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*Byers, Arthur J.*

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G.R.S. Form #114 B

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DATE March 29, 1922.

1. NAME BYERS, Arthur *Soldier's Sig* *I, OK* SERIAL No. 1680182

RANK Sgt. *OK* ORGANIZATION Co. C, 317th Fld Sig Bn *& DIVISION non. Div.*

GRAVE LOCATION Amer. Cty., Vaubecourt-Meuse CTY. NAME 166 NUMBER 677

GRAVE 166 ROW sec E PLOT 4

2. ORIGINAL BATTLE AREA GRAVE LOCATION Not known GRAVE COMMUNE DEPT.

COORDINATES Nothing of record

CONCENTRATED TO Not known

DATE GRAVE ROW PLOT

CEMETERY CTY. NUMBER

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

DATE OF DEATH Oct 13-1918

STATE FROM WHICH HE CAME New York

REMARKS OR DECORATIONS AWARDED Silver Star. Cited in go #26 Hdqrs 5th Army Corps

SUBSEQUENT REBURIALS Nothing of record

DATE GRAVE ROW PLOT CEMETERY

DATE GRAVE ROW PLOT CEMETERY

SIGNATURE, AREA SUPERVISOR

rhj

*Wm M. Cline*  
RECEIVED  
MAY 20 1922  
A. G. O.  
WAR BRANCH

Wm M. CLINE  
Captain Q.M.C.

3. FINAL GRAVE LOCATION March 29, 1922. 15 13 D

DATE GRAVE ROW PLOT BLOCK

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

AUDITED BY

Robert C. Davis  
Adjutant General  
The Adjutant General  
BY

CEMETERY

MAY 15 1926

WORLD WAR DIV.

M.M.E.  
2-3-23

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MAY 15 1920

INSTRUCTIONS FOR PREPARATION OF FORM 114 B

1781  
WAR DIV.

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REGISTRATION SER.  
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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 I6, 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.

# GRAVE LOCATION BLANK

LOCATION OF THE GRAVE OF

Byers, 1680182, Arthur I.  
(Surname.) (Number.) (First Name and Initials.)

Sgt., Co.C., 317th F. S. Bn.  
(Rank.) (Organization.)

DATE OF BURIAL. Oct. 15/18.

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

Bar-le-due 51 NB 1/50,000 Lambert.

Projection North 241.1 East 308.4

GRAVE NUMBER. Sec M 166.

HOW MARKED: Name Peg? Cross? Yes

Headboard? Bottle with body

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:

REPORTED BY: Sam Hardeman

Sam Hardeman, 1st Lieut. MC, USA  
(Signature and Rank of Reporting Officer.)

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

Byers, Arthur - Sgt. 1680182

Home : 1013 Niagara Ave.  
Niagara Falls, NY

When he was sent to the hospital, from  
he complained of pains in his chest,  
saying he could not get off of his bed. I  
was pretty sick, but he tried to keep his  
legs straight, and was sent to the hospital, as he thought  
it would be quicker. He started at the time he  
was sent with the way the fellows had treated  
him, and said that they had treated  
him like he had an idea that he would die  
and was fully expected to be back with his  
sister. He showed me a string of Rosary beads  
and stated his sister had given him  
them and he prized very highly.

Lott, Dorsey J - Sgt. 1689989,  
Co. C, 317th F.S. Bn  
Popular St. Walla Walla, Wash.

Emergency address :  
Mrs Isabelle G. Byers,  
1013 Niagara Ave, Niagara Falls N.Y.  
J.R.

Co. C - 317th F.S.Bn,  
9th Corps.

Byers, Arthur - Sgt. 1680182

Home : 1013 Niagara Ave.  
Niagara Falls, NY

Sgt. Elliott states :

I was with Sgt. Byers when he was sent to the hospital, from Ville-sur-Cousance. At that time he complained of pains in his chest, and fever and chills. He was so weak he could not get off of his bed. I think he realized that he was pretty sick, but he tried to keep his courage up. He was glad he was being sent to the hospital, as he thought he might get better care, and get well quicker. He started at the time he left that he was very much pleased with the way the fellows had treated him and the way they had taken care of him, and said that they had ~~xxx~~ treated him like a king. Do not think he had an idea that he would die when he went to the hospital, but fully expected to be back with his outfit again before very long. He showed me a string of Rosary beads which he had with him and which he stated his sister had given him before coming to France and which he prized very highly.

informant : Elliott, Dorsey J - Sgt. 1689989,  
Co. C, 317th F.S.Bn

Home : 314 Popular St. Walla Walla, Wash.

Emergency address :  
Mrs Isabelle G. Byers,  
1013 Niagara Ave, Niagara Falls N.Y.  
J.R.

