

FULL NAME..... CLARKE, Arthur ✓

RANK..... Merchantman ✓ *air* SERIAL.....

DIVISION & ORGANIZATION..... U.S.S.B. Ship "IDA" ✓

DATE OF DEATH..... *Oct. 21 - 1918* ✓

STATE FROM WHICH HE CAME..... *no E.A.* ✓

MEDALS OR DECORATIONS AWARDED..... ✓

FINAL GRAVE LOCATION.....	May 6-1922	20	3	C
	Date	Grave	Row	Block

..... Suresnes American Cemetery 34
..... Cemetery

Necessary to know date of voyage in order to check crew list
otherwise it would be impossible task to go over all crews
for numerous voyages of this vessel.

CC 299 RLT 12/13

GRAVE LOCATION BLANK.

LOCATION OF THE GRAVE OF

CLARKE, Arthur
(Surname.) (Number.) (First Name and Initials.)
Merchantman, U.S.S.B. Ship "IDAT"
(Rank.) (Organization.)

DATE OF BURIAL..... October 21, 1918.
(American section)

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

La Rochelle, C.I., France.

GRAVE NUMBER..... 29

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

Headboard?..... Bottle?.....

IDENTIFICATION TAGS :

Was one buried with body?..... yes

Was one fastened to name peg or stake used as a grave marker?..... yes

If name unknown and tags missing, description and marks should be given here :

REPORTED BY : *Earl Cleeland*
Earl Cleeland, Chaplain, U.S.A.
(Signature and Rank of Reporting Officer.)

This portion to be forwarded to Adj. Gen'l, G. H. Q., A. E. F.
10-22-18

QM 293 A-M
Clarke, Arthur 34 M

July 9, 1930

Mrs. M. Clarke,
4856 - 47th Street,
Woodside, L. I., New York.

Dear Madam:

Receipt is acknowledged of your letter of July 1 acknowledging receipt of the photographs of the grave of your son, the late Arthur Clarke, whose remains are interred in the Suresnes American Cemetery, Suresnes, Seine, France.

You are informed that the United States Shipping Board is not considered a part of the military or naval forces of the United States. For this reason, your son is carried on the records of this office as a civilian. However, you need have no fear that anyone would think your son a slacker as only heroes of the World War are buried in the permanent American cemeteries in Europe.

For The Quartermaster General.

Very truly yours,

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

Q. M. G. M. DIV.

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QM 293 A-M
Clarke, Arthur

June 25, 1930.

Mrs. M. Clarke,
4858 47th Street,
Woodside, L. I., N. Y.

Dear Madam:

Supplementing my letter of May 2, 1930, I am enclosing herewith, in compliance with your request, two prints of a photograph of the grave of your son, the late Arthur Clarke, in the Suresnes American Cemetery.

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

2 Encls.
Photographs.

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O. Q. M. G. M. & R. DIV.

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K July 1st.
1930.

Dear Sir.

Received prints of my sons
grave, for which I thank
you very much.

The only thing I
regret is that they have
put (Civilian) on the
Cross, and not (A. V. B.)
(Able Seaman) which he
was on the S. S. Ida. I
suppose it makes very
little difference, only I
would not want people
to think, one of my
boys was a flack-
and did it do his bit
during the war, for he
had got very narrow
escapes, at different times
from torpedos, going back
and fourth to France.

However, I thank you again
and shall always remember
your kindness. Sincerely,
M. Clarke

D. M. 293 - A. M.)
Arthur Clarke

4856-47 St.
Woodside

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April 29th
1930

O. M. 293, A. C.

Arthur W. Clarke.

Civilian

Dear Sir, your letter received and am grateful to you for the information therein, it would be a little consolation if I could get a Photo copy of the grave. As it looks now for I have very little hopes of going over now. so if you will get one for me I shall appreciate it very much. my son who is caring for me now, would be glad to sign his Adjusted Service Certificate over to the government in exchange for my passage to Arthur's grave. You let me know if the government would do that, as I am sixty-four years old, if there was a possibility of me going, would like to make the trip while I am in good health.

