

To The A. G. O.

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G.R.S. Form #114-B

JAN 21 1926

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DATE

1. NAME CLIFFT, Luther T. SERIAL No. 2565171

RANK Pvt. ORGANIZATION Co. E. 329th Inf.

GRAVE LOCATION Amer. Plot. Grand Cty. LE MANS (Sarthe) #419 sec D.

CTY. NAME

NUMBER

177 sec D.

Amer.

GRAVE

ROW

PLOT

2. ORIGINAL BATTLE AREA GRAVE LOCATION 1777 LeMans Sarthe

As shown by cemetery directory AGRS  
Nov. 26, 1919.

GRAVE

COMMUNE

DEPT.

Not given

COORDINATES

CONCENTRATED TO Nothing of record.

DATE

GRAVE

ROW

PLOT

CEMETERY

CTY. NUMBER

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

DATE OF DEATH Oct 16, 1918 Nothing of record.

STATE FROM WHICH HE CAME France

MEDALS OR DECORATIONS AWARDED None

SUBSEQUENT REBURIALS None of record.

DATE

GRAVE

ROW

PLOT

CEMETERY

DATE

GRAVE

ROW

PLOT

CEMETERY

SIGNATURE, AREA SUPERVISOR Stanley J. Grogan

STANLEY J. GROGAN, CAPT. INF. USA.

3. FINAL GRAVE LOCATION 7/31/22 27 27 Blk. D

DATE

GRAVE

ROW

PLOT

Oise Aisne American Cty #608, Seringes-&Nesles, Aisne

CEMETERY

AUDITED BY  
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A. G. O.  
JAN 22 1926  
WORLD WAR DIV.

Robert C. Davis,  
Major General,  
The Adjutant General.  
By [Signature]  
JAN 25 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

LOCATION OF THE GRAVE OF R

Cliff 2565171 Luther  
(Surname.) (Number.) (First Name and Initials.)

Private Co. E, 329th Infantry.  
(Rank.) (Organization.)

DATE OF BURIAL October 18, 1918.

PLACE OF BURIAL Grande Cimetiere, Lellans.  
Sarthe.  
(Give Cemetery, Town and Department.) Map reference must specify clearly what map is used.

Plot 20

Section D

GRAVE NUMBER #177

HOW MARKED: Name Peg? Yes Cross? Yes

Headboard? No Bottle? No

IDENTIFICATION TAGS:

Was one buried with body? Yes

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

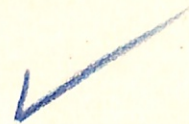
If name unknown and tags missing, description and mark should be given here:

REPORTED BY: Robert O. McClure.  
Chaplain, 324th M.G. Bn.

Robert O. McClure  
(Signature and Rank of Reporting Officer.)

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

CODE SLIP



HEADING	SUB-HEADING	NO. OF COLS	CODE
NAME	<i>Cliff</i>	3	3 0 9
	<i>Luther J</i>		2
BURIED	CEMETERY <i>608</i>	1	
	GRAVE <i>27</i>	2	2 7
	ROW <i>27</i>	2	2 7
	BLOCK <i>18</i>	1	4
STATE	<i>Ark</i>	2	0 3
RANK	<i>Priv</i>	1	2
DIVISION	<i>83</i>	2	8 3
ORGANIZATION	<i>329</i>	3	3 2 9
ARM	<i>Inf</i>	1	1
MARITAL	<i>Remarried</i>	1	3
NAME	<i>Cliff</i>	3	3 2 9
	<i>Mrs. John</i>		
RESIDENCE	STATE <i>Ark</i>	2	0 3
	COUNTY <i>Sharp</i>	2	6 8
	CITY <i>Ash Flat</i>	3	X X X
RELATION	<i>Mother</i>	1	1
OTHER	<i>Widow</i>	1	1
ELIGIBILITY	<i>yes</i>	1	1
NATIVITY		1	
RACE		1	
ENGLISH	<i>yes</i>	1	1
ATTENDANT		1	
HEALTH	<i>bad</i>	1	2
NO. OF SONS		1	
DATE OF TRIP	MO.	1	
	YR.	1	
ACCEPTANCE	<i>no age</i>	1	2
29/514/PJ.			78

**AUDITED**  
DEC 17 1991

*EMJ*

CODE SLIP

HEADING	SUB-HEADING	NO. OF COLS	CODE
NAME <i>Cliff</i>	<i>Cliff</i>	3	3 2 9
<i>Luther T. W.</i> BURIED	CEMETERY <i>608</i>	1	2
	GRAVE <i>27</i>	2	27
	ROW <i>27</i>	2	27
	BLOCK <i>D</i>	1	4
STATE	<i>Ark</i>	2	03
RANK	<i>Pat</i>	1	2
DIVISION	<i>83</i>	2	83
ORGANIZATION	<i>329</i>	3	329
ARM	<i>Inf.</i>	1	1
MARITAL	<i>Remarried</i>	1	3
NAME <i>Whitton</i>		3	
<i>Mrs Mary Cliff</i> RESIDENCE <i>Evening Shade</i> <i>Arkansas</i>	STATE	2	
	COUNTY	2	
	CITY	3	
RELATION	<i>Widow</i>	1	5
OTHER		1	
ELIGIBILITY	<i>No</i>	1	2
NATIVITY		1	
RACE		1	
ENGLISH		1	
ATTENDANT		1	
HEALTH		1	
NO. OF SONS		1	
DATE OF	MO.	1	
TRIP	YR.	1	
ACCEPTANCE 29/514		1	

AUDITED  
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IN REPLY QM 293 A-M  
REFER TO

## WAR DEPARTMENT

Cliffth Luther T (OA)

OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

October 13, 1932

Mrs John Cliffth  
Ash Flat  
Arkansas

**SPECIAL**

Dear Madam:

Your Government has provided an opportunity for all Mothers and Widows of deceased members of the American Forces who were lost, buried at sea, or whose remains are now interred in Europe, to make a pilgrimage to the cemeteries in Europe. This was done in the hope that all who may make the pilgrimage will derive a measure of comfort and solace from the visit.

You are numbered among those who are privileged to make this pilgrimage.

