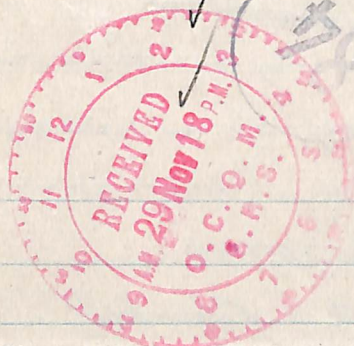




Eng. 626.

"WITH THE COLORS"



1-10-19.

17/047

Pvt. Richard A. Plunkett.
% Maj. J. L. Buchanan
A.P.O. 780

To. Graves Registration Service

In Re. Deceased Relative

I Sgt. Chas. Connolly, Co. I 165 inf. 42nd.
Div. A.E.F. Killed or wounded in action, date
Unknown at or near Chateau Thierry,
France. Official reported by Washing-
ton as being amongst the dead.

I claim a first cousin of his and upon
his mother's request am writing in the
hope that you will oblige me if
within your power the place and
grave number of his resting place
so that I may pay the family respect
to his remains and to be able to console
a widowed mother with the news
that his body is resting in a good box

so she can be sure of receiving his
remains when it will be permissible
for his return.

Thanking you in advance
for any kind courtesy you may
show us in this matter I remain

Respectfully yours.

Dr. Richard A. Plunkett.

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To The A. G. O.

G.R.S. Form #114-B

JAN 7 - 1926

1541

FULL NAME CONNOLLY, Charles A. *Selling*

RANK Sergeant SERIAL 90974

DIVISION & ORGANIZATION Company I, 165th Infantry

DATE OF DEATH *DIV. 42*
July 29, 1918

STATE FROM WHICH HE CAME *N.Y.*

MEDALS OR DECORATIONS AWARDED. *none*

FINAL GRAVE LOCATION
Date Grave Row Block

608
Cemetery

File
GR
2-14-29

A. G. O.
JAN 7 1926
WAR DIV.

INDEXED BY
JAN 8 - 1926

*Mother +
not married*
23/306/ARK

REGALD OF DECORATIONS
FINAL GRAVE LOCATION
STATE FROM WHICH HE CAME
DATE OF DEATH
DIVISION & ORGANIZATION
NAME
SERIAL
FULL NAME
CAMP NO. 1111

1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12

JAN 9 26
M. & R. BRANCH
O. Q. M. G.

Co I, 165th Infantry.
42nd Division.

Connolly, Charles.-Sgt. 90974.
Home. no address given.....

Soldier was killed on July 28th, 1918. after crossing the river Ourq. There were no eyewitnesses who saw soldier killed.

Soldier is buried S.E. of Meurcy Farm.

No informant given.....

Not signed.....



Place Seranges-et-Nesles

REPORT OF DISINTERMENT AND REBURIAL

Date Apr. 12/21

1. REMAINS OF CONNOLLY CHARLES A. SERIAL NUMBER 90974
 RANK Sgt. ORGANIZATION Co. I, 165th Inf.

2. Disinterred (date): Apr. 12/21. From (give complete location): Seranges-et-Nesles Amer. Cty. #608, Gr. 115-M-3

By: Group Howell Unit _____

3. Reburied (date): Same date In (give complete location): Same cemetery Gr. 75-M-3

By: Group Howell Unit _____ Nature of reburial Box & burlap

4. Report as to nature of original burial and condition of body upon disinterment:
5 ft. earthen grave, U S uniform and burlap, disintegrated, unrecognizable

5. (a) Identification tags: Buried with body? Yes(2) corroded On grave marker? Yes

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

2 tags on body corroded beyond recognition, tag on grave marker reads "Cpl."

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

(a) Height (actual measurement) Impossible to determine

(b) Weight (estimated) _____

(c) Hair—Color _____

Quantity _____

Characteristics _____

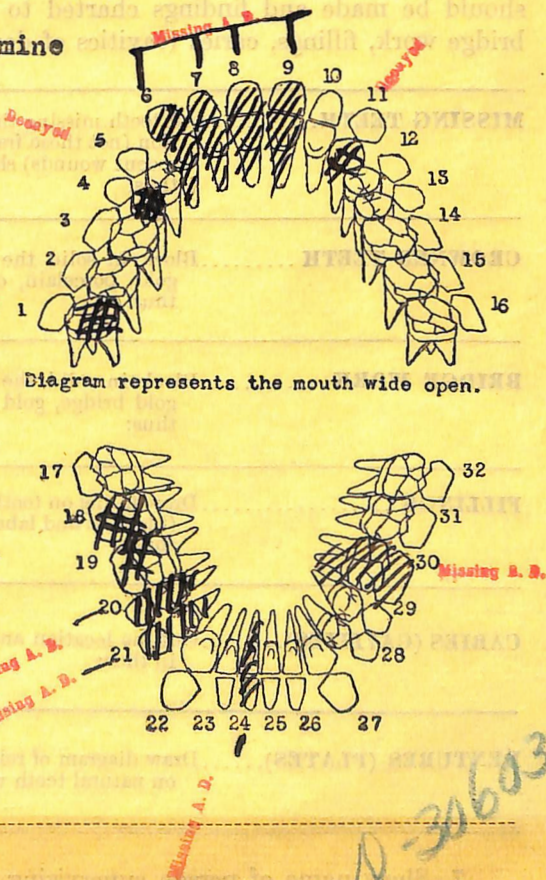
(d) Hair on face—Color _____

Location _____

Quantity _____

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

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



7. Disinterment supervised by W C Hurst, 2nd Lt. QMC.

Approved: A B Proctor, Capt. QMC.
(Title) Master of Section

8. Reburial supervised by W C Hurst, 2nd Lt. QMC.






Approved: A B Proctor, Capt. QMC.
(Title) Master of Section

D-30603

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

Enter information, as noted below, on reverse side of sheet in the *corresponding numbered space*. This form is supplemental to and is to be forwarded with G. R. S. Form 1-a, reporting reburial locations. To be used in answer to Question 26, Form 114, in case no means of identification on body.

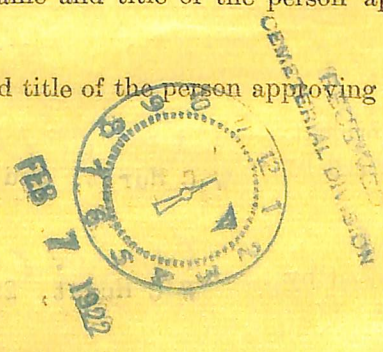
1. Show soldier's name, serial number, rank and organization, and by whom disinterred and reburied.
2. Give date and accurate information as to location from which the body was disinterred and the group and unit which made disinterment.
3. Give date and accurate information as to location of reburial and the group and unit which made reburial, and how reburial was made—in casket, wooden box, etc.
4. State to what degree decomposition has progressed, whether recognition is possible, and how the body was originally buried—in a casket, box, burlap, etc. This statement should be as complete as possible.
5. (a) State whether identification tags were found buried with body and on grave marker by reporting "Yes" or "No."
 (b) State whether or not body appears to have been a hospital case. Were any identifying articles found in or on body or grave? List any personal effects, letters, money-order receipts, and the like found on body or in grave. Give any and all information which it is thought might be of use in identifying the body, other than that tabulated under Item No. 6.
6. Give all information as to body description and dental chart as nearly correctly as the condition of the body will allow. Items (e) and (f) under the body description are very important and should be very complete. The dental chart is also very important and should be filled in with great care. There are 32 teeth to be accounted for, as shown by the numbers on the chart. Beginning at the middle line in both upper and lower jaws, the teeth are arranged symmetrically on either side and classed as incisors (cutting teeth), cuspids or canines (tearing teeth), bicuspids (chewing teeth), and molars (principal chewing teeth). An examination should be made and findings charted to cover the following basic conditions: Lost teeth, crowned teeth, bridge work, fillings, caries (cavities of decay), dentures (plates), and any deformity of jaws found.

| | | |
|--------------------------------|--|--|
| MISSING TEETH | All teeth missing through previous extraction (not those fractured or displaced by recent wounds) should be scratched out, thus: |  |
| CROWNED TEETH | Block in solid the crown of tooth (label gold, porcelain, or gold and porcelain), thus: |  |
| BRIDGE WORK | Block in solid the crown of tooth (label gold bridge, gold and porcelain bridge), thus: |  |
| FILLINGS | Draw filling on tooth accurately as possible (block in and label gold, silver, cement), thus: |  |
| CARIES (CAVITIES) | Outline location and size of cavity, shade in thus: |  |

DENTURES (PLATES)..... Draw diagram of relative size and shape of plate, block in teeth attached and indicate retaining clasps on natural teeth with the word "clasp."

