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To The A. G. O.

G.R.S. Form #114-B

JUN 1 - 1926

FULL NAME CHRISTAIN, Mack *Serv name*

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RANK Sgt. SERIAL 1660027

DIVISION & ORGANIZATION Co. F., 355th Inf.

DIV-89

DATE OF DEATH Nov. 9, 1918

STATE FROM WHICH HE CAME W Va

MEDALS OR DECORATIONS AWARDED none

FINAL GRAVE LOCATION 40 16 E
Date Grave Row Block

Meuse-Argonne, #1232

Cemetery

Robert U. Davis,
Major General,
The Adjutant General
By *RVD*

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Co. F, 355th Inf.
89th Div.

CHRISTIAN, Mack, Sgt. 1560027
Home: Rarden, Ohio.

Missing in action November 9, 1918.

Sgt. Christian was a member of a patrol whose mission was to cross the Meuse River near Inor, France, by swimming, and to obtain information of the enemy, and prisoners if possible. The attempt was made at about 7:30 P.M. on the night of November 9, 1918, under artillery support which proved ineffective. We knew he reached the other side where heavy hostile fire was encountered. Nothing has been heard of him since.

Informant: Fisher, Neville C., Capt. Inf.
Co. F, 355th Inf.,
Home: Paris, Ky.

Signed: Fisher, Neville C., Capt. 355th Inf.

Emergency address: A.C.Christian (father).

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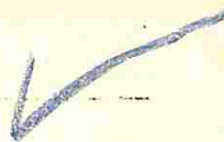
HEADING	SUB-HEADING	NO. OF COLS	CODE
NAME CHRISTAIN	CHR	3	388
<i>mack</i>			
BURIED	CEMETERY 1232	1	1
	GRAVE 40	2	40
	ROW 16	2	16
	BLOCK E	1	5
STATE	W. Va	2	57
RANK	Sgt.	1	2
DIVISION	89	2	89
ORGANIZATION	355	3	355
ARM	Inf	1	1
MARTIAL	Ms	1	2
NAME Christain	CHR	3	388
<i>Mrs. A.C.</i>			
RESIDENCE	STATE Ohio	2	41
	COUNTY Scioto	2	73
	CITY Rarden	3	+++
RELATION	Mother	1	1
OTHER	Father	1	1
ELIGIBILITY	yes	1	
NATIVITY		1	
RACE		1	
ENGLISH	yes	1	
ATTENDANT		1	
HEALTH	Bad	1	2
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OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-M
Christain, Mack (MA)

Sept. 7, 1932.

Mrs. A. C. Christain,
Rarden, Ohio

Dear Madam:

Reference is made to the questionnaire recently forwarded you, making inquiry as to whether you desire to make a pilgrimage to the cemeteries of Europe during the summer of 1933, and inviting attention to the fact that 1933 is the LAST YEAR for which the pilgrimages are authorized. To date no reply has been received.

In order that your desires may be of record, and arrangements made accordingly, it is requested you complete the form below by writing in the space provided, your answers to the questions listed, sign your name and return this letter in the enclosed envelope which requires no postage.

1. Do you desire to make a pilgrimage in 1933? (Answer "Yes" or "No")	no
2. Please state your age and condition of health:	Age: 44 Health: not good
3. Do you speak English?	yes
4. What other language do you speak?	none


Mrs. A. C. Christain

Sign here

NOTE CAREFULLY, THIS IS THE LAST CHANCE WHICH YOU WILL HAVE TO MAKE THE PILGRIMAGE, AND THERE IS NO PROVISION OF LAW FOR A MONEY ALLOWANCE INSTEAD.

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,


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

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OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
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IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-M

Christain Mack (MA)

July 9 1932

Mrs A C Christain
Rarden
Ohio

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.

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

(Write answer here)

(Sign here) _____

QM 293 A-M
Christian, Mack, Sgt. (MA) M
am

December 29, 1931.

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Mrs. A. C. Christian,
Rarden,
Ohio.

Dear Madam:

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Reference is made to correspondence forwarded you from this office relative to a pilgrimage to the grave of your son, the late Sergeant Mack Christian. 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 a number of mothers in poor health and of advanced age made the pilgrimage and appear to have benefited by the sea air and the excellent care they received.

It is believed that you would experience no difficulty in making the journey, and should you later decide to visit your son's grave next summer, it is requested that you so notify this office. You are assured that not only will the pilgrimage be made at the expense of the United States, but everything possible will be provided for your comfort and welfare.

For The Quartermaster General.

Very truly yours,

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

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OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
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IN REPLY REFER TO QM-293-AM

June 16, 1931.

Christain, Mack Sgt. (M-A) M

Mrs. A. C. Christain,
Rarden, Ohio.

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.

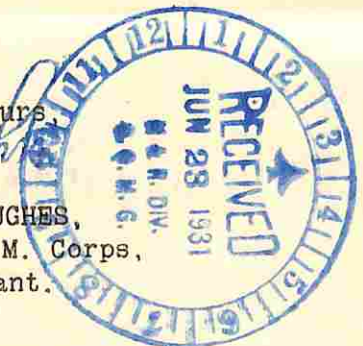
As soon as you have answered the question, please sign your name and return this sheet in the enclosed addressed envelope which requires no postage. Do not delay, as a prompt reply is essential.

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



DO YOU DESIRE TO MAKE A PILGRIMAGE DURING THE YEAR 1932? Can not go
Write answer here

Mrs A. C. Christain
Sign here

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IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-M
Christain, Mack 1232 M

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January 19, 1931

Mrs. A. C. Christain,
Rarden,
Ohio.