Miss Boyd - 4

we got age 4

date of enlfr we

could probably clear  
this up as a no. 52. no. 1000

sister  
no SM  
not a loco

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x  
Card  
Card

CODE SLIP



HEADING	SUB-HEADING	NO. OF COLS	CODE
NAME <i>Byrne</i>	<i>Bye</i>	3	<i>2-5-5</i>
<i>Arthur J</i>	CEMETERY <i>1232</i>	1	<i>1</i>
BURIED	GRAVE <i>15</i>	2	<i>15</i>
	ROW <i>13</i>	2	<i>13</i>
	BLOCK <i>D</i>	1	<i>4</i>
STATE	<i>n.y.</i>	2	<i>37</i>
RANK	<i>Sgt.</i>	1	<i>2</i>
DIVISION	<i>Sig. Corps.</i>	2	<i>59</i>
ORGANIZATION	<i>517</i>	3	<i>XXX</i>
ARM	<i>Fld. Sig. Bn.</i>	1	<i>X</i>
MARTIAL ( <i>Rem. widow</i> )	<i>Remarried</i>	1	<i>3</i>
NAME <i>Muggleton</i>		3	
<i>Mrs. C.E.</i>	STATE	2	
<i>1816 Ontario Ave.</i>	COUNTY	2	
RESIDENCE	CITY	3	
<i>Niagara Falls, N.Y.</i>	RELATION <i>SM</i>	1	<i>1</i>
	<i>mother</i>	1	
OTHER <i>no</i>		1	
ELIGIBILITY <i>no</i>	<i>Lead</i>	1	<i>6</i>
NATIVITY		1	
RACE		1	
ENGLISH		1	
ATTENDANT		1	
HEALTH		1	
NO. OF SONS		1	
DATE OF	MO.	1	
TRIP	YR.	1	
ACCEPTANCE		1	
29/514/PJ.			<i>Ja</i>

**AUDITED**

APR 15 1932

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*Ja*

Byers, Arthur I. Sgt. Co. C, 317th Sig. Bn. N.Y.

Date of mother's death? *abt 98* *10-90-134*  
*4-23-20*

SM?

*no record father died 1915*

Loco?

*widow mem. 1923*

Seebode

*Widow says she knows nothing  
of husbands ul.*

WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

Byers, Arthur I 1232-RW

July 8, 1930

Mrs. C.E. Muggleton,  
1816 Ontario Avenue,  
Niagara Falls, New York

*Sgt. C.E. 31738. Bu  
1650182*

*L  
Call 1713*

Dear Madam:

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

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

1. Is the deceased survived by a mother?

*No*

If so, give her name and address:

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

*No.*

If so, give her name and address:

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

*He was raised by a Sister but I do not know her*

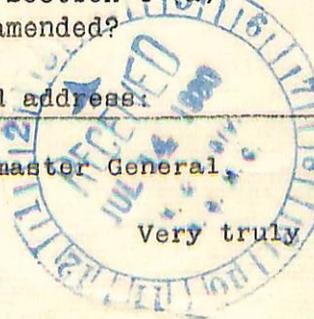
If so, give her name and address:

*present whereabouts or if she is living, having not heard from her in ten years.*

For The Quartermaster General

Very truly yours,

Enclosures:  
Envelope  
Act  
Amendment



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

Niagara Falls, July, 8, 1929

The Quartermaster General,  
Washington, D.C.

Re. Case Byers, Arthur, I QM 293 A-C

Gentleman.

In reply to yours of June 29 wish to inform you that Mr. Byers' Mother is not living and that I, his Widow, have remarried.

Sincerely yours,

*Mrs. C. E. Muggleton 1816 Ontario Ave.  
former Mrs. G. J. Byers.*

Misses Ellis, July 8, 1878

The Quartermaster General, The Case Files, Building I, 225 A-D

Washington, D.C.

Gentlemen.

In reply to yours of June 29 wish to inform you that I, his widow, have remarried, Mother is not living and that I, his widow, have remarried.

Sincerely yours,

Wm. C. E. Muffelbauer  
former Wm. D. B. Baker



1878 Office of

WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C  
Byers, Arthur I.

June 29, 1929.

Mrs. Isabelle G. Byers,  
1816 Ontario Ave.,  
Niagara Falls, N.Y.

Dear Madam:

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

The records of this office show that you are the widow of the late Sgt. Arthur I. Byers, Co.C, 317th Sig.Bn., whose remains are now interred in the Meuse-Argonne American Cemetery, Romagne-sous-Montfaucon, Meuse, France.

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

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

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

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

2 incls.  
Act of Congress.  
Envelope.

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

WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

Byers, Arthur I 1252-RW

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Very truly yours,

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Captain, Q. M. Corps,  
Assistant.

WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C  
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Assistant.

ORIGINAL PAPER FILED

CROSS INDEX

080 - 317<sup>th</sup> Field Signal  
Battalion Ass'n.

~~QM-2001-C~~

~~Byers, Arthur, I.~~

March 25, 1924.

Lieutenant Hubert A. Howson,  
317th Field Signal Battalion Association,  
489 West End Avenue,  
New York City,  
New York.

Dear Sir:

The Quartermaster General desires that receipt be acknowledged of your kind letter of March 23rd, 1924.

