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To The A. G. O.

G.R.S. Form #114-B

JAN 7 - 1926

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FULL NAME *CARPENTER, Walter W.*

RANK *Private* SERIAL *2100508*

DIVISION & ORGANIZATION *Company E, 47th Infantry* *7 Don*

DATE OF DEATH *7-7-18*

STATE FROM WHICH HE CAME *Ill*

MEDALS OR DECORATIONS AWARDED *none*

FINAL GRAVE LOCATION.....	16	18	B
	Date	Grave	Row
			Block

608  
Cemetery

*Walker*

Rec'd World War Div.  
5 MAR 12 1928  
23/306/ARK

A.G.O.  
JAN 7 1926  
WORLD WAR DIV.

*Walker*  
*82-13-29*  
AUDITED BY  
LOR 7-29-24  
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STATIONER  
JAN 12  
M. & R. BRANON  
O. Q. M. G.  
STATIONER

Co E, 47th Infantry.  
4th Division.

Carpenter, Walter.--Pvt. 2100508.  
Home no address given.....

Killed in action Aug. 3rd, 1918 on the Vesle River near St. Thibaut, France  
Buried by the burial officer of the 77th Div.

No eye witnesses, Killed along Vesle, before Bazoches, Aug. 7 or 8, 1918.

No informant given.....

Signed. H.F. Martin. 1st Lt. 47th Inf.

CODE SLIP



HEADING	SUB-HEADING	NO. OF COLS	CODE
NAME <i>Carpenter,</i>	<i>CAR</i>	3	<i>318</i>
<i>Walter N.</i>	CEMETERY <i>608</i>	1	<i>2</i>
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	ROW <i>18</i>	2	<i>18</i>
	BLOCK <i>B</i>	1	<i>2</i>
STATE	<i>Illinois</i>	2	<i>13</i>
RANK	<i>Priv</i>	1	<i>2</i>
DIVISION	<i>4</i>	2	<i>04</i>
ORGANIZATION	<i>47</i>	3	<i>047</i>
ARM	<i>Inf</i>	1	<i>1</i>
MARTIAL	<i>No</i>	1	<i>2</i>
NAME <i>Carpentier,</i>	<i>CAR</i>	5	<i>318</i>
<i>Mrs. Rosa</i>	STATE <i>Ind</i>	2	<i>15</i>
RESIDENCE	COUNTY <i>Clay</i>	2	<i>11</i>
	CITY <i>Brazil</i>	3	<i>012</i>
RELATION	<i>Mother</i>	1	<i>1</i>
OTHER		1	
ELIGIBILITY	<i>yes</i>	1	<i>1</i>
NATIVITY		1	
RACE		1	
ENGLISH	<i>No</i>	1	<i>2</i>
ATTENDANT		1	
HEALTH	<i>Bad</i>	1	<i>2</i>
NO. OF SONS		1	
DATE OF TRIP	MO.	1	
	YR.	1	
ACCEPTANCE		1	<i>2</i>
29/514/PJ <i>mb</i>	<i>no age</i>		<i>64</i>

**AUDITED**  
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*Y.F.*

WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-M

Carpenter, Walter W. (OA)

July 11, 1932.

Mrs. Rosa Carpentier,  
R. R. #3, Box 207,  
Brazil, Ind.

Dear Madam:

The Act of Congress of March 2, 1929, as amended May 15, 1930, authorizes pilgrimages to the cemeteries of Europe during the years 1930, 1931, 1932 and 1933 for the mothers and widows of deceased members of the American forces who were lost or buried at sea or whose remains are interred in Europe.

Your attention is particularly invited to the fact that this is the last opportunity you will have to make the pilgrimage under the provisions of the above mentioned Act. Unless you take advantage of this LAST chance to make a trip in 1933 you will receive no benefit from the Act. There is no provision of law which will permit the Government to make a money allowance to any mother or widow who does not choose to make the pilgrimage.

IT IS REQUESTED THAT YOU GIVE THE MATTER YOUR MOST CAREFUL CONSIDERATION BEFORE REACHING A DECISION, BEARING IN MIND THAT THIS IS THE LAST OPPORTUNITY YOU WILL HAVE TO MAKE THE TRIP AT GOVERNMENT EXPENSE.

In order to assure proper and satisfactory accommodations for the mothers and widows making the journey in 1933, reservations for steamship transportation must be made by this office several months in advance. It is requested that you answer the questions below by writing "Yes" or "No" or "Undecided" in the blank space following the question. When you have answered the question, sign your name and return this sheet in the enclosed addressed envelope which requires no postage. PLEASE DO NOT DELAY, as it is essential that the information be in this office promptly.

This letter is being sent to all eligible mothers and widows who did not make the pilgrimage during the years 1930, 1931 or 1932. There is enclosed a circular of information WHICH YOU SHOULD READ VERY CAREFULLY BEFORE MAKING YOUR DECISION.

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,



CHAS. W. DIETZ,  
Captain, Q. M. Corps,  
Assistant.

