

*Coate, Frank D.  
Sgt.*

WESTERN MILITARY BUREAU  
ROUTE AND SCHEDULE

EUROPEAN PILGRIMAGE SAILING FROM NEW YORK CITY August 19, 1930

Lyon County, State of Kansas

Name Coate, Mrs Emily C (R-3)

Address 1236 Rural St. Emporia, Kansas

Route going: AT&SF Chicago, MC Buffalo, NYC New York

Return: Same Route

		ROAD	TRAIN	TIME	DATE	
Itinerary going	Lv	Emporia	AT&SF	2	4:45 PM	August 15
	Ar	Chicago	"	"	8:30 AM	16
	Lv	"	MC	10	10:30 AM	" "
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Accommodations: Standard sleeper Emporia, Kans to Chicago, Ill and Chicago, Ill to New York, N Y

Elapsed Time: 46 Hrs: 5 Min. *2*

Extra Fare:

*cc* *Alt.*

Party "R" - Itinerary - Meuse-Argonne Group

Sailed August 19th, 1930 on GEORGE WASHINGTON. Capt. Arnold J. Funk in Charge. Arrived Cherbourg August 27th. Special tender arrived 11:57 am, bearing Maj. Bailey and Kinderman; Capts. Cohn, Halsey, Earnest, Lambert and Stark; Lts. Yarborough, Freeman and Binns; five nurses and three civilian employees. Train left 1:37 pm; arrived Gare des Invalides, Paris, 8:00 pm. Met by Col. Ellis and members of his staff, interpreters and nurses. Taken in bus to hotel.

- August 28th: Morning devoted to transaction of personal business. Exchange of money, preparation of laundry, etc. Afternoon - Arc de Triomphe, wreaths laid by Mrs. Seymour and Mrs. Cassels. Tea and reception at Restaurant Laurent. Dinner at hotel.
- August 29th: Morning free. Lunch at hotels. Sightseeing trip Paris - Sacre Coeur. Dinner at hotels.
- August 30th: Visited Notre Dame in morning. Lunch at hotels. Sightseeing trip Paris - Napoleon's Tomb. Dinner at hotels.
- August 31st: Left 7:15 am for Montmirail via Porte de Pantin, Meaux, La Ferté-sous-Jouarre (rest stop Hotel du Vert). Left 11:00 am for Chalons s/ Marne. Lunch Hotel Haute Mers. Left 3:00 am for Ste. Menchould (rest stop Moderne Hotel). Left Ste. Menchould 4:45 for Verdun. Quarters Hotel Nouvel and Hotel Vauban.
- September 1st, 2nd & 3rd: Daily trips made from Verdun to Meuse-Argonne Cemetery.
- September 4th: Left 9:15 am for Suippes. Lunch cemetery. Left 2:00 pm via Charpentry, Argonne Forest, Four de Paris, Vienns-le-Chateau (rest stop Hotel Champagne). Left 4:50 for Reims. Quarters Hotel Crystal.
- September 5th: Morning free. Lunch Hotel Crystal. Left 1:30 pm for Chateau Thierry via Champfleury, Ay, Spornay, Dormans. (Rest stop Hostellerie du Bonhomme. Left 4:00 pm for Paris via Le Thiolet, Montreuil-aux-Lions, La Ferté s/s Jouarre. Dinner at hotel.
- September 6th: Morning free. Lunch at hotels. Afternoon sightseeing trip Paris - Louvre. Dinner at hotels.
- September 7th: Free or Church. Lunch at hotels. Afternoon free. Dinner at hotels. Night sightseeing trip.
- September 8th: Left for Fontainebleau via Barbizon. Lunch at hotel Logis. Visited Chateau. Left 4:00 pm for Paris via Melun. Dinner at hotel.
- September 9th: Morning Versailles. Lunch at hotels in Paris. Afternoon free. Dinner at hotel.
- September 10th: Boat train for Cherbourg left 9:44 am, arrived 3:55 pm. AMERICA sailed 5:40 pm. Arrived New York September 19th.

Mrs Emily C Coate

COATE FRANK D

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

COATE, FRANK D.

M.A.

Party ... "R" .....

Number .. 5251 .....

REQUEST FOR PULLMAN RESERVATION

Coate, Mrs. Emily C.

Name of Traveler

Actual cost of through Pullman.

Emporia, Lyon County

Home Address

New York, to Emporia, Kansas.

Kansas

\$ 15.38

New York, to Emporia, Kansas.

Destination

Via NYC & MC to Chicago - AT & SF to dest.

Ticket Expires:  
 Oct. 14, 1930.

Sept. 20, 1930.

Date of Departure

	Road	Tr. No.	Date	Time	Lower or Seat	Car	U. S. G. Order No.	Actual Cost
LV	Gr-Central							
	NYC	23	9/20	610P.	Lo. 7	73		9.00
AR	Chicago		9/21	905P.				
LV	"	21	"	1105P.	Lo 8	215	67-1024239	6.38
AR	Emporia			445P.				
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TOTAL .....

Remarks:

Escorted to train by Lt. Geo. E. Young.