Please be informed that the grave locations of your comrades, in whom you are interested, are as follows:

<u>NAME</u>	<u>CEMETERY LOCATION</u>
<u>Sergeant Arthur I. Byers, #1680182,</u> Company C, 317th Field Signal Battalion.	Grave 15, Row 13, Block D, Meuse-Argonne American Cemetery, Romagne-sous-Montfaucon, Meuse, France.
Sergeant James C. Glencross, #1681622, Company B, 317th Field Signal Battalion.	Grave 15, Row 27, Block B, Meuse-Argonne American Cemetery, Romagne-sous-Montfaucon, Meuse, France.
Captain Arthur W. Gough, Company B, 317th Field Signal Battalion.	Grave 28, Row 28, Block A, Meuse-Argonne American Cemetery, Romagne-sous-Montfaucon, Meuse, France.
1st Lieutenant Charles R. Parkinson, Office of the Chief Signal Officer.	Grave 31, Row 9, Block C, Oise-Aisne American Cemetery, Seringes-et-Nesles, Aisne, France.

The Graves Registration Service Paris office is still in existence. The officer in charge, is Lieutenant-Colonel Robert Sterrett., whose address is 20, Rue Molitor, Paris, (16eme) France.

Very truly yours,

R. L. FOSTER,  
Assistant.

O. Q. M. G.  
293 - Byers, Arthur I (Capt.)

Byers,

(Surname.)

Sgt.

Arthur I.

(Christian name in full.)

Co. C, 317 Field Bn SC

(Rank and organization.)

1,680,182

Sgt. (Army serial number.)

State your relationship to the deceased

Wife

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:

Mrs. I. G. Byers,

(Express office)

American Express Co. Niagara Falls, N.Y.

(Telegraph office.)

(Number and street.)

(City or town.)

(State.)

(Sign here)

Mrs. Isabelle Grace Byers,

1816 Ontario Ave. Niagara Falls, N.Y.

(City, town, or post office.)

(State.)

Read carefully the letter accompanying this card.

Drawn by a pe

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checked

1-27-21

E. M. I.

In reply refer to:  
293,8 C-R #39761

February 27, 1923.

Mrs. Isabelle G. Byers,  
1816 Ontario Ave,  
Niagara Falls, N. Y.

Dear Madam:

The Quartermaster General desires that you be informed that the permanent grave of the late Sergeant Arthur I. Byers, Company C, 317th Signal Battalion, is Grave 15, Row 13, Block D, Meuse-Argonne American Cemetery, Romagne-sous-Montfaucon, Department of 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 a headstone of white marble, of suitable design, with name, rank, 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 exacted and more than willingly accorded by those performing this sacred duty. The grave of the deceased will be perpetually maintained by this Government in a manner befitting the last resting place of our heroes.

Very truly yours,

H. J. Conner,  
Assistant.

MAILED

FEB 28 1923

G.R.S.

22/1423/ARK

# REPORT OF DISINTERMENT AND REBURIAL

Date October 11, 1921

1. REMAINS OF Byers, Arthur *A. I.* SERIAL NUMBER 1680182  
 RANK Sgt ORGANIZATION Co. C. 317th L. Fld. Sig. Bn.

2. Disinterred (date): October 11, 1921. From (give complete location): Grave 166, plot 4, Section E. Cemetery 677

By: Group 1 Unit FS 3

3. Reburied (date): March 29, 1922, Meuse Argonne Cty #1232, Gr. 15, Bl. D, Row 13.  
 In (give complete location):

By: Group Reburial 3 Unit Lined casket  
 Nature of reburial

4. Report as to nature of original burial and condition of body upon disinterment:  
Blanket, hospital shroud, under cross  
Badly decomposed recognition impossible

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

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

xBottle record reads: (Destroyed by water).

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

(a) Height (actual measurement) imp to det.

3, 4, 16 MBD  
5, 7, 11, 12 cavity

(b) Weigh, (estimated) imp to det.

(c) Hair—Color imp to det.

Quantity imp to det.

Characteristics imp to det.

(d) Hair on face—Color none visible

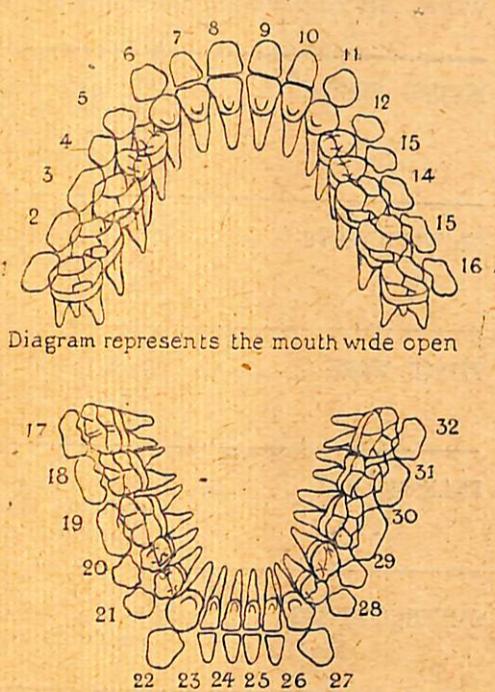
Location none visible

Quantity none visible

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

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

none visible



7. Disinterment supervised by *J.P. Madine*  
J. P. Madine

Approved: *J.P. Glendon*  
J. P. Glendon, Capt. QMC  
 (Title)

