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To The A. G. O.

G.R.S. Form #114-B

DEC 24 1925

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DATE

1. NAME COLLIN, Arthur

SERIAL No. 3072304

RANK Pvt

ORGANIZATION Co. D. 520th Eng.

GRAVE LOCATION Amer. Cty Sevenay (Loire Inf.)

22

CTY. NAME

NUMBER

240

GRAVE

ROW

PLOT

2. ORIGINAL BATTLE AREA GRAVE LOCATION

240

Savenay

L.I.

As shown by cemetery directory AGRS  
Nov. 12, 1919.

GRAVE

COMMUNE

DEPT.

COORDINATES

Not given

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.

Nothing of record

DATE OF DEATH

Feb. 13, 1919

STATE FROM WHICH HE CAME

none

MEDALS OR DECORATIONS AWARDED

None of record

SUBSEQUENT REBURIALS

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 Aug. 29/22

13

44

Block A.

DATE

GRAVE

ROW

PLOT

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

CEMETERY

AUDITED BY

*R.V.S.*

Major General  
The Adjutant General  
*[Signature]*

## 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.

*See previous file # 41*  
**GRAVE LOCATION BLANK.**

LOCATION OF THE GRAVE OF

**Jollin, Arthur 3072304**

(Surname) (Number.) (First Name and Initials.)

**Pvt Co D 520 Eng** (Organization.)  
(Rank.)

DATE OF BURIAL **Feb 15, 1919**

PLACE OF BURIAL **American Cemetery 22**

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

**Savenay France**

GRAVE NUMBER **241 A**

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

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

IDENTIFICATION TAGS:

Was one buried with body? **Yes**

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

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

REPORTED BY:

*M. J. Lynch*  
(Signature and Rank of Reporting Officer.)

**M. J. Lynch, Chaplain.**  
This portion to be forwarded to Adj. Gen'l, G. H. Q., A. E. F.

CODE SLIP

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HEADING	SUB HEADING	NO. OF COLS	CODE
NAME <i>Collin,</i>	<i>COL</i>	3	<i>3520</i>
<i>Arthur</i>	CEMETERY <i>1608</i>	1	<i>2</i>
BURIED	GRAVE <i>13</i>	2	<i>13</i>
	ROW <i>39</i>	2	<i>39</i>
	BLOCK <i>A</i>	1	<i>1</i>
STATE	<i>Miss</i>	2	<i>27</i>
RANK	<i>1st</i>	1	<i>2</i>
DIVISION	<i>Engineers</i>	2	<i>49</i>
ORGANIZATION	<i>520</i>	3	<i>520</i>
ARM	<i>Engn Bpt</i>	1	<i>1</i>
MARITAL	<i>no</i>	1	<i>2</i>
NAME <i>Collin,</i>	<i>COL</i>	3	<i>3520</i>
<i>Mrs William</i>	STATE <i>Miss</i>	2	<i>27</i>
RESIDENCE	COUNTY <i>Sherburne</i>	2	<i>71</i>
	CITY <i>Elk River</i>	3	<i>XXX</i>
RELATION	<i>mother</i>	1	<i>1</i>
OTHER	<i>Father</i>	1	<i>1</i>
ELIGIBILITY	<i>yes</i>	1	<i>1</i>
NATIVITY		1	
RACE		1	
ENGLISH	<i>yes</i>	1	<i>1</i>
ATTENDANT		1	
HEALTH	<i>Bad</i>	1	<i>2</i>
NO. OF SONS		1	
DATE OF TRIP	NO.	1	
	YR.	1	
ACCEPTANCE		1	
29/514/EAB	<i>no age</i>		<i>2</i> <i>73</i>

**AUDITED**  
DEC 17 1931  
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WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-M

Collin, Arthur (OA)

July 11, 1932.

Mrs. William Collin,  
Route #3,  
Elk River, Minn.

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? no  
(Write answer here)

(Sign here)

Mr Julia Collin

WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-M

Collins Arthur (O-A) M

Oct. 26, 1931

Mrs. William Collin,  
Route #3,  
Elk River, Minn.