During July and September of this year, inquiries were addressed to you as to whether or not you desire to make the pilgrimage to Europe. To these inquiries no reply has been received from you.

You probably do not realize how important it is that a reply be received from you. If we do not receive replies, it becomes very difficult to make the necessary and proper arrangements for those who are to make the trip, as everything must be arranged in advance. Consequently, it is just as important for the Government to know the names of those who do not desire to take advantage of its offer as it is to know the names of those who do.

Will you please devote a few moments of your time to write either the word "YES" or "NO" in the following space   do  , thus indicating whether or not you desire to make the pilgrimage during 1933 and sign your name here Sarah G. Cliffth. Use the enclosed envelope, which requires no postage, and return this sheet.

This reply will assure your Government that no worthy Mother or Widow has failed to receive its offer in commemoration of a loved one departed, and will greatly assist in making the necessary preparations for those of them who wish to take advantage of the privilege.

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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



WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-M  
Cliff, Luther T. OA

September 6, 1932.

Mrs. John Cliff,  
Ash Flat,  
Arkansas.

Dear Madam:

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

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

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

Sign here

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

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

Encl:  
Env.

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

WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-M  
Clifft, Luther T. (OA)

July 11, 1932.

Mrs. Sarah A. Clifft,  
Ash Flat,  
Ark.

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) \_\_\_\_\_

QM 293 A-M  
Clifft, Luther T. (OA)

January 12 1932

Mrs. John Clifft,  
Ash Flat,  
Arkansas.

Dear Madam:

Reference is made to correspondence forwarded you from this office relative to a pilgrimage to the grave of your son, the late Private Luther T. Clifft. In reply to a questionnaire, you advised that you did not desire to visit your son's grave during the summer of 1932.

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

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

For The Quartermaster General.

Very truly yours,

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

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WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM-293-AM

Clifft, Luther T. Pvt (OA) M-

July 13, 1931.

Mrs. John Clifft,  
Ash Flat,  
Arkansas.

Dear Madam:

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

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

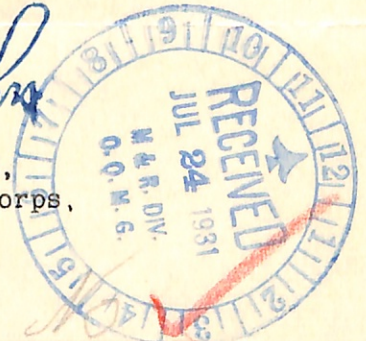
As soon as you have answered the question, please sign your name and return this sheet in the enclosed addressed envelope which requires no postage. Do not delay, as a prompt reply is essential.

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

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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



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

Write answer here

*Hardy*

*Sarah A. Clifft*

Sign here

WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

June 7, 1930.

Clifft, Luther T. - 608 M

Mrs. John Clifft,  
Ash Flat, Ark.

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)

Cliff, Luther T. 608

January 16, 1930.

Mrs. Mary Cliff Whitten,  
Evening Shade,  
Arkansas.

Dear Madam:

Acknowledging receipt of your letter of recent date which was transmitted to this office for reply by the U. S. Veterans' Bureau, relative to your inquiry concerning the pilgrimage to the cemeteries in Europe authorized by the Act of Congress of March 2, 1929, there is enclosed herewith for your information a copy of the Act in question.

In connection with your desire to make the pilgrimage, you will note that Section 4 (b) of the Act states: "The term 'widow' means a widow who has not remarried since the death of the member of the military or naval forces". Inasmuch as you have remarried since the death of your late husband, Private Luther T. Cliff, it is regretted to have to advise that you are ineligible, within the meaning of the law to make this pilgrimage to his grave in the Oise-Aisne American Cemetery in France.

I am sorry that your request cannot be granted, but the War Department has no alternative other than to carry out the law as passed by Congress.

For The Quartermaster General.

Very truly yours,

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

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January 10, 1930

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Mrs. Mary Clifft Whitten,  
Evening Shade, Arkansas.

Dear Madam:

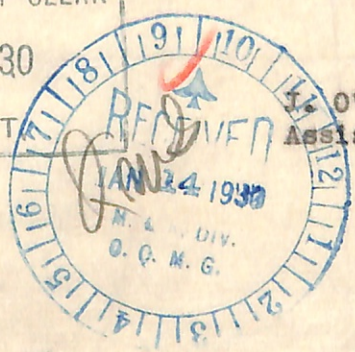
Receipt is acknowledged of your undated letter relative to the legislation providing pilgrimages to cemeteries in Europe by mothers and widows of deceased soldiers, sailors, and marines of the American forces who are now interred in such cemeteries.

The administration of the legislation in which you are interested is under the jurisdiction of the War Department, to which department your letter is being referred for attention.

For the director,

ASSISTANT & CHIEF CLERK  
JAN 13 1930  
1 WAR DEPT

W. O. C. ROBERTS  
Assistant General Counsel



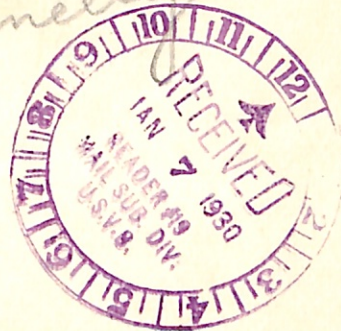
293 Clifft, Arkansas T.

United States Veterans Bureau ,

Washington

D.C.

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Gentlemen,

I have been reading of the trip for <sup>m</sup> others and  
wives to France to visit the graves of husbands  
and sons this next summer, and want to get information  
in regard to it . I want to know if wives are entitled  
to go. My husband is buried in France.

Thanking you kindly in advance,

I am yours truly ,

Mary Clifft Whitten.

*Evening Shade*

*Arkansas*

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& C*

*Luther J. Clifft  
C 86806  
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*John Clifft Hardy*



WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C  
Clifft, Luther T. 608 M

October 7, 1929.

Mrs. John Clifft,  
Ash Flat, Ark.

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.