8. Reburial supervised by *W.B. Shields*  
W. B. Shields

Approved: *A.E. Dewey*  
A. E. Dewey, 1st Lt. QMC.  
 (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:



**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:

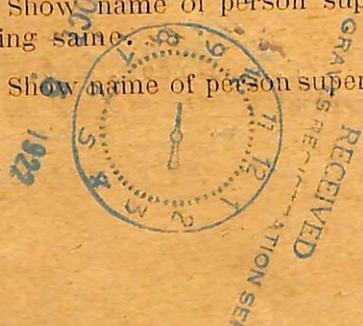


**DENTURES (PLATES)**

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 Oct. 11, 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 BYERS, Arthur <sup>I</sup>  
 2. No. 1680182  
 3. Rank Sgt.  
 4. Org. Co. C, 317 Fld Sig Bn  
 5. D.D. Oct. 13, 1918  
 6. C.D. Died of Lobar Pneumonia

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

Discrepancy found upon disinterment

7. Grave No. 166 Sec. E  
 8. Plot 4 Row \_\_\_\_\_  
 9. \_\_\_\_\_

15. Grave No. \_\_\_\_\_ Sec. \_\_\_\_\_  
 16. Plot \_\_\_\_\_ Row \_\_\_\_\_  
 17. No discrepancy

18. Cemetery Amer. Cty.  
 20. Dept. or County Meuse  
 22. G.R.S. Hdqrs. Code No. #677  
 23. Disinterred (Date) Oct. 11, 1921

19. Commune or town Vaubecourt  
 21. Country France  
 By T.P. Madine.

24. Inscription on grave marker:

Name Arthur T. Byers,  
 Rank Sgt.

Serial No. \_\_\_\_\_  
 Organization Co. C, 317th F.S. Bn.

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

Signature Donald J. Madine  
 \_\_\_\_\_  
 Senior 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).

Bottle record reads: - Destroyed by water

27. Condition of body Badly decomposed. Recognition impossible.

28. Nature of burial Blanket, hospital shroud, under cross.

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 Oct 11, 21 By T.P. Madine

31. Casket sealed by T.P. Madine.

Signature of Embalmer, (Supervisor)

T.P. Madine

SHIPMENT. (Show actual marking of box.) Box No. C-8910

32. Designation of body:

Name BYERS, Arthur T Serial No. 1660182

Rank Sgt. Organization Co. C, 317th Fld Sig Bn

33. Consigned to: Officer in Charge Operations,

Name of Permanent Cemetery Meuse-Argonne Amer. Romagne/s/Montfaucon 1232

34. Casket boxed and marked (Date) Oct 11, 21 By T.P. Madine.

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

Signature of G.R.S. Inspector J.P. Glandon, Capt., Q.M.C.

36. Remarks None

37. Shipped from point of Operation: (Date) Oct. 12, 1921

To point of Concentration Ste. Menchould  
Romagne sous Montfaucon (Name)

Convoyer Robt Cronin Signature Shipping Officer J.P. Glandon  
Capt., Q.M.C.

38. Received at Railhead or Point of Concentration: Date Oct 12-21.

By G.R.S. Representative B.L. Maloney, Capt., Q.M.C.

39. Shipped from Railhead or Point of Concentration: Date November 15 th. 1921

To Permanent Cemetery Meuse Argonne Cemetery  
Romagne (Meuse) (Name)

Convoyer James Garret Signature Shipping Officer R. Richards  
1st Lt. Q.M.C.

40. Received: Date

G.R.S. Representative

41. Reinterred Meuse Argonne Cty #1232, March 29, 1922.

42. Grave No. 15 Section

43. Plot Bloch D Row 13

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

hw

ccg

APR 14 1921 *my*

WAR DEPARTMENT

OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL OF THE ARMY  
CEMETERIAL DIVISION

WASHINGTON

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

To: Mrs. Isabella Grace Byers, 1816 Ontario Ave., Niagara Falls, N.Y.

SUBJECT: Remains of ~~Sgt.~~ *Sgt.* Arthur I. Byers, Ser. No. Co. C, 317th S.G. Bn.

The records of this office show that you have requested that the body of the above-named soldier

remain in Europe/

*Cms*

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

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

By authority of the Quartermaster General.

GEORGE H. PENROSE,  
Colonel, Q. M. G.

