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To The A. G. O.

G.R.S. Form #114-B

JAN 21 1926

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FULL NAME..... CLARK, Robert E. *Robt. E. Clark*

RANK..... Corporal..... SERIAL..... 568331

DIVISION & ORGANIZATION..... Company B, 4th Engineers *4*

DATE OF DEATH..... *Aug. 6, 1918*

STATE FROM WHICH HE CAME..... *Oregon*

MEDALS OR DECORATIONS AWARDED..... *None*

FINAL GRAVE LOCATION.....  
Date Grave Row Block

18

9

D

608

Cemetery.

8 A. G. O.  
JAN 22 1926  
WORLD WAR DIV.

Major General,  
The Adjutant General,  
By *[Signature]*

JAN 23 1926

To the A. O. C.

Jan 26 1926

6-11-1926

12 11 10 9 8 7 6 5 4 3 2 1  
 JAN 26 26  
 M & R BRANCH  
 O. O. M. G.

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**GRAVE LOCATION BLANK**

LOCATION OF THE GRAVE OF

CLARK 513331 ROBERT E.  
(Surname.) (Number.) (First Name and Initials.)

Pvt Co B 4 Eng  
(Rank.) (Organization.)

DATE OF BURIAL AUG 10 1918

PLACE OF BURIAL ST THIBAUD

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

GRAVE NUMBER

HOW MARKED: Name Peg? Yes Cross? Yes

Headboard? Bottle? No

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:

Chapman J. [Signature] 47 Inf  
(Signature and Rank of Reporting Officer.)

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

CODE SLIP



HEADING	SUB-HEADING	NO. OF COLS	CODE
NAME <i>CLARK, Robert E.</i>	<i>CHA</i>	3	<i>3 2 1</i>
BURIED	CEMETERY <i>608</i>	1	<i>2</i>
	GRAVE <i>18</i>	2	<i>18</i>
	ROW <i>9</i>	2	<i>09</i>
	BLOCK <i>10</i>	1	<i>4</i>
STATE	<i>Oregon</i>	2	<i>43</i>
RANK	<i>cap</i>	1	<i>2</i>
DIVISION	<i>4</i>	2	<i>04</i>
ORGANIZATION	<i>4</i>	3	<i>004</i>
ARM	<i>Engns</i>	1	<i>4</i>
MARITAL	<i>yes</i>	1	<i>1</i>
NAME <i>Clark, Mrs. Mary E.</i>	<i>cha</i>	3	<i>3 2 1</i>
RESIDENCE	STATE <i>Oregon</i>	2	<i>43</i>
	COUNTY <i>Josephine</i>	2	<i>17</i>
<i>Route #3 - Box 273</i>	CITY <i>Grant Pass</i>	3	<i>009</i>
RELATION	<i>Widow</i>	1	<i>5</i>
OTHER		1	
ELIGIBILITY	<i>yes</i>	1	<i>1</i>
NATIVITY		1	
RACE		1	
ENGLISH	<i>Yes</i>	1	<i>1</i>
ATTENDANT		1	
HEALTH	<i>Bad</i>	1	
NO. OF SONS		1	
DATE OF TRIP	MO. <i>Mar</i>	1	
	YR. <i>1932</i>	1	
ACCEPTANCE 29/514	<i>No</i>	1	<i>39</i>

*No loco  
no son  
Mother dead*

**AUDITED**

MAR 8 1932  
*Per*

*J.M.*

*Age*

Grant Pass One  
Sept 20<sup>th</sup> 1932

War Department  
Office of the Quartermaster General  
G. M. 293 A-M  
Clark, Robert O. A.

Dear Sir,

In reply to your letter of Sept 6, 1932  
I am very sorry to say, I am afraid to under-  
take the journey as I am not well. I would perhaps  
be only a burden on someone else, when one  
is sick I believe home sweet home is the best  
place for them, and in spirit my love one is  
here as well as there, god Bless him, and you  
Many thanks to our old God, for the  
kind offer.

Very truly yours  
Mrs Mary E Clark.



WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-M  
Clark, Robert E OA

September 6, 1932.

Mrs. Mary E. Clark,  
Route #3, Box 273,  
Grants Pass, Oregon.

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.

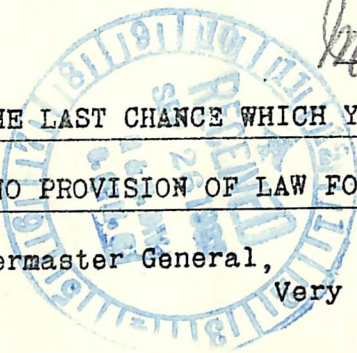
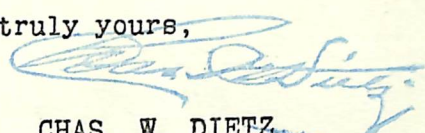
1. Do you desire to make a pilgrimage in 1933? (Answer "Yes" or "No")	No. ✓
2. Please state your age and condition of health:	Age: 59 Health: Nervous.
3. Do you speak English?	Yes
4. What other language do you speak?	No other.