MRS EMILY C COATE

Arrived August 17, 1930, 3:40 pm, N.Y. Central R.R. Met by Lt. Geo. E. Young, and escorted to Hotel A.W.A. Room alone. - two days.

One piece baggage.

Cabin 62- Bed. Quarters on GEO. WASHINGTON with Mrs. Carrie L. Hudson and Mrs. Allison Boner.

On return from pilgrimage quartered at Hotel McAlpin with Mrs. Augustine Ducret.

Name..... COATE, Emily C.

Paris Hôtel..... HOTEL AMBASSADOR

Home address..... BOULEVARD HAUSSMANN  
1236 Rural St., Emporia, Lyon County, Kansas

Party..... R Group..... I..... Unit ~~SS~~ WASHINGTON

Date of arrival..... AUG. 27. 1930..... Date of departure Sept. 10, 1930 - S/S AMERICA

Relationship..... Mother

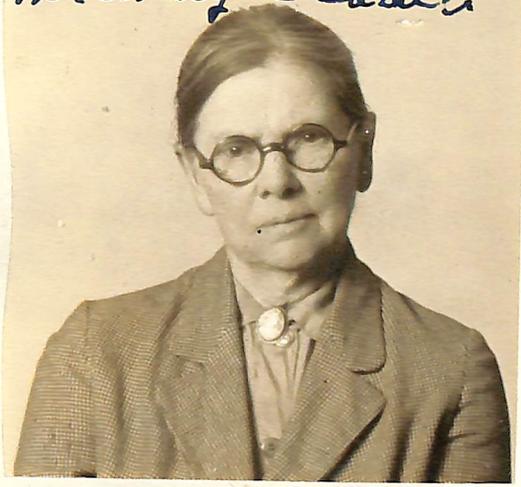
Name of deceased..... COATE, Frank D.

Rank..... SGT..... Organization Co. D, 139th Inf.

Cemetery..... MEUSE ARGONNE

REMARKS

*Mrs Emily C. Carter*



NAME COATE, MRS. EMILY J. 3251

S.S. AMERICA SEP 19 1930

HOME EMPORIA, LYON COUNTY, KANSAS

R.R. N.Y.C. - M.C. to Chicago

STATION AT+SF to dest

TRAIN #

CAR #

BERTH OR SEAT

TIME

DATE Oct 14 - 30

was charged  
\$1.80 extra  
by Pullman  
Conductor  
Receipt kept.

August 1st, 1930

Mrs. Emily C. Coate  
1236 Rural Street  
Emporia, Kansas

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.

WAR DEPARTMENT  
PILGRIMAGE, WAR MOTHERS & WIDOWS  
225 WEST 34TH ST., N.Y., N. Y., ROOM 1211

VIA POSTAL TELEGRAPH

F. D. GARLOCK,  
Major, Inf. (DOL)

September 19, 1930.

Mr. Tom A. Coate,  
1236 Rural St.,  
Emporia, Kans.

YOUR MOTHER ARRIVES EMPORIA VIA ST.FE. TRAIN NUMBER TWENTY ONE AT  
FOUR FORTY FIVE P M MONDAY PLEASE MEET HER

MAJOR COTTRELL

Mrs. Emily C. Coate - Party "R" - Hotel McAlpin.

1. NAME Coate, Frank D DATE 10/15/21.  
 RANK Sgt. ORGANIZATION Co. D 139th Inf. SERIAL No. 1456389  
 GRAVE LOCATION Argonne Amer. Cem. Romagne-sous-Montfaucon - Meuse 1232 - Sec. 88  
 CTY. NAME NUMBER  
179 - Sec. 88 4

2. ORIGINAL BATTLE AREA GRAVE LOCATION Varennes-en-Argonne  
(Montbainville), Meuse  
 Difference in reports due to location being on boundary line between the two Communes.  
 COORDINATES Verdun 35 SE GRAVE 4 COMMUNE 303.0 DEPT. Meuse  
275.5 N 302.79 E

CONCENTRATED TO 6/19/19 DATE 179 GRAVE Sec 88 ROW 4 PLOT  
Meuse Argonne Cemetery CEMETERY 1232 CTY. NUMBER

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

Tag on cross, Tag on body reads, " Coate, ---89, "

DATE OF DEATH Sept. 27, 1918.

STATE FROM WHICH HE CAME Kans

MEDALS OR DECORATIONS AWARDED None.

data F-1.

SUBSEQUENT REBURIALS

DATE	GRAVE	ROW	PLOT	CEMETERY

SIGNATURE, AREA SUPERVISOR M. B. Birdseye **M. B. BIRDSEYE**  
1st Lt., Q.M. Corps, U.S. Army

3. FINAL GRAVE LOCATION 10/15/21. DATE 16 GRAVE 30 ROW F.  
 Block ~~not~~ Robert O. Davis, Major General, The Adjutant General, (Meuse)

Meuse-Argonne Amer. Cty. #1232 Romagne-sous-Montfaucon, (Meuse)  
 A. G. O. AUG 11 1926 Rec'd World War Div. 2 APR 4 1928  
 WORLD WAR DIV. AUG 14 1926

AUDITED BY  
 M.J.S. 4-28-23  
 US 4-13-28  
 el

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

COATE 1456389 Frank  
(Surname.) (Number.) (First Name and Initials.)