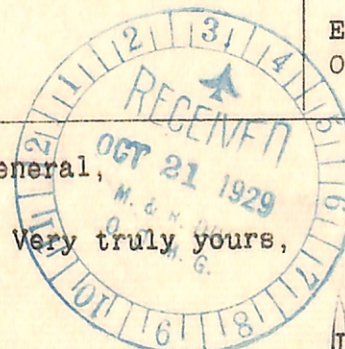
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In order that the report referred to may be made and plans completed for conducting the pilgrimages, it is requested that you answer the following questions by filling out the blanks left therefor and return the letter to this office by return mail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

1. Do you desire to make this pilgrimage if eligible?	(Yes) <i>no</i> (No) <i>no</i>
2. Do you desire to make the pilgrimage in the calendar year 1930?	(Yes) <i>yes</i> (No) <i>no</i>
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) <i>no</i> (No)
4. Please give your age and state of health.	Age <i>76</i> Health <i>in body</i> (Years) (Good) (Poor)
5. What language do you speak?	English - (Yes) (No) Other language <i>american</i> (Specify language spoken)

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,



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

Encl.  
Act  
Envelope

WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

Clifft, Luther T.  
608

Aug. 29, 1929.

Mr. John Clifft,  
Ash Flat, Ark.

Dear Sir:

The records of this office do not indicate that a reply has been received to our communication dated June 24, 1929 making inquiry concerning the name and address of the mother and widow of the deceased service man above named. These addresses are desired with a view to ascertaining the number of mothers and widows who desire to make a pilgrimage to the cemeteries of Europe in which the remains of their sons and husbands are interred.

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

Write answers in space below

1. Is the deceased survived by a widow who has not since remarried? If so, give her complete address:

*The widow  
is married*

2. If he is survived by a mother, stepmother, mother thru adoption, or any other woman who stood in loco parentis to him, according to the terms of Section 4 of the enclosed Act, give her name, address, and relationship in the space opposite.

*Mother is living  
not able to  
make the trip*

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

*a widow  
of a Clifft*



Very truly yours,

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

2 Incls.  
Act of Congress  
Envelope

WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C  
Cliff, Luther T.

June 24, 1929.

Mr. John Cliff,  
Ash Flat, Ark.

Dear Sir:

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

The records of this office show that you are the father of the late Private Luther T. Cliff, Co. E., 329th 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 or widow who is entitled under the provisions of the above quoted Act, to make the pilgrimage, and if so, will you please furnish the full names and addresses of the mother and widow in order that action may be taken to extend invitations to them to make the pilgrimage. Both mothers and widows are entitled to make the pilgrimage.

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

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

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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  
Clifft, Luther T. OA

September 6, 1932.

Mrs. John Clifft,  
Ash Flat,  
Arkansas.

Dear Madam:

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

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

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

Sign here

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

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

Encl:  
Env.

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

WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-M  
Clifft, Luther T. (OA)

July 11, 1932.

Mrs. Sarah A. Clifft,  
Ash Flat,  
Ark.

Dear Madam:

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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.

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

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

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

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

(Write answer here)

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

QM 293 A-M  
Clifft, Luther T. (OA)

January 12, 1932

Mrs. John Clifft,  
Ash Flat,  
Arkansas.

Dear Madam:

Reference is made to correspondence forwarded you from this office relative to a pilgrimage to the grave of your son, the late Private Luther T. Clifft. In reply to a questionnaire, you advised that you did not desire to visit your son's grave during the summer of 1932.

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

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

For The Quartermaster General.

Very truly yours,

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

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WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM-293-AM  
Cliff, Lather T. Pvt (OA) M-

July 13, 1931.

Mrs. John Cliff,  
Ash Flat,  
Arkansas.

Dear Madam:

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

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

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

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

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

DO YOU DESIRE TO MAKE A PILGRIMAGE DURING THE YEAR 1932? \_\_\_\_\_  
Write answer here

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

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WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

Clifft, Luther T. Pvt. (O-A) M

April 8, 1931.

Mrs. John Clifft,  
Ash Flat, Ark.

Dear Madam:

Your attention is invited to the enclosed copy of an Act of Congress of March 2, 1929, together with an amendment thereto, approved May 15, 1930.

The records of this office show that you are the <sup>mother</sup> of the deceased veteran named above and in order that plans may be completed for conducting the pilgrimages, it is requested you answer the following questions by filling out the blanks left therefor and return the letter to this office in the enclosed envelope which requires no postage.

1. Do you desire to make this pilgrimage?

2. Do you desire to make the pilgrimage in the calendar year 1931?

3. Please give your age and state your health.

Age  
Condition of Health

4. Do you speak English?

5. What other language do you speak?

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

Enclosures:  
Envelope  
Act  
Amendment

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APR 8 1931  
O.C. M. G. T. DIV.

Clifft, Lush, 293 A-1 Pvt 608 M

October 13, 1930

Mrs. John Clifft  
Ash Flat  
Arkansas

Dear Madam:

A reply has not been received to office letter of recent date relative to the pilgrimage to the cometeries of Europe, authorized by the Act of Congress of March 2, 1929, as amended May 15, 1930.

The records of this office show that you are the **mother** of the deceased veteran named above and in order that plans may be completed for conducting the pilgrimages in 1931, it is requested you answer the following questions by filling out the blanks left therefor and return the letter to this office in the enclosed envelope which requires no postage.

1. Do you desire to make this pilgrimage?	
2. Do you desire to make the pilgrimage in the calendar year 1931?	
3. Please give your age and state your health.	Age Condition of health
4. Do you speak English?	
5. What other language do you speak?	

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 A-C  
Clifft, Luther T. - 608 M

June 7, 1930.

Mrs. John Clifft,  
Ash Flat, Ark.

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)

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Cliff, Luther T. 608

January 16, 1930.

Mrs. Mary Cliff Whitten,  
Evening Shade,  
Arkansas.

Dear Madam:

*See Case file*

Acknowledging receipt of your letter of recent date which was transmitted to this office for reply by the U. S. Veterans' Bureau, relative to your inquiry concerning the pilgrimage to the cemeteries in Europe authorized by the Act of Congress of March 2, 1929, there is enclosed herewith for your information a copy of the Act in question.

In connection with your desire to make the pilgrimage, you will note that Section 4 (b) of the Act states: "The term 'widow' means a widow who has not remarried since the death of the member of the military or naval forces". Inasmuch as you have remarried since the death of your late husband, Private Luther T. Cliff, it is regretted to have to advise that you are ineligible, within the meaning of the law to make this pilgrimage to his grave in the Oise-Aisne American Cemetery in France.

