

To The A. G. O.

G.R.S. Form #114-B

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name.

DATE

1. NAME CLAY, Rhodes Jr.

SERIAL No. 1402914

RANK Pvt.

ORGANIZATION

Co. H. 370th Inf.

**& DIVISION - 93**

GRAVE LOCATION Amer.Cty., Juvigny, Aisne,

598

CTY. NAME

NUMBER

288

GRAVE

ROW

PLOT

2. ORIGINAL BATTLE AREA GRAVE LOCATION Exhumed fr hill E of Leully

(Aisne)

GRAVE

COMMUNE

DEPT.

COORDINATES

CONCENTRATED TO Dec. 18, 1918

414

DATE

GRAVE

ROW

PLOT

American

# 598

CEMETERY

CTY. NUMBER

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

Information in paragraph 2 taken from Form 1.

SUBSEQUENT REBURIALS 12-10-20 288 # 598 JUVIGNY

DATE OF DEATH Sept 24, 1918 DATE GRAVE ROW PLOT CEMETERY

STATE FROM WHICH HE CAME no DATE GRAVE ROW PLOT CEMETERY

MEDALS OR DECORATIONS AWARDED none DATE GRAVE ROW PLOT CEMETERY

SIGNATURE, AREA SUPERVISOR Stuart D. Campbell, Capt. Q.M.C., Supervisor, Area No. 2.

3. FINAL GRAVE LOCATION July 26, 1922. 6 40 Block D  
DATE GRAVE ROW PLOT

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

AUDITED BY  
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A. G. O.  
JAN 23 1926  
WORLD WAR DIV.

JAN 23 1926

# 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 16, Form 1-A or Form 16-A, statement to this effect will be made on Form 114-B STATING WHICH G.R.S. form data is taken from. If data concerning co-ordinates is approximate and NOT accurate, statement to this effect will be made on these forms.



GRAVE LOCATION BLANK

M.P. 12/13  
2450 SP107

LOCATION OF THE GRAVE OF

Clay 1402914 Rhodes Jr  
(Surname.) (Number.) (First Name and Initials.)

Pvt Co H 370  
(Rank.) (Organization.)

DATE OF BURIAL Sept 24th 1918

PLACE OF BURIAL Mount de Sion

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

1000 Yds East of  
Dun cano P. Co

GRAVE NUMBER

HOW MARKED: Name Peg? Cross? Headboard? Bottle?

IDENTIFICATION TAGS:

Was one buried with body? Was one fastened to name peg or stake used as a grave marker? If name unknown and tags missing, description and marks should be given here:

REPORTED BY: L. Braden (Phg)  
(Signature and Rank of Reporting Officer.)

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

Clay, Rhodes, Jr.  
Pot.

PARTY Q, S. S. AMERICAN MERCHANT  
SCHEDULES FOR GOLD STAR PILGRIMS LEAVING NEW YORK  
AUG. 16, 1930

TENNESSEE

Shelby County

Clay, Mrs. Annie, (Q-5)  
20 S. Morrison St.,  
C/o Mrs. H. C. Yerkes,  
Memphis, Tenn.

Lv. Memphis	IllCent	#114	9:10 PM (CT)	Aug. 12
Ar. Jersey City	B&O	#518	12:30 PM (ET)	Aug. 14
Ar. New York	B&O Bus		1:12 PM (ET)	Aug. 14

Route Going: IllCent Louisville, B&O ~~New York~~

Return: ~~B&O Louisville, IllCent Memphis~~

→ Same route  
Sleeper Memphis to Jersey City

Elapsed time 39 hours, 2 minutes  $1\frac{3}{4}$

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OA

Pvt. Rhodes Clay, Jr.

*Rhodes Clay, Jr.*

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.

Mrs. Rogena Clay

(Name)

1528 a O'Fannon St., St. Louis, St. Louis Co., Mo.

(Town or City)

(State)



# MEDICAL RECORD

Clay, Rhodes, Jr.

at Co H, 370 Inf.

Party Q

Station: Eastbound  
Am. Merchant

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Name Clay, Annie

Home address 20 S. Morris St., Memphis, Tenn.

Address of Nearest friend or relative Friend, Mrs. H. C. Yerkes,  
address not given.

Religion Pentecost

Age 58

History of Present complaint :

**INSTRUCTIONS.** — This card will be started in all cases of Pilgrims requiring medical attention by the Medical Officer or Nurse first rendering such attention. Subsequently it will be carried by the nurse in attendance upon the group to which the Pilgrim is assigned. All Medical Officers rendering any assistance in the case will make an appropriate entry which will include date, time and signature. Upon final disposition of the case the Nurse in charge will deliver the card to the Office of the Chief Surgeon. Pilgrims sent to the American Hospital will be accompanied by this card properly completed, which will be authority for admission, in which case a duplicate card will be made and sent without delay to the Office of the Chief Surgeon.

(over)

Diagnosis and complications: (*include dates*)

Aug. 14, 1930

Complained of pain in head and shoulders

Treatment and Progress: (*include dates*)

Hot water bag applied, relief.

Massaged c Analgesic Baum's.

Disposition: (*include dates*)

Discharged, Aug. 17th, 1930

Condition apparently good.

Remarks:

Aug. 25th, recovered. A.W.K.

CODE SLIP

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HEADING	SUB HEADING	NO. OF COLS	CODE
NAME <i>Clay, Rhodes</i>	<i>CLA</i>	5	<i>321</i>
BURIED <i>Jr.</i>	CEMETERY <i>608</i>	1	<i>2</i>
	GRAVE <i>6</i>	2	<i>06</i>
	ROW <i>40</i>	2	<i>40</i>
	BLOCK <i>62</i>	1	<i>4</i>
STATE	<i>mo.</i>	2	<i>29</i>
RANK	<i>Pvt</i>	1	<i>2</i>
DIVISION	<i>93</i>	2	<i>93</i>
ORGANIZATION	<i>370</i>	3	<i>370</i>
ARM	<i>Inf</i>	1	<i>1</i>
MARITAL	<i>yes</i>	1	<i>1</i>
NAME <i>Clay, Mrs</i>	<i>CLA</i>	3	<i>321</i>
<i>Rogena</i>	STATE <i>Mo</i>	2	<i>29</i>
	COUNTY <i>St. Louis City</i>	2	<i>97</i>
	CITY <i>St Louis</i>	3	<i>052</i>
RESIDENCE <i>1528<sup>a</sup> Fallon St</i>			
RELATION	<i>mother</i>	1	<i>1</i>
OTHER		1	
ELIGIBILITY	<i>yes</i>	1	<i>1</i>
NATIVITY		1	
RACE	<i>Black</i>	1	<i>2</i>
ENGLISH	<i>yes</i>	1	<i>1</i>
ATTENDANT		1	
HEALTH	<i>Bad</i>	1	<i>2</i>
NO. OF SONS		1	
DATE OF TRIP	MO. <i>1933</i>	1	
	YR. <i>1933</i>	1	
ACCEPTANCE	<i>No</i>	1	<i>2</i>
<i>29/514/EAB</i>	<i>Age</i>		<i>76</i>

Declined Em. Banker 6-23-33

Audited  
OCT 9 1931  
R.F.

Murphy

Declined  
Am. Banker  
6-23-33

Jan 1-14 1933

Dear in Close  
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to come over to make

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from

Rogena Clay  
to the Quater master

WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-M  
Clay Rhodes Jr OAx

July 13 1932

Mrs Rogena Clay  
1428a O'Fallon St  
St Louis Missouri

Dear Madam:

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

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

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

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

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

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

2 Encls.

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

Yes  
(Write answer here)

(Sign here)

Rogena Clay

File No.

OUT-CHARGE SHEET

Date charged out

Charged to

Remarks:

*Clay, Rhodes Jr.  
See "Pilgrimage Completed"  
File for Widow.*

**INSTRUCTIONS.**—If a document is taken from the files, charge it to the person to whom delivered. Make charge sheet in duplicate. Place one in record file and one in suspended file used for follow up on "charge out sheets."

**Q. M. C. Form 355** (Old No. 492)  
Revised July 26, 1918

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WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-M

Clay, Rhodes Jr, OA M

December 17, 1931.

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Mrs. Rogena Clay,  
1528a O'Fallon St.,  
St Louis, ~~Miss.~~ *Mo.*

Dear Madam:

Receipt is acknowledged of your reply to form letter forwarded you under recent date relative to the pilgrimage to the cemeteries of Europe, wherein you advise that your health will not permit you to make a pilgrimage during the year 1932.

Competent personnel will be provided to care for the mothers and widows from the time of their arrival in New York until their return thereto. Medical attendants and all other necessities will be arranged for and in the event you decide to make a pilgrimage, you are assured everything possible will be done for your care and welfare. During the summers of 1930 and 1931 many mothers of advanced age and in poor health made the pilgrimage and appear to have benefited therefrom.

Your name is being placed on the list of mothers and widows who are eligible to make a pilgrimage in 1933. However, should you change your mind in view of the above, and desire to make a pilgrimage during the summer months of 1932, it is requested you advise this office in order that arrangements may be made for you.

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

Clay, Rhodes, Jr. OA  
Pvt., Co. H, 1st Inf. Serial 1402914

MOTHER. Rose Clay  
WIDOW Room 17 A.  
LOCO 1406 - N. 14 st ✓  
STEP-M St Louis - mo.

~~XC~~ XC - 96641

Mo 17/2/31

W. Annie Clay  
20 S. Morrison st ✓  
Memphis  
Tenn.

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WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-M

Clay, Rhodes Jr. (OA)Mx  
*Put. Co. H, 370th Inf.*

November 10, 1931

Mrs. Rogena Clay,  
1528a Afallon St.,  
St. Louis, Missouri.

*Serial 1402914*  
*Fallon*

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. In your reply to the recent inquiry as to whether or not you desired to make a pilgrimage in 1932, you advised you were undecided.

In view of the fact that steamship reservations must be made several months in advance, it is essential that this office know how many mothers and widows must be arranged for. It is possible that you may have made your decision by this time. It is therefore requested that 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. In the event you state you desire to make the journey in 1932 and circumstances prevent your making the pilgrimage, it is requested you notify this office as promptly as possible.

1. Do you desire to make a pilgrimage in 1932?	
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

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, D. C.

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DIRECTORY SERVICE GIVEN  
Saint Louis, Mo., Searcher No. 4

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Nov 7 = 1931 = 11 AM -

the Greater Master -  
Washington D.C.

Dear Sir Good Even to  
you Just a few lines  
to let you know that  
my self and husband  
have move from 1406 N. 14  
St to 1528a a fallon st  
My self Rose Clay

Rhodes Clay

1528a a fallon st  
St Louis Mo.



office of the Greater Center  
Washington

July 30, 1931

it is hard to say  
when i am still  
sick in bed just up  
and if could be able  
be born that i will

like wish to

Sail

But it is hard to  
say  
answer

So By By -  
Begg to until i  
see father on in

My Health

I am just  
up and throw

down please

look over me

would like to wish  
to sail from  
Rose clay

1400 N. 14th St. 172

St Louis Mo-



WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-M

Clay, Rhodes Jr. (OA) Mx

November 2, 1931.

Mrs. Rogena Clay,  
~~Room 17 A~~  
~~1406 N. 14th St.,~~  
St. Louis, Missouri

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. In your reply to the recent inquiry as to whether or not you desired to make a pilgrimage in 1932, you advised you were undecided.

In view of the fact that steamship reservations must be made several months in advance, it is essential that this office know how many mothers and widows must be arranged for. It is possible that you may have made your decision by this time. It is therefore requested that 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. In the event you state you desire to make the journey in 1932 and circumstances prevent your making the pilgrimage, it is requested you notify this office as promptly as possible.

- |   |                          |   |
|---|--------------------------|---|
| 1. Do you desire to make a pilgrimage in 1932?    | <i>Yes - All health</i>  | <i>Bad condition of health</i>              |
| 2. Please state your age and condition of health: | <i>age 76 next birth</i> | Age: <i>76</i><br>Health: <i>All health</i> |
| 3. Do you speak English?                          | <i>Yes</i>               | <i>English Language</i>                     |
| 4. What other language do you speak?              | <i>Know</i>              | <i>other Language</i>                       |

*Rogena Clay*  
Sign here

*1528 A. Offallon Street*

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

Encl:  
Env.



QM 293 A-M  
Clay, Rhodes Jr. Pvt. (OA) Mx

August 19, 1931

Mrs. Rose Clay,  
Room 17-A, 1406 N. 14th St.,  
St. Louis, Mo.

Dear Madam:

Receipt is acknowledged of your reply to form letter forwarded you under recent date relative to the pilgrimage to the cemeteries of Europe, wherein you advise that you are undecided as to whether or not you will be able to make a pilgrimage.

Competent personnel will be provided to care for the mothers and widows from the time of their arrival in New York until their return thereto. Medical attendants and all other necessities will be arranged for and in the event you decide to make a pilgrimage, you are assured everything possible will be done for your care and welfare. During the summers of 1930 and 1931 many mothers of advanced age and in poor health made the pilgrimage and appear to have benefited therefrom.

In view of the foregoing, it is hoped you may decide to make a pilgrimage to the grave of the late Private Rhodes Clay Jr. and you will be communicated with at a later date to ascertain your decision in the matter.

For The Quartermaster General.

Very truly yours,

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

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WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM-293-AM  
Clay, Rhodes Jr. Pvt. (O-A) ~~Mr~~\*

July 23, 1931.