7. Show name of person supervising the disinterment and the name and title of the person approving same.

8. Show name of person supervising the reburial and the name and title of the person approving same.



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

FILE NUMBER

FROM:-

DATE

Please furnish information as indicated below regarding the following soldier:

NAME *CONNOLLY - CHAS. A.* NUMBER

RANK *S.G.T.* ORGANIZATION

Coi I, 165th INF.

| NO. | QUESTION | REPLY |
|-----|---|-------|
| 11. | Do particulars of soldier given above agree with Records? | |
| 2. | Date of Death. | |
| 3. | Cause and place of death. | |
| 4. | Number of Casualty Cablegram. | |
| 5. | Date buried. | |
| 6. | Grave Location. | |
| | (a) Complete record required. | |
| | (b) Name of Cemetery or Commune only required. | |
| 7. | Who reported burial? | |
| 8. | Has report been confirmed by G.R.S.? | |
| 9. | Report as to Grave Marker. | |
| 10. | Report as to Identification Tags. | |
| 11. | Who is nearest relative? | |
| 12. | Has N/R been notified? (Give Date) | |
| 13. | Report the exact position of your inquiry on this case. (Reply in all cases if no information on record) | |
| 14. | What is the Photograph No? | |

File

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

AMERICAN

YMCA

ACTIVE SERVICE

WITH THE

AMERICAN EXPEDITIONARY FORCE

Jan 28,

1919

Gentlemen,

Could you give me
the location of the grave of Sgt
Chas. A. Donnelly Company G
165th Infantry who was
killed in action at
Chateau Thierry July
Twenty eight and
oblige me.

Private Class

Chas. A. Donnelly

Battalion E. 308th A.

A. P. O 755



CODE SLIP



| HEADING | SUB HEADING | NO. OF COLS | CODE |
|----------------------|----------------------------|-------------|-------------|
| NAME <i>Connolly</i> | <i>CON</i> | 5 | <i>3540</i> |
| BURIED | CEMETERY <i>1008</i> | 1 | |
| | GRAVE <i>3</i> | 2 | <i>03</i> |
| | ROW <i>4</i> | 2 | <i>04</i> |
| | BLOCK <i>B</i> | 1 | <i>2</i> |
| STATE | <i>ny</i> | 2 | <i>37</i> |
| RANK | <i>1st</i> | 1 | <i>9</i> |
| DIVISION | <i>42</i> | 2 | <i>42</i> |
| ORGANIZATION | <i>165</i> | 3 | <i>165</i> |
| ARM | <i>Inf</i> | 1 | <i>1</i> |
| MARITAL | <i>no</i> | 1 | <i>2</i> |
| NAME <i>Connolly</i> | <i>CON</i> | 3 | <i>3549</i> |
| RESIDENCE <i>G.</i> | STATE <i>ny</i> | 2 | <i>37</i> |
| | COUNTY <i>Dutchess</i> | 2 | <i>41</i> |
| | CITY <i>Wardville (LI)</i> | 3 | <i>101</i> |
| RELATION | <i>Mother</i> | 1 | <i>1</i> |
| OTHER | | 1 | |
| ELIGIBILITY | <i>yes</i> | 1 | <i>1</i> |
| NATIVITY | | 1 | |
| RACE | | 1 | |
| ENGLISH | <i>yes</i> | 1 | <i>1</i> |
| ATTENDANT | | 1 | |
| HEALTH | <i>Good</i> | 1 | <i>1</i> |
| NO. OF SONS | | 1 | |
| DATE OF TRIP | NO. YR. <i>1930</i> | 1 | <i>1</i> |
| ACCEPTANCE | <i>Yes</i> | 1 | <i>67</i> |

25/1930

Good

Audited
OCT 9 1931
ad

Party "I" - Itinerary - Oise-Aisne Group

Sailed June 25, 1930 on SS REPUBLIC. Capt. F. M. Child and Lt. G. E. Young in charge. Arrived Cherbourg 10.30 pm July 5th. Tender arrived 5.35 am July 6th, bearing Major Dailey and 8 other officers; 4 nurses and 2 civilian employees. Train left at 8.21 am. Arrived Care des Invalides 2.15 pm. Met by Col. Ellis, members of his staff and a detail of interpreters and nurses.

July 7th. Morning devoted to transaction of personal business. Exchange of money, preparation of laundry, etc. Left hotel by bus at 3 pm for Arc de Triomphe where Mrs. Emeline Neubert placed a wreath on the tomb of the Unknown Soldier. Tea and reception at Restaurant Laurent after ceremony. Returned to hotel for dinner. Evening free.

July 8th. Morning free. Lunch at hotel. 1.40 pm left for Rendes vous point Via Porte de Pantin. 4.00 pm arrived La Ferte s/s Jouarre. Rest stop Hotel de la Terrasse. Left La Ferte s/s Jouarre 4.30 pm Via Chateau-Thierry. Arrived Soissons 6.15 pm.

July 9th, July 10th. Daily trips from Soissons to Oise-Aisne American Cemetery.

July 11th. Visited Cemetery in morning. Lunch at Hotels Soissons. 2.00 pm left Soissons Via Vaurains Ferme, right on to Chemin-des-Dames, Craonne, Corbeny, Berry-aux-Bac. Arrived Reims 4.45 pm. Dinner and sleep Hotel Bristol Crystal.

July 12th. Left Reims 8.00 pm Via Fismes. Arrived Soissons 10.00 am. Rest stop Hotel Lion Rouge. Left Soissons 10.30 am. Arrived Compiègne 12.00 noon. Lunch Hotel Rond Royal & du Golf. Left Compiègne 2.00 pm Via La Croix St. Ouen, Senlis. Arrived Chantilly 4.00 pm. Rest stop Hotel du Parc. Left Chantilly 4.30 pm. Arrived Paris 5.45 pm. Dinner at hotel.

July 13th. Morning free. Lunch at hotel. 2.15 pm depart sightseeing trip Paris Sacre Coeur. Dinner at hotel.

July 14th. Fontainebleau via Melun. Lunch Hotel Legris. Visit Chateau. Arrived Paris 6.30 pm. Dinner at hotel.

July 15th. Morning free. Lunch at hotel. 2.15 pm left for visit Louvre. Dinner at hotel. Sightseeing Night Trip.

July 16th. Versailles. Lunch Belle Cycliste. Afternoon free. Dinner at hotel.

July 17th. Boat train for Cherbourg 10.30 am. Arrived Cherbourg 4.15 pm. SS AMERICA sailed shortly after 6.10 pm. Capt. Child and Lt. Young in charge. Arrived New York July 26th.



166 1795

NAME CONNOLLY, MRS. CATHERINE G.

S.S. AMERICA JULY 25, 1930

HOME WOODSIDE, QUEENS COUNTY. L.I. N.Y.

R.R. LIRR

STATION

TRAIN #

CAR #

BERTH OR SEAT

TIME

DATE

No ticket

Mrs Loretta Crowe

4815 - 47th st

Woodside

L.I.

PILGRIMAGE, WAR MOTHERS AND WIDOWS

* * * * *

DATE .. JUNE 24, 1930

Received from Mrs. ... CONNOLLY, CATHERINE G.
 Woodside, Queens County, L.I. N.Y.