2 Encls.

DO YOU DESIRE TO MAKE A PILGRIMAGE DURING THE YEAR 1933?

No  
(Write answer here)

(Sign here)

Mrs Rosa Carpentier

QM 293 A-M  
Carpenter, Walter W. (OA)

January 12, 1932

Mrs. Rosa Carpentier,  
R. R. #3, Box #207,  
Brasil, Indiana.

Dear Madam:

Reference is made to correspondence forwarded you from this office relative to a pilgrimage to the grave of your son, the late Private Walter W. Carpenter. In reply to a questionnaire you advised that you did not desire to make a pilgrimage during the summer of 1932.

It is noted you previously stated your health was poor, and in this connection you are advised that personnel to care for your comfort and needs will be provided, and doctors and nurses will be available. During the past two years many mothers who were in poor health and of advanced age made the pilgrimage and appeared to have benefited by the sea air and the excellent care they received. o

In the event you change your mind and desire to visit your son's grave during the coming summer, it is requested that you so notify this office. Should you make a pilgrimage you are assured that the journey will not only be made at the expense of the Government but that everything possible for your comfort and welfare will be provided.

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-AM  
Carpenter, Walter W. Pvt.(OA) M

June 20, 1931

Mrs. Rosa Carpenter,  
R R #3, Box 207,  
Brazil, Ind.

Dear Madam:

Arrangements are now being made for conducting pilgrimages during the year 1932 to the cemeteries in Europe under the provisions of the Act of Congress of March 2, 1929, as amended.

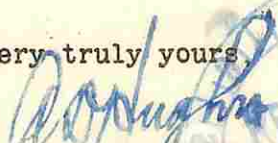
To assure proper and satisfactory accommodations, reservations for steamship transportation required during the summer of 1932 must be made by this office not later than August 1st of this year. It is therefore desired that you answer the question below by writing either of the words "Yes", "No", or "Undecided" in the blank space following the question.

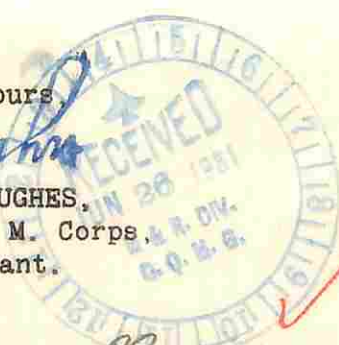
As soon as you have answered the question, please sign your name and return this sheet in the enclosed addressed envelope which requires no postage. Do not delay, as a prompt reply is essential.

This letter is being sent to all eligible mothers and widows who did not make a pilgrimage at the expense of the Government during 1930 and are not making the journey in 1931.

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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



DO YOU DESIRE TO MAKE A PILGRIMAGE DURING THE YEAR 1932?

No  
Write answer here

Mrs Rosa Carpenter  
Sign here

WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-M  
Carpenter, Walter W., Pvt. (OA) M

May 6, 1931. ✓

Mrs. Rosa Carpenter,  
Route #3, Box 207,  
Brazil, Indiana. *Singer*

Dear Madam:

In order that the records of this office may be complete and correct, it is requested that you advise whether or not your son, the late Private Walter W. Carpenter, was married and is survived by a widow, and if so, please furnish her name and address.

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

For The Quartermaster General.

Very truly yours,

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

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WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

May 8, 1931

IN REPLY REFER TO  
M 293 A-M  
Department, Walter W. Carpenter, Pvt. (OA) M

May 11, 1931  
R.F.D. 3 - Box 207  
Brazil, Indiana

Quartermaster General,  
Washington D.C.

Dear Madam:

Dear Sir;

Regarding your inquiry of  
Private Walter W. Carpenter. Must advise that  
he was never married, and that no widow  
survives.

Yours Very Truly  
x Mrs Rosa Carpenter

*[Signature]*  
Captain R. M. G. G.  
Assistant

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Carpenter, Walter W., Private (OA) M.



WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

June 7, 1930

Carpenter, Walter W. 608 M

Mrs. Rosa Carpenter,  
R.R. #3, Box 207,  
Brazil, Ind.

Dear Madam:

Arrangements are now being made for conducting pilgrimages during the year 1931, to the cemeteries in Europe under the provisions of the Act of Congress of March 2, 1929.

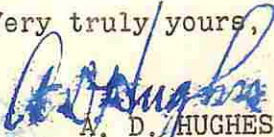
To assure proper and satisfactory accommodations, reservations for steamship transportation required during the summer of 1931 must be made by this office not later than August 1st of this year. It is therefore desired that you answer the question below by writing the word "Yes" or "No" in the blank space following the question.

As soon as you have answered the question, please sign your name and return this sheet in the enclosed addressed envelope, which requires no postage. Do not delay, as a prompt reply is essential.


This letter is being sent to all mothers and widows who are not making the pilgrimage in 1930, regardless of whether or not they have expressed a desire to make the pilgrimage.