Thanking you for your kindness and hoping you will forgive me for the trouble I am giving you I remain sincerely,

M. Clarke

4856-4th St.

Woodside
Long Island,
N. Y.

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Arthur Clarke

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QM 293 A-C
Clarke, Arthur 34

May 2, 1930.

Mrs. M. Clarke,
4856 47th St.,
Woodside, Long Island,
New York.

Dear Madam:

Receipt is acknowledged of your letter of April 29, 1930, relative to the pilgrimage authorized by Congress in the Act approved March 2, 1929.

In connection with your request for a photograph of the grave of your son, the late Arthur Clarke, you are advised that the Chief, American Graves Registration Service in Europe is being requested to have a photograph taken if practicable, and to furnish prints for delivery to you.

You are advised that an Adjusted Service Certificate cannot be exchanged for passage to Europe. As advised in office letter of April 11, your son was an employee of the Shipping Board which is not a part of the military or naval forces and you are therefore not eligible under the law to make this pilgrimage at the expense of the Government.

For The Quartermaster General.

Very truly yours,

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

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W. J. C. C. C.

QM 293 A-C

Clarke, Arthur

May 2, 1930.

SUBJECT: Photograph of Grave.

TO: The Chief, American Graves Registration Service,
20 rue Molitor, Paris, France.

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For The Quartermaster General.

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

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No E/A available

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

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For The Quartermaster General.

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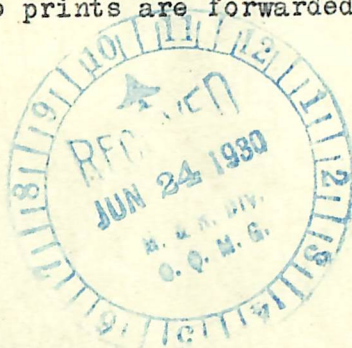
A. D. Hughes
A. D. HUGHES,
Captain, Q. M. Corps,
Assistant.



293. Clarke, Arthur 1st Ind. et/et
June 11, 1930. To: The Quartermaster General of the Army,
Washington, D.C.

In compliance with instructions contained above, a photograph has been taken of the grave of the late Arthur Clarke, Civilian, and two prints are forwarded herewith.

2 Encls.
Photographs.



Richard T. Ellis
Richard T. Ellis,
Colonel, United States Army,
Chief.

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QM 295 A-C
Clarke, Arthur 54

May 2, 1930.

Mrs. M. Clarke,
4856 47th St.,
Woodside, Long Island,
New York.

Dear Madam:

Receipt is acknowledged of your letter of April 29, 1930, relative to the pilgrimage authorized by Congress in the Act approved March 3, 1929. *→ See Case File!*

In connection with your request for a photograph of the grave of your son, the late Arthur Clarke, you are advised that the Chief, American Graves Registration Service in Europe is being requested to have a photograph taken if practicable, and to furnish prints for delivery to you.

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For The Quartermaster General.

Very truly yours,

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

U.S. M. G. M. S. R. DIV.

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For The Quartermaster General.

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

U. S. M. G. M. S. R. DIV.

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May 1, 1930

Mrs. M. Clark,
4856 - 47th Street,
Woodside, L. I., N. Y.

Dear Madam:

Captain A. D. Hughes of the War Department has referred to this office your letter dated April 17th, making inquiry as to whether it will be possible for the Shipping Board to furnish you with passage to France for the purpose of visiting the grave of your son.

We note that your son died during the World War while serving as a Seaman with the United States Shipping Board on the SS IDA, and that you cannot be granted transportation to European cemeteries with the Gold Star Mothers. We are very sorry to inform you that the Shipping Board does not operate any passenger vessels to Europe on which your transportation could be arranged, and has no funds which could be legally used for this purpose.

Sincerely regretting our inability to be of assistance in this matter, we are

Very truly yours,

F. M. DAHR
Asst. Director of Traffic

By:
S. C. CROSS, Manager
Passenger, Mail and
Solicitation Division

see/b

cc Capt. A. D. Hughes
Q. M. Corps

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QM 293 A-C
Clarke, Arthur

April 24, 1930.