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Dear Madam:

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

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

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

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-M  
Collin, Arthur ~~C-A M-~~

October 2, 1931

Mrs. William Collin,  
Route #3,  
Elk River, Minnesota

Dear Madam:

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

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

1. Do you desire to make a pilgrimage in 1932?	<u>no</u>
2. Please state your age and condition of health:	Age: <u>73</u> Health: <u>Poor</u>
3. Do you speak English?	<u>yes</u>
4. What other language do you speak?	<u>French</u>

Mrs William Collin

Julia Collin  
Sign here

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

A. D. Hughes

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

Encl:  
Env.



WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM-293-AM  
Collin, Arthur Pvt.(OA) M

June 20, 1931

Mrs. William Collin,  
Route #3,  
Elk River, Minn.

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

WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

June 7, 1930.

Collin, Arthur - ~~1232 M~~  
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Mrs. William Collin,  
Route # 3,  
Elk River, Minn.

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.

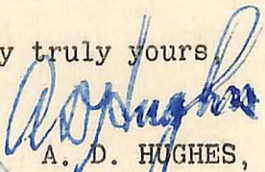
To assure proper and satisfactory accommodations, reservations for steamship transportation required during the summer of 1931 must be made by this office not later than August 1st of this year. It is therefore desired that you answer the question below by writing the word "Yes" or "No" in the blank 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.

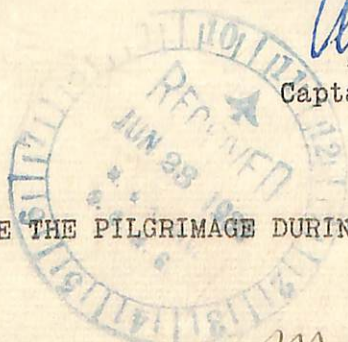
For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours

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

DO YOU DESIRE TO MAKE THE PILGRIMAGE DURING THE YEAR 1931? no

(Write answer here)

  
Mrs. William Collin,  
(Sign here)

WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C  
Collin, Arthur 608 M

October 7, 1929.

Mrs. William Collin,  
Route #3,  
Elk River, Minn.

Dear Madam:

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

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

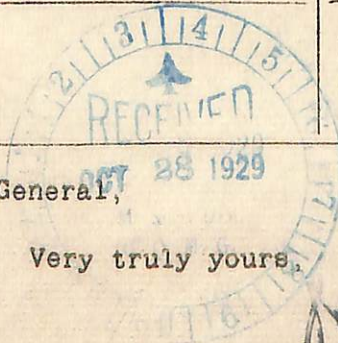
1. Do you desire to make this pilgrimage if eligible?	(Yes)	(No) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
2. Do you desire to make the pilgrimage in the calendar year 1930?	(Yes)	(No) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
3. Have you at any time made a previous visit to the grave of the deceased member of the military or naval forces in whom you are interested?	(Yes)	(No) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
4. Please give your age and state of health.	Age <u>70</u> Health (Years) <u>70</u> (Good) (Poor) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
5. What language do you speak?	English - (Yes) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> (No) Other language <u>French</u> (Specify language spoken)	

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

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WM. COLLIN, Sr.

— DEALER IN —

White Wyandotte Poultry and Eggs for  
Hatching.

Also dealer in Poultry Feeds

ROUTE 3

Elk River, Minn. June 28<sup>th</sup> 1929

John F. Harris  
major g. m. corps  
assistant

Dear Sir

in reply to your request  
Arthur Collin Mother his to Feble  
to make the trip to her sons grave  
she his 70 yrs old and his an Invalid  
he Arthur was not married

Yours Respectfully

Wm Collin Sr

Father of Arthur



WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

June 24, 1929.

Collin, Arthur

Mr. William Collin,  
Route #3,  
Elk River, Minn.