Mrs Mary E Clark  
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.

Encl:  
Env.

WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-M

Clark, Robert E. (OA)

July 11, 1932.

Mrs. Mary E. Clark,  
Route #3, Box 273,  
Grants Pass, Ore.

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 beingsent 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? \_\_\_\_\_

(Write answer here)

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

Grants Pass, Oregon.  
June 13th. 1932

The Quartermaster General,  
Washington, D.C.

Dear Sir:

I have been ill, and I find it is impossible for me to try to accept the kind offer to make the trip to France which I regret very much.

In regard to the question of my husbands (Robert E. Clark) parents, I am unable to give the date of their deaths. They have been dead many years.

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Robert E. Clark was a son of James Clark and Johana Regan Clark. of Rochester New York.

Thanking you again for the offer of the trip, I beg to remain,

Very truly yours,

Mrs Mary E Clark.

QM 293 A-M  
Clark, Robert E. Cpl. (O-A) W

April 11, 1932.

Mrs. Mary E. Clark,  
Route 3, Box 273,  
Grants, Pass, Oregon.

Dear Madam:

Reference is made to correspondence forwarded you from this office relative to a pilgrimage to the grave of your husband, the late Corporal Robert E. Clark.

It is noted you previously stated your health was poor and would not permit you to make the journey, and in this connection you are assured that should you make a pilgrimage personnel to care for your comfort and needs will be provided and doctors and nurses will be available. During the past two years many women who were in poor health made the pilgrimage and appeared to have benefited by the sea air and the excellent care they received.

Should you reconsider and desire to visit your husband's grave this summer, it is requested that you notify this office at the earliest practicable date. You are assured the journey will not only be made at the expense of the Government, but everything possible for your comfort and welfare will be provided.

In order to complete the records of this office in the case of the late Corporal Clark, it will be appreciated if you will advise, if possible, the dates of death of his natural father and mother and whether or not he is survived by a stepmother or any other woman who may have held the status of loco parentis to him for a period of five years prior to his becoming eighteen years of age. If, so, please furnish her name and address. A self-addressed envelope which requires no postage is enclosed for your convenience in replying.

For The Quartermaster General.

Very truly yours,

LMS *ML*  
1 Encl.  
Envelope.

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

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CLARK, Robert E.

Cpl. Co. B, 4th Engrs.

OREGON

Mother ?

~~Stepmother or Loco ?~~

XC 40864

Born 11-29-64

enl 6-4-17

Birth  
Certif

Parents died by fire 1918  
no record of S m or loco

1917  
1864  
53

QM 293 A-M  
Clark, Robert E. (OA)

October 31, 1931

Mrs. Mary E. Clark,  
Route 3, Box 273,  
Grants Pass, Oregon.

Dear Madam:

Receipt is acknowledged of the questionnaire forwarded you for completion in connection with the pilgrimage of mothers and widows to the cemeteries of Europe.

You neglected to reply to the question inquiring whether or not you desire to visit the grave of your husband, the late Corporal Robert E. Clark during the summer of 1932.

It will, therefore, be appreciated if you will advise as soon as possible whether you wish to make a pilgrimage next summer, in order that arrangements may be made accordingly. A self-addressed envelope, which requires no postage, is enclosed for your convenience in replying.

For The Quartermaster General.

Very truly yours,

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

Enclosure:  
Envelope.

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WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-M

Clark, Robert E. O-A W-

October 2, 1931

Mrs. Mary E. Clark,  
R 3, Box 273,  
Grants Pass, Oregon

Dear Madam:

Reference is made to previous correspondence relative to the pilgrimage to the cemeteries of Europe, authorized by the Act of Congress of March 2, 1929, as amended May 15, 1930. To date information has not been received as to whether or not you desire to make a pilgrimage during the summer months of 1932, in honor of the deceased veteran named above.

In order that the records may be complete, 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 1932?	
2. Please state your age and condition of health:	Age: 58 Health: Poor Health
3. Do you speak English?	Yes
4. What other language do you speak?	None other

*Mrs Mary E Clark*  
Sign here

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

*A. D. Hughes*

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



Encl:  
Env.

WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM-293-AM (0-A) W\*

July 23, 1931.

Mrs. Mary E. Clark,  
Route #3, Box #273,  
Grants Pass, Oregon.

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? \_\_\_\_\_  
Write answer here

\_\_\_\_\_  
Sign here

Harding  
6-13-31  
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Clark, Robert E. Cpl.

I Decline the invitation extended  
(Accept or decline)

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

*No*

Mrs. Mary E. Clark

*Mrs Mary E Clark*  
(Name)

R.F.D.#1, Halfway, Baker County, Oregon.

(Town or City)

*Grants Pass,*

(State)

*Oregon*

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*R3-Box 273.*



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QM 293 A-M<sub>2</sub>  
Clark, Robert E. 608 W

February 21, 1931

Mrs. Mary E. Clark,  
Grants Pass,  
Oregon.