I am sorry that your request cannot be granted, but the War Department has no alternative other than to carry out the law as passed by Congress.

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 A-C  
**Clift, Luther T. 608 H**

October 7, 1929.

**Mrs. John Clift,  
Ash Flat, Ark.**

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,

Encl.  
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Envelope

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

WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

Cliff, Luther T.  
608

Aug. 29, 1929.

Mr. John Cliff,  
Ash Flat, Ark.

Dear Sir:

The records of this office do not indicate that a reply has been received to our communication dated June 24, 1929 making inquiry concerning the name and address of the mother and widow of the deceased service man above named. These addresses are desired with a view to ascertaining the number of mothers and widows who desire to make a pilgrimage to the cemeteries of Europe in which the remains of their sons and husbands are interred.

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

Write answers in space below

1. Is the deceased survived by a widow who has not since remarried? If so, give her complete address:

2. If he is survived by a mother, stepmother, mother thru adoption, or any other woman who stood in loco parentis to him, according to the terms of Section 4 of the enclosed Act, give her name, address, and relationship in the space opposite.

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

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

2 Incls.  
Act of Congress  
Envelope

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

WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C  
**Cliff, Luther T.**

June 24, 1929.

**Mr. John Cliff,**  
**Ash Flat, Ark.**

Dear Sir:

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

The records of this office show that you are the father of the late **Private Luther T. Cliff, Co. E., 329th 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 or widow who is entitled under the provisions of the above quoted Act, to make the pilgrimage, and if so, will you please furnish the full names and addresses of the mother and widow in order that action may be taken to extend invitations to them to make the pilgrimage. Both mothers and widows are entitled to make the pilgrimage.

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

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

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

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Act of Congress.  
Envelope.

Clifft,

(Surname.)

Luther T.

(Christian name in full.)

2,565,171

(Army serial number.)

Pvt

Co E, 329th Inf

(Rank and organization.)

State your relationship to the deceased

Wife

Do you desire the remains brought to the United States?

(Yes or no.)

yes

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

(Yes or no.)

no

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

Mary Clifft

(Name of person to receive remains.)

Hardy

(Express office.)

Hardy

(Telegraph office.)

No. 1234

(Number and street.)

Hardy

(City or town.)

Ark.

(State.)

(Sign here)

Mary Clifft

(Number and street or rural route.)

(City, town, or post office.)

(State.)

Read carefully the letter accompanying this card.

Drawn by J. M. M.

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**REVIEWED  
OSP SS.**

J. M. M. 3-28-21.

QM 293 A-C

April 29, 1924

CLIFFT, Luther T., Pvt.

Mr. John Clifft,  
Ash Flat,  
Arkansas.

Dear Sir:

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

This American 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,

1-Incl.  
Record card.

R. P. HARBOLD  
Assistant.

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APR. 29, 1924

QM 293 A-C

April 29, 1924

CLIFFT, Luther T., Pvt.

Mrs. Mary Clift Whitten, (Remarried, Gdn. of child)  
Evening Shade,  
Arkansas.

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.

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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,

1-Incl.  
Record card.

O.Q.M.G. R. P. HARBOLD  
Central Mail & Telegraph Assistant.

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APR 29 1924

To be prepared in triplicate.

DATE November 18, 1921

REPORT OF DISINTERMENT, PREPARATION, SHIPMENT AND REBURIAL OF BODY

ml DISINTERMENT

COMPARATIVE REPORT

Records of G.R.S. Headquarters.

Discrepancy found upon exhumation of body

- 1. Name CLIFFT, Luther T
- 2. No. 2565171
- 3. Rank Pvt.
- 4. Org. Co E 329th Inf.
- 5. D.D. Oct 16th 1918
- 6. C.D. Pneumonia
- 10. Name \_\_\_\_\_
- 11. No. \_\_\_\_\_
- 12. Rank \_\_\_\_\_
- 13. Org. \_\_\_\_\_
- 14. (a) D.D. \_\_\_\_\_
- (b) D.B. \_\_\_\_\_

Discrepancy found upon disinterment

- 7. Grave No. 177 Sec. D
- 8. Plot Amer. Row \_\_\_\_\_
- 9. Re. G. K.
- 15. Grave No. \_\_\_\_\_ Sec. \_\_\_\_\_
- 16. Plot \_\_\_\_\_ Row \_\_\_\_\_
- 17. No discrepancies
- 18. Cemetery Amer. Plot. Grand City
- 19. Commune or town LE MANS
- 20. Dept. or County Sarthe
- 21. Country France
- 22. G.R.S. Hders. Code No. #419
- 23. Disinterred (Date) November 18, 1921 By J. A. Lee

24. Inscription on grave marker:

Name Clifft, Luther T. Serial No. None  
 Rank Pvt. Organization Co. E. 329th Inf.

25. Was identification disc found on grave marker? yes On body? yes partly corroded

Signature of Embalmer & Concealer

Thomas L. Collins  
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).  
None
- 27. Condition of body Decomposed. Unrecognizable
- 28. Nature of burial Wooden coffin and uniform
- 29. Any discrepancy noted upon examination of body, as compared with G.R.S. records quoted above? None
- 30. Body prepared and placed in casket: Date November 18, 1921 By J A Lee
- 31. Casket sealed by J A Lee

Signature of Embalmer, (Supervisor

J A Lee

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SHIPMENT. (Show actual marking of box.) Box No. C-17401

32. Designation of body:

Name Luther T, CLIFFT Serial No. 2565171

Rank Pvt. Organization Co E 329th Inf.