Her Railroad return ticket, which will be delivered to her on arrival from Europe

Signed

Officer-in-charge

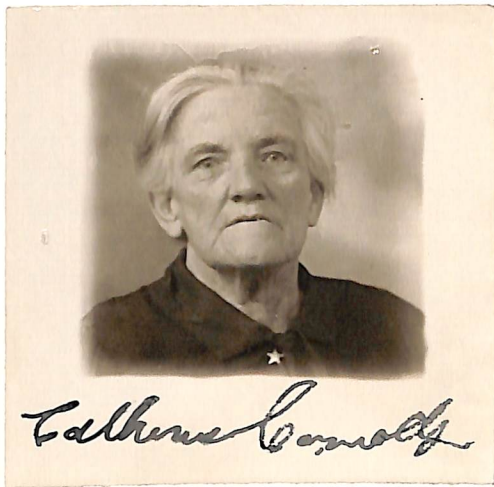
Hotel COMMODORE

A. C. TIPTON,
 MAJOR, INF. (DOL)

no tkj

Name..... CONNOLLY, Mrs Catharine
HOTEL DE PARIS
Paris Hôtel.....
BOULEVARD DE LA MADELEINE
Home address..... 48-15 Carolin (47th)St, Woodside, Long Island, Queens County, New York
Party..... I..... Group..... 2..... Unit \$\$. REPUBLIC
Date of arrival..... July 6, 1930..... Date of departure..... \$\$. AMERICA, July 17, 1930.
Relationship..... Mother
Name of deceased..... CONNOLLY, Charles A
Rank..... Sgt..... Organization Co, I, 165th Inf
Cemetery..... Oise-Aisne

REMARKS



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

CONNOLLY, CHARLES A.

O.A.

Party **I**
 Number **1795**

REQUEST FOR PULLMAN RESERVATION

MRS. CATHERINE G. CONNOLLY Actual cost of through Pullman.
 Name of Traveler
 WOODSIDE, QUEENS COUNTY, New York, to
 Home Address
 L. I., N.Y. \$

New York, to
 Destination

Via L. I. RR.

.....
 Date of Departure

| | Road | Tr. No. | Date | Time | Lower or Seat | Car | U. S. G. Order No. | Actual Cost |
|----|------|---------|------|------|---------------|-----|--------------------|-------------|
| LV | | | | | | | | |
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Motor Trans Above

TOTAL

Remarks:

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June 23, 1930

Mrs. Catherine G. Connolly
48-15 Carolin(47th Street)
Woodside, L.I., N.Y.

Dear Madam:

In letter from this office requesting whether or not you desire transportation from your home to the Hotel Pennsylvania, you advised that it would be necessary for this office to furnish transportation.

Please be ready with your baggage at 2:00 P.M., Tuesday, June 24th, as arrangements have been made for a taxicab of the Terminal Taxi Company to call for you at that time.

You should not pay the driver any money, as payment will be made by this office.

Yours very truly

GEORGE F. R. TAYLOR
1st Lieut. Q.M.C. (DOL.)
Assistant

JFM:GER

WAR DEPARTMENT
"PILGRIMAGE, WAR MOTHERS AND WIDOWS"

----- ROOM 901 -----

225 WEST 34TH ST., NEW YORK, N.Y.

June 18, 1930.

Mrs. Catherine G. Connolly,
48-15 Carolin (47th) St.,
Woodside, L.I., N.Y.

Dear Madam:

From advice received from the Quarter-
master General's Office, Washington, D. C.,
your name shows as a passenger scheduled to
sail for Europe on the S. S. "REPUBLIC"
sailing June 25th, 1930.

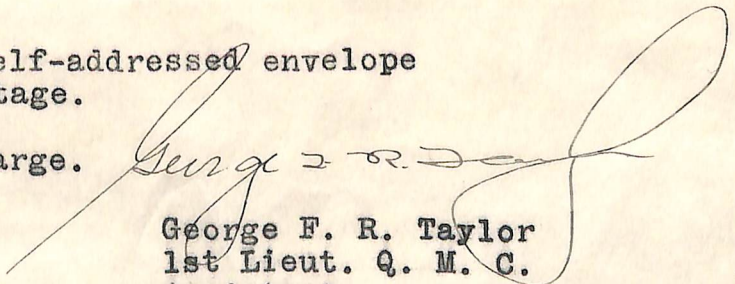
Enclosed herewith please find two baggage
tags which should be attached to your baggage
for identification.

Reservations have been made for you to stop
at the Hotel "PENNSYLVANIA", the night of June 24th.
Necessary transportation will be provided for
you from your home to the hotel, unless you
desire to travel by your own transportation.

Please advise what your desires are in this
respect, using the lower portion of this
letter for your reply.

There is enclosed a self-addressed envelope
which requires no postage.

For the Officer in Charge.


George F. R. Taylor
1st Lieut. Q. M. C.
Assistant

I will require transportation from my home to hotel.

~~will~~
*I will require transportation from my home to
hotel -*
Cath. Connolly

June 10th, 1930

Mrs. Catherine G. Connolly,
48-15 Carolin (47th) St.,
Woodside, L.I., N.Y.

Dear Madam:

Please attach the enclosed tags to each piece of baggage, thus to protect the safe arrival of same in New York.

Upon your arrival in this City, you will be met at the Railroad Station by a United States Army Officer, in uniform, who will wear on the left sleeve of his coat a blue cloth band, showing a Gold Star and the word "Pilgrimage". This officer will escort you and your baggage to your Hotel in New York City.

For The Officer in Charge:

George F. R. Taylor,
1st. Lieut., Q.M. Corps,
Assistant.

Enclosures:
2 tags.

NAME Donnelly, Mrs. Catherine G.

ADDRESS 48-15 Carolin (47) St. Woodside, L.I

DATE July 26, 1930.

TO: OFFICER-IN-CHARGE,
PILGRIMAGE, WAR MOTHERS AND WIDOWS

I BEG TO INFORM YOU THAT I HAVE RETURNED
TO MY HOME SAFELY AND IN GOOD HEALTH.

SINCERELY,

(SIGNED) Catherine G. Donnelly

WAR DEPARTMENT



OFFICIAL BUSINESS

PENALTY FOR PRIVATE USE \$300.



PILGRIMAGE, WAR MOTHERS AND WIDOWS

225 WEST 34TH STREET,

NEW YORK, N. Y.

STATE

...NEW YORK.....

CONNOLLY, CHRIS. A.

NAME CONNOLLY, MRS. CATHERINE G. HOME ADDRESS .. 48-15 CAROLIN (47) ST
WOODSIDE, L.I.NAME AND ADDRESS OF NEAREST KIN MRS. LORETTA CROWE
4815 47th St., Woodside, L.I.ARRIVAL IN NEW YORK

JUNE

DATE JULY 24, 1930 HOTEL ... PENNSYLVANIA ... ROOM NO. ... 1660

*with Mrs. C. Spolander*DEPARTURE NEW YORK

DATE JUNE 25, 1930 VESSEL S.S. REPUBLIC CABIN NO. ... 528-C

DESTINATION CHERBOURG CEMETERY O.A.

RETURN NEW YORK

JUL 26 1930

DATE

M

48-15 Carolin (47)St.

NAME Connolly, Mrs. Catherine G. HOME ADDRESS Woodside, L.I. N.Y.

RETURN ON S. S. S/S AMERICA HOTEL ROOM NO.

Local

DEPARTURE NEW YORK

DATE

ROAD TRAIN CAR BERTH or SEAT

REMARKS
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Post Office Department

OFFICIAL BUSINESS

REGISTERED ARTICLE

PENALTY FOR PRIVATE USE TO AVOID PAYMENT OF POSTAGE, \$300

POSTMARK OF DELIVERING
OFFICE

No. _____

INSURED PARCEL

No. _____

AND DATE OF DELIVERY

Return to

Street and Number, }
or Post Office Box, }

Q. M. GENERAL

MUNITIONS BUILDING

Post Office at _____

State _____

Washington, D. C.

1779

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RETURN RECEIPT

Republic 6/21/30

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

Miss P. ...

(Signature or name of addressee.)

(Signature of addressee's agent.)

Date of delivery, 6/4, 192

QM 293 A-M
Connolly, Charles A. 608-M

August 6, 1930.

Mrs. Catherine Connolly,
48-15 Carolin (47th) St.,
Woodside, L. I., New York.

Dear Madam:

The testimonial dated July 25th to the Secretary of War, which you and the other mothers and widows returning on the SS America were so kind as to send regarding your pilgrimage to the cemeteries of Europe, has been referred to me for reply.

It is gratifying to know that the officers of the Army and the nurse in charge of your group rendered such courteous and efficient service. The Quartermaster Corps is proud of the honor bestowed upon it by being charged with the conduct of these pilgrimages and has expended every effort that those making the journey might have a comfortable and pleasant trip. I feel, however, that the task has been materially lightened by the wonderful spirit of cooperation shown by the mothers and widows who are making the pilgrimage.

