

Butler,

*John A.*  
~~John Andrew~~

2,942,205

(Surname.)

(Christian name in full.)

(Army serial number.)

Pvt

Co M 309 Inf.

(Rank and organization.)

*l.m.m.*

State your relationship to the deceased

*Mother*

Do you desire the remains brought to the United States?

*Yes*

(Yes or no.)

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

*No*

(Yes or no.)

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

*Albion Orleans County New York*

(Name of person to receive remains.)

(Express office.)

(Telegraph office.)

*M<sup>rs</sup> Hall & M<sup>rs</sup> Hall*

(Number and street.)

(City or town.)

*New York*

(State.)

*Main St*

*Albion*

(Sign here)

*Mrs Sarah W Butler*

*103 Harvard Place*

*Ithaca*

*NY*

(Number and street or rural route.)

(City, town, or post office.)

(State.)

Read carefully the letter accompanying this card.

Drawn by PF

3-29-21

1232-Sec 16-38

Checked  
3/29/21  
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To The A. G. O.

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G.R.S. Form #114-B

FEB 18 1926

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FULL NAME ..... BUTLER, John A.

RANK ..... Pvt. SERIAL ..... 2942205

DIVISION & ORGANIZATION ..... Co. M, 309th Inf. 78th Div.

DATE OF DEATH ..... Nov 1, 1918

STATE FROM WHICH HE CAME ..... N. Y.

EDALS OR DECORATIONS AWARDED. no rec

FINAL GRAVE LOCATION. Date 13 Grave 3 Row A Block

Meuse-Argonne, #1232 Cemetery

Rec'd World War Div. MAR 30 1928

Robert O. Davis, Major General, The Adjutant General

4 A.G.O. FEB 19 1926 WORLD WAR DIV.

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Place NEUFCHATEAU.

Date 23rd., May, 1919

REPORT OF DISINTERMENT AND REBURIAL.

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Remains of:

Name: BUTLER, John A.

Number: 2942205

Rank: Unkn

Organization: Unkn

Disinterment and Reburial made by Group

Unit

Disinterred (Date)

From: (Give complete location)

11th., April, 1919

Grave #B-10 B. A. C. ST. JUVIN. ARDENNES

Map. 35 N. W. E. 297.1 N. 285.3

Reburied (Date)

in: (Give complete location)

1232

11th., April, 1919

Grave #162 Section #16 Plot #4

Amer. B.A.Cty. #1232 ROMAGNE. MEUSE

Map. 35 N. E. E. 308.16 N. 284.87

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

Burial good. Body buried in Uniform. Body badly decomposed

Was one identification tag found upon the body? Yes

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

CONFIRMED No. D.....

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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.

R. H. ROSENTHAL

Supervised by: 2nd. Lt. Armitage.

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

C.O. Group \_\_\_\_\_ Unit \_\_\_\_\_

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

Date Recd. 12/15/1918

REPORT OF DISINTERMENT AND REBURIAL

Remains of:

Name: BUTLER, John A.

Rank: Unknown

Organization: Unknown

Unit: Unknown

Disinterment and Reburial made by Group

Disinterred (Date): From: (Give complete location)

11th, April, 1918 Grave #2-10 B. A. G. ST. LEVIN, NEW YORK

Map. 35 N. W. E. 227.1 N. 283.3

Reburied (Date)

in: (Give complete location)

11th, April, 1918

Grave #123 Section #18 Plot #4

Ames, B. A. City #1232 KANSAS

Map. 35 N. E. 232.16 N. 284.67

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

Burial good. Body buried in Uniform. Body badly decomposed.

Was one identification tag found upon the body? Yes

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



Note:

If upon disinterment, effects are found... sent to the Effects Dept... after being carefully examined for clues to... whereof will be made and reported to Chief, G. R. S.

Supervised by: 2nd Lt. Amstutz

G. O. Group Unit

WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL OF THE ARMY  
WASHINGTON

September 15, 1922.