Mrs. M. Clarke,
4856 - 47th Street,
Woodside, L. I., N. Y.

Dear Madam:

Receipt is acknowledged of your letter of April 17, 1930, in which you make inquiries concerning the place of burial of your son Arthur Clarke who died during the World War while serving as a Merchantman with the United States Shipping Board on the S. S. "Ida".

The records show that your son died in La Rochelle, France, on October 20, 1918, and was buried in the American plot of the St. Eloi Cemetery at La Rochelle. At the close of the War when the bodies of American Dead were removed from these temporary cemeteries for permanent interment in the American Military Cemeteries in France, which are maintained by this Government, every effort was made to ascertain the name and the address of the next of kin of your son, but without success. It was therefore necessary to remove your son's remains from La Rochelle without knowledge of your wishes in the matter and his grave is now located in the beautiful Suresnes American Cemetery, near Paris. I am enclosing a card which gives the exact location of the grave and should you so desire can have the grave photographed and copies furnished you. The grave has been marked with a headstone of white marble inscribed with his name, status and date of death.

I am sorry that your request to visit your son's grave at the expense of the Government can not be granted but the law which provides for the pilgrimage to the European Cemeteries is limited to the Mothers of those who served with the military and naval forces of the United States.

QM 293 A-C (Clarke, Arthur)

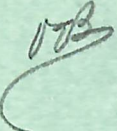
letter 4-24-30 (Cont'd.)

With reference to your inquiry as to whether the United States Shipping Board could pay your passage to Europe I am referring your letter to that office for further reply.

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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



1 Encl.
Card.

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QM 295 A-C (Clarke, Arthur) 1st Ind.
April 24, 1930. To: The United States Shipping Board, Washington,
D. C.

1. Inviting attention to the foregoing communication from Mrs. M. Clarke, Woodside, Long Island, New York, mother of the late Arthur Clarke, who died while serving with the United States Shipping Board, on the S. S. Ida, and to the enclosed copy of reply of even date.

For The Quartermaster General:

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

1 Incl.
c. let. 4-24-30.

VEB/leb

(COPY)

April 17, 1929.

Dear Sir:

In a letter addressed to Mrs. M. Burling, President of the Gold Star Association, dated December 12th. You mentioned that my son Arthur W. Clarke was buried in Grave 20, Row 3, Block C, Suresnes American Cemetery, France. I received word when he died in La Rochelle, October 20, 1918, that he had been buried in St. Eloi Cemetery, Grave 29, Am. Sec. So would like to know if there is a mistake somewhere. If the body was removed surely I should have been notified, as I would have requested the proper authorities to send his body home I refrained from asking that as I did not want to have him disturbed, so if you will let me have the facts I shall be grateful, owing to the fact that I received no insurance, or compensation from the U. S. Shipping Board, and being a widow without means, I have been unable to go over so thought the Government or S. B. would let me go to see where he was buried as there are a lot of mothers who do not want to go, I had a son in the Signal Corps, and another in the Navy Aviation, during the war, but they returned so thought I might get a little consideration. I am sorry to trouble you, at this late day, but Mrs. Burling just sent me your letter this morning, as she had mislaid it, do you think it would be any use asking the S. B. for passage across to see the boys grave, I dont want a sight seeing trip, just to see where he is buried.

Thanking you, I remain

Sincerely,

M. CLARKE,
4856 - 47th St.,
Woodside, L.I., N.Y.

QM 080 A-C
Gold Star Service Association

December 12, 1929.

Mrs. Mathilda Burling,
President, Gold Star Service Assn.,
95-75 114th St.,
Richmond Hill, N. Y.

Dear Madam:

I am in receipt of your letter of December 2, 1929, transmitting the names of two Gold Star mothers with the request that a flag be sent to them in memory of their sons who died overseas. In compliance with your request, instructions have been given to have a flag sent to Mrs. B. Goodwin, mother of the late John Francis Goodwin, Private, Company F, 107th Infantry, who is buried in the Some American Cemetery, France, provided a flag has not previously been furnished for this soldier.