I am indeed pleased to receive such complimentary remarks concerning the care and consideration shown the women making the journey by the personnel connected with the pilgrimage.

Sincerely yours,

J. L. DOWITT,
Major General,
The Quartermaster General.

JTH
ADH
WRG

RS

QM 293 A-M
Connolly, Charles A. 608

June 23, 1930

Mrs. Catherine Connolly,
48-15 Carolin (47th) Street,
Woodside, Long Island.

Dear Madam:

With reference to your letter of June 20, 1930, you have no doubt, by this time, received advice from Colonel A. E. Williams, who is in charge of the New York Office of the Pilgrimage, 225 West 34th Street, as to arrangements for your embarkation on the S.S. REPUBLIC, June 25, 1930. If you have not, it is requested that you telephone him at once, upon receipt of this letter, at Chickering 4228.

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

R. E. SHANNON,
Captain, Q.M. Corps,
Assistant.

Woodside, T. D.

June 20, 1930.

John T. Harris, Major 2. M. Corps.,
War Dept., office of 2. M. Gen.
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir: (Re 2. M. 293-4, C
Chas A. 608-M)

I am scheduled to
sail on the "P. D. Republic" on
June 25, 1930. However, no
instructions have been for-
warded to me as to the sail-
ing time etc. Will you
please look this up for me
and oblige.

Yours truly

(Mrs) Cath. Conroy
48-15-47 St. 1
Woodside, T. D.

712

QM 293 A-C
Connolly, Charles A. 608 M

June 9, 1930

Mrs. Catherine Connolly,
4815 47th Street
Woodside, L. I., N. Y.

Dear Madam:

Receipt is acknowledged of your letter of June 6, advising that you do not desire to change the date of your sailing from June 25 to August 30, when you make the pilgrimage to the grave of your son, the late Charles A. Connolly.

In this connection you are advised that your name has been retained on the list of mothers and widows scheduled to sail on the SS "Republic" on June 25, 1930, and arrangements will be made accordingly.

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

CE

Chas. A. Connolly
608 M^l

Queens Co.
Woodside L.I.

June 6, 1930.

Mr. John T. Harris,
War Dept.,
Washington, D.C.

RE-J.M.293-cc.

Dear Sir:

Replying to your
letter of June 2, 1930, I wish to
state that I would prefer to
paid on June 25, as previously
arranged.

Yours truly

(Mrs.) Catherine Connolly
15-15-47th St.,
Woodside, L.I.

Republic

6/25/30

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Connolly, Charles A

I Accept. the invitation extended
(Accept or decline)

me to make a pilgrimage to Europe at the expense of the Government of the United States under the provisions of the Act of Congress approved March 2, 1929.

Mrs. Catherine G. Connolly.

(Name)

48-15 Carolin (47th) St., Woodside, L. I.

(Town or City)

New York.

(State)

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

Connolly, Charles A. 608-M
Republic 6/25

May 12, 1930

Mrs. Catherine G. Connolly,
48-15 Carolin (47th) Street,
Woodside, L. I., N. Y.

Dear Madam:

The records of this office show that you have not furnished the name of your Emergency Addressee as requested in letter of instructions from this office.

It is requested that in the blank space below you write the name and address of the person in the United States whom you desire to be notified in case you become seriously ill or other emergency arises while you are making the pilgrimage to Europe authorized by the Act of Congress approved March 2, 1929.

Name Mrs. Wm. J. Crowe *Noted*
Address 48-15-47th St. Woodside, L. I. N. Y.

Please fill in the above and mail it TODAY in the self-addressed envelope which requires no postage.

For The Quartermaster General,



Encl.
Env.

Very truly yours,
A. D. Hughes
A. D. HUGHES,
Captain, Q. M. Corps,
Assistant.

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

April 8, 1930.

Connolly, Charles A. 608 M

Mrs. Catherine G. Connolly,
48-15 Carolin (47th) St.,
Woodside, L.I., N.Y.

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The instructions prepared by the Secretary of State are as follows:

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evidence of her American citizenship as she may have in her possession. In the absence of evidence of citizenship, her application should be witnessed by a credible person residing in the same community who is an American citizen, has known her for a long period of time and is able to swear to the best of his or her knowledge and belief that she is a citizen of the United States.

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For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

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OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

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IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C
Connolly, Charles A. 608-M
Republic 6-25

May 8 1930

Mrs. Catherine G. Connolly,
~~45-15~~ Carolin (47th) St.,
Woodside, L. I., N. Y.

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If you desire stop-overs at any point on return, please advise this office AT ONCE as to the cities where you desire to stop and we will be glad to arrange accordingly, or advise you if there is any additional cost to be paid by you. Send your request direct to this office and do NOT include it with your passport application.

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

R. E. Shannon

R. E. SHANNON,
Captain, Q. M. Corps,
Assistant.

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IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C
Connolly, Charles A. 608 M

October 7, 1929.

Mrs. Catherine G. Connolly,
48-15 Carolin (47) St.,
Woodside, L. I. N. Y.

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Dear Madam:

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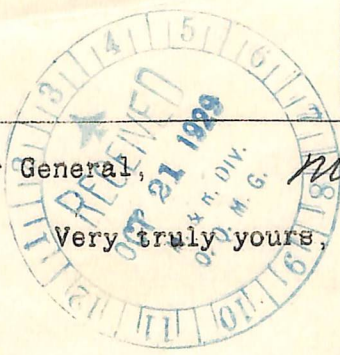
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| 1. Do you desire to make this pilgrimage if eligible? | (Yes) | (No) |
| 2. Do you desire to make the pilgrimage in the calendar year 1930? | (Yes) | (No) |
| 3. Have you at any time made a previous visit to the grave of the deceased member of the military or naval forces in whom you are interested? | (Yes) | (No) |
| 4. Please give your age and state of health. | Age (Years) 67 | Health (Good) (Poor) |
| 5. What language do you speak? | English - (Yes) | (No) |
| | Other language <i>no</i> | (Specify language spoken) |

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

Mrs Catherine G. Connolly



John T. Harris
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

Connolly, Charles A.

July 31, 1929.

Mrs. Catherine G. Connolly,
48-15 Carolin (47th) St.,
Woodside, L. I., N. Y.

Dear Madam:

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

The records of this office show that you are the mother of the late Sgt. Charles A. Connolly, Co. I. 165th Inf., whose remains are interred in the Oise-Aisne American Cemetery, Seringes-et-Nesles, Aisne, France.

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

Write answers in space below:

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

"no."

2. If so, give her complete address.

3. Will you make the pilgrimage?

"Yes."

Catherine G. Connolly.

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

John T. Harris

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

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IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

Connolly, Charles A.

June 24, 1929.
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Mrs. K. Connolly,
359 W. 53rd St.,
New York City, N. Y.

(M) Catherine G. Connolly
48-15 Carolin (47th) St.
Woodside, L.I.N.Y.

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Will you please advise this office whether or not he is survived by a widow who is entitled under the provisions of the above quoted Act, to make the pilgrimage, and if so, will you please furnish her full name and address in order that action may be taken to extend an invitation to her to make the pilgrimage. Both mothers and widows are entitled to make the pilgrimage.

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

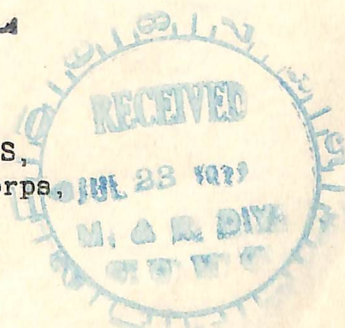
For your reply, you may use the enclosed envelope which requires no postage.

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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



QM 293 A-M
Connolly, Charles A. 608-M

August 6, 1930.

Mrs. Catherine Connolly,
48-15 Carolin (47th) St.,
Woodside, L. I., New York.

Dear Madam:

The testimonial dated July 25th to the Secretary of War, which you and the other mothers and widows returning on the SS America were so kind as to send regarding your pilgrimage to the cemeteries of Europe, has been referred to me for reply.