Dear Madam:

Receipt is acknowledged of your letter of February 12, 1931, declining the invitation to sail on the PRESIDENT HARDING June 13, 1931, to visit the grave of your husband, the late Corporal Robert E. Clark.

It is regretted that your health will not permit you to make the journey at this time. Your name has been placed upon the list of mothers and widows who are eligible to make the journey in 1932, and you will be communicated with when the pilgrimages are being arranged for that year.

Should your health improve, however, and you desire to visit your husband's grave during the latter part of the summer, it is requested that you so advise this office, in order that arrangements may be made for you. Pilgrimages will be conducted during the months of May, June, July and August.

Properly qualified personnel has been provided to care for the comfort and needs of the women making the pilgrimage. Medical attention and nurses will be available from the time of your arrival at New York until your return, thereto, and it is not anticipated you would experience any difficulty in making the journey.

For The Quartermaster General.

Very truly yours,

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

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Clark, Robt. E  
Decline in  
Harding 6-13-31

Grants Pass Ore  
Feb 12 1931

Quartermaster General  
Washington D.C.

Gentlemen

I must thank  
the Govt; for the goodness &  
kindness that they <sup>are</sup> giving  
we war widows & the mothers  
I certainly do appreciate the  
invitation, but I regret very  
much to have to decline but as  
I am just on the verge of a  
nervous Break down, and it  
would all be so sad for me  
I could not endure the journey,  
with the kindest regards  
Mrs Mary E Clark. Cover Please

this is so hard to do as he has  
been mine since I was 5 years  
old I am now ~~58~~ 68 years, he is  
still mine, god Bless him  
he all way will be

WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

Clark, Robert E. 608 W

June 5, 1930

Mrs. Mary E. Clark

~~R. F. D. #1~~

~~Halfway, Oregon~~

*R. 3, Box 273  
Grants Pass, Ore.*

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



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

*Yes*  
(Write answer here)

*Mrs Mary E Clark*  
(Sign here)

WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

June 24, 1929.

Clark, Robert E.

Mrs. Mary E. Clark,  
RFD #1, Halfway, Oregon.

Dear Madam:

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

The records of this office show that you are the widow of the late **Cpl. Robert E. Clark, Co. B, 4th Engrs., 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 mother who is entitled under the provisions of the above quoted Act, to make the pilgrimage, and if so, will you please furnish her full name and address in order that action may be taken to extend invitation to her to make the pilgrimage. Both mothers and widows are entitled to make the pilgrimage.

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

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

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

2 incls.  
Act of Congress.  
Envelope.

WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-M  
Clark, Robert E OA

September 6, 1932.

Mrs. Mary E. Clark,  
Route #3, Box 273,  
Grants Pass, Oregon.

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.

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2. Please state your age and condition of health:	Age: Health:
3. Do you speak English?	
4. What other language do you speak?	

Sign here

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For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

Encl:  
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WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-M

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July 11, 1932.

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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? \_\_\_\_\_  
(Write answer here)

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

QM 293 A-M  
Clark, Robert E. Cpl. (O-A) W

April 11, 1932.

Mrs. Mary E. Clark,  
Route 3, Box 273,  
Grants, Pass, Oregon.

Dear Madam:

Reference is made to correspondence forwarded you from this office relative to a pilgrimage to the grave of your husband, the late Corporal Robert E. Clark.

It is noted you previously stated your health was poor and would not permit you to make the journey, and in this connection you are assured that should you make a pilgrimage personnel to care for your comfort and needs will be provided and doctors and nurses will be available. During the past two years many women who were in poor health made the pilgrimage and appeared to have benefited by the sea air and the excellent care they received.

Should you reconsider and desire to visit your husband's grave this summer, it is requested that you notify this office at the earliest practicable date. You are assured the journey will not only be made at the expense of the Government, but everything possible for your comfort and welfare will be provided.

In order to complete the records of this office in the case of the late Corporal Clark, it will be appreciated if you will advise, if possible, the dates of death of his natural father and mother and whether or not he is survived by a stepmother or any other woman who may have held the status of loco parentis to him for a period of five years prior to his becoming eighteen years of age. If so, please furnish her name and address. A self-addressed envelope which requires no postage is enclosed for your convenience in replying.

For The Quartermaster General.

Very truly yours,

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Envelope.

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

QM 293 A-M  
Clark, Robert E. (OA)

October 31, 1931

Mrs. Mary E. Clark,  
Route 3, Box 273,  
Grants Pass, Oregon.

Dear Madam:

Receipt is acknowledged of the questionnaire forwarded you for completion in connection with the pilgrimage of mothers and widows to the cemeteries of Europe.

You neglected to reply to the question inquiring whether or not you desire to visit the grave of your husband, the late Corporal Robert E. Clark during the summer of 1932.

It will, therefore, be appreciated if you will advise as soon as possible whether you wish to make a pilgrimage next summer, in order that arrangements may be made accordingly. A self-addressed envelope, which requires no postage, is enclosed for your convenience in replying.

For The Quartermaster General.

