

G.R.S. Form #114-B

FEB 18 1928

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1. NAME BUTLER, MICHAEL J DATE 11/8/21
 RANK PVT. ORGANIZATION & DIVISION CO. C. 147th Inf.
 SERIAL No. 2941742
 GRAVE LOCATION Meuse Argonne Amer. Cty. Romagne-sous-Montfaucon, Meuse. 1232. Sec. 59
 CTY. NAME NUMBER

GRAVE 181 - Sec. 59 ROW 4 PLOT 4
 2. ORIGINAL BATTLE AREA GRAVE LOCATION *Plot 4* 39 Bac, Cierges, Meuse *city 1281*
 GRAVE COMMUNE DEPT.

COORDINATES Verdun 35 NE 280. N 308.7 E
 CONCENTRATED TO 5/ 13/19 181 Sec 59 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.

DATE OF DEATH *Sept 28, 1918*
 STATE FROM WHICH HE CAME *Ill.*
 data F-1. MEDALS OR DECORATIONS AWARDED *no rec.*

SUBSEQUENT REBURIALS
 DATE GRAVE ROW PLOT CEMETERY
 DATE GRAVE ROW PLOT CEMETERY

SIGNATURE, AREA SUPERVISOR

M. B. BIRDSEYE
1st Lt., Q.M. Corps, U. S. Army

3. FINAL GRAVE LOCATION 11/8/21 18 4 A
 DATE GRAVE ROW Block ~~PROP~~
 el

Meuse Argonne American Cty # 1232 Romagne sous Montfaucon CEMETERY

A. G. O.
FEB 19 1928
WORLD WAR DIV.

Rec'd World War Div.
MAR 30 1928

Robert O. Davis
Major General
The Adjutant General
By *[Signature]*

AUDITED BY
2074-16-23



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.



Co. "C", 147th Infantry.

BUTLER, Michael J. Pvt. 1cl. #2941742.

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Killed instantly by M. G. bullet to the left of Cringes in woods, Bois
Emont. Sept. 28, 1918. Place of burial ?

Informant: Gougeon, George A. Pvt. #1525096.
Co. "C", 147th Infantry.

Searcher: Ralph H. Gannan, Capt. 147th Inf.
Feb. 28, 1919.

B. Butler, Michael J. Pfc.
CENTRAL PASSENGER ASSOCIATION

TRANSPORTATION BUILDING
HARRISON AND DEARBORN STREETS

CHICAGO, ILL.

C. A. FOX, CHAIRMAN
R. E. PEPPER, SECRETARY

FILE NO.

SAILING FROM NEW YORK JULY 9, 1930

S. S. HARDING

No. 432

Name Mrs Rose E Butler (K-6)
Address 1430 N. 39th St.
From E. St. Louis, Ill. To New York and return

Going Route

Penna RR to New York

Return same route

Train Schedule to New York

Lv. E. St. Louis	9:33 AM	No. 20	July 7
Ar. New York	3:35 PM	No. 34	July 8

Sleeping car from E. St. Louis to New York

Elapsed time 30 Hr 2 Min

11/2 ✓

KCF

Mrs. Rose E. Butler
Address East St Lannis Ill
Stopping at New York
With J. G. Lyons - son in law
Address 39 oak st
Wilkes Barre Pa

File K 1991

RECEIVED RAILROAD AND PULLMAN T

J. G. Lyons

NAME BUTLER, MRS. ROSE E.

S.S. ROOSEVELT

1991

HOME E. ST. LOUIS, ST. CLAIR COUNTY, ILL.

R.R. Pen to East St. Louis,

STATION

TRAIN #

CAR #

BERTH OR SEAT

TIME

DATE

~~AUG 6 1930~~ Sept 5 - 30

Miss Mary Butler

1430 N 39th

E. St Louis Ill.

Travel 15 days

stop over in N Y City

(2)

Ready for File

Nurses
P. Knudsen
E. W. Campbell

Butler, Michael J.
MEDICAL RECORD Party K Group I
Pot 1 cl, Co C, 1479th St.
Station: Paris France

Date: 17.7.1930

Name Butler Mrs. Rose E.

Home address 1430 North 39th St. St. Louis Illinois

Address of Nearest friend or relative Mary Butler (same address)
(same address)

Religion R. Catholic Age 68

History of Present complaint: Constipation
21/7/30 - Constipation.
27/7/30. Constipation.

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(over)

Diagnosis and complications : (include dates)

Treatment and Progress : (include dates)

2 Veg. Lax Pills . 21/7/30. Aloin Pills. ii. i effect.
27/7/30. Aloin Pills. ii.

Disposition : (include dates)

Remarks :

July 29-30 Po. Cherbourg - Beach -

Name BUTLER, Mrs Rose E.

Paris Hôtel HOTEL AMBASSADOR
BOULEVARD HAUSSMANN

Home address 1430 N. 39th East St. Louis, St. Clair County, Illinois

Party K Group I Unit §§. HARDING.

Date of arrival July 17, 1930. Date of departure §§. ROOSEVELT, July 29, 1930.

Relationship Mother

Name of deceased BUTLER, Michael J.

Rank Pvt I cl Organization Co, C, 147th Inf

Cemetery Meuse-Argonne

REMARKS



Rose E. Butler

Butler, Michael J

Party "K" - Itinerary - Meuse-Argonne Group

Sailed July 9, 1930 on PRESIDENT HARDING. Captain William Hesketh in charge. Lt. Col. H. S. Grier observer. Arrived Cherbourg 12.30am July 17th. Special tender arrived 5.25am bearing Maj. Bailey and Kinderman; Capt. Mitchell, Haley, Earnest, Dalton, Conway and Stark; Lts. Freeman and Binns, 3 nurses, 3 civilian employees. Train left 8.29am; arrived Gare des Invalides, Paris, 2.21pm. Met by Col. Ellis and members of his staff, interpreters and nurses. Taken in bus to hotel.

- July 18th. Morning devoted to transaction of personal business. Exchange of money, preparation of laundry, etc. Afternoon-Arc de Triomphe. Wreath laid by Mrs. Fitzsimmons for party. Tea and reception at Restaurant Laurent. Dinner at hotel.
- July 19th. Departed 7.15am for Verdun via Montmirail, Chalons s/Marne (lunch Hotel Haute-Mere-Dieu), Ste. Menchould (rest stop Modern Hotel). Arrived 6.15pm.
- July 20th, 21st, 22nd. Daily trips made from Verdun to the Meuse-Argonne American Cemetery.
- July 23rd. Left Verdun 9.15am for Reims. Lunch at Cemetery. Left 2pm via Charpentry, Argonne Forest, Four-de-Paris, Vienne-le-Chateau, Vienne-la-Ville, Somme-Bionne. Rest stop Hotel Champagne at Suippes. Jonchery, St. Hilaire-le-Grand. Arrived Reims 6.00pm. Quarters Hotel Bristol Crystal.
- July 24th. Visited Cathedral and Reims. Lunch Hotel Crystal. Departed 1.30pm for Paris via Champfleury, Ay, Spornay, Dormans, Chateau Thierry (rest stop Hostellerie du Bonhomme) Belleau Woods, Le Thiolet, Montreuil-aux-Lions, La Ferte-sous-Jouarre. Arrived Paris 6.45pm. Dinner at hotel.
- July 25th. Free or shopping. Lunch at hotel. Sightseeing trip - Notre Dame. Dinner at hotel.
- July 26th. Visited Louvre. Lunch at hotel. Sightseeing trip. Napoleon's Tomb. Dinner at hotel.
- July 27th. Free or Church. Lunch at hotel. Sacre Coeur. Dinner at hotel. Sightseeing trip at nite.
- July 28th. Fontainebleau via Barbison. Lunch Hotel Legris. Visited Chateau. Departed 4pm via Melun for Paris. Arrived 6.30pm. Dinner at hotel.
- July 29th. Boat train for Cherbourg. Left 9.22am. Arrived 3.32pm. PRESIDENT ROOSEVELT sailed about 6.25pm. Arrived New York August 6th.