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

Was soldier married? \_\_\_\_\_

NAME OF—	NO. AND STREET.	TOWN.	STATE.
Soldier's widow <i>Mrs. Isabella Grace Byers</i>	<i>1816 Ontario Ave.</i>	<i>Niagara Falls</i>	<i>N. Y.</i>
Soldier's children. (Name oldest first.)	<i>Noted 115</i>		
	<i>W 7-14-21</i>		
Father <i>Dead</i>	<i>MKS</i>		
Mother _____			
Brothers. (Name oldest first.)	<i>Don't know</i>	<i>Cleveland</i>	<i>O.</i>
1 <i>Henry Byers (Living)</i>			
2 <i>John Byers</i>	<i>66 Vanderbilt St.</i>	<i>Buffalo</i>	<i>N. Y.</i>
3 _____			
Sisters. (Name oldest first.)	<i>125 Edward St.</i>	<i>Buffalo</i>	<i>N. Y.</i>
1 <i>Meda Byers</i>			
2 _____			
3 _____			

Date *April 17-21*

Signature *Mrs. Isabella Grace Byers*

Address *1816 Ontario Ave.*

Relationship *Widow*

April 18, 1921

I, the undersigned, am the Widow and nearest living next of kin of the within-named  
(Relationship.)

soldier, and desire the following disposition of his remains, viz:  
(Strike out all except the one showing the disposition desired.)

- 1. As stated on first page of this sheet.
- 2. To be returned to the U. S. and shipped to \_\_\_\_\_  
(Name.)  
\_\_\_\_\_  
(R. R. station.) \_\_\_\_\_ (State.)
- 3. To be returned to the U. S. and buried in \_\_\_\_\_ National Cemetery.
- 4. To remain in Europe, for burial in a permanent American Cemetery.

Signature Mrs. Isabella Grace Byers

**INSTRUCTIONS FOR FILLING OUT.**

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

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

COMPILATION OF DISPOSITION OF REMAINS DATA

File # 39761

12/6/21 Returned  
for concentration  
in France - Argonne  
#1232  
(12-29-21)  
(A&S)

I. LOCATION INDEX CARD:

(a) Name BYERS, Arthur T. Ser. No. 1680182  
(b) Rank Sgt. Organization Co. C, 317th F. Sig. Bn. TYP. DB  
(c) Date of death 10-13-18 (d) Cause of death Lobar pneumonia CKR. B.T.

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

(a) Grave No. 166 Row - Plot 4 Sec. E TYP. DB  
(b) Emerg. Address Mrs. Isabelle G. Byers, (Wife) 1013 Niagara Ave.  
Niagara Falls, N.Y.

III. Files of soldiers dying from contagious diseases NO CARD CKR. B.T.

IV. A. G. O. DISPOSITION CARD:

*ok card 3/5/21*

Date of receipt \_\_\_\_\_

(a) Name Mrs. Isabelle Grace Byers (b) Relationship wife  
(c) Address 1816 Ontario Ave., Niagara Falls, N.Y.  
(d) Remains to be brought to U. S.? yes  
(e) To be interred in National Cemetery in U. S. at no  
(f) Shipping instructions upon arrival of body in U. S. Mrs. I. G. Byers,  
Emer. Exp. Niagara Falls, N.Y.  
(g) Disposition instructions if not brought to U. S. \_\_\_\_\_

Examiner's Initials OK Date 1-26, 1920.

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

no correspondence, dated \_\_\_\_\_  
confirming request in Par. IV., item \_\_\_\_\_, above, or requesting that \_\_\_\_\_

Examiner's Initials OK Date 1-26, 1920.

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

wife Mrs Isabelle G. Byers  
1816 Ontario Ave. Niagara Falls, N.Y. 3/10/20  
desires now to have body remain in France

(a) Cancellation memos referred to? Yes: PF

Examiner's Initials PF Date 1-27-, 1920.

COUNTRY FRANCE CEMETERY No. 677 SHEET No. 32

FORM 115 - A COMPLETED

CARDED

MAR 10 1921

*checked 3-5-21*

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

Typed by \_\_\_\_\_, Checked by \_\_\_\_\_, 1920.

VIII. FINAL ACTION:

Following advice forwarded to Europe by { cable on \_\_\_\_\_, 1920  
letter on **FEB 5 1921**, 1920

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

IX.

**CORRECTIONS**

CHANGE OF ADVICE.

ACTION TAKEN.

Desires body be \_\_\_\_\_

Body to be shipped to \_\_\_\_\_

X. SUSPENSION REMARKS: **3120-4/17/21 - Mrs. Isabelle Grace Poyers - widow  
1816 Ontario Ave - Niagara Falls - N. Y. - leave in France - 4/17/21 CLK**

WAR DEPARTMENT  
Quartermaster Corps,  
Graves Registration Service  
Pier 2, Hoboken, N.J.

July 25th, 1921, ecw.

FILE NO. 293.8 Cem. Div. Cor. Br.

Byers, Arthur I.