Very truly yours,

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

Enclosure:  
Envelope.  
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WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-M

October 2, 1931

Clark, Robert E. O-A W-

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Mrs. Mary E. Clark,  
R 3, Box 273,  
Grants Pass, Oregon

Dear Madam:

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In order that the records may be complete, 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.

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Sign here

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

Encl:  
Env.

WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM-293-AM

Clark, Robert E. Cpl. (O-A) W\*

July 23, 1931.

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Route #3, Box #273,  
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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? \_\_\_\_\_

Write answer here

\_\_\_\_\_  
Sign here

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QM 293 A-23  
Clark, Robert E. 608 W

February 21, 1931

Mrs. Mary E. Clark,  
Grants Pass,  
Oregon.

Dear Madam:

Receipt is acknowledged of your letter of February 12, 1931, declining the invitation to sail on the PRESIDENT HARDING June 13, 1931, to visit the grave of your husband, the late Corporal Robert E. Clark.

It is regretted that your health will not permit you to make the journey at this time. Your name has been placed upon the list of mothers and widows who are eligible to make the journey in 1932, and you will be communicated with when the pilgrimages are being arranged for that year.

Should your health improve, however, and you desire to visit your husband's grave during the latter part of the summer, it is requested that you so advise this office, in order that arrangements may be made for you. Pilgrimages will be conducted during the months of May, June, July and August.

Properly qualified personnel has been provided to care for the comfort and needs of the women making the pilgrimage. Medical attention and nurses will be available from the time of your arrival at New York until your return, thereto, and it is not anticipated you would experience any difficulty in making the journey.

For The Quartermaster General.

Very truly yours,

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

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WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

Clark, Robert E. 608 W

June 5, 1930

Mrs. Mary E. Clark  
R. F. D. #1  
Halfway, Oregon

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?

(Write answer here)

(Sign here)

WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

Clark, Robert E.  
608

Aug. 29, 1929.

Mrs. Mary E. Clark,  
RFD#1,  
Halfway, Ore.

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?

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

2 Incls.  
Act of Congress  
Envelope

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

WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

Clark, Robert H.

June 24, 1929.

Mrs. Mary H. Clark,  
RFD #1, Halfway, Oregon.

Dear Madam:

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

The records of this office show that you are the widow of the late Cpl. Robert H. Clark, Co. B, 4th Engrs., 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 mother who is entitled under the provisions of the above quoted Act, to make the pilgrimage, and if so, will you please furnish her full name and address in order that action may be taken to extend invitation to her to make the pilgrimage. Both mothers and widows are entitled to make the pilgrimage.

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

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

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

2 incls.  
Act of Congress.  
Envelope.

Date May 20/19

REPORT OF DISINTERMENT AND REBURIAL.

Remains of:

Name: Robert E. Clark

Number: 568331

Rank: None

Organization: Co.B. 4th. Engrs.

Disinterment and Reburial made by Group 1 Unit 304

Disinterred (Date) May 20/19 From: (Give complete location)

From Grave #93 Cemetery #19-Forsberg.

#33 SE N282.4 E200.8

Reburied (Date) May 20/19 in: (Give complete location)

Grave #26 Section G. Plot #5 Cemetery #18 Fismes (Marne)

Map #34 Reims. S.W. 286.25N-205.75E

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Report as to nature of original burial and condition of body upon disinterment:  
Buried 5 feet deep--- Body badly decomposed.

Was one identification tag found upon the body? Yes and one on cross.

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

**CONFIRMED No. D** 20638

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: Pvt. N.W. McKay

1st. Lt. Oscar W. Forsberg.  
C.O. Group 1 Unit 304

*Handwritten initials and scribbles*

Clark, Robert E

568,331 ✓

(Surname.)

(Christian name in full.)

(Army serial number.)

Cpl

Co B 4th Engrs

(Rank and organization.)

*Wife*

State your relationship to the deceased

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)

*Mrs Mary Elizabeth Clark  
Yakima Washington*

(Number and street or rural route.)

(City, town, or post office.)

(State.)

Read carefully the letter accompanying this card.

Drawn by ~~SB~~

617-203

12-1-20

Checked  
for 12/2/20

B  
CLARK, Robert H. <sup>QM 293 A-C</sup> Cpl.

November 7, 1924

Mrs. Mary E. Clark,  
Box 19,  
Algona, Washington.

Dear Madam:

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 military cemetery is one of those to be maintained by the United States for all time in Europe. Each grave will be marked by a headstone of white marble, of dignified design, with the name, rank, division, organization, date of soldier's death and State from which he came. 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.

Please be assured that in effecting removal of the dead, the utmost reverential care was exercised and more than willingly accorded 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,

R.P. HARBOID,  
Major, Q.M.C.

Assistant. RD  
FSL

1 Incl.  
Record card.



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# COMPILATION OF DISPOSITION OF REMAINS DATA

File # 17958

## I. LOCATION INDEX CARD:

(a) Name CLARK, Robert E. Ser. No. 568331

(b) Rank Cpl. Organization Co.B, 4th Engrs.

