

FEB 19 1922

DATE March 27, 1922.

1. NAME *John C.* Connell, John C

SERIAL No. 3206958

RANK Pvt

ORGANIZATION Co. C. 323rd Inf  
& DIVISION 81st

GRAVE LOCATION Amer. Cty. Senoncourt (Meuse)

607  
NUMBER

155 Sec. D  
GRAVE ROW

4  
PLOT

2. ORIGINAL BATTLE AREA GRAVE LOCATION Not known

GRAVE COMMUNE DEPT.

COORDINATES Nothing of record

CONCENTRATED TO Not known

DATE GRAVE ROW PLOT

CEMETERY CTY. NUMBER

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

DATE OF DEATH Nov 12, 1918

STATE FROM WHICH HE CAME ala

MEDALS OR DECORATIONS AWARDED none

SUBSEQUENT REBURIALS Nothing of record

DATE GRAVE ROW PLOT CEMETERY

DATE GRAVE ROW PLOT CEMETERY

SIGNATURE, AREA SUPERVISOR

*Wm M. Cline*

Wm M. CLINE  
Captain Q.M.C.

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3. FINAL GRAVE LOCATION March 27, 1922.

1 11  
GRAVE ROW

A  
PLOT  
Block

Meuse-Argonne American Cemetery #1232, Romagne-sous-Montfaucon (Meuse).

CEMETERY

AUDITED BY  
*M.M. E.*  
*3-5-22*  
FR

A.G.O.  
FEB 19 1922  
WORLD WAR DIV

MAR 30 1922

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.



*Repts in cc 33017088K10*  
**GRAVE LOCATION BLANK**

LOCATION OF THE GRAVE OF

Connell

3206958

John C.

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

Pvt.

Pvt. C,

323 Inf

(Rank).

(Organization).

PLACE OF DEATH: Evacuation Hospital #8  
Petit Maujouy, Meuse.

CAUSE OF DEATH: GSW Head

DATE OF BURIAL: Nov. 14, 1918.

PLACE OF DEATH:

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

American Cemetery 1½ K east of  
Senoncourt, Commune of Senoncourt,  
Meuse.

GRAVE NUMBER: 155 Section D

HOW MARKED: Name Peg? No Cross? Yes

Headboard? No Bottle? No

IDENTIFICATION TAGS:

Was one buried with body? Yes

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

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

NEAREST RELATIVE:

ADDRESS:

RELATIONSHIP:

REPORTED BY:

*Chas B Lore*  
CHAS. B. LORE

Capt. Q. M. C.  
(Signature and Rank of Reporting Officer).

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

CODE SLIP



HEADING	SUB-HEADING	NO. OF COLS	CODE
NAME <b>CONNELL</b>	<b>CON</b>	3	3 <sup>0</sup> 5 <sup>0</sup> 4
<b>John C.</b>	CEMETERY 1232	1	1
BURIED	GRAVE 1	2	01
	ROW 11	2	11
	BLOCK A	1	1
STATE	ala.	2	01
RANK	Pvt.	1	2
DIVISION	81	2	81
ORGANIZATION	323	3	323
ARM	Inf	1	1
MARTIAL	no	1	2
NAME <b>Connell</b>	<b>CON</b>	3	3 <sup>0</sup> 5 <sup>0</sup> 4
<b>Mrs. Mauliza</b>	STATE ala	2	01
RESIDENCE	COUNTY Pickens	2	54
<b>R.G.S. #1</b>	CITY Gordo	3	XXX
RELATION	Mother	1	<b>AUDITED</b> JAN 11 1982 Pm
OTHER		1	
ELIGIBILITY	yes	1	
NATIVITY		1	
RACE		1	
ENGLISH	yes	1	1
ATTENDANT		1	
HEALTH	Bad	1	2
NO. OF SONS		1	
DATE OF	MO.	1	
" TRIP	YR.	1	
ACCEPTANCE	no	1	2
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WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-M  
Connell, John C. (MA)

Sept. 7, 1932.

Mrs. Mariliza P. Connell  
RFD #1  
Gordo, Ala.

Dear Madam:

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

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

1. Do you desire to make a pilgrimage in 1933? (Answer "Yes" or "No")	<u>No</u>
2. Please state your age and condition of health:	Age: <u>56</u> Health: <u>Bad</u>
3. Do you speak English?	<u>Yes</u>
4. What other language do you speak?	<u>None</u>



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

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

Encl:  
Env.

My Heart is ~~Bad~~ Bad  
To try to go I have  
Had a lead An Parlice I dont  
go

WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-M

Connell John C (MA)

July 9 1932

Mrs Marilisa P Connell  
R F D #1  
Gordo Ala

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?

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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

Connell, John C. (M-A) M

Oct. 9, 1931

Mrs. Mariliza P. Connell,  
RFD #1,  
Gordo, Ala.

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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

Connell, John C. (M-A) M-

September 30, 1931

Mrs. Mariliza P. Connell,  
RFD #1,  
Gordo, Ala.