FILE: 293.8 C-R #66197-

SUBJECT: Permanent Grave Location of Private John A. Butler,  
Company M, 309th Infantry.

TO: Mrs. Sarah W. Butler, 103 Harvard Place, Ithaca, N.Y.

*File*

1. The permanent grave of this soldier is No. 13 Row 3  
Block A, Meuse-Argonne American cemetery at Romagne-sous-Montfaucon,  
Department of Meuse, France.

2. This is one of the permanent American military cemeteries  
to be maintained by this Government in Europe. Each grave will be  
marked by a headstone of white marble, of suitable design, with name,  
rank, organization and date of soldier's death. The 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.

3. In effecting removal, the utmost care and reverence were  
exacted and more than willingly accorded by those performing this  
sacred duty. The grave of the deceased will be perpetually main-  
tained by this Government in a manner befitting the last resting  
place of our heroes,

For the Quartermaster General:

GEORGE H. PENROSE,  
Assistant.

MAILED

SEP 15 1922

G.R.S.

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DATE 2/17/22

1. NAME BUTLER, John A SERIAL No. 2942205

RANK Pvt ORGANIZATION Co M 309th Inf

GRAVE LOCATION Meuse-Argonne, Amer Cty, ROMAGNE-s-MONTFAUCON #1232 sec16  
CTY. NAME GRAVE NUMBER

162 sec16 4  
GRAVE ROW PLOT

2. ORIGINAL BATTLE AREA GRAVE LOCATION B-10 St. Juvin (Ardennes)  
GRAVE COMMUNE DEPT.

COORDINATES 35NW, 285.3N, 297.1E

CONCENTRATED TO 4.11.19 162 16 4  
DATE GRAVE ROW PLOT

Meuse-Argonne 1232.  
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 and body.

Data Form 1

SUBSEQUENT REBURIALS

rf DATE GRAVE ROW PLOT CEMETERY

DATE GRAVE ROW PLOT CEMETERY

SIGNATURE, AREA SUPERVISOR M. B. Birdseye **Est Lt., M. B. BIRDSEYE**  
**Q.M. Corps, U.S. Army**

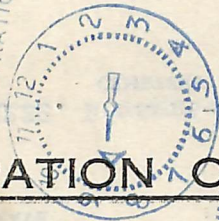
3. FINAL GRAVE LOCATION 2/17/22 13 3 A.  
DATE GRAVE ROW PLOT

**X PLOT X**  
**BLOCK.**

Meuse-Argonne American Cemetery #1232, Romagne-sous-Montfaucon, Meuse.  
CEMETERY

AUDITED BY  
SAB 8/5/22

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JUL 17 1922

# 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.

Place Comagne 1232.

# REPORT OF DISINTERMENT AND REBURIAL

Date Feb 17, 1922.

1. REMAINS OF BUTLER, John A. SERIAL NUMBER 2942205.

RANK Pvt. ORGANIZATION Co. M, 309th Inf.

2. Disinterred (date): Feb 17, 1922. From (give complete location): gr 162, sec 16, plot 4. Cty. 1232.

By : Group 6 Unit sec 1

3. Reburied (date): Feb. 17, 1922, Meuse Argonne Cty 1232, gr 13, bl A, row #3  
In (give complete location):

By : Group Reburial S Unit \_\_\_\_\_ Nature of reburial unlined casket

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

5. (a) Identification tags: Buried with body? yes. On grave marker? no  
corroded.

(b) Other means of identification found upon disinterment, and general remarks :  
identified by cross.

