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To The A. G. O.

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G.R.S. Form #114-B

MAR 10 1926

FULL NAME COMPTON, William ✓

RANK Pvt. ✓ SERIAL 3642072 ✓

DIVISION & ORGANIZATION Co. K, 9th Inf. ✓

DATE OF DEATH Nov 11, 1918 ✓

STATE FROM WHICH HE CAME Va ✓

MEDALS OR DECORATIONS AWARDED none ✓

FINAL GRAVE LOCATION 4 42 B

Date Grave Row Block

Meuse-Argonne, #1232

Cemetery

Walter C. Davis,
Major General,
Adjutant General,

RVR

MAR 10 1926

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WORLD WAR DIV.

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U.S. DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
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WORLD WAR DIV.

WAR DEPARTMENT
THE ADJUTANT GENERAL'S OFFICE
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY
REFER TO

WW/AI/1-208

SUBJECT: Verification

April 29, 1927

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

1. A reexamination of the records in the case of William Compton, army serial #3642072, shows that at the time of his death he was serving with the 2nd Division.

By order of the Secretary of War:

JOHN DUTTON
Adjutant General.

1 Inclosure
GRS Form 114-B

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M.M. 10/1/18 CE 355. Out from 69 CE 365
now rep'd K.S. 11/1/18
12/1/18 Com.

GRAVE LOCATION BLANK

LOCATION OF THE GRAVE OF

Compton, 3642072, William
(Surname) (Number) (First Name and Initials)

Priv. U.S.A.
(Rank) (Organization)

PLACE OF DEATH: S. of Beaumont

CAUSE OF DEATH: K.I.A.

DATE OF BURIAL: 11/13/18

PLACE OF BURIAL: 306.1-306.4

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

Burgency Special 5000

GRAVE NUMBER: 34-Plot 28

HOW MARKED: Name Peg? Cross?

Headboard? Bottle?

IDENTIFICATION TAGS:

Was one buried with body?

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

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

NEAREST RELATIVE:

ADDRESS:

RELATIONSHIP:

REPORTED BY:

Thos. M. ... Capt. S. H. ...
(Signature and Rank of Reporting Officer)

This portion to be forwarded to Central Records Office, A. G. O., A. E. F.

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CODE SLIP

HEADING	SUB-HEADING	NO. OF COLS	CODE
NAME <i>Compton</i>	<i>Com</i>	3	3 0 0
<i>William</i>	CEMETERY <i>1232</i>	1	1
BURIED	GRAVE <i>4</i>	2	04
	ROW <i>42</i>	2	42
	BLOCK <i>B</i>	1	2
STATE	<i>Va.</i>	2	54
RANK	<i>Pat.</i>	1	2
DIVISION	<i>2</i>	2	02
ORGANIZATION	<i>9</i>	3	009
ARM	<i>Inf</i>	1	1
MARITAL <i>(Sister)</i>	<i>No</i>	1	2
NAME <i>Gross</i>		3	
<i>Mrs. Minda</i>	STATE	2	
RESIDENCE	COUNTY	2	
<i>Swords Creek, Va.</i>	CITY	3	
RELATION <i>SM</i>	<i>Mother</i>	1	1
OTHER <i>No</i>		1	
ELIGIBILITY <i>No Loco</i>	<i>Read -1915</i>	1	6
NATIVITY		1	
RACE		1	
ENGLISH		1	
ATTENDANT		1	
HEALTH		1	
NO. OF SONS		1	
DATE OF	MO.	1	
TRIP	YR.	1	
ACCEPTANCE		1	
<i>29/514</i>			

AUDITED
APR 20 1932
RS

ACCEPTANCE
29/514

Handwritten signature

QM 293 A-M
Compton, William 1233-LP

July 24, 1930.

Mrs. Minda Gross,
Swords Creek, Va.

Dear Madam:

Receipt is acknowledged of form letter completed by you indicating that you stood in loco parentis to the late William Compton, but that you are unable to make the pilgrimage to his grave.

The only provision of the law under which anyone other than the mother or widow could be considered for this privilege is contained in section 4 (a) of the Act of March 2, 1929, which was amended May 15, 1930, to read in part as follows: "or any woman who stood in loco parentis to the deceased member of the military or naval forces for a period of not less than five years at any time prior to the soldier, sailor, or marine becoming eighteen years of age".