Mrs. Rogena Clay,  
Room 17-A, 1406 N. 14th St.,  
St. Louis, Mo.

Dear Madam:

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

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

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

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

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

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Undecided

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

*I am sick*  
Write answer here

*Rose Clay 1406 N. 14th St.*

Sign here

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 pro-  
visions of the Act of Congress approved March 2, 1929.

*her*  
Rozema X Clay

*mark* (Name) S. J. Gave *witness*

St Louis  
(Town or City)

Mo  
(State)

American Banker

Clay, Rhodes, Jr., Pvt.

7-10-31

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I Decline - letter 5-10-31  
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 pro-  
visions of the Act of Congress approved March 2, 1929.

Mrs. Rogena Clay

(Name)

~~Charleston, Mississippi County, Missouri~~

(Town or City)

(State)

1406 N. 14th St.  
Room 17-a

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~~St Louis~~ St Louis Mo.



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

QM 293 A-M

May 15, 1931.

Clay, Rhodes Jr. (OA) M x

Mrs. Rogena Clay,  
~~1406 North 14th Street, - Room 17-A~~  
~~St. Louis, Missouri.~~

Dear Madam:

Receipt is acknowledged of your letter of May 10, 1931, declining the invitation to sail July 10th on the AMERICAN BANKER to visit the grave of your son, the late Private Rhodes Clay, Jr., and requesting that you be forwarded a sum of money in lieu of the pilgrimage.

There is no provision of law which would permit the Government to make a money allowance to any mother or widow who is unable or does not desire to make the journey.

Should your health improve, it is believed you should feel no hesitancy in making the trip as competent personnel has been provided to care for the mothers and widows from the time they arrive in New York until they return there-to. All necessary expenses of the pilgrimage from the time you leave your home until you return will be borne by the Government. This includes meals, tips, laundry, transportation by water, rail, taxi, bus, etc. You will need money only for the purchase of articles of a personal nature, such as souvenirs.

In the event you reconsider your decision and desire to sail July 10th, it is requested that you so advise this office and the necessary arrangements will be made for you. Otherwise, your name will be placed upon the list of mothers and widows who are eligible to go next year, and you will be communicated with when plans are being made for the 1932 pilgrimage. 0

For The Quartermaster General.

Very truly yours,

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

ref *EST*

Clay, Rhodes Jr.  
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Decline Am. Banker  
July 10-1931

May 10-1931  
5 a.m.t.

in regards off My son  
Mr Rhodes Clay Jr.

American Banker  
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me My trip in a  
check please it

I am asking for  
a check in the place  
off my trip & it  
will help me much  
more than because I  
have been ill for

some time and is  
very ill so good  
Bye from yours truly

Rose Clay  
Say in that you  
people will have a  
big time a fine time  
in name of the lord  
from 1406 to 1414  
St Louis Mo.

H.

if it accepted  
i will thank you  
if not i thanks  
all so  
good Bye.

answer soon please

from

Paul Clay

QM 293 A-M  
Clay, Rhodes, Jr. (OA) X

May 18, 1931.

Mr. A. J. Michener,  
Postmaster,  
St. Louis, Missouri.

Dear Sir:

Receipt is acknowledged of your letter of May 12, 1931, with enclosure(s) advising that Mrs. Rogena Clay is physically unable to sail on the AMERICAN BANKER July 10, 1931, to visit the grave of her son, the late Private Rhodes Clay Jr., in the Oise-Aisne American Cemetery in France.

You are assured that this office deeply appreciates your cooperation and assistance in this matter.

For The Quartermaster General.

Very truly yours,

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

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Subject:

EXECUTIVE DIVISION

AJM-W

# United States Post Office

FIRST CLASS

SAINT LOUIS, MISSOURI

May 12, 1931.

*Decline Am. Banker  
July 10-*

Captain A. D. Hughes,  
Office of the Quartermaster General,  
Washington, D. C.

Dear Captain Hughes:-

I am returning herewith your letter of May 9th, with the enclosure, which was presented to Mrs. Rogena (Rozena) Clay, Room 17-A, 1406 North 14th St., this city, with a suitable explanation.

The signature of Mrs. Clay, who is illiterate, has been witnessed by the representative of this office who was sent to interview her. She stated that she did not care to take advantage of the trip offered to her, due to the condition of her health.

Very truly yours,

*A. J. Michener*  
A. J. Michener,  
Postmaster.

*card ret'd*

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WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-M  
Clay, Rhodes Jr. (OA)

May 9, 1931

Postmaster,  
St. Louis,  
Missouri.

Dear Sir:

Mrs. Rogena Clay, Room 17-A, 1406 N. 14th St., St. Louis, Missouri, has been invited to sail on the AMERICAN BANKER July 10, 1931, to visit the Oise-Aisne American Cemetery in Europe in honor of her son. To date she has not advised this office whether or not she desires to accept the invitation forwarded her.

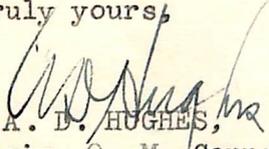
It is realized that matters of this kind do not come within the province of your duties, but inasmuch as it is desired to obtain information in regard to the wishes of the mothers and widows from thoroughly reliable and dependable sources, your assistance in procuring the desired information from Mrs. Clay is solicited. It is requested that Mrs. Clay be urged to complete the card enclosed herewith, signifying whether she accepts or declines the invitation.

Please assure Mrs. Clay that personnel to care for the comfort and needs of the women making the journey will be provided from the time of their arrival in New York until their return thereto. All necessary expenses of the pilgrimage from the time Mrs. Clay leaves her home until she returns thereto will be borne by the Government. This includes meals, tips, laundry, transportation by water, rail, taxi and bus, etc. She will need money only for the purchase of articles of a personal nature, such as souvenirs.

You are assured that your assistance in this matter will be deeply appreciated by this office.

For The Quartermaster General.

Very truly yours,

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

Enclosure:  
Card.

QM 293 A-M  
Clay, Rhodes Jr. (OA) X

May 9, 1931

Postmaster,  
St. Louis,  
Missouri.

Dear Sir:

Mrs. Rogena Clay, Room 17-A, 1406 N. 14th St., St. Louis, Missouri, has been invited to sail on the AMERICAN BANKER July 10, 1931, to visit the Oise-Aisne American Cemetery in Europe in honor of her son. To date she has not advised this office whether or not she desires to accept the invitation forwarded her.

It is realized that matters of this kind do not come within the province of your duties, but inasmuch as it is desired to obtain information in regard to the wishes of the mothers and widows from thoroughly reliable and dependable sources, your assistance in procuring the desired information from Mrs. Clay is solicited. It is requested that Mrs. Clay be urged to complete the card enclosed herewith, signifying whether she accepts or declines the invitation.

Please assure Mrs. Clay that personnel to care for the comfort and needs of the women making the journey will be provided from the time of their arrival in New York until their return thereto. All necessary expenses of the pilgrimage from the time Mrs. Clay leaves her home until she returns thereto will be borne by the Government. This includes meals, tips, laundry, transportation by water, rail, taxi and bus, etc. She will need money only for the purchase of articles of a personal nature, such as souvenirs.

You are assured that your assistance in this matter will be deeply appreciated by this office.

For The Quartermaster General.

Very truly yours,

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

Enclosure:  
Card.  
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Washington, D. C., April 24, 1961

MRS. ROSINA CLAY,  
ROOM 17-A, 1406 N. 14th ST.,  
ST. LOUIS, MO.

REPLY TO INVITATION MAILED YOU TO SAIL JULY TEN NOT RECEIVED

DO YOU ACCEPT OR DECLINE WIRE ANSWER 2000GCM

ADH

DOWITT  
QUARTERMASTER GENERAL

QM 293 A-M Clay, Rhodes, Jr. (O-A) M

# Signal Corps, United States Army

Received at War Department Message Center,  
Room 3441, Munitions Building,  
Washington, D. C.

## RADIOGRAM

3-9313

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~~WAR~~ QMG

YR NUMBER 43/3 TO MRS ROGENA CLAY SIGNED DEWITT UNDELIVERED PARTY UNKNOWN  
WV JEFFERSONBKS MO VIA CHICAGO ILLS

945A APL 4TH

Gsm 2865

11:05  
4/4/21  
mab

Q-9664 /  
1406 N. - 14th St.  
St. Louis, Mo.

RECORD ATTACHED  
(Room 17-2)



293  
Clay - Rhoades Jr.

Washington, D. C., April 3, 1931

MRS. ROSENA CLAY,  
CHARLESTON, MO.

REPLY TO INVITATION MAILED YOU TO SAIL JULY TEN NOT RECEIVED

DO YOU ACCEPT OR DECLINE WIRE ANSWER 2865GCM

DEWITT  
QUARTERMASTER GENERAL

A.D.H

QM 293 A-M Clay, Rhodes, Jr. 608-M



WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C  
Clay, Rhodes Jr. - 608 M

June 7, 1930.

Mrs. Rogena Clay,  
Charleston, Missouri.

*Colored*

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 Rogena Clay*  
(Sign here)

WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

October 7, 1929.

Clay, Rhodes Jr. 608 M

~~Mrs. Rogena Clay,  
Charleston, Missouri.~~

*Colonel*

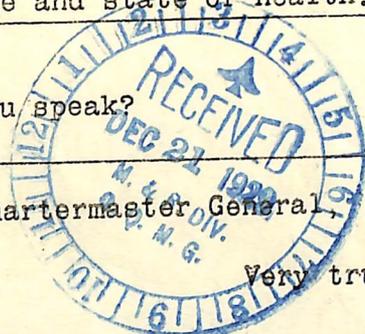
Dear Madam:

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

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

1. Do you desire to make this pilgrimage if eligible?	(Yes)	(No) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
2. Do you desire to make the pilgrimage in the calendar year 1930?	(Yes)	(No) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
3. Have you at any time made a previous visit to the grave of the deceased member of the military or naval forces in whom you are interested?	(Yes)	(No) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
4. Please give your age and state of health.	Age <u>69</u> (Years)	Health (Good) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> (Poor)
5. What language do you speak?	English - (Yes) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> (No) Other language (Specify language spoken)	

For The Quartermaster General,



Very truly yours,

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

Encl.  
Act  
Envelope

Party "Q" - Itinerary - Oise-Aisne Group

Sailed August 16th on AMERICAN MERCHANT. Col. B. O. Davis in charge. Accompanied by Mrs. B. J. Runner and Miss N. Bost, nurses, and Mrs. N. Brown, hostess. Arrived Cherbourg August 25th. Met by Col. Ellis, Maj. Dailey, Capt. Conway, Lts. Moroney and Freeman, Maj. Kinderman, Miss Blanche Rulon, 2 nurses, 2 civilian employees. Train left 8.24am. Arrived Gare des Invalides 2.15pm. Met at station by executive officer and his staff, nurses, interpreters, and Noble Sissle and his band. Quarters Hotel Imperator.

- Aug. 26th. Morning devoted to transaction of personal business. Exchange of money, preparation of laundry, etc. Wreath laid on tomb of Unknown Soldier in afternoon by Mrs. Kimbro for party. Tea and reception at Restaurant Laurent. Dinner at hotel. Evening free.
- Aug. 27th. Free.
- Aug. 28th. Visited Fontainebleau.
- Aug. 29th. Left 8am for Soissons via La Ferte (rest stop Hotel de la Terrasse) Chateau Thierry (lunch Hostellerie du Bonhomme) Oise-Aisne Cemetery. Arrived Soissons 60m. Quarters Hotel du Lion Rouge. Dinner at hotel.
- Aug. 30th. Breakfast at hotel. Visited cemetery and Chateau Thierry in morning. Lunch Hostellerie du Bonhomme. Visited Belleau Wood, Aisne Marne Cemetery, Monument Hill 204, Quentin Roosevelt's grave in afternoon. Tea at Oise-Aisne Cemetery. Returned to Soissons. Dinner at hotel.
- Aug. 31st. Breakfast at hotel. Visited cemetery in morning. Returned to Soissons for lunch. Pierrefonds in afternoon. Dinner at hotel in Soissons.
- Sept. 1st. Free or visit cemetery. Lunch at hotel. Left 1.30pm for Reims via Chemin des Dames. Arrived 5pm. Quarters at Hotel Bristol Crystal. Dinner at hotel.
- Sept. 2nd. Visited Fort de la Pompelle and Cathedral. Lunch at hotel. Left 2pm for Compeigne via Fismes, Soissons. Arrived 4.30 pm. Quarters Hotel Rond Royal. Dinner at hotel.
- Sept. 3rd. Visited Carrefours de l'Armistice. Lunch at hotel Rond Royal. Left Compeigne 2pm for Paris via La Croix, St. Quentin, Senlis, Chantilly (tea at Hotel du Parc). Arrived Paris 5.45pm. Dinner at hotel.
- Sept. 4th. Visited Louvre and Versailles.
- Sept. 5th. Morning free. Sacre Coeur, Morgan's for dinner. Sightseeing trip at nite.
- Sept. 6th. Notre Dame. Lunch at hotel. Napoleon's Tomb. Dinner at hotel.
- Sept. 7th. Sailed for home on AMERICAN MERCHANT. Arrived New York September 16th.

Clay, Rhodes Jr. da

Mrs. Annie Clay

WAR DEPARTMENT  
 "PILGRIMAGE, WAR MOTHERS AND WIDOWS"  
 ROOM 901  
 225 WEST 34TH ST., NEW YORK, N. Y.