Sgt Co. D - 139 Inf  
(Rank.) (Organization.)

DATE OF BURIAL October 2d - 1918

PLACE OF BURIAL Banly

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

S - S - W. of town  
Co. ord. Map "Forêt d'Argonne"  
302.740 - 275.700

GRAVE NUMBER 29

Co. D., I  
35th

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

Co. D. - Sgt 1456389-  
TRIRITY (Texas)

IDENTIFICATION TAGS:

September  
was locked  
and I was  
front of t  
a piece of  
Lieutenant  
geant was

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:

the drive the 27th  
un fire, the Sergeant  
Co. D, 139th Infantry  
loaded directaly in  
little German Billet  
le of the head. The  
same time. The Ser-

139th Infan  
it.

This body lies buried 50  
yards N - W of # 30. Dovel  
Fassel

ur D. Moss, Co D,  
was unable to locate

REPORTED BY: Lt. C. VanBoethem  
K. of C. Chaplain  
112 Inf  
(Signature and Rank of Reporting Officer.)

George - Pvt Icl. 1456387  
Infantry

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

- Sgt  
try . -

Emergency a  
Mrs Emily C  
(MOTHER) TRIRITY, Texas.

H.P.

Co. D., 139th Infantry  
35th Div.

COATE, Frank D. - Sgt I456389-  
Home : TRIRITY (Texas)

While advancing the second morning of the drive the 27th September 1918, through Artillery and Machine gun fire, the Sergeant was locked arms, with Lieutenant L. L. O'KEEY, Co. D, 139th Infantry and I was directly behind them when a shell exploded directly in front of them, while, they were going around a little German Billet a piece of the shell hit the Sergeant in the side of the head. The Lieutenant was shell shocked and wounded at the same time. The Sergeant was killed instantly and never spoke.

The grave was searched for by Sgt Wilbur D. Moss, Co D, 139th Infantry but as it had not been registered was unable to locate it.

Informant : McCLELLAND, George - Pvt Icl. I456387  
Co D, 139th Infantry  
Home : CANEY, Kans.-  
Searcher : MOST, W.D. - Sgt  
139th Infantry . -

Emergency adress :  
Mrs Emily C. COATE  
(MOTHER) TRIRITY, Texas.

H.P.

CODE SLIP

HEADING	SUB-HEADING	NO. OF COLS	CODE	
NAME	Coate	COA	3	3 5-1
	Frank D			
BURIED	CEMETERY	1232	1	1
	GRAVE	16	2	16
	ROW	30	2	30
	BLOCK	7	1	6
STATE	Kans		2	18
RANK	Sgt		1	2
DIVISION	35		2	35
ORGANIZATION	139		3	139
ARM	Inf		1	1
MARTIAL	no		1	2
NAME	Coate	COA	3	3 5-1
	Mrs. Emily			
RESIDENCE	STATE	Kans	2	18
	COUNTY	Lyon	2	56
	CITY	Emporia	3	018
RELATION	Mother		1	1
OTHER			1	
ELIGIBILITY	yes		1	1
NATIVITY			1	
RACE			1	
ENGLISH	yes		1	1
ATTENDANT			1	
HEALTH	Good		1	1
NO. OF SONS			1	
DATE OF TRIP	MO.		1	
	YR.	1930	1	
ACCEPTANCE	yes		1	
	Age		1	

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NAME Coe, Mrs. Emporia

ADDRESS 1236 Rural St. Emporia, Kansas



DATE

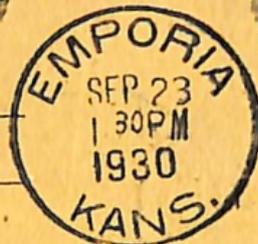
TO: Officer-In-Charge,  
PILGRIMAGE, WAR MOTHERS AND WIDOWS

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

Sincerely,

(Signed) *Mrs. Emily C. Coate*

WAR DEPARTMENT



Penalty for private use to avoid  
payment of postage, \$300.

OFFICIAL BUSINESS

**PILGRIMAGE, WAR MOTHERS AND WIDOWS**

**225 WEST 34TH STREET,**

**NEW YORK, N. Y.**

STATE

COATE, FRANK D.

KANSAS

1236 Rural St.,

Emporia

Lyon County

M

NAME COATE, MRS. EMILY C. HOME ADDRESS

NAME AND ADDRESS OF NEAREST KIN *Ja Coate same*

ARRIVAL IN NEW YORK

DATE *Aug 17* HOTEL *Alva* ROOM NO. *2207*

DEPARTURE NEW YORK

DATE AUGUST 19, 1930 VESSEL WASHINGTON CABIN NO. *6 Bed*

DESTINATION CHERBOURG, FRANCE CEMETERY M A

RETURN NEW YORK

DATE SEP 18 1930

1236 Rural St. Emporia  
Lyon County, Kansas

M  
NAME Coata, Mrs. Emily C. HOME ADDRESS .....

RETURN ON S. S. .... HOTEL MCALPIN ROOM NO. 964

S/S AMERICA

DEPARTURE NEW YORK

DATE 9/20

ROAD ny 6 TRAIN 23 CAR 73 BERTH or SEAT L7

REMARKS .....