Dear Madam:

In order that the records of this office may be complete and correct, it is requested that you advise whether or not the late Sergeant Mack Christain is survived by a widow, and if so, her name and address.

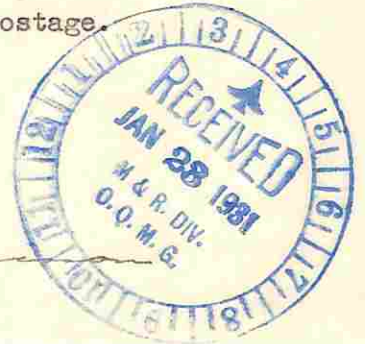
For your convenience in replying, there is enclosed, herewith, a self-addressed envelope which requires no postage.
For The Quartermaster General.

Very truly yours,



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

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Had no widow now married
yours truly
Mrs A. C. Christain

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OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
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IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

June 10, 1930.

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Mrs. A. C. Christ^{ian}~~ian~~,
Rarden,
Ohio.

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.

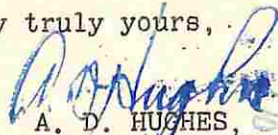
To assure proper and satisfactory accommodations, reservations for steamship transportation required during the summer of 1931 must be made by this office not later than August 1st of this year. It is therefore desired that you answer the question below by writing the word "Yes" or "No" in the blank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

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IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C
Christian, Mack 1232 M.

October 7, 1929.

Mrs. A. C. Christian,
Rarden, Ohio.

Dear Madam:

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

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

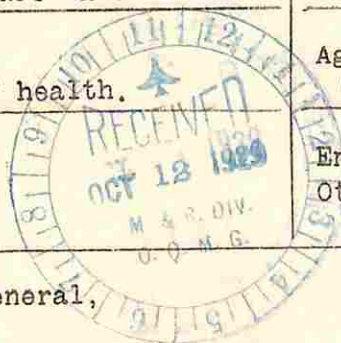
1. Do you desire to make this pilgrimage if eligible?	(Yes) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> (No)
2. Do you desire to make the pilgrimage in the calendar year 1930?	(Yes) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> (No)
3. Have you at any time made a previous visit to the grave of the deceased member of the military or naval forces in whom you are interested?	(Yes) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> (No)
4. Please give your age and state of health.	Age <u>60</u> Health <u>Very Poor</u> (Years) (Good) (Poor)
5. What language do you speak?	English <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> (Yes) (No) Other language (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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OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
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IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

Christian, Mack
1232.

Sept. 5, 1929

Mr. A. C. Christian,
Rarden, Ohio

Dear Sir:

The records of this office do not indicate that a reply has been received to our communication dated June 29, 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?

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For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

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OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C
Christian, Mack

June 29, 1929.

Mr. A. G. Christian,
Rarden, Ohio.

Dear Sir:

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 father of the late Sgt. Mack Christian, Co. F, 355th Inf., whose remains are now interred in the Meuse-Argonne American Cemetery, Romagne-sous-Montfaucon, Meuse, France.

Will you please advise this office whether or not he is survived by a mother or widow who is entitled under the provisions of the above quoted Act, to make the pilgrimage, and if so, will you please furnish the full names and addresses of the mother and widow in order that action may be taken to extend invitations to them 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 relative is a stepmother, mother through adoption, or any woman who stood in loco parentis to the decedent, a statement as to her relationship is requested. If he was survived by a widow who has since 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,

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

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IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-M
Christain, Mack (MA)

Sept. 7, 1932.

Mrs. A. C. Christain,
Harden, Ohio

Dear Madam:

Reference is made to the questionnaire recently forwarded you, making inquiry as to whether you desire to make a pilgrimage to the cemeteries of Europe during the summer of 1933, and inviting attention to the fact that 1933 is the LAST YEAR for which the pilgrimages are authorized. To date no reply has been received.

In order that your desires may be of record, and arrangements made accordingly, it is requested you complete the form below by writing in the space provided, your answers to the questions listed, sign your name and return this letter in the enclosed envelope which requires no postage.

1. Do you desire to make a pilgrimage in 1933? (Answer "Yes" or "No")	
2. Please state your age and condition of health:	Age: Health:
3. Do you speak English?	
4. What other language do you speak?	

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For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

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IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-M

Christain Mack (MA)

July 9 1932

Mrs A C Christain
Rarden
Ohio

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

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

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

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

_____ (Write answer here)

(Sign here) _____

Christain

QM 293 A-M
Christain, Mack, Sgt. (MA) M

December 29, 1931.

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Mrs. A. C. Christain,
Barden,
Ohio.

Dear Madam:

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Reference is made to correspondence forwarded you from this office relative to a pilgrimage to the grave of your son, the late Sergeant Mack Christain. 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 a number of mothers in poor health and of advanced age made the pilgrimage and appear to have benefited by the sea air and the excellent care they received.

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For The Quartermaster General.

Very truly yours,

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

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IN REPLY REFER TO QM-293-AM
Christain, ~~Mack~~ Sgt. (M-A) M

June 16, 1931.

Mrs. A. C. Christain,
Rarden, Ohio.

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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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?

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QM 293 A-M
Christain, Mack 1232 M

January 19, 1931

Mrs. A. C. Christain,
Rarden,
Ohio.

Dear Madam:

In order that the records of this office may be complete and correct, it is requested that you advise whether or not the late Sergeant Mack Christain is survived by a widow, and if so, her name and address.

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

For The Quartermaster General.