33. Consigned to:

Name of Permanent Cemetery Oise-Aisne, Amer. Cty #608, SERINGES-et-NESLES (Aisne)

34. Casket boxed and marked (Date) November 18, 1921 By J. A. Lee

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

Signature of G.R.S. Inspector R. F. O'Leary, 1st Lt. QMC

36. Remarks Disc on body reads "Luth... 256...71" remainder corroded.

37. Shipped from point of Operation: (Date) November 18, 1921

To point of Concentration Le Mans Morgue

Convoyer A. Dufault Signature Shipping Officer R. F. O'Leary, 1st Lt. QMC

38. Received at Railhead or Point of Concentration: Date November 18, 1921

By G.R.S. Representative Walter A. Brown, Capt. QMC

39. Shipped from Railhead or Point of Concentration: Date 12 DEC 1921

To Permanent Cemetery OISE-AISNE AMER. CEM. No 608, SERINGES & NESLES (AISNE)

Convoyer Signature Shipping Officer Walter F. Brown

40. Received: Date Captain, Q.M. Corps, U.S. Army

G.R.S. Representative

41. Reinterred, July 31, 1922, Oise-Aisne Cem. 608 Seringes-et-Nesles, (Aisne) (Date)

42. Grave No. 27, Blk. D Section

43. Plot Row 27

G.R.S. Representative C. J. Blake Capt. QMC

Place Le Mans (Sarthe)  
Date November 18, 1921

# REPORT OF DISINTERMENT AND REBURIAL

1. REMAINS OF Cliff, Luther T. SERIAL NUMBER 2565171  
RANK Pvt. ORGANIZATION Co. E. 329th Inf.

2. Disinterred (date): November 18, 1921 From (give complete location): Gr. 177, Sec. D. Grand Com. Amer. Plot # 419  
By: Group 2 Unit Sec. 6

3. Reburied (date): July 31, 1922 In (give complete location): Gr. 27, Row 27, Blk. D, Oise-Aisne Cem. 608, Seringes-et-Nesles, (Aisne)  
By: Group \_\_\_\_\_ Unit \_\_\_\_\_ Nature of reburial Blanket and metallic casket

4. Report as to nature of original burial and condition of body upon disinterment: Wooden coffin and uniform. Decomposed. Unrecognizable

5. (a) Identification tags: Buried with body? yes partly corroded On grave marker? yes  
(b) Other means of identification found upon disinterment, and general remarks: Tag on body reads Luth - - - 256--71 remainder corroded

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

(a) Height (actual measurement) Imp. to det.

(b) Weigh, (estimated) Imp. to det.

(c) Hair—Color apparently light brown

Quantity Medium

Characteristics straight

(d) Hair on face—Color None visible

Location None visible

Quantity None visible

(e) Permanent marks on body (old scars, peculiarities, or missing parts) None visible

(f) Wounds or missing parts (received at time of casualty) None visible

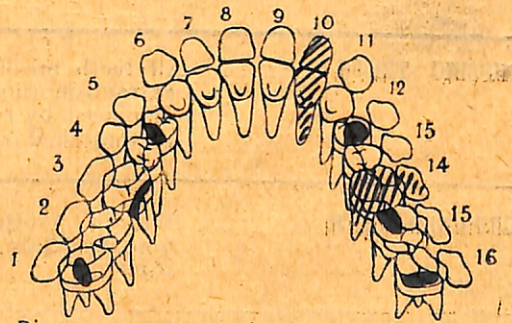
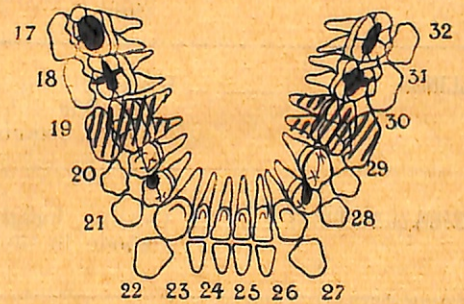


Diagram represents the mouth wide open



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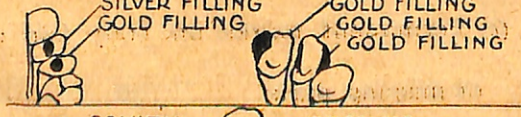

7. Disinterment supervised by [Signature] Approved; R. F. O'Leary, 1st Lt.  
(Title) QMC

8. Reburial supervised by L.D. Hays Approved [Signature]  
(Title) 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 Questions 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:	 <p style="text-align: center;">TOOTH MISSING      TOOTH MISSING</p>
<b>CROWNED TEETH</b>	Block in solid the crown of tooth (label gold, porcelain, or gold and porcelain), thus:	 <p style="text-align: center;">GOLD CROWN      PORCELAIN CROWN</p>
<b>BRIDGE WORK</b>	Block in solid the crown of tooth (label gold bridge, gold and porcelain bridge) thus:	 <p style="text-align: center;">GOLD AND PORCELAIN BRIDGE      GOLD BRIDGE</p>
<b>FILLINGS</b>	Draw filling on tooth accurately as possible (block in and label gold, silver, cement), thus:	 <p style="text-align: center;">SILVER FILLING      GOLD FILLING GOLD FILLING      GOLD FILLING</p>
<b>CARIES (CAVITIES)</b>	Outline location and size of cavity, shade in thus:	 <p style="text-align: center;">CAVITY DECAYED      DECAYED DECAYED</p>
<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"	

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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COMPILATION N/R REQUESTS

I. DATA COMPILATION

*4/24/22 Examined  
for Concentration  
Camp - Aisne 608  
att 5/19/22*

A. Location Index Card:-

(1) Name CLIFFT, Luther T. Ser. No. 2565171 TYP. MCH  
(2) Rank Pvt. Organization Co. E, 329th Inf. CKR. *of Jn*  
(3) Date of death 10/16/18

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

(4) Cause of death Pneumonia TYP. FR  
(5) Grave No. 177 Row --- Plot Amer. Sect. D. CKR. *esth*

II. FILES EXAMINATION

A. Files of soldiers dying from contagious diseases; No Card

B. A. G. O. DISPOSITION CARD

Date of receipt none

(6) Relationship Wife  
(7) Name Mrs Mary Clift.  
(8) Address Zion Ark. Mo  
(9) Desires remains brought to U. S.? yes  
(10) Desires remains brought to U. S. and interred in National Cemetery at no  
(11) If brought back, what shipping instructions? Mrs Clift, Zion Ark; Hardy Ark. (by rail) m.w 4-15-20

C. A. G. O. CORRESPONDENCE

Date of communication

(12) Does correspondence change or qualify request as made on A.G.O. card? If so, specify such information.

*No correspondence.*

(13) A. G. O. Files EXAMINED by T.L.