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1232

RETURN RECEIPT

Washington 8-19-30

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

See Emily C. Coakley

(Signature or name of addressee)

(Signature of addressee's agent)

Date of delivery \_\_\_\_\_, 19\_\_\_\_

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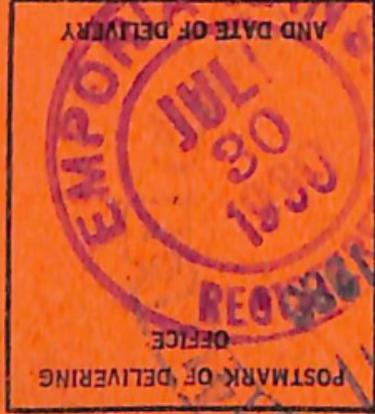
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AND DATE OF DELIVERY



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RETURN RECEIPT

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

Mrs. Emily C. Coates

(Signature or name of addressee)

(Signature of addressee's agent)

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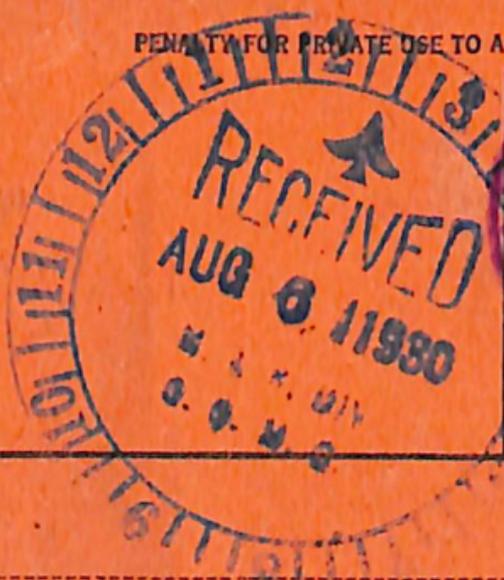
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WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

May 14, 1930.

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

Coate, Frank D. -1232 M  
Washington 8-19

Mrs. Emily C. Coate,  
1236 Rural Street,  
Emporia, Kansas.

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.

T A COATE

Name

1236 RURAL STREET

Address

EMPORIA, KANSAS

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.

Encl.  
Env.

*noted*

Washington

~~8/19/50~~

1232

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Coate, Frank D

I Accept  
(Accept or decline)

the invitation extended

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. Emily C. Coate

(Name)

1236 Rural St., Emporia, Lyon Co., Kansas

(Town or City)

(State)



WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C  
Coate, Frank D. 1232 M.

October 7, 1929.

Mrs. Emily C. Coate,  
1236 Rural St.,  
Emporia, Kans.

*Saved*  
AUG 19 1930

Dear Madam:

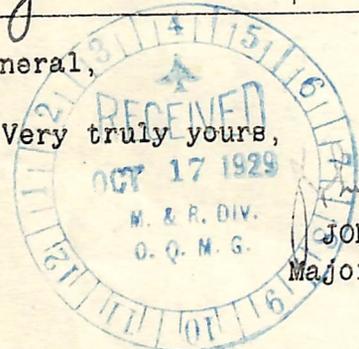
The Act of Congress which provides for pilgrimages to cemeteries in Europe by mothers and widows of members of the military or naval forces of the United States who died in the military or naval service at any time between April 5, 1917 and July 1, 1921, and whose remains are now interred in such cemeteries,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

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

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

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,



*J. 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

Coate, Frank D.

August 21, 1929

Mrs. Emily C. Coate,  
1236 Rural St.,  
Emporia, Kans.

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 mother of the late Sgt. Frank D. Coate, Co. D. 139th Inf., whose remains are now interred in the Meuse Argonne Amer. Cty. Romagne-sous-Montfaucon, Meuse, 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. Is the deceased survived by a widow who has not since remarried?

*No*

2. If so, give her complete address.

3. Will you make the pilgrimage?

*Yes*

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

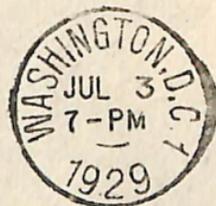
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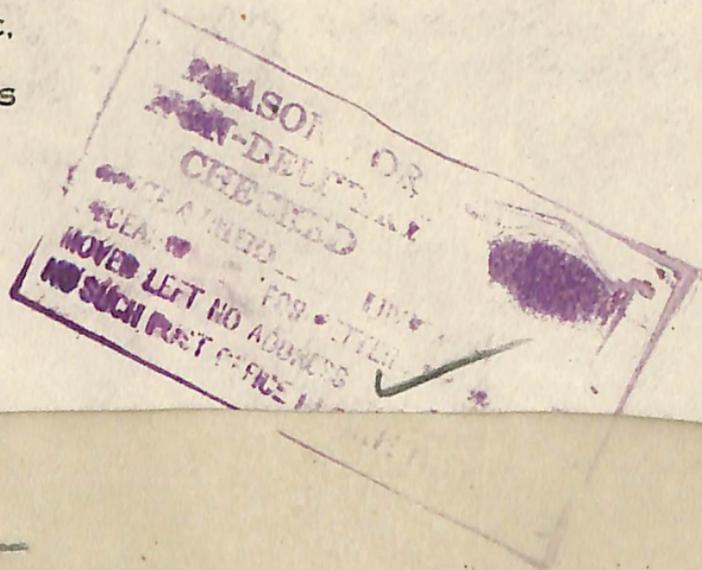
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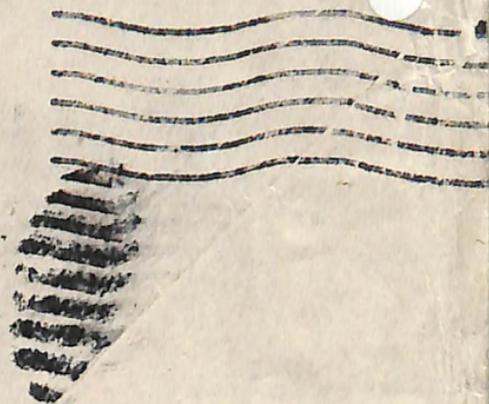
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YOUR MAIL  
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WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