CLAY, RHODES JR.

O.A.

Party ... 9 .....

Number ... 3079 .....

REQUEST FOR PULLMAN RESERVATION

Mrs. Annie Clay ..... Actual cost of through Pullman.  
 Name of Traveler

Memphis, Shelby County ..... New York, to .. Memphis, Tenn. ....  
 Home Address

..... Tenn ..... \$ ..... 12.75 .....

New York, to ... Memphis, Tenn. ....  
 Destination

Via ... B&O to Louisville--Ill. Cent. to Dest. ....

Sept 17, 1930

Ticket Expires-Oct 11, '30

Date of Departure

	Road	Tr. No.	Date	Time	Lower or Seat	Car	U. S. G. Order No.	Actual Cost
LV	Jersey City	B&O	3	9/17	6 PM			
AR	Memphis, Tenn	IC	103	9/19	8:25 A	to 11	35 W.D. 1,024,135	12.75
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TOTAL ... 12.75

Remarks:

..... escorted to B. R. Sta. by Capt. Cistera .....

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Name.....CLAY, Mrs. Annie,

Paris Hôtel.....HOTEL IMPERATOR 70 Rue Beaubourg

Home address.....c/o Mrs. H. C. Yerkes, 20 S. Morrison St., Memphis, Shelby County,  
Tennessee.

Party.....Q.....Group.....2.....Unit.....~~SS~~ AMER. MERCHANT

Date of arrival.....AUG. 25. 1930.....Date of departure S/S AMER. MERCH. Sept; 7. 1930

Relationship.....Widow,

Name of deceased.....CLAY, Rhodes, Jr.

Rank.....Pvt.....Organization.....Co. H, 370th Inf.

Cemetery.....Oise-Aisne.

REMARKS



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NAME CLAY, MRS. ANNIE - 3679

S.S. AMERICAN MERCHANT SEP 16 1930

HOME MEMPHIS, SHELBY COUNTY, TENN.

R.R. B & O to Louisville

STATION Ill. Cent. to dest

TRAIN #

CAR #

BERTH OR SEAT

TIME

DATE Oct 11-30

Emergency Address  
Mrs. H. C. Yerkes,  
20 So. Morrison St  
Memphis, Tenn.

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July 25th, 1930.

Mrs. Annie Clay,  
c/o Mrs. H.C. Yerkes,  
20 S. Morrison Street,  
Memphis, Tenn.  
~~Dear Madam:~~

Please attach the enclosed tags to each piece of baggage, thus to protect the safe arrival of same in New York.

Upon your arrival in this City, you will be met at the Railroad Station by a United States Army Officer, in uniform, who will wear on the left sleeve of his coat a blue cloth band, showing a Gold Star and the word "Pilgrimage". This officer will escort you and your baggage to your Hotel in New York City.

For The Officer in Charge:

George F. R. Taylor,  
1st. Lieut., Q.M. Corps,  
Assistant.

Enclosures:  
2 tags.

Arr. N.Y. 12:30 P.M. - escorted to Y. W. C. A. by  
Ch. Moore

Via Postal.

August 14, 1930.

Mrs. H. C. Yerkes,  
20 So. Morrison Street,  
Memphis, Tennessee.

A. C. Tipton,  
Major Inf. (DOL)

Mrs. Annie Clay arrived safely: Sails Saturday August sixteenth.

Cplonel Williams.

Mrs Annie Clay, Party "Q" YWCA

WESTERN UNION

WAR DEPARTMENT  
Pilgrimage War Mothers & Widows  
225 West 34th Street, NY. NY. Room 1211

A. C. TIPTON,  
Major, Infy., (DOL).

MRS ANNIE WASHINGTON  
709 Hernando Street,  
Memphis, Tenn.

MRS ANNIE CLAY LEAVES JERSEY CITY TRAIN NUMBER THREE VIA B. & O.

WILL ARRIVE MEMPHIS EIGHT TWENTY FIVE MORNING FRIDAY.

MAJOR COTTRELL.

Mrs Annie Clay.



From

8/17/32

Grand Central

Station

Room 77

Car 542

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THIS ENVELOPE AND CONTENTS THE PROPERTY OF

Mrs Annie Cloy

Memphis Tenn

DOLLARS

1 3 4 5 6 7

8 9 10 30 40 50

CENTS

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**THE PULLMAN COMPANY**  
PASSENGER'S CASH FARE CHECK

CAR	542	LINE	2167	Amount Collected		Changed Accom.	★	
FROM	<i>From New York to Chicago</i> Conductor			Pullman	\$	C	Lower Berth No.	★
TO				Rate	15	—	Upper Berth No.	★
				Railroad Surcharge	7	50	Compartment	★
		TOTAL	22	50	Drawing Room			
No. Passengers	1	Date	8-12-	192	30	Seat No.	★	

The amount charged is The Pullman Company's rate and a surcharge of 50% of that amount collected for the Railroad Company.

**I 92681**

**PROPERTY TAKEN INTO CAR WILL BE  
AT OWNER'S RISK**

WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-M

Clay Rhodes Jr Oax

July 13 1932

Mrs Rogena Clay  
1428a O'Fallon St  
St Louis Missouri

Dear Madam:

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

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

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

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

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

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

2 Encls.

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

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

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

CODE SLIP

HEADING	SUB HEADING	NO. OF COLS	CODE
NAME <i>Clay Rhodes Jr.</i>	<i>CLA</i>	3	<i>321</i>
BURIED	CEMETERY <i>608</i>	1	<i>2</i>
	GRAVE <i>6</i>	2	<i>06</i>
	ROW <i>40</i>	2	<i>40</i>
	BLOCK <i>10</i>	1	<i>4</i>
STATE	<i>Miss.</i>	2	<i>29</i>
RANK	<i>Private</i>	1	<i>2</i>
DIVISION	<i>93</i>	2	<i>93</i>
ORGANIZATION	<i>370</i>	3	<i>370</i>
ARM	<i>Inf.</i>	1	<i>1</i>
MARITAL	<i>Yes</i>	1	<i>1</i>
NAME <i>Clay, Mrs Annis</i>	<i>CLA</i>	3	<i>321</i>
RESIDENCE	STATE <i>Tenn</i>	2	<i>48</i>
	COUNTY <i>Shelby</i>	2	<i>79</i>
	CITY <i>Memphis</i>	3	<i>033</i>
RELATION	<i>widow</i>	1	<i>5</i>
OTHER		1	
ELIGIBILITY	<i>yes</i>	1	<i>1</i>
NATIVITY		1	
RACE	<i>Black</i>	1	<i>2</i>
ENGLISH	<i>yes</i>	1	<i>1</i>
ATTENDANT		1	
HEALTH	<i>Good</i>	1	
NO. OF SONS		1	
DATE OF TRIP	MO. <i>1930</i>	1	
	YR. <i>1930</i>	1	
ACCEPTANCE	<i>yes</i>	1	<i>1</i>
29/514/EAB	<i>age</i>		<i>57</i>

Served 1930-1931  
 Audited OCT 8 1931  
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File No.

OUT-CHARGE SHEET

Date charged out

Charged to

Remarks: *Clay, Rhodes Jr*  
*Su Case - Casine file for*  
*Mother.*

INSTRUCTIONS.—If a document is taken from the files, charge it to the person to whom delivered. Make charge sheet in duplicate. Place one in record file and one in suspended file used for follow up on "charge out sheets."

Q. M. C. Form 355 (Old No. 492)  
Revised July 26, 1918

GOVERNMENT PRINTING OFFICE 3-6787

NAME CLAY, MRS. ANNIE

ADDRESS 20 S. Morrison St., Memphis, Tenn...

DATE Aug 19 1930

TO: Officer-In-Charge,  
PILGRIMAGE, WAR MOTHERS AND WIDOWS

I beg to inform you that I have returned to my  
home safely and in good health.

Sincerely,

(Signed) Annie Clay

WAR DEPARTMENT



Penalty for private use to avoid  
payment of postage, \$200

OFFICIAL BUSINESS

**PILGRIMAGE, WAR MOTHERS AND WIDOWS**

**225 WEST 34TH STREET,**

**NEW YORK, N. Y.**

RETURN NEW YORK

DATE ..... *9/16* .....

SHELBY COUNTY

W

NAME **CLAY, MRS. ANNIE** ..... HOME ADDRESS **20 S. MORRISON ST.**  
**MEMPHIS TENNESSEE** .....  
 RETURN ON S. S. *Ames Merch* ..... HOTEL *ywca* ..... ROOM NO. *304*  
**MRS. H.C. YERKES**

DEPARTURE NEW YORK

DATE ..... *9/11* .....

ROAD *By* ..... TRAIN *3* ..... CAR *35* ..... BERTH or SEAT *L11* .....

REMARKS .....  
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STATE

CLAY, Rhodes Jr.

TENNESSEE

SHELBY COUNTY

W

NAME CLAY, MRS. ANNIE HOME ADDRESS 20 S. MORRISON ST., MEMPHIS

% MRS. H.C. YERKES.

NAME AND ADDRESS OF NEAREST KIN Mrs. H. Yerkes same

ARRIVAL IN NEW YORK

DATE Aug 14 1930 HOTEL ywca ROOM NO. 223

DEPARTURE NEW YORK

DATE AUGUST 16, 1930 VESSEL S.S. AMERICAN MERCHANT CABIN NO. 86

DESTINATION CHERBOURG CEMETERY O A

504

# MEDICAL RECORD

Party: L.

S. S. \_\_\_\_\_ Eastbound  
Westbound

Name Clay, Mrs. Annie

Home Address 20 S. Morris St, Memphis, Tenn

Name and address of nearest relative or friend Mrs. H. C. Yerkes, Friend

Religion Pentecost-

Age 5-8.

History of present complaint:

OK

(OVER)

INSTRUCTIONS: This card will be prepared for each Pilgrim treated on ship, east or west bound. Cards to be included in report of Liaison Officer upon return to New York.

Diagnosis and complications: (include dates) Aug. 14, 1930

Complained of pain<sup>ing</sup> head and shoulders.

Treatment and Progress: (include dates)

Hot water bag applied relief -  
massaged & Analgesia Baume.

Disposition: (include dates)

Discharged, August 17, 1930

Remarks:

Pt. said to feel improved.  
Condition apparently good.

8/25/30 Recovered and

Post Office Department

OFFICIAL BUSINESS

REGISTERED ARTICLE

No. 924536

INSURED PARCEL

No. \_\_\_\_\_

Return to Q. M. GENERAL

Street and Number,  
or Post Office Box, \_\_\_\_\_

NAME OF BENEFITARY  
MILITARY BUILDING

WASHINGTON,

D. C.

PENALTY FOR PRIVATE USE  
TO AVOID PAYMENT OF  
POSTAGE, \$300.

POSTMARK OF DELIVERING

OFFICE

AND DATE OF DELIVERY



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8-16-30

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RETURN RECEIPT

American Merchant

Received from the Postmaster the Registered or Insured Article, the original number of which appears on the face of this Card.

Mrs Annie Clay

(Signature or name of addressee.)

(Signature of addressee's agent.)

Date of delivery, 7/25/30, 192

Form 3811

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Post Office Department

OFFICIAL BUSINESS

PENALTY FOR PRIVATE USE  
TO, AVOID PAYMENT OF  
POSTAGE, \$300.

REGISTERED ARTICLE

No. 92-----

INSURED PARCEL

No. -----

Return to

*O. L. M. General*

(NAME OF SENDER)

Street and Number,  
or Post Office Box,

*Munitions Bldg*

WASHINGTON

D. C.



3223

8-16-30

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*American*

Received from the Post  
number of which appears on



red Article, the original

*Mrs Annie Clay*

(Name of addressee.)



(Name of agent.)

Date of delivery, \_\_\_\_\_

Form 3811

*7/28/30*

DELIVER TO ADDRESSEE

October 9, 1930

GH 293 A E  
Clay, Rhodes Jr. 608 W

Mrs. Annie Clay,  
20 S. Morrison Street,  
X Mrs. H. C. Yerkes,  
Memphis, Tennessee.

Dear Madam:

The testimonial addressed by you and the other mothers and widows of Party "Q" to The Adjutant General has been referred to me for notation of your expressions of appreciation for the pilgrimage you have recently made to the cemeteries in Europe under the provisions of the Act of Congress approved March 2, 1929.

It is gratifying to know that you were pleased with the accommodations and arrangements made by the Quartermaster Corps for your comfort and welfare and that the Officers of the Army and other personnel in connection with the pilgrimage rendered such thoughtful and considerate service throughout the journey. The Quartermaster Corps is proud of the honor bestowed upon it by being charged with the conduct of these pilgrimages and has expended every effort that those making the journey might have a pleasant trip. It is pleasing to receive such complimentary remarks as those contained in the testimonial, but I feel that the task during the past summer was materially lightened by the wonderful spirit of cooperation shown by the mothers and widows taking advantage of the offer of the Government.

With sincere appreciation of the sentiments expressed by the mothers and widows of Party "Q," I am,

Sincerely yours,

J. L. DeWITT,  
Major General,  
The Quartermaster General.

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JTH  
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etc

WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

Clay, Rhodes Jr, - 608 W

July 22, 1930.

Mrs. Annie Clay,  
20 S. Morrison St.,  
% Mrs. H. C. Yorkes,  
Memphis, Tennessee.