It is gratifying to know that the officers of the Army and the nurse in charge of your group rendered such courteous and efficient service. The Quartermaster Corps is proud of the honor bestowed upon it by being charged with the conduct of these pilgrimages and has expended every effort that those making the journey might have a comfortable and pleasant trip. I feel, however, that the task has been materially lightened by the wonderful spirit of cooperation shown by the mothers and widows who are making the pilgrimage.

I am indeed pleased to receive such complimentary remarks concerning the care and consideration shown the women making the journey by the personnel connected with the pilgrimage.

Sincerely yours,

J. L. DEWITT,
Major General,
The Quartermaster General.

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QM 293 A-M
Connolly, Charles A. 608

June 23, 1930

Mrs. Catherine Connolly,
48-15 Carolin (47th) Street,
Woodside, Long Island.

Dear Madam:

With reference to your letter of June 20, 1930, you have no doubt, by this time, received advice from Colonel A. E. Williams, who is in charge of the New York Office of the Pilgrimage, 225 West 54th Street, as to arrangements for your embarkation on the S.S. REPUBLIC, Hybe 25, 1930. If you have not, it is requested that you telephone him at once, upon receipt of this letter, at Chickering 4228.

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

R. E. SHANNON,
Captain, Q.M. Corps,
Assistant.

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IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

Connolly, Charles A. 608-W

June 12, 1930

Mrs. Catherine G. Connolly,
48-15 Carolin (47th) St., Woodside,
Long Island, New York.

Dear Madam:

Somewhat heavier clothing is required to be worn in Europe than is necessary in the United States, in order to be comfortable. During the summer in Europe it is cool during the day and the nights are frequently chilly. Considerable rain is usually encountered during this time.

In order that you may be comfortable at all times, regardless of the condition of the weather, and may avoid missing any of the sights or any part of the itinerary which has been planned for you, the following suggestions are made.

The clothing which you will take with you should be slightly heavier and warmer than you would normally wear in the United States during the summer and should be strong and durable. It is essential that you take with you the necessary equipment to afford protection from the cold and dampness. Be sure to take at least two pairs of comfortable shoes to provide a change in the event your feet become wet, a pair of rubbers, an umbrella, and a sweater or some warm wrap to be used should the weather become uncomfortably cool. It is very desirable that, in addition to the sweater, you have with you a full length coat of medium weight for general wear.

The shortages of suitable facilities for laundry and the frequency of the moves you will make while in Europe will make it impracticable to secure as frequent service of this nature as may be desired. You should therefore provide yourself with sufficient underwear, nightgowns, stockings and handkerchiefs to meet your requirements should it be impossible to have your washing done more frequently than once in two weeks.

If you will read carefully the suggestions made above, and comply with them, it will add greatly to your comfort throughout the trip and will assist the Government in carrying out successfully its plans for conducting the pilgrimage. This letter is being sent to every mother and widow who has accepted the invitation sent to her by the Government to visit the grave of her son or husband.

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

QM 293 A-C
Connolly, Charles A. 608 M

June 9, 1950

Mrs. Catherine Connolly,
4815 47th Street
Woodside, L. I., N. Y.

Dear Madam:

Receipt is acknowledged of your letter of June 6, advising that you do not desire to change the date of your sailing from June 25 to August 30, when you make the pilgrimage to the grave of your son, the late Charles A. Connolly.

In this connection you are advised that your name has been retained on the list of mothers and widows scheduled to sail on the SS "Republic" on June 25, 1950, and arrangements will be made accordingly.

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

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QM 295 A-C
Connolly, Charles A. 608 M

June 2, 1930

Mrs. Catherine G. Connolly,
48-15 Carolin (47th) St.,
Woodside, L.I., New York.

Dear Madam:

The acceptances from the mothers and widows who are to make the pilgrimage to France, sailing on the SS REPUBLIC, June 25, 1930, are far in excess of the number anticipated, and due to this fact this boat will be somewhat crowded and the accommodations will not be as satisfactory as The War Department desires to furnish. Over 300 women have accepted invitations to sail on this boat and it is desired if possible to reduce this number to around 200 by voluntary transfers of women who are booked to sail.

Much more comfortable accommodations can be furnished on the SS REPUBLIC, sailing August 30, 1930, and should you change your sailing date to August 30th, a more comfortable trip can be assured.

If you desire to change from June 25th to August 30th, please notify this office at once, in order that the necessary adjustments can be made.

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

Connolly, Charles A. 608-M
Republic 6/25

May 12, 1930

Mrs. Catherine G. Connolly,
48-15 Carolin (47th) Street,
Woodside, L. I., N. Y.

Dear Madam:

The records of this office show that you have not furnished the name of your Emergency Addressee as requested in letter of instructions from this office.

It is requested that in the blank space below you write the name and address of the person in the United States whom you desire to be notified in case you become seriously ill or other emergency arises while you are making the pilgrimage to Europe authorized by the Act of Congress approved March 2, 1929.

Name

Address

Please fill in the above and mail it TODAY in the self-addressed envelope which requires no postage.

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

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WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
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IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C
~~Connolly, Charles A. 600-M~~
Republic 6-25

May 8 1930

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Woodside, L. I., N. Y.

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OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
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IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C
Connolly, Charles A. 608 M

April 8, 1930.

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Woodside, L.I., N.Y.

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Assistant.

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

In reply refer to QM 293 A-C

Connolly, Charles A. 608-M

March 25, 1930

Mrs. Catherine G. Connolly,
58-15 Carolin (47th) St.,
Dear Madam: Long Island,
New York

This letter, which contains general information regarding the pilgrimage to the cemeteries of Europe, is being sent to each mother and widow who has expressed a desire to make the pilgrimage during the calendar year 1930. The general plan for the conduct of the pilgrimage is shown in the Pilgrimage Regulations, a copy of which is enclosed herewith. In addition to the information shown in the regulations, the following explains in detail some of the most important things connected with the pilgrimage.

Formal invitations are being extended to each mother and widow who has expressed a desire to make the pilgrimage during 1930. In so far as practicable, these invitations are being extended with a view to keeping the women from each state together and the order in which the invitations to the women from the several states are issued is based on a drawing by lot which was held about one month ago. Inclosed with each invitation is a card for acknowledgment and it is quite important that you accept or decline this invitation promptly in order that the necessary railroad, steamship and hotel reservations may be arranged. The government will defray all the necessary expenses of the pilgrimage, including railroad fare, hotel accommodations, steamship fare and all other incidental expenses. It will not provide anything other than the necessary expenses so that you should bring with you such funds as you may desire to use for making small purchases and for other uses distinctly of a personal nature.

Arrangements have been made with the American Railroad Association which assures us the united support and cooperation of all of the railroads in the United States in handling the movement to and from New York City. The local ticket agent will secure your railroad and sleeper ticket and will make the necessary pullman reservations. Before your departure from your home we will mail you a check, sufficient to pay for your meals and other travelling expenses while enroute to New York. Your railroad ticket will provide for a round trip from your home to New York and upon arrival in New York the army officer in charge of the New York office will collect the return trip stub and hold it until your return to New York from Europe.

Upon arrival in New York, you will be met by an army officer

and escorted to a first class hotel where reservations have been made. The duration of your stay in New York will be from 24 to 48 hours. At the proper time, you will be escorted to the steamship upon which passage has been engaged for Europe. All of the women making this trip will be provided with cabin class accommodations aboard steamers which means that from two to four will be quartered in the same stateroom. If you have any friend that you would like to be quartered with we will endeavor to arrange it if you will communicate with this office.

The ocean voyage will last about 8 days and when the ship docks at Cherbourg, France, each party will be met by officers especially detailed for the purpose and taken in a special train to Paris where first class hotel accommodations have been reserved. The first day in Paris will be a day of rest. On the 2d day, the women of each party will place a wreath on the tomb of the French unknown soldier. In the afternoon there will be a reception in which the French war mothers, government officials, and prominent civilians will participate. The following morning the groups going to the different cemeteries will leave Paris, travelling in motor busses, and proceed to the cemeteries where they will remain for about 7 days. Twenty-five women will be assigned to each bus and an army officer will have charge of the bus. The itineraries to and from the cemeteries and the daily itineraries while at the cemeteries have been varied so as to take in points of historical interest as well as some parts of the battlefields where American troops were engaged. Upon return to Paris, each party will remain for about 5 days and during this time an opportunity will be given to see the points of historical interest in Paris and vicinity. The entire duration of your stay in Europe will be 14 days, and the itineraries have been so arranged that each day will be provided for. Except in case of illness or other unavoidable cause it will not be possible for any woman making the pilgrimage to remain in Europe for a longer period than 14 days nor to leave the party with which she is travelling unless she is prepared to pay all of her expenses after leaving the party since the Act of Congress authorizing the pilgrimage specifically states that the government shall not pay the expenses of any woman who willfully leaves her party.