(c) Date of death 8/6/18 (d) Cause of death K/A

TYP. EK

CKR. gd

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

(a) Grave No. 26 Row -- Plot 5 Sec. G TYP. EK

(b) Emerg. Address Mrs. Mary E. Clark(wife) RFD #1, Halfway, Ore.

## III. Files of soldiers dying from contagious diseases

CKR. gd

## IV. A. G. O. DISPOSITION CARD:

Date of receipt none

(a) Name Mrs Mary Elizabeth Clark (b) Relationship Wife

(c) Address Yakima Washington

(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 SH

Date 12-1, 1920.

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

\_\_\_\_\_, dated \_\_\_\_\_

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

no correspondence

Examiner's Initials SH

Date 12-1, 1920.

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

No request for disposition.

(a) Cancellation memos referred to? Yes S. U.

Examiner's Initials S. U.

Date 12-2, 1920.

COUNTRY France

CEMETERY No. 617

SHEET No. 203

Make Form No. 114

FORM 115 - A COMPLETED  
44-17-21

CARDED

Reviewed 4/26/21 EO

CENTRAL DIVISION

VII. G. R. S. Form No. 414 made \_\_\_\_\_, 1920.

RECEIVED

Typed by \_\_\_\_\_, Checked by \_\_\_\_\_

APR 14 1921 1920.

VIII. FINAL ACTION:

Following advice forwarded to Europe by { cable on \_\_\_\_\_, letter on 12-22, 1920

Cemeterial Division  
Project Sub-Section

Paragraph 2 Not to be returned

IX.

CORRECTIONS

CHANGE OF ADVICE.	ACTION TAKEN.
Desires body be _____	
Body to be shipped to _____	
FORM 115 RETURNED BY NOBOKEN - BODY TO REMAIN IN EUROPE. 5-5-21 EP.	

X. SUSPENSION REMARKS: 2-13-21 Letter from Mary E. Clark, widow, Algona, Wash. requests body remains in France. H-2-21-21 PW Since body

has been disinterred and reburied she feels grave will be well taken care of where he is now buried. (P)

3/26/21, Noboken advises Widow that her request for body to remain in France for burial in a permanent American Cemetery will be complied with. 4/26/21 EP

To be prepared <sup>for</sup> in triplicate.

DATE Jan. 19th. 1922.

REPORT OF DISINTERMENT, PREPARATION, SHIPMENT AND REBURIAL OF BODY

DISINTERMENT

COMPARATIVE REPORT

Records of G.R.S. Headquarters.

Discrepancy found upon exhumation of body

- 1. Name CLARK, Robert E. 10. Name \_\_\_\_\_
- 2. No. 568331 11. No. \_\_\_\_\_
- 3. Rank Cpl. 12. Rank \_\_\_\_\_
- 4. Org. Co. B 4th Engrs. 13. Org. \_\_\_\_\_
- 5. D.D. Aug. 6th 1918 14. (a) D.D. \_\_\_\_\_
- 6. C.D. KIA (b) D.B. \_\_\_\_\_

Discrepancy found upon disinterment

- 7. Grave No. 26 Sec. G 15. Grave No. \_\_\_\_\_ Sec. \_\_\_\_\_
- 8. Plot 5 Row \_\_\_\_\_ 16. Plot \_\_\_\_\_ Row \_\_\_\_\_
- 9. \_\_\_\_\_ 17. No discp.

- 18. Cemetery Amer. 19. Commune or town Fismes
- 20. Dept. or County Marne 21. Country France
- 22. G.R.S. Hdqrs. Code No. 617

23. Disinterred (Date) 1-19-22. By Roy M. Perry

24. Inscription on grave marker:

Name Clark, Robert E. Serial No. 568331

Rank Cpl. Organization Co. B. 4th. Engrs.

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

R. L. de Montegon  
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).

Identified by grave marker only.

27. Condition of body Entirely decomposed, features unrecognizable.

28. Nature of burial 6 ft. earth, burlap and uniform.

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 1-19-22. By Roy M. Perry

31. Casket sealed by Roy M. Perry.

Signature of Embalmer, (Supervisor

Roy M. Perry

AUDITED BY  
702 5-29-24

SHIPMENT. (Show actual marking of box.) Box No. C-22906

32. Designation of body:

Name Robert E. CLARK Serial No. 568331

Rank Cpl. Organization Co. B 4th Engra.

33. Consigned to:

Name of Permanent Cemetery Oise-Aisne Amer.#608, Seringes-et-Nesles,Aisne

34. Casket boxed and marked (Date) 1-19-22. By Roy M.Perry.

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

Signature of G.R.S. Inspector R. Richards

R. Richards 1st Lt. G.M.C.

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 Oise Aisne Amer.Cty.# 608.Seringes-et-Nesles,Aisne. (Name)

Convoyer Signature Shipping Officer R. Richards

R. Richards 1st.Lt.G.M.C.

40. Received: Date JAN 21 1922

G.R.S. Representative R. St. Woods

41. Reinterred, Aug.21,1922,Oise-Aisne a Cem.608,Seringes et Nesles(Aisne) (Date)

42. Grave No. 18 Section

43. Plot BLOCK Row D Row 9

G.R.S. Representative W.D. Cleary

W.D. Cleary Lt.,Chaplain,USA.