If, at any time you desire to make the pilgrimage during the summer months of 1931, 1932 or 1933, it is requested that you communicate with this office in order that your eligibility may be established.

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

Compton, William 1232-S

July 8, 1930.

Mrs. Minda Gross,
Swords Creek, Va.

Dear Madam:

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

This office has no record of any person entitled under the Act mentioned to make a pilgrimage to the cemeteries in Europe as the mother or widow of the above named deceased service man. To complete the list of eligibles and to assure that, if the above named man is survived by a mother or widow entitled to make a pilgrimage she receive an invitation to do so, it is requested you answer the following questions in the space provided on this letter and return to this office in the enclosed envelope which requires no postage.

1. Is the deceased survived by a mother?

If so, give her name and address:

*No has been dead about
15 years*

2. Is the deceased survived by a widow who has not remarried?

If so, give her name and address:

*No he was not married
at all*

3. Is the deceased survived by any woman who stood in loco parentis to him according to the terms of Section 4 (a) of the enclosed Act as amended?

If so, give her name and address:

*yes Mrs Minda Gross
Swords Creek, Va.*

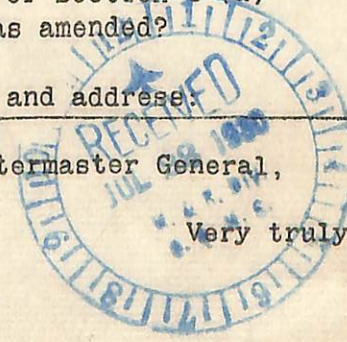
For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

Enclosures:
Envelope
Act
Amendment

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

*9 am of date to be filed
hoco. note on card*



WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

DATE January 16, 1930

NAME	RANK	SERIAL	ORGANIZATION	DATE OF DEATH
Compton, William	Pvt.	3642072	Co. K. 9th Inf.	Nov. 11, 1918

STATE	CTY. NO.	GRAVE	ROW	BLOCK
Virginia	1232	4	42	B

	<u>Check relationship</u>	<u>Living</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>Deceased</u>
	MOTHER	:	:	✓ :
	STEPMOTHER (For the year prior to commencement of service)	:	:	:
NAME	MOTHER THRU ADOPTION	:	:	:
AND	(For the year prior to commencement of service)	:	:	:
ADDRESS	MOTHER IN LOCO PARENTIS	:	:	:
	(For the year prior to commencement of service)	:	:	:
	WIDOW	:	:	:
	(Who has not remarried)	:	:	:

Single man

S.
Mrs. Minda Gross
Swords Creek
Va.

Veterans Bureau Claim Number C 113-194
29/156/

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WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C
Compton, William

28
June , 1929.

Mrs. Minnie Gross,
Swords Creek,
Va.

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 ^{sister of the} ~~these remains~~ late Pvt. William Compton, Co. K, 9th 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 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,

2 incls.
Act of Congress.
Envelope.

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

QM 293 A-M
Compton, William 1232-LP

July 24, 1930.

Mrs. Minda Cross,
Swords Creek, Va.

Dear Madam:

Receipt is acknowledged of form letter completed by you indicating that you stood in loco parentis to the late William Compton, but that you are unable to make the pilgrimage to his grave.

The only provision of the law under which anyone other than the mother or widow could be considered for this privilege is contained in section 4 (a) of the Act of March 2, 1929, which was amended May 15, 1930, to read in part as follows: "or any woman who stood in loco parentis to the deceased member of the military or naval forces for a period of not less than five years at any time prior to the soldier, sailor, or marine becoming eighteen years of age".

If, at any time you desire to make the pilgrimage during the summer months of 1931, 1932 or 1933, it is requested that you communicate with this office in order that your eligibility may be established.

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

Compton, William 1232-S

July 8, 1930.

Mrs. Minda Gross,
Swords Creek, Va.