Mrs. Rose E. Butler

WAR DEPARTMENT
 "PILGRIMAGE, WAR MOTHERS AND WIDOWS"
 ROOM 901
 225 WEST 34TH ST., NEW YORK, N. Y.

BUTLER, MICHAEL J. M.A.

Party **K**
 Number ... **1991**

REQUEST FOR PULLMAN RESERVATION

Mrs. Rose E. Butler Actual cost of through Pullman.
 Name of Traveler

E. St. Louis, St. Clair County New York, to E. St. Louis, Illinois
 Home Address

Illinois \$ 10.88 thru

New York, to East St. Louis, Illinois
 Destination

Via Penn. to East St. Louis

August 7, 1930
 Date of Departure

Ticket Expires Sept. 5, 1930

	Road	Tr. No.	Date	Time	Lower or Seat	Car	U. S. G. Order No.	Actual Cost
LV	<u>Penn. Station</u>	<u>P.R.R.</u>	<u>27</u>	<u>8-22</u>	<u>1000A</u>			
*AR	<u>E. St. Louis</u>	<u>"</u>	<u>"</u>	<u>8-23</u>	<u>105P</u>	<u>L 7</u>	<u>27</u>	<u>1936</u>
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TOTAL 10.88

Remarks:

STOPOVER: New York City (Desires 15 days)

* THRU CAR

Cape Chief

June 19th, 1930.

Mrs. Rose E. Butler,
1430 N. 39th Street,
E. St. Louis, Ill.

Dear Madam:

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

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

For the Officer in Charge:

Arrived NY 3:35 PM July 8
Train 34 Penna RR
Capt Ross

George F. H. Taylor,
1st. Lieut., Q.M. Corps,
Assistant.

Enclosures:
2 tags.

quarters east Mrs Emma Hall
west Mrs Ida Lehman

July 28, 1930

Mr. J. G. Lyons
596 S. Main Street
Wilkes-Barre, Pa.

Dear Sir:

In reference to your letter of July 26th regarding the date and time of arrival of Mrs. Rose E. Butler who sailed for Europe on the S.S. Harding, July 9th, please be advised that Mrs. Butler is due to arrive on the S.S. Roosevelt, August 6th at Pier 4, Hoboken, N.J.

The approximate time of arrival being 8:00 A.M. (D.S.T.), but of course, these boats are subject to delays on account of fog and the arrival time should be checked again about August 4th or 5th.

Yours very truly

GEORGE F. R. TAYLOR *GR*
1st Lieut. A.M.C. (DOL.)
Assistant

JFM:GER
JFM

Hilkes-Bang Pa
7-26-30

201. Butler, Mrs. P. B.

Mr Smith,
10 East 12th St
New York N.Y.

Dear Mr Smith,
Referring to our conversation of the
9th inst. you advised me to write you about
this time for information of the East Star
Mother's arrival in New York. I refer to Mrs.
Rose E. Butler who sailed on the Harding July 9th.

If you will give me the name of
the ship and date of her arrival from France
I will appreciate it very much.

Thanking you in advance for this
information I remain

Very truly yours.

J. B. Bang
8/6. Roosevelt

596 S. Main St.
Hilkes-Bang Pa

CODE SLIP

HEADING	SUB-HEADING	NO. OF COLS	CODE
NAME <i>Butler</i>	<i>13 NT</i>	3	<i>2 10</i>
<i>Michael</i>	CEMETERY <i>1232</i>	1	1
BURIED <i>J.</i>	GRAVE <i>18</i>	2	<i>18</i>
	ROW <i>4</i>	2	<i>04</i>
	BLOCK <i>4</i>	1	1
STATE	<i>Ill</i>	2	<i>13</i>
RANK	<i>Port 1/1</i>	1	2
DIVISION	<i>37</i>	2	<i>37</i>
ORGANIZATION	<i>147</i>	3	<i>147</i>
ARM	<i>Inf</i>	1	1
MARTIAL	<i>W</i>	1	<i>9</i>
NAME <i>Butler</i>	<i>But</i>	5	<i>2 10</i>
<i>Mrs R E</i>	STATE <i>Ill</i>	2	<i>13</i>
RESIDENCE	COUNTY <i>St Clair</i>	2	<i>82</i>
	CITY <i>E St Louis</i>	5	<i>042</i>
RELATION	<i>Mother</i>	1	1
OTHER		1	
ELIGIBILITY	<i>yes</i>	1	1
NATIVITY		1	
RACE		1	
ENGLISH	<i>yes</i>	1	1
ATTENDANT		1	
HEALTH	<i>Good</i>	1	1
NO. OF SONS		1	
DATE OF TRIP	MO.	1	
	YR.	1	
ACCEPTANCE	<i>yes</i>	1	1
<i>28/14/PJ</i>	<i>Eye</i>		<i>67</i>

Sailed

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QM 293 A-M

Butler, Michael J. 1232-M

August 18, 1930.

Mrs. Rose E. Butler,
1430 N. 39th Street,
E. St. Louis, Ill.

Dear Madam:

The testimonial dated August 2nd to the Officer in Charge, Gold Star Pilgrimage, New York City, which you and the other mothers and widows returning on the SS "President Roosevelt" were so kind as to send regarding your pilgrimages to the cemeteries of Europe, has been forwarded to me.

It is gratifying to know that the officers of the Army and the personnel connected with the pilgrimage rendered such courteous and efficient service. The Quartermaster Corps is proud of the honor bestowed upon it by being charged with the conduct of these pilgrimages and has expended every effort that those making the journey might have a comfortable and pleasant trip. I feel, however, that the task has been materially lightened by the wonderful spirit of cooperation shown by the mothers and widows who are making the pilgrimage.

With sincere appreciation of the sentiments expressed by you,

Sincerely yours,

J. L. DeWITT,
Major General,
The Quartermaster General.

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WRG

RS
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WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

May 12, 1930.

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

Butler, Michael J. -1232 M
Harding 7-9

Mrs. Rose E. Butler,
1430 N. 39th St.,
E. St. Louis, Ill.

Dear Madam:

The records of this office show that you have not furnished the name of your Emergency Addressee as requested in letter of instructions from this office.

It is requested that in the blank space below you write the name and address of the person in the United States whom you desire to be notified in case you become seriously ill or other emergency arises while you are making the pilgrimage to Europe authorized by the Act of Congress approved March 2, 1929.

Mr Charles Burke 3304 State st *noted*
Name
or Charles Butler 1430 N. 39th st
Address
E St Louis Ill.

Please fill in the above and mail it TODAY in the self-addressed envelope which requires no postage.

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

Encl.
Env.



WAR DEPARTMENT



OFFICIAL BUSINESS



PENALTY FOR PRIVATE USE \$300



PILGRIMAGE, WAR MOTHERS AND WIDOWS

225 WEST 34TH STREET,

NEW YORK, N. Y.

NAME Bealer, Mrs. Rose E.

K

ADDRESS 1430 N. 39th St., E. St. Louis, Ill.

DATE Aug. 16, 1930

TO: OFFICER-IN-CHARGE,
PILGRIMAGE, WAR MOTHERS AND WIDOWS

I BEG TO INFORM YOU THAT I HAVE RETURNED
TO MY HOME SAFELY AND IN GOOD HEALTH.

SINCERELY,

(SIGNED) Mrs. Rose E. Bealer

STATE

Butler, Michael J

ILLINOIS.....

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NAME *Butler, Mrs. Rose E.*..... HOME ADDRESS *1430 N. 39th St. E. St. Louis.*
 NAME AND ADDRESS OF NEAREST KIN *Miss Mary Butler same*.....
St. Clair County

ARRIVAL IN NEW YORK

DATE *July 8*..... HOTEL *McAlpin*..... ROOM NO. *861*.....