# REPORT OF DISINTERMENT AND REBURIAL

Date Fis. Cem. 617.

1. REMAINS OF

Jan. 19th. 1922.  
SERIAL NUMBER

RANK CLARK, Robert E. ORGANIZATION

568331.

2. Disinterred (date):

From (give complete location):

Jan. 19th. 1922.  
By: Group

Gr. No. 26. Sec. G. Plot. 5. Cem. 617.  
Unit

3. Reburied (date)

In (give complete location):

Aug. 21, 1922

Gr. 18, Block D, Row 9, Oise-Aisne Cem. 608, Seringes et Nesles (Aisne)

By: Group re-burial group

Unit

Nature of reburial

Lined casket

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

Entirely decomposed, Features unrecognizable

6 ft. earth burlap and uniform.

5. (a) Identification tags: Buried with body?

On grave marker?

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

Identified by grave marker only.

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

(a) Height (actual measurement)

Indiscernable due

(b) Weight (estimated)

(c) Hair—Color to decomposition.

Quantity Imp. to det.

Characteristics

(d) Hair on face—Color

Location Imp. to det.

Quantity

(e) Permanent marks on body (old scars, peculiarities,

or missing parts)

None visible.

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

Left humerus fractured in upper third.

7. Disinterment supervised by

Roy M Perry

Approved:

(Title)

8. Reburial supervised by

Roy M. Perry Sup. Emb.  
L. B. Hays

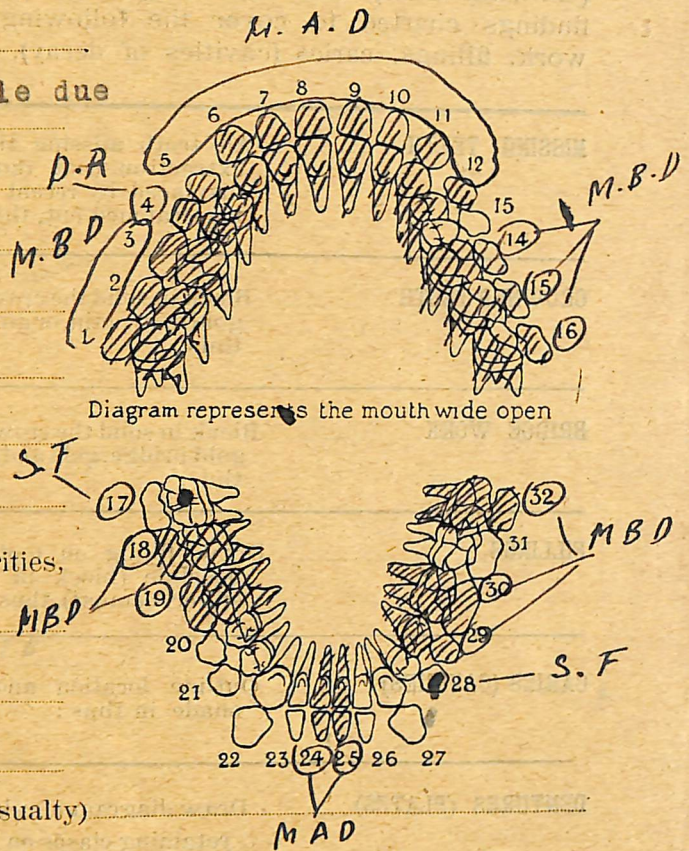
Approved:

(Title)

R. Richards  
1st. Lt. CMC.

W. D. Cleary






Lt., Chaplain, USA.



## 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 11-a, reporting reburial locations. To be used in answer to Question 26, Form 114, in case no means of identification on body.

1. Show soldier's name, serial number, rank and organization, and by whom disinterred and reburied.
2. Give date and accurate information as to location from which the body was disinterred and the group and unit which made disinterment.
3. Give date and accurate information as to location of reburial and the group and unit which made reburial, and how reburial was made—in casket, wooden box, etc.
4. State to what degree decomposition has progressed, whether recognition is possible, and how the body was originally buried—in a casket, box, burlap, etc. This statement should be as complete as possible.
5. (a) State whether identification tags were found buried with body and on grave marker by reporting "Yes" or "No".  
 (b) State whether or not body appears to have been a hospital case. Were any identifying articles found in or on body or grave? List any personal effects, letters, money-order receipts, and the like found on body or in grave, Give any and all information which it is thought might be of use in identifying the body, other than that tabulated under Item No 6.
6. Give all information as to body description and dental chart as nearly correctly as the condition of the body will allow. Items (e) and (f) under the body description are very important and should be very complete. The dental chart is also very important and should be filled in with great care. There are 32 teeth to be accounted for, as shown by the numbers on the chart. Beginning at the middle line in both upper and lower jaws, the teeth are arranged symmetrically on either side and classed as incisors (cutting teeth), cuspids or canines (tearing teeth), bicuspids (chewing teeth), and molars (principal chewing teeth). An examination should be made and findings charted to cover the following basic conditions: Lost teeth, crowned teeth, bridge work, fillings, caries (cavities of decay), dentures (plates), and any deformity of jaws found.