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?	<i>No</i>
2. Please state your age and condition of health:	Age: <i>66</i> Health: <i>Bad</i>
3. Do you speak English?	<i>yes</i>
4. What other language do you speak?	<i>None</i> <i>I speak French &amp; English</i> <i>His Blood Residue</i>

*Mariliza P. Connell*  
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

Connell, John C. Pvt (M-A) M-

July 13, 1931

Mrs. Mariliza P. Connell,  
R.F.D. #1,  
Gordo, Ala.

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  
Connell, John C. - 1232 M

June 7, 1930.

Mrs. Mariliza P. Connell,  
R F D # 1,  
Gordo, Ala.

Dear Madam:

Arrangements are now being made for conducting pilgrimages during the year 1931, to the cemeteries in Europe under the provisions of the Act of Congress of March 2, 1929.

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

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

This letter is being sent to all mothers and widows who are not making the pilgrimage in 1930, regardless of whether or not they have expressed a desire to make the pilgrimage.

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

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

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

WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

October 7, 1929.

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C  
Connell, John C. 1232 M.

Mrs. Mariliza P. Connell,  
R.F.D. #1,  
Gordo, Ala.

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) <i>No</i>
2. Do you desire to make the pilgrimage in the calendar year 1930?	(Yes)	(No) <i>No</i>
3. Have you at any time made a previous visit to the grave of the deceased member of the military or naval forces in whom you are interested?	(Yes)	(No) <i>No</i>
4. Please give your age and state of health.	Age <sup>64</sup> <sub>64</sub> (Years)	Health <i>Poor</i> (Good) (Poor)
5. What language do you speak?	English - (Yes) <i>yes</i> (No) Other language (Specify language spoken)	

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

Encl.  
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WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

Connell, John C.  
1232

August 30, 1929.

Mrs. Mariliza P. Connell,  
R. F. D. 1,  
Gordo, Ala.

Dear Madam:

The records of this office do not indicate that a reply has been received to our communication dated June 27, 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:

*Was not married*

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

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

*I will probably not attempt the trip myself.*

*Respt.  
Mrs. Mariliza P. Connell.*

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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



2 Incls.  
Act of Congress  
Envelope

WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

June 27, 1929.

Connell, John C.

Mrs. Mariliza P. Connell,  
R.F.D. 1,  
Gordo, Ala.

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 Pvt. John C. Connell, Co. C, 323rd 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 re-married 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.  
Envelope.

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

WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-M  
Connell, John C. (MA)

Sept. 7, 1932.

Mrs. Mariliza P. Connell  
RFD #1  
Gordo, Ala.

Dear Madam:

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

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

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

Sign here

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

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

Encl:  
Env.

WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-M

Connell John C (MA)

July 9 1932

Mrs Mariliza P Connell  
R F D #1  
Gordo Ala

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.

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

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

2 Encls.

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

(Write answer here)

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

WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-M

Connell, John C. (M-A) M

Oct. 9, 1931

Mrs. Mariliza P. Connell,  
RFD #1,  
Gordo, Ala.

vd

Dear Madam:

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

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

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

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

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WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-M

Connell, John C. (M-A) M-

September 30, 1931 ed

Mrs. Mariliza P. Connell,  
RFD #1,  
Gordo, Ala.

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?	
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.

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OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM-293-AM  
Connell, John C. Pvt (M-A) M-

July 13, 1931

Mrs. Mariliza P. Connell,  
R.F.D. #1,  
Gordo, Ala.

Dear Madam:

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

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

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

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

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

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

Write answer here

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Sign here

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JUL 21 1931  
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WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

Connell, John C. Pvt. (M-A) M

April 9, 1931.

Mrs. Mariliza P. Connell,  
R. F. D. #1,  
Gordo, Ala.  
Dear Madam:

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

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

1. Do you desire to make this pilgrimage?

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

3. Please give your age and state your health.

Age  
Condition of Health

4. Do you speak English?

5. What other language do you speak?

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

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Envelope  
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MAY 10 1931

Connell, John C. <sup>Q 293 A-M</sup> PVT 1252 M

October 13, 1930

Mrs. Mariliza P. Connell  
R F D #1  
Gordo, Alabama

Dear Madam:

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

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

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

For The Quartermaster General:

Very truly yours,

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

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WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C  
Connell, John C. - 1232 M

June 7, 1930.

Mrs. Mariliza P. Connell,  
R F D # 1,  
Gordo, Ala.

Dear Madam:

Arrangements are now being made for conducting pilgrimages during the year 1931, to the cemeteries in Europe under the provisions of the Act of Congress of March 2, 1929.

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

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

This letter is being sent to all mothers and widows who are not making the pilgrimage in 1930, regardless of whether or not they have expressed a desire to make the pilgrimage.

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

DO YOU DESIRE TO MAKE THE PILGRIMAGE DURING THE YEAR 1931? \_\_\_\_\_

(Write answer here)

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

WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

October 7, 1929.

Connell, John C. 1232 M.

Mrs. Mariliza P. Connell,  
R.F.D. #1,  
Gordo, Ala.