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 Arthur Collin, Co. D, 520th Engrs., whose remains are now interred in the Oise-Aisne American Cemetery, Seringes-et-Nesles, Aisne, France.

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

WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-M

Collin, Arthur (OA)

July 11, 1932.

Mrs. William Collin,  
Route #3,  
Elk River, Minn.

Dear Madam:

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Very truly yours,

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

2 Encls.

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

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(Write answer here)

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

WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-M

Collins Arthur (O-A) M

Oct. 26, 1931

Mrs. William Collin,  
Route #3,  
Elk River, Minn.

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Dear Madam:

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For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

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OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

October 2, 1931

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-M  
Collin, Arthur ~~Q-1 M~~

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Mrs. William Collin,  
Route #3,  
Elk River, Minnesota

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

1. Do you desire to make a pilgrimage in 1932?	
2. Please state your age and condition of health:	Age: Health:
3. Do you speak English?	
4. What other language do you speak?	

Sign here

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

Encl:  
Env.

WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM-293-AM  
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June 20, 1931

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CO 219 M & R 88  
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WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
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IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C  
Collin, Arthur - 1252 M

June 7, 1930.

Mrs. William Collin,  
Route # 3,  
Elk River, Minn.

Dear Madam:

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For The Quartermaster General,

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A. D. HUGHES,  
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Assistant.

DO YOU DESIRE TO MAKE THE PILGRIMAGE DURING THE YEAR 1931? \_\_\_\_\_  
(Write answer here)

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(Sign here)

WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C  
Collin, Arthur 608 M

October 7, 1929.

Mrs. William Collin,  
Route #5,  
Elk River, Minn.

Dear Madam:

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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,

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

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

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

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

2 incls.  
Act of Congress.  
Envelope.

QM 293 A-C

April 8, 1924

COLLIN, Arthur Pvt.

Mr. William Collin,  
Route #3,  
Elk River, Minn.

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,

R. P. HARBOLD

Assistant.

MPK  
702

1-Incl.  
Record card.

Q.M.C.  
Central Mail & Files B.



APR 8 1924

B.

To be prepared in triplicate.

DATE Nov. 22, 1921

REPORT OF DISINTERMENT, PREPARATION, SHIPMENT AND REBURIAL OF BODY

DISINTERMENT

COMPARATIVE REPORT

Records of G.R.S. Headquarters.

Discrepancy found upon exhumation of body

1. Name COLLIN, Arthur

10. Name

2. No. 3072304

11. No.

3. Rank Pvt.

12. Rank

4. Org. Co. D. 520th Engrs.

13. Org.

5. D.D. Feb. 13 1919

14. (a) D.D.

6. C.D. Broncho pneumonia

(b) D.B.

Discrepancy found upon disinterment

7. Grave No. 240 Sec.

15. Grave No. Sec.

8. Plot Row

16. Plot Row

9.

17. No discp

18. Cemetery Amer

19. Commune or town Savenay

20. Dept. or County Loire Inf.

21. Country France

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

23. Disinterred (Date) 11-22-21

By B.A. Bradford

24. Inscription on grave marker:

Name Arthur Collin

Serial No. 3072304

Rank Co. D. 520th Engrs.

Organization Pvt.

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

E. S. Parker  
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).

Disc only.

27. Condition of body Badly decomposed features unrecognizable

28. Nature of burial Pine box. 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 11-22-21 By B.A. Bradford

31. Casket sealed by B. A. Bradford

Signature of Embalmer, (Supervisor

Ben A Bradford

AUDITED BY  
202 11-18-23

SHIPMENT. (Show actual marking of box.) Box No. **C-19098**

32. Designation of body:

Name **Arthur COLLIN** Serial No. **3072304**

Rank **Pvt** Organization **Co.D.520th Engrs.**

33. Consigned to:

Name of Permanent Cemetery **Oise Aisne Amer. Cty. #608 Seringes-&-Nesles, Aisne**

34. Casket boxed and marked (Date) **11-22-21** By **B.A. Bradford**

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 *[Signature]*  
**J. Riordan Capt. C.M.C**