Dear Madam:

There is enclosed herewith Check No ~~387905~~ in the amount of \$ ~~17.50~~, to pay for your meals and incidental expenses from your home to New York on the pilgrimage authorized by the Act of March 2, 1929.

UNDER NO CIRCUMSTANCES MUST THIS CHECK BE CASHED AND USED FOR ANY PURPOSE OTHER THAN THAT SPECIFIED.

If for any reason, you are not able to sail on the date mentioned in your invitation, the check must be returned to this office immediately.

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

1 Incl.  
Check No.

XXI A-M

Clay, Rhodes, Jr. 608 W

July 10, 1930

Mrs. Annie Clay  
20 S. Morrison St.  
c/o Mrs. H. C. Yerkes  
Memphis, Tenn.

Dear Madam:

Arrangements have been completed for your transportation to New York City on your pilgrimage to the American Cemeteries in Europe. One week before your departure the railroad ticket agent, of the first road shown below, will deliver your railroad and pullman ticket to you. Your route to New York will be as follows:

Lv. Memphis	Ill Cent	No. 114	9.10 PM	August 12	
Ar. Jersey City	B&O	" 518	12.50 PM	14	
Lv. New York	B&O bus		1.12 PM	14	

All railroad employees have been instructed by their officials to see that you are shown every courtesy and given assistance, particularly at points where it is necessary to change cars.

Should you not receive your ticket six days before the date shown for your departure please take up at once with the ticket agent and if he does not have your ticket, telegraph this office, collect, to that effect.

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

June 4, 1930.

Clay, Rhodes, Jr. 608 W  
American Merchant 8-16

Mrs. Annie Clay,  
20 S. Morrison St.,  
c/o Mrs. H. C. Yerkes,  
Memphis, Tenn.

Dear Madam:

The records of this office show that you have not furnished the name of your Emergency Addressee as requested in letter of instructions from this office.

It is requested that in the blank space below you write the name and address of the person in the United States whom you desire to be notified in case you become seriously ill or other emergency arises while you are making the pilgrimage to Europe authorized by the Act of Congress approved March 2, 1929.

Name

Mrs. H. C. Yerkes

Address

20 South Morrison, Memphis

Tenn

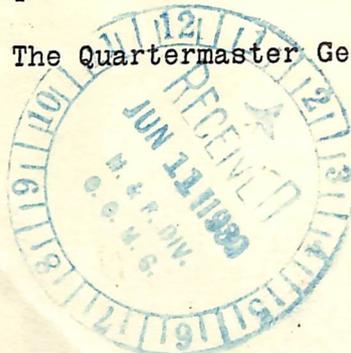
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Please fill in the above and mail it TODAY in the self-addressed envelope which requires no postage.

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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



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Clay, Rhodes Jr.

I accept 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.

Mrs. Annie Clay,

(Name)

colorado

20 S. Morrison St., c/o Mrs. H.C. Yerkes, Memphis,

(Town or City)

Shelby County, Tenn.

(State)

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WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

October 7, 1929.

Clay, Rhodes Jr. 608 W colored

Mrs. Annie Clay,  
20 South Morrison Street,  
c/o Mrs. H. C. Yerkes, Memphis, Tenn.

Dear Madam: white

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

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

1. Do you desire to make this pilgrimage if eligible?	(Yes) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> (No) <input type="checkbox"/>
2. Do you desire to make the pilgrimage in the calendar year 1930?	(Yes) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> (No) <input type="checkbox"/>
3. Have you at any time made a previous visit to the grave of the deceased member of the military or naval forces in whom you are interested?	(Yes) <input type="checkbox"/> (No) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
4. Please give your age and state of health.	Age <u>36</u> Health (Years) (Good) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> (Poor) <input type="checkbox"/>
5. What language do you speak?	English - (Yes) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> (No) <input type="checkbox"/> Other language <u>none</u> (Specify language spoken)

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For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

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

October 7 , 1929.

Clay, Rhodes Jr. 608 W

Mrs. Annie Clay,  
% Mrs. H. C. Yerkes,  
20 S. Morrison St.,  
Memphis, Tenn.

Dear Madam:

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

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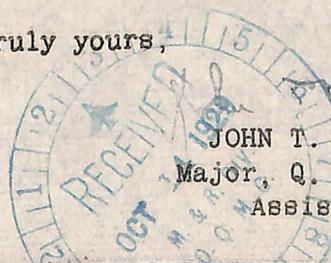
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2. Do you desire to make the pilgrimage in the calendar year 1930?	(Yes)	<del>(No)</del>
3. Have you at any time made a previous visit to the grave of the deceased member of the military or naval forces in whom you are interested?	<del>(Yes)</del>	<i>no</i> <del>(No)</del>
4. Please give your age and state of health.	Age <i>57</i> Health (Years) (Good) (Poor)	
5. What language do you speak? <i>English</i>	English - (Yes) (No) Other language (Specify language spoken)	

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

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WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

DATE 10-11-29

NAME Clay, Rhodes Jr. *Married* RANK Pvt. SERIAL \_\_\_\_\_ ORGANIZATION Co. H, 370th Inf. DATE OF DEATH \_\_\_\_\_

STATE \_\_\_\_\_ CTY. NO. 608 GRAVE 6 ROW 40 BLOCK D

Check relationship

Living - Deceased

*XC96641*

MOTHER

*✓ Mrs. Rose Clay 10/17/29  
Charleston, Mo*

STEPMOTHER (For the year prior to commencement of service)

NAME

AND

ADDRESS

MOTHER THRU ADOPTION (For the year prior to commencement of service)

MOTHER IN LOCO PARENTIS (For the year prior to commencement of service)

WIDOW (Who has not remarried)

*W. Mrs. Annie Clay ✓  
20- S. Madison St.  
Memphis, Tenn.*

Veterans Bureau Claim Number 29/156/

XC 96 641

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WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

Clay, Rhodes, Jr. *Col.*

July 31, 1929.

Mrs. Annie Clay,  
20 S. Morrison St.,  
Memphis, Tenn.  
c/o Mrs. H. C. Yerkes.

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 Private Rhodes Clay, Jr., Co. H., 370th Inf., whose remains are now interred in the Oise-Aisne American Cemetery, Seringes-et-Nesles, Aisne, France.

Will you please fill in the answers to the following questions in the space provided on this letter, and return to this office in the enclosed envelope which requires no postage?

Write answers in space below:

1. Have you remarried since the death of the above named veteran?

*No sir*

2. If not, do you desire to make the pilgrimage?

*Yes sir*

3. Is the deceased survived by a mother?

*Yes sir*

4. If so, give her name and complete address.

*Rozena Clay  
Address unknown*

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

*John T. Harris*

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

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OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

Clay, Rhodes, Jr.

June 25, 1929.  
XC 96 641

(W) Annie Clay  
20 S. Morrison St.,  
Memphis, Tenn. % Mrs H.C. Yerkes,

Mrs. Annie Clay,  
5340 Maple Avenue,  
St. Louis, Mo.

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 Private Rhodes Clay, Jr., Co. H., 370th Inf., whose remains are now interred in the Oise-Aisne American Cemetery, Seringes-et-Nesles, Aisne, France.

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

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

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

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

*John T. Harris*

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

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WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-M

Clay, Rhodes Jr. OA M

December 30, 1931.

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Mrs. Rogena Clay  
1528a O'Fallon St  
St. Louis, Missouri

Dear Madam:

Receipt is acknowledged of your reply to form letter forwarded you under recent date relative to the pilgrimage to the cemeteries of Europe, wherein you advise that your health will not permit you to make a pilgrimage during the year 1932.

Competent personnel will be provided to care for the mothers and widows from the time of their arrival in New York until their return thereto. Medical attendants and all other necessities will be arranged for and in the event you decide to make a pilgrimage, you are assured everything possible will be done for your care and welfare. During the summers of 1930 and 1931 many mothers of advanced age and in poor health made the pilgrimage and appear to have benefited therefrom.

Your name is being placed on the list of mothers and widows who are eligible to make a pilgrimage in 1933. However, should you change your mind in view of the above, and desire to make a pilgrimage during the summer months of 1932, it is requested you advise this office in order that arrangements may be made for you.

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

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OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-M

Clay, Rhodes Jr, OA M

December 17, 1931.

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Mrs. Rogena Clay,  
1528a O'Fallon St.,  
St Louis, Miss.

Dear Madam:

Receipt is acknowledged of your reply to form letter forwarded you under recent date relative to the pilgrimage to the cemeteries of Europe, wherein you advise that your health will not permit you to make a pilgrimage during the year 1932.

Competent personnel will be provided to care for the mothers and widows from the time of their arrival in New York until their return thereto. Medical attendants and all other necessities will be arranged for and in the event you decide to make a pilgrimage, you are assured everything possible will be done for your care and welfare. During the summers of 1930 and 1931 many mothers of advanced age and in poor health made the pilgrimage and appear to have benefited therefrom.

Your name is being placed on the list of mothers and widows who are eligible to make a pilgrimage in 1933. However, should you change your mind in view of the above, and desire to make a pilgrimage during the summer months of 1932, it is requested you advise this office in order that arrangements may be made for you.

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

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IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-M

Clay, Rhodes Jr. (OA) Mx

November 2, 1931.

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Mrs. Rogena Clay,  
Room 17-A  
1406 N. 14th St.,  
St. Louis, Missouri

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. In your reply to the recent inquiry as to whether or not you desired to make a pilgrimage in 1932, you advised you were undecided.

In view of the fact that steamship reservations must be made several months in advance, it is essential that this office know how many mothers and widows must be arranged for. It is possible that you may have made your decision by this time. It is therefore requested that 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. In the event you state you desire to make the journey in 1932 and circumstances prevent your making the pilgrimage, it is requested you notify this office as promptly as possible.

1. Do you desire to make a pilgrimage in 1932?	
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

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

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QM 295 A-M  
Clay, Rhodes Jr. Pvt. (OA) Mx

August 19, 1931

Mrs. Rose Clay,  
Room 17-A, 1406 N. 14th St.,  
St. Louis, Mo

Dear Madam:

Receipt is acknowledged of your reply to form letter forwarded you under recent date relative to the pilgrimage to the cemeteries of Europe, wherein you advise that you are undecided as to whether or not you will be able to make a pilgrimage.

Competent personnel will be provided to care for the mothers and widows from the time of their arrival in New York until their return thereto. Medical attendants and all other necessities will be arranged for and in the event you decide to make a pilgrimage, you are assured everything possible will be done for your care and welfare. During the summers of 1930 and 1931 many mothers of advanced age and in poor health made the pilgrimage and appear to have benefited therefrom.

In view of the foregoing, it is hoped you may decide to make a pilgrimage to the grave of the late Private Rhodes Clay Jr. and you will be communicated with at a later date to ascertain your decision in the matter.

For The Quartermaster General.

Very truly yours,

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

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OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM-293-AM  
Clay, Rhodes Jr. Pvt. (O-4) M+

July 23, 1931.

Mrs. Rogena Clay,  
Room 17-A, 1406 N. 14th St.,  
St. Louis, Mo.

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

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Sign here

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QM 293 A-M

May 15, 1951.

Clay, Rhodes Jr. (OA) M x

Mrs. Rogena Clay,  
1406 North 14th Street,  
St. Louis, Missouri.

Dear Madam:

Receipt is acknowledged of your letter of May 10, 1951, declining the invitation to sail July 10th on the AMERICAN BANKER to visit the grave of your son, the late Private Rhodes Clay, Jr., and requesting that you be forwarded a sum of money in lieu of the pilgrimage.

There is no provision of law which would permit the Government to make a money allowance to any mother or widow who is unable or does not desire to make the journey.

Should your health improve, it is believed you should feel no hesitancy in making the trip as competent personnel has been provided to care for the mothers and widows from the time they arrive in New York until they return there-to. All necessary expenses of the pilgrimage from the time you leave your home until you return will be borne by the Government. This includes meals, tips, laundry, transportation by water, rail, taxi, bus, etc. You will need money only for the purchase of articles of a personal nature, such as souvenirs.

In the event you reconsider your decision and desire to sail July 10th, it is requested that you so advise this office and the necessary arrangements will be made for you. Otherwise, your name will be placed upon the list of mothers and widows who are eligible to go next year, and you will be communicated with when plans are being made for the 1952 pilgrimage.

For The Quartermaster General.

Very truly yours,

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

QM 293 A-M  
Clay, Rhodes, Jr. (OA) X

May 18, 1931.

Mr. A. J. Michener,  
Postmaster,  
St. Louis, Missouri.

Dear Sir:

Receipt is acknowledged of your letter of May 12, 1931,  
with enclosures, advising that Mrs. Rogena Clay is physically unable  
to sail on the AMERICAN BANKER July 10, 1931, to visit the grave of  
her son, the late Private Rhodes Clay Jr., in the Oise-Aisne American  
Cemetery in France.

You are assured that this office deeply appreciates your  
cooperation and assistance in this matter.

For The Quartermaster General.

Very truly yours,

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

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QM 293 A-M  
Clay, Rhodes Jr. (OA)

May 9, 1931

Postmaster,  
St. Louis,  
Missouri.

Dear Sir:

Mrs. Rogena Clay, Room 17-A, 1406 N. 14th St., St. Louis, Missouri, has been invited to sail on the AMERICAN BANKER July 10, 1931, to visit the Oise-Aisne American Cemetery in Europe in honor of her son. To date she has not advised this office whether or not she desires to accept the invitation forwarded her.