Dear Madam:

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

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

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

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

Encl.  
Act  
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

Connell, John C.  
1232

August 30, 1929.

Mrs. Mariliza P. Connell,  
R. F. D. 1,  
Gordo, Ala.

Dear Madam:

The records of this office do not indicate that a reply has been received to our communication dated June 27, 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

June 27, 1929.

Connell, John C.

Mrs. Mariliza P. Connell,  
R.F.D. 1,  
Gordo, Ala.

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 Pvt. John C. Connell, Co. C, 323rd 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 re-married 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,  
Major, Q. M. Corps,  
Assistant.

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In reply refer to: OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
293 C-R WASHINGTON

WAR DEPARTMENT

April 4, 1923.

Mrs. Marilza P. Connell,  
R.F.D #1  
Gordo, Ala.

Dear Madam:

The Quartermaster General desires that you be informed that the permanent grave of Pvt. John C. Connell, Co. C, 323d Infantry, is No. 1, Row 11, Block A, 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. 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 exacted and more than willingly accorded by those performing 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 ~~Central Mail & Files B7~~ soldiers.

Very truly yours,

H. J. Conner,  
Assistant.



APR 4 - 1923

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R

Connell

(Surname.)

John C.

(Christian name in full.)

3,206,958

(Army serial number.)

Private

John C. Co C 323 Inf

(Rank and organization.)

State your relationship to the deceased

Do you desire the remains brought to the United States?

(Yes or no.)

No. (over) Yes

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

(Yes or no.)

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

(Name of person to receive remains.)

(Express office.)

(Telegraph office.)

(Number and street.)

(City or town.)

(State.)

(Sign here)

(Number and street or rural route.)

(City, town, or post office.)

(State.)

Read carefully the letter accompanying this card.

Changed in accordance with  
wishes expressed in letter. See  
file 293.8 (Connell, John C.)  
11-25-19 a.c. 1-27

J. L. Connell father

M. L. P. Connell father

Wee Wee Hill Street

Drawn by Mrs S  
607-61

To yards aka RR  
between 1/24/21 & 1-24-21

Place SOMONCOURT, (Meuse).

# REPORT OF DISINTERMENT AND REBURIAL

Date November 10th, 1921.

1. REMAINS OF CONNELL, John C. SERIAL NUMBER 3206958  
RANK Pvt. ORGANIZATION Co. C., 323rd Inf.

2. Disinterred (date): Nov. 10, 1921. From (give complete location):  
Grave 155, Section D., Plot 4, Cemetery 607.

By: Group 2 Unit Field Section 3.

3. Reburied (date): \_\_\_\_\_ In (give complete location):  
Mch 27, 1922, Meuse Argonne Cty 1232, gr 1, bl A, row 11

By: Group \_\_\_\_\_ Reburial S Unit \_\_\_\_\_ Nature of reburial lined casket

4. Report as to nature of original burial and condition of body upon disinterment:  
Shroud. Badly decomposed; recognition impossible.

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

(b) Other means of identification found upon disinterment, and general remarks:  
No effects. Found under cross.

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

(a) Height (actual measurement) Impossible to determine

Not cut 17, 32.  
MAD. 25, 26.

(b) Weight (estimated) Impossible to estimate

(c) Hair—Color Apparently dark brown.

Quantity None

Characteristics None visible

(d) Hair on face—Color None visible

Location None visible

Quantity None

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

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

None visible

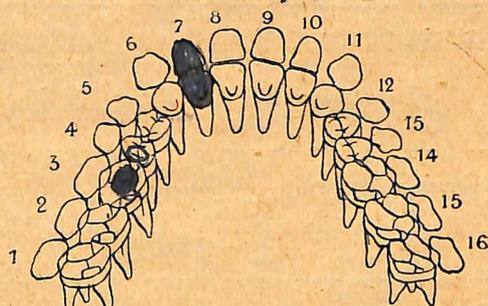
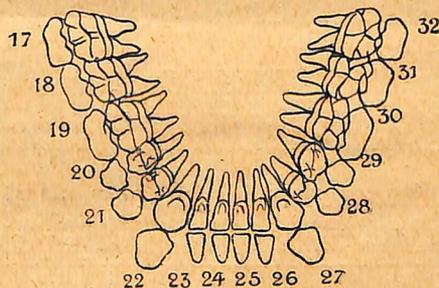


Diagram represents the mouth wide open  
MF.3. Cavity 4.



Gold crown 7.

7. Disinterment supervised by H.L. HURLBUT.

Approved: J.P. Glandon  
J.P. GLANDON, Capt. QMC.  
(Title)

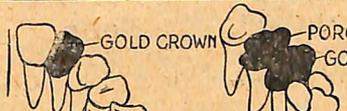
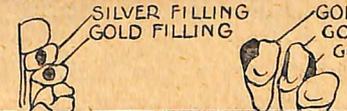
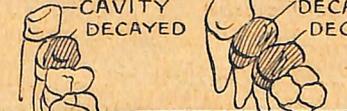
8. Reburial supervised by W.B. Heild

Approved: A.E. Dewey  
A.E. Dewey, 1st Lt, QMC.  
(Title)

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



*[Handwritten signature]*

To be prepared in triplicate.