Dear Madam:

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

This office has no record of any person entitled under the Act mentioned to make a pilgrimage to the cemeteries in Europe as the mother or widow of the above named deceased service man. To complete the list of eligibles and to assure that, if the above named man is survived by a mother or widow entitled to make a pilgrimage she receive an invitation to do so, it is requested you answer the following questions in the space provided on this letter and return to this office in the enclosed envelope which requires no postage.

1. Is the deceased survived by a mother?

If so, give her name and address:

2. Is the deceased survived by a widow who has not remarried?

If so, give her name and address:

3. Is the deceased survived by any woman who stood in loco parentis to him according to the terms of Section 4 (a) of the enclosed Act as amended?

If so, give her name and address:

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

Enclosures:
Envelope
Act
Amendment

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

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

Compton, William
1232

August 29, 1929,

Mrs. Minnie Gross,
Swords Creek,
Va.

Dear Madam:

The records of this office do not indicate that a reply has been received to our communication dated ^{June 28, 1929,} making inquiry concerning the name and address of the mother and widow of the deceased service man above named. These addresses are desired with a view to ascertaining the number of mothers and widows who desire to make a pilgrimage to the cemeteries of Europe in which the remains of their sons and husbands are interred.

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

Write answers in space below

1. Is the deceased survived by a widow who has not since remarried? If so, give her complete address:
2. If he is survived by a mother, stepmother, mother thru adoption, or any other woman who stood in loco parentis to him, according to the terms of Section 4 of the enclosed Act, give her name, address, and relationship in the space opposite.
3. If survived by a widow or mother does she desire to make the pilgrimage?

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

2 Incls.
Act of Congress
Envelope

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

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C
Compton, William

June 28, 1929.

Mrs. Minnie Gross,
Swords Creek,
Va.

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 **sister of the late Pvt. William Compton, Co. K, 9th 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 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,

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Envelope.

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

In reply refer to:
293.8 C-R

#77551.

January 4, 1923.

Mrs. Minnie Gross,
Swords Creek, Va.

Dear Madam:

The Quartermaster General desires that you be informed that
the permanent grave of

the late William Compton, Private, Company

K, 9th Infantry, is Grave 4, Block B, Row 42, Meuse-Argonne Amer-
ican Cemetery at Romagne-sous-Montfaucon, Department 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, organization, date of soldier's death and State
from which he came. The 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.

In effecting removal, the utmost care and reverence were
exactd and more than willingly accorded by those performing this
sacred duty. The grave of the deceased will be perpetually main-
tained by this Government in a manner befitting the last resting
place of our heroes.

Very truly yours,

MAILED

JAN 4 - 1923

H. J. Comer
Assistant.

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22/1281/ARK

G. R. S.

DATE 11/17/21

1. NAME Compton, William SERIAL No. 3642072

RANK Pvt. ORGANIZATION Co. K 9th Inf.

GRAVE LOCATION Sedan Amer. Letanne (Ardennes) NUMBER 1203
CTY. NAME

137 - Sec. 2 GRAVE ROW PLOT 3

2. ORIGINAL BATTLE AREA GRAVE LOCATION 34 Cem., SK 12. Edwards Beaumont Ardennes
GRAVE COMMUNE DEPT.

COORDINATES Mezieres No 24. SE E 306.31 N 306.69

CONCENTRATED TO 3/7/19 DATE GRAVE ROW PLOT 155 Sec 1 4

A. E. F. No. 1 Beaumont Ardennes CEMETERY (Sedan Amer city #1203 Letanne, Ardennes) CTY. NUMBER

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

Mezieres 24 SE. E 307.5 N 308.5

SUBSEQUENT REBURIALS 1/29/21. DATE GRAVE ROW PLOT CEMETERY 137 Sec 2 3 1203

data taken from form 15.a

DATE GRAVE ROW PLOT CEMETERY

SIGNATURE, AREA SUPERVISOR Wm Cline **Wm M. CLINE**
Captain Q.M.C.