Coate, Frank D.

June 29 , 1929.

Mrs. Emily C. Coate,  
~~Trinity, Texas.~~  
1236 Rural St.,  
Emporia, Kans.

Xc-803 5-2  
7/29  
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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 mother of the late Sgt. Frank D. Coate, Co. D, 139th Inf., whose remains are now interred in the Meuse-Argonne American Cemetery, Romagne-sous-Montfaucon, Meuse, France.

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

In the event your son was survived by a widow who has since remarried it is requested that a statement to that effect be made.

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

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

2 incls.  
Act of Congress.  
Envelope.

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



XX M

Coate, Frank D. 1232 M

July 16, 1930.

Mrs. Emily C. Coate,  
1236 Rural St.,  
Emporia, Kansas.

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:

Leave Emporia	AT&SF	Train No. 2	4:45 PM	August 15
Arrive Chicago			8:50 AM	August 16
Leave Chicago	Mich.Cen.	Train No. 10	10:30 AM	August 16
Arrive New York (Grand Central Station)			3:50 PM	August 17

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.

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WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

June 12, 1950

Coate, Frank D. 1232-M

Mrs. Emily C. Coate,  
1236 Rural St.,  
Emporia, Kansas

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

Coate, Frank D. 1232 M  
Washington 8-19

May 1930  
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Mrs. Emily C. Coate,  
1236 Rural St.,  
Emporia, Kansas.

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

May 12, 1930.

Coate, Frank D. 1232 K

Mrs. Emily C. Coate,  
1236 Rural St.,  
Emporia, Kansas.

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

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evidence 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

May 14, 1930.

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C  
Coate, Frank D. -1232 M  
Washington 8-19

Mrs. Emily C. Coate,  
1236 Rural Street,  
Emporia, Kansas.

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  
WASHINGTON

In reply refer to QM 293 A-C

Coate, Frank D. 1232-M

May 1, 1930.

Mrs. Emily C. Coate,  
1236 Rural St.,

Dear Madam:

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

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  
Coate, Frank D. 1232 M.

October 7, 1929.

Mrs. Emily C. Coate,  
1236 Rural St.,  
Emporia, Kans.

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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WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

Coate, Frank D.

August 21, 1929

Mrs. Emily C. Coate,  
1236 Rural St.,  
Emporia, Kans.

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 mother of the late Sgt. Frank D. Coate, Co. D. 139th Inf., whose remains are now interred in the Meuse Argonne Amer. Cty. Romagne-sous-Montfaucon, Meuse, 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. Is the deceased survived by a widow who has not since remarried?

2. If so, give her complete address.

3. Will you make the pilgrimage?

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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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

Coate, Frank D.

June 29, 1929.

Mrs. Emily C. Coate,  
Trinity, Texas.

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 mother of the late Sgt. Frank D. Coate, Co. D, 139th Inf., whose remains are now interred in the Meuse-Argonne American Cemetery, Romagne-sous-Montfaucon, Meuse, France.

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

In the event your son was survived by a widow who has since remarried it is requested that a statement to that effect be made.

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

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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Act of Congress.  
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JOHN T. HARRIS,  
Major, Q. M. Corps,  
Assistant.

WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

October 4, 1923

293 Coate, Frank D.

Mrs. Emily C. Coate,  
Trinity, Texas

Dear Madam:

The Quartermaster General desires you to be informed that the permanent grave of Sergeant Frank D. Coate, Company D, 139th Infantry, is No. 16, Row 30, Block F, Meuse-Argonne American Cemetery, Romagnous-Montfaucon (Meuse), France.

This is one of the permanent American military cemeteries to be maintained by this Government in Europe. Each grave will be marked by a headstone of white marble, of suitable design, with name, rank, 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.

You are assured in effecting removal of the remains, the utmost care and reverence were exercised and more than willingly accorded by those who performed this sacred duty. The grave of the deceased will be perpetually maintained by this Government in a manner befitting the last resting place of our heroes.

Very truly yours,

*H. H. Cheal*  
H. H. CHEAL,  
Assistant.

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RETURN  
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Coate, Frank D.