DATE November 10-21

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 Connell, John C  
 2. No. 3206958  
 3. Rank Pvt  
 4. Org. Co.C.323rd Inf  
 5. D.D. Nov.12, 1918  
 6. C.D. DOW

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

Discrepancy found upon disinterment

7. Grave No. 155 Sec. D  
 8. Plot 4 Row \_\_\_\_\_  
 9. \_\_\_\_\_

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

18. Cemetery Amer.

19. Commune or town Senoncourt

20. Dept. or County Meuse

21. Country France

22. G.R.S. Hdqrs. Code No. 607

23. Disinterred (Date) Nov. 10-21

By H.L.Hurlbut

24. Inscription on grave marker:

Name John C. Connell

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

Rank Pvt.

Organization Co.C.323rd Inf.

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

S. I. Palmigiano  
 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).  
No effects.

27. Condition of body Badly decomposed recognition impossible.

28. Nature of burial Shroud. Found under cross.

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

30. Body prepared and placed in casket: Date November 10-21 By H.L.Hurlbut

31. Casket sealed by \_\_\_\_\_

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

AUDITED BY

SHIPMENT. (Show actual marking of box.)

Box No.

C-12988



Serial No.

3206958

32. Designation of body:

Name

Connell, John C

Rank

Pvt

Organization

Co. C. 323rd Inf

33. Consigned to: Officer in Charge Operations,

Name of Permanent Cemetery

Meuse Arg. Amer. Cty #1232 Romagne-sous-Montfaucon

34. Casket boxed and marked (Date) November 10-21

By H. L. Harbut

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

J. P. Gannon, Capt. QMC

36. Remarks

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

To point of Concentration Verdun, Meuse.,

Convoyer

James Flynn

Signature Shipping Officer

J. P. Gannon, Capt. QMC

38. Received at Railhead or Point of Concentration: Date

November 10-21

By G.R.S. Representative

H. L. Harbut, Capt. QMC

39. Shipped from Railhead or Point of Concentration: Date

Nov 22, 1921

To Permanent Cemetery

Meuse Argonne 1232

Convoyer

O. Seeliger

Signature Shipping Officer

R. Richards, 1st Lt. QMC

40. Received: Date

G.R.S. Representative

41. Reinterred

Meuse Argonne Cty 1232, Nov 27, 1922

(Date)

42. Grave No.

1

Section

43. Plot

Row

11

G.R.S. Representative

A. B. Dewey

A. B. Dewey, 1st Lt. QMC

COMPILATION OF DISPOSITION OF REMAINS DATA

I. LOCATION INDEX CARD:

File #59376

(a) Name CONNELL, John C. Ser. No. 3206958
(b) Rank Pvt. Organization Co. C, 323rd Inf.
(c) Date of death 11/12/18 (d) Cause of death DWRIA

TYP sh
CKR

Examined
for Centralization #1232
Mense - Argonne 1232
att 7/15/22

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

(a) Grave No. 155 Row - Plot 4 Sec. D TYP sh
(b) Emerg. Address Mrs. Meliza P. Vonnell, (Mother), RFD 1, Gordo, Ala.

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

IV. A. G. O. DISPOSITION CARD:

Date of receipt ---

(a) Name J. J. Connell & M. E. P. Connell (b) Relationship Parents
(c) Address Gordo - Ala
(d) Remains to be brought to U. S.? No (Recard - changed in acc. with letter, ac 1-27)
(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 MRS Date 1-24-21, 1920.

V. A. G. O. CORRESPONDENCE shows communication from Rep. W. S. Banker with letter from

J. J. + M. E. P. Connell, Gordo, Ala, dated 11-19-19 confirming request in Par. IV., item d, above, or requesting that (letter of 5-1-19 requested that he be buried in Nat. Cty)

Examiner's Initials MRS Date 1-24-21, 1920.

VI. G. R. S. FILES, CORRESPONDENCE—shows as follows: Mother Mary Lillian P. Connell

Gordo, Ala R#1, 1/12/19, desires details as to death of son

(a) Cancellation memos referred to? Yes PF

Examiner's Initials PF Date 1-24-21, 1920

COUNTRY France CEMETERY No. 607 SHEET No. 61

FEB 17 1921 A. L. CARDED

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 \_\_\_\_\_, 1920

RECEIVED

JAN 28 1921

COMMUNICATIONS SECTION

HOBOKEN, N. J. JAN 23 1921

Par. #2, Not To Be Returned

##

IX.

CORRECTIONS

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

X. SUSPENSION REMARKS:

*April 14, 1921 - 7#120, Mr. John J. Connell, Gordo, Ala. father, N.Y. desires body remain in Europe. H.6-10-11am*

Rank \_\_\_\_\_

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

On \_\_\_\_\_

Rank .....

Serial No. ....

Org. ....

Remarks

A. G. O. Card & Corr. *Stevens*

*1-24-21*

Discrepancies .....