3. FINAL GRAVE LOCATION 11/17/21 DATE GRAVE ROW PLOT 4 42 B

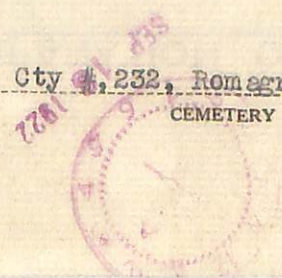
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Meuse-Argonne Amer. Cty #232, Romagne-sous-Montfaucon, Meuse. CEMETERY

SEB 12/1/22

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INSTRUCTIONS FOR PREPARATION OF FORM 114 B

1. Forms 114-B are to be prepared by Registration Branch in quadruplicate, three copies to be forwarded to Area Supervisor who will accomplish paragraph 2 and return all three copies to Headquarters, American Graves Registration Service.
2. Paragraphs 1 and 3 will be accomplished by Registration Branch, Headquarters, American Graves Registration Service, Q.M.C., in Europe.
3. Paragraph 2 will be accomplished by Area Supervisor from data on file in his office.
4. If data is entered on Form 114-B from Form 1, Form I6, Form 1-A or Form 16-A, statement to this effect will be made on Form 114-B STATING WHICH G.R.S. form data is taken from. If data concerning co-ordinates is approximate and NOT accurate, statement to this effect will be made on these forms.

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GRAVE LOCATION BLANK

LOCATION OF THE GRAVE OF

Compton, 3642072, William
(Surname) (Number) (First Name and Initials).

Priv. U. S. A.
(Rank) (Organization).

PLACE OF DEATH: *S. of Beaumont.*

CAUSE OF DEATH: *K. I. A.*

DATE OF BURIAL: *11/13/18*

PLACE OF BURIAL: *306.1-306.4*
(Give Cemetery, Town and Department). Map reference must specify clearly what map is used.

Buganey Special

GRAVE NUMBER: *#34-Plot #8*

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

IDENTIFICATION TAGS:

Was one buried with body? *yes*

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

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

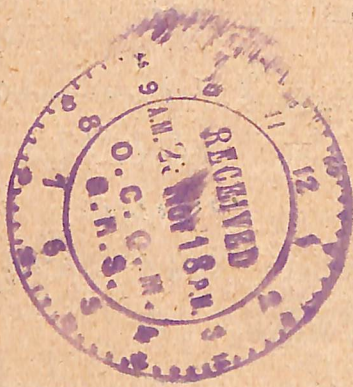
CMME Beaumont (Antennae)

NEAREST RELATIVE: *(052) SUIT 2486 COOR 16-306.1*

ADDRESS: *M-306.4*

RELATIONSHIP:

REPORTED BY:
Harwood Capt. 5th Marine
(Signature and Rank of Reporting Officer).



Communal List No. 521-412
Daily Report No. _____

COPY

77551

1. G. R. S. Form No. Hq. G. R. S. File
2. Soldier's No. 3642072
3. Compton William
Surname (in block letters) First Name and Initials
4. Pvt
Rank Company Regt. or Corps
5. K. I. A.
Date of Death Cause, if known
6. Nov 13, 1918 Sketch Edwards #1
Date of Burial Cemetery
7. Petite Foret Ferme Ardennes
Town or Commune (in block letters) Department
8. 34
Grave No. Plot No. or Letter
9. Name Peg? Cross? Headboard? Bottle?
Check Method of Marking
10. Buried with Body? Yes Attached to Grave Marker? Yes
Identification Tags
11. If name unknown and tags missing, give marks and description.

(861)
12. Mezieres S E #24 N 306.6 E 306.25
Map reference, if interment is outside of cemetery
13. Give name of Chaplain or Burial Officer
RBsk Signed Edwards
1527 Group E Unit E G. R. S.

Date 6th May, 1919

REPORT OF DISINTERMENT AND REBURIAL.

Remains of:

Name: COMPTON William
(Will)

Number: 3642072

Rank: Unkn

Organization:

Unkn

Disinterment and Reburial made by Group

Unit

Disinterred (Date)

From: (Give complete location)

7th March, 1919

Isolated Grave, BEAUMONT ARDENNES

24 SE E 306.31 N 306.69

Reburied (Date)

in: (Give complete location)

7th March, 1919

Grave No. 155 Sect. 1 Plot 4

American B/A Cemetery # 1203

LETTANNE ARDENNES 24 SE E 307.5 N 308.5

1203

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

Body badly decomposed. Buried very poor.