Very truly yours,

R. E. SHANNON,
Captain, Q. M. Corps,
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OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
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IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C
Christian, Mack 1232 M

June 10, 1930.

Mrs. A. C. Christian,
Barden,
Ohio.

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.

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

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

DO YOU DESIRE TO MAKE THE PILGRIMAGE DURING THE YEAR 1931?

(Write answer here)

(Sign here)

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
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October 7, 1929.

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C
Christian, Mack 1232 M.

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Mrs. A. C. Christian,
Rarden, Ohio.

Dear Madam:

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

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

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

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

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OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
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IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

Christian, Mack
1232.

Sept. 5, 1929

Mr. A. C. Christian,
Rarden, Ohio

Dear Sir:

The records of this office do not indicate that a reply has been received to our communication dated June 29, 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:

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

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

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OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
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IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

~~Christy~~, Mack

June 29, 1929.

Mr. A. C. Christy,
Barden, Ohio.

Dear Sir:

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 father of the late Sgt. Mack Christy, Co. F, 355th Inf., whose remains are now interred in the Meuse-Argonne American Cemetery, Romagne-sous-Montfaucon, Meuse, France.

Will you please advise this office whether or not he is survived by a mother or widow who is entitled under the provisions of the above quoted Act, to make the pilgrimage, and if so, will you please furnish the full names and addresses of the mother and widow in order that action may be taken to extend invitations to them 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 relative is a stepmother, mother through adoption, or any woman who stood in loco parentis to the decedent, a statement as to her relationship is requested. If he was survived by a widow who has since 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.

In reply refer to:
293.8 C-R

#108138

January 4, 1923,

Mr. A. C. Christain,^{or}
Rarden, Ohio.

Dear Sir:

The Quartermaster General desires that you be informed that the permanent grave of the late Sergeant Mack Christian,^{or} Company F, 355th Infantry, is Grave 40, Row 16, Block B, Meuse-Argonne American Cemetery, ~~Mont-Saint-Eloi, 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.

MAILED

Very truly yours,

JAN 4 - 1923

G.R.S.

H. J. Conner,
Assistant.

22/1201/ARK

RE
RK

293-
Christain, Mack

DATE 11/10/21

1. NAME CHRISTAIN, Mack SERIAL No. 1560027

RANK Sgt. ORGANIZATION Co. F. 355th Inf.

GRAVE LOCATION Sedan American, Letanne, Ardennes. # 1203
CTY. NAME NUMBER

63 GRAVE Sec. 3 ROW 2 PLOT

2. ORIGINAL BATTLE AREA GRAVE LOCATION No record Commune Cty. Poilly, Meuse
GRAVE COMMUNE DEPT.

COORDINATES No record

CONCENTRATED TO No record 4 2
DATE GRAVE ROW PLOT

Sedan Amer. Cty. Letanne, Ardennes. # 1203
CEMETERY CTY. NUMBER

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

SUBSEQUENT REBURIALS 1/11/21. 63 Sec 3 2 1203
DATE GRAVE ROW PLOT CEMETERY

data taken from form 16-A DATE GRAVE ROW PLOT CEMETERY

SIGNATURE, AREA SUPERVISOR Wm Cline Wm M. CLINE
Captain Q.M.G.

3. FINAL GRAVE LOCATION 11/10/21 40 16 E
DATE GRAVE ROW PLOT
Block

AUDITED BY
M.M.E. -
11-29-21

Meuse-Argonne Amer. Cty #1232, Romagne-sous-Montfaucon, Meuse.
CEMETERY

SR

INSTRUCTIONS FOR PREPARATION OF FORM 114 B

1. Forms 114-B are to be prepared by Registration Branch in quadruplicate, three copies to be forwarded to Area Supervisor who will accomplish paragraph 2 and return all three copies to Headquarters, American Graves Registration Service.
2. Paragraphs 1 and 3 will be accomplished by Registration Branch, Headquarters, American Graves Registration Service, Q.M.C., in Europe.
3. Paragraph 2 will be accomplished by Area Supervisor from data on file in his office.
4. If data is entered on Form 114-B from Form 1, Form 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.

REPORT OF DISINTERMENT AND REBURIAL

Date Sept. 7th 1921

1. REMAINS OF CHRISTIAN, Mack SERIAL NUMBER 1560027

RANK Sgt. ORGANIZATION Co. F, 355 th Inf.

2. Disinterred (date) : Sept. 7th 1921. From (give complete location) : Grave 53, Sec. 3, Pl. 2, Com. 1903.

By : Group TWO Unit F.S. 43.

3. Reburied (date) : Nov. 10, 1921, Meuse Argonne Cemetery #1232. Grave 40, Row 16, Block E

By : Group Re-burial 8 Unit Nature of reburial Lined Casket

4. Report as to nature of original burial and condition of body upon disinterment : Blanket and pine box, see par. 6.

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

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

Reburial bottle record dated 1-11-21, signed by Glendon 1st Lt. MC. replaced with body shows tag on body and grave marker.

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

(a) Height (actual measurement) Package intact, not disturbed per auth letter dated 8-29-21,

(b) Weight (estimated) Operations Division AGRS 175 lbs.

