. Reburial supervised by F. G. Kelly Approved: A. E. Dewey
F. G. KELLY, SUP. EMB. (Title) A. E. DEWEY, 1st Lt. QMC.






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

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

1. Show soldier's name, serial number, rank and organization, and by whom disinterred and reburied.
2. Give date and accurate information as to location from which the body was disinterred and the group and unit which made disinterment.
3. Give date and accurate information as to location of reburial and the group and unit which made reburial, and how reburial was made—in, casket, wooden box, etc.
4. State to what degree decomposition has progressed, whether recognition is possible, and how the body was originally buried—in a casket, box, burlap, etc. This statement should be as complete as possible.
5. (a) State whether identification tags were found buried with body and on grave marker by reporting "Yes" or "No."

(b) State whether or not body appears to have been a hospital case. Were any identifying articles found in or on body or grave? List any personal effects, letters, money-order receipts, and the like found on body or in grave. Give any and all information which it is thought might be of use in identifying the body, other than that tabulated under Item No. 6.

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

<p>MISSING TEETH.....All teeth missing through previous extraction (not those fractured or displaced by recent wounds) should be scratched out, thus:</p>	 <p>TOOTH MISSING TOOTH MISSING</p>
<p>CROWNED TEETH.....Block in solid the crown of tooth (label gold, porcelain, or gold and porcelain), thus:</p>	 <p>GOLD CROWN PORCELAIN CROWN GOLD CROWN</p>
<p>BRIDGE WORK.....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>FILLINGS.....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>CARIES (CAVITIES).....Outline location and size of cavity, shade in thus:</p>	 <p>CAVITY DECAYED 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."

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.



Date June 5, 19

REPORT OF DISINTERMENT AND REBURIAL.

Remains of:

Name: Thomas Bussing

Number: 2004101

Rank: None

Organization: Co. A. 112th. Inf.

Disinterment and Reburial made by Group 3 Unit 304

Disinterred (Date) June 5, 19 From: (Give complete location)

From Grave #14 Sketch-41-Map #33 Soissons. SE. 270.65N.185.35E

#4 Bussing

Reburied (Date) June 5, 19 in: (Give complete location)

Grave # 121 Section B Plot #3. Fed. Cem. Seringes-et-Nesles (Aisne)

Map #33 Soissons. SE. 275.4N-195.25E

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

Buried 3 feet deep--- Body badly decomposed.

Was one identification tag found upon the body? No tags.

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

Identified by name on cross.

CONFIRMED N° D41758

Note:

If upon disinterment, effects are found upon bodies, they will be promptly sent to the Effects Depot direct, as is required by G.O. 170, G.H. 2, 1918., after being carefully examined for clues to identity in doubtful cases, notation whereof will be made and reported to Chief, Graves Registration Service.

Supervised by: Cpl. C.M. Wise

1st. Lt. Wm. N. Carr.
C.O. Group 3 Unit 304

Date June 8, 1918

REPORT OF DISINTERMENT AND REBURIAL

Remains of:

Name: Thomas Hastings

Number: 8004101

Rank: None

Organization: Co. A. 112th Inf.

Disinterment and Reburial made by Group 3 Unit 304

Disinterred (Date) June 8, 1918 From: (Give complete location)

From Grave #14 Section 4-121-122 Soldiers. Co. A. 112th Inf.

Reburied (Date) June 8, 1918 (Give complete location)

Grave # 121 Section 4-121-122 Soldiers. Co. A. 112th Inf.

Map 738 Soldiers. Co. A. 112th Inf.

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

Buried 3 feet deep - body badly decomposed.

Was one identification tag found upon the body? No tags.

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

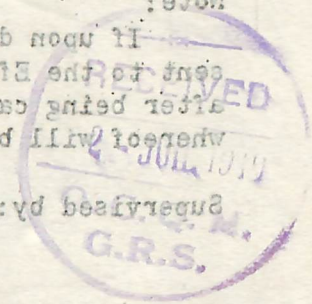
Identified by name or cross.