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

DO YOU DESIRE TO MAKE THE PILGRIMAGE DURING THE YEAR 1931? No ✓  
(Write answer here)

  
Mrs. Rosa Carpenter  
(Sign here)

WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C  
Carpenter, Walter W. 608 M

October 7, 1929.

**Mrs. Rosa Carpenter,**  
R. R. #3, Box 207,  
Brazil, Ind.

Dear Madam:

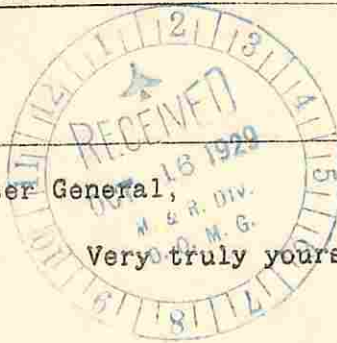
The Act of Congress which provides for pilgrimages to cemeteries in Europe by mothers and widows of members of the military or naval forces of the United States who died in the military or naval service at any time between April 5, 1917 and July 1, 1921, and whose remains are now interred in such cemeteries, 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?	<del>(Yes)</del> (No)
2. Do you desire to make the pilgrimage in the calendar year 1930?	<del>(Yes)</del> (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?	<del>(Yes)</del> (No)
4. Please give your age and state of health.	Age . Health 66 (Years) ( <del>Good</del> ) (Poor)
5. What language do you speak?	English - ( <del>Yes</del> ) (No) Other language <i>French.</i> (Specify language spoken)

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

Carpenter, Walter W.  
608

Aug. 29, 1929.

Mrs. Rosa Carpenter,  
RFD#3, Box 207,  
Brasil, Ind.

Dear Madam:

The records of this office do not indicate that a reply has been received to our communication dated June 24, 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?

Mrs. Rosa Carpenter  
RR. 3 Box 207  
Brasil  
Indiana  
Mother  
No

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C  
Carpenter, Walter W.

June 24, 1929.

Mrs. Rosa Carpenter,  
RFD #3, Box 207,  
Brazil, Ind.

Dear Madam:

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

The records of this office show that you are the mother of the late Private Walter W. Carpenter, Co. E., 47th Inf., whose remains are now interred in the Oise-Aisne American Cemetery, Seringes-et-Nesles, Aisne, France.

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

January 12, 1932

Mrs. Rosa Carpentier,  
R. R. #3, Box #207,  
Brazil, Indiana.

Dear Madam:

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In the event you change your mind and desire to visit your son's grave during the coming summer, it is requested that you so notify this office. Should you make a pilgrimage you are assured that the journey will not only be made at the expense of the Government but that everything possible for your comfort and welfare will be provided.

For The Quartermaster General.

Very truly yours,

A. D. HUGHES,  
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Assistant.

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OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-M

Carpenter, Walter W. (OA)

July 11, 1932.

Mrs. Rosa Carpentier,  
R. R. #8, Box 207,  
Brasil, Ind.

Dear Madam:

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CHAS. W. DIETZ,  
Captain, Q. M. Corps,  
Assistant.

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DO YOU DESIRE TO MAKE A PILGRIMAGE DURING THE YEAR 1933? \_\_\_\_\_

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(Sign here) \_\_\_\_\_

WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM-293-AM

June 20, 1931

Carpenter, Walter W. Pvt.(OA) M

Mrs. Rosa Carpenter,  
R R #3, Box 207,  
Brazil, Ind.

Dear Madam:

Arrangements are now being made for conducting pilgrimages during the year 1932 to the cemeteries in Europe under the provisions of the Act of Congress of March 2, 1929, as amended.

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Captain, Q. M. Corps,  
Assistant.

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QM 293 A-M  
Carpenter, Walter W., Pvt. (OA) M

May 6, 1931.

Mrs. Rosa Carpenter,  
Route #3, Box 207,  
Brazil, Indiana.

Dear Madam:

In order that the records of this office may be complete and correct, it is requested that you advise whether or not your son, the late Private Walter W. Carpenter, was married and is survived by a widow, and if so please furnish her name and address.

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

For The Quartermaster General.

Very truly yours,

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

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WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
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IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C  
Carpenter, Walter W. 608 M

June 7, 1930

Mrs. Ross Carpenter,  
R.H. #3, Box 207,  
Brazil, Ind.

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For The Quartermaster General,

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

DO YOU DESIRE TO MAKE THE PILGRIMAGE DURING THE YEAR 1931? \_\_\_\_\_  
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(Sign here)

WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C  
Carpenter, Walter W. 608 M

October 7, 1929.

Mrs. Rosa Carpenter,  
R. R. #3, Box 207,  
Brazil, Ind.

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.

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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,

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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

Carpenter, Walter W.  
608

Aug. 29, 1929.

Mrs. Rosa Carpenter,  
RFD#3, Box 207,  
Brazil, Ind.

Dear Madam:

The records of this office do not indicate that a reply has been received to our communication dated June 24, 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?

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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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WAR DEPARTMENT  
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IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

Carpenter, Walter W.

June 24 , 1929.