DEPARTURE NEW YORK

DATE *JUL 9 1930*..... VESSEL *S/S HARDING*..... CABIN NO. *128E*.....
 DESTINATION *CHERBOURG*..... CEMETERY *M. A.*.....

RETURN NEW YORK

DATE AUG. 6 1930

1430 N. 39TH ST.,
E. ST. LOUIS
ST. CLAIR COUNTY,
ILLINOIS

NAME BUTLER, MRS. ROSE E. HOME ADDRESS

RETURN ON S. S. S/S ROOSEVELT HOTEL ASTOR ROOM NO. 934

DEPARTURE NEW YORK

DATE Aug 27

ROAD Penn TRAIN 27 CAR 27 BERTH or SEAT 27

REMARKS

Remaining in New York City for
15 days
Left hotel 1.00 P.M. Aug. 6, 1930.

Party K

MEDICAL RECORD

P. Knowles, R.N.
E. Campbell

Station: Paris

Date: July 17, 1930

Name Butler, Mrs. Rose E.

Home address 1430 North 39 St., E. St. Louis, Ill.

Address of Nearest friend or relative Mary Butler,
same address

Religion Catholic

Age 68

History of Present complaint:

Constipation, 2 lax. pills

July 21st: " 2 " " c effect
27th: " 2 Aloin pills.

7/29/30 to Cherbourg, Beach.

o/k

(over)

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Diagnosis and complications : (*include dates*)

Treatment and Progress : (*include dates*)

Disposition : (*include dates*)

Remarks :

Post Office Department

OFFICIAL BUSINESS

REGISTERED ARTICLE

No. 923047

INSURED PARCEL

No. _____

Return to _____

Q. M. GENERAL
(NAME OF SENDER)

Street and Number, }
or Post Office Box, }

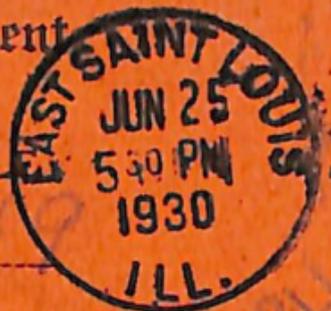
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State _____

Washington, D. C.

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PENALTY FOR PRIVATE USE
TO AVOID PAYMENT OF
POSTAGE, \$300

POSTMARK OF DELIVERING
OFFICE

AND DATE OF DELIVERY

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RETURN RECEIPT

Handing 7-9-30

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

Deliver to addressee only

Rose Butler
(Signature or name of addressee.)

(Signature of addressee's agent.)

Date of delivery, 6/25/30, 19

Post Office Department

OFFICIAL BUSINESS

REGISTERED ARTICLE



No. _____

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No. _____

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AND DATE OF DELIVERY

Q. M. GENERAL

MUNITIONS BUILDING
(NAME OF SENDER)

Return to _____

Street and Number, }
or Post Office Box, }

Post Office at _____

Washington, D. C.

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State _____

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RETURN RECEIPT

Harding 7/9/30

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

Mrs. Rose E. ...

(Signature or name of addressee.)

(Signature of addressee's agent.)

JUN 18 1930

Date of delivery, _____, 192

QM 293 A-C
Butler, Michael J. 1232 M

May 15, 1930

Mrs. Rose E. Butler,
1430 N. 39th Street,
East St. Louis, Illinois.

Dear Madam:

Receipt is acknowledged of your letter of recent date relative to your desire to have your daughter accompany you when you make the pilgrimage to the grave of your son, under the provisions of the Act of March 2, 1929, sailing on the SS "Harding" July 9, 1930.

You are advised there is no provision of the law which would permit the Government to bear any part of the expense of a relative accompanying you on the pilgrimage.

If your daughter desires to accompany you at her own expense, it is suggested she write for further information to the United States Lines, 1027 Connecticut Ave., Washington, D. C., who will no doubt be able to give her complete information as to cost of transportation. She may be able to secure accommodations on the same ship, and possibly at the same hotels in New York and Paris; but in view of the limited accommodations you could not travel to the cemetery together and it is doubtful if she could secure accommodations in the same town near the cemetery. The Government can assume no responsibility for relatives or friends accompanying pilgrims and they must not expect medical or other assistance from the Government or to be included in official tours paid for by the Government.

For The Quartermaster General.

Very truly yours,

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

Mrs Rose E Butler 1430 N 39 st

East St Louis Ill
Michael J. Butler 1232 M
St. Clair Co.

Dear Sirs

To the I. M. Department

I have a daughter that has been a faithful companion, in all my troubles is there any way that the Government would allow her to make the trip with me on July the 9th as I sail on the Harding ^{on} that date.

hoping to receive favorable Reply

I remain yours truly,

Mrs Rose E Butler ^{Her name}

Acc. Harding 1430 N 39 st

July 9th

East St Louis
Ill,

Daughter's name is

Mary Virginia Butler
1430 N 39 st
East St Louis



WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

April 17, 1930.

Butler, Michael J. 1232 M

Mrs. Rose E. Butler,
1430 N. 39th St.,
E. St. Louis, Ill.

Dear Madam:

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

Harding

7/9/30

1232

Butler, Michael J.

I accept the invitation extended
(Accept or decline)

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

Mrs. Rose E. Butler

(Name)

1430 N. 39th St., E. St. Louis, St. Clair Co.,

(Town or City)

Ill.

(State)

U. S. GOVERNMENT PRINTING OFFICE. 1929

Mrs Rose Butler
1430 N 39th St
E. St. Louis Ill



WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

October 7, 1929.

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C
Butler, Michael J. 1232 M

Mrs. Rose E. Butler,
1430 N. 39th St.,
E. St. Louis, Ill.

Sailed
JUL 9 1930

Dear Madam:

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

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

1. Do you desire to make this pilgrimage if eligible?	(Yes) <i>Yes</i> (No)
2. Do you desire to make the pilgrimage in the calendar year 1930?	(Yes) <i>Yes</i> (No)
3. Have you at any time made a previous visit to the grave of the deceased member of the military or naval forces in whom you are interested?	(Yes) (No) <i>No</i>
4. Please give your age and state of health.	Age Health (Years) <i>67</i> (Good) <i>Good</i> (Poor)
5. What language do you speak?	English - (Yes) <i>Yes</i> (No) Other language <i>No</i> (Specify language spoken)

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For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

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WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

Butler, Michael J.
1232

August 30, 1929.

Mrs. Rose E. Butler,
~~5212 Waverley Ave.,~~
E. St. Louis, Ill.

*Address changed to:-
1430 N. 39th St.
E. St. Louis, Ill.*

Dear Madam:

The records of this office do not indicate that a reply has been received to our communication dated June 27, 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:

No-

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.

*Mrs. R. E. Butler
1430 N. 39th St.
E. St. Louis, Ill.*

Mother to deceased.

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

Yes, she desires to make it.

The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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



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OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
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IN REPLY REFER TO ^{OM 293 A-C} ~~Butler~~, Michael J.

June 27, 1929.

Mrs. Rose E. Butler,
3212 Waverley Ave.,
E. St. Louis, Ill.

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~~ 1st Class Michael J. Butler, Co. C, 147th Inf., whose remains are now interred in the Meuse-Argonne American Cemetery, Romagne-sous-Montfaucon, Meuse, France.

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

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

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

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

QM 293 A-M
Butler, Michael J. 1232-M

August 18, 1950.

Mrs. Rose H. Butler,
1430 N. 39th Street,
E. St. Louis, Ill.

Dear Madam:

The testimonial dated August 2nd to the Officer in Charge, Gold Star Pilgrimage, New York City, which you and the other mothers and widows returning on the SS "President Roosevelt" were so kind as to send regarding your pilgrimage to the cemeteries of Europe, has been forwarded to us.