Note:

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Supervised by: Cpl. C. A. Wise

1st Lt. J. M. ... Co. Group 3 Unit 304



CODE SLIP

HEADING	SUB-HEADING	NO. OF COLS	CODE
NAME	Bussing	3	2 17 9
	Thomas		
BURIED	CEMETERY 608	1	2
	GRAVE 21	2	21
	ROW 17	2	17
	BLOCK B	1	2
STATE	Indiana	2	15
RANK	Priv.	1	2
DIVISION	28	2	28
ORGANIZATION	112	3	112
ARM	Inf	1	1
MARITAL	M	1	2
NAME	Bussing	3	2 17 9
	Mrs. Margaret		
RESIDENCE	STATE Ind.	2	15
	COUNTY Clay	2	11
	CITY Brazil	3	012
RELATION	mother	1	1
OTHER		1	
ELIGIBILITY	yes	1	1
NATIVITY		1	
RACE		1	
ENGLISH		1	
ATTENDANT		1	
HEALTH		1	
NO. OF SONS		1	
DATE OF	MO.	1	
TRIP	YR.	1	
ACCEPTANCE	No.	1	2
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WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

September 6, 1932.

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-M
Bussing, Thomas L. OA

Mrs. Margaret Bussing,
RR #6, Box #15,
Brazil, Ind.

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?	

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
Bussing, Thomas L. (OA)

July 11, 1932.

Mrs. Margaret Bussing,
RR #6, Box 15,
Brazil, Ind.

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

Bussing, Thomas L. M- O-A

October 2, 1931

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Mrs. Margaret Bussing,
RR #6, Box #15,
Brazil, Indiana

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,

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

Encl:
Env.

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM-293-AM

June 20, 1931

Bussing, Thomas L. Pvt.(OA) M

Mrs. Margaret Bussing,
RR #6, Box #15,
Brazil, Indiana.

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

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

Bussing, Thomas L. Pvt. (O-A) M

April 8, 1931.

Mrs. Margaret Bussing,
Rt. #6, Box #15
Brazil, Indiana

Dear Madam:

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

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

1. Do you desire to make this pilgrimage?

No

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

No

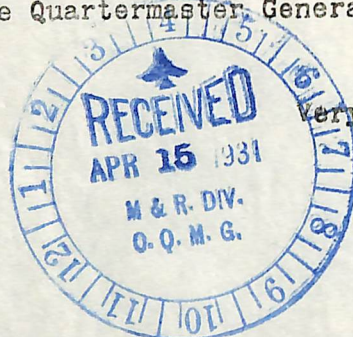
3. Please give your age and state your health.

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

Enclosures:
Envelope
Act
Amendment

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-M

Bussing, Thomas L. Pvt. (O-A) M

April 8, 1931.

Mrs. Margaret Bussing,
Rt. #6, Box #15,
Brazil, Indiana

Dear Madam:

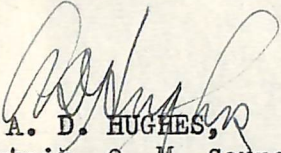
In order that your desires may be properly recorded and arrangements made for you accordingly, it is requested that you complete and return the enclosed questionnaire at your earliest convenience.

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

For your convenience in replying, there is enclosed herewith a self-addressed envelope which requires no postage.

For The Quartermaster General.

Very truly yours,


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

Enclosures:
Questionnaire
Act - Amendment
Envelope

Thomas Bussing was never married.



WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

June 5, 1930.

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C
Bussing, Thomas L. -608 M

Mrs. Margaret Bussing,
RR #6 Box #15
Brazil, Ind.

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

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

Bussing, Thomas L. 608

February 10, 1930

Mrs. Margaret Bussing,
R.R. #6, Box #15,
Brazil,
Clay Co., Ind.