Mrs. Rosa Carpenter,  
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JOHN T. HARRIS,  
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Assistant.

G.R.S. FORM #114-A.

STATION Seringes-et-Nesles, Aisne

To be prepared in triplicate.

DATE January 27, 1928.

## REPORT OF DISINTERMENT, PREPARATION, SHIPMENT AND REBURIAL OF BODY

## DISINTERMENT

## COMPARATIVE REPORT

Records of G.R.S. Headquarters.

Discrepancy found upon exhumation of body

1. Name CARPENTER, Walter W. *del* 10. Name \_\_\_\_\_  
 2. No. 2100508 11. No. \_\_\_\_\_  
 3. Rank Pvt. 12. Rank \_\_\_\_\_  
 4. Org. Co. E. 47th Inf. 4th Div. 13. Org. \_\_\_\_\_  
 5. D.D. Aug. 15, 1918 14. (a) D.D. \_\_\_\_\_  
 6. C.D. K.I.A. (b) D.B. \_\_\_\_\_

Discrepancy found upon disinterment

7. Grave No. 16 Sec. \_\_\_\_\_ 15. Grave No. \_\_\_\_\_ Sec. \_\_\_\_\_  
 8. Plot Block B Row 18 16. Plot \_\_\_\_\_ Row \_\_\_\_\_  
 9. \_\_\_\_\_ 17. \_\_\_\_\_  
 18. Cemetery Oise-Aisne 19. Commune or town Seringes-et-Nesles  
 20. Dept. or County Aisne 21. Country France  
 22. G.R.S. Hdqrs. Code No. 608  
 23. Disinterred (Date) January 27, 1928 By P. N. McCabe  
 24. Inscription on grave marker:  
 Name CARPENTER, Walter W. Serial No. 2100508  
 Rank Pvt. Organization Co. E. 47th Inf.  
 25. Was identification disc found on grave marker? no On body? no

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).  
Five ten centime pieces, bronze. One silver franc piece, French. One five cent piece, nickel, U.S.A., (forwarded)  
 27. Condition of body \_\_\_\_\_  
 28. Nature of burial Pine box and burlap  
 29. Any discrepancy noted upon examination of body, as compared with G.R.S. records quoted above? \_\_\_\_\_  
 30. Body prepared and placed in casket: Date January 27, 1928 By P. N. McCabe  
 31. Casket sealed by P. N. McCabe

Signature of Embalmer, (Supervisor)

*P. N. McCabe*  
 P. N. McCabe

SHIPMENT. (Show actual marking of box.) Box No. \_\_\_\_\_

32. Designation of body: \_\_\_\_\_

Name CARPENTER, Walter W. Serial No. 2100508

Rank Pvt. Organization Co. E. 47th Inf.

33. Consigned to: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Permanent Cemetery Oise-Aisne Cty., Seringes-et-Nesles, Aisne

34. Casket boxed and marked (Date) January 27, 1928 By C. E. Spahn

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 C. E. Spahn

36. Remarks \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

37. Shipped from point of Operation: (Date) \_\_\_\_\_

To point of Concentration \_\_\_\_\_ (Name)

Convoyer \_\_\_\_\_ Signature Shipping Officer \_\_\_\_\_

38. Received at Railhead or Point of Concentration: Date \_\_\_\_\_

By G.R.S. Representative \_\_\_\_\_

39. Shipped from Railhead or Point of Concentration: Date \_\_\_\_\_

To Permanent Cemetery \_\_\_\_\_ (Name)

Convoyer \_\_\_\_\_ Signature Shipping Officer \_\_\_\_\_

40. Received: Date \_\_\_\_\_

G.R.S. Representative \_\_\_\_\_

41. Reinterred January 27, 1928, Oise-Aisne American Cty.  
(Date)

42. Grave No. 16 Section \_\_\_\_\_

43. Plot Block B Row 18

G.R.S. Representative William E. Moore

William E. Moore, Superintendent

Place One-Aisne Cty. 608

# REPORT OF DISINTERMENT AND REBURIAL

Date January 27, 1928

1. REMAINS OF CARPENTER, Walter W. SERIAL NUMBER 2100508

RANK Private ORGANIZATION Co. E, 47th Inf.

2. Disinterred (date): January 27, 1928 From (give complete location):  
Grave 16, Block B, Row 18

By: Group Cty. Unit \_\_\_\_\_

3. Reburied (date): January 28, 1928 In (give complete location):  
Grave 16, Block B, Row 18

By: Group Cty. Unit \_\_\_\_\_ Nature of reburial Box

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

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

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

Five ten centime pieces, bronze. One silver franc piece, French. One five cent piece, nickle, U.S.A., (Forwarded).