MISSING TEETH	All teeth missing through previous extraction (not those fractured or displaced by recent wounds) should be scratched out, thus :	 <p style="text-align: center;">TOOTH MISSING      TOOTH MISSING</p>
CROWNED TEETH	Block in solid the crown of tooth (label gold, porcelain, or gold and porcelain), thus :	 <p style="text-align: center;">GOLD CROWN      PORCELAIN CROWN GOLD CROWN</p>
BRIDGE WORK	Block in solid the crown of tooth (label gold bridge, gold and porcelain bridge) thus :	 <p style="text-align: center;">GOLD AND PORCELAIN BRIDGE      GOLD BRIDGE</p>
FILLINGS	Draw filling on tooth accurately as possible (block in and label gold, silver, cement), thus :	 <p style="text-align: center;">SILVER FILLING      GOLD FILLING GOLD FILLING      GOLD FILLING</p>
CARIES (CAVITIES)	Outline location and size of cavity, shade in thus :	 <p style="text-align: center;">CAVITY DECAYED      DECAYED DECAYED</p>
DENTURES (PLATES)	Draw diagram of relative size and shape of plate block in teeth attached and indicate retaining clasps on natural teeth with the word "clasp"	

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

8. Show name of person supervising the reburial and the name and title of the person approving same.

COMPILATION OF DISPOSITION OF REMAINS DATA

File # 17958

I. LOCATION INDEX CARD:

(a) Name **CLARK, Robert E.** Ser. No. **568331**  
 (b) Rank **Cpl.** Organization **Co.B, 4th Engrs.** } TYP **EK**  
 (c) Date of death **8/6/18** Cause of death **K/A** } *30.*

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

(a) Grave No. **26** Row **--** Plot **5** Sect. **G** TYP **EK**  
 (b) Emerg. Address **Mrs. Mary E. Clark(wife) RFD #1, Halfway, Ore.**

III. Files of soldiers dying from contagious diseases..... CKR *30*

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

*Also wife - Mrs. Mary Elizabeth Clark  
 Spokane, Washington - Does not  
 desire return of remains 1-8-21*

V. Following advice forwarded to Europe by (cable on ..... 192  
(Letter of transmittal on 12/22/1920

*Paragraph 2  
 Not to be returned*

JAN 18 1921

VI. Form 115 forwarded to G.R.S. Hoboken, N.J. .... 192

VII. SUPPLEMENTARY REQUESTS

Date of and Source	Relationship and name	Desires	Action taken
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VIII. Form 115 received from G.R.S. Hoboken, N.J. *4-14* 1921

COUNTRY

CEMETERY NO.

SHEET NO.

G.R.S. FORM 115-A  
August, 1920

S-666/MB

France

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*441-17-21*

March 26th, 1921.

File No. 293.8 Gen. Div. Cor. Br.  
(Clark, Robert E.)

Mrs. Mary E. Clark,  
Box 19,  
Algona, Washington.

Dear Madam:

Receipt of your letter of February 13th, 1921,  
relative to the disposition of the remains of your husband,  
the late Robert E. Clark, Corporal, Serial No. 568331,  
Co. B, 4th Engineers, is acknowledged.

In accordance with your wishes, 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 desires to convey to you renewed  
assurance of its sympathy in your bereavement.

By authority of the Quartermaster General:

R. E. SHANNON,  
Captain, C.M. Corps,  
Officer in charge.

BY:

F. C. PALLAS,  
Executive Assistant.

Quartermaster General  
Central Division

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Noted on Form No. 115

Date

4/26/21

March 28th, 1921

File No. 282.8 Gen. Div. Cor. Br.  
(Clark, Robert)

Mrs. Mary E. Clark,  
Box 12,  
Albany, Washington

Dear Madam:

Receipt of your letter of February 13th, 1921,  
relative to the disposition of the remains of your husband,  
the late Robert E. Clark, Corporal, Serial No. 268231,  
Co. B, 4th Engineers, is acknowledged.

In accordance with your wishes, 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 services.

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

By authority of the Quartermaster General

E. E. SHANNON,  
Captain, C. M. G.,  
Officer in charge

F. C. SMITH,  
Executive Assistant,  
Officers' Relief Sub-Section  
Cemeterial Division

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MAILED - D. D.  
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Date 4/21/21  
Refer on Form 100

Noted on 115  
H-2-21  
Tm

Algona, Wash  
Feb 13<sup>th</sup> 1921  
617-203

GRAVES REGISTRATION SERVICE  
CORRESPONDENCE BRANCH

Graves Registration Service  
Hoboken, N.J.