It is gratifying to know that the officers of the Army and the personnel connected with the pilgrimage rendered such courteous and efficient service. The Quartermaster Corps is proud of the honor bestowed upon it by being charged with the conduct of these pilgrimages and has expended every effort that those making the journey might have a comfortable and pleasant trip. I feel, however, that the task has been materially lightened by the wonderful spirit of cooperation shown by the mothers and widows who are making the pilgrimage.

With sincere appreciation of the sentiments expressed by you,

Sincerely yours,

J. L. DEWITT,
Major General,
The Quartermaster General.

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Butler, Michael J. 1232 M

June 15, 1950

Mrs. Rose E. Butler
1450 N. 39th St., E.
St. Louis, Illinois

Dear Madam:

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

Lv. E. St. Louis	Penna No. 20	9:33 AM	July 7
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All railroad employees have been instructed by their officials to see that you are shown every courtesy and given assistance, particularly at points where it is necessary to change cars.

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

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

May 12, 1930.

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C
Butler, Michael J. -1232 M
Harding 7-9

Mrs. Rose E. Butler,
1430 N. 39th St.,
E. St. Louis, Ill.

Dear Madam:

The records of this office show that you have not furnished the name of your Emergency Addressee as requested in letter of instructions from this office.

It is requested that in the blank space below you write the name and address of the person in the United States whom you desire to be notified in case you become seriously ill or other emergency arises while you are making the pilgrimage to Europe authorized by the Act of Congress approved March 2, 1929.

Name

Address

Please fill in the above and mail it TODAY in the 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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OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

Butler, Michael J. 1232-M

June 12, 1930

Mrs. Rose E. Butler,
1430 N. 39th St.,
E. St. Louis, Illinois

Dear Madam:

Somewhat heavier clothing is required to be worn in Europe than is necessary in the United States, in order to be comfortable. During the summer in Europe it is cool during the day and the nights are frequently chilly. Considerable rain is usually encountered during this time.

In order that you may be comfortable at all times, regardless of the condition of the weather, and may avoid missing any of the sights or any part of the itinerary which has been planned for you, the following suggestions are made.

The clothing which you will take with you should be slightly heavier and warmer than you would normally wear in the United States during the summer and should be strong and durable. It is essential that you take with you the necessary equipment to afford protection from the cold and dampness. Be sure to take at least two pairs of comfortable shoes to provide a change in the event your feet become wet, a pair of rubbers, an umbrella, and a sweater or some warm wrap to be used should the weather become uncomfortably cool. It is very desirable that, in addition to the sweater, you have with you a full length coat of medium weight for general wear.

The shortages of suitable facilities for laundry and the frequency of the moves you will make while in Europe will make it impracticable to secure as frequent service of this nature as may be desired. You should therefore provide yourself with sufficient Underwear, nightgowns, stockings and handkerchiefs to meet your requirements should it be impossible to have your washing done more frequently than once in two weeks.

If you will read carefully the suggestions made above, and comply with them, it will add greatly to your comfort throughout the trip and will assist the Government in carrying out successfully its plans for conducting the pilgrimage. This letter is being sent to every mother and widow who has accepted the invitation sent to her by the Government to visit the grave of her son or husband.

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

QM 293 A-C
Butler, Michael J. 1232 M

May 15, 1930

Mrs. Rose E. Butler,
1430 N. 39th Street,
East St. Louis, Illinois.

Dear Madam:

Receipt is acknowledged of your letter of recent date relative to your desire to have your daughter accompany you when you make the pilgrimage to the grave of your son, under the provisions of the Act of March 2, 1929, sailing on the SS "Harding" July 9, 1930.

You are advised there is no provision of the law which would permit the Government to bear any part of the expense of a relative accompanying you on the pilgrimage.

If your daughter desires to accompany you at her own expense, it is suggested she write for further information to the United States Lines, 1027 Connecticut Ave., Washington, D. C., who will no doubt be able to give her complete information as to cost of transportation. She may be able to secure accommodations on the same ship, and possibly at the same hotels in New York and Paris; but in view of the limited accommodations you could not travel to the cemetery together and it is doubtful if she could secure accommodations in the same town near the cemetery. The Government can assume no responsibility for relatives or friends accompanying pilgrims and they must not expect medical or other assistance from the Government or to be included in official tours paid for by the Government.

For The Quartermaster General.

Very truly yours,

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

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Butler, Michael J. -1232 M
Harding 7-9

May 6, 1930

Mrs. Rose F. Butler,
1430 N. 39th St.,
E. St. Louis, Ill.

Dear Madam:

Requests for stop-overs on return from the pilgrimage to the American cemeteries in Europe are being received by this office, in some cases, too late to take action.

Transportation arrangements for the round-trip are made a month before departure and requests for stop-overs on return must be in this office at that time.

Stop-overs can not be allowed on the trip to New York or in Europe, but may be allowed at any point on return from New York provided there is no additional cost or, if there is, that it is paid in advance by the pilgrim.

If you desire stop-overs at any point on return, please advise this office AT ONCE as to the cities where you desire to stop and we will be glad to arrange accordingly, or advise you if there is any additional cost to be paid by you. Send your request direct to this office and do NOT include it with your passport application.

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

April 17, 1930.

Butler, Michel J. 1232 M

Mrs. Rose E. Butler,
1430 N. 39th St.,
E. St. Louis, Ill.

Dear Madam:

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

In reply refer to QM 293 A-C

Butler, Michael J. 1232-M

March 29, 1930

Mrs. Rose E. Butler,
1430 N. 39th St.,
St. Louis, Ill.
Dear Madam:

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

For The Quartermaster General:

Very truly yours,

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

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WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C
Butler, Michael J. 1232 M

October 7 1929.

Mrs. Rose E. Butler,
1430 N. 39th St.,
E. St. Louis, Ill.

Dear Madam:

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

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

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

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

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WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

Butler, Michael J.
1232

August 30, 1929.

Mrs. Rose E. Butler,
3212 Waverley Ave.,
E. St. Louis, Ill.

Dear Madam:

The records of this office do not indicate that a reply has been received to our communication dated June 27, 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,

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

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C
Butler, Michael J.

June 27, 1929.

Mrs. Rose E. Butler,
3212 Waverley Ave.,
E. St. Louis, Ill.

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 1st Class Michael J. Butler, Co. C, 147th Inf., whose remains are now interred in the Meuse-Argonne American Cemetery, Romagne-sous-Montfaucon, Meuse, France.

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

In the event your son was survived by a widow who has since re-married 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,

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

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

2. Soldier's No. 2941742

3. BUTLER

Michael J.

Surname (In Block Letters) First Name and Initials

4. Rank 6 Company 147 Regt. or Corps

5. Date of Death Cause, if known

6. Date of Burial B.A.C. Cemetery

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Town or Commune (In Block Letters) Department

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Grave No. Plot No. or Letter

9. Name Post? Cross? cr. Headboard? Bottle?
Check Method of Marking

10. Buried with Body? Attached to Grave Marker? 1
Identification Tags

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

12. Verdun 35 NE 280. N 308. 7 E
Map Reference, if interment is outside of cemetery

13. Give name of Chaplain or Burial Officer

Signed

PROV. UNIT "A" G.R.S.

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QM 293-A-C
De Bolt, William

October 29, 1928.

Subject: G. R. S. Forms 16. (Section 59, Cty 1232)

To: The Chief, American Graves Registration Service, Q.M.C., in Europe.