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

(a) Height (actual measurement) \_\_\_\_\_

(b) Weight (estimated) \_\_\_\_\_

(c) Hair—Color \_\_\_\_\_

Quantity \_\_\_\_\_

Characteristics \_\_\_\_\_

(d) Hair on face—Color \_\_\_\_\_

Location \_\_\_\_\_

Quantity \_\_\_\_\_

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

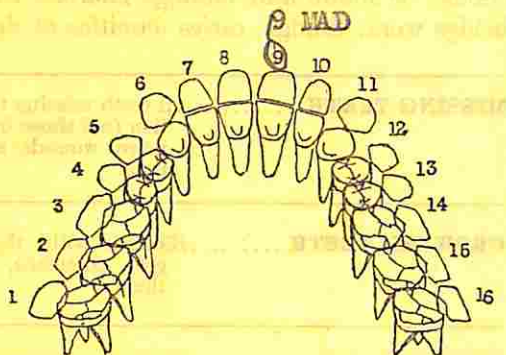
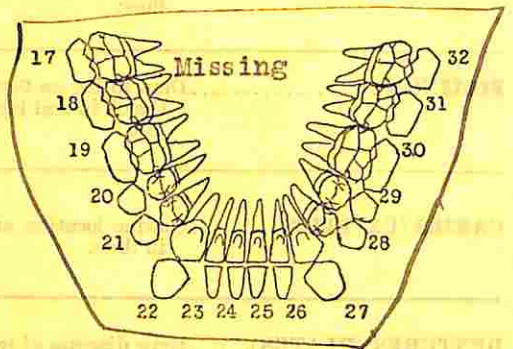


Diagram represents the mouth wide open.



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

Lower jaw missing, Right and left fibula fractured, centfe.

7. Disinterment supervised by P. H. ...

Approved: [Signature]  
(Title) ...

8. Reburial supervised by [Signature]

Approved: \_\_\_\_\_  
(Title) ...






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

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

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

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

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

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.

Form 87-A  
*6/14 1675*

WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

Date June 13, 1927

SUBJECT: Information required for Cemeterial Division.

TO: The Adjutant General of the Army, World War Division, Washington, D. C.

1. It is requested that the items checked below be completed:

- a. Surname Carpenter h. Date of death 8-7-18
- b. Christian name Walter W. i. Authority Det WD April 2/21
- c. Serial number 2100508 j. Cause of death R.I.A.
- d. Organization Co. E, 47 Inf k. Place of death \_\_\_\_\_
- e. Rank Plt. l. Place of burial \_\_\_\_\_
- f. Emergency Address \_\_\_\_\_ m. Date of discharge \_\_\_\_\_
- g. Place of enlistment or induction Benton, Ill n. Date of enlistment Inducted
- o. Date of induction Sept 19/17
- p. List of organizations with which he served 11 Co 159 5th; Co C 346 Inf
- q. Ranks held Plt Co E 47 Inf

BODY DESCRIPTION

- a. Age at enlistment 25 1/2 d. Height 5 ft 3 ins
- b. Shoe size 6 1/2 C e. Weight 126 1/2 lbs
- c. Color of hair Brown f. Fractures or breaks no record

DENTAL CHARTS

At camp

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

*no record*

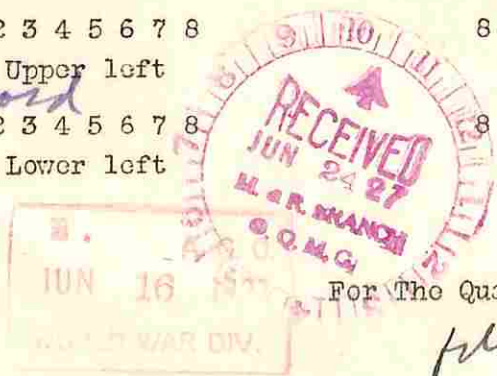
By Local Board

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

*no teeth missing*

The Adjutant General,  
Major General,  
The Adjutant General,

For The Quartermaster General:



*By [Signature] 8 NOV*  
*[Signature]*

27/354/  
*rm 2106*

*filed of 24/25*



SERIGNES ET NESTLES (Aine)

Place Mer. Cty. 608

Date April 21, 1921.

### REPORT OF DISINTERMENT AND REBURIAL

1. REMAINS OF ✓ CARPENTER, WALTER W. SERIAL NUMBER 2100508  
 RANK Pvt ORGANIZATION Co.E, 47th Inf.

2. Disinterred (date): April 21, 1921. From (give complete location): Grave 184, Sec.B, Plot 4.

By: Group Bosse's Unit FIELD SECTION #7

3. Reburied (date): April 21, 1921. In (give complete location): Grave 184, Sec. B, Plot 4.

By: Group Bosse's Unit FIELD SECTION #7 Nature of reburial Pine Box and Burlap

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

BADLY DECOMPOSED FEATURES UNRECOGNIZABLE

US Uniform, Burlap and Pine Box.

5. (a) Identification tags: Buried with body? NO On grave marker? YES

(b) Other means of identification found upon disinterment, and general remarks:  
Miscellaneous copper coins <sup>of small value</sup> found on body, and reburied with it.