Name .....

Rank .....

Serial No. ....

Org. ....

Remarks *E. O.*

G. R. S. Corr. ....

Discrepancies .....

Name .....

Rank .....

Serial No. ....

Org. ....

Remarks

*OK no 8 is sent 1-25-21*

Checkers .....

Discrepancies .....

Name .....

Rank .....

Serial No. ....

Org. ....

Remarks

*Checked  
1-25-21  
OMB*

July 27th, 1921.

File No. 295.8 Cem.Div.Cor.Br.

Re: John C. Connell, Pvt.  
Ser.No. 3206958, Co.  
C, 323rd Infantry.

Mr. John J. Connell,  
Gordo, Ala.

Dear Sir:

Your shipping inquiry dated April 14th, 1921, requesting that the remains of the deceased soldier named above be left in France for burial in a permanent American Cemetery has been forwarded to the Cemeterial Division, Office of the Quartermaster General, Washington, D.C., for necessary action.

The Cemeterial Division, Washington, D.C., will furnish you the grave location in the permanent American Cemetery as soon as possible after the body has been placed therein.

The Department desires to renew its previous expression of sympathy in your bereavement.

By authority of the Quartermaster General:

R. E. SHANNON,  
Captain, C.M. Corps,  
Officer in Charge.

BY:

F. C. PALLAS,  
Executive Assistant.

FF/LL



RECEIVED  
JUL 27 1921  
COR. BR. G. R. S.  
"MAILED"

NR  
ep  
Cp

WAR DEPARTMENT 607-61  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL OF THE ARMY  
CEMETERIAL DIVISION  
WASHINGTON.

FROM: Chief, Cemeterial Division, O.Q.M.G. APR 7 1921  
TO: Mr. J. J. Connell, Gordo, Ala.  
SUBJECT: Remains of Pvt. John C. Connell, Ser. No. 3206958, Co. C. 323 Inf.

The records of this office show that you have requested that the body of the above named

soldier remain in France.

ECS

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

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

By authority of the Quartermaster General.

GEO. H. PENROSE,  
Colonel, Q.M.C.

CEMETERIAL DIVISION

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 or not these relatives are STILL LIVING.

Was soldier married? no

APR 18 1921

NAME OF	NO. AND STREET	TOWN	STATE
Soldier's widow <u>none</u>			
1 <u>none</u>			
Soldier's children (Name oldest first) 2 <u>none</u>			
3 <u>none</u>			
Father <u>John J. Connell</u>		<u>Gordo</u>	<u>Ala</u>
Mother <u>Mariliza P. Connell</u>		"	"
1 <u>Sam Connell</u>		"	"
Brothers, (Name oldest first) 2 <u>Valens</u> "		"	"
3			
1 <u>Lula Connell</u>		"	"
Sisters, (Name oldest first) 2 <u>Lida</u> "		"	"
3 <u>Maudie</u> "		"	"

*Filed 7-11-21  
H. B. 10-21*

Date Gordo Ala 4-14-21 Signature John J. Connell  
Address \_\_\_\_\_ Relationship Father

Important - CAREFULLY read instructions before filling out this paper

I, the undersigned, am the Father and nearest living next of kin of  
 (Relationship)  
 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

*John J. Corneil*

INSTRUCTIONS FOR FILLING OUT.

1. If definite instructions for the disposition of a body are not received from the next of kin 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 next of kin 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 next of kin, please ask the nearest next of kin, if living near you, to fill out this paper.
7. If YOU are not the nearest living next of kin 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.

Note:-INSTRUCTIONS FOR THE DISPOSITION OF REMAINS will be issued by this office upon the properly executed authority of the legal next of kin in each case. The widow is the first person having disposition of the remains of her husband. Should there be no widow or children, the father and, in turn (upon his decease), the mother, is the proper authority. The brothers, in order of seniority, and then the sisters in order of seniority, if there are no brothers, rank next in authority to decide. Under an opinion rendered by the Judge Advocate General of the Army, if a widow has remarried she forfeits her right, and the next of kin as given above will make decision.

COMPILATION OF DISPOSITION OF REMAINS DATA

Ser Form 115  
 Off 2/10/22

I. LOCATION INDEX CARD:

File #59376

(a) Name.....**CONNELL, John C.**..... Ser. No. .... **3206958** TYP. ....

(b) Rank..... **Pvt.**..... Organization ..... **Co. C, 323rd Inf.**.....

(c) Date of death..... **11/12/18**..... Cause of death ..... **DWARIA**.....

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

(a) Grave No. .... **155** ..... Plot ..... **4** ..... Sect. .... **D** ..... TYP. ....

(b) Emerg. Address ..... **Mrs. Meliza P. Vonnell, (Mother), RFD 1, Gordo, Ala.**.....