In connection with the furnishing of a flag to Mrs. M. Clarke, mother of the late Arthur Clarke, it appears that this man was a civilian serving with the United States Shipping Board and it is therefore regretted to have to advise you that a flag cannot be furnished for him. Flags are only furnished by the War Department for soldiers who die while on active duty with the United States Army.

With reference to Mrs. Clarke's desire to have the exact location of her son's grave, you are advised that Arthur Clarke, Mechanic, U. S. Shipping Board, is buried in Grave 20, Row S, Block C, Suresnes American Cemetery in France. In connection with Mrs. Clarke's wish to visit her son's grave, it is regretted to advise that she is ineligible under the Act of March 2, 1929, to make the pilgrimage at Government expense as her son did not serve with the American Forces. A copy of the Act is inclosed for your information.

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

Incl.
C/Act.
ESM/ms

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

293
Clarke, Arthur

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~~Europe~~
Clarke, Arthur.

Sept. 5, 1924.

The United States Shipping Board,
Navy Building,
Washington, D.C.

Gentlemen:

The Quartermaster General desires that the inclosed G.R.S. Form 114-B be forwarded to you with request that the data checked in red thereon be verified and the Form returned to this office.

Very truly yours,

R. P. HARBOLD,
Assistant.



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*File
Ref 31*

REPORT OF DISINTERMENT AND REBURIAL

Place La Rochelle, Cem. 119-B,

Date Oct. 19, 1921.

1. REMAINS OF CLARKE, Arthur SERIAL NUMBER ----
RANK Merchant-Man. ORGANIZATION U.S. Shipping Board.

2. Disinterred (date): Oct. 19, 1921. From (give complete location): Grave 29. La Rochelle #119-B.

By: Group 4 Unit Section 7.

3. Reburied (date): May 6th 1922. In (give complete location): Grave 20, Row 3, Block C, Cty 34, Suresnes.

By: Group special Unit _____ Nature of reburial metallie casket and shipping case.

4. Report as to nature of original burial and condition of body upon disinterment:
Badly decomposed. Features not recognizable. Badly decomposed.
Wooden box. Civilian Suit.

5. (a) Identification tags: Buried with body? No On grave marker? Yes

(b) Other means of identification found upon disinterment, and general remarks:
Civilian clothes found on body. Body one side previously exhumed, other side identified. No evidence to disprove identity.

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

(a) Height (actual measurement) Indiscernable

(b) Weight (estimated) due to decomposition.

(c) Hair—Color Light Brown.

Quantity Full Head.

Characteristics Straight.

(d) Hair on face—Color None appearing.

Location None.

Quantity None.

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

or missing parts)

Indiscernable due to decomposition.

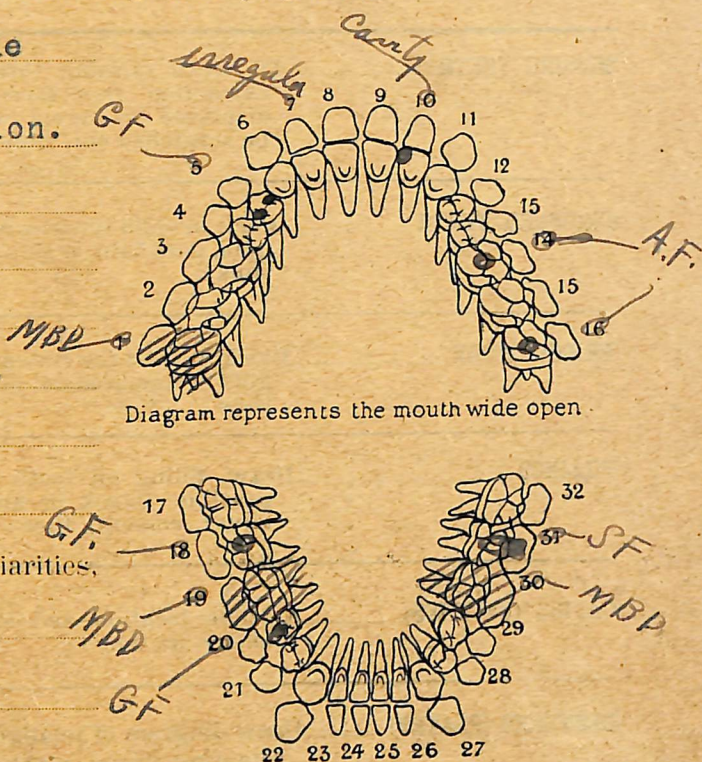
(f) Wounds or missing parts (received at time of casualty)