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

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

(b) Weight (estimated) do

(c) Hair—Color do

Quantity do

Characteristics do

(d) Hair on face—Color do

Location do

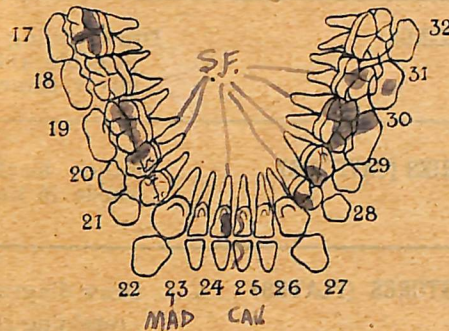
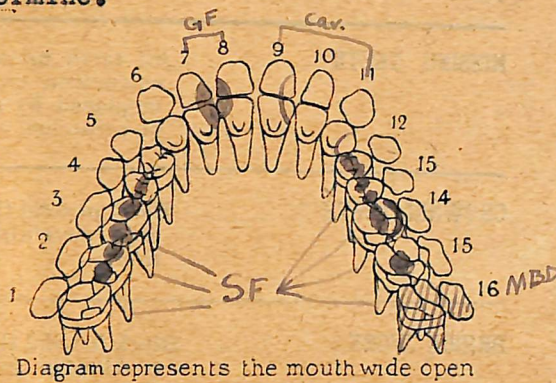
Quantity do

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

teeth No 6 and 11 protrude outward.

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

right and left, tibia and fibula fractured in upper third.



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7. Disinterment supervised by H.E. Strong  
H.E. Strong.

Approved: R. Richards  
R. Richards, 1st Lt. Q.M.C.  
(Title)

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

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



To be prepared in triplicate.

DATE Feb 17 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

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1. Name BUTLER, John A  
 2. No. 2942205  
 3. Rank Pvt  
 4. Org. Co M 309th Inf  
 5. D.D. 11-1-18  
 6. C.D. KIA

10. Name \_\_\_\_\_  
 11. No. \_\_\_\_\_  
 12. Rank \_\_\_\_\_  
 13. Org. \_\_\_\_\_  
 14. (a) D.D. \_\_\_\_\_  
 (b) D.B. None

Discrepancy found upon disinterment

7. Grave No. 162 Sec. 16  
 8. Plot 4 Row \_\_\_\_\_  
 9. \_\_\_\_\_

15. Grave No. \_\_\_\_\_ Sec. \_\_\_\_\_  
 16. Plot \_\_\_\_\_ Row \_\_\_\_\_  
 17. none

18. Cemetery Meuse-Argonne, Amer.

19. Commune or town ROMAGNE--s-MONTTAUCON

20. Dept. or County Meuse

21. Country France

22. G.R.S. Hdqrs. Code No. #1232 sec16

23. Disinterred (Date) Feb 17 1922

By H E Strong

24. Inscription on grave marker:

Name John A Butler  
 Rank Pvt

Serial No. 2942205  
 Organization Co M 309 Inf

25. Was identification disc found on grave marker? No On body? Yes

Corroded

John H Crawford  
 Signature Junior Technical Assistant  
John H Crawford

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).

Identified by cross only

27. Condition of body Badly decomposed, features unrecognizable

28. Nature of burial US Uniform, burlap and box

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

30. Body prepared and placed in casket: Date Feb 17 1922 By H E Strong

31. Casket sealed by H E Strong

Signature of Embalmer, (Supervisor) H.E. Strong  
Strong

SHIPMENT. (Show actual marking of box.) Box No. C-22495

32. Designation of body:

Name John A. BUTLER Serial No. 2942205

Rank Pvt Organization Co M 309th Inf

33. Consigned to:

Name of Permanent Cemetery Meuse-Argonne, Amer #1232, ROMAGNE-s-MONTFAUCON  
(Meuse)

34. Casket boxed and marked (Date) Feb 17 1922 By H E Strong

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

Signature of G.R.S. Inspector

*[Signature]*  
R Richards 1st Lt. OMC

36. Remarks

37. Shipped from point of Operation: (Date) Feb 17 1922 cc

To point of Concentration Morgue Romagne

Convoyer W J Royed (Name)  
Signature Shipping Officer *[Signature]*  
G F Spann, Capt. OMC