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

37. Shipped from point of Operation: (Date) \_\_\_\_\_

To point of Concentration \_\_\_\_\_ (Name)  
Convoyer **Jack Roberts** Signature Shipping Officer \_\_\_\_\_

38. Received at Railhead or Point of Concentration: Date \_\_\_\_\_  
By G.R.S. Representative \_\_\_\_\_

39. Shipped from Railhead or Point of Concentration: Date **2 NOV 1921**

To Permanent Cemetery **Oise Aisne Am. Cty 608 Seringes et Nesles, Aisne**  
(Name)  
Convoyer **Jack Roberts** Signature Shipping Officer *[Signature]*  
**S. D. CAMPBELL, Capt. Q.M.C.**

40. Received: Date **2 DEC 1921**  
G.R.S. Representative **G. F. WAUGH**

41. Reinterred, **Aug. 29, 1922, Oise-Aisne Cem. 608, Seringes et Nesles (Aisne)**  
(Date)

42. Grave No. **13** Section **-----**

43. **PROT-N BLOCK A** Row **44**

fr

G.R.S. Representative *[Signature]*  
**W. D. Cleary**  
**Lt., Chaplain, USA.**

tab

22-57

Collin,

Arthur

3,072,304

(Surname.)

(Christian name in full.)

(Army serial number.)

Pvt

Co D 520 Engrs

(Rank and organization.)

State your relationship to the deceased

Father

Do you desire the remains brought to the United States?

no

(Yes or no.)

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

(Yes or no.)

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

(Name of person to receive remains.)

(Express office.)

(Telegraph office.)

(Number and street.)

(City or town.)

(State.)

(Sign here)

William Collin

(Number and street or rural route.)

(City, town, or post office.)

(State.)

3 Elk River Minn.

Read carefully the letter accompanying this card.

Drawn by moc

v. 54

1/4/21

REVIEWED  
OSP SS.

moc 1/4/21

Place Savenay, Cem. 22.

# REPORT OF DISINTERMENT AND REBURIAL

Date Nov. 22nd, 1921

1. REMAINS OF COLLIN, Arthur SERIAL NUMBER 3072304

RANK Pvt. ORGANIZATION Co. D. 520th Engrs.

2. Disinterred (date): Nov. 22nd, 1921 From (give complete location): Gr. 240, Cem. 22.

By: Group 1 Unit Sec. 7

3. Reburied (date): Aug. 29, 1922 In (give complete location): Gr. 13, Block A, Row 44, Gise-Aisne Cem. 608, Seringes et Nesles (Aisne)

By: Group re-burial group Unit ----- Nature of reburial Lined cabinet

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

Pine box and uniform. Badly decomposed, features not recognizable.

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

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

Disc only.

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

(a) Height (actual measurement) Impossible to determine

(b) Weight (estimated) Impossible to estimate

(c) Hair—Color Apparently brown

Quantity Moderate

Characteristics Wavy

(d) Hair on face—Color None

Location -----

Quantity -----

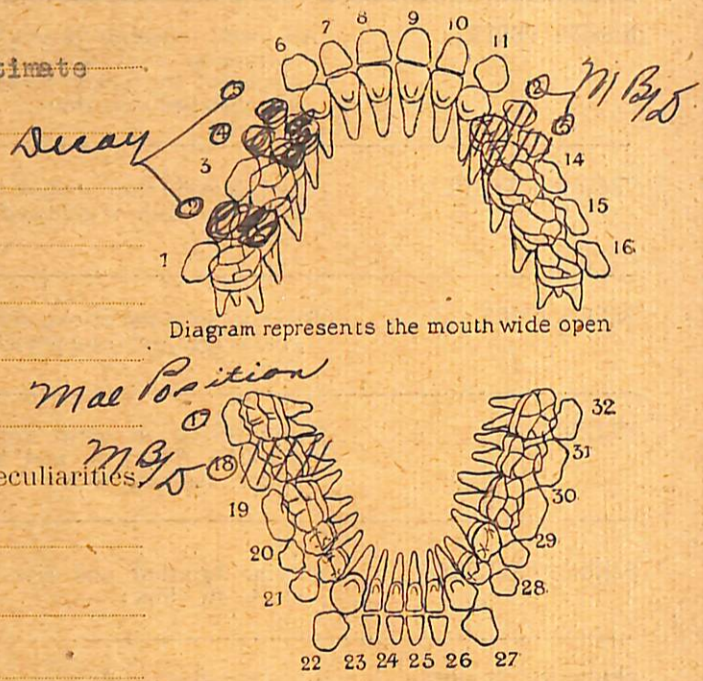
(e) Permanent marks on body (old scars, peculiarities, or missing parts) None