(c) Hair—Color

Quantity

Characteristics

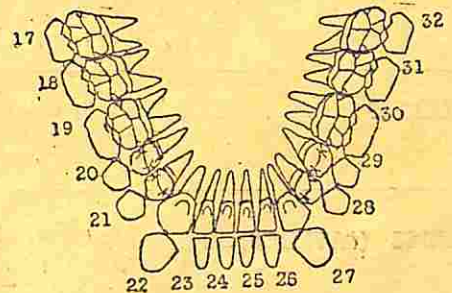
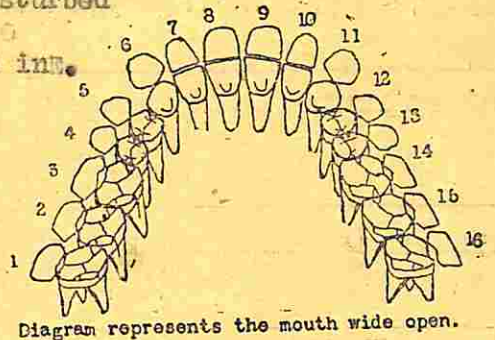
(d) Hair on face—Color

Location

Quantity

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

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



7. Disinterment supervised by H. H. Roach

Approved : H. H. Roach
(Title) 1st Lt. GMC.






8. Reburial supervised by A. U. Dufault

Approved : James W. Younger
(Title) Captain QMC

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

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

1. Show soldier's name, serial number, rank and organization, and by whom disinterred and reburied.
2. Give date and accurate information as to location from which the body was disinterred and the group and unit which made disinterment.
3. Give date and accurate information as to location of reburial and the group and unit which made reburial, and how reburial was made—in casket, wooden box, etc.
4. State to what degree decomposition has progressed, whether recognition is possible, and how the body was originally buried—in a casket, box, burlap, etc. This statement should be as complete as possible.
5. (a) State whether identification tags were found buried with body and on grave marker by reporting "Yes" or "No".
 (b) State whether or not body appears to have been a hospital case. Were any identifying articles found in or on body or grave? List any personal effects, letters, money-order receipts, and the like found on body or in grave. Give any and all information which it is thought might be of use in identifying the body, other than that tabulated under Item No. 6.
6. Give all information as to body description and dental chart as nearly correctly as the condition of the body will allow. Items (e) and (f) under the body description are very important and should be very complete. The dental chart is also very important and should be filled in with great care. There are 32 teeth to be accounted for, as shown by the numbers on the chart. Beginning at the middle line in both upper and lower jaws, the teeth are arranged symmetrically on either side and classed as incisors (cutting teeth), cuspids or canines (tearing teeth), bicuspid (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:	 TOOTH MISSING TOOTH MISSING
CROWNED TEETH Block in solid the crown of tooth (label gold, porcelain, or gold and porcelain), thus:	 GOLD CROWN PORCELAIN CROWN
BRIDGE WORK Block in solid the crown of tooth (label gold bridge, gold and porcelain bridge), thus:	 GOLD AND PORCELAIN BRIDGE GOLDBRIDGE
FILLINGS Draw filling on tooth accurately as possible (block in and label gold, silver, cement), thus:	 SILVER FILLING GOLD FILLING
CARIES (CAVITIES) Outline location and size of cavity, shade in thus:	 CAVITY DECAYED DECAYED
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 Sept 7th 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 CHRISTAIN, Mack
 2. No. 1560027
 3. Rank Sgt.
 4. Org. Co. F, 355th Inf.
 5. D.D. Nov. 9th - 18
 6. C.D. M.I.A.

10. Name Mack Christain
 11. No. 1560027
 12. Rank Sgt.
 13. Org. Co. F, 355th Inf.
 14. (a) D.D.
 (b) D.B.

Discrepancy found upon disinterment

7. Grave No. 63 Sec. 3
 8. Plot 2 Row
 9.

15. Grave No. Sec.
 16. Plot Row
 17. None

18. Cemetery Sedan American
 20. Dept. or County Ardennes
 22. G.R.S. Hdqrs. Code No. 1203

19. Commune or town Letanne
 21. Country France

23. Disinterred (Date) Sept 7th 1921

By H.L. Hurlbut

24. Inscription on grave marker:
 Name Mack Christain
 Rank Sgt.

Serial No.
 Organization Co. F, 355th Inf.

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

S.J. Talbot
 Signature Junior Technical Assistant

PREPARATION

26. What other means of identification were on body? (If no disc or other means of identification on body, give description of body in detail).

27. Condition of body See Par. 36.

28. Nature of burial blanket and pine box.

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

30. Body prepared and placed in casket: Date Sept 7th 1921 By H.L. Hurlbut

31. Casket sealed by H.L. Hurlbut
 Signature of Embalmer, (Supervisor) H.L. Hurlbut

SHIPMENT. (Show actual marking of box.) Box No. C-4418

32. Designation of body:

Name CHRISTAIN, Mack Serial No. 1560027

Rank Sgt. Organization Co. F. 355th Inf.

33. Consigned to: Officer in Charge Operations,

Name of Permanent Cemetery Argonne American, #1232-Romagne-sous-Montfaucon

34. Casket boxed and marked (Date) Sept 7th 1921 By H.L. Hurlbut

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 W.H. Roach, 1st. Lt. QMC.

36. Remarks Package intact body not disturbed authority letter Operations

Div. dated August 29th 1921. Bottle record found on body dated
1-11-1921 signed J.P. Glendon, shows/
tag on body and grave marker.

37. Shipped from point of Operation: (Date) Sept 7th 1921

To point of Concentration Romagne sous Montfaucon, Meuse,
(Name)

Convoyer James Flynn Signature Shipping Officer J.P. Glendon
Capt. QMC.