38. Received at Railhead or Point of Concentration: Date

By G.R.S. Representative

39. Shipped from Railhead or Point of Concentration: Date

To Permanent Cemetery (Name)

Convoyer Signature Shipping Officer

40. Received: Date

G.R.S. Representative

41. Reinterred. Meuse Argonne Cty 1232, Feb. 17, 1922  
(Date)

42. Grave No. 13 Section

43. ~~Plot~~ Block A Row 3

G.R.S. Representative

*[Signature]*  
A.E. Dewey, 1st Lt. OMC.







1 GRS FORM No 1

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2 SOLDIER NO 2942205

3 BUTTLER John A.  
SURNAME FIRSTNAME AND INITIALS

4 RANK UNKNOWN COMPANY REGT OR CORPS

5 DATE OF DEATH UNKNOWN CAUSE IF KNOWN

6 UNKNOWN ST JUVIN  
DATE OF BURIAL CEMETERY

7 ST JUVIN ARDENNES  
TOWN OR COMMUNE DEPARTMENT

8 10 B  
GRAVE NO PLOT NO OR LETTER

9 NAME REG. CROSS HEADBOARD BOTTLE

10 BURIED WITH BODY ATTACHED TO GRAVE  
MARKER IDENTIFICATION TAGS

11 IF NAME UNKNOWN AND TAGS MISSING  
GIVE MARKS AND DESCRIPTION

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12 VERDUN N.W. 35  
MAP REFERENCE IF IN TRENCHES OR OUTSIDE CEMETERY  
285-4 N. 297 E.

13 GIVE NAME OF CHAPLAIN OR BURIAL OFFICER

SIGNED *Hermond L. Mauder*  
Q. M. Sgt. Sr. Sr.

GROUP 4 GRS UNIT 305

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G.R.S. #10  
DISPOSITION OF BODY

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

July 6, 1920

For information of:

- (a) The Adjutant General of the Army
- (b) G.R.S., Paris, France.
- ~~(c) Office Files.~~
- (d) Photographic Section.

Case of: Pvt. John A. Butler  
Co. M. 309th Inf.  
#2,942,205

Grave Location:

Grave 162, section 16, plot #4,  
Argonne American Cemetery,  
Romagne-Sous-Montfaucon, Meuse.

Request for action checked below:

- (a) Return of Body to the U.S.
- ~~(b) Permanent Burial in France.~~
- (c) Cancellation of former requests.
- (d) Change of address.
- (e) Photograph of grave.

has been made by:

Mrs. Sarah W. Butler (Mother)  
Sunnygables,  
103 Harvard Place,  
Ithaca, N. Y.

By authority of the Quartermaster General

CHARLES C. PIERCE,  
Colonel, Q.M.G., U.S.A.  
Chief, Graves Registration Service.  
NS-2992/L

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WAR DEPARTMENT  
Office of the Quartermaster General of the Army  
Washington

G.R.S. Form 8-W-A-H  
Information requested of A.G.O.

Date 3-30-21

File No. **66197** Requisition

From: The Quartermaster General, U. S. Army, (Cemeterial Division) **(SPECIAL)**

To: The Adjutant General of the Army, 6th & B Sts., N.W., Washington, D.C.

Subject: Information required for G.R.S.