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Quantity \_\_\_\_\_

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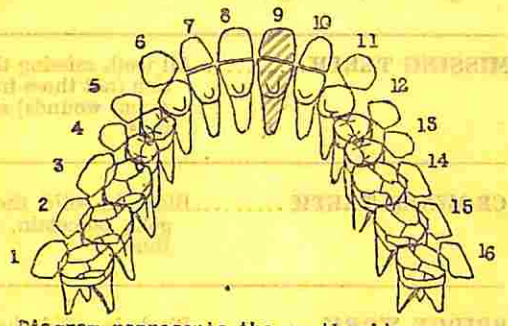
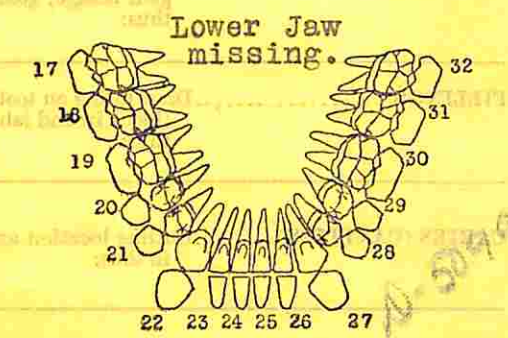


Diagram represents the mouth wide open.



Lower Jaw missing.

IMPOSSIBLE TO DETERMINE

9- Missing After Death.

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

Lower Jaw Missing. Both Fibulae fractured. Both hip bones fractured. Extra bones found with body, and reburied with it: two feet and right tibia.

7. Disinterment supervised by Henry A Bosse Approved: H.S. Harpole  
H. V. Bosse, Sup.Emb. (Title) H.S. Harpole, 1st Lt., QMC

8. Reburial supervised by Henry A Bosse Approved: H.S. Harpole  
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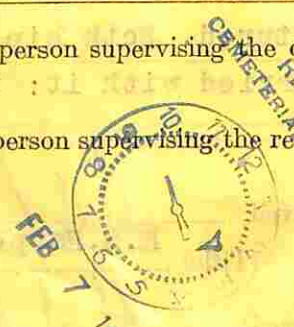
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K9a 8/3-13 ee 312 JHW 12/13

# GRAVE LOCATION BLANK

LOCATION OF THE GRAVE OF

**Carpenter,**..... **2 100 508**..... **Walter**.....  
(Surname.) (Number.) (First Name and Initials.)

..... **Co. E. 47th Inf.**.....  
(Rank.) (Organization.)

DATE OF BURIAL..... **September 12, 1918**.....

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

..... **river from chateau at Bazoches**.....  
..... **201.00 - 286.4**.....

GRAVE NUMBER..... **28**.....

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:

REPORTED BY:

..... **Chaplain Voorsanger, H.Q.**..... **77th Division**.....  
(Signature and Rank of Reporting Officer.)

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

Date June 2, 1919REPORT OF DISINTERMENT AND REBURIAL.

Remains of:

Name: Walter CarpenterNumber: 2100508Rank: ? Organization: ?Disinterment and Reburial made by Group 1 Unit 304Disinterred (Date) June 2, 1919 From (Give complete location)From Grave No. 5 Cemetery #20-Forsberg33SE E201.15 N286.50Reburied (Date) June 2, 1919 in: (Give complete location)Grave #184 Plot #4 Section B Cemetery #2-CarrMap #33 Soissons SE Seringes-En-Nesle (Aisne)

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

Buried 3 feet deep- Body badly decomposedWas one identification tag found upon the body? None one on crossWhat other means of identification were found upon the body? None

Note:

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

Supervised by: Cpl. R.N. White1st. Lieut. O.W. ForsbergC.O. Group 1 Unit 304CONFIRMED N°D  
11237

Date: June 8, 1918

REPORT OF DISINTERMENT AND REBURIAL

Remains of:

8100808

Number:

Name: Walter Carpenter

Rank: ? Organization: ?

Disinterment and Reburial made by Group I Unit 304

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

From Grave No. 5 Cemetery #20-Toroboro

Grave #184 Section B Cemetery #20-Toroboro

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

Grave #184 Section B Cemetery #20-Toroboro

Map #33 Bolsonas St. Bolsonas-De-Nova (Name)

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

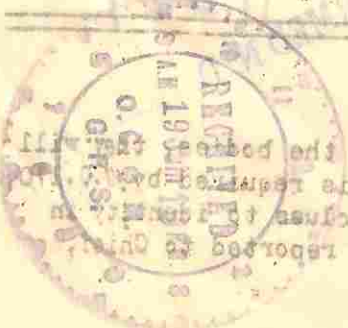
Body badly decomposed

Was one identification tag found upon the body? None one on cross

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

Note:

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Supervised by: Col. R. N. White

Attest: Capt. W. H. Toroboro

G. O. Group I Unit 304

Carpenter, Walter W. 2,100,508  
(Surname.) (Christian name in full.) (Army serial number.)

Pvt Co E 47 Inf  
(Rank and organization.)

State your relationship to the deceased

Father & Mother

Do you desire the remains brought to the United States?

No

(Yes or no.)