38. Received at Railhead or Point of Concentration: Date

By G.R.S. Representative

39. Shipped from Railhead or Point of Concentration: Date

To Permanent Cemetery

Convoyer (Name)
Signature Shipping Officer

40. Received: Date Sept 8, 1921

G.R.S. Representative H.L. Hurlbut

41. Reinterred Meuse Argonne Cemetery #1232. Nov. 10, 1921.

(Date)

42. Grave No. 40

Section

43. ~~Block~~ Block E

Row 16

G.R.S. Representative

James W. Younger
Captain, QMC

cbr

REPORT OF DISINTERMENT AND REBURIAL.

Remains of:

Name: MACK, Christian,Number: 1560027Rank: Unkn.Organization: Unkn.

Disinterment and Reburial made by Group _____

Unit _____

Disinterred (Date) _____

From: (Give complete location) _____

28 March 1919French Communal Cemetery, Grave No 5.POUILLY, MEUSE,24 SE 308.4N 309.94E

Reburied (Date) _____

in: (Give complete location) _____

28th March 1919.Grave No 100 Sec 4 Plot2.Amer. B/A Cemetery #1203,LETANNE, ARDENNES. 24 SE 308.5N 307.5E

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

Buried in uniform, body badly decomposed.Was one identification tag found upon the body? YesWhat other means of identification were found on the body? None

Note:

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

Supervised by: 2nd Lt. A E Wilson.

R. H. ROSENTHAL
2nd Lieut. Q.M.G.U.S.A.
 G.O. Group _____ Unit _____

REPORT OF DISINTERMENT AND REBURIAL

Remains of:

Name: MAK, Christian

Number: 15003

Rank: Unter

Organization: Unter

Disinterment and Reburial made by Group

Unit

Reinterred (Date)

From: (Give complete location)

28 March 1919

French Communal Cemetery, Grave No 5.

FOUILLY, MUSEE

SA 28 308.4M 307.94E

Reburied (Date)

in: (Give complete location)

28th March 1919

Grave No 100 Sec 4 Plot 5.

Amt. B/A Cemetery #1208.

INFORM. ARRIVED. SA 28 308.5M 307.5E

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

Buried in uniform, body badly decomposed.

Was one identification tag found upon the body? Yes
What other means of identification were found on the body? None

Note:

If upon disinterment, effects are found upon bodies, they will be sent to the Effects Depot direct as required by G.O. 120, G.S. 120, after being carefully examined for clues to identity in duplicate, copies of which will be made and reported to Chief, Graves Registration Service.

Supervised by: 2nd Lt. A E Wilson

G.O. Group Unit



Place Letanne, Ardennes

REPORT OF DISINTERMENT AND REBURIAL

Date Jan. 11/21

1. REMAINS OF CHRISTAIN, MACK SERIAL NUMBER 1560027

RANK Sgt. ORGANIZATION Co. F, 355th Inf.

2. Disinterred (date): Jan. 11/21 From (give complete location): Sedan Amer. Cty, Letanne, Ardennes, #1203, Gr. 100, Sec. 4, Pl. 2

By: Group Bowes Unit _____

3. Reburied (date): Same date In (give complete location): Same cemetery Gr. 63, Sec. 3, Pl. 2

By: Group Bowes Unit _____ Nature of reburial Box & blanket

4. Report as to nature of original burial and condition of body upon disinterment:
U S uniform, burlap, box and 5 ft. earthen grave, badly disintegrated
features not capable of recognition

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

(b) Other means of identification found upon disinterment, and general remarks:
Tags read " Christian, Mack." Gold watch and compass, Eagle airie #200.

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

(a) Height (actual measurement) 5 ft. 9 1/2"

(b) Weight (estimated) Impossible to determine

(c) Hair—Color "

Quantity "

Characteristics "

(d) Hair on face—Color "

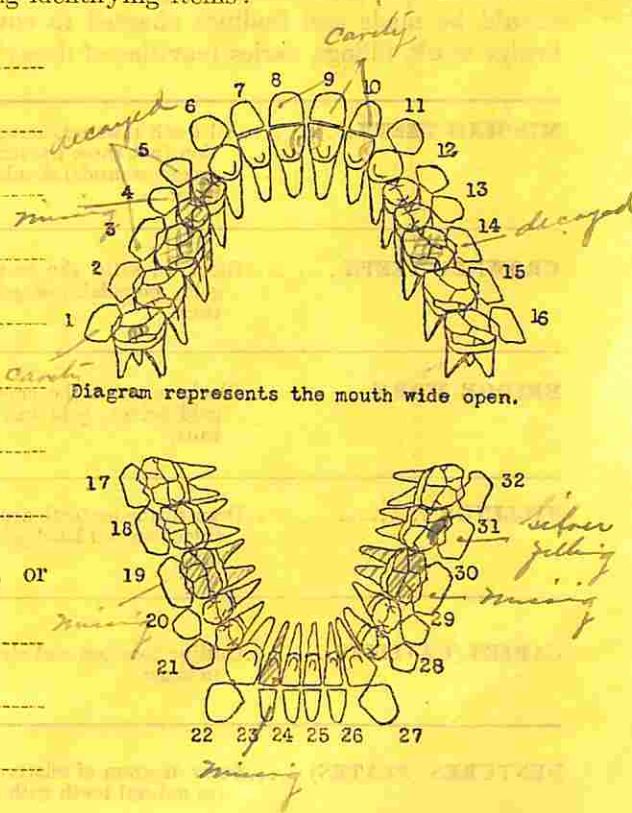
Location "

Quantity "

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

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

Impossible to determine



D-30161

7. Disinterment supervised by _____ Approved: _____

(Title) _____

8. Reburial supervised by _____ Approved: _____

(Title) _____






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<p>BRIDGE WORK.....Block in solid the crown of tooth (label gold bridge, gold and porcelain bridge), thus:</p>	
<p>FILLINGS.....Draw filling on tooth accurately as possible (block in and label gold, silver, cement), thus:</p>	
<p>CARIES (CAVITIES).....Outline location and size of cavity, shade in thus:</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.