Upon return to the United States each ship will be met in New York City by army officers who will escort the mothers and widows to the trains which will take them home. Before leaving New York each woman will be provided with her return railroad ticket, a sleeping car ticket and funds to cover the cost of meals and other travelling expenses.

Army officers are being used as guides and escorts throughout this entire movement and care has been taken to select officers who will see that proper care is taken of the women who are entrusted to their charge. Arrangements have been made for taking care of women who may be taken sick during the pilgrimage and also to care for the remains of any who may die and provision has been made for returning the remains of any who may die to their homes. It is essential that each woman making the pilgrimage furnish The Quartermaster General with an emergency address of some relative or friend to be notified in the event of an emergency. Medical care will be provided by civilian agencies. If such care is needed in New York City it will be furnished by the hotel physicians or

by local hospitals. Aboard ship, medical care will be provided by the ship's doctors and in Paris arrangements have been made with the American Hospital for the hospitalization and treatment of any women who may need it. In addition to this, six doctors of the regular army will be on duty throughout the pilgrimage.

Baggage will be limited to not to exceed two pieces of hand baggage and the articles taken should be such as will be required for a trip of about one month. Laundry service can be obtained in New York and Paris. Since the climate of Europe is much colder than that of the United States, each woman should provide herself with sufficient warm clothing to stand the motor bus trip and the visit to the cemeteries.

Since it is necessary for this office to make all reservations for your accommodations throughout this pilgrimage, it will be greatly appreciated if you will make prompt reply to any communications received from this office.

For The Quartermaster General:

Very truly yours,

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

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WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

October 7 , 1929.

Connolly, Charles A. 608 M

**Mrs. Catherine G. Connolly,
48-15 Carolin (47) St.,
Woodside, L. I. N. Y.**

Dear Madam:

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| 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,

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

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

Connolly, Charles A.

July 31, 1929.

Mrs. Catherine G. Connolly,
48-15 Carolin (47th) St.,
Woodside, L. I., N. Y.

Dear Madam:

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

The records of this office show that you are the mother of the late Sgt. Charles A. Connolly, Co. I. 165th Inf., whose remains are interred in the Oise-Aisne American Cemetery, Seringes-et-Nesles, Aisne, France.

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

Write answers in space below:

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

2. If so, give her complete address.

3. Will you make the pilgrimage?

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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 24, 1929.

Connolly, Charles A.

Mrs. K. Connolly,
359 W. 53rd St.,
New York City, N. Y.

Dear Madam:

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

The records of this office show that you are the mother of the late Sgt. Charles A. Connolly, Co. I, 165th Inf., whose remains are interred in the Oise-Aisne American Cemetery, Seringes-et-Nesles, Aisne, France.

Will you please advise this office whether or not he is survived by a widow who is entitled under the provisions of the above quoted Act, to make the pilgrimage, and if so, will you please furnish her full name and address in order that action may be taken to extend an invitation to her to make the pilgrimage. Both mothers and widows are entitled to make the pilgrimage.

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

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

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

2 incls.
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Envelope.

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

Connolly,

Charles A.

90,974

(Surname.)

(Christian name in full.)

(Army serial number.)

Sgt

Co I 165th Inf

(Rank and organization.)

State your relationship to the deceased

Mother

Do you desire the remains brought to the United States?

Yes.

(Yes or no.)

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

no.

(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:

M
Catherine Connolly

(Name of person to receive remains.)

(Express office.)

(Telegraph office.)

354 West 53rd St

New York

N.Y.

(Number and street.)

(City or town.)

(State.)

(Sign here)

Catherine Connolly

354 West 53rd St

New York

N.Y.

(Number and street or rural route.)

(City, town, or post office.)

(State.)

Read carefully the letter accompanying this card.

Drawn by R. B.

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Handwritten notes, possibly including the name "J. P. ...".

G.R.S. FORM #114-A.

STATION Seringes-et-Nesles, Aisne

To be prepared in triplicate.

DATE February 23, 1928

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 CONNOLLY, Charles A. 10. Name _____
 2. No. 90974 11. No. _____
 3. Rank Sgt. 12. Rank _____
 4. Org. Co. I, 165th Inf. 42nd Div. 13. Org. _____
 5. D.D. July 28, 1918 14. (a) D.D. _____
 6. C.D. KIA. (b) D.B. _____

Discrepancy found upon disinterment

7. Grave No. 3 Sec. _____ 15. Grave No. _____ Sec. _____
 8. Plot Block B Row 4 16. Plot _____ Row _____
 9. _____ 17. _____
 18. Cemetery Oise-Aisne 19. Commune or town Seringes-et-Nesles
 20. Dept. or County Aisne 21. Country France
 22. G.R.S. Hdqrs. Code No. 608
 23. Disinterred (Date) February 23, 1928 By L. Gordon
 24. Inscription on grave marker : _____
 Name CONNOLLY, Charles A. Serial No. 90974
 Rank Sgt. Organization Co. I, 165th Inf.
 25. Was identification disc found on grave marker? _____ On body? Yes

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).
One collar ornament U.S.
 27. Condition of body _____
 28. Nature of burial Pine box and burlap
 29. Any discrepancy noted upon examination of body, as compared with G.R.S. records quoted above? _____
 30. Body prepared and placed in casket: Date February 23, 1928 By L. Gordon
 31. Casket sealed by L. Gordon

Signature of Embalmer, (Supervisor

L. Gordon.

SHIPMENT. (Show actual marking of box.) Box No. _____

32. Designation of body : _____

Name CONNOLLY, Charles A. Serial No. 90974

Rank Sgt. Organization Co. I, 165th Inf.

33. Consigned to : _____

Name of Permanent Cemetery Oise-Aisne, Seringes-et-Nesles, Aisne

34. Casket boxed and marked (Date) February 23, 1928 By Charles E. Spahn

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 Charles E. Spahn

36. Remarks _____
Charles E. Spahn

37. Shipped from point of Operation : (Date) _____

To point of Concentration _____

(Name)

Convoyer _____ Signature Shipping officer _____

38. Received at Railhead or Point of Concentration : Date _____

By G.R.S. Representative _____

39. Shipped from Railhead or Point of Concentration : Date _____

To Permanent Cemetery _____

(Name)

Convoyer _____ Signature Shipping Officer _____

40. Received: Date _____

G.R.S. Representative _____

41. Reinterred February 23, 1928, Oise-Aisne American Cty.

(Date)

42. Grave No. 3 Section _____

43. Plot Block B Row 4

G.R.S. Representative William E. Moore

William E. Moore, Superintendent.

REPORT OF DISINTERMENT AND REBURIAL

1. REMAINS OF CONNOLLY, Charles A. SERIAL NUMBER 90974
RANK Sgt. ORGANIZATION Co. I. 165th Inf.

2. Disinterred (date): February 23, 1928 From (give complete location):
Grave 3, Block B, Row 4

By: Group Cty. Unit _____

3. Reburied (date): February 23, 1928 In (give complete location):
Grave 3, Block B, Row 4

By: Group Cty. Unit _____ Nature of Reburial Metalic casket

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

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

(b) Other means of identification found upon disinterment, and general remarks:
One collar ornament U.S.