1. You are advised that this office is unable to locate G. R. S. Forms 16, showing exhumations from original graves and reburial into Section 59, Meuse-Argonne American Cemetery, May 13, 1919, for the following:-

Gr.167-Pvt. William DeBolt	-22113874-Company C,	4th Infantry
Gr.168-Pvt. Martin Larson	-2982458-Company G,	4th Infantry
Gr.169-Pfc. George S. Wilhelm	-2337910-Company A,	4th Infantry
Gr.170-Pvt. George H. Vetter	-2050907-Company I,	7th Infantry
Gr.171-Ck. Harley B. Roberts	-1418014-Company D,	145th Infantry
Gr.172-Pvt. Joseph Dynamski	-1518941-Company H,	145th Infantry
Gr.173-Cgt. Harry J. Reynolds	-1821876-Company H,	146th Infantry.
Gr.174-Pvt. George F. Schafer	-1852838-Company F,	145th Infantry
Gr. 175-Pvt. Carl R. Reynolds	-2667708-Company I,	146th Infantry.
Gr.176-Pvt. Filippo Devecchis	-2705827-Company F,	146th Infantry
Gr.177-Cpl. Russell D. Williams	-1517951-Company E,	145th Infantry.
Gr.178-Pvt. John Goderecci	-2705270-Company G,	146th Infantry
Gr. 180-Cgt. Dorse Ingman	-1521871-Company H,	146th Infantry
Gr. 181-Pfc Michael J. Butler	-2941742-Company C,	147th Infantry
Gr. 182-Pvt. Harry E. Ballreich	-1522162-M.G. Co.,	146th Infantry.
Gr. 183-Pvt. Simon Dukes	-1525239-Med. Det.	146th Infantry.

2. There was recovered from Grave 63 (1), Battle Area Cemetery, Clerges, Meuse. (Cty 1231), East 308.7, North 230, on the same date as those above were recovered, the remains of an American soldier which was buried into Grave 175, Section 22, Meuse-Argonne American Cemetery, as Carl R. Reynolds-2667708, (see Grave 175 Section 59). This body was disinterred June 6, 1919, and reburied into Grave 45, Section 89, same cemetery, as U-3482. In 1926, U-3482 was identified as Private Guss W. Mills, Company K. 38th Infantry.

3. It is requested that this office be furnished with copies of G. R. S. Forms 16 on the cases listed above. If these forms are not of record in your office, same will be accomplished from Forms 1.

By Order of The Quartermaster General:

J. McClintock,
Major, Q. M. C.
Assistant.

*file
8/21
10/29/28*

*X
Burial, Purchase of*

In reply refer to:
QM - 293 C-R

Sept. 7, 1923.

Mrs. Rose E. Butler,
3212 Waverley Ave.,
E. St. Louis, Ill.

Dear Madam: The Quartermaster General desires that you be informed that
the permanent grave of

Private, 1st class, Michael J. Butler, Company C,
147th Infantry, is Grave 18, Row 4, Block A, Meuse-Argonne American
Cemetery, Romagne-sous-Montfaucon, Meuse, France.

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

In effecting removal, the utmost care and reverence were
exactd 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.

Very truly yours,

H. H. CHEAL,

H. J. Conner,
Assistant.

In



Co C. 147th Infantry

BUTLER Michael J.

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" Pvt. Michael Butler came from Hartford , Conn. He was in my squad. He was one of three scouts in a patrol of 30 men who went out on a daylight trip . He was the only one not to return . This was September 1st or 2nd, during the Chateau Thierry drive at the Vesle River ? They went out at 7 o'clock in the morning and returned in an hour . It was not known what had become of him . I was one of the patrol , a stretcher bearer ; the three scouts went ahead , and shots were fired . We went back that afternoon about 3 o'clock and found his grave with his helmet on it . We knew it was his because it had a dent about four inches long on the left side . We used to tease him about it because it looked so funny . The grave was freshly dug and in the place where he might have fallen . He was a man of 5 ft 10 in. thick set with a rosy complexion . We were very fond of him . He had an excellent character and always smiled . "

Informant : Donoyan James J. Pvt. 1704617
Kerhuon Hospital Center
Co A. 307th Infantry

Home : 156 River St. Hornell N.Y.
February 12th 1919

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G.F.

Beulah Whitney - Searcher .

GRAVE LOCATION BLANK

LOCATION OF THE GRAVE OF

Butler 2941742 Michael
(Surname). (Number). (First Name and Initials).

Pvt.
(Rank). (Organization).

PLACE OF DEATH:

CAUSE OF DEATH:

DATE OF BURIAL: Oct. 3-18

PLACE OF BURIAL: 09.3-79.8

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

S.W. boilde Beuge beside road

Montfaucon Cierges

GRAVE NUMBER: 23

HOW MARKED: Name Peg? Yes Cross?

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:

NEAREST RELATIVE:

ADDRESS:

RELATIONSHIP:

REPORTED BY:

C.L. Austin Chap.

(Signature and Rank of Reporting Officer).

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GRAVE LOCATION BLANK

LOCATION OF THE GRAVE OF

Butler 2941942 Michael
(Surname.) (Number.) (First Name and Initials.)

Private unknown
(Rank.) (Organization.)

DATE OF BURIAL... Oct 3, 1918

PLACE OF BURIAL... 093-798

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

Southwest of Bois de Benge
Beside road Montfalcon
Cierges
no 3. by 5

GRAVE NUMBER... 23

HOW MARKED: Name Peg? yes Cross?
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:

Cierges (Meuse)
178 SIT 357. E. COORD { 6-3093 }
{ 10-279.8 }

REPORTED BY:

C. L. Austin Chaplain
(Signature and Rank of Reporting Officer.)

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



178-957

Daily ...

3rd Ind.

293. Butler, Michael J.

Hqrs., American G.R.S., QMC., in Europe, 8 Avenue d'Iena, Paris, October 6, 1920.

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

FILE 30885
WHQ/mt.

Records, Cemeterial Div., O. O. M. G.
293.8
Lenc
30885

1. Returned accomplished.

2. The Photographic Section, these Headquarters, have been notified of the change in order that another photograph of the grave may be taken with the corrected inscription.

H. F. Rethers

H. F. RETHERS,
Colonel, Q.M.C.
Chief.

Butler, Michael J.

✓

3rd Ind.

Mr. Michael J. Patton, 2nd Lt., U.S. Army, 3 Avenue B'ham, Wash. D.C.
To: Quartermaster General, Munitions Building, Washington, D.C.

1. Returned accomplished.

2. The Photographic Section, these Headquarters, have been notified of the change in order that another photograph of the grave be taken and the corrected inscription.

RECEIVED
OCT 25 1941
U.S. ARMY
Colonel, U.S.A.
Chief

Vertical stamp or handwritten text on the left margin, partially illegible.

293. Butler, Michael J.

1st Ind.

HM
HM/mva.

Hqrs., American G.R.S., Q.M.C., in Europe, 8 Avenue d'Iena, Paris. Sept. 21, 1920.
To: Supervisor, Area #1, ROMAGNE-SOUS-MONTFAUCON, (Meuse).

1. Forwarded for change of inscription as called for by paragraph 1, of foregoing communication and report by indorsement hereon when completed.

By direction:

Edgar A. Fry
EDGAR A. FRY
Colonel Infantry,
Chief, Operations Division.

2nd Ind.

JAX
JAF/hfr

Supervisor, Area #1, Romagne-sous-Montfaucou, (Meuse) 30th Sept., 1920, TO:
CHIEF, AGRS., Q.M.C., in E., Paris.

1. Returned, above directed changes completed.
2. Red Cross Photographic Section has not been notified.

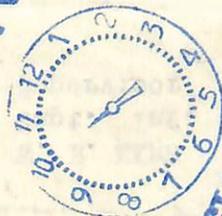
RECORDED



James W. Mann
W. R. MANN
Capt., Inf.
Supervisor



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OCT 25 1920
G. H. S.

1. NEW YORK PROSECUTOR GENERAL HAS BEEN ADVISED

2. RECEIVED FROM ATTORNEY GENERAL

CHIEF OF BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION (NY) HAS BEEN ADVISED

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U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
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G.R.S. Form M. 122.
Change of Inscription.

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL OF THE ARMY
WASHINGTON

September 4, 1920.

File No. **30885** Registration.

From: Office of the Quartermaster General, Chief, Cemeterial Division, (GRS)
Munitions Building, 19th & B Streets, N. W., Washington, D. C.

To: Chief, American Graves Registration Service, Q.G.C. in Europe,
8 Avenue d'Iena, Paris, France.