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Sgt (Surname.)

Frank D. Coate

(Christian name in full.)

Co D 139 Inf

(Army serial number.)

(Rank and organization.)

State your relationship to the deceased

his Emily L. Coate's mother

Do you desire the remains brought to the United States?

No

(Yes or no.)

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

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(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.

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Letter sent to Mrs. Emily C. Coate,  
Trinity, Tex.

QM 293 C-R

October 4, 1925

Mrs. Emily C. Coate,  
Trinity, Texas

Dear Madam:

The Quartermaster General desires you to be informed that the  
permanent grave 301, Block P, Meuse-Argonne American Cemetery, Romagne-  
sous-Montfaucon (Meuse), France.

This is one of the permanent American military cemeteries to be maintained by this Government in Europe. Each grave will be marked by a headstone of white marble, of suitable design, with name, rank, 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.

You are assured in effecting removal of the remains, the utmost care and reverence were exercised and more than willingly accorded by those who performed this sacred duty. The grave of the deceased will be perpetually maintained by this Government in a manner befitting the last resting place of our heroes.

Very truly yours,

H. H. CHEAL,

Assistant.

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General William C. ...



OCT 15 1925

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COMPILATION OF DISPOSITION OF REMAINS DATA

File 33230

I. LOCATION INDEX CARD:

(a) Name COATE, Frank D. Ser. No. 1456389
(b) Rank Sgt. Organization Co. D, 139th Inf.
(c) Date of death 2-27-18 (d) Cause of death k/a
TYP. B
CKR. 30

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

(a) Grave No. 179 Row 2- Plot 4 Sec. 88 TYP. B
(b) Emerg. Address Mrs. Emily C. Coate (mother) Trinity, Texas.

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

IV. A. G. O. DISPOSITION CARD:

Name Mrs. Emily C. Coate Relationship Mother
Address Omitted
Remains to be brought to U. S.? No
To be interred in National Cemetery in U. S. at
Shipping instructions upon arrival of body in U. S.
Disposition instructions if not brought to U. S.

Examiner's Initials JOR Date 4-13-21, 1920.

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

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

Examiner's Initials Date, 1920.

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

No request for disposition

(a) Cancellation memos referred to?

Examiner's Initials JOR Date 4-13-21, 1920.

COUNTRY FRANCE CEMETERY No. 1232-Sec. 88 SHEET No. 31

checked J.M.M. 4-17-21

at 4-30-21



To be prepared in triplicate.

DATE Oct. 15, 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

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|---------------------------------------|--------------------|
| 1. Name <u>COATE, Frank D.</u>        | 10. Name _____     |
| 2. No. <u>1456389</u>                 | 11. No. _____      |
| 3. Rank <u>Sgt.</u>                   | 12. Rank _____     |
| 4. Org. <u>Co. D. 139th Infantry.</u> | 13. Org. _____     |
| 5. D.D. <u>9-27/18</u>                | 14. (a) D.D. _____ |
| 6. C.D. <u>KIA</u>                    | (b) D.B. _____     |

Discrepancy found upon disinterment

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| 7. Grave No. <u>179</u> Sec. <u>88</u>           | 15. Grave No. _____ Sec. _____                     |
| 8. Plot <u>4</u> Row _____                       | 16. Plot _____ Row _____                           |
| 9. _____   | 17. <u>No descp.</u>                               |
| 18. Cemetery <u>Argonne Amer.</u>                | 19. Commune or town <u>Romagne-sous-Montfaucon</u> |
| 20. Dept. or County <u>Meuse.</u>                | 21. Country <u>France.</u>                         |
| 22. G.R.S. Hdqrs. Code No. <u>1232 - Sec.88.</u> | _____  |
| 23. Disinterred (Date) <u>10-15-21</u>           | By <u>C.V. Russell</u>                             |

24. Inscription on grave marker:

Name <u>Frank D. Coate</u>	Serial No. <u>1456389</u>
Rank <u>Sgt.</u>	Organization <u>Co. D. 139th Inf.</u>

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

Signature C.V. Russell 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).  
G.R.S. plac giving name and serial number found on body.

27. Condition of body Badly decomposed features unrecognizable

28. Nature of burial U. Uniform, burlap and pine box.

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

Body prepared and placed in casket: Date 10-15-21 By C.V. Russell

31. Casket sealed by C.V. Russell

Signature of Embalmer, (Supervisor) C.V. Russell

AUDITED BY

SHIPMENT. (Show actual marking of box.) Box No. C-7790

32. Designation of body:

Name COATE, Frank D. Serial No. 1456389

Rank Sgt. Organization Co. D. 139th Infantry

33. Consigned to:

Name of Permanent Cemetery Argonne Amer. Cty. 1232, Romagne-sous-Montfaucon.

34. Casket boxed and marked (Date) 10-15-21 By C. V. Russell

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 H. S. Harpole  
H. S. Harpole, 1st Lt. QMC

36. Remarks



37. Shipped from point of Operation: (Date) 10-15-21

To point of Concentration Meuse Argonne Cem. 1232

Convoyer (Name J. Gerald Cole)  
Signature Shipping Officer J. GERALD COLE

Captain, C. A. C.