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

SUBJECT: Return of Records - Cemetery #577  
Transmittal Memorandum Number H-737

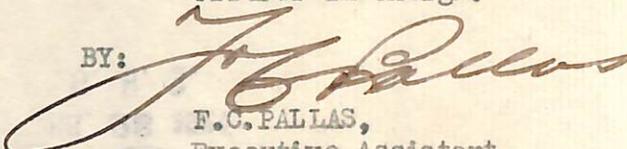
1. The records pertaining to the following cases are returned herewith, it having been definitely determined that the bodies are to remain in Europe.

REFERENCE NO:32

Byers, Arthur I, Sgt., S.N., 1680182, Co.C, 317th S.G.Bn.

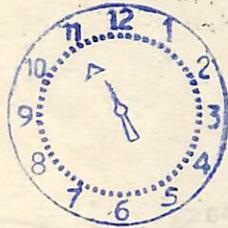
R.E. SHANNON,  
Captain, Q.M.G.,  
Officer in Charge.

BY:

  
F.C. PALLAS,  
Executive Assistant.

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JUL 28 1921

G. R. S.

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677/32

July 25th, 1921.

File No 293,8

Byers, Arthur I.

Mrs. Isabelle Grace Byers,  
1816 Ontario Ave.,  
Niagara Falls, N.Y.

Dear Madam:-

Your Shipping Inquiry dated April 17th, 1921, requesting that the remains of your late husband, Sgt. Arthur I. Byers, S.N. 1680182, Co. C, 517th S.G. Bn. be left in France for burial in a permanent American Cemetery has been forwarded to the Cemeterial Division, Office of the Quartermaster General, Washington, D.C., for necessary action.

The Cemeterial Division, Washington, D.C. will furnish you the Grave location in the permanent American Cemetery as soon as possible after the body has been placed therein.

The Department desires to renew its previous expression of sympathy in your bereavement.

By authority of the Quartermaster General:

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

BY:

F. C. PALLAS  
Executive Assistant.

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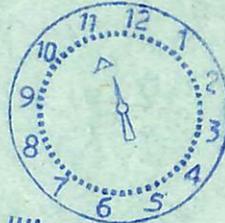
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**GRAVE LOCATION BLANK**

LOCATION OF THE GRAVE OF

Byers, 1680182, Arthur I.

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

Sgt., Co. C., 317th F. S. Bn.

(Rank.) (Organization.)

DATE OF BURIAL... Oct 15/18.

PLACE OF BURIAL... Vaubecourt

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

Bar-le-duc 51 NE 1/50,000 Lambert

Projection North 241.1 East 308.4

GRAVE NUMBER... Sec M 166.

HOW MARKED: Name Peg? ..... Cross? Yes

Headboard? ..... Bottle? with body

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:

REPORTED BY:

Sam Hardeman

Sam Hardeman, 1st Lieut. MC, USA

(Signature and Rank of Reporting Officer.)

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

26 OCT 1918

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Soldier's No. 1680182

Name Byers Arthur I.

Rank Sgt Co. C (Regt)

(Corps) 317th F.Sig.Bn.

Date of Death Pneumonia  
Cause

Oct. 15, 18. American

Date of Burial Cemetery

Vaubecourt Meuse

Town or Commune Dept.

Grave No. 166 Plot 4 Sec. M

Tag buried with body

Tag attached to Cross

Chaplain S.B. Booth, Evac Hosp. Q

Chaplain - Burial Officer (which?)

Q.M. Sgt. Sr. Gd.

Signature Rank

Group 3 Unit 302 G.R.S.



Adjustment Made  
APB 27 1921

WAR DEPARTMENT

Office of the Quartermaster General of the Army  
Washington

G.R.S. Form 1-0  
Information requested of A.G.O.

Date 1/31/21.

File No. \_\_\_\_\_ Requisition.

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 Byers *O.K.*
- b. Christian name *Arthur I.* or *(Arthur T.)*
- c. Serial Number 1680182 *O.K.*
- d. Organization Co.C, 317th Fld. Sig. Bn. *O.K.*
- e. Rank Sgt. *O.K.*
- f. Date of death 10/13/18. *O.K.*
- g. Cause of death L. Pneumonia. *O.K.*
- h. Authority (C.O.#)
- i. Emergency address *Wife Niagara Falls N.Y.*
- j. Relationship *Wife*

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



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 physical defects at enlistment (Old fractures or breaks)

*Donnelly - IWB - E. P. S*  
*Wg 8/2-1-21*

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

C.W.  
CEMETERY NO: 677  
SHEET NO: 32  
TYPED BY: I.W.

BY:

*H. V. CONNER*  
1st. Lieut., Q.M.C.

Rec'd World War Div.  
Date FEB. 1. 1921.

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*Post 3 & 4 Div. A.R.S.*  
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February 1, 1921.