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

E. S. Parker, checker.

7. Disinterment supervised by Ben A. Bradford, Sup. Emb. Approved: E. J. Riordan, Capt., QMC.  
(Title)

8. Reburial supervised by L. D. Hays Approved: W. D. Cleary  
(Title) Lt., Chaplain, USA.



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

Enter information, as noted below, on reverse side of sheet in the *corresponding numbered space*. This form is supplemental to and is to be forwarded with G. R. S. Form 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.

G.R.S. Form No. 115

COUNTRY FRANCE

Cemetery No. 22

Sheet No. 54

File No. 94605

*2/13/22 Examined  
for Concentration  
Camp - Aiane #608  
att 3/4/22*

COMPILATION N/R REQUESTS

I. DATA COMPILATION

A. Location Index Card:-

(1) Name Collin, Arthur Ser. No. 3072304

(2) Rank Pvt. Organization Co. D. 520th Engrs.

(3) Date of death 2/13/19

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

(4) Cause of death Broncho Pneumonia

(5) Grave No. 241 Row --- Plot --- Sect. ---

TYP. TW.  
CKR. MEN.  
TYP. SH  
CKR. F&R

II. FILES EXAMINATION

A. Files of soldiers dying from contagious diseases; noncard

B. A. G. O. DISPOSITION CARD Date of receipt None

(6) Relationship Father

(7) Name William Collin

(8) Address 3 Elk River, Minnesota

(9) Desires remains brought to U. S.? no

(10) Desires remains brought to U. S. and interred in National Cemetery at \_\_\_\_\_

(11) If brought back, what shipping instructions? \_\_\_\_\_

*g. s. B-4/3/20*

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. \_\_\_\_\_

(13) A. G. O. Files EXAMINED by Jed (Date) 4-5-20

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

*No request for disposition. Grave location registration blank*

(15) G. R. S. Files EXAMINED by AM (Date) 4/5/20

(over)

*rechecked 4/21  
mac*

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) .....

B. G. R. S. FORM NO. 114 made (Date) .....

(19) Typed by ..... Checked by ..... (Date) .....

C. SUSPENSION REMARKS:

*120 Form - 8/ - Father, and nearest  
of kin, William<sup>13</sup> Collins, confirms  
previous shipping instructions,  
that the body remain in France.  
H L.P.*

D. Dispatched (Date) ..... (Let. Trans. No. APR 21 1920)

Approved by .....

(Date) .....

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

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APR 21 1920

FROM: Chief, Graves Registration Service, Q. M. C.  
TO: William Collin, 3 Elk River, Minn.  
SUBJECT: Disposition of remains of Pvt. Arthur Collin.

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

Remains to be not returned to U. S. ~~Interred~~ *no change*  
~~Shipped to~~

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.

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

By authority of the Quartermaster General:

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

NAME OF	NO. & STREET	TOWN	STATE
Widow			
Children (Name oldest first)			
Father <i>William Collin</i>		<i>Elk River</i>	<i>Minn.</i>
Mother			
Brothers			
Sisters			

Date *May 1st / 20*

Signature *William Collin*

Address *Elk River Minn.*

Relationship *Father over*



AUG 9 1920

G.R.S. Form #120

Shipping Inquiry.