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

(a) Height (actual measurement) _____

7 to 10 MAD

(b) Weight (estimated) _____

5 decayed to roots

(c) Hair—Color _____

4 MAD

Quantity _____

Characteristics _____

(d) Hair on face—Color _____

1 CAV

Location _____

Quantity _____

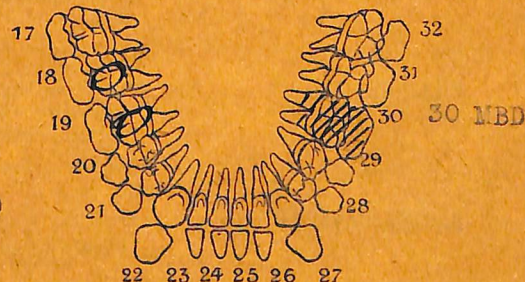
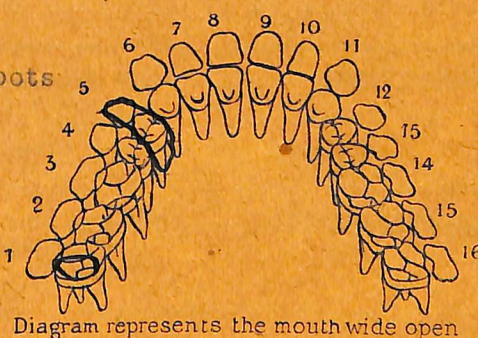
(e) Permanent marks on body (old scars, peculiarities, or missing parts) _____

18, 19 CAV

20, 21 MAD

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

Sacrum missing.



7. Disinterment supervised by L. Gordon

Approved: W. E. Moore
(Title) _____

8. Reburial supervised by Charles E. Spahr

Approved: _____
(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:



CROWNED TEETH

Block in solid the crown of tooth (label gold, porcelain, or gold and porcelain), thus:



BRIDGE WORK

Block in solid the crown of tooth (label gold bridge, gold and porcelain bridge) thus:



FILLINGS

Draw filling on tooth accurately as possible (block in and label gold, silver, cement), thus:



CARIES (CAVITIES)

Outline location and size of cavity, shade in thus:



DENTURES (PLATES)

Draw diagram of relative size and shape of plate block in teeth attached and indicate retaining clasps on natural teeth with the word "clasp"

7. Show name of person supervising the disinterment and the name and title of the person approving same.

8. Show name of person supervising the reburial and the name and title of the person approving same.

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QM 293 A-C
(Connolly, Charles A)

September 11, 1925.

SUBJECT: Flag.

TO: Quartermaster Supply Officer, Washington General Intermediate Depot,
Washington, D.C.

1. You are authorized to send one flag at Government expense to Mrs. Catherine Connolly, 4525 Gosman Avenue, Woodside, Long Island, New York, mother of Sergeant Charles A. Connolly, Company I, 165th Infantry.

2. Notify consignee.

By order of The Quartermaster General:

D. K. MITCHELL,
Major, Q.M.G.,
Assistant.

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Aug. 24, 1925

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Major General William Hart

Dear Sir

I was informed by the Gold Star
mothers Assn. that a flag was forwarded on
request, from your office to any mother whose
son was killed in the war,

My son Sergeant Charles A. Connolly was
killed in action in France on July 28
1918 he was a member of Co. F, 165th Infantry
I would be pleased to receive the flag if you
can send it to me

Respectfully Yours
Mrs Catherine Connolly
4525 Gosman Ave
Woodside L.I.
New York



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For
Connolly
Mrs Catherine Connolly
4525 Gosman Ave
Woodside L.I.
New York
(164)

QM 293 A-C

CONNOLLY, Charles A. - Sgt.

October 31, 1925

Mrs. Catherine Connolly,
4525 Gosman Ave.,
Woodside, Long Island, N.Y.

Dear Madam:

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

This American military cemetery is one of those to be maintained by the United States for all time in Europe. Each grave will be marked by a headstone of white marble, of dignified design, with the name, rank, division, organization, date of soldier's death and State from which he came. Headstones will be placed at all graves in connection with the improvement work now in progress, as soon as possible and without waiting for special action or request on the part of relatives.

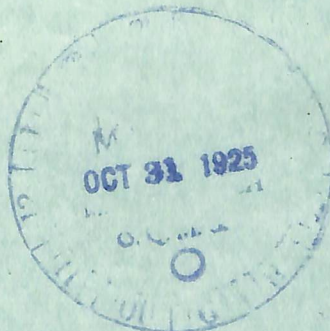
Please be assured that in effecting removal of the dead, the utmost reverential care was exercised and more than willingly accorded by those who performed this sacred duty. For the future, these graves will be perpetually maintained by the Government in a manner befitting the last resting place of our heroes.

Very truly yours,

L.W. REDINGTON,
Major, Q.M.C.,
Assistant.

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Record card.

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COMPILATION OF DISPOSITION OF REMAINS DATA

File #17047

I. LOCATION INDEX CARD:

(a) Name CONNOLLY, Charles A. (12-18) Ser. No. 90974
(b) Rank Sgt. Organization Co. I, 165th Inf.
(c) Date of death 7/28/18 (d) Cause of death K/A
TYP. HB
CKR. *AS*

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

(a) Grave No. 115 Row - Plot 3 Sec. M TYP. HB
(b) Emerg. Address Mrs. K. Connolly (mother) 359 W. 53rd St., NYC

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

IV. A. G. O. DISPOSITION CARD:

Date of receipt -

(a) Name Catherine Connolly (b) Relationship mother
(c) Address 359 West 53rd St., New York, N.Y.
(d) Remains to be brought to U. S.? yes
(e) To be interred in National Cemetery in U. S. at no
(f) Shipping instructions upon arrival of body in U. S. Catherine Connolly, 359 West 53rd St., New York, N.Y.
(g) Disposition instructions if not brought to U. S. -

Examiner's Initials P. H. Date 12-14-, 1920.

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

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

Examiner's Initials P. H. Date 12-14-, 1920.

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

Mother Mrs Catherine Connolly
359 West 53 St. New York City, 8/20/20, cancels
request on card wishes body left in France
yes 26 St
(a) Cancellation memos referred to? _____

Examiner's Initials 26 St. Date 12-14-, 1920.

COUNTRY France

CEMETERY No. 608

SHEET No. 616

G. R. S. Form No. 115
Amended April 6, 1920

Make Form No. 114

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FORM 115 - A COMPLETED

JAN 24 1921 - *acp*

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Reviewed 3/16/21-EP
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VII. G. R. S. Form No. 114 made _____, 1920.

Typed by _____, Checked by _____, **MAR 12 1921**, 1920.

VIII. FINAL ACTION:

Following advice forwarded to Europe by

Connolly Charles A

cable on _____, 1920

letter on **JAN 15 1921**, 1920

**GENERAL DIVISION
OVERSEAS PROJECT SUB-SEC.**

PARAGRAPH 2 - NOT TO BE RETURNED

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CORRECTIONS

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

X. SUSPENSION REMARKS: Feb. 5-21-F. #120- Mrs. Catherine Connolly, 359 West 53 St., New York, N.Y., mother n.k. wishes remains left in Europe. H-2/25/21-mf.

3/7/21-Hoboken advises Mother her wish will be complied with. Body remain in France - 3-16-21

FORM 115 RETURNED BY HOBOKEN - BODY TO REMAIN IN EUROPE. MAR 12 1921

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CONTINUATION OF DISPOSITION OF REMAINS DATA

I. LOCATION INDEX CARD:

File #17047

(a) Name CONNOLLY, Charles A. ^{(12-18) - ok - 2-14-21} Ser. No. 90974
 (b) Rank Sgt. Organization Co. I, 165th Inf. } TYP HB
 (c) Date of death 7/28.18 Cause of death K/A } *AS*

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

(a) Grave No. 115 Row _____ Plot 3 Sect. M TYP HB
 (b) Emerg. Address Mrs. K. Connolly (mother) 359 W. 53rd St., NYC.

III. Files of soldiers dying from contagious diseases _____ CKR

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

*G.P.S. files - Mrs Catherine Connolly (mother)
 359 West 53^d St. New York City 8/20/20 cancels previous
 request to return decides to have body left in France 17
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V. Following advice forwarded to Europe by (cable on _____ 192
Connolly, Charles A. (Letter of transmittal) JAN 15 1921

PARAGRAPH 2 - NOT TO BE RETURNED

JAN 27 1921

VI. Form 115 forwarded to G.R.S. Hoboken, N.J. _____ 192

VII. SUPPLEMENTARY REQUESTS

| Date of and Source | Relationship and name | Desires | Action taken |
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VIII. Form 115 received from G.R.S. Hoboken, N.J. _____ **MAR 12 1921** 192

COUNTRY France CEMETERY NO. 608 SHEET NO. 616
 G.R.S. FORM 115-A AUGUST , 1920

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JAN 24 1921

March 7, 1921.