Dear Sis

FEB 19 1921

I am in receipt of Cemeterial  
Division of Jan 27-1921,  
Subject, Remains of  
Cpl. Robert E. Clark, Ser No.  
568331, Co. B, 4th Engrs, he is  
my Husband, that was my  
Request that his Body remain  
in Europe, and it was also  
his request before going over  
so I feel I would be going a  
gainst his wishes to do other  
wise, but it Breaks my Heart to  
say leave him there, I have a  
letter from G. P. S. Form No.  
107 Notification of Grave Location

Overseas Project Sub-Section  
Comptrol Division

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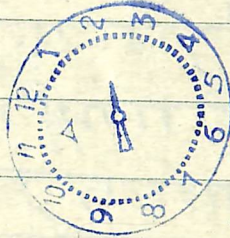
War Department - Office of  
the Quartermaster General  
Grave Registration Service  
Wash, D. C. Stating that  
Corporal Robert E. Clark,  
568331, Co. B, 4th Engineers,  
had been Disinterred & Reburied -  
Grave No. 26, Section G,  
Plot 3, American B/A Ceme-  
tery, 617, Tinsnes, Marne.  
I feel that the Govt ment has  
layed him a way with Honor  
and he is in our American  
Cemeteria over there and his  
Grave will be Cared for. I  
will be glad and happy to help  
to keep his dear Grave up. I  
am trying to Pay for a little home

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on the installment and I find it is slow in paying in there awful high Price <sup>being</sup> living when all one has is the insurance and Compensation, but I will be glad to share with him to keep his grave nice the best I could, God Bless him he is so Dear for what he has done for us all, and I for one is <sup>so</sup> proud of him if I can help in any way Please let me know and I thank you for your trouble and kindness, shown to me, yours very truly, Mrs Mary E. Clark  
Box 19. Algona Wash.

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Cemeterial Division  
Overseas Project Sub-Section

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G. H. S.

WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL OF THE ARMY

CEMETERIAL DIVISION

WASHINGTON

Hoboken, N. J.

JAN 27 1921

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

To: Mrs. Mary E. Clark, Yakima, Washington.

SUBJECT: Remains of Cpl. Robert E. Clark, Ser. No. 568331, Co. B, 4th Engrs.

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.

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INSTRUCTIONS FOR FILLING OUT

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

Date

Signature

Address

Relationship

IMPORTANT.—CAREFULLY read instructions before filling out this paper.

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

1. As stated on first page of this sheet.

2. To be returned to the U. S. and shipped to .....  
(Name.)  
 .....  
(R. R. station.) ..... (State.)

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

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

Signature.....

**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.

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Name **Clark Robert E** 56833

Rank **Pvt** Co. **B** {Corps} **4th Engrs**  
Regt.

Date of Death .....

Place **Comme-Ville-Saroye**

Cause **Killed in action (asine) C-64**

**SIC#1**

Date of Burial **Aug 8/18**

Grave No. **12 1st trench**

Cemetery **Two trenches at St. Thibaut**  
**Soissons 33 S.E. N.285.8 E.200.55**

Identified by { Tag  
Papers } **Tag on peg**  
Clothing

List of Effects .....

Field Record Made by .....

Company **302**, Graves Registration Service

**A.G.#3**

For additional data use reverse side

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GRAVE LOCATION BLANK

LOCATION OF THE GRAVE OF

CLARK 568331 ROBERT E  
(Surname.) (Number.) (First Name and Initials.)

Pvt. Co. B. 4 Eng.  
(Rank.) (Organization.)

DATE OF BURIAL AUG 10 1918

PLACE OF BURIAL ST THIBAUD

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

~~Comme. St. Thibault (Arsons)~~  
~~C-73-33 SE~~

GRAVE NUMBER  3

HOW MARKED: Name Peg?  Yes Cross?  Yes  
Headboard?  Bottle?  No

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:

~~COMME. ST THIBAUD (ARONS)~~  
~~(C-73) SHT. 33 SE COORD E 201.0~~

~~approx. N 286.0~~

REPORTED BY: *Chaplain [Signature]*  
(Signature and Rank of Reporting Officer.)

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

28 AUG 1918

Communal List No. 73-718  
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Co B. 4th Engrs.  
4th Division

CLARK, Robert E. - Cpl. 56833I

" On August 6th 1918, about 4.00 P.M. Cpl. Robert E. Clark was working on detail building artillery bridge to be placed across the Vesle River, near St. Thibault and ahead of the front line. The enemy, having direct observation, started a heavy barrage, and the party was ordered to take cover. Cpl. Clark was sitting against a bank, his rifle in his hands, when a high explosive shell burst on the bank two feet above him, the concussion killing him instantly. He was found in the same position.

He was buried in soldiers' cemetery, near St. Thibault, and his grave is plainly marked. "

Informant : Rush, Roy R. - Sgt. 568264  
Co B. 4th Engrs.

Home : R.F.D. I Box I, Trousdale, Okla.  
March 3rd 1919

Signed : Sgt. Roy R. Rush.

C.F.