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. Thomas L. Bussing, Co. A, 112th Inf., whose remains are now interred in the Oise-Aisne American Cemetery, Seringes-et-Nesles, Aisne, 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. 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.

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

Bussing, Thomas L.

June 21, 1929.

Mrs. Margaret Bussing,
R.R.#6, Box #15,
Brazil, Ind.

Dear Madam:

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

The records of this office show that you are the mother of the late **Private Thomas L. Bussing, Co.A, 112th Inf.** whose remains are now interred in the **Oise-Aisne American Cemetery, Seringes-et-Nesles, Aisne, France.**

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

In the event your son was survived by a widow who has since remarried it is requested that a statement to that effect be made.

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

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

2 incls.
Act of Congress.
Envelope.

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

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

September 6, 1932.

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-M
Bussing, Thomas L. OA

Mrs. Margaret Bussing,
RR #6, Box #15,
Brazil, Ind.

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?	

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:
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WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-M

Bussing, Thomas L. (OA)

July 11, 1932.

Mrs. Margaret Bussing,
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Brazil, Ind.

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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
Bussing, Thomas L. M- O-A

October 2, 1931

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Mrs. Margaret Bussing,
RR #6, Box #15,
Brazil, Indiana

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?	
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For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

Encl:
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WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM-293-AM

June 20, 1931

Bussing, Thomas L. Pvt.(OA) M

Mrs. Margaret Bussing,
RR #6, Box #15,
Brazil, Indiana.

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

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QM 293 A-M
Bussing, Thomas L. Pvt. (O-A) M

April 8, 1931.

Mrs. Margaret Bussing,
Rt. #6, Box #15,
Brazil, Indiana

Dear Madam:

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

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

For your convenience in replying, there is enclosed herewith a self-addressed envelope which requires no postage.

For The Quartermaster General.

Very truly yours,

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

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WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

Bussing, Thomas L. Pvt. (O-A) M

April 8, 1931.

Mrs. Margaret Bussing,
Rt. #6, Box #15
Brazil, Indiana

Dear Madam:

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

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

1. Do you desire to make this pilgrimage?

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

3. Please give your age and state your health.

Age
Condition of Health

4. Do you speak English?

5. What other language do you speak?

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

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QM 293 A-M
Bussing, Thomas L. Pvt 608 M

October 11, 1930

Mrs. Margaret Bussing
R R 6, Box 15
Brazil, Indiana

Dear Madam:

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

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

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

For The Quartermaster General:

Very truly yours,

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

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WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

June 5, 1930.

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C
Bussing, Thomas L. -608 M

Mrs. Margaret Bussing,
RR #6 Box #15
Brazil, Ind.

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

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

Bussing, Thomas L. 608

February 10, 1930

Mrs. Margaret Bussing,
R.R.#6, Box #15,
Brasil,
Clay Co., Ind.

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. Thomas L. Bussing, Co. A, 112th Inf., whose remains are now interred in the Oise-Aisne American Cemetery, Seringes-et-Nesles, Aisne, 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. 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.

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

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IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

Bussing, Thomas L.
608

Aug. 28, 1929.

Mrs. Margaret Bussing,
RR#6, Box #15,
Brasil, Ind.

Dear Madam:

The records of this office do not indicate that a reply has been received to our communication dated June 21, 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

Bussing, Thomas L.

June 21, 1929.

**Mrs. Margaret Bussing,
R.R.#6, Box #15,
Brazil, Ind.**

Dear Madam:

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

The records of this office show that you are the mother of the late **Private Thomas L. Bussing, Co.A, 112th Inf. whose remains are now interred in the Oise-Aisne American Cemetery, Seringes-et-Nesles, Aisne, France.**

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

In the event your son was survived by a widow who has since remarried it is requested that a statement to that effect be made.

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

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

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Envelope.

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QM 293 A-C

Bussing, Thomas L.

February 12, 1929.

Mr. Clements S. Bussing,
RR #6, Box #15,
Brazil, Ind.