293.8-Cem.#26911-(Gough, Arthur W. Capt.)  
#36809-(Parkinson, Charles R. 1st Lieut.)  
#39761-(Byers, Arthur T. Sgt.)  
#29497-(Gross, John P. Corp.)  
#29782-(Glencross, James C. Sgt.)  
#102703-(Glass, Harold G. Pvt.)<sup>(d)</sup>  
#29907-(Holdridge, Ira V. Pvt.)  
#34822-(Webster, Nathan M. Pvt. 1/c)  
#33935-(Davisson, Lonnie Pvt.)  
#24066-(Sizer, Earl H. Pvt.)  
#32960-(Carter, Percy G. Pvt.)  
#39521-(Purse, Frank M. Pvt.)

FILE

From: The Quartermaster General, U.S. Army, (Cemeterial Division)  
To: Mr. Hubert Howson, Liberty Tower, 55 Liberty St., New York, N.Y.  
Subject: Concerning return of remains.

1. Receipt is acknowledged of your letter of January 7, 1921, referred to this office by the Graves Registration Service, Hoboken, New Jersey, requesting information regarding the return of the remains of a number of our soldier dead, and in reply, this office regrets to advise you that it has not been the policy to furnish information concerning such matters to any except the legal next of kin.

2. Below will be given beside the name of the deceased his emergency addressee and it is suggested that you communicate with them for the information desired.

Captain Arthur W. Gough...Mrs. Hanna C. Gough (wife) 1113 E. Thomas St. Seattle,  
Wash.  
1st Lieut. Charles R. Parkinson...Mrs. Ida M. Parkinson (wife) 629 E. 57th  
St., N. Portland, Oregon.  
Sergeant Arthur T. Byers...Mrs. Isabelle G. Byers (wife) 11816 Ontario Ave.,  
Niagara Falls, N.Y.  
Corporal John P. Gross...Mrs. Grace Mildred Gross (wife) 144 W. 126th St.,  
New York, N.Y.  
Sergeant James C. Glencross...Mrs. Minnie T. Glencross (wife) 68 Longfellow  
Road, Wellesley Hills, Mass.  
Private 1/c1 Harold G. Glass...Mrs. Matilda Glass (mother), 323 Bergenline  
Ave., Union Hill, N.J.  
Private Ira V. Holdridge...Mrs. Ira G. Holdridge (mother) Mount Clare, Nebr.  
Private 1/c1 Nathan M. Webster...Mrs. G. N. Webster (mother), 116 Main St.,  
Groveland, Mass.

(continued)

293.3-Gen. #26911-(Gough, Arthur W. Capt.)  
#36809-(Parkinson, Charles R. 1st Lieut.)  
#39761-(Byers, Arthur T. Sgt.)  
#29487-(Gross, John P. Corp.)  
#29782-(Glencross, James C. Sgt.)  
#102703-(Glass, Harold G. Pvt. 1/c)  
#29907-(Hollidge, Ira V. Pvt.)  
#34922-(Webster, Nathan W. Pvt. 1/a)  
#23933-(Davison, Lonnie Pvt.)  
#24068-(Sizer, Earl H. Pvt.)  
#32960-(Carter, Percy G. Pvt.)  
#39521-(Purse, Frank M. Pvt.)

Private Lonnie Davison..Mr. Anon Davison, (father), Parr, Ind.  
Pvt. Earl H. Sizer.....Mrs. Emma Sizer, Holland Patent, N.Y.  
Pvt. Percy G. Carter.....Mr. Ernest G. Carter, (father) Sheldon, N.D.  
Pvt. Frank M. Purse.....Mr. Joseph K. Purse, (father) 803 Washington  
Ave., Oil City, Pa.

3. For your information you are advised that the remains of our soldier dead are being returned only where requests for such action have been filed in this office by the legal next of kin, who is determined according to the provisions of paragraph 7, of the inclosed Cemeterial Division Bulletin No. 10-R-N.

By authority of the Quartermaster General:

LM

CHARLES J. WYMER,  
2nd Lieut. Q.M.C.

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HM

File Number 39761

TO: REGISTRATION BRANCH, G. R. S.

Date 1-21-21

FROM: INQUIRY BRANCH.

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

NAME: Byers

Serial Number

RANK: Sgt.

ORGANIZATION: 317th Unit Pan.

No.	QUESTION	REPLY
1.	Do particulars of soldiers given above agree with records?	No - Byers, Arthur J. #1680182. Co. C. - 317th Sig. Bn.
2.	Date of death.	(2) 10-13-18
3.	Cause and place of death.	(3) Lobar Pneumonia
4.	Number of casualty cablegram.	(4) 296
5.	Date buried.	(5) 10-15-18
6.	Grave location. (a) Complete record required. (b) Name of cemetery or commune only required. (c) Note reinterments.	(6) Grave 166, Sec. E, Plot 4, Amer. Cty. #677, Vaubecourt, Meuse.
7.	Who reported burial?	(7) a. yes b. yes.
8.	Confirmed by G. R. S.?	(8) Yes
9.	Report as to grave marker.	(9) Yes
10.	Identification tags: (a) Buried with body? (b) Attached to grave marker?	(10) Mrs. Isabelle J. Byers (wife) 1018 Niagara Ave., Niagara Falls, N.Y.
11.	Complete emergency address?	(11) 1-17-19.
12.	Has been notified? (Give date.)	(12) 1-17-19.
13.	Report the exact position of your inquiry on this case. (Reply in all cases if no information on record.)	(13) D-29729
14.	What is the photograph number?	(14) D-29729
15.	Inquiry made by.	(15) M.M.E.