(Revised)

WAR DEPARTMENT

OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL OF THE ARMY

GRAVES REGISTRATION SERVICE

WASHINGTON

22-54

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

TO: Mr. William Collin, Elk River, Minn.

SUBJECT: Remains of Pvt. Arthur Collin, Co. D., 520th Engrs. (3072304)

*Push Answered*

The records of this office show that you have requested that his body remain in France.

*yes that is my desire*

*no change a.k.*

If these are not the correct instructions, please correct them. Make corrections on reverse side of this sheet.

The nearest relative may choose between, (1) return of the body to any address in the United States; (2) interment in Arlington, Va., or any other National Cemetery; or (3) remain in Europe.

By authority of the Quartermaster General:

CHARLES C. PIERCE,

Major, U.S.A.

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

NAME OF	NO. & STREET	TOWN	STATE
Soldier's Widow	<i>no widow was never married</i>		<i>Noted on 11-7-20</i>
Soldier's Children (Name oldest first)	1. <i>has no children</i> 2. 3.		
Father	<i>William Collin Sr.</i>	<i>Elk River</i>	<i>Minn.</i>
Mother	<i>Julia Collin</i>	<i>Elk River</i>	<i>Minn.</i>
Brothers (Name oldest first)	1. <i>W H Collin</i> 2. <i>Alvin Collin</i> 3.	<i>Elk River</i> <i>Elk River</i>	<i>Minn.</i> <i>Minn.</i>
Sisters (Name oldest first)	1. <i>Ophelia Collin</i> 2. <i>Fillian Collin</i> 3.	<i>Elk River</i> <i>Elk River</i>	<i>Minn.</i> <i>Minn.</i>

Date *Aug. 13* Signature *William Collin*

Address *Elk River Minn.* Relationship *Father*

IMPORTANT: CAREFULLY read instructions before filling out this paper. (OVER)

August 13<sup>th</sup> 1920.

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

1. As stated on first page of this sheet.

2. To be returned to the U.S. and shipped to

(Name)

(R.R. Station)

(State)

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

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

Signature

William Collins Sr.

#### INSTRUCTIONS FOR FILLING OUT

1. If definite instruction as to the disposition of a body are not received from the nearest relative within 2 weeks of its arrival at New York, ~~an~~ will be made without further notice in the World War Section of Arlington National Cemetery.

2. The transfer of bodies will be made ENTIRELY at Government expense.

3. This paper MUST BE SIGNED BY THE PERSON WHO IS THE NEXT OF KIN IN THE ORDER shown in the square on the other side of this sheet.

4. This paper must be returned showing the name and address of each of the nearest living relatives in the spaces provided therefor on the other side of this sheet.

5. If there are minor children of the deceased soldier and no widow, the LEGALLY APPOINTED GUARDIAN of the children should ascertain their wishes and act for them in this matter.

6. If YOU are not the nearest relative, please ask the nearest relative, if living near you, to fill out this paper.

7. If YOU are not the nearest living relative and do not know who or where the nearest relatives are, please fill out this paper AT ONCE and mail to this office.

8. You are requested to return this paper AT ONCE in order to avoid delay in the case of this body!

9. Use the enclosed envelope - pay no postage.



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GRAVE LOCATION BLANK.

LOCATION OF THE GRAVE OF

Collin, Arthur 3072304

(Surname.) (Number.) (First Name and Initials.)

Pvt Co D 520 Eng (Organization.)

(Rank.)

(Organization.)

DATE OF BURIAL Feb 15, 1919

PLACE OF BURIAL American Cemetery 22

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

Savenay France

GRAVE NUMBER 241 A

HOW MARKED : Name Peg? Cross? Yes

Headboard? Bottle?

IDENTIFICATION TAGS :

Was one buried with body? Yes

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

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

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REVIEWED  
OSP SS.

REPORTED BY :

M. J. Lynch

(Signature and Rank of Reporting Officer.)

M. J. Lynch, Chaplain.

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