38. Received at Railhead or Point of Concentration: Date

By G.R.S. Representative

39. Shipped from Railhead or Point of Concentration: Date

To Permanent Cemetery

Convoyer (Name) Signature Shipping Officer

40. Received: Date

G.R.S. Representative

41. Reinterred Meuse Argonne Cem. 1232, Oct. 15, 1921.

(Date)

42. Grave No. Row 30 Bl. F. Gr. 16. Section

43. Plot Row

G.R.S. Representative James W. Younger

JAMES W. YOUNGER  
CAPT. QMC.

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Place Remagne-Sous-Montfaucon

# REPORT OF DISINTERMENT AND REBURIAL

Date Oct. 15, 1921.

1. REMAINS OF COATE, FRANK D. SERIAL NUMBER 1456389

RANK Sgt. ORGANIZATION Co., D 139th Inf.

2. Disinterred (date) : Oct. 15, 1921. From (give complete location) :

Gr. 179 sec 88 pt 4, Meuse-Argonne Cem., #1232.

By : Group Russell Unit Sec. 1

3. Reburied (date) : In (give complete location) :

Oct. 15, 1921. Meuse Argonne Cem. 1232, Row 30 Bl. F. Gr. 16.

By : Group Reburial Sec. Unit  Nature of reburial unlined casket

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

In pine box, burlap and U.S. uniform badly decomposed features unrecognizable

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

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

GRS. plaque giving name and sl. No. found on body.

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

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

(b) Weight (estimated) Imp to det.

(c) Hair—Color None

Quantity None

Characteristics None

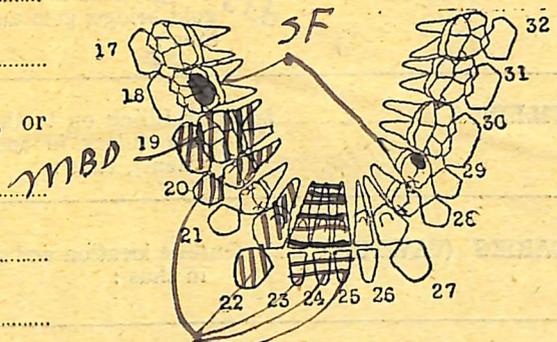
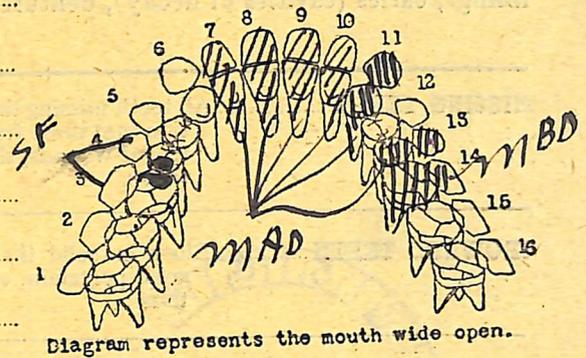
(d) Hair on face—Color None

Location None

Quantity None

(e) Permanent marks on body (old scars, peculiarities, or missing parts) Imp to det.

(f) Wounds or missing parts (received at time of casualty) skull completely shattered.



7. Disinterment supervised by C. V. Russell S. M.

Approved : H. S. Harpole 1st. Lt. QMC  
(Title)

8. Reburial supervised by W. B. SHEILD concentration

Approved : JAMES W. YOUNGER  
(Title) CAPT. QMC ejj.

**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.



STATUS OF CTY. # 1232-88

as of (Date) 8-26

Total Burials in Cty. 208

Letter of Trans. No. of Bodies to be returned. 116

Bodies in Storage \_\_\_\_\_

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{ Port 0 Cable \_\_\_\_\_

Operations to Commence Week ending June 4, 1921.

Bodies returned 107 from 8/19/21 to 8/20/21

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Pm.

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eForm 1007,

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# GRAVE LOCATION BLANK

LOCATION OF THE GRAVE OF

COATE 1456 389 Frank  
(Surname.) (Number.) (First Name and Initials.)

Sgt C-D - 139 Inf  
(Rank.) (Organization.)

DATE OF BURIAL October 2<sup>d</sup> - 1918

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

S-S-W. of town  
Co-ord Map "Forêt d'Argonne"  
302 750 - 275 700

GRAVE NUMBER 29

HOW MARKED: Name Peg? no Cross? yes  
Headboard? yes 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:

This body lies buried 50 yards N-W of # 30: Davel Gassel

REPORTED BY: G. C. Van Goethem  
K. of C. Chaplain  
112 Inf

(Signature and Rank of Reporting Officer.)

**CMME CHARPENTRY (MEUSE)**

This portion to be sent to Chief of Graves Registration Service

**(0148) SHT. 36 S.E. 000RD {E-302 N-27}**

G. S. Form #1.

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Soldier's No. 1456389

Name COATE FRANK D

Rank PVT Company Reg't

Date of death Cause if known

ISOLATED AMERICAN

Date of burial Cemetery

CHARPENTRY MEUSE  
Town or Commune Department

Grave No. ISOLATED Plot No.

Name Peg. Cross. Headboard. Botl.