WAR DEPARTMENT

1203 - 133

OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL OF THE ARMY
GRAVES REGISTRATION SERVICE
WASHINGTON

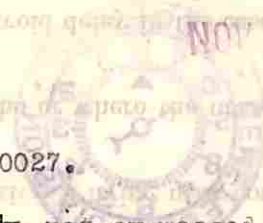
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Rush answer

FROM: Chief, Graves Registration Service, Q. M. C.

To: Mrs. Belle Christian, Rarden, Ohio.

SUBJECT: Remains of Sgt. Mack Christian. Serial No. 1560027.



The records of this office show that you have requested that his body not expressed your desire regarding disposition of remains. *Please ship to*

Mrs. Belle Christian, Rarden, Ohio

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

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

By authority of the Quartermaster General.

*Noted on Form No. 115
Date 12-2-1918*

CHARLES C. PIERCE,
Major, U. S. A.

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 these relatives are STILL LIVING.

was soldier married? Yes - No

NAME OF—	NO. AND STREET.	TOWN.	STATE.
Soldier's widow			
Soldier's children. (Name oldest first.)	1		
	2		
	3		
Father		Rarden	Ohio
Mother		Rarden	Ohio
Brothers. (Name oldest first.)	1		
	2		
	3		
Sisters. (Name oldest first.)	1		
	2		
	3		

Date *Nov 26*

nearest of kin signature
Signature *Mrs. Belle Christian*

Address *Rarden Ohio*

Relationship _____

....., 1920.

I, the undersigned, am the and nearest living relative 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 Mrs. A. B. Johnson

(Name)

(R. R. station.)

3. To be returned to the U. S. and buried in Parson

National Cemetery

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

Signature

INSTRUCTIONS FOR FILLING OUT.

1. If definite instruction as to the disposition of a body are not received from the nearest relative 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 living relatives 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.

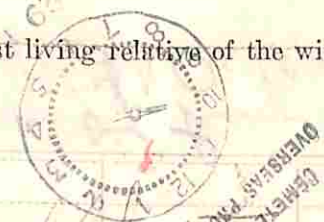
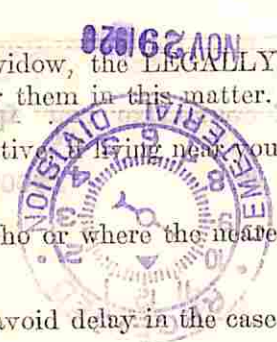
6. If YOU are not the nearest relative, please ask the nearest relative living near you, to fill out this paper.

7. If YOU are not the nearest living relative 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.

WASHINGTON
CHIEF REGISTRATION SERVICE
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL OF THE ARMY
WAR DEPARTMENT



COMPILATION OF DISPOSITION OF REMAINS DATA

I. LOCATION INDEX CARD: (10-2)

(a) Name ~~CHRISTIAN~~ ^{AI} Mack Ser. No. 1560027 TYP. ~~vb~~
 (b) Rank Sgt. Organization Co. F, 355th Infantry CKR. ~~223~~
 (c) Date of death 11-9-18 (d) Cause of death ~~he died from all available information.~~ ^{Now presumed to}

*10/9/21 - Remains to be returned to France
 1232
 10/27/21
 Remains returned to France
 1232
 10/27/21*

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

(a) Grave No. 100 Row --- Plot 2 Sec. 4 TYP. ~~vb~~
 (b) Emerg. Address ---

KA

III. Files of soldiers dying from contagious diseases

CKR. *S.*

IV. A. G. O. DISPOSITION CARD:

no card on file - R.C.G. - 4/27/20
 Date of receipt ---

(a) Name --- (b) Relationship ---
 (c) Address ---
 (d) Remains to be brought to U. S.? ---
 (e) To be interred in National Cemetery in U. S. at ---
 (f) Shipping instructions upon arrival of body in U. S. ---
 (g) Disposition instructions if not brought to U. S. ---

Examiner's Initials --- Date ---, 1920.

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

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

No correspondence

Examiner's Initials *L. G. G.* Date *9-27-*, 1920.

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

No request for disposition

(a) Cancellation memos referred to? *yes HW*

Examiner's Initials *HW* Date *10-12-*, 1920.

COUNTRY FRANCE

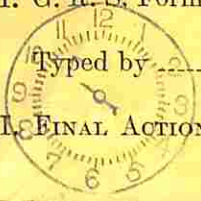
CEMETERY No. 1203

SHEET No. 133

*Form #115-A completed
 per transmittal letter #399-12/9/20*

Reviewed 4/5/21 ED

RECEIVED.



Typed by _____, Checked by _____, 1920.

FEB 1 1921

CEMETERY DIVISION
BUSINESS OFFICE, 1920

VIII. FINAL ACTION:

HOBOKEN, N. J.
DEC 11 1920

Following advice forwarded to Europe by

cable on _____, 1920
letter on 11-4, 1920

Par 2 not to be returned BLC

IX.