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

(Yes or no.)

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

(Name of person to receive remains.) (Express office.) (Telegraph office.)

(Number and street.) (City or town.) (State.)

(Sign here)

John Carpenter

RR 3 - B 207

Brazil

Indiana

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

Read carefully the letter accompanying this card.

Letter sent to:

Mr. John Carpenter,

R.F.D. 3, Box 5,

Brazil, Ind.

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OSP SS.

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WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

QM 293 A-C

CARPENTER, Walter W. - Pvt.

November 3, 1925

Mr. John Carpenter,  
Box 207, R.F.D. #3,  
Brazil, Indiana.

Dear Sir:

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

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

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

Very truly yours,

L.W. REDINGTON,  
Major, G.H.C.,  
Assistant.

1 Incl.  
Record card.

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YSL



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# COMPILATION OF DISPOSITION OF REMAINS DATA

File # 17912 ✓

I. LOCATION INDEX CARD:

(a) Name CARPENTER, Walter W. Ser. No. 2100508  
(b) Rank Pvt. Organization Co. E, 47th Inf.  
(c) Date of death 8/3/13/18 (d) Cause of death K/A

TYP. EK  
CKR. SH

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

(a) Grave No. 184 Row -- Plot 4 Sec. B TYP. EK  
(b) Emerg. Address John Carpenter (father) RFD #3, Brazil, Ind.

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

IV. A. G. O. DISPOSITION CARD:

Date of receipt ---

(a) Name John Carpenter (b) Relationship parents  
(c) Address Brazil Ind RFD #3 B. 207  
(d) Remains to be brought to U. S.? no  
(e) To be interred in National Cemetery in U. S. at ---

(f) Shipping instructions upon arrival of body in U. S. ---

(g) Disposition instructions if not brought to U. S. ---

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

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

---, dated ---

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

no corres

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

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

No correspondence in file

(a) Cancellation memos referred to? yes all

Examiner's Initials GH Date 12-14, 1920.

COUNTRY France CEMETERY No. 608 SHEET No. 481

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

3-720

Make Form No. 114

FORM 115 - A COMPLETED

JAN 24 1921 AP

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Reviewed 3/25/21 G.P.  
checked  
see 12-14-20  
CC

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

Typed by \_\_\_\_\_, Checked by \_\_\_\_\_, **MAR 17 1921**, 1920.

VIII. FINAL ACTION:

Following advice forwarded to Europe by

cable on \_\_\_\_\_, 1920

letter on **JAN 15 1921**, 1920

REFUGEE DIVISION  
GENERAL PROJECT SUB-SEC.

**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:

*2-4-21 Form 120 - Mr. + Mrs. John Carpenter, father (next of kin) and mother, R.R. 3, Box 207, Brazil, Ind. wish body to remain in Europe. A-2-28-21 m m c.*

**FORM 115 RETURNED BY HOBOKEN - DEPT  
TO REMAIN IN EUROPE.**

*Investigation made by this office and given location shown on Form 115 to correct.*  
*DB 4/25/22*

March 12, 1921.

File No. 293.8 Cem.Div.Cor.Br.  
(CARPENTER, Walter W.)

Mr. & Mrs. John Carpenter,  
R. R. #3, Box #207,  
Brazil, Indiana.

My dear Mr. and Mrs. Carpenter,

Receipt of shipping inquiry dated February 4th, 1921, relative to the remains of your son, the late Private Walter W. Carpenter, serial number 2100508, Company E, 47th Infantry, is acknowledged.

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

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

By authority of the Quartermaster General:

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

BY:

F. C. PALLAS,  
Executive Assistant.

MAILED  
ff/c  
MAR 16 1921  
COR. BR. G. R. S.

WAR DEPARTMENT

OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL OF THE ARMY

CEMETERIAL DIVISION

WASHINGTON

Hoboken, N. J.

FEB 2 1921

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

To: Mr. John Carpenter, Brazil, Ind., R.R. #3, Box 207

SUBJECT: Remains of Pvt. Walter W. Carpenter, Ser. No. 2100508, Co. E, 47th Inf.

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

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

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

By authority of the Quartermaster General.

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

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

Was soldier married? No

NAME OF—	NO. AND STREET.	TOWN.	STATE.
Soldier's widow			
Soldier's children. (Name oldest first.)			
Father	<u>RR 3 BH 207</u>	<u>Brazil</u>	<u>Indiana</u>
Mother	<u>RR 3 BH 207</u>	<u>Brazil</u>	<u>Indiana</u>
Brothers. (Name oldest first.)	<u>Noted 7115</u>		
Sisters. (Name oldest first.)	<u>2-28-21 M M C</u>		

Date February 4, 1921

Signature Mr Mrs John Carpenter

Address RR 3 BH 207

Relationship Father & Mother

February 4, 1921

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

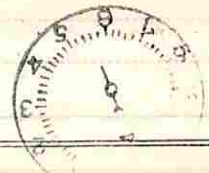
1. As stated on first page of this sheet.