It is realized that matters of this kind do not come within the province of your duties, but inasmuch as it is desired to obtain information in regard to the wishes of the mothers and widows from thoroughly reliable and dependable sources, your assistance in procuring the desired information from Mrs. Clay is solicited. It is requested that Mrs. Clay be urged to complete the card enclosed herewith, signifying whether she accepts or declines the invitation.

Please assure Mrs. Clay that personnel to care for the comfort and needs of the women making the journey will be provided from the time of their arrival in New York until their return thereto. All necessary expenses of the pilgrimage from the time Mrs. Clay leaves her home until she returns thereto will be borne by the Government. This includes meals, tips, laundry, transportation by water, rail, taxi and bus, etc. She will need money only for the purchase of articles of a personal nature, such as souvenirs.

You are assured that your assistance in this matter will be deeply appreciated by this office.

For The Quartermaster General.

Very truly yours,

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

Enclosure:  
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1931 MAY 9

Washington, D. C., April 24, 1931

MRS. ROSINA CLAY,  
ROOM 17-A, 1406 N. 14th ST.,  
ST. LOUIS, MO.

REPLY TO INVITATION MAILED YOU TO SAIL JULY TEN NOT RECEIVED  
DO YOU ACCEPT OR DECLINE WIRE ANSWER 2900GEM

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QUARTERMASTER GENERAL

QM 293 A-M Clay, Rhodes, Jr. (O-A) M



QM 293 A-M

Clay, Rdodes, Jr. 608-Mx

March 20, 1931

Mrs. Rogena Clay,  
Charleston, Mo.

Dear Madam:

The records of this office show that you have not accepted or declined the invitation extended you to make a pilgrimage to Europe under the provisions of the Act of March 2, 1929, sailing on the "American Banker" on July 10, 1931.

In order that arrangements may be completed for the pilgrimage, it is imperative that you complete the card enclosed with the invitation signifying whether or not you accept the invitation and return the same to this office.

In the event no reply is received from you before April 24, 1931, the invitation will be automatically cancelled.

Should you desire to make the pilgrimage at a later date, it is requested that you advise this office to that effect.

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

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Clay, Rhodes Jr. 608 W

October 9, 1930

Mrs. Annie Clay,  
20 S. Morrison Street,  
% Mrs. H. C. Yerkes,  
Memphis, Tennessee.

Dear Madam:

The testimonial addressed by you and the other mothers and widows of Party "Q" to The Adjutant General has been referred to me for notation of your expressions of appreciation for the pilgrimage you have recently made to the cemeteries in Europe under the provisions of the Act of Congress approved March 2, 1929.

It is gratifying to know that you were pleased with the accommodations and arrangements made by the Quartermaster Corps for your comfort and welfare and that the Officers of the Army and other personnel in connection with the pilgrimage rendered such thoughtful and considerate service throughout the journey. The Quartermaster Corps is proud of the honor bestowed upon it by being charged with the conduct of these pilgrimages and has expended every effort that those making the journey might have a pleasant trip. It is pleasing to receive such complimentary remarks as those contained in the testimonial, but I feel that the task during the past summer was materially lightened by the wonderful spirit of cooperation shown by the mothers and widows taking advantage of the offer of the Government.

With sincere appreciation of the sentiments expressed by the mothers and widows of Party "Q," I am,

Sincerely yours,

J. L. DeWITT,  
Major General,  
The Quartermaster General.

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Clay, Rhodes, Jr. 608 W

July 10, 1930

Mrs. Annie Clay  
20 S. Morrison St.  
c/o Mrs. H. C. Yerkes  
Memphis, Tenn.

Dear Madam:

Arrangements have been completed for your transportation to New York City on your pilgrimage to the American Cemeteries in Europe. One week before your departure the railroad ticket agent, of the first road shown below, will deliver your railroad and pullman ticket to you. Your route to New York will be as follows:

Lv. Memphis	Ill Cent	No. 114	9.10 PM	August 12
Ar. Jersey City	B&O	" 518	12.30 PM	14
Lv. New York	B&O bus		1.12 PM	14

All railroad employees have been instructed by their officials to see that you are shown every courtesy and given assistance, particularly at points where it is necessary to change cars.

Should you not receive your ticket six days before the date shown for your departure please take up at once with the ticket agent and if he does not have your ticket, telegraph this office, collect, to that effect.

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

Clay, Rhodes 608-W

June 13, 1930

Mrs. Annie Clay,  
20 S. Morrison St.,  
c/o Mrs. H. C. Yerkes,  
Memphis, Tennessee.

Dear Madam:

Somewhat heavier clothing is required to be worn in Europe than is necessary in the United States, in order to be comfortable. During the summer in Europe it is cool during the day and the nights are frequently chilly. Considerable rain is usually encountered during this time.

In order that you may be comfortable at all times, regardless of the condition of the weather, and may avoid missing any of the sights or any part of the itinerary which has been planned for you, the following suggestions are made.

The clothing which you will take with you should be slightly heavier and warmer than you would normally wear in the United States during the summer and should be strong and durable. It is essential that you take with you the necessary equipment to afford protection from the cold and dampness. Be sure to take at least two pairs of comfortable shoes to provide a change in the event your feet become wet, a pair of rubbers, an umbrella, and a sweater or some warm wrap to be used should the weather become uncomfortably cool. It is very desirable that, in addition to the sweater, you have with you a full length coat of medium weight for general wear.

The shortages of suitable facilities for laundry and the frequency of the moves you will make while in Europe will make it impracticable to secure as frequent service of this nature as may be desired. You should therefore provide yourself with sufficient underwear, nightgowns, stockings and handkerchiefs to meet your requirements should it be impossible to have your washing done more frequently than once in two weeks.

If you will read carefully the suggestions made above, and comply with them, it will add greatly to your comfort throughout the trip and will assist the Government in carrying out successfully its plans for conducting the pilgrimage. This letter is being sent to every mother and widow who has accepted the invitation sent to her by the Government to visit the grave of her son or husband.

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C  
Clay, Rhodes Jr. - 608 M

June 7, 1930.

Mrs. Rogena Clay,  
Charleston, Missouri.

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

June 4, 1930.

Clay, Rhodes Jr. 608 W

Mrs. Annie Clay,  
20 S. Morrison St.,  
c/o Mrs. H. C. Yerkes,  
Memphis, Tenn.

Dear Madam:

The following instructions prepared by the Secretary of State contain the necessary instructions to be followed by you in obtaining the passport or travel document to be utilized in connection with your pilgrimage to the cemeteries in Europe. Please read the directions carefully and call in person upon the nearest Passport Agent or clerk of a Federal or State court having jurisdiction to naturalize aliens. Passport Agencies are located in Boston, Chicago, New Orleans, New York City, San Francisco and Seattle. In large cities there are usually two or more courts and at each county-seat a state court authorized to accept these passport applications.

When you make this call be sure to take with you the four photographs called for in the instructions together with your invitation as a means of identification. You should take with you to the passport office at this time a friend who is an American citizen and who has known you for several years. The passport Agent or clerk of the court will mail your application to the Secretary of State in Washington, D. C., who will issue the passports and travel documents and will deliver them to The Quartermaster General to be held by him until your arrival in New York.

The instructions prepared by the Secretary of State are as follows:

"A mother or widow who owes allegiance to the United States must apply to the Department of State for a Special Pilgrimage Passport through a Passport Agent or through a clerk of a Federal court or State court having jurisdiction to naturalize aliens and on the form prescribed by that Department. When making application, she should be accompanied by a credible witness who is an American citizen and who has known her for a period of two years or more. With her application she should submit four photographs on a light background and on thin paper not more than 3x3 inches in size not less than 2½x2½ inches in size and such documentary

idence of her American citizenship as she may have in her possession. In the absence of evidence of citizenship, her application should be witnessed by a credible person residing in the same community who is an American citizen, has known her for a long period of time and is able to swear to the best of his or her knowledge and belief that she is a citizen of the United States.

"A mother or widow who does not owe allegiance to the United States must apply to the Department of State for a Pilgrimage Travel Document through a clerk of a Federal court or a State court having jurisdiction to naturalize aliens or through a Passport Agent upon the form of application prescribed for that purpose, entitled APPLICATION FOR A PILGRIMAGE TRAVEL DOCUMENT, issued under the Act of March 2, 1929, submitting therewith four photographs on a light background and on thin paper not more than 3 x 3 inches in size and not less than 2½ x 2½ inches in size. When making application she should be accompanied by a credible witness who has known her for a period of two years or more.

"The Act of March 2, 1929, provides that no fee shall be charged for the execution of an application for a passport or travel document or for the issue of a passport or travel document to a mother or widow making a pilgrimage to the cemeteries of Europe in which deceased soldiers, sailors, and marines of the American forces are now interred.

"Special Pilgrimage Passports and Pilgrimage Travel Documents when issued by the Department of State will be forwarded to the War Department.

"Applicants resident in Boston, Chicago, New Orleans, New York City, San Francisco and Seattle should execute applications at the Passport Agencies in those cities."

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

June 4, 1930.

Clay, Rhodes, Jr. 608 W  
American Merchant 8-16

Mrs. Annie Clay,  
20 S. Morrison St.,  
c/o Mrs. H. C. Yerkes,  
Memphis, Tenn.

Dear Madam:

The records of this office show that you have not furnished the name of your Emergency Addressee as requested in letter of instructions from this office.

It is requested that in the blank space below you write the name and address of the person in the United States whom you desire to be notified in case you become seriously ill or other emergency arises while you are making the pilgrimage to Europe authorized by the Act of Congress approved March 2, 1929.

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Name

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Address

Please fill in the above and mail it TODAY in the self-addressed envelope which requires no postage.

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

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

Clay, Rhodes, Jr. 608 W  
American Merchant 8-16

May 31, 1930

Mrs. Ammie Clay,  
20 S. Morrison St.,  
c/o Mrs. H. C. Herkes,  
Memphis, Tenn.

Dear Madam:

Requests for stop-overs on return from the pilgrimage to the American cemeteries in Europe are being received by this office, in some cases, too late to take action.

Transportation arrangements for the round-trip are made a month before departure and requests for stop-overs on return must be in this office at that time.

Stop-overs can not be allowed on the trip to New York or in Europe, but may be allowed at any point on return from New York provided there is no additional cost or, if there is, that it is paid in advance by the pilgrim.

If you desire stop-overs at any point on return, please advise this office AT ONCE as to the cities where you desire to stop and we will be glad to arrange accordingly, or advise you if there is any additional cost to be paid by you. Send your request direct to this office and do NOT include it with your passport application.

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

In reply refer to QM 293 A-C

Clay, Rhodes Jr. 608-H

May 2, 1930.

Mrs. Annie Clay,  
Dear Madam:

C. Yerkes,  
20 S. Harrison St.  
Memphis, Tenn.

This letter, which contains general information regarding the pilgrimage to the cemeteries of Europe, is being sent to each mother and widow who has expressed a desire to make the pilgrimage during the calendar year 1930. The general plan for the conduct of the pilgrimage is shown in the Pilgrimage Regulations, a copy of which is enclosed herewith. In addition to the information shown in the regulations, the following explains in detail some of the most important things connected with the pilgrimage.

Formal invitations are being extended to each mother and widow who has expressed a desire to make the pilgrimage during 1930. In so far as practicable, these invitations are being extended with a view to keeping the women from each state together and the order in which the invitations to the women from the several states are issued is based on a drawing by lot which was held about one month ago. Inclosed with each invitation is a card for acknowledgment and it is quite important that you accept or decline this invitation promptly in order that the necessary railroad, steamship and hotel reservations may be arranged. The government will defray all the necessary expenses of the pilgrimage, including railroad fare, hotel accommodations, steamship fare and all other incidental expenses. It will not provide anything other than the necessary expenses so that you should bring with you such funds as you may desire to use for making small purchases and for other uses distinctly of a personal nature.

Arrangements have been made with the American Railroad Association which assures us the united support and cooperation of all of the railroads in the United States in handling the movement to and from New York City. The local ticket agent will secure your railroad and sleeper ticket and will make the necessary pullman reservations. Before your departure from your home we will mail you a check, sufficient to pay for your meals and other travelling expenses while enroute to New York. Your railroad ticket will provide for a round trip from your home to New York and upon arrival in New York the army officer in charge of the New York office will collect the return trip stub and hold it until your return to New York from Europe.

Upon arrival in New York, you will be met by an army officer

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and escorted to a first class hotel where reservations have been made. The duration of your stay in New York will be from 24 to 48 hours. At the proper time, you will be escorted to the steamship upon which passage has been engaged for Europe. All of the women making this trip will be provided with cabin class accommodations aboard steamers which means that from two to four will be quartered in the same stateroom. If you have any friend that you would like to be quartered with we will endeavor to arrange it if you will communicate with this office.