None visible.

F.C. Stark, Checker.

7. Disinterment supervised by Frank L. Kaelin Approved: O.E. Davis
FRANK L. KAELIN. O.E. DAVIS, 1st Lt. Q.M.C.
(Title)

8. Reburial supervised by Charles P. Keating Approved: H.S. Smith
Charles P. Keating, Chief S.P., mb. (Title) H.S. SMITH, Chaplain.



20-60314

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), bicuspids (chewing teeth), and molars (principal chewing teeth). An examination should be made and findings charted to cover the following basic conditions: Lost teeth, crowned teeth, bridge work, fillings, caries (cavities of decay), dentures (plates), and any deformity of jaws found.

MISSING TEETH All teeth missing through previous extraction (not those fractured or displaced by recent wounds) should be scratched out, thus:



CROWNED TEETH Block in solid the crown of tooth (label gold, porcelain, or gold and porcelain), thus:



BRIDGE WORK Block in solid the crown of tooth (label gold bridge, gold and porcelain bridge) thus:



FILLINGS Draw filling on tooth accurately as possible (block in and label gold, silver, cement), thus:



CARIES (CAVITIES) Outline location and size of cavity, shade in thus:



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

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

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



To be prepared in triplicate.

DATE Oct. 19, 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 EXX CLARKE, Arthur
- 2. No. _____
- 3. Rank Merchant-man
- 4. Org. US Shipping Board
- 5. D.D. 10-20
- 6. C.D. DOD

- 10. Name _____
- 11. No. _____
- 12. Rank _____
- 13. Org. _____
- 14. (a) D.D. _____
- (b) D.B. No discrepancy.

Discrepancy found upon disinterment

- 7. Grave No. 29 Sec. _____
- 8. Plot _____ Row _____
- 9. _____

- 15. Grave No. _____ Sec. _____
- 16. Plot _____ Row _____
- 17. No discrepancy.

- 18. Cemetery French Civ
- 20. Dept. or County Charente Inf
- 22. G.R.S. Hdqrs. Code No. 119-B

- 19. Commune or town La Rochelle
- 21. Country _____

23. Disinterred (Date) Oct. 19, 1921.

By FRANK L. KARLIN.

24. Inscription on grave marker:

Name CLARKE, Arthur
 Rank Merchant-Man.

Serial No. _____
 Organization U.S. Shipping Board.

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

F. C. Stark
 Signature Junior Technical Assistant
F. C. STARK.

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).

Civilian Clothes found on body. Body one side previously exhumed, other side identified. No evidence to disprove identity

27. Condition of body Badly decomposed. Features not recognizable.

28. Nature of burial Wooden box. Civilian Suit.

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

30. Body prepared and placed in casket: Date Oct. 19, 1921. By FRANK L. KARLIN.

31. Casket sealed by FRANK L. KARLIN.

Signature of Embalmer, (Supervisor) Frank L. Karlin

SHIPMENT. (Show actual marking of box.) Box No. **02761**

32. Designation of body:

Name **CLARKE, Arthur** Serial No.

Rank **Merchant-man** Organization **US Shipping Board**

33. Consigned to:

Name of Permanent Cemetery **American Concentration City 34 Suresnes**

34. Casket boxed and marked (Date) **Oct. 19, 1921.** By **FRANK L. KARLIN.**

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 *O.E. Davis*

36. Remarks **O.E. DAVIS, 1st Lt. Q.M.C.**

None.