Was one identification tag found upon the body? No

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

CONFIRMED No D 11119

Note:

If upon disinterment, effects are found upon bodies, they will be promptly sent to the Effects Depot direct as is required by G.O. 170, G.H. 2, 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: Lt. Gove S Wright

R. H. ROSENTHAL

2nd Lieut. Q.M.G.U.S.A

C.O. Group Unit

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

NOV 23 1920

FROM: Chief, Graves Registration Service, Q. M. C.
To: Mrs. Minnie Gross, Swords Creek, Va.
SUBJECT: Remains of Pvt. William Compton, Ser. No. 3642072,
Co. K, 9th Inf.

The records of this office show that you have requested that his body no request has been made as to the disposition of his remains.

Remain in France

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

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

By authority of the Quartermaster General.

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

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

NAME OF—	NO. AND STREET.	TOWN.	STATE.
Was soldier married? Soldier's widow	<i>no</i>		
Soldier's children. (Name oldest first.)	1 <i>X</i>		
	2 <i>X</i>		
	3 <i>X</i>		
Father	<i>dead</i>		
Mother	<i>dead</i>		
Brothers. (Name oldest first.)	1 <i>none</i>		
	2		
	3		
Sisters. (Name oldest first.)	1 <i>Mrs. Minnie Gross</i>	<i>Swords Creek</i>	<i>Va</i>
	2		
	3		

*NOTED on 11/15
12-21-20*

Date *Dec. 7, 1920*

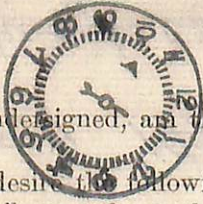
Signature *Mrs. Minnie Gross*

Address *Swords Creek Va*

Relationship *only sister*

IMPORTANT.—CAREFULLY read instructions before filling out this paper.

DEC 14 1920



GENERAL DINGEN

Dec. 7

1920.

I, the undersigned, am the Sister and nearest living relative of the within-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 Mrs Minnie Gross

INSTRUCTIONS FOR FILLING OUT.

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

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

3-7560

1303-13A CBN

Place Letame Beaumont

REPORT OF DISINTERMENT AND REBURIAL

Date September 2, 1921

1. REMAINS OF COMPTON, William SERIAL NUMBER 3642072

RANK pvt ORGANIZATION Co.K.9th Inf.

2. Disinterred (date): Sept. 2, 1921 From (give complete location): Grave 137, Section 2, Plot 3, Cemetery 1203

By: Group 2 Unit Field Section 3

3. Reburied (date): Nov. 17, 1921 In (give complete location): Mouse Argonne Cemetery #1232, Grave 4, Row 42, Block B.

By: Group Re-burial 3 Unit Nature of reburial Lined Casket

4. Report as to nature of original burial and condition of body upon disinterment: blanket and pine box See remarks

5. (a) Identification tags: Buried with body? yes On grave marker? yes
partly corroded

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

Bottle record found on body dated Jan. 29, 1921 signed J.P. Glandon 1st Lt QMC shows tag found on body and grave marker

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

(a) Height (actual measurement) Package intact body not disturbed

(b) Weight (estimated) Authority Operations Division

(c) Hair—Color AGRS QMC in E. Aug. 29, 1921.

Quantity

Characteristics

(d) Hair on face—Color

Location

Quantity

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

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

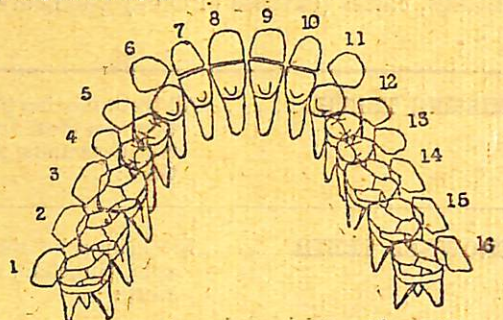
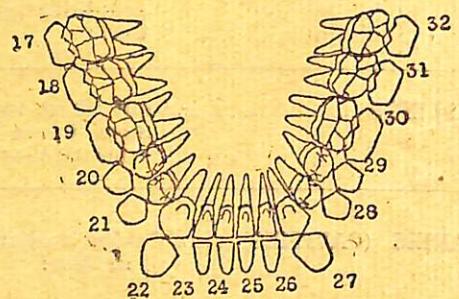


Diagram represents the mouth wide open.