(Date) 4-15-20

D. (14) G. R. S. Files - Correspondence. (Has reference been made to File No. Cancellation memos. Yes GP Does such correspondence, if containing request for disposition, reconcile with that of A. G. O.? (Specify "Yes or "No".) If "No", give date of communication, the name, address, and relationship and substance of request.

*no request for disposition  
G.R. 4-15-20*

(15) G. R. S. Files EXAMINED by

(Date)

*Rechecked  
9 AM 3-28-21*

III. FINAL ACTION

A. MEMORANDUM to D. M. O. in E. made (Date) \_\_\_\_\_

(16) Removal of Remains (within custody of G.R.S.) to \_\_\_\_\_

(17) Instructions that remains be left undisturbed \_\_\_\_\_

(18) Typed by \_\_\_\_\_ Checked by \_\_\_\_\_ (Date) \_\_\_\_\_

L. G. R. S. FORM NO. 114 made (Date) 4/16/20

(19) Typed by EM Checked by *H. J. M.* (Date) 4/16/20

C. SUSPENSION REMARKS:

Fr. 6-P-20

Telegram 5/30/20 John Clift, Father nearest of kin, Ash Flat, Ark. requests body remain in Europe. sec. 6/1/20

Telegram 6/6/20 Prot. Luther T. Clift is survived by one child Ola May Clift and Mary Whitten is child's guardian.

D. Dispatched (Date) \_\_\_\_\_ (Let. Trans. No. \_\_\_\_\_) sec. 6/8/20

Telegram 5/2/20 Mrs. Mary Whitten, guardian for child requests body remain in France. sec. 6/8/20

Approved by \_\_\_\_\_

(Date) \_\_\_\_\_

6/9/20 Europe cabled hold body *Sp AB*, Cable #473, Par. #2, 6/10/20, "Do not return", 4/25/24 att.

G. R. S. Form #120  
Shipping Inquiry.

WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL OF THE ARMY  
GRAVES REGISTRATION SERVICE  
WASHINGTON  
APR 20 1920  
tvh

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

Push Answer

TO: Mrs. Mary Clifft, Zion, Ark.

2565 171

SUBJECT: Disposition of remains of Pvt. Luther T. Clifft

Co. E. 329 Inf.

Records of this office show your request to be as follows:

Remains <sup>not</sup> to be returned to U.S. ~~INXXXXX~~

Telegram 6/30/20  
Father request body  
remains in Europe

Shipped to (Mary Clifft, Hardy, Ark.)

Remain in Europe

Telegram 6/6/20  
Former widow  
guardian of child

~~If any modifications of the foregoing are desired please write same fully on the other side of this sheet.~~

The nearest living relative may choose between, (1) return of remains to homes for burial; (2) interment in Arlington, Va., National Cemetery; or (3) remain in France.

Telegram 5/2/20  
requested body  
left in France

You are requested to fill out the following without delay and return in enclosed penalty envelope, which does not require postage.

6/9/20  
Europe  
asked  
copy  
of  
SP

noted on Form 15  
etc. 6/1/20

By authority of the Quartermaster General:

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

NAME OF	NO. & STREET	TOWN	STATE
Widow	Mrs Mary Clifft, guardian of ch, see telegram		
Children (Name oldest first)			
Father	We have decided not to have the remains returned to the United States		
Mother			
Brothers			
Sisters			

Date April 30, 1920

Signature Mary Whittier (formerly)

Address Evening Shade, Ark

Relationship Widow

The character of the work is entirely of a private nature, and the Government will be unable to furnish any information in relation to it.

Received of the Secretary of the Interior  
\$100.00  
May 10, 1906

On account of the  
\$100.00  
May 10, 1906

ST-1-1-10			
Electric			
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Other			
ST-1-1-10			

RECEIVED  
MAY 10 1906  
DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR  
WASHINGTON

Colorado

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CLASS OF SERVICE	SYMBOL
Day Message	
Day Letter	Blue
Night Message	Nite
Night Letter	N L

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# WESTERN UNION TELEGRAM

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Night Letter	N L

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GEORGE W. E. ATKINS, FIRST VICE-PRESIDENT

RECEIVED AT COMMERCIAL NAT'L BANK BLDG., 14th & G STS., N. W. WASHINGTON, D. C. ALWAYS OPEN

20 MAY 30 PM 12 33

A63C 20 COLLECT GOVT

ASHFIAT ARK 1015A 30

ROGERS

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QUARTERMASTER GENERAL WASHINGTON DC

IT IS MY WISH THAT LUTHER T CLIFT PRIVATE REMAIN IN EUROPE

JOHN CLIFT.

*noted on Form 115  
S.C. 6/1/20*

Noted on Form No. 115  
Date *6/10/20* *JP*

TELEPHONE SECTION  
ADMINISTRATIVE DIVISION

ADMINISTRATIVE DIVISION



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CHARGE TO  
GOVERNMENT RATE

# WAR DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM

## OFFICIAL BUSINESS

WASHINGTON

May 25, 1920.

John Clifft,  
.....  
Ash Flat, Ark.  
.....  
.....

father Private Luther T. Clifft

Necessary that you as.....of late.....

.....state whether you desire body returned to United States and  
buried National Cemetery, shipped to you or remain in Europe. In this case  
no other than.....wish is desired. Telegram signed by you  
necessary. Wire immediately, Government expense.

ROGERS  
Quartermaster General

OFFICIAL:

# NIGHT

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

BY:  
C. D. ANNIS,  
1st Lieut. Q.M. Corps,  
Chief, Overseas Project Sub-Section.

OSP:SS  
Compl. Dept.  
FILE NO: 293.3-Reg.Sec.Cem.Div.( Clifft, Luther T. )

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

C-86806

NAME OF DECEASED SOLDIER

CEMETERY NO.

DATE

Pvt. Luther J Clifft

419-108

5/7/20

SERIAL NUMBER

ORGANIZATION

2565171

Co E. 329 Inf

WAR RISK INSURANCE INFORMATION

DATE May 11, 1920

NAME OF BENEFICIARY

RELATIONSHIP

Mr. John Clifft

Father

Address:

Ash Flat, Ark.