37. Shipped from point of Operation: (Date) **Oct. 19, 1921.**

To point of Concentration **Paris Morgue (Seine)** (Name)

Convoyer **Pierre de Montozon** Signature Shipping Officer *P. de Montozon*
S. D. CAMPBELL, Capt. Q.M.C.

38. Received at ~~Railhead~~ Point of Concentration: Date **Paris Morgue, Nov. 2, 1921**

By G.R.S. Representative *H. L. Ward* **H. L. WARD, Major, QMC** ✓

39. Shipped from Railhead or Point of Concentration: Date, **Paris Morgue, May 6th 1922**

To Permanent Cemetery **Suresnes American No. 34, Suresnes, Seine** (Name)

Convoyer **Arthur De Wasch** Signature Shipping Officer *A. P. Doyle*
E. P. DOYLE, Capt. QMC ✓

40. Received: Date

G.R.S. Representative

41. Reinterred **May 6th 1922.** (Date)

42. Grave No. **20** Section

43. Plot **Block C** Row **5. City 34, Suresnes.**

G.R.S. Representative *H. S. Smith*

H. S. SMITH, Chaplin.

COMPILATION OF DISPOSITION OF REMAINS DATA

1. LOCATION INDEX CARD:

File #42949

(a) Name CLARKE, Arthur Ser. No. _____
(b) Rank Merchantman Organization U.S. Shipping Board
(c) Date of death 10-20-18 of death Lobar Pneumonia
(d) Cause _____

TYP. HDP
CKR. & P

Exhumed
for concentration
in Pines,
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(initials)
(AES)

11. Registration Card:- (Check Reg. Card Inf. against Loc. Ind. Inf.)

(a) Grave No. 29 Row 1 Plot Amer. Sect. _____ TYP. EML
(b) Emerg. Address _____

111. Files of soldiers dying from contagious diseases; No Card _____) CKR. 88

IV. A.G.O. DISPOSITION CARD: NO CARD Date of receipt _____

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

see 9/8

Examiner's Initials B & L Date 4-27-1920

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

confirmed request in Par. IV. item _____, dated _____, above, or requesting that
no correspondence

Examiner's Initials MM Date 4-28-1920

VI. G.R.S. Files - Correspondence - shows as follows:

no request for disposition

(a) Cancellation memos referred to? *yes - aa*

Examiner's Initials aa Date 4-29-1920

Concentrated into P.A.C. 34 *maab*
6-26-22

VII. G. R. S. FORM No. 114 made _____, 1920

Typed by _____, Checked by _____, _____ 1920

VIII. FINAL ACTION:

Following advice forwarded to Europe by- (cable on _____, 1920
(letter on MAY 7, 1920

C O R E C T I O N S

IX.

Change of advice

Action taken

Desires body be

Body to be shipped to

X. SUSPENSION REMARKS:

42949
GRAVE LOCATION BLANK.

LOCATION OF THE GRAVE OF

CLARKE,

Arthur

(Surname.)

(Number.)

(First Name and Initials.)

Merchantman, U.S.S.B. Ship "IDA"

(Rank.)

(Organization.)

DATE OF BURIAL... October 21, 1918.

(American section)

PLACE OF BURIAL... St. Eloi Cemetery

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

La Rochelle, C.I., France.

GRAVE NUMBER... 29

HOW MARKED: Name Peg? yes

Cross?

Headboard?

Bottle?

IDENTIFICATION TAGS:

Was one buried with body? yes

Was one fastened to name peg or stake used as a grave marker? yes

If name unknown and tags missing, description and marks should be given here:

REPORTED BY:

Earl Cleeland, Chaplain, U.S.A.

(Signature and Rank of Reporting Officer.)

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

10-22-18

24 OCT 1918

Address reply to
QUARTERMASTER GENERAL,
Washington, D. C.

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WAR DEPARTMENT,
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL OF THE ARMY,
WASHINGTON.