The ocean voyage will last about 8 days and when the ship docks at Cherbourg, France, each party will be met by officers especially detailed for the purpose and taken in a special train to Paris where first class hotel accommodations have been reserved. The first day in Paris will be a day of rest. On the 2d day, the women of each party will place a wreath on the tomb of the French unknown soldier. In the afternoon there will be a reception in which the French war mothers, government officials, and prominent civilians will participate. The following morning the groups going to the different cemeteries will leave Paris, travelling in motor busses, and proceed to the cemeteries where they will remain for about 7 days. Twenty-five women will be assigned to each bus and an army officer will have charge of the bus. The itineraries to and from the cemeteries and the daily itineraries while at the cemeteries have been varied so as to take in points of historical interest as well as some parts of the battlefields where American troops were engaged. Upon return to Paris, each party will remain for about 5 days and during this time an opportunity will be given to see the points of historical interest in Paris and vicinity. The entire duration of your stay in Europe will be 14 days, and the itineraries have been so arranged that each day will be provided for. Except in case of illness or other unavoidable cause it will not be possible for any woman making the pilgrimage to remain in Europe for a longer period than 14 days nor to leave the party with which she is travelling unless she is prepared to pay all of her expenses after leaving the party since the Act of Congress authorizing the pilgrimage specifically states that the government shall not pay the expenses of any woman who willfully leaves her party.

Upon return to the United States each ship will be met in New York City by army officers who will escort the mothers and widows to the trains which will take them home. Before leaving New York each woman will be provided with her return railroad ticket, a sleeping car ticket and funds to cover the cost of meals and other travelling expenses.

Army officers are being used as guides and escorts throughout this entire movement and care has been taken to select officers who will see that proper care is taken of the women who are entrusted to their charge. Arrangements have been made for taking care of women who may be taken sick during the pilgrimage and also to care for the remains of any who may die and provision has been made for returning the remains of any who may die to their homes. It is essential that each woman making the pilgrimage furnish The Quartermaster General with an emergency address of some relative or friend to be notified in the event of an emergency. Medical care will be provided by civilian agencies. If such care is needed in New York City it will be furnished by the hotel physicians or

by local hospitals. Aboard ship, medical care will be provided by the ship's doctors and in Paris arrangements have been made with the American Hospital for the hospitalization and treatment of any women who may need it. In addition to this, six doctors of the regular army will be on duty throughout the pilgrimage.

Baggage will be limited to not to exceed two pieces of hand baggage and the articles taken should be such as will be required for a trip of about one month. Laundry service can be obtained in New York and Paris. Since the climate of Europe is much colder than that of the United States, each woman should provide herself with sufficient warm clothing to stand the motor bus trip and the visit to the cemeteries.

Since it is necessary for this office to make all reservations for your accommodations throughout this pilgrimage, it will be greatly appreciated if you will make prompt reply to any communications received from this office.

For The Quartermaster General:

Very truly yours,

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

1 Enclosure.  
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WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

October 7, 1929.

Clay, Rhodes Jr. 608 M

Mrs. Pogena Clay,  
Charleston, Missouri.

Dear Madam:

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

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

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

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

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IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

October 7, 1929.

**Clay, Rhodes Jr. 608 W**

**Mrs. Annie Clay,  
20 South Morrison Street,  
c/o Mrs. H. C. Yerkes, Memphis, Tenn.**

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For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

JOHN T. HARRIS,  
Major, Q. M. Corps,  
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October 7, 1929.

Clay, Rhodes Jr. 608 W

Mrs. Annie Clay,  
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20 S. Morrison St.,  
Memphis, Tenn.

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For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

JOHN T. HARRIS,  
Major, Q. M. Corps,  
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THE ADJUTANT GENERAL'S OFFICE  
WASHINGTON

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IN REPLY  
REFER TO

A.G. 201 Clay, Rhodes (WW)

SUBJECT: Date of death

October 4, 1929

To:  
The Quartermaster General,  
Washington, D. C.

293  
*Clay, Rhodes*

1. An investigation recently completed by this office in the case of Rhodes Clay, Army serial number 1,402,914, Private, Company H, 370th Infantry, who was reported to have been killed in action September 25, 1918, shows that the report is erroneous and that this soldier was killed in action September 24, 1918.

By order of the Secretary of War:



*[Handwritten Signature]*  
Adjutant General.

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**E. O. Kelly**  
Adjutant General.

WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

Clay, Rhodes, Jr.

July 31, 1929.

Mrs. Annie Clay,  
20 S. Morrison St.,  
Memphis, Tenn.  
c/o Mrs. H. C. Yerkes.

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 **Private Rhodes Clay, Jr., Co. H., 370th Inf., whose remains are now interred in the Oise-Aisne American Cemetery, Seringes-et-Nesles, Aisne, France.**

Will you please fill in the answers to the following questions in the space provided on this letter, and return to this office in the enclosed envelope which requires no postage?

Write answers in space below:

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|---|--|
| 1. Have you remarried since the death of the above named veteran? |  |
| 2. If not, do you desire to make the pilgrimage?                  |  |
| 3. Is the deceased survived by a mother?                          |  |
| 4. If so, give her name and complete address.                     |  |

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

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WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

June 25, 1929.

Clay, Rhodes, Jr.

Mrs. Annie Clay,  
5340 Maple Avenue,  
St. Louis, Mo.

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 Private Rhodes Clay, Jr., Co. H., 370th Inf., whose remains are now interred in the Oise-Aisne American Cemetery, Seringes-et-Nesles, Aisne, France.

Will you please advise this office whether or not he is survived by a 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.

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IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C  
CLAY, Rhodes Jr., Pvt.

April 30, 1924

Mrs. Annie Clay,  
5340 Maple Ave.,  
Saint Louis, Mo.

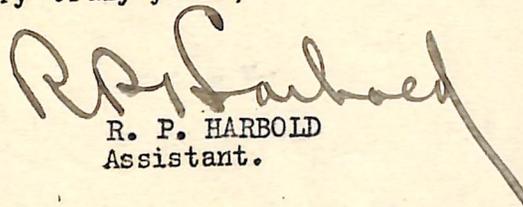
Dear Madam:

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. HARBOLD  
Assistant.

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Record card.

**FILE**

Place *Juvigny Aisne*

Date *Dec 10 - 1920*

REPORT OF DISINTERMENT AND REBURIAL

1. REMAINS OF *CLAY, RHODES JR.* SERIAL NUMBER *1402914*  
RANK *PVT* ORGANIZATION *Co H - 370 INF*

2. Disinterred (date): *Dec 10 - 1920* From (give complete location): *Grave 414*  
*Amer B/A Cem. Juvigny Aisne Cem 598*  
By: Group *Valentine* Unit \_\_\_\_\_

3. Reburied (date): *Dec 10 - 1920* In (give complete location): *Grave 288*  
*Same Cem.*  
By: Group *Valentine* Unit \_\_\_\_\_ Nature of reburial *Box & Blanket*

4. Report as to nature of original burial and condition of body upon disinterment: *5 ft earthen*  
*grave U. S. uniform, badly disintegrated features*  
*not capable of recognition. No box wrapped in blanket*

5. (a) Identification tags: Buried with body? *yes* On grave marker? *no*  
(b) Other means of identification found upon disinterment, and general remarks:  
*NONE*

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

(a) Height (actual measurement) *Estimated 5 ft. 9 inches*

(b) Weight (estimated) *Impossible to determine*

(c) Hair—Color *None on skull*

Quantity *Impossible to determine*

Characteristics *"*

(d) Hair on face—Color *"*

Location *"*

Quantity *"*

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

missing parts) *Impossible to determine*

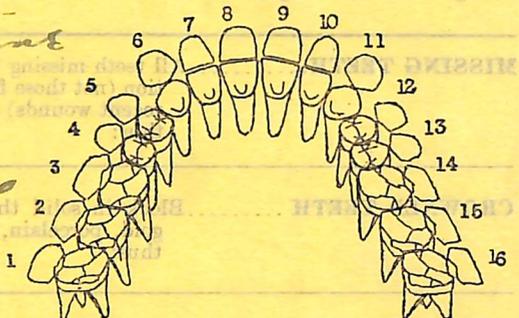
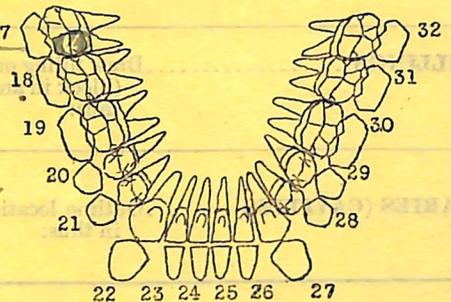


Diagram represents the mouth wide open.



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

*Impossible to determine*

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7. Disinterment supervised by *M. Sander*  
8. Reburial supervised by *1st Lt. F. J. ...*

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

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G. R. S. Form No. 16-A, 3-7832

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.

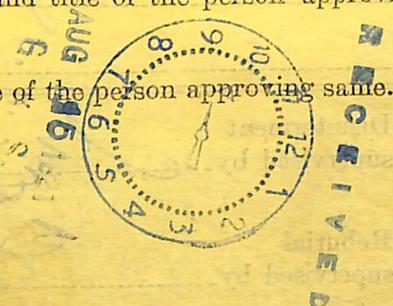
1. Show soldier's name, serial number, rank and organization, and by whom disinterred and reburied.
2. Give date and accurate information as to location from which the body was disinterred and the group and unit which made disinterment.
3. Give date and accurate information as to location of reburial 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.

<b>MISSING TEETH</b> .....	All teeth missing through previous extraction (not those fractured or displaced by recent wounds) should be scratched out, thus:	
<b>CROWNED TEETH</b> .....	Block in solid the crown of tooth (label gold, porcelain, or gold and porcelain), thus:	
<b>BRIDGE WORK</b> .....	Block in solid the crown of tooth (label gold bridge, gold and porcelain bridge), thus:	
<b>FILLINGS</b> .....	Draw filling on tooth accurately as possible (block in and label gold, silver, cement), thus:	
<b>CARIES (CAVITIES)</b> .....	Outline location and size of cavity, shade in thus:	
<b>DENTURES (PLATES)</b> ..... Draw diagram of relative size and shape of plate, block in teeth attached and indicate retaining clasps on natural teeth with the word "clasp."		

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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.



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OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL OF THE ARMY

WASHINGTON, D. C.

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Mrs. Annie Clay,

5340 Maple Avenue,

Saint Louis,

Missouri.

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Directory Searcher No. 11,

Clay,

(Surname)

Pvt.

Rhodes, Jr.

(Christian name in full.)

Co. H, 370th Inf.

(Rank and organization.)

1,402,914 Dup.

(Army serial number.)

State your relationship to the deceased.

Do you desire the remains brought to the United States?

(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)

(Number and street or rural route.)

(City, town, or post office.)

(State.)

Read carefully the letter accompanying this card.

QM 293 A-C

April 30, 1924

CLAY, Rhodes Jr., Pvt.

Mrs. Annie Clay,  
5340 Maple Ave.,  
Saint Louis, Mo.

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,

C. G. M. G.  
CENTRAL MAIL ROOM.



1-Incl.  
Record card.

MPK  
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# COMPLETION OF DISPOSITION OF REMAINS DATA

**I. LOCATION INDEX CARD:**

(a) Name CLAY, Rhodes File #44100  
19-D  
 Ser. No. 2402914

(b) Rank Pvt Organization Co H, 370 Inf TYP. DS

(c) Date of death 9/25/18 (d) Cause of death K/A CKR. g.m.c.

4/14/22 Examined  
 for Concentration  
 Miss - Airsme 608

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

(a) Grave No. 414 Row - Plot - Sec. - TYP. DB

(b) Emerg. Address Mrs. Annie Clay, (Wife) 2229 Walnut St., St. Louis, Mo.

III. Files of soldiers dying from contagious diseases NO CARD CKR. g.m.c.

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

(a) Name \_\_\_\_\_ Date of receipt no card in file  
 (b) Relationship Plu 8-22-20

(c) Address \_\_\_\_\_

(d) Remains to be brought to U. S.? \_\_\_\_\_

(e) To be interred in National Cemetery in U. S. at \_\_\_\_\_

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

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

Examiner's Initials \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_, 1920.

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

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

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

no Correspondence

Rev. 5-16-21 F.P.

**CORRECTION**

NAME Clay Rhodes Jr.

RANK \_\_\_\_\_

SERIAL NO. \_\_\_\_\_

ORGANIZATION \_\_\_\_\_

REMARKS:  
Form 120 and  
letter not answered  
by wife.

6-910/MB

Plu Date 8-23, 1920.

follows: \_\_\_\_\_

no card in file

g.m.c.

Date 8-23, 1920.

COMPLETED CARDED

Checked by \_\_\_\_\_  
 12-14-20

COMPILED OF DISPOSITION OF REMAINS DATA

I. LOCATION INDEX CARD

File #44100

(a) Name CLAY, Rhodes Ser. No. 2402914

(b) Rank Pvt Organization Co H, 370 Inf

(c) Date of death 9/25/18 (d) Cause of death K/A

TYP. DS  
CKR. M.C.

4/14/22 Examined  
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Diseases - 608  
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Examiner's Initials Date, 1920.

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, dated

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

no Correspondence

Examiner's Initials Date, 1920.

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

no correspondence in file

(a) Cancellation memos referred to? Yes

Examiner's Initials Date, 1920.

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COUNTRY FRANCE

CEMETERY No. 598

SHEET No. 73

FORM 115 A COMPLETED CARDED

#-12-22-20 SW

Specified by 12-14-20

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

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

RECEIVED.

MAY 3 1920

VIII. FINAL ACTION:

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

CEMETERY DIVISION  
OVERSEAS PROJECT



DEC 18 1920

*Par #2. Not to be returned. (EGL)*

IX.