III. Files of soldiers dying from contagious diseases

IV. Information on which advice to Europe in letter of transmittal was based:

*A loc Card: J. J. Connell & M. E. P. Connell, Parents, Gordo, Ala., desire body to remain in France. (H.S. 2, 11-71)*

V. Following advice forwarded to Europe by - (cable on ..... **JAN 23 1921** .....  
 (letter of transmittal on .....)

Par. #2, Not to Be Returned HA

VI. Form 115 forwarded to G.R.S. Hoboken, N.J. .... **FEB 21 1921** ..... 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. .... 192.....

CEMETERY NO.

SHEET NO.

COUNTRY  
 G.R.S. FORM 115-A  
 August, 1920

8-556/MB France

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# GRAVE LOCATION BANK

LOCATION OF THE GRAVE OF

**Connell**

**3206958**

**John C.**

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

**Pvt.**

**Pvt. C.**

**323 Inf.**

(Rank). (Organization).

PLACE OF DEATH:

**Evacuation Hospital #8  
Petit Maujoy, Meuse.**

CAUSE OF DEATH:

**GSW Head**

DATE OF BURIAL:

**Nov. 14, 1918.**

PLACE OF BURIAL:

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

**American Cemetery 1 1/2 K east of  
Senoncourt, Commune of Senoncourt,  
Meuse.**

GRAVE NUMBER:

**155 Section B**

HOW MARKED:

Name Peg? **No** Cross? **Yes**  
Headboard? **No** Bottle? **No**

IDENTIFICATION TAGS:

Was one buried with body? **Yes**

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

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

**607**

NEAREST RELATIVE:

ADDRESS:

RELATIONSHIP:

REPORTED BY:

*Chas B Lore*

**CHAS. B. LORE**

(Signature and Rank of Reporting Officer).

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



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# GRAVE LOCATION BLANK

LOCATION OF THE GRAVE OF

**Connell** ..... **3206958** ..... **John C.** .....  
(Surname). (Number). (First Name and Initials).

**Pvt.** ..... **Co. C,** ..... **323 Inf** .....  
(Rank). (Organization).

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DATE OF BURIAL: **Nov. 14, 1918.**

PLACE OF BURIAL: .....

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

**American Cemetery 1 1/2 K east of**  
**Senoncourt, Commune of**  
**Senoncourt, Meuse.**

GRAVE NUMBER: **155 Section D**

HOW MARKED: Name Peg? **No** ..... Cross? **Yes** .....

Headboard? **No** ..... Bottle? **No** .....

IDENTIFICATION TAGS:

Was one buried with body? **Yes**

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

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

NEAREST RELATIVE: .....

ADDRESS: .....

RELATIONSHIP: .....

REPORTED BY: **C. J. McCarthy**  
**Chaplain C. J. McCarthy**  
**Evacuation Hospital #8 AEF**  
(Signature and Rank of Reporting Officer).



Adjustment Made

25-21

JAN 27 1921

Mr. Wilson:

File No. ....

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Counell, John C.

3206958 Pot.

Co. C. 323rd Inf.

Ed: - Mrs. Meliza P.  
Counell

Make adjustment

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AMERICAN EXPEDITIONARY FORCES  
HEADQUARTERS SERVICES OF SUPPLY  
OFFICE OF THE CHIEF QUARTERMASTER, A. E. F.  
GRAVES REGISTRATION SERVICE  
FRANCE

May 27 1919.

Burial information for the American Red Cross.  
- - - - -

Soldier's name : CONNELL, John C.

Rank : Private

Organization : Co. C. 325 Inf. American E.F.

Date of Death : November 12th 1918.

Place of Burial : Grave No. 115, Section D.  
American Military Cemetery,  
at SENONGCOURT, Department of MEUSE.

Reference number : 59376.

(All communications regarding this Grave location should quote the above reference number and be addressed to : -

Chief, Graves Registration Service  
Headquarters Service of Supply  
Office of the Chief Quartermaster  
American E. F.  
France.)

Home Communication Section  
American Red Cross  
Paris.

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

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AMERICAN EXPEDITIOARY FORCES  
HEADQUARTERS SERVICES OF SUPPLY  
OFFICE OF THE CHIEF QUARTERMASTER, A.E.F.  
GRAVES REGISTRATION SERVICE.

Reference-59376,

March 27, 1919.

FROM: Chief, Graves Registration Service, American E.F.  
TO : Mrs. Meliza P. Connell, R.F.D. No. 1, Gordo, Alabama.  
SUBJECT: Private John C. Connell, Co. C, 323rd Infantry, AM. E.F.

1. In reply to your letter of inquiry, with reference to the regretted death of this soldier, according to the records at these headquarters he is buried in Grave No. 155, Section D, American Military Cemetery at SENONCOURT, Department of the MEUSE.

2. The records here further show that Private Connell died on November 12, 1918, from wounds received in action.

By direction

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

(Enclosures-G.R.S.:)  
(10-B, .004.5)

MBD-dn

Per MAURICE B. DIX  
Captain, American Red Cross  
Representative assigned to  
Graves Registration Service.

TO:- REGISTRATION BRANCH, G.R.S.