CORRECTIONS

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

X. SUSPENSION REMARKS:

B. H. R. Beneficiaries: Mrs Belle Christian (Mother) Rarden; Ohio 11-19-20 Bms. Form 120 11-26-20 Mrs. A. C. Christian, Rarden, Ohio. 12-2-20 D.C. 1-3-21 - Letter from mother states deceased has only a father, A. C. Christian, Rarden, Ohio and mother, and they both wish body to remain in France - 28

H-1-17-21 - Father advises no widow or children and requests body remain in France - 28

FORM 115 RETURNED BY HOBOKEN - BODY TO REMAIN IN EUROPE.

2-1-21

COMPILATION OF DISPOSITION OF REMAINS DATA

File 108138

17/12/21-107
9/11/21

I. LOCATION INDEX CARD:

(a) Name *AR* *(11/15 OR)* Ser. No. **1560027** } TYP
CHRISTIAN, Mack }
 (b) Rank **Egt.** Organization Cause of death **Co. F, 355th Infantry** } TYP **vbb**
 (c) Date of death **11-9-18** death **K.A. Now presumed to** } TYP **8/3**
be dead from all available

II. REGISTRATION CARD.-(Check Reg., Card Inf. against Loc. Ind. Inf.) **information.**

(a) Grave No. **100** Row **--** Plot **2** Sect. **4** TYP
 (b) Emerg. Address TYP **vbb**

III. Files of soldiers dying from contagious diseases CKR *l*

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

No request for disposition R.E. 11-4-20

V. Following advice forwarded to Europe by (cable on 192
 (letter of transmittal on **11-4** 192 **o**)

Par 2 not to be returned.

VI. Form 115 forwarded to G.R.S. Hoboken, N.J. **DEC. 9 1920** 192

VII. SUPPLEMENTARY REQUESTS

Date of and Source	Relationship and name	Desires	Action taken

VIII. Form 115 received from G.R.S. Hoboken, N.J. **FEB 1- 1921** 192

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

JANUARY 11, 1921.

FILE NO. 293.8 Cem.Div., Cor.Branch.
 (CHRISTAIN, Mack)

Mr. A. C. Christian,
 Rarden,
 Ohio.

Dear Sir:

In order that the records of this office may be complete in the matter of final disposition of the remains of the late Mack Christain, Sergeant, Serial No. 1560027, Company F, 355th Infantry, you are requested to advise whether the deceased is survived by a widow and children, and if so, kindly furnish their names and addresses.

The above information is necessary owing to the fact that instructions for the disposition of remains can be issued by this office only upon the properly executed authority of the legal next of kin.

If the deceased is not survived by the above mentioned persons, please state if you concur in the request of the mother of the late soldier to have the remains left in France for burial in a permanent National Cemetery.

Your early attention to this matter will be greatly appreciated.

By authority of the Quartermaster General:

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

By: *J. F. Butler*
 J. F. BUTLER,
 1st Lieut., Infantry.

NOTED ON FORM #115
 4-1-19-21-4

*Seargent Mack Christain had no widow
 no children Be please leave ^{here} in permanent
 nation cemetery in france Mr A. C. Christain*

1203-133
1-7-21

WAR DEPARTMENT

QUARTERMASTER CORPS

CEMETERIAL DIVISION, GRAVES REGISTRATION SERVICE, Q. M. C.

ROOM 350, PIER 2, HOBOKEN, N. J.

December 29, 1920

File No. 293.8 Cem. Div. Cor. Branch
(CHRISTAIN, Mack)

Mrs. A. C. Christian,
Rarden, Ohio

Dear Madam:-

This office acknowledges receipt of your letter of December 13th, relative to the disposition of remains of the late Mack Christain, Serial No. 1560027, Sergeant Co. F. 355th. Infantry.

Before your wishes can be complied with and the final disposition of remains determined, it is necessary that you inform this office definitely, whether or not the late soldier is survived by a widow, children, or father, and if so furnish the name and address of each.

By authority of the Quartermaster General:

His fathers name
is
A. C. Christian
Rarden Ohio

R. E. SHANNON,
Captain Quartermaster Corps,
OFFICER IN CHARGE.

BY- *F. C. Pallas*
F. C. PALLAS,
Executive Assistant.

NOTED ON FORM #115
1-7-21-8

Dear Sir:

Rarden Ohio Jan-3-21
In answer to your of today wish to say that Mack Christian has only a father and mother and we both wish to have his remains rest ~~in~~ over there Mrs A C Christian

GRAVES REGISTRATION SERVICE
CORRESPONDENCE BRANCH



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The above information is furnished in accordance with the provisions of the Act of March 3, 1909, and is for the use of the Department of the Interior, Bureau of Land Management, and is not to be distributed outside of the Department.

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WAR DEPARTMENT

COMMUNICATIONS SECTION

General, Division of Communications Section, U. S. A.
Room 100, Building 2, Washington, D. C.

January 14, 1921

Mr. M. H. ...
(Chief of ...)

Mr. A. E. ...
Lansing, Ohio

Dear Sir:

This office acknowledges receipt of your letter of December 14th, relative to the disposition of remains of the late Major ...

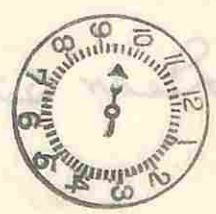
Before your wishes can be complied with and the final disposition of remains ascertained, it is necessary that you inform this office whether or not you have decided to be buried by a ...

Very respectfully,
Lieutenant Colonel ...

Very truly yours,
Lieutenant Colonel ...

Very truly yours,
Lieutenant Colonel ...

JAN 5 1921



COMMUNICATIONS SECTION

[Faint, illegible handwritten text, likely bleed-through from the reverse side of the page.]