7. Disinterment supervised by H.L. Hurlbut

Approved: Wm. H. Roach
(Title) 1st Lt QMC

8. Reburial supervised by A.U. Default
chr






Approved: James W. Younger
(Title) Captain, QMC

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To be prepared in triplicate.

DATE Sept 2nd 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 Compton, William

10. Name _____

2. No. 3642072

11. No. _____

3. Rank Pvt.

12. Rank _____

4. Org. Co. K 9th Inf

13. Org. _____

5. D.D. 11-11

14. (a) D.D. _____

6. C.D. KIA

(b) D.B. _____

Discrepancy found upon disinterment

7. Grave No. 137 Sec. 2

15. Grave No. _____ Sec. _____

8. Plot 3 Row _____

16. Plot _____ Row _____

9. _____

17. None.

18. Cemetery Sedan Amer.

19. Commune or town Letanne

20. Dept. or County Ardennes

21. Country France

22. G.R.S. Hdqrs. Code No. 1203

23. Disinterred (Date) Sept 2nd 1921. By H.L. Hurlbut

24. Inscription on grave marker:

Name William Compton

Serial No. _____

Rank Pvt.

Organization Co. K, 9th Inf.

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

S.I. Palmer
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).

See Par. 36.

27. Condition of body See Par. 36.

28. Nature of burial Blanket pine box.

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

30. Body prepared and placed in casket: Date Sept 2nd 1921 By H.L. Hurlbut

31. Casket sealed by H.L. Hurlbut

Signature of Embalmer, (Supervisor) H.L. Hurlbut

SHIPMENT. (Show actual marking of box.) Box No. C-4422

32. Designation of body:

Name Compton, William Serial No. 3642072

Rank Pvt Organization Co. K 9th Inf.

33. Consigned to: Officer in Charge Operations,
Name of Permanent Cemetery Argonne Amer. Cem. #1232 - Romagne-sous-Montfaucon

34. Casket boxed and marked (Date) Sept 2nd 1921. By H.L. Hurlbut

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 W.H. Roach, 1st Lt. Q.M.C.

36. Remarks Package intact body not disturbed Authority Letter
Operations Div. Dated August 29th 1921. Bottle record found with
body dated Jan 29, 1921, signed J.P. Glandon 1st Lt. Q.M.C. Shows
tag found on body partly corroded reading "3642072" and tag found
on grave marker.

37. Shipped from point of Operation: (Date) Sept 2nd 1921.

To point of Concentration Romagne sous Montfaucon

Convoyer [Signature] Signature Shipping Officer J.P. Glandon
(Name) Capt. Q.M.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 _____ Signature Shipping Officer _____
(Name)

40. Received: Date Sept 3, 1921

G.R.S. Representative [Signature]

41. Reinterred Meuse Argonne Cemetery #1232. Nov. 17, 1921.
(Date)

42. Grave No. 4 Section _____

43. ~~Photo~~ Block B. Row 42

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cbr

G.R.S. Representative [Signature]
James W. Younger
Captain, Q.M.C.

COMPILATION OF DISPOSITION OF REMAINS DATA

I. LOCATION INDEX CARD:

(a) Name COMPTON, William Ser. No. 3642072
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 (c) Date of death 11-11-18 (d) Cause of death K/A

TYP. ...
 CKR. ...

Handwritten notes:
 10/11/21 - in transit to
 France Argonne 1232
 P.P.W. - 10/27/21

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

(a) Grave No. 155 Row -- Plot 4 Sec. 1 TYP. ybb
 (b) Emerg. Address Mrs. Minnie Gross (sister) Swords Creek, Va.

III. Files of soldiers dying from contagious diseases _____ CKR. _____

IV. A. G. O. DISPOSITION CARD:

Handwritten: no card in file - BBR-9-28-20

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

Examiner's Initials _____ Date _____, 1920.

V. A. G. O. CORRESPONDENCE shows communication from _____
 _____, dated _____
 confirming request in Par. IV., item _____, above, or requesting that _____

Handwritten: no correspondence

Examiner's Initials BBR Date 9-28-, 1920.