In Answer Refer to File No.


July 14, 1921.

No. 293.8 Cem. Div. - #42949 - Registration.
From: The Quartermaster General, U. S. Army (Cemeterial Division.)
To: Rev. Earl Cleeland, #4228 Eastern Avenue, Seattle, Washington.
Subject: Case of Merchantman Arthur CLARKE, U. S. Shipping Board.

1. The records of this office do not indicate that reply has been received to our communication dated May 14th, 1921, wherein you were furnished copy of Grave Location Blank signed by you reporting the burial of one Arthur Clarke, Merchantman, U. S. S. B. Ship "Ida" in Grave #29, St. Eloi Cemetery, La Rochelle C. I., France and were requested to furnish this office, if possible, any information you may be able to obtain relative to the name and address of the relative or friend whom this person wished to be notified in case of emergency.

2. Your prompt attention to this important matter will be greatly appreciated by this office. Please use the enclosed envelope, which requires no postage, for your reply.

By authority of the Quartermaster General :


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

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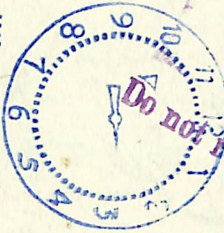
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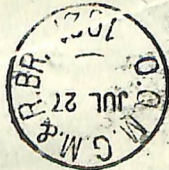
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[Handwritten signature]

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

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The Quartermaster General, U. S. Army (Cometerial Division.)

Rev. Earl Cleeland, 4228 Eastern Avenue, Seattle, Washington.

Case of Merchantman Arthur CLARKE, #42949, U. S. Shipping Board.

1. Enclosed find photostat copy of Grave Location Blank signed by you covering the burial of Arthur Clarke, Merchantman, U. S. Shipping Board.

2. It is requested that you furnish this office, if possible, with any information on the above which will be of assistance in obtaining the address of the person whom he wished to be notified in case of emergency as the U. S. Shipping Board is unable to furnish us with this information.

By authority of the Quartermaster General :

Inv & Adj.

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THOS. G. HANSON, JR.,
Captain, Q. M. Corps.

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1 photostat copy.
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May 5, 1921.

#42949
CLARKE, Arthur
Merchantman, U.S. Shipping Board,
DD 10-20-18.

Letter to Chaplain Earl Cleeland together with photo-stat of Grave Location Blank, requesting that he furnish this office if possible any information on the above which will be of any assistance in getting the emergency address, stating that Shipping Board do not seem to have a record of above, and we would like to know with whom to get connected to obtain above information.

Macaulay
INVESTIGATOR.

Rev. Earl Cleeland,
4228 Eastern Ave.,
Seattle, Wash.

415 E. 80th Street,
New York, N.Y.
5/2/21.

Recorded, Cemeterial Div., O. O. N. G.
File # 2998 File # 42949

The Quartermaster General, U.S.A. (Cemeterial Division),
Washington, D.C.

Dear Sir:-

In reply to your letter of April 28, 1921, regarding one Arthur Clarke, for whom I was a voucher in securing a passport, you are advised as follows:-

The Arthur Clarke I signed papers for worked in the Navy Yard, New York as an electrician. He resigned on Feb. 19, 1918, to go with the Brown Hoisting Machine Company in connection with installing cranes, etc. in France. This man returned to America after the armistice and filed an application in the New York Navy Yard in March, 1919, for employment. I personally saw this man about the same time. On his last application for employment in the Navy Yard he gave the address of 912 Third Street, So. West, Canton, Ohio.

It therefore appears as if it was some other Arthur Clarke that is buried in France and not the man I vouched for.

Respectfully,

Charles Reed.

Clarke, Arthur

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415 E. 62nd Street
New York, N.Y.
5/2/21

The Quartermaster General, U.S.A. (Central Division)
Washington, D.C.

Dear Sir:

In reply to your letter of April 23, 1921, regarding one
Arthur Clarke, for whom I was a voucher in securing a passport, you
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The Arthur Clarke I signed papers for worked in the Navy
Yard New York at an electrician. He resigned on Feb. 19, 1918,
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Charles J. ...