2. To be returned to the U. S. and shipped to \_\_\_\_\_ (Name.)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(R. R. station.) \_\_\_\_\_ (State.)

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

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



Signature Mr Mrs John Carpenter

**INSTRUCTIONS FOR FILLING OUT.**

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

9. Use the inclosed envelope—pay no postage.

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



*FILE UNDER NO.* 17912, Carpenter, Walter

## INDEX SHEET

### SYNOPSIS

See Board of Review Proceedings dated 8/20/21 and reply thereto. The letter referred to above and the Board of Review Proceedings dated 8/10/21, which are held in this Department pending completion of their cases, will be filed in File #300.4, Board of Review, Cty. 608.

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INSTRUCTIONS.—Under "Synopsis" make brief entry showing date of communication and from whom received and synopsis sufficient to identify the papers. When these index sheets become numerous under a subject they will be entered on the consolidated index sheet and then destroyed.

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WAR DEPARTMENT  
THE ADJUTANT GENERAL'S OFFICE

WASHINGTON

FILE

AG201 (Carpenter, Walter)WW

April 23, 1921.

IN REPLY  
REFER TO

Adjustment Made

MAY 16 1921

File No.

From: The Adjutant General of the Army.

To: The Quartermaster General of the Army,  
Washington, D. C.

Subject: Date of death of Private Walter Carpenter.

1. Upon investigation, it has been ascertained that the date of death of the above man heretofore communicated to you, is erroneous, and that Private Walter Carpenter, #2,100,508, Company E, 47th Infantry, was killed in action August 7, 1918, in France.

2. For purposes of identification, you are advised that the records show that the deceased was enlisted Sept. 19, 1917, and the name of the person to be notified in case of emergency was given as: John Carpenter, (father), Route #3, Box 5, Brazil, Ind.

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*P. C. Harris*  
The Adjutant General.  
Per:

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The Adjutant General of the Army.

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G. H. S.

For information, it has been ascertained that the date of birth of the above named individual is 1875, and that he is now residing at 1210 14th Street, N. W., Washington, D. C.

For purpose of identification, you are advised that the records show that the above named individual was enlisted in the Army on 10/10/1875, and the name of his father is John Carpenter, (Father), House 25, Box 2, Bristol, Va.



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WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

February 24, 1921.

MEMORANDUM TO A.G.O. World War Division, Corresp. Section.  
Miss Bradley, Branch-1388.

FILE

Confirming telephonic conversation of February 19, 1921.  
re. case of Pvt. Walter Carpenter, Co. E, 47th Infantry, Ser. #2100508.  
the records of this office show that Pvt. Walter Carpenter, Co. E, 47th  
Infantry, Serial #2100508, is reburied in:--

Grave 184, Section B, Plot 4,  
American Cemetery, #608,  
Springes-et-Mesles, Aisne.

Original burial Grave 5, American Cemetery, #1675, St. Thibault, Aisne.  
Date of original burial No record.  
Date of reburial 6/2/19.

By authority of the Quartermaster General:

CHARLES C. PIERCE,  
Lt. Col., U. S. Army,  
Chief, Cemeterial Division.  
By:

CHARLES J. WYNNE,  
2nd. Lt. Q. M. C.,

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**MAILED**  
**FEB 24 1921**  
**G.R.S.**  
S/289/LML

File Number 17912.

TO: REGISTRATION BRANCH, G. R. S.

Date 2/19/21.

FROM: INQUIRY BRANCH.

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

NAME: Carpenter, Walter Serial Number 2100508.

RANK: Pat. ORGANIZATION: Co. E, 47th Inf.

No.	QUESTION	REPLY
1.	Do particulars of soldiers given above agree with records?	(1) yes.
2.	Date of death.	(2) 8/3 - 13/18.
3.	Cause and place of death.	(3) K/A
4.	Number of casualty cablegram.	(4) # 313.
5.	Date buried.	(5) no record.
6.	Grave location. (a) Complete record required. (b) Name of cemetery or commune only required. (c) Note reinterments.	(6) Grave 5, Am. City, #1675 St. Thibault, (Fisne.) Re: 6/4/19. Grave 184, sec. B, Plot 4, Amer. City, # 608, Seringes-et-Masles, Fisne.
7.	Who reported burial?	(10-a) no, 8 (10-b) yes.
8.	Confirmed by G. R. S.?	(11) John Carpenter, (Fath) R.F.D. # 3, Brazil
9.	Report as to grave marker.	(12) 6/3/19. 12/20/19.
10.	Identification tags: (a) Buried with body? (b) Attached to grave marker?	(14) F-16364.
11.	Complete emergency address?	
12.	Has been notified? (Give date.)	
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 number?	
15.	Inquiry made by. N. B.—All proper names to be typewritten, or printed in PLAIN BLOCK LETTERS.	Miss Bradley - 13 FF Ans 2/19/21 only RELEASED BY INFORMATION CONTROL DEPARTMENT. M.M.E. ..... X ..... Confirmed. ..... Unconfirmed.

ETR.