Dear Sir:

In order to conform to the plans for beautification of the permanent American Military Cemeteries in Europe it has been necessary to make a re-arrangement of the graves in these Cemeteries, which may be considered as permanent for all time.

The enclosed card gives the final resting place of
your son,
the late Thomas L. Bussing, Private, Company A, 112th Infantry.

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

J. McCLINTOCK,
Major, Q. M. Corps,
Assistant.

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Record card.

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CASE OF

GRAVE

DECISION

DENTAL CHART

<u>Date of Enlistment</u>		<u>Report on Disinterment</u>			
<u>A.G.O.</u>	<u>Dental Work</u>	<u>Emergency Address</u>		<u>Dental Work</u>	<u>Miss A.D.</u>
<u>Missing</u>	<u>Dental Work</u>	<u>Dental Work</u>	<u>Missing B.D.</u>	<u>Dental Work</u>	<u>Miss A.D.</u>
<u>U.R.</u>
<u>U.L.</u>
<u>L.R.</u>
<u>L.L.</u>

Above discrepancies can be accounted for as follows:

BODY DESCRIPTION

<u>A.G.O. Report</u>	<u>E/A Report</u>	<u>Report on Disinterment</u>
<u>Height</u>
<u>Weight</u>
<u>Hair</u>
<u>Fractures</u>

IDENTIFICATION TAGS

Found on Body

Found on Cross

OTHER IDENTIFYING MARKS

Found on Body

ORIGINAL BURIAL DATA

Body in this Grave concentrated from

This man reported buried originally

Organizations of other men buried around original location

.....
Investigator

Concur:

APPROVED:

To be prepared in triplicate.

DATE February 2, 1928

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 BUSSING, Thomas L. *Ind.*
- 2. No. 2004101
- 3. Rank Pvt.
- 4. Org. Co. A, 112th Inf. *28th Div*
- 5. D.D. August 22, 1918
- 6. C.D. Wounds.
- 10. Name _____
- 11. No. _____
- 12. Rank _____
- 13. Org. _____
- 14. (a) D.D. _____
- (b) D.B. _____

Discrepancy found upon disinterment

- 7. Grave No. 17 Sec. _____
- 8. Plot Block B Row 21
- 9. _____
- 15. Grave No. _____ Sec. _____
- 16. Plot _____ Row _____
- 17. _____
- 18. Cemetery Oise-Aisne
- 19. Commune or town Seringes-et-Nesles.
- 20. Dept. or County Aisne
- 21. Country France
- 22. G.R.S. Hdqrs. Code No. 608
- 23. Disinterred (Date) February 2, 1928 By H.E.N. Stine
- 24. Inscription on grave marker:
 - Name BUSSING, Thomas L. Serial No. 2004101
 - Rank Pvt. Organization Co. A, 112th Inf.
- 25. Was identification disc found on grave marker? no On body? yes

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).
- 27. Condition of body _____
- 28. Nature of burial Metal casket
- 29. Any discrepancy noted upon examination of body, as compared with G.R.S. records quoted above? _____
- 30. Body prepared and placed in casket: Date _____ By _____
- 31. Casket sealed by _____

Signature of Embalmer, (Supervisor)

P.N. McCabe for H.E.N. Stine
P.N. McCabe, for H.E.N. Stine

Representative
William E. Moore
G.R.S. Representative
William E. Moore, Superintendent.

43. Plot **Block B** Row **17**

42. Grave No. **21** Section

41. Reentered **February 2, 1928, Oise-Aisne American City.**

G.R.S. Representative

40. Received: Date

Conveyer Signature Shipping Officer (Name)

To Permanent Cemetery

39. Shipped from Railroad or Point of Concentration: Date

By G.R.S. Representative

38. Received at Railroad or Point of Concentration: Date

Conveyer Signature Shipping Officer (Name)

To Point of Concentration

37. Shipped from point of Operation: (Date)

36. Remarks

Name **BUSSING, Thomas L.**

Rank **Pvt.** Organization **Co. A, 112th Inf.**

Signature of G.R.S. Inspector *C.E. Spain*

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

34. Casket boxed and marked (Date) **February 2, 1928** By **C.E. Spain**

Name of Permanent Cemetery **Oise-Aisne, Seringes-et-Nesles, Aisne**

33. Consigned to:

Rank **Pvt.** Organization **Co. A, 112th Inf.**

Name **BUSSING, Thomas L.** Serial No. **2004101**

32. Designation of body:

SHIPMENT. (Show actual marking of box;) Box No.