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

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..... Unconfirmed.

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WAR DEPARTMENT  
CEMETERIAL DIVISION, GRAVES REGISTRATION SERVICE,  
PIER #2, HOBOKEN, N.J.

JANUARY 14, 1921.

File No. 293.8 Cem.Div., Cor.Branch.

Memorandum for:

Chief, Cemeterial Division, O.Q.M.G.,  
Munitions Building, Washington, D.C.

Subject: Correspondence referred for reply.

1. The attached communication dated January 7, 1921, relative to the remains of the following deceased soldiers is referred to your office for reply:

Capt. Arthur W. Cough	Sgt. Glencross	Davisson, Lonnie
Lieut. Parkinson	Pvt. Glass	Sizer, Earl H.
Sgt. Byers	Pvt. Holdridge	Carter, Percy Geo.
Corp. Gross	Webster, Nathan M.	Purse, Frank Marral.

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

BY:

J. F. Butler,  
1st Lieut. Infantry.

1 incl.

(copy)  
of letter

HOWSON AND HOWSON  
Liberty Tower 55 Liberty St.  
New York Jan. 7, 1921.

Graves Registration Service,  
Army Pier No. 2,  
Hoboken, New Jersey.

Gentlemen:

The association composed of men from my old  
army unit, the 317th Unit Battalion, has asked me to keep  
track of the return of the bodies of former members of our  
unit, as they return from France and to take any action  
which may seem appropriate. The names of men are as follows:

Capt. Arthur W. Gough	Sgt. Glencross	Davisson, Lonnie
Lieut. Parkinson	Pvt. Glass	Sizer, Earl H.
Sgt. Byers	Pvt. Holdridge	Carter, Percy Geo.
Corp. Gross,	Webster, Nathan M.	Purse, Frank Marral

Will you please tell me further data you require  
or how I should go about getting this information?

FORMER SUPPLY OFFICER, 317th F.S.Bn.

Hubert A. Howson

HAH/M

*(copy)  
of letter*

Address reply to  
DIRECTOR OF PURCHASE & STORAGE  
Munitions Building

WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR OF PURCHASE AND STORAGE  
WASHINGTON

39764 B  
March 19th, 1920

39761 Inquiry ( Byers, Arthur T. Sgt. )  
The Quartermaster General, U. S. Army (Cemeterial Division)  
Mrs. Isabelle G. Byers, 1816 Ontario Ave., Niagara Falls, N.Y.  
Sergeant Arthur T. Byers.

1. In reply to your letter of March 10th, 1920, referred to this office by the Office of the Secretary of War, you are advised that notation has been made of the cancellation of your former request for the return to the United States of the remains of your husband, Sergeant Arthur Ivan Byers, and record has been made of your request that the remains of this soldier be permanently interred in France.

2. No further action on the part of the relatives of this soldier will be necessary to secure the fulfillment of their desires.

By authority of the Quartermaster General:

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

By:

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

WCS: AAN

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MAR 23 1920

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

Date **3/17/20**

FROM:- INQUIRY BRANCH.

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

NAME **BYERS - Arthur Ivan**

Serial Number

RANK

ORGANIZATION

NO	QUESTION	REPLY
1.	Do particulars of soldiers given above agree with Records?	1) "Arthur T. #1680182 Rgt. Co. C. 317 th. Sig. Bn.
2.	Date of Death.	2) 10-13-18
3.	Cause and place of death	3) Lobar pneumonia
4.	Number of Casualty Cablegram	4) 296
5.	Date buried	5) 10-15-18
6.	Grave Location. (a) Complete record required. (b) Name of Cemetery or Commune only required. (c) Note reinterments.	6) Ivan #166 - Sec. E - Plot 4 - Am. Cty 677 - Vanderpoort, Meigs. ✓
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 (b) yes.
11.	Complete Emergency Address?	11) Mrs. Isabelle S. Byers (wife) 1013 - Niagara Ave. Niagara Falls N.Y.
12.	Has above been notified? (Give date)	12) 1-17-19-
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) D-29729
15.	Inquiry made by?	

*request yes wife*

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

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Cards 4 x 6

*EFH*  
*JH*



X  
Niagara Falls, N. Y.,  
March 10, 1920.

Gentlemen:

Will you please advise me what department to notify that I have changed my mind about having the body of my deceased husband returned from France? Or if it is too late for such a notification?

I should much prefer that the body be placed in an American National Cemetery in that country and consider it a sacrilege to transport it across the ocean.



His name was Arthur Ivan Byers.  
He died in France - Oct. 13, 1918.

Grave number 166.

If you are not the proper authorities for this information, kindly notify me.

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