CORRECTIONS

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

X. SUSPENSION REMARKS:

*9/10/20 Correctional advice to Europe - should read - "Clay, J. Rhodes, 14029 14, Private, Co. H. 370<sup>th</sup> Infantry 9/15/20 1119.  
Find Mrs Cairns (9-123) to advise Europe change in name + serial*

*Letter to wife, Mrs Annie Clay, 2229 Walnut St, St. Louis, Mo. re disposition remained - 11-5-20 J.*

Soldier's  Overseas  
Grave

Name Rhodes Clay, Junior

Rank Private

Organization Company H, 370th Infantry

Grave No. 6 Row 40 Block D

Cemetery Oise-Aisne American

Location Seringes-et-Nesles, Aisne, France

To be prepared in triplicate.

DATE Dec. 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 CLAY, Rhodes Jr.  
 2. No. 1402914  
 3. Rank Pvt.  
 4. Org. Co. H. 370th Inf.  
 5. D.D. 9-24-18  
 6. C.D. KIA

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

Discrepancy found upon disinterment

7. Grave No. 288 Sec. \_\_\_\_\_  
 8. Plot \_\_\_\_\_ Row \_\_\_\_\_  
 9. \_\_\_\_\_

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

18. Cemetery American Cty.,

19. Commune or town Juvigny,

20. Dept. or County Aisne,

21. Country France.

22. G.R.S. Hdqrs. Code No. 598.

23. Disinterred (Date) 12-19-21

By H.C. Damon

24. Inscription on grave marker:

Name Rhodes Clay Jr.,  
 Rank Pvt.

Serial No. 1402914  
 Organization Co. H. 370th Inf.

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

L. R. M. ...  
 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).  
Formerly reburied by field section - tag and strip on blanket which check

27. Condition of body Badly decomposed features unrecognizable

28. Nature of burial Mulle blanket and wooden box.

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

30. Body prepared and placed in casket: Date 12-19-21 By H.C. Damon

31. Casket sealed by H.C. Damon

Signature of Embalmer, (Supervisor) H.C. Damon

**AUDITED BY**  
102 2-19-24

SHIPMENT. (Show actual marking of box.) Box No. C-25988.

32. Designation of body:

Name Rhodes Clay, Jr. Serial No. 1402914

Rank Pvt. Organization Co. H. 370th Inf.

33. Consigned to:

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

34. Casket boxed and marked (Date) 12-19-21 By H.C. Damon

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*  
O. E. Davis, 1st Lt. Q.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 20 DEC 1921

To Permanent Cemetery Oise Aisne, Am. Cty 608 Seringes et Nesles, Aisne.

(Name)

Convoyer Signature Shipping Officer *E. D. Campbell*  
E. D. CAMPBELL, Capt. Q.M.C.

40. Received: Date 24 DEC 1921

G.R.S. Representative G. F. WAUGH

41. Reinterred July 26, 1922. Oise-Aisne Cem. 608, Seringes-et-Nesles, (Aisne)

(Date)

42. Grave No. 6, Blk. D. Section

43. Plot Row 40

G.R.S. Representative *A. Blake*  
A. Blake, Capt. Q.M.C.

# REPORT OF DISINTERMENT AND REBURIAL

Place Wigny, Com. 598

Date Dec. 19th, 1921

1. REMAINS OF CLAY, Rhodes, Jr. SERIAL NUMBER 1402914

RANK Pvt. ORGANIZATION Co. B, 378th Inf.

2. Disinterred (date): Dec. 19th, 1921 From (give complete location): Gr. 285, Com. 598

By: Group 4 Unit Sec. 7

3. Reburied (date): July 26, 1922 In (give complete location): Gr. 6, Blk. D, Row 40, Oise-Aisne Com. 600, Seringes-et-Mesles, (Aisne)

By: Group \_\_\_\_\_ Unit \_\_\_\_\_ Nature of Reburial Blanket and metal casket.

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

Wooden box and blanket. Badly decomposed, features not recognizable.

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

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

Formerly reburied by Field Section. Tag and strip on blanket which checks.

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

(a) Height (actual measurement) Indiscernable due to

(b) Weight (estimated) decomposition.

(c) Hair—Color None

Quantity \_\_\_\_\_

Characteristics \_\_\_\_\_

(d) Hair on face—Color None

Location \_\_\_\_\_

Quantity \_\_\_\_\_

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

None

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

None

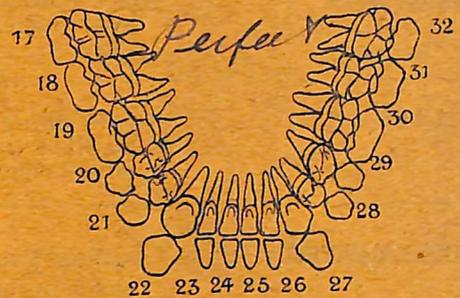
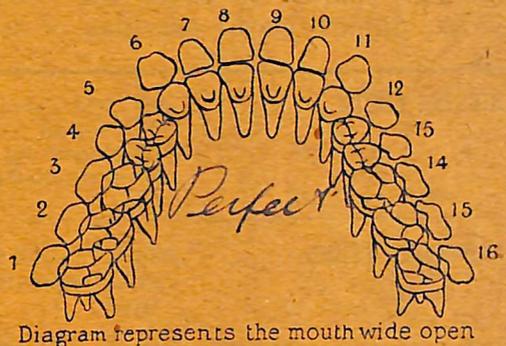
7. Disinterment supervised by L. R. Knasin, checker.  
H. C. Damon

H. C. Damon, Act. Sup. Emb.

Approved: O. (Title) via 1st Lt., QMC.

8. Reburial supervised by L. D. Hays, checker

Approved: C. J. Blake  
C. J. Blake, Capt. QMC



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

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

1. Show soldier's name, serial number, rank and organization, and by whom disinterred and reburied.
2. Give date and accurate information as to location from which the body was disinterred and the group and unit which made disinterment.
3. Give date and accurate information as to location of reburial and the group and unit which made reburial, and how reburial was made—in casket, wooden box, etc.
4. State to what degree decomposition has progressed, whether recognition is possible, and how the body was originally buried—in a casket, box, burlap, etc. This statement should be as complete as possible.

5. (a) State whether identification tags were found buried with body and on grave marker by reporting "Yes" or "No".

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

6 Give all information as to body description and dental chart as nearly correctly as the condition of the body will allow. Items (e) and (f) under the body description are very important and should be very complete. The dental chart is also very important and should be filled in with great care. There are 32 teeth to be accounted for, as shown by the numbers on the chart. Beginning at the middle line in both upper and lower jaws, the teeth are arranged symmetrically on either side and classed as incisors (cutting teeth), cuspids or canines (tearing teeth), 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.



*White*

Recorded, Cemeterial Div., O. Q. M. G.  
file # 7938  
#44100

AG 201 Clay, Rhodes, Jr. (7/17/22)WW 1st Ind.

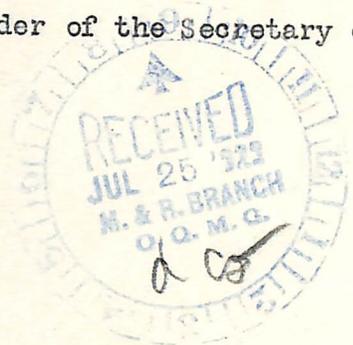
RMB/FC J/1-208

War Department, A.G.O., July 24, 1922 - To: The Quartermaster General of the Army, Washington, D. C.

1. The records show that Rhodes Clay, Jr., #1402914, was enlisted January 3, 1918, and was killed in action September 24, 1918, a private, Company H, 370th Infantry. Re-buried December 1, 1918, Gen. 598, GRS 422-1. Place of first burial not of record.

2. No record has been found of the enlistment in the Army during the period of the World War of any man under the name H. Clay, who is shown to have served in Company H, 370th Infantry, or who is shown to have been killed in action.

By order of the Secretary of War:



*M. J. O'Brien*  
Adjutant General.

*Clay, Rhodes*



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AG 201 Clay, Rhodes, Jr. (7/17/22) 1st Ind.

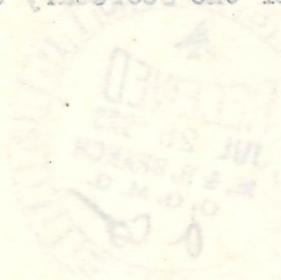
War Department, A. G. O., July 24, 1922 - To: The Quartermaster General of the Army, Washington, D. C.

1. The records show that Rhodes Clay, Jr., #1402314, was enlisted January 2, 1918, and was killed in action September 24, 1918, a private, Company H, 370th Infantry. Re-buried December 1, 1918, Gen. 393, GDS 422-1. Place of first burial not of record.

2. No record has been found of the enlistment in the Army during the period of the World War of any man under the name H. C. Jay, who is shown to have served in Company H, 370th Infantry, or who is shown to have been killed in action.

By order of the Secretary of War:

*M. G. ...*  
Adjutant General



JUL 25 1922



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AG 201 Clay, Rhodes, Jr. (7/17/22)WW 1st Ind.

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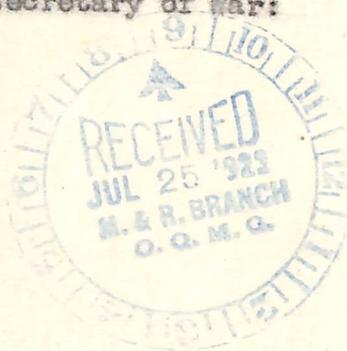
1. The records show that Rhodes Clay, Jr., #1402914, was enlisted January 5, 1918, and was killed in action September 24, 1918, a private, Company H, 370th Infantry. Re-buried December 1, 1918, Cen. 598, GRS 422-1. Place of first burial not of record.

2. No record has been found of the enlistment in the Army during the period of the World War of any man under the name H. Clay, who is shown to have served in Company H, 370th Infantry, or who is shown to have been killed in action.

By order of the Secretary of War:

M. J. O'Brien

Adjutant General.



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AG 201 Clay, Rhodes, Jr. (7/17/22)HW 1st Ind.

War Department, A.S.G., July 24, 1922 - For The Quartermaster General of the Army, Washington, D. C.

1. The records show that Rhodes Clay, Jr., 4183214, was enlisted January 3, 1918, and was killed in action September 24, 1918, a private, Company H, 270th Infantry. Re-buried December 1, 1918, Gen. 222, 422-1. Place of final burial not of record.

2. No record has been found of the enlistment in the Army during the period of the World War of any man under the name H. Clay, who is shown to have served in Company H, 270th Infantry, or who is shown to have been killed in action.

By order of the Secretary of War:

Adjutant General.



Address reply to  
QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
Washington, D.C.

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

In Answer Refer to File No.-----

July 17, 1922.

No: 293.8 C-R #44100 (Clay, Rhodes, Jr., Pvt.)

~~From~~

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

Subject: Case of Private Rhodes Clay, Jr.

1. The records of this office contain the name of a deceased soldier as having been obtained from your office as follows: "Private Rhodes Clay, Jr., 1,402,914, Company H, 370th Infantry, killed in action September 25, 1918; the emergency address being - Wife, Mrs. Annie Clay, 2229 Walnut Street, St. Louis, Missouri." There is also on file a Grave Location Blank for Private H. Clay, Company H, 370th Infantry, as having been buried September 24, 1918 in Mont de Tombes by Chaplain William S. Braddan of the 370th Infantry.

2. It is requested that your office investigate these records and advise whether the above-mentioned are carried as two distinct men.

For the Quartermaster General:



GEORGE H. PINROSE,  
Assistant.

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ARMY DEPARTMENT  
WASHINGTON, D.C.

OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL OF THE ARMY  
WASHINGTON  
July 17, 1952

Private Thomas Clay, Jr.

The Adjutant General of the Army, Washington, D.C.

Subject: Case of Private Thomas Clay, Jr.

1. The records of this office contain the name of a deceased soldier as having been obtained from your office as follows: "Private Thomas Clay, Jr., 348 1/2, Company E, 270th Infantry, killed in action September 24, 1918; the emergency address being - Wife, Mrs. Clara Clay, 2325 Walnut Street, St. Louis, Missouri." It is also on file a Grave Location Blank for Private Clay, Company E, 270th Infantry, as having been buried September 24, 1918 in front of Company B, Captain William S. Braden of the 270th Infantry.

2. It is requested that your office investigate those records and advise where the above-soldier was buried as two distinct men.

For the Quartermaster General:

*[Handwritten signature]*

Quartermaster General  
Assistant



44100

July 17, 1922.

293.8 C-R #44100 (Clay, Rhodes, Jr., Pvt.)

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The Adjutant General of the Army, Washington, D.C.

Case of Private Rhodes Clay, Jr.

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2. It is requested that your office investigate these records and advise whether the above-mentioned are carried as two distinct men.

For the Quartermaster General:

GEORGE H. PIN ROSE,  
Assistant.

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CS  
*[Signature]*  
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JUL 18 1922

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July 17, 1923.

293.8 G-R #44100 (Clay, Rhodes, Jr., Pvt.)

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The Adjutant General of the Army, Washington, D.C.

Case of Private Rhodes Clay, Jr.

1. The records of this office contain the name of a deceased soldier as having been obtained from your office as follows: "Private Rhodes Clay, Jr., 1,403,914, Company H, 370th Infantry, killed in action September 25, 1918; the emergency address being - Wife, Mrs. Annie Clay, 2229 Walnut Street, St. Louis, Missouri." There is also on file a Grave Location Blank for Private H. Clay, Company H, 370th Infantry, as having been buried September 24, 1918 in Mont de Tombes by Chaplain William S. Bradsen of the 370th Infantry.