Subject: Change of Inscription on Grave Marker.

1. It is requested that the inscription on the marker erected
over grave # 181, plot 4, section 59, Cty. # 1232,

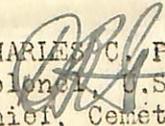
Argonne American Cemetery, Romagne-sous-Montfaucon, Meuse
be corrected to correspond with the records of this office which show

Pvt. Michael J. Butler, 2941742, Co. C, 147th Inf.

Date of death September 28, 1918.

2. When this has been done, advise the Red Cross Photographic
Section in order that another photograph may be taken of the grave with
the correct inscription.

By authority of the Quartermaster General:


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

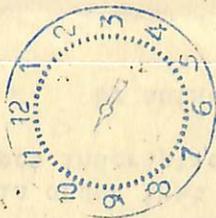
DA

CMN/ms
Inv.S.S.
Inv. & Adj. Dept.

RECORDED
FILE NO. 293 BUTLER M
J

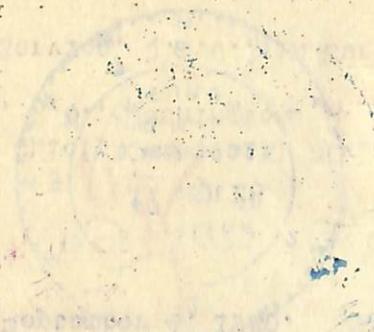


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OCT 25 1920

G. H. S.



Final

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
DIRECTOR OF PURCHASE AND STORAGE
WASHINGTON

FROM: C. Q. M. G.
CEMETERIAL DIVISION
Munitions Building
Room 1131

PLEASE
EXPEDITE

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

Date 8/28/20

File No. Registration.

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

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, Michael J. ✓
- b. Christian name Michael J. ✓
- c. Serial number 2941742 ✓
- b. Organization Co C, 147th Inf. ✓
- e. Rank Pvt. ✓
- f. Date of death 9/28/18 ✓
- g. Cause of death K/A ✓
- h. Authority (C.C.#) 280 ✓
- i. Emergency address Mrs. Rose E Butler
32 1/2 Waverly Ave
East St Louis, Ill
- j. Relationship mother ✓

BODY DESCRIPTION

(See page #2 of the Service Record)

- a. Age at Enlistment 26 yrs 3 mos
- b. Color of eyes brown
- c. Color of hair brown
- d. Height 5 ft 4 in
- e. Weight 113 1/2

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

f. Permanent marks and 3 br. moles on back - white oval 1" x 4 1/4" back right hip
physical defects at white oval rear enlistment. (Old fractures or breaks)

HJ Sheriff,
Investigator.

H. L. ROGERS,
Quartermaster General, U.S.A.,
Director of Purchase and Storage.

BY:

H. J. Conner
H. J. CONNER,
Captain, Q.M.C.

Rec'd World War Div
Date.....8.30.20.....

Donnelly
Enl. Rec. Div 75

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G.R.S. Form No. 121

Classification

Adjustment

CEMETERIAL DIVISION
GRAVES REGISTRATION SERVICE
REGISTRATION SECTION

File # 30885

Sty 1232

MEMORANDUM:

Date 8/13/20

To: Registration Files Sub-Section

Subject: Adjustments made on Registration Files

1. Changes as checked have been made in the Registration Files which will necessitate a corresponding change in the Classification Files.

	CORP.	ADD. DATA		CORP.	ADD. DATA
File Number			Date of Burial		
Name			Date of Reburial		
Serial Number			Burial Information		X
Rank			Nearest Relative		
Organization			Notified Nearest Relative		X
Cause of Death			Blue Card thrown out		
Date of Death			1 White Card ^{RB} set up 3x5	0	0
Casualty Cablgram Number					

O.K. Alphabetical Files N.E.M. 8-13-20

~~O.K. Organization Files~~ _____

~~O.K. State Files~~ _____

<input type="checkbox"/>	Cemetery Audit Department
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Investigation & Adjustment Dept.

3 Cards attached.

By Johnson

30885

AUDIT DEPARTMENT

July 28, 1920.

MEMORANDUM TO: MR. HUGHITT

FROM: M. ELMORE

Subject: Case of: #103050
BUTLER, 1682749, Michael J., Cty. 617
Pvt. Co. A, 307th Infantry

#30885
BUTLER, 2941742, Michael J., Cty. 1281 ✓
Pvt. 1cl. Co. C, 147th Inf.,

1. Revised D-20582, Cty. 617, gives: BUTLER, Michael J., 2941742, Pvt. 1cl. Co. C, 147th Inf., Gr. 101, Plot 2, Section A.

2. Old D-9795, Cty. 617, gives: BUTLER, 1682749, Michael J., Co. C, Gr. 101, Section A.

3. D-2881, Cty. 1281, gives: BUTLER, 2941742, Michael J., Rank and Organization unknown, Gr. 39, Plot 3.

4. (a) Files - 103050 give:

G.L.B. reading BUTLER, 1682749, Michael J., Pvt. Co. A, 307th Inf. Buried Sept. 9, 1918, at Fismes, Marne, Cty. 617; Also a second G.L.B. giving Michael J. Butler, Co. C, K/A. Reburied near Fismes, France, Gr. 309, Row L, Cty. 617; and a copy of notification letter sent 11-5-19 to Mrs. Ella G. Butler, 734 Main St., Hartford, Conn., giving him in Gr. 101, Fismes, Marne. A reburial letter followed this placing him in Gr. 309, Row L, American Cty. 617. A death status is given from the A.G.O., by letter of 1-27-20.

(b) Files - 30885 give:

BUTLER, 2941742, Michael, Pvt. Unknown. Buried 10-3-18, southwest of Bois-de-Beuge beside road Montfaucon, Cierges, Meuse, Gr. #23; also a notification letter sent 2-20-19 to Lt. M. J. Sullivan, Q.M. Corps, Depot, Quartermaster Office, Montoir, France - giving Gr. 309, Row L, in the Fismes American B/A Cemetery in the Commune of Fismes, in the Department of the Marne.

5. (a) 5x8 cards give:

#30885, BUTLER, 2941742, Michael J., Pvt. 1cl. Co. C, 147th Inf., K/A., 9-28-18. Buried 10-3-18 in Gr. 39, Plot 4, Amer. B/A Cty., Cierges, Meuse Cty. 1281 D-2881. E/A. - Mrs. Rose E. Butler, (Mother), 3212 Waverly Ave., E. St. Louis, Ill., Notified 1-12-19. Renotified 4-24-19. Photo D-31903

(b) #103050, BUTLER, 1682749, Michael, Pvt. Co. A, 307th Inf., K/A. 9-2-18 - Buried in Gr. 101, Amer. B/A Cty., Fismes, Marne, Cty. 617, D-9795. E.A. - Miss Ella G. Butler, 734 Main St., Hartford, Conn., Notified 6-23-19, Photo- D-12539.

6. Forms 1-A returned to Miss Gottschalk. Files returned to Mr. Houghton, 3x5 cards held in Audit Department. 4x6 and 5x8 cards on two men forwarded to you this date.

7. This case is for your investigation by the authority of Lt. Noetzel.
Copy for LT. NOETZEL. M. ELMORE.

C O P Y

file 30885

AMERICAN EXPEDITIONARY FORCES
HEADQUARTERS SERVICES OF SUPPLY
OFFICE OF THE CHIEF QUARTERMASTER, A.E.F.
GRAVES REGISTRATION SERVICE

February 20, 1919.

FROM: Chief, Graves Registration Service, American E.F.
TO: Lieut. M. J. Sullivan, Q.M. Corps, Depot Quartermaster's
Office, Montoir, France.
SUBJECT: Private Michael J. Butler, Co. C., 147th Infantry, American E. F.