W. E. Moore
Signature of Superintendent

REPORT OF DISINTERMENT AND REBURIAL

Date February 2, 1928.

1. REMAINS OF BUSSING, Thomas L. SERIAL NUMBER 2004101

RANK Private ORGANIZATION Co. A. 112th Inf.

2. Disinterred (date) : February 2, 1928 From (give complete location) :

Grave 17. Block B. Row 21

By : Group Cty. Unit _____

3. Reburied (date) : February 2, 1928 In (give complete location) :

Grave 21. Block B. Row 17

By : Group Cty. Unit _____ Nature of reburial

Metal Casket

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

Metal casket

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

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

Bottle record destroyed.

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

(a) Height (actual measurement) _____

(b) Weight (estimated) _____

(c) Hair—Color _____

Quantity _____

Characteristics _____

(d) Hair on face—Color _____

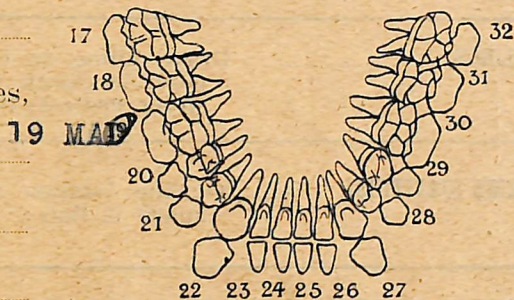
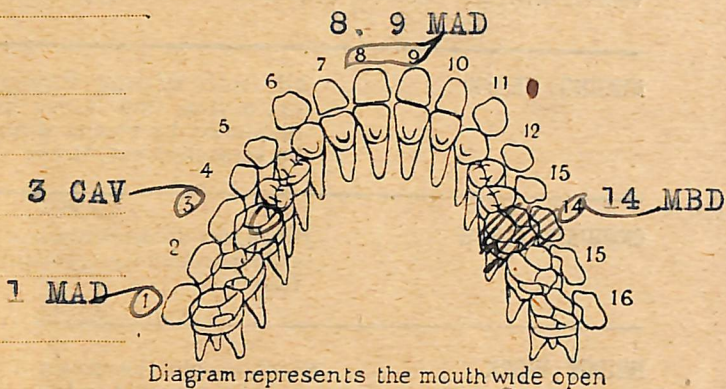
Location _____

Quantity _____

(e) Permanent marks on body (old scars, peculiarities, or missing parts) _____

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

Left leg amputated 6 inches below hip. Right Tibia & Fibula missing.



7. Disinterment supervised by [Signature] Approved : [Signature]

(Title)

8. Reburial supervised by [Signature] Approved : _____






(Title)

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

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

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

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

MISSING TEETH	All teeth missing through previous extraction (not those fractured or displaced by recent wounds) should be scratched out, thus :	
CROWNED TEETH	Block in solid the crown of tooth (label gold, porcelain, or gold and porcelain), thus :	
BRIDGE WORK	Block in solid the crown of tooth (label gold bridge, gold and porcelain bridge) thus :	
FILLINGS	Draw filling on tooth accurately as possible (block in and label gold, silver, cement), thus :	
CARIES (CAVITIES)	Outline location and size of cavity, shade in thus :	
DENTURES (PLATES)	Draw diagram of relative size and shape of plate block in teeth attached and indicate retaining clasps on natural teeth with the word "clasp"	

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

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

Bussing

(Surname.)