1. It is requested that the items checked below be completed, Request confirmation of all information shown.

- a. Surname **BUTLER, O.K.**
- b. Christian name **John A. O.K.**  
or **(John Andrew)**
- c. Serial Number **2942205 O.K.**
- d. Organization **Co. M, 309th Inf. O.K.**
- e. Rank **Pvt. O.K.**
- f. Date of death **11-1-18 O.K.**
- g. Cause of death **K/A O.K.**
- h. Authority (C.O.#)
- i. Emergency address  
**Mrs. Sarah W. Butler**
- j. Relationship **103 Harvard Pl. mother Ithaca, N. Y.**

✓ **BODY DESCRIPTION**  
(See page #2 of the Service Record)

- a. Age of enlistment
  - b. Color of eyes
  - c. Color of hair
  - d. Height
  - e. Weight
  - f. Permanent marks and physical defects at enlistment (Old fractures or breaks)
- DENTAL CHARTS  
(See Physical report of examination prior to enlistment)
- |                             |   |
|-----------------------------|---|
| a. Strike out teeth missing | 8 7 6 5 4 3 2 1 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8             |
|                             | upper right                      upper left |
|                             | 8 7 6 5 4 3 2 1 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8             |
|                             | lower right                      lower left |

NOTED FORM 115  
DATE 4-5-21 - 8 P.M.

*Donnelly, DVB, EPS*  
*wg 8/3/31/21*  
CW

H. L. ROGERS,  
Quartermaster General, U.S.A.

BY: *[Signature]*  
H. J. CONNER,  
1st. Lieut. Q.M.C.

CEMETERY NO: 1232-Sec.16

SHEET NO: 38

TYPED BY: VH.

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*World War Div.*  
*Date: MAR 31 1921*

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*MAR 31 1921*

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Office of the Quartermaster General of the Army  
Washington, D.C.

Date 3-30-21

U.S. Form 8-A-H  
Information requested of A.G.O.

Requestion  
File No.

(SPECIAL)

From: The Quartermaster General, U.S. Army, (General Division)

To: The Adjutant General of the Army, 6th & B Sts., N.W., Washington, D.C.

Subject: Information requested for S.R.S.

1. It is requested that the items checked below be completed. Request confirmation of all information shown.

- a. Surname BUTLER
- b. Christian name John A.
- c. Serial Number 302205
- d. Organization Co. H, 309th Inf.
- e. Rank Pvt.

DETAILED CHARTS

(See Physical report of examination or to adjutant)

- a. Strike out death classification
- b. Color of eyes
- c. Color of hair
- d. Height
- e. Weight

1. Permanent marks and physical defects at enlistment (Old fractures or breaks)

M. L. ROBERTS  
Quartermaster General, U.S.A.

H. T. COOPER  
Adj. Gen., U.S.A.

BY:

1232-200.15

CERTIFY NO:

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TEST NO:

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July 6th, 1920

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293.8 Cem. #66197 (Butler, John A. Private)

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

Mrs. Sarah W. Butler, Sunnysables, 103 Harvard Place, Ithaca, N.Y.

Private John A. Butler.

1. In reply to your letter of June 28th, 1920, you are advised that notation has been made of your request to have the remains of your son permanently interred in France, and the necessary instructions will be forwarded to the Chief, American Graves Registration Service, Q. M. C. in Europe.

By authority of the Quartermaster General:

CHARLES C. PIERCE,  
Lt. Colonel, Q.M.C., U.S.A.,  
Chief, Cemeterial Division.

By:

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

AAH

G. R. S. MAILED

JUL 7 - 1920

## SUNNYGABLES

103 HARVARD PLACE

ITHACA, N. Y.

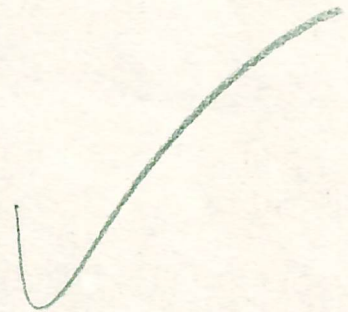
June 28<sup>th</sup> 1920

To Charles C Pierce  
Col U.S Army  
Chief Cemeterial Division

With reference to the enclosed  
copy of your communication of June 23<sup>rd</sup>  
would say that I desire to have the  
remains of my son John A Butler  
Art Co In 309<sup>th</sup> Infantry 78<sup>th</sup> Division  
to be permanently buried in France

Mrs Sarah W Butler

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IND. BRANCH**

**JUL 1 - 1920**

**CEMETERIAL  
Div. - Q. W. C.**

**RECEIVED**  
JUL 1 1920  
G. H. S.

RECEIVED  
JUL 1 1920

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June 23, 1920.