Further to your letter of inquiry, with reference to the burial of the above mentioned soldier, I beg to inform you that as the result of inquiry instituted by these headquarters, a report has been received from the field force of this Service to the effect that burial took place in Grave #309, Row "L" in the FLEMISH AMERICAN BATTLE AREA CEMETERY, in the COMMUNE of FISSAS, in the DEPARTMENT of the MARNE.

By direction

CHARLES C. PIERCE
Lieut.-Colonel, Q.M.C., U.S.A.

per

MAURICE B. DIX,
Captain, American Red Cross,
Representative assigned to
Graves Registration Service.

MBD/im.

30885
BUTLER, Michael J.,
Private,
Co. C, 147th Infantry,

CTY. 617

Burial information required for Inquiry Section A.R.C.

Died 9-28-18
Cause k/a

Buried _____ Reburied 11-16-18.

Grave No. 309, Row L. Cemetery (Amer. B/A) Fismes (Meuse)

Reported to Central office 11-7-18 CC #285

Quinn
NR: Mrs. Rose E. Butler, (mother)
3212 Waverly Ave. E. St. Louis, Ill.

Notified 1-12-19

NAME	RANK	ORGANIZATION
DATE OF DEATH	CAUSE OF DEATH	
AUTHORITY FOR RECORDING DEATH I tag buried with body. 1 tag attached to Grave Marker. Grave Marker - Cross		
DATE OF NOTIFICATION	PLACE OF DEATH	
NEAREST RELATIVE—NAME	ADDRESS	
DATE NOTIFIED	DISPOSAL OF TAGS	

Hdqrs. Graves Registration Service
Quartermaster Corps
American Expeditionary Forces

30885

Reference-30885.

January 13, 1919.

FROM: Chief, Graves Registration Service, American E. F.

TO: Lieutenant M. J. Sullivan, Q. M. Corps, Depot Quartermaster's
Office, Montoir, France.

SUBJECT: Private Michael J. Butler, Co. C, 147th Infantry, American E. F.

With reference to your letter of November 29, I regret to inform you that as yet the Graves Registration Service has not succeeded in obtaining definite burial information relative to Private Butler. Inquiry is being made, however, and immediately upon receipt of information, you will be advised.

By direction

CHARLES C. PIERCE,
Lieut.-Colonel, Q.M.C., A.E.F.

per

MAURICE B. DIX,
Captain, American Red Cross,
Representative assigned to
Graves Registration Service.

MBD-da

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Eng 95-B.

OFFICE
DEPOT QUARTERMASTER,
MONTAIR,

November 29, 1918.

From: M. J. Sullivan, 2nd Lieut., Q. M. Corps.
To: Graves Registration Service, A.P.O. #717, France.
Subject: Request for Information.

30885

1. It is requested, if possible, that I be informed of the location of the grave of Private Michael J. Butler, Company "C", 147th Infantry, who was killed in action September 26th, 1918.

2. This information is desired in order that same may be transmitted to his relatives who have requested that I obtain location of the above.

3. Relatives advise that they have been duly notified of Private Butler's death, through military channels.



M. J. Sullivan
M. J. Sullivan

OFFICE
DEPOT QUARTERMASTER,
MONTAIGU, FRANCE.

30885
November 29, 1918.

From: M. J. Sullivan, 2nd Lieut., Q. M. Corps.
To: Graves Registration Service, A.P.O. #717, France.
Subject: Request for Information.

1. It is requested, if possible, that I be informed of the location of the grave of Private Michael J. Butler, Company "C", 147th Infantry, who was killed in action September 28th, 1918.

2. This information is desired in order that same may be transmitted to his relatives who have requested that I obtain location of the above.

3. Relatives advise that they have been duly notified of Private Butler's death, through military channels.



M. J. Sullivan

OFFICE
DEPOT QUARTERMASTER,
MONTFOIR,

30885
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Subject: Request for Information.

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3. Relatives advise that they have been duly notified of Private Butler's death, through military channels.

M. J. Sullivan



East St. Louis, Ill.,

September 13th 1919.

H#

293-8
Pvt. Michael J. Butler
Mother

P.C. Harris,
The Adjutant General,
War Department,
Washington, D.C.

Dear Sir:-

In re; the enclosed card and letter of August 14th., in which you state that this is the second request for information in re; the remains of Pvt. Michael J. Butler.

Sometime during the month of March, 1919, you mailed me a card which I filled out and returned to your office, requesting the body of my son be sent home.

The enclosed card I have not filled out and am returning it to you on account of errors contained thereon, in the Army serial number and Infantry and Company numbers.

My son, Pvt. Michael J. Butler, was a member of Company "C" 147th Infantry- Army Serial No. 2941742.

If it be necessary that I fill out another card to complete your records, I will gladly do so upon receipt of a correct card.

Respectfully yours,

Rec'd Cas. Div.

SEP 22 1919

Mrs. Rose E. Butler,
Mother.

Feb 2-20
1919

P.S. Since you have made this mistake I have changed my mind to have my son Michael J Butler Co. C. 147 Infantry Army serial no 2941742. body brought home. look over your records and cancel the former card I filled out some time in March.
Mrs. Rose E. Butler Mother

13 REC'D RECORDS BR. A. G. O. SEP. 24 1919

Mem. Rec. Div. —

Records show:

Priv. 1st. cl. Michael J. Butler # 2941742

Co C 147 Inf

CC 285-10-4 Oct 30 A. I. A. Sept 28/18

Case Div.

E. J. Neuland

9/23/19

13 REC'D RECORDS BR. A. G. O SEP 24

293.6 (Butler, Michael J) DR

October 3, 1919.

FROM: The Adjutant General of the Army.

TO: Mrs. Rose E. Butler, 3212 Waverley Place,
East St. Louis, Ill.

SUBJECT: Final disposition of the body of Michael J. Butler.

1. In response to your letter of September 11th, relative to the final disposition of the body of your son, Michael J. Butler, I beg leave to advise you that there was an error made regarding the organization number and serial number on the card recently sent you, however, in view of your present wishes, the card previously filled out by you, is herewith returned together with a new one. It is requested that you carefully complete the new card, stating your present wishes, and return it to this office in the inclosed envelope which requires no postage.

2. Permit me to express the sincere sympathy of the Department on account of the great loss you have sustained in the death of your son, and to commend you for the contribution made to the cause for which this soldier gave his life.

P. C. Harris. Per

2 incls.



file
RF 2-201
10/3/19

20885

Ing.

TO:- REGISTRATION BRANCH G.R.S.

File Number

FROM:-

A.R. 30885

Date:

12/14/18

Please furnish information as indicated below regarding the following soldier:-

NAME

BUTLER, MICHAEL J.

NUMBER

RANK

Pvt.

ORGANIZATION

Co. C. 147th INF

No.	Question	Reply
1	Do particulars of soldier given above agree with Records?	N.B. All Proper names to be printed in PLAIN BLOCK LETTERS
✓ 2	Date of Death	(1) BUTLER 2941742
✓ 3	Cause and place of death	MICHAEL J.
4	Number of Casualty Cablegram	Pvt. 1/c Co. C. 147th Inf.
5	Date buried	(2) 9/28/18
✓ 6	Grave location (a) Complete record required (b) Name of cemetery or commune only required	(3) X/A (4) CC 285
7	Who reported burial?	
✓ 8	Has report been confirmed by G.R.S.	(6) 0
9	Report as to grave marker	(8) 0
10	Report as to identification tags	(17) 0
11	Who is nearest relative?	
✓ 12	Has N/R been notified? (Give date)	
13	Report the exact position of your inquiry on this case. (Reply in all cases if no information on record)	
	What is the photograph No.?	

COMPILATION OF DISPOSITION OF REMAINS DATA

I. LOCATION INDEX CARD:

File #30885

(a) Name BUTLER, Michael J. Ser. No. 2941742
(b) Rank Pvt. 1/c1 Organization Co. C, 147th Infantry
(c) Date of death 9/28/18 (d) Cause of death K/A

TYP. DMA
CKR. B. J.