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For the Quartermaster General:

GEORGE H. PINROSE,  
Assistant.

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**FILE**  
 CEMETERY DIVISION  
 REGISTRATION SECTION

File No 44100

~~January 18 1922~~

MEMO FOR:  
 Cards Department.

1.  
 CASE OF:

Co. H., 370th Inf.,

ORGANIZATION (Old)

CLAY 1402914 Rhodes Jr., Pvt.,  
 (Name)

Correction or additional data changes as shown below have been made on the Registration Card of the above-mentioned soldier and a corresponding change will be necessary on the Organization Card:

ORGANIZATION (New)

FILE NO.

SURNAME

SERIAL NUMBER

FIRST NAME AND INITIALS

RANK

DATE OF DEATH

CAUSE OF DEATH

	Date	Place	F-1A No.
Orig.			D-
1st Reb.	12/10/20	598	30231 D-
2nd Reb.			D-
3rd Reb.			D-

(Note: In the above spaces below double line fill in ONLY the new date and data correcting previous information)

BY: Miss Laron

Card  
 (Department)

5 x 8 card was sent to file.

Corrections made  
 on Organization  
 File Card:

By S/3324/LML

S-1/31/21

January 13, 1921

File No. 293.8 Cem. Div. Cor. Br.  
(CLAY, JR. RHODES)

Mrs. Annie Clay,  
2229 Walnut Street,  
St. Louis, Mo.

Dear Madam:-

In order that the records of this office may be complete and before final disposition of the remains of the late Rhodes Clay, Jr. Private, Company H. 370th. Infantry, Serial Number 1402914, can be determined, it is necessary that you again advise whether or not you desire the body of your husband left in France in a permanent American Cemetery, returned to the United States and shipped to you, or interred in the National Cemetery, at Arlington, Virginia.

Your early reply will be greatly appreciated.

By authority of the Quartermaster General:

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

By:

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

MG/dw

Mailed - O.P.D.  
*JP*  
JAN 14 1921

# GRAVE LOCATION BLANK

LOCATION OF THE GRAVE OF

*Blay* *H* *H*  
.....  
(Surname.) (Number.) (First Name and Initials.)

*Pvt* *Co H* *370*  
.....  
(Rank.) (Organization.)

DATE OF BURIAL..... *Sept 24th 1918*

PLACE OF BURIAL..... *Mont de Tombras*

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

*1000 Yds East of*  
*Durancs P. C.*

GRAVE NUMBER.....

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

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

IDENTIFICATION TAGS:

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

Was one fastened to name peg or stake used as a grave marker?..... *no*

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

**CORRE.**

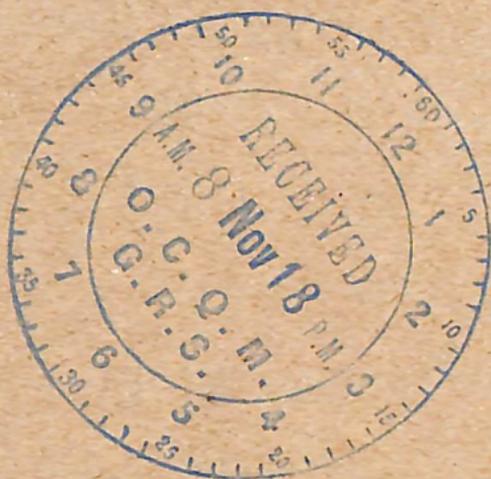
**(C) SHT.**

**COORD**

REPORTED BY:

*William S. Braden (Chap)* *370*  
.....  
(Signature and Rank of Reporting Officer.)

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



November 5, 1920.

File No. 293.8 Reg. Sec. Gen. Div.  
(CLAY, Rhodes Jr.)

Mrs. Annie Clay,  
2229 Walnut St.,  
St. Louis, Mo.

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

A penalty envelope is enclosed herewith.

By authority of the Quartermaster General:

CHARLES C. PIERCE,  
Major, U.S. Army,  
Chief, Cemeterial Division.

BY:

*J. G. H. J.*  
THOS. G. HANSON, Jr.,  
1st Lieut., Q.M. Corps.

OSP:SS  
(1 Encls.) ✓

Noted on Form No. 115

Date 11-5-20 *J. J.*

WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

November 5, 1900.

File No. 293.8 Reg. Sec. Con. Div.  
(CLAY, Rhodes Jr.)

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September 10, 1920.

FILE NO: 598 Reg. Sec., Cem. Div.

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

TO: Chief, American Graves Registration Service, Q.M.G., in Europe.

SUBJECT: Correctional advice on American Battle Area Cemetery, #598, Juvigny, Aisne, France.

Reference paragraph 2, office letter of August 27, 1920 (File No. 598 Reg. Sec., Cem. Div.) you are advised that Cable Reference No. 73 "Clay, Rhodes", should read "Clay, Jr. Rhodes, 1402914, Private, Co. H, 370th Infantry."

It is requested that the records of your office be revised accordingly.

By authority of the Quartermaster General:

CHARLES C. PIERCE,  
Major, U. S. Army,  
Chief, Cemeterial Division.

By:

C. M. HOETZEL,  
1st Lieut., Q.M. Corps.

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GENERAL DIVISION  
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THE HONORABLE J. H. COCHRAN  
U. S. HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

RE:

OFFICE OF THE GENERAL DIVISION  
WASHINGTON, D. C.  
MAY 3 1921

BY AUTHORITY OF THE COMMISSIONER GENERAL:

NOTICE

It is hereby notified that the records of this office are being

kept in accordance with the provisions of the Act of March 3, 1907, and that the records of this office are being kept in accordance with the provisions of the Act of March 3, 1907.

RECORDED: THE GENERAL DIVISION  
OFFICE OF THE GENERAL DIVISION

TO: OFFICE OF THE GENERAL DIVISION

FROM: THE GENERAL DIVISION

DATE: MAY 3 1921

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G.R.S. Form No. 1

Classification

Adjustment

CEMETRIAL DIVISION  
GRAVES REGISTRATION SERVICE  
REGISTRATION SECTION

File # 44100

*Qty 598*

MEMORANDUM:

Date 9/2/20

To: Registration Files Sub-Section

Subject: Adjustments made on Registration Files

1. Changes as checked have been made in the Registration Files which will necessitate a corresponding change in the Classification Files.

	CORP.	ADD. DATA		CORP.	ADD. DATA
File Number			Date of Burial		
Name <i>518</i>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		Date of Reburial		
Serial Number			Burial Information		
Rank			Nearest Relative <i>518</i>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
Organization			Notified Nearest Relative <i>518</i>		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Cause of Death			Blue Card thrown out		
Date of Death			White Card <i>B</i> set up <i>3x5</i>		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Casualty Cablgram Number					
<i>Remarks 518</i>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>				

O.K. Alphabetical Files 9-2-20-ew

~~O.K. Organization Files~~

~~O.K. State Files~~

**FILE**

<input type="checkbox"/>	Cemetery Audit Department
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Investigation & Adjustment Dept.

By *Johnson*

**REVIEWED  
OSP SS.**

2 Cards attached.

**Investigation & Adjustment Department.**  
**WAR DEPARTMENT**  
 OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
 DIRECTOR OF PURCHASE AND STORAGE  
 WASHINGTON

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

Date **August 23, 1920.**

File No. **44100** Registration.

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

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

Subject: Information required for G.R.S.

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

- |                           |                          |                        |   |
|---------------------------|--------------------------|------------------------|---|
| ✓ a. Surname              | <b>CLAY</b>              | ✓ f. Date of death     | <b>9/25/18</b>  |
| ✓ b. Christian name       | <b>RHODES Jr.</b>        | ✓ g. Cause of death    | <b>K/A</b>  |
| ✓ c. <u>Serial number</u> | <b>1402914</b>           | ✓ h. Authority (C.C.#) | <b>301</b>  |
| ✓ b. Organization         | <b>Co. H. 370th Inf.</b> | ✓ i. Emergency address | <b>Mrs. Annie Clay, 2229 Walnut St., St. Louis, Mo.</b> |
| ✓ e. Rank                 | <b>Pvt.</b>              | ✓ j. Relationship      | <b>(Wife)</b>   |

**BODY DESCRIPTION**

(See page #2 of the Service Record)

- a. Age at Enlistment
- b. Color of eyes
- c. Color of hair
- d. Height
- e. Weight

**DENTAL CHARTS**

(See Physical report of examination prior to enlistment)

- a. Strike out teeth missing
- |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |             |   |   |   |            |   |   |   |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|-------------|---|---|---|------------|---|---|---|
| 8 | 7 | 6 | 5 | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 | 1           | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5          | 6 | 7 | 8 |
|   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   | upper right |   |   |   | upper left |   |   |   |
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- f. Permanent marks and physical defects at enlistment. (Old fractures or breaks)

(OVER)

H. L. ROGERS,  
 Quartermaster General, U.S.A.,  
 Director of Purchase and Storage.

BY:  
 EW.

*H. J. Conner*  
 H. J. CONNER,  
 Captain, Q.M.C.

Return to Mr. Wilson.

Rec'd World War Div.  
 Date **8-26-20**

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**REVIEWED**  
**OF SS.**

*no Annie Clay have 5340 - 2714 - 1402914*

*Donnelly*

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INVESTIGATION  
WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
DIRECTOR OF PURCHASE AND STORAGE  
WASHINGTON

G.R. S. Form 8-W-A  
Information requested of A.G.O.  
File No. 44100 Registration  
Date August 23, 1930

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

To: The Adjutant General of the Army, 8th & B Sts., N.W., Washington, D.C.

Cty. 598

Grave No. 414

Amer. Battlearea Cty., Juvigny, Aisne.

Subject: Information requested for G.R.S.  
I. In is requested that the items checked below be completed. Request confirmation of Amer. Battlearea Cty., Juvigny, Aisne.

a. Surname  
b. Christian name  
c. Serial number  
d. Organization  
e. Rank  
f. Relationship  
g. Emergency address  
h. Authority (G.C.#)  
i. Date of death  
j. Cause of death

Handwritten notes and scribbles in the center of the page.

BODY DESCRIPTION  
(See page #2 of the Service Record)  
a. Age at Enlistment  
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H. L. BOOBER  
Quartermaster General, U.S.A.  
Director of Purchase and Storage

BY:  
RW.

Stamp: CAPTAIN, D.V. CO., 1930

Return to Mr. Wilson.

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

3-1200

FROM: Chief, Graves Registration Service, Q. M. G.  
TO: Mrs. Annie Clay, 2229 Walnut St., St. Louis, Mo.  
SUBJECT: Remains of Private Rhodes Clay, Co. H. 370th Inf. Ser. No. 2402914

The records of this office show that you have requested that his body Not expressed your desires as to the disposition of the body.

If these are not the correct instructions, please correct them. Make corrections on reverse side of this sheet.  
The nearest relative may choose between, (1) return of the body to any address in the United States; (2) interment in Arlington, Va., or any other National Cemetery; or (3) remain in Europe.  
By authority of the Quartermaster General.

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

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

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 \_\_\_\_\_

Address

Washington, D. C., 1920

I, the undersigned, am the \_\_\_\_\_ and nearest living relative of the within-named  
(Relationship.)

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

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

3-7860

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

(Revised)  
G. B. S. FORM NO. 120

Case where I believe  
LHB for original  
burial is given  
as Clay H.

Note also change  
of address of wife  
which was not  
used in last

letter written 11/5/70  
altho former had been

M L Gilman <sup>returned</sup>

*No record*

G.H.Q., American E.F.  
Adjutant General's Office.

FROM : Adjutant General.  
To : William S. Braddan.  
Chaplain 370th Infantry.  
SUBJECT : Burial report.

I. Your report of the burial of  
Clay, H.  
Pvt. Co. H. 370th Infantry.  
requires completion or correction as follows :

You have failed to state

- (a) Disposition of both tags.
- (b) Grave marking.
- (c) Map reference. 1/50000
- (d) Commune in which grave is located.
- (e) Department in which grave is located.
- (f) Soldier's number.
- (g) You have not sent a reliable sketch of the place of burial, as required by G.O. 30. G.H.Q., 1918.

An immediate completion of your report on reverse side hereof, will be sent to the Chief, Graves Registration Service, A.P.O. 717.

By Command of General Pershing :

ROBERT C. DAVIS,  
Adjutant General.



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Adjutant General.

WAR DEPARTMENT,  
THE ADJUTANT GENERAL'S OFFICE.  
OFFICIAL BUSINESS.

Penalty for private use, \$300.



Mrs. Annie Clay,  
~~2809 Leclide Ave.,~~  
St. Louis, Mo.

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*Clay, Annie*  
*1402914*  
*File 44100*

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WAR DEPARTMENT,  
THE ADJUTANT GENERAL'S OFFICE,

WASHINGTON,

Aug. 16, 1919

Dear Madam:

This is the second request for information concerning this matter that has been sent to you. Inasmuch as no reply has been received to the first request it is presumed you did not receive it, and as the information indicated on the inclosed card is necessary to complete the records it will be appreciated if you will fill in and return the card at the earliest practicable date.

P. C. HARRIS,  
*The Adjutant General.*

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CARD  
AUG 17 1919