Thomas L.

(Christian name in full.)

2,004,101

(Army serial number.)

Pvt

Co A 112th Inf.

(Rank and organization.)

State your relationship to the deceased

Mother

Do you desire the remains brought to the United States?

No

(Yes or no.)

If remains are brought to the United States, do you wish them interred in a national cemetery?

yes

(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)

Mrs C. L. Bussing

RR #7

Brook

Ind.

(Number and street or rural route.)

(City, town, or post office.)

(State.)

Read carefully the letter accompanying this card.

drawn by ~~MH~~
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WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

QM 293 A-C

BUSSING, Thomas L. - Pvt.

November 3, 1925

Mr. Clements S. Bussing,
R.R. #6, Box #15,
Brazil, Ind.

Dear Sir:

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

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

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

Very truly yours,

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

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Record card.

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COMPILATION OF DISPOSITION OF REMAINS DATA

File # 15773

I. LOCATION INDEX CARD:

(a) Name BUSSING, Thomas L. Ser. No. 2004101
 (b) Rank Pvt. Organization Co. A, 112th Inf.
 (c) Date of death 8-22-18 (d) Cause of death DWR IA

TYP. DB
 CKR. JS

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

(a) Grave No. 121 Row - Plot 3 Sec. B TYP. DB
 (b) Emerg. Address Mrs. Margaret Bussing, (Mother) Brazil, Ind.

III. Files of soldiers dying from contagious diseases -- CKR. JS

IV. A. G. O. DISPOSITION CARD:

Date of receipt None

(a) Name Mrs. G. S. Bussing (b) Relationship Mother
 (c) Address PO # 7, Brazil Ind
 (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. -

Examiner's Initials MH Date 12-13, 1920.

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

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

No correspondence

Examiner's Initials MH Date 12-13, 1920.

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

No request for disposition

(a) Cancellation memos referred to? yes 26th

Examiner's Initials 26th Date 12-13, 1920.

COUNTRY FRANCE CEMETERY No. 608 SHEET No. 420

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

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FORM 115 - A COMPLETED
JAN 24 1921 — act

CARDED

Make Form No. 114

Reviewed 3/22/21 - E.P.

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

VIII. FINAL ACTION:

Following advice forwarded to Europe by { cable on _____, 1920
letter on **JAN 15 1921**, 1920

Par. 2 Not to be returned. (L.S.)

IX.

CORRECTIONS

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

Margaret W

X. SUSPENSION REMARKS: **2-5-21** Form 120 Mrs. G.S. Bussing, mother, of P.R. #1, Boy #15, Brazil, Ind, requests body Remain in Europe . H-3-2-21 A.W. Clements

S. Bussing, Father and nearest of kin, same address as Mother.

3/10/21- Hoboken advises Mother her wish will be complied with. 3/22/21 EP.

FORM 115 BY HOBOKEN TO REMAIN IN EURC.

377-21 W

March 10th, 1921.

File No. 293.8 Gen. Div. Cor. Branch.
(BUSSING, Thomas L.)

Mrs. Margaret U. Bussing,
R.R. #6, Box #15,
Brazil, Indiana.

Dear Madam:-

Receipt of shipping inquiry dated February 5th, 1921, relative to the remains of your son, the late Private Thomas L. Bussing, serial number 2004101, Company A., 112th Infantry, is acknowledged.

In accordance with your desire, the remains will be left in France for burial in a permanent American Cemetery. You are assured that the grave site will always be maintained as a fitting memorial of the late soldier's sacrifice.

The Department wishes to convey to you renewed assurance of its sympathy in your bereavement.

By authority of the Quartermaster General:

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

BY:

F. C. PALLAS,
Executive Assistant.

k/a

PH
Mailed-O.F.D.

MAR 16 1921

Noted on Form No. 115
Date 3/22/21-EP

WAR DEPARTMENT

OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL OF THE ARMY

CEMETERIAL DIVISION

WASHINGTON
 Hoboken, N. J.