FILE NUMBER 59376

FROM:-

*A. R. E.*

DATE:

*3/21/19*

Please furnish information as indicated below regarding the following soldier:

NAME

*CONNELL JOHN C.*

NUMBER

RANK

*PVT.*

ORGANIZATION

*Co. C, 323 INF.*

NO.	QUESTION	REPLY
1.	Do particulars of soldier given above agree with Records?	1.-John C. Connell #3206958, Pvt. Co. C 323rd., Infantry
2.	Date of Death.	2.-11-12-18
3.	Cause and place of death.	3.-W/A
4.	Number of Casualty Cablegram.	4.-CC#330
5.	Date buried.	5.-11-14-18
6.	Grave Location. (a) Complete record required. (b) Name of Cemetery or Commune only required.	6.-Cty. 607 Amer Senoncourt, Meuse. Grave No. 155 Sec-D <i>⑦ Chas. B. Love Capt. 2. M. C.</i>
7.	Who reported burial?	
8.	Has report been confirmed by G.R.S.?	<i>⑧ Yes</i>
9.	Report as to Grave Marker.	9.-Cross
10.	Report as to Identification Tags.	10.-1 Tag buried with body 1 Tag attached to grave marker.
11.	Who is nearest relative?	
12.	Has N/R been notified?	11.-Mrs. Meliza P. Connell (Mother) RFD#1, Gordo, Ala.
13.	Report the exact position of your inquiry on this case. (Reply in all cases if no information on record)	12.-Yes 12-16-18
14.	What is the Photograph No.?	B.

N.B. All Proper names to be printed in PLAIN BLOCK LETTERS.

**FILE**

*22* **MA 1919**

AMERICAN RED CROSS

INTER-OFFICE LETTER

From Bureau of Home Communication,

Date 28 February, 1919.

Ref. 34863.

To Capt. M. B. Dix, A.R.C. Graves Registration Service, A.P.O. 717.

Subject: Pvt. CONNELL, John C., Co. C, 323d Infantry.

Reported died of wounds. Location of grave is requested by  
Washington.

*JEM*  
Bureau of Home Communication.

EM-St



7/11/19

Yards also January

Chief Graves Register

Summary of Supplies

A P C 717 American

L F France in R C

83205 My Dear Sir

I wish to know as to  
How My Boy Was Killed  
Parent John C Connell

Co A 323 inf if you can

give me every ~~of~~ explanation

Will you please do so

I will pay you for your

trouble

My Name  
Marylisair Pennell  
Gordo da R 1



1. G. R. S. Form No. 1.

Hq. G. R. S. File

2. Soldier's No.

3206908

3. CONNELL - JOHN - C.

Surname (in block letters) First Name and Initials

4. Pvt C. 323 Inf.

Rank

Company

Regt. or Corps

5. 11-12-18

Date of Death

Cause, if known

6. 11-14-18 Am. Military

Date of Burial

Cemetery

7. SENONCOURT. MEUSE

Town or Commune (in block letters) Department

8. 155 Plat H Sec D.

Grave No.

Plot No. or Letter

9. Name Peg?  Cross?  Headboard?  Bottle?

Check Method of Marking

Buried with Body?  Attached to Grave Marker?

Identification Tags

11. If name unknown and tags missing, give marks and description.

12. Map Reference, if interment is outside of cemetery

Map Reference, if interment is outside of cemetery

13. Give name of Chaplain or Burial Officer

Give name of Chaplain or Burial Officer

Signed

Sgt. S. G. Roberts

Group ..... Unit 301 G. R. S.



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AM 14 Déc 18 P.M.

C.C.Q.M.

G.R.S.

Mo Card  
59376

TO:- REGISTRATION BRANCH, G.R.S.

FILE NUMBER

FROM:- A.R.C.

DATE: 2/11/19.

Please furnish information as indicated below regarding the following soldier::

NAME: CORRNELL, JOHN C. NUMBER:

RANK: PVT. ORGANIZATION: C.O., 323 INF.

NO.	QUESTION	REPLY
1.	Do particulars of soldier given above agree with Records?	① Connell, 3206950 John C. yes.
2.	Date of Death.	② 11-12-18
3.	Cause and place of death.	③ w/a.
4.	Number of Casualty Cablogram.	④ # 330
5.	Date buried.	⑤ 11-14-18
6.	Grave Location. (a) Complete record required. (b) Name of Cemetery or Commune only required.	⑥ City # 607 # Gr. no 155 Sec. D. City Armer. Senoncourt (meuse)
7.	Who reported burial.	⑦ Chas. B. Love, Capt. Am.E.
8.	Has report been confirmed by G.R.S.	⑧ yes.
9.	Report as to Grave Marker.	⑨ cross
10.	Report as to Identification Tags.	⑩ one with body, one on grave marker.
11.	Who is nearest relative?	⑪ Mrs. Meliza P. Connell
12.	Has N/R been notified? (Give Date)	⑫ RFD # Gordo. Ala. (mother)
13.	Report the exact position of your inquiry on this case. (Reply in all cases if no information on record)	⑬ 12/16/18 yes.
14.	What is the Photograph No?:	

N.B. All Proper names to be printed in PLAIN BLOCK LETTERS.