Buried with body? YES On Marker? YES

Sketch No. 6 Group. 4 Unit 306

Description MAP 35 S.E. - 275.7 N x 302.8

100 M. W. OF BAULNY-VARENNES Rd. 3 1/2 KILO. S.W. OF CH

CHARPENTRY-1 KILO. N.W. OF JUNCT. OFF CHARPENTRY-VARENNE

Name of Chaplain or Burial Officer

Signed GEORGE DIEKHOF

MONTBLAINVILLE (MEUSE)

148 Group. 4 Unit 306 GRS

35 S.E. COORD {E-302.8  
N-275.7}

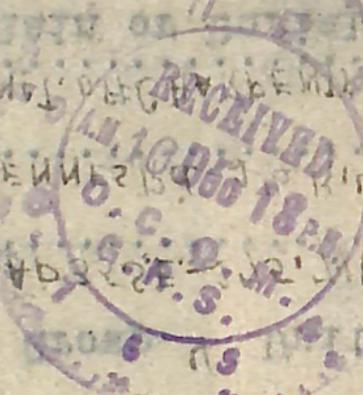
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**GRAVE LOCATION BLANK**

LOCATION OF THE GRAVE OF

Coate 1456389 Frank  
(Surname) (Number) (First Name and Initials)

Sgt. Co. D 139 Inf  
(Rank) (Organization)

PLACE OF DEATH:

CAUSE OF DEATH:

DATE OF BURIAL: 10/2/18

PLACE OF BURIAL: Baulry

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

S S W of town. Co ord Map  
Forest d Argonne 302. 780-  
275.700

GRAVE NUMBER: 29

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

IDENTIFICATION TAGS: yes

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:

This body lies buried 50 yds  
N W of #30

NEAREST RELATIVE:

ADDRESS: ~~OWNERS~~ CHARPENTRY (MEUSE)

RELATIONSHIP: 148 35 S.E. COORDINATE E-302 W-275.700

REPORTED BY: G C Van Goethem  
KofC  
(Signature and Rank of Reporting Officer)

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



G.R.S. Form No. 8; Central Records Division.  
Memo For: G.R.S. representative, C.R.D.  
SUBJECT: Information required for G.R.S.

1. Items checked are to be completed:

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Surname: **Coate**  
Number: 1456389  
First name: **Frank D.**  
Rank: **Sgt.**  
Company: **Co. D.**  
Organization: **139th Inf.**  
Date of death: **Sept. 27th 1918**  
Cause:  
Place:

Location of hospital:

Number " "  
Class " "

(V) Relative: Mrs. Emily C. Coate  
(V) Relationship: Mother  
(V) Address: Trinity Texas

( ) Authority:  
Cablogram No: 288  
Telegram from:

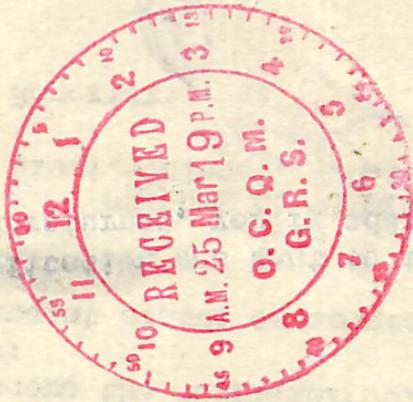
dated:

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C.C. Nos:  
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( ) Remarks:  
( ) Show present status on reverse side.

Burial Notification was sent to this  
address and returned, verify address

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

Initials of Reporter:



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Caney, Kans.

Dear Sir:

I am informed that you have an unknown soldier's body with no mark of identification except a new testament presented by the Baptist Church of Caney, Kansas. There were four men that fell from Caney district. -Erney Brown, Chinay Parsons, Frank D. Coats, and Glenn Gillard.

We have been trying to locate the one and believe it to be Glenn Gillard.

(signed) E.L.Ryals.

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Ganey, Kansas.

Dear Sir:

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no mark of identification except a new testament presented by the  
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from Ganey district. -Erney Brown, Chiny Parsons, Frank D. Coats,  
and Glenn Giffard.

We have been trying to locate the one and believe it to be

Glenn Giffard.

(signed) E.L. Hayes.

*(Handwritten signature)*

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AUG 23 1921

CEMETERIAL DIV.  
O. & M. S.

REPORT OF DISINTERMENT AND REBURIAL.

Remains of:

Name COATE, Frank D.

Number: 1456389

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Rank

Organization:

Disinterment and Reburial made by Group

Unit

Disinterred (Date)

From: (Give complete location)

19th June 1919

Unknown

35 SE 302.79 E 275.7 N

*This location in Montblainville on the boundary between that Commune & Jarcennes en Argonne*

Reburied (Date)

in: (Give complete location)

19th June 1919

Grave #179 Sec #8a Plot #2

ARGONNE AMERICAN CEMETERY #1232

ROMAGNE MEUSE

1232

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

Burial good; buried in uniform; badly decomposed.

Was one identification tag found upon body? Yes

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

**CONFIRMED No. D**

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Note:

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

Supervised by Capt Edwards.

**R. H. ROSENTHAL**

**2nd Lieut. Q.M.C.U.S.A.**

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C.O. Group

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