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Telegram	
Day Letter	Blue
Night Message	Nite
Night Letter	N L

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# WESTERN UNION TELEGRAM

NEWCOMB CARLTON, PRESIDENT

GEORGE W. E. ATKINS, FIRST VICE-PRESIDENT

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RECEIVED AT

WAR DEPARTMENT

49W Vi 30 Collect 7 <sup>-</sup>x

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EveningShade Ark May 2, 1920

Graves Registration Service  
O Q M G Washington DC

We have concluded not to have body of Private Luther T Clift  
returned to UnitedStates we desires remains be left in France

Mrs Mary Whitton Formerly Mary Clift  
Widow of Deceased Soldier

12:44 P.M.

419-108

Suspended to  
5-10-20



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ADMINISTRATIVE



MAY 10 1964



MAY 13 1964

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Night Message	Nite
Night Letter	N L

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GEORGE W. E. ATKINS, FIRST VICE-PRESIDENT

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Telegram	
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RECEIVED AT **WAR DEPARTMENT**

39 W WM 29 Collect GR.

Evening Shade, Ark., June 6, 1920.

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Rogers,  
Qm General,  
Washington, D.C.

Late Private Luther T Clift survived by one child Ola May Clift of Evening-Shade Ark., mother May Whitten Evening-Shade Ark.

Guardian Mary Whitten.

1:37 P.M.

Noted on Form No. 115  
Date -----

Noted on Form No. 115  
Date 6/8/20  
ecc.

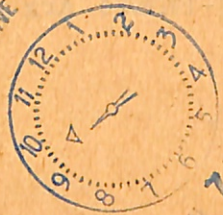


TELEGRAPH SECTION  
ADMINISTRATIVE DIVISION



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TELEGRAPH SECTION  
ADMINISTRATIVE DIVISION



JUN 7 1911

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GOVERNMENT RATE

WAR DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM

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OFFICIAL BUSINESS

WASHINGTON

May 25, 1920.

John Clifft,

Ash Flat, Ark.

Necessary that you as father of late Private Luther T. Clifft

state whether you desire body returned to United States and  
buried National Cemetery, shipped to you or remain in Europe. In this case  
no other than your wish is desired. Telegram signed by you  
necessary. Wire immediately, Government expense. A-806-G

ROGERS  
Quartermaster General

**NIGHT**

OFFICIAL:

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

BY: *CDA*

C. D. ANNIS,  
1st Lieut. Q.M. Corps,  
Chief, Overseas Project Sub-Section.  
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WAR DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM

OFFICIAL BUSINESS

WASHINGTON

May 25, 1920.

John Gillett

San Francisco, Calif.

Necessarily that you as father of late Private Arthur T. Gillett

state whether you desire body returned to United States and

buried National Cemetery, shipped to you or remain in Europe. In this case

no other than your wish is desired. Telegram signed by you

necessarily. Wire immediately. Government expense. A-308-4

ROGERS  
Quartermaster General

RIGHT

OFFICIAL:

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

BY: *[Signature]*  
C. D. ANNIS,  
1st Lieut. 9th M. Corps,  
Chief, Overseas Project Sub-Section.

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MAY 25 P.M.

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## OFFICIAL BUSINESS

WASHINGTON

May 25, 1920.

John Clifft,  
.....

Ash Flat, Ark.  
.....

Necessary that you as father of late Private Luther T. Clifft

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ROGERS  
Quartermaster General

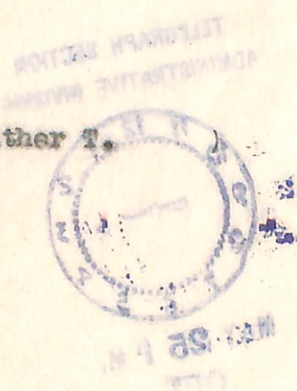
# NIGHT

OFFICIAL:

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

BY:  
C. D. ANNIS,  
1st Lieut. Q.M. Corps,  
Chief, Overseas Project Sub-Section.

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CHARGE TO GOVERNMENT RATE

OFFICIAL BUSINESS

WASHINGTON

MAY 25, 1920.

John Gifford

Asst. Chief, Army

Private Luther F. Gifford

father

Necessary that you as

state whether you desire body returned to United States and

buried National Cemetery, shipped to you or remain in Europe. In this case

no other than your wish is desired. Telegram signed by you

necessary. Wire immediately, Government expense. A-808-0

ROGERS  
Quartermaster General

NIGHT

OFFICIAL:

CHARLES C. PIERCE,  
Colonel, U.S. Army,  
Chief, Cemetery Division.

BY:  
C. D. ANNIS,  
1st Lieut. U.S. Corps,  
Chief, Overseas Project Sub-Section.

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REVISOR DIVISION ADMINISTRATIVA



MAY 25 P.M.

June 4, 1920.

Mrs. Mary Whitten,  
Evening Shade, Arkansas.

If late Private Luther T. Clifft is survived by children wire names and addresses of children and Guardian. If he is not survived by children advise this office of that fact. Wire immediate reply at Government expense. A-249-G

ROGERS,  
Quartermaster General.

NIGHT.

OFFICIAL:

CHARLES C. PIERCE  
Colonel, U.S. Army,  
Chief, Cometary Division.

BY:   
C.D. ANNIS,   
1st Lieut., Q.M.G.   
Chief, O.S.P., S.S. 

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June 4, 1920.

Mrs. Mary Whitten,  
Evening Shade, Arkansas.

If late Private Luther T. Clifft is survived by children wire names and addresses of children and Guardian. If he is not survived by children advise this office of that fact. Wire immediate reply at Government expense. A-249-G

ROGERS,  
Quartermaster General.

**NIGHT**

OFFICIAL:

CHARLES C. PIERCE,  
Colonel, U.S. Army,  
Chief, Cometerial Division

BY:

C.D. ANNIS,  
1st Lieut., Q.M.C.  
Chief, O.S.P., S.S.

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LETERWAL 293-3W



June 4, 1920.

Mrs. Mary Whitten,  
Evening Shade, Arkansas.

If late Private Luther P. Clift is survived by children wire names and addresses of children and Guardian. If he is not survived by children advise this office of that fact. Wire immediate reply at Government expense. A-249-G

ROGERS,  
Quartermaster General.