3/4/22 Examined
Concentration
Merrill - Argonne
25/22

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

(a) Grave No. 181 Row - Plot 4 Sec. 59 TYP. DMA
(b) Emerg. Address Mrs. Rose E. Butler (mother) 3212 Waverley Ave.
E. St. Louis, Ill.

III. Files of soldiers dying from contagious diseases / CKR. B. J.

no card in file 708 5/5/21

IV. A. G. O. DISPOSITION CARD:

Date of receipt

(a) Name (b) Relationship
(c) Address
(d) Remains to be brought to U. S.?
(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 Date, 1920.

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

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

Examiner's Initials Date, 1920.

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

Let 9/11/19 Mrs. Rose E. Butler (mother) East St. Louis, Mo. Request that the body remain in France

(a) Cancellation memos referred to?

Examiner's Initials Date, 1920.

COUNTRY FRANCE CEMETERY No. 1232-Sec. 59 SHEET No. 22

4

To be prepared in triplicate.

DATE Nov 7 1921

REPORT OF DISINTERMENT, PREPARATION, SHIPMENT AND REBURIAL OF BODY

DISINTERMENT

COMPARATIVE REPORT

Records of G.R.S. Headquarters.

Discrepancy found upon exhumation of body

1. Name BUTLER, MICHAEL J

10. Name

2. No. 2941742

11. No.

3. Rank Pvt. 1/c

12. Rank

4. Org. Co. G 147th Inf.

13. Org.

5. D.D. 9-28

14. (a) D.D.

6. C.D. KIA

(b) D.B. None

Discrepancy found upon disinterment

7. Grave No. 181 Sec. 59

15. Grave No. Sec.

8. Plot 4 Row

16. Plot Row

9.

17. None

18. Cemetery Meuse Argonne Amer.

19. Commune or town Romagne-sous-Montfaucon

20. Dept. or County Meuse

21. Country France

22. G.R.S. Hdqrs. Code No. 1232 Sec. 59

23. Disinterred (Date) Nov 7 1921

By P. P. Kierce

24. Inscription on grave marker:

Name Michael J Butler

Serial No. 2941742

Rank Pvt

Organization Co G 147 Inf

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

J. L. White
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).

None

27. Condition of body Badly decomposed, features unrecognizable

28. Nature of burial US Uniform, burlap 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 Nov 7 1921 By P. P. Kierce

31. Casket sealed by P. P. Kierce

Signature of Embalmer, (Supervisor) P. P. Kierce

SHIPMENT. (Show actual marking of box.) Box No. C-15046

32. Designation of body:

Name Butler, Michael J Serial No. 2941742

Rank Pvt. Organization Co. C 147th Inf.

33. Consigned to:

Name of Permanent Cemetery Meuse Argonne Amer. City #1232 Romagne-sous-Montfaucon,

34. Casket boxed and marked (Date) Nov 7 1921 By P P Kien

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 R C Worthington, Lt Col

36. Remarks

37. Shipped from point of Operation: (Date) Nov 7 1921 cc

To point of Concentration Morgue Romagne

Convoyer W J Royed Signature Shipping Officer G F Spann, Capt. Q.C.

38. Received at Railhead or Point of Concentration: Date

By G.R.S. Representative

39. Shipped from Railhead or Point of Concentration: Date

To Permanent Cemetery

Convoyer Signature Shipping Officer

40. Received: Date

G.R.S. Representative

41. Reinterred

42. Grave No. 18 Meuse Argonne Cemetery 1892 Date Nov. 8th, 1921. Section

43. Plot Block A Row 4

G.R.S. Representative James W. Younger

James W. Younger,
Captain Q.M.C.

JEL



REPORT OF DISINTERMENT AND REBURIAL

1. REMAINS OF BUTLER[?] Michael. SERIAL NUMBER 2941742.
RANK Pvt. ^{1/c} ORGANIZATION Co. C. 147th Inf.

2. Disinterred (date): Nov 7, 1921 From (give complete location): gr 181, sec 59, plot 4.

By: Group 4 Unit sec 1

3. Reburied (date): Nov. 8th, 1921. In (give complete location): Grave 18, Row 4, Block A, Cemetery 1232.

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 uniform. badly decomposed, features not recognizable.

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

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

body tag checks with records.

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

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

(b) Weigh, (estimated) do

(c) Hair—Color do

Quantity do

Characteristics xo

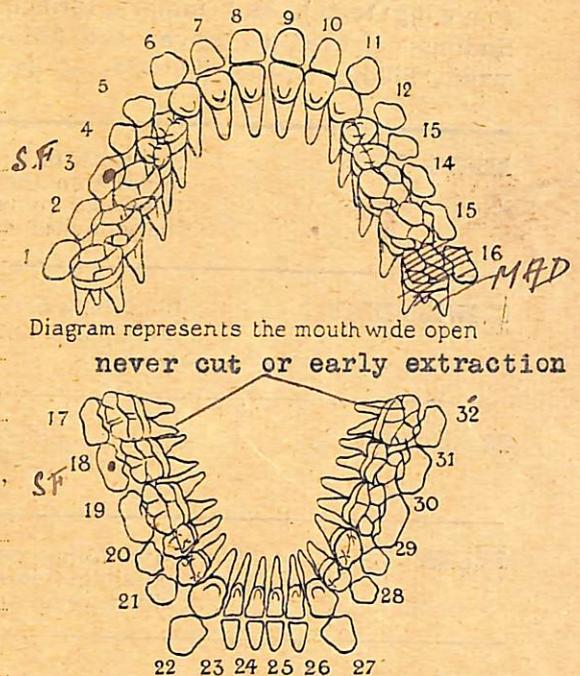
(d) Hair on face—Color do

Location do

Quantity do

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

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



7. Disinterment supervised by P.P. Kierce P.P. Kierce.

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

8. Reburial Supervised by A.U. Dufault, A.U. Dufault,

Approved: James W. Younger, Captain 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 Questions 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 :	 <p style="text-align: center;">TOOTH MISSING TOOTH MISSING</p>
CROWNED TEETH	Block in solid the crown of tooth (label gold, porcelain, or gold and porcelain), thus :	 <p style="text-align: center;">GOLD CROWN PORCELAIN CROWN</p>
BRIDGE WORK	Block in solid the crown of tooth (label gold bridge, gold and porcelain bridge) thus :	 <p style="text-align: center;">GOLD AND PORCELAIN BRIDGE GOLD BRIDGE</p>
FILLINGS	Draw filling on tooth accurately as possible (block in and label gold, silver, cement), thus :	 <p style="text-align: center;">SILVER FILLING GOLD FILLING GOLD FILLING GOLD FILLING</p>
CARIES (CAVITIES)	Outline location and size of cavity, shade in thus :	 <p style="text-align: center;">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"	

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

Name of person supervising the reburial and the name and title of the person approving



COMPILATION OF DISPOSITION OF REMAINS DATA

See Form 115
Att 3/25/22

I. LOCATION INDEX CARD:

File #30885

(a) Name BUTLER, Michael J. Ser. No. 2941742
 (b) Rank pvt. 1/c1 Organization Co. C, 147th Infantry
 (c) Date of death 9/28/18 (d) Cause of death K/A

} TYP. DMA
} B. J.

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

(a) Grave No. 181 Row - Plot 4 Sec. 59 TYP. DMA
 (b) Emerg. Address Mrs. Rose E. Butler (mother) 3212 Waverley Ave.
E. St. Louis, Ill.

III. Files of soldiers dying from contagious diseases/..... CKR. B. J.

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

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V. Following advice forwarded to Europe by { cable on, 192
 { letter of transmittal on MAY 19 1921, 192

PARAGRAPH 2 - NOT TO BE RETURNED (has).

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VII. SUPPLEMENTARY REQUESTS.

Date of and source.	Relationship and name.	Desires.	Action taken.

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COUNTRY _____ CEMETERY No. _____ SHEET No. _____