3-3-19

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Drawn by mvd

607-61

1-24-21

checked 1-24-21 mvd

W. B. BANKHEAD  
10TH DIST. ALA. MA

House of Representatives U. S.  
Washington, D. C.

#  
59376

November 22nd, 1919

The Adjutant General,  
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:-

I beg to enclose a letter herein from Mr. J. J. Connell and Mrs. Mary E. Connell advising that they have decided not to request the return of the body of their son, John C. Connell, who is buried in France. I would thank you to file their letter with the other papers in connection with this case.

Yours very truly,

*W. B. Bankhead*

*Enc. 1*

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17 REC'D RECORDS BR. A. G. O. NOV 24 1919

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11-25-19*

*W. B. Bankhead*  
*293.8 Connell, John C.*  
*W. B.*

Gado aew for the 19) 1919  
Mr William Barkhead  
I have decided to get my  
Boy John & Corneil Badley  
Remain in France I did think  
I have him brought back I  
have decided not have it done  
As it bins this long so please  
Notify the Department that to  
Send him John & Corneil  
And Mary Eliza Passin Corneil

Will you kindly see to  
this if pleas

AD  
12/30  
ac-1-217

293.8 (Connell, John C.) DR

November 25, 1919.

Hon. W. B. Bankhead,  
House of Representatives.

Dear Sir:

I beg to acknowledge receipt of your letter of November 22nd, inclosing one from Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Connell, Gordo, Alabama, in which they express a desire to have the body of their son, John C. Connell, left overseas, and to advise you that their present wishes have been properly recorded.

Very respectfully,

P. C. Harris  
Per

The Adjutant General

Per

file  
ac 1-217  
11-25-19

House of Representatives U. S.  
Washington, D. C.

May 5th, 1919

The Adjutant General,  
Washington, D. C.  
Dear Sir:-

I beg to enclose herein a letter from  
Mr. J. J. Connell, of Gordo, Alabama, which is  
self explanatory.

Yours very truly,

*W B Bankhead*

REC'D  
ENLARGED DIVISION  
MAY 7 1919  
A. G. O.  
*Watt*

4 Received A G O MAY 7 1919

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*Connell John R*  
*R. P. F. X 032 REVIEW*

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HANNEY WATT

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Yards

May the 1 1919

Mr Will Bankhead  
I want you to get  
Nurse to the War Depart  
ment & Bout My Boy  
Boddie's Nativity then  
to send him home  
After studying of it  
I want him put in  
the government grade  
yards I will be better  
satisfied the boys  
have

J. L. C.   
Barrell  
Inc 1920  
ple

Hee belongs to

No C 323 Exp

Hee ~~is~~ Died Nov the

12) Was Wounded on

the 11) of Nov say 5'

Wish you to get them

Ward to Put him in

the Government grave

yard if you please

Yours truly

J J Carnell and

Melissais Pearson

Carnell

293.8 Connell, John C.) Enl.

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May 8, 1919.

Honorable W. B. Bankhead,  
House of Representatives.

Dear Sir:

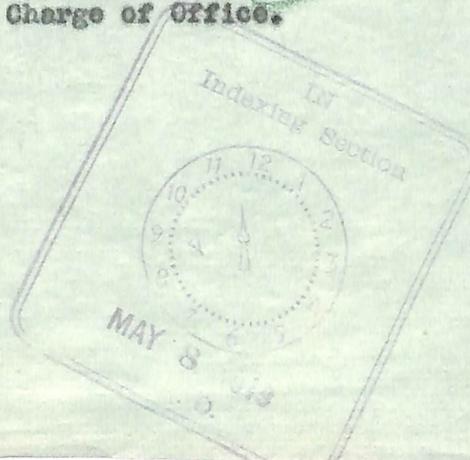
I have the honor to acknowledge receipt of your communication of May 5th, with which was inclosed a letter from Mr. J. J. Connell, of Gordo, Alabama, relative to the disposition of the body of his son, late Private John C. Connell. In response you are informed that an application blank, such as is used by the Department in obtaining an expression of the desires of relatives of our deceased soldiers, is this day being mailed to Mr. Connell.

Very respectfully yours,

J. T. Kern.

Adjutant General  
In Charge of Office.

File 1-8-19  
KSS-63



293.8 (Connell, John C.) Enl.

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May 8, 1919.

Mr. & Mrs. J. J. Connell,  
Gordo, Alabama.

Dear Sir & Madam:

This office is in receipt of a letter from Honorable W. B. Bankhead, with which was inclosed a letter from you in which you state that you wish to have the body of your son, late Private John C. Connell buried in a National Cemetery. The card that you filled out and returned to this office is herewith returned and a new card is also being sent, so that you may fill it out according to your latest wishes in the matter.

It is desired to express to you the deep sympathy of the Department on account of the loss you have sustained, and to commend you for the great sacrifice and contribution you have made to the cause for which your son gave his life.

Very respectfully yours,

*W. V. Carter.*  
The Adjutant General.

Per

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