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

Handwritten: no request for disposition

(a) Cancellation memos referred to? yes ES

Examiner's Initials ES Date 9-28, 1920.

COUNTRY FRANCE CEMETERY No. 1203 SHEET No. 147

Handwritten: OK. all 9-28-20

GENERAL DIVISION

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

Typed by _____, Checked by _____, 1920.

VIII. FINAL ACTION.

Following advice forwarded to Europe by { cable on _____, 1920
letter on 11-4-, 1920

Par 2 not to be returned. P/E

IX. CORRECTIONS

CHANGE OF ADVICE.	ACTION TAKEN.
Desires body be _____	DEC 29 1920
Body to be shipped to _____	RECEIVED GENERAL DIVISION U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

X. SUSPENSION REMARKS: *Form 120 dated Dec 7, '20 from Mrs. Minnie Bruce, Swords Creek, Va. sister, W.K., requests body remain in France.*

FORM 115 RETURNED BY HOBOKEN - BODY TO REMAIN IN EUROPE. DEC 27 1920

Place Letanne, Ardennes
Date 1/29/21

REPORT OF DISINTERMENT AND REBURIAL

1. REMAINS OF COMPTON, WILLIAM SERIAL NUMBER 3642072
RANK Pvt. ORGANIZATION Co. K., 9th Inf.

2. Disinterred (date): 1/29/21 From (give complete location):
Sedan Amer. City Letanne, Ardennes, #1203, Gr. 155, Sec. 1, Pl. 4

By: Group Van Mater Unit _____

3. Reburied (date): same In (give complete location):
same. City Gr. 137 Sec. 2. Pl. 3

By: Group Van Mater Unit _____ Nature of reburial Box & Blankets

4. Report as to nature of original burial and condition of body upon disinterment:
5 ft. Earthen grave Box Burial. U.S. Uniform Badly disintegrated features not capable of recognition

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

(b) Other means of identification found upon disinterment, and general remarks:
Tag on Body Reads "3642072"

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

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(b) Weight (estimated) Impossible to determine

(c) Hair—Color do

Quantity do

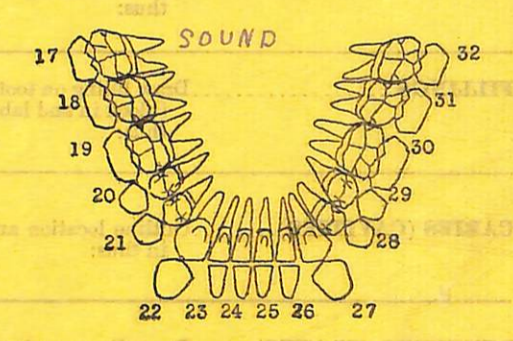
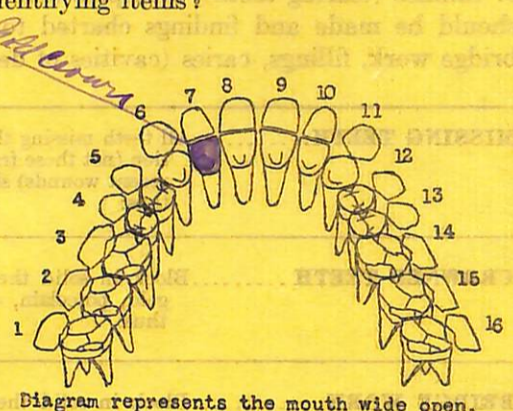
Characteristics do

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Location do

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No request for disposition R.S. 11-4-20

V. Following advice forwarded to Europe by (cable on 192) (letter of transmittal on 11-4 1920)

Par 2 not to be returned.

VI. Form 115 forwarded to G.R.S. Hoboken, N.J. NOV 15 1920 192

VII. SUPPLEMENTARY REQUESTS

Date of and Source	Relationship and name	Desires	Action taken

VIII. Form 115 received from G.R.S. Hoboken, N.J. DEC 30 1920 192

COUNTRY FRANCE CEMETERY NO. 1203 SHEET NO. 147
 G.R.S. FORM 115-A August 1920
 S-666/MB