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WASHINGTON, D.C.
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April 28, 1921.

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The Quartermaster General, U. S. Army (Cometarial Division)

Mr. Charles F. Reed, 415th 80th St., New York City.

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Information for Identifi cation.

1. The records of this office show one Arthur Clarke, Merchantman, U.S.S.B. Ship "Ida" to have been buried October 21, 1918, in Grave 29, American Plot, Row 1, French St. Eloi Cemetery 119-B La Rochelle (Charente Inferiure) France. However, the records of this office and those of The Adjutant General do not afford any information relative to the true identity of this civilian; and name of the person whom he wished notified in case of emergency.

2. Information received from the Passport Division, State Department, is to the effect that one Arthur Clark was issued a passport as an Electrician in Construction Work for the United States; and that you signed affidavit submitted by Mr. Clark. Therefore, it is the opinion of this office that you will be able to furnish information in regard to the name of the relative or friend of Mr. Clark, whom he wished to be notified in case of emergency.

3. It is requested that you forward to this office a report giving any information you may be able to furnish relative to Mr. Arthur Clarke and also, if possible, furnish the name of the relative or friend whom Mc. Clarke wished to be notified in case of emergency.

4. The information requested is to be used in matters of identification and will be greatly appreciated by this office. Please use the enclosed envelope, which requires no postage, for your reply.

By authority of the Quartermaster General.

THOS. G. HANSON, Jr.,
Captain, Q.M.C.

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April 25th, 1921.

#42949
CLARKE, Arthur
Merch. U.S. Shipping Board,
DD 10220-19.
Cause Lobar Pneumonia.

USA Shipping Board have no record of the above civilian being on duty, but say he might have been employed as a Merchant Marine thru their London office.

State Department, Passport Division advise that a Passport was issued to one Arthur Clark to France as an Electrician in Construction work for United States. He requested his passport sent to #602 Terminal Bldg., Hoboken, N.J. Affidavit was signed by Charles F. Reed, 415th 80th St., New York City.

Request letter sent to Chas. F. Reed asking whether it is possible for him to furnish this office with the emergency address of Arthur Clarke, as it is necessary we have ~~the~~ E.A. for disposition of remains which are interred in Grave #29, Amer. Plot Row 1, French St., Elou City., 119-B, La Rochelle, (Charente Inferiure.)

Macardley
INVESTIGATOR.

April 22, 1921.

MEMORANDUM to Mr. Good:
Investigation & Adjustment Dept.

Case of CLARKE, Arthur
Merchantman,
U.S. Shipping Board.

Please investigate this case as to emergency address
and advise Compilation Section.

I am forwarding to you G. R. S. correspondence.

B. E. Landman,
Compilation Section,
OSP:SS.

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Handwritten signature in red ink

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J. D.

DATE 5/6/22.

1. NAME CLARKE, Arthur SERIAL No. _____
 RANK Merchant-man ORGANIZATION US Shipping Board
 GRAVE LOCATION French Civ-La Rochelle 119-B
 CTY. NAME NUMBER

29

GRAVE	ROW	PLOT
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2. ORIGINAL ~~BATTLE AREA~~ GRAVE LOCATION 29 La Rochelle, (Charente Inf.)
 GRAVE COMMUNE DEPT.

COORDINATES None.

CONCENTRATED TO Oct. 21, 1918. 29
 DATE GRAVE ROW PLOT
French Civ. La Rochelle, 119-B.
 CEMETERY CTY. NUMBER

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

SUBSEQUENT REBURIALS
 DATE GRAVE ROW PLOT CEMETERY

DATE	GRAVE	ROW	PLOT	CEMETERY
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SIGNATURE, AREA SUPERVISOR

W. R. Nichols

W. R. Nichols, Major. G.I.C.

3. FINAL GRAVE LOCATION 5/6/22. 20. 3. C.
 DATE GRAVE ROW PLOT
 BLOCK.

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SAB 6/28/22

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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.

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