**NIGHT**

OFFICIAL:

CHARLES C. PINCKNEY,  
Colonel, U.S. Army,  
Chief, Cometary Division.

BY:  
C.D. ANNIS,  
1st Lieut., R.M.C.  
Chief, O.S.P., B.S.

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ComplDept.  
FILE NO: 293.3 Reg.Sec.Com.Div.(CLIFFT, Luther P.)

*Handwritten:*  
H. L. L.

June 4, 1920.

Mrs. Mary Whitten,  
Evening Shade, Arkansas.

If late Private Luther T. Clift is survived by children wire names and addresses of children and Guardian. If he is not survived by children advise this office of that fact. Wire immediate reply at Government expense. A-249-0

ROGERS,  
Quartermaster General.

**NIGHT**

OFFICIAL:

CHARLES C. PIERCE,  
Colonel, U.S. Army,  
Chief, Compterial Division.

BY:  
C.D. ANNIS,  
1st Lieut., Q.M.G.,  
Chief, O.S.P., S.S.

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FILE NO: 295.5 Reg.Sec.Com.Div.(CLIFFT, Luther T.)

REPORT OF DISINTERMENT, PREPARATION AND SHIPMENT OF BODY

DISINTERMENT

COMPARATIVE REPORT

Records Office Chief G.R.S.

Discrepancy found upon examination of body

1. Name Clifft, Luther T.

10. Name \_\_\_\_\_

2. No. 2565171

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

3. Rank Pvt.

12. Rank \_\_\_\_\_

4. Org. Co. E. 329th Inf.

13. Org. \_\_\_\_\_

5. D.D. 10/16/18

14. (a) D.D. \_\_\_\_\_

6. C.D. Pneumonia

15. (b) D.B. \_\_\_\_\_

Discrepancy found upon disinterment

7. Grave No. 177 Sect. D

15. Grave No. \_\_\_\_\_

Sect. \_\_\_\_\_

8. Plot Amer. Row \_\_\_\_\_

16. Plot \_\_\_\_\_

Row \_\_\_\_\_

9. \_\_\_\_\_

17. \_\_\_\_\_

18. Cemetery American

19. (Commune or Town) LeMans

20. (Dept. or County) Sarthe

21. (Country) France

22. G.R.S. Hdqrs. Code No. 419

23. Disinterred (Date) \_\_\_\_\_

By \_\_\_\_\_

24. Inscription (Name) \_\_\_\_\_

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

on (

Grave Marker (RANK) \_\_\_\_\_

ORGANIZATION \_\_\_\_\_

25. Was Identification Disc found on Grave Marker? \_\_\_\_\_ On Body? \_\_\_\_\_

Signature of Junior Technical Assistant.

(The following space is reserved for notations to be made by office Chief Graves Registration Service).

PREPARATION

26. What other means of identification were on body? (If no Disc or other means of identification on body, give description of body in detail) \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
27. Condition of body \_\_\_\_\_  
28. Nature of burial \_\_\_\_\_  
29. Any discrepancy noted upon examination of body, as compared with G.R.S. records quoted above.  
30. Body prepared and placed in casket (Date) \_\_\_\_\_ By \_\_\_\_\_  
31. Casket sealed by \_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Embalmer (Supervisor) \_\_\_\_\_

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

32. DESIGNATION (Name Clifft, Luther T. Serial No. 2565171  
OF (  
BODY (Rank Pvt. Organization Co. E. 329th Inf.)  
33. CONSIGNEE - Name Mrs. Mary Clifft (Ex. & Tel. Hardy, Ark.)  
Address Zion, Ark.  
34. Casket boxed and marked (Date) \_\_\_\_\_ By \_\_\_\_\_  
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 \_\_\_\_\_

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

37. Shipped from Cemetery (Date) \_\_\_\_\_ To \_\_\_\_\_  
(Point of Concentration)  
Convoyer \_\_\_\_\_ Sign. Shpg. Officer \_\_\_\_\_  
38. Received at Point of Concentration (Date) \_\_\_\_\_  
Sign. Receiving Officer \_\_\_\_\_  
39. Shipped from Point of Concentration (Date) \_\_\_\_\_  
To (Port) \_\_\_\_\_ Convoyer \_\_\_\_\_  
Sign. Shipping Officer \_\_\_\_\_  
40. Received European Port (Date) \_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of G.R.S. Representative \_\_\_\_\_

41. Shipped to (U.S. Port) \_\_\_\_\_ On (Boat) \_\_\_\_\_  
(Sign. Shpg. Officer) \_\_\_\_\_  
Date \_\_\_\_\_ Convoyer \_\_\_\_\_  
42. Received (Date) \_\_\_\_\_ By G.R.S. Rep. \_\_\_\_\_  
(Signature)  
43. Shipped to Destination (Date) \_\_\_\_\_ ) B/L or Express Order No. \_\_\_\_\_  
) \_\_\_\_\_  
Convoyer \_\_\_\_\_ ) Shpg. Officer \_\_\_\_\_

GRAVE LOCATION BLANK

LOCATION OF THE GRAVE OF

Cliff 2565171 Luther, J.  
(Surname.) (Number.) (First Name and Initials.)

Private Co. E, 329th Infantry.  
(Rank.) (Organization.)

DATE OF BURIAL... October 18, 1918.

PLACE OF BURIAL... Grande Cimetiere, LeMans.  
Sarthe.  
(Give Cemetery, Town and Department.) Map reference must specify clearly what map is used.

Plot 20

Section D

GRAVE NUMBER... #177

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

IDENTIFICATION TAGS:

Was one buried with body? Yes

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

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

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21 OCT 1918

REPORTED BY: Robert McClure, Chaplain, 329th G. Bn.

McClure

(Signature and Rank of Reporting Officer.)

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

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CLIFFT, LUTHER <sup>J.</sup> #2565171

Pvt. Co E. 329th Inf

DD: 10/16/18

SecD Gr #177

Amer Cem at Le Mans

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CLIFFT., Luther. J.

PVT.

2565171

Co.E. 329th Inf.

D.D. 10/16/18

D.B. 10/18/18

Grave #177 Sect.D.

American Cemetery Le Mans (Sarthe

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