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

JANUARY 28, 1921.

FILE NO. 295.8 Cem. Div., Cor. Branch.
 (CHRISTAIN, Mack)

Mr. A. C. Christain,
 Garden,
 Ohio.

Dear Sir:

Receipt of your communication of recent date relative to the remains of your son, the late Mack Christain, Sergeant, Serial No. 1560027, Company E, 355th Infantry, is acknowledged.

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

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

By authority of the Quartermaster General:

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

SP: LMK

BY:

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

Mailed - G.H.D.
 Pro
 JAN 31 1921

Co
Rarden Ohio
Dec 13 1920

Pol. Phas C Pierce
Washington D C

Dear Sir

On Dec the fourth
written you to have
Sgt Mack Christian #1560077
Sent home, as I then
understood your letter
to say he would be brought
to New York. But as your
letter of Dec the fourth
says he has already been
reburied in an American
Cemetery in France I
would rather have him
remain there for we
could not see him
any way so will you

Recorder, Cemeterial Div. O. O. G. E.
file 108125
108125
Chas. W. Pierce

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G. R. S.

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DEC 22 1920

please disregard my
other letter of Dec the
fourth and take this
as final instead.

yours Very Truly
Mrs W C Christian

Wm C

Registration Card #

5-15-19

CTY. #1108

1-2-3-4-5-10

108138

G.R.S. Form No. 8: Central Records Liaison.

Memo. For: G.R.S. representative, C.R.O.

Subject: Information required for G.R.S.

1. Items checked are to be completed:

- Surname: MACK,
- Number: - 1560027
- First Name: Christian
- Rank:
- Company:
- Organization:
- Date of Death:
- Cause: OVER
- Place:

VP # file

Location of hospital:

Number " "

Class " "

- Relative:
- Relationship:
- Address:

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- Authority:
- Cablegram No.:
- Telegram from:

dated:

- Reported to Washington:
- C.C. Nos:

matricards searched

(Underscore the "official" C.C.)

- Remarks:
- Show present status on reverse side.

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

Initials of Reporter:

Cannot identify

Galland 11/24/20

Verified by M. Briggs 1-24-20

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Cty 1108

Cty --Communal Cty, Pouilly, Meuse,

Reported by G. R. S.

Form W; A.G.O. Liaison.

Date 3/31/20

Memo. For: G.R.S. Representative, A.G.O.

Subject: Information required for G.R.S.

1. Items checked are to be completed.

no record # files

✓ Surname *Mack*

✓ Number *1560027*

✓ First name *Christian*

✓ Rank

✓ Company

✓ Organization

✓ Date of death

✓ Cause

✓ Emergency address.

✓ Relationship.

✓ Authority (C.C.#)

Cannot identify

Searched enlisted files & M. Cards. no record in # files.

Cannot identify E Fisher 4-5-20

Note: If this man is not dead show present status, and in case of discharge, show date and place. If case is under investigation, make notation to that effect.

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

Chief, Graves Registration Service.

NS-7133-NJH.

4-2-20

U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

Date 3-26-55

Re: John Edgar Hoover, Director, F.B.I.
Subject: Information requested by D.R.S.
I have checked me to be complete.

[Handwritten scribbles and marks]

Number of copies
Name of company
Date of birth
Place

Enclosure

Respectfully,
(S.S.)

Notes: It has been noted that the present
status, and in case of which the above
information is being furnished.
make a return to that effect.

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20535
12-71-1004

Critchett

OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
CEMETERIAL DIVISION
OVERSEAS PROJECT SUB-SECTION

Please Rush

NAME OF DECEASED SOLDIER

CEMETERY NO.

DATE

Christian, Mack, Sgt.

1203

- 133

Nov. 10, 1920

SERIAL NUMBER

ORGANIZATION

1560027

Co. F. 355th Inf.

Date of death - 11-9-18

Adjustment Made

DEC 6 1920

File No. 10813

FILE

C-25-1140

WAR RISK INSURANCE INFORMATION

DATE

11/3/20

NAME OF BENEFICIARY

RELATIONSHIP

Mrs. Belle Christian

Mother

Address

Paraden, Ohio

Washington
Noted on Form No. 115
Date 11-19-20 B.M.S.

S-709/MB

A.

C 2

FROM: O. Q. M. G.

CEMETERIAN DIVISION

Munitions Building

Room 1128

PLEASE

EXPEDITE

OCT 1 - 1920

WAR DEPARTMENT
Office of the Quartermaster General of the Army
Washington.

G.R.S. Form 8-W-A-0
Information requested of A.G.O.

Date Sept. 29, 1920

Special

File No. *108138* Registration.

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

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

Subject: Information required for G.R.S.

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

- a. Surname ~~Christian or Mack~~ *Christian* f. Date of death 11/9/18 ✓
- b. Christian name ~~Mack or Christian~~ *Mack* g. Cause of death Now presumed to be dead from all available inf. *K.S.A.*
- c. Serial Number 1560027 ✓ h. Authority (C.C.#) 5658 of 20 ✓
- d. Organization Co. F. 355th Infantry Emergency address *Enl. Paper: D.C. Christian (father)*
- e. Rank Sgt. ✓ j. Relationship *Rainey Ohio*

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 *S.R. above D.C. Christ*
(See Physical report of War, U.S.A. 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)

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

CEMETERY NO: 1203

BY:

SHEET NO: 133

TYPED BY: FFD

H. J. Conner
H. J. CONNER,
Captain, Q.M.G.,
1st Lieut. Q. M. G.

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