66197-Inquiry (Butler, John A., Pvt.)

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

Mrs. H. E. Babcock, Sunnysables, 103 Harvard Place, Ithaca, N. Y.

Permanent Burial in France.

1. In reply to your letter of May 13, you are advised that in order to have the proper authority for action on file in this office, as a permanent record, and for the issuance for instructions, it will be necessary that the mother of Private John A. Butler, as legal next of kin to this soldier, make request to this office that she desires the remains of this soldier to be permanently buried in France. Upon receipt of this information, cancellation will be made of the former request, that the body be returned to the United States, and the necessary instructions will be issued to have the body permanently buried in France.

By authority of the Quartermaster General:

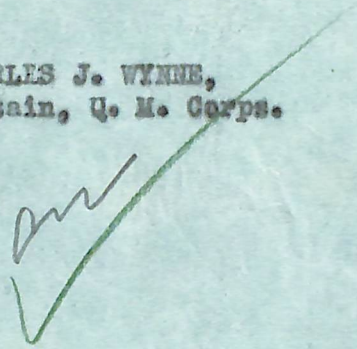
CHARLES G. PIERCE,  
Colonel, U. S. Army,  
Chief, Cemeterial Division.

RK

By:

LKB

CHARLES J. WYNNIE,  
Captain, Q. M. Corps.



TO:- REGISTRATION BRANCH, G.R.S.

Date 5/18/30.

FROM:- INQUIRY BRANCH.

Please furnish information as checked (✓) below regarding the following soldier:

NAME *Butler, John A.*

Serial Number 2,942,205

RANK *Priv.*

ORGANIZATION *Co m-309th Inf*

NO.	QUESTION	REPLY
1.	Do particulars of soldiers given above agree with Records?	1 - yes
2.	Date of Death.	2 - 11-1-18
3.	Cause and place of death.	3 - R/a
4.	Number of Casualty Cablegram.	4 - CC-353
5.	Date buried.	5 - no record
6.	Grave Location. (a) Complete record required (b) Name of Cemetery or Commune only required. (c) Note reinterments.	6 - Disinterred from Grave 10, Plot B, Amer. Cly 672 St. Julien Ardennes - Reburied - 4-11-1941 Grave 162, Sec. 16, Plot 4 Argonne Amer. Cly 1232 Romagne - Montfaucon France
7.	Who reported burial?	
8.	Confirmed by G.R.S.?	
9.	Report as to Grave Marker.	
10.	Identification Tags: (a) Buried with body? (b) Attached to grave marker?	10 a - yes 10 b - yes
11.	Complete Emergency Address?	11 - Mrs Sarah W Butler 103 Harvard Pl Ithaca N.Y.
12.	Has been notified? (Give date)	12 - 2-11-19
13.	Report the exact position of your inquiry on this case. (Reply in all cases if no information on record)	
14.	What is the Photograph No.?	14 - 10-35733
15.	Inquiry made by?	

N.B. All Proper names to be typewritten, or printed in PLAIN BLOCK LETTERS.

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103 HARVARD PLACE  
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May 13, 1920

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CEMETERIAL  
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Col. Chas. C. Pierce,  
War Department  
office of Quarter-Master General,  
Chief, Graves Registration Service  
Washington D.C.