FEB 2 1921

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

To: Mrs. C.S. Bussing, R.R. #7, Brazil, Ind.

SUBJECT: Remains of Pvt. Thomas L. Bussing, Ser. No. 2004101 Co. A, 112 Inf.

The records of this office show that you have requested that the body of the above-named remain in Europe.

no change

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.

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.)			
Father	Clements S. Bussing	RR # 6 Box # 15	Brazil Indiana
Mother	Margaret U. Bussing	" " "	" " "
Brothers. (Name oldest first.)	1 Sylvester A. Bussing	RR # 6	Brazil Indiana
	2 John S. Bussing	RR # 6 Box # 15	" " "
	3 Raymond S. Bussing	" " "	" " "
Sisters. (Name oldest first.)	1 Mrs. Clara Lotour	Bill board office	Chicago Ill
	2 Mrs. David E. Barnhart	1479 So. tenth Street	Terre Haute Indiana
	3 Mrs. Leo Brunette	1614 Wilson Street	" " "
	Mrs. Olivia B. Caldwell	South Fifth Street	" " "

Date Feb-5-1921

Signature Mrs. Margaret U. Bussing

Address RR # 6 Box # 15 Brazil Ind.

Relationship Mother

Feb - 5, 1921

I, the undersigned, am the Mother 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.)

1. As stated on first page of this sheet.

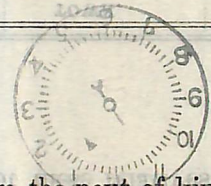
2. To be returned to the U. S. and shipped to _____ (Name.) _____ (R. R. station.) _____ (State.)

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

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

Signature _____

INSTRUCTIONS FOR FILLING OUT.



1. If definite instructions for the disposition of a body are not received from the next of kin within two weeks of its arrival at New York, burial will be made without further notice in the World War Section of Arlington National Cemetery.

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

3. This paper MUST BE SIGNED BY THE PERSON WHO IS THE NEXT of kin IN THE ORDER shown in the square on the other side of this sheet.

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

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

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

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

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

9. Use the inclosed envelope—pay no postage.

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

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**GRAVE LOCATION BLANK
FIELD REPORT**

LOCATION OF THE GRAVE OF

Bussing, 2004101 Thomas L.

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

Pvt. Co. H. 112th Inf,

(Rank.) (Organization.)

DATE OF BURIAL. Aug. 22. /18.

PLACE OF BURIAL.

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

Map. Soissons. S.E. No. 33

^E key. 185.5. & ^N 270.7.

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GRAVE NUMBER. 14.

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?

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

*One of the
#1000*

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1000

REPORTED BY: *William A. Grebing*
William A. Grebing,
Capt. F.A.N.G.

(Signature and Rank of Reporting Officer.)

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

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File No:

Bussing, 2004101, Thomas L.

Pvt Co. G. 112th, Inf. 28th, Div.

Date of Death: _____

File No:

Date Buried: _____

Cemetery: Amer. B/A. Ctry.

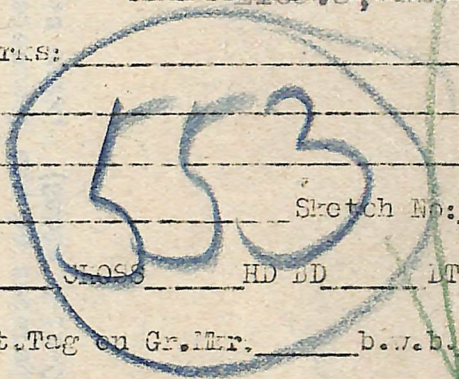
Grave No: _____ Sect: _____

Comrade (No: 63) Brecoy.

Dep't: Aisne Map: 335E

Coordinates: E185.3, N270.62

REMARKS: _____



Sketch No: 2

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Ident. Tag on Gr. Mr. b.w.b.

Authority: _____

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