Dear Sir:

Mrs. Sarah W. Butler, 103 Harvard Place,  
Ithaca, N.Y., wishes me to write the following  
to you in regard to the case of Private John A.  
Butler, 2942205, Co.M, 309th Inf., buried at  
grave No. 162, Sec. 16, Plot 4, Cemetery No.1232:  
Argonne American Cemetery, Romagne-sous-Montfaucon,  
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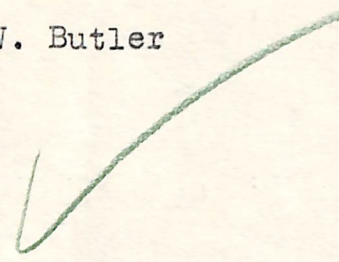
Sometime<sup>ago</sup>, she received a circular letter  
from your department, requesting her to express  
an opinion as to whether she wished her son's  
body brought to America. She replied in the  
affirmative. She has had no further word from  
your office, but now has decided that she would  
rather have the body left in France.

Will you kindly let me know if her wish  
may be gratified?

Very truly yours,

(Mrs H.E.) *Hilda Butler Babcock*

Daughter of Sarah W. Butler



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HEADING	SUB-HEADING	NO. OF COLS	CODE
NAME	Butler,	3	2 12 12
	John A.		1 - 0
BURIED	CEMETERY	1	1
	1232		
	GRAVE	2	13
	13		
	ROW	2	03
	23		
	BLOCK	1	1
	a		
STATE	N.Y.	2	37
RANK	Pvt.	1	1
DIVISION	78	2	78
ORGANIZATION	309	3	309
ARM	Inf.	1	1
MARTIAL	(Sister)	1	2
	30		
NAME	Babcock,	3	2-1-2
	Mrs. Hilda Butler		
	(Mrs. N.E.)		
RESIDENCE	STATE	2	
	Sunnysgables		
	Ithaca, N.Y.		
	COUNTY	2	
	CITY	3	
RELATION	Mother	1	1
OTHER	no SM	1	
ELIGIBILITY	no Loco	1	6
	Dead - 12-30-27		
NATIVITY		1	
RACE		1	
ENGLISH		1	
ATTENDANT		1	
HEALTH		1	
NO. OF SONS		1	
DATE OF	MO.	1	
TRIP	YR.	1	
ACCEPTANCE		1	

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IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

Butler, John A 1232-S

July 8, 1930

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Mrs. Hilda Butler Babcock,  
Sunnygables,  
Ithaca, New York

Dear Madam:

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

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

1. Is the deceased survived by a mother?

If so, give her name and address:

*No*

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

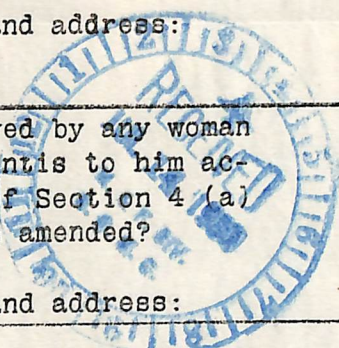
If so, give her name and address:

*No*

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:

*No*



For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

*Al D. Hughes*  
AL D. HUGHES,  
Captain, Q. M. Corps,  
Assistant.

Enclosures:  
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June 27, 1929.

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

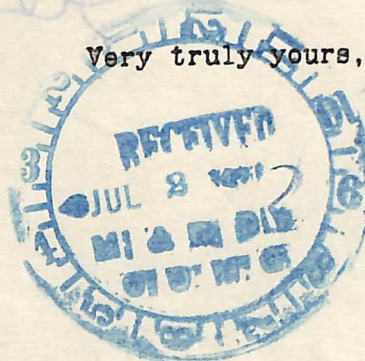
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For The Quartermaster General,

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Act of Congress.  
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*John T. Harris*

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

Major John T Harris

July 1, 1929

Dear sir:

In reply would say that my mother, Sarah W. Butler, died Dec 30, 1927. My brother John a Butler was not named. The only surviving heirs are my sister, Mrs Homer Brown of Albion, Ky and myself. Of course, we are not eligible.

Very truly yours,

Frieda Butler Babcock  
(Mrs H. E.).

Sunny Galbreath  
Theresa Hy.

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