File No. 293.8 Gen.Div.Cor.Br.
(CONNOLLY, Charles A.)

Mrs. Catherine Connolly,
359 West 53rd Street,
New York City, N. Y.

Dear Madam:-

Receipt of shipping inquiry dated February 5th, 1921, relative to the remains of your son, the late Sergeant Charles A. Connolly, serial number 90974, Company I, 165th Infantry, is acknowledged.

Instructions have been issued that your request to have the remains left in France for burial in a permanent American Cemetery be complied with. You are assured that the grave site will always be maintained as a fitting memorial of the late soldier's sacrifice.

The Department desires to convey to you renewed assurance of its sympathy in your bereavement.

By authority of the Quartermaster General:

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

BY:

F. C. DALLAS,
Executive Assistant.

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MAR 15 1921
G. H. S.

Noted on Form No. 115
Date 3/16/21 - GP

March 7, 1921.

File No. 233.8 Gen.Div.Gov.Br.
(CONNOLLY, Charles A.)

Mrs. Catherine Connolly,
353 West 53rd Street,
New York City, N. Y.

Dear Madam:-

Receipt of shipping inquiry dated February 25th, 1921, relative to the remains of your son, the late Sergeant Charles A. Connolly, serial number 90274, Company 1, 168th Infantry, is acknowledged.

Instructions have been issued that your request to have the remains left in France for burial in a permanent American Cemetery be complied with. You are assured that the grave site will always be maintained as a fitting memorial of the late soldier's sacrifice.

The Department desires to convey to you renewed assurance of its sympathy in your bereavement.

By authority of the Quartermaster General:

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

BY:

F. O. KALLAS,
Executive Assistant.

Handed on March 14, 1921
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MAR 12 1921
G. H. S.



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March 7, 1921.

File No. 293.8 Gen.Div.Cor.Br.
(CONNOLLY, Charles A.)

Mrs. Catherine Connolly,
359 West 53rd Street,
New York City, N. Y.

Dear Madam:-

Receipt of shipping inquiry dated February 5th, 1921, relative to the remains of your son, the late Sergeant Charles A. Connolly, serial number 90974, Company I, 165th Infantry, is acknowledged.

Instructions have been issued that your request to have the remains left in France for burial in a permanent American Cemetery be complied with. You are assured that the grave site will always be maintained as a fitting memorial of the late soldier's sacrifice.

The Department desires to convey to you renewed assurance of its sympathy in your bereavement.

By authority of the Quartermaster General:

R. B. SHANNON,
Captain, Q.M.C.,
Officer in Charge.

BY:

F. C. PALLAS,
Executive Assistant.

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March 7, 1921

Wife No. 233.8 Gen. Div. Gen. Br.
(CONNOLLY, Charles A.)

Mrs. Catherine Connolly,
322 West 53rd Street,
New York City, N. Y.

Dear Madam:-

Receipt of shipping inquiry dated February 25th, 1921, relative to the remains of your son, the late Sergeant Charles A. Connolly, serial number 20274, Company 1, 155th Infantry, is acknowledged.

Instructions have been issued that your request to have the remains left in France for burial in a permanent American Cemetery be complied with. You are assured that the grave site will always be maintained as a fitting memorial of the late soldier's sacrifice.

The Department desires to convey to you renewed assurance of its sympathy in your bereavement.

By authority of the Quartermaster General:

R. A. BENTON,
Captain, A. G.
Officer in Charge.

BY:

W. O. WILLIAMS,
Lieutenant,
S. R. S.,
MAR 12 1921



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MARCH 11 1921
COR. BRIG. C. R. S.

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WAR DEPARTMENT

OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL OF THE ARMY

CEMETERIAL DIVISION

WASHINGTON

Hoboken, N.J.

FEB 2 1921

FROM: Chief, Cemeterial Division, O. Q. M. G.

To: Mrs. Catherine Connolly, 359 West 53 St., New York, N.Y.

SUBJECT: Remains of Sgt. Charles A. Connolly, Ser. No. 90974, Co. I, 165th Inf.

The records of this office show that you have requested that the body of the above-named soldier remain in Europe.

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 the 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.

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

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

| NAME OF | NO. AND STREET. | TOWN. | STATE. |
|---|-----------------------------|------------------------|---------------------|
| Soldier's widow | <u>none</u> | <u>noted 2/15</u> | |
| Soldier's children. (Name oldest first.) | 1 <u>none</u> | | |
| | 2 <u>none</u> | | |
| | 3 <u>none</u> | | |
| Father | <u>Dead</u> | | |
| Mother | <u>Catherine Connolly</u> | <u>359 W 53 St</u> | <u>New York NY.</u> |
| Brothers. (Name oldest first.) | 1 <u>Benj F. Connolly</u> | <u>"</u> | <u>"</u> |
| | 2 <u>Joseph F. Connolly</u> | <u>207 Columbus St</u> | <u>"</u> |
| | 3 <u>none</u> | | |
| Sisters. (Name oldest first.) | 1 <u>Mrs J. M. Cate</u> | <u>Shenwood Park</u> | <u>Yonkers</u> |
| | 2 <u>Mrs B. Spalding</u> | <u>410 W 53 St</u> | <u>New York</u> |
| | 3 <u>Larrella Connolly</u> | <u>359 W 53 St</u> | <u>"</u> |

Date Feb 5 1921

Signature Catherine Connolly

Address 359 W 53 St

Relationship mother

Feb 5, 1921

I, the undersigned, am the mother and nearest living next of kin 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. mother
- 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 Catherine Connolly

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.

GRAVE LOCATION BLANK

CONFIRMED

LOCATION OF THE GRAVE OF

Connelly 67074 C
(Surname.) (Number.) (First Name and Initials.)

Sgt COL 165 Inf
(Rank.) (Organization.)

DATE OF BURIAL 14 July 29, 1918

PLACE OF BURIAL Murphy Farm

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

Map 33 # 5 E
N 274.605
E 195.595
Cummer (Arizona)
Sergeant
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GRAVE NUMBER 195

HOW MARKED: Name Peg? Plate Cross? Yes

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:

FILE

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GRAVES REGISTRATION SERVICE

REPORTED BY: American Expeditionary Forces

W. J. Connelly
(Signature and Rank of Reporting Officer.)

This portion to be sent to Chief of Graves Registration S

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Name, Connelly, 6790254.....C.....

Rank, Sergt. Co. I. (Corps) 165. Inf. (Regt)

Date of Death, July 29-31, 1918.....

Place, Meurcyn Farm.....

Cause, Killed in action.....

CMME. Derrière-et-Mesles Aisne

(C-57) SHT 33SE COORD E. 195.1
N. 274.9

Date of Burial.....

Grave No. 122 Section N plot 73

Cemetery, No. 2.....

Identified by (Tag Papers) (Clothing) Tag

List of Effects.....

Field Record Made by Lt. W. N. Carr.....

Company 304 Graves Registration Service

For additional data use reverse side

SEE-OTHER-SIDE

Reburied from :

374.605
195.595.

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Communal List No. _____

Daily Report No. _____

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G.R.S. #106
DISPOSITION OF BODY

17047 -Inquiry

War Department
Office of the Quartermaster General.
Graves Registration Service
Washington, D.C.

September 1, 1920.

For information of:

- (a) The Adjutant General of the Army
- (b) G.R.S., Paris, France.
- (c) Office Files.
- (d) Photographic Section.

Case of: Sergeant Charles Connolly,
#90974, Co. I, 165th Inf.

Grave Location: Grave #115, Sec. M, Plot
#3, American Cemetery,
Seringes-et-Nesles, Aisn

Request for action checked below:

- (a) Return of Body to the U.S.
- (b) Permanent Burial in France.
- (c) Cancellation of former requests.
- (d) Change of address.
- (e) Photograph of grave.

has been made by: Mrs. Catherine Connolly
359 West 53rd St.,
New York City, N.Y.

By authority of the Quartermaster General

CHARLES C. PIERCE,
Colonel, Q.M.G., U.S.A.
Chief, Graves Registration Service.
NS-2992/L
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CONNELLY, Charles

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Adjustment Made
DEC 22 1920
File No. 17047

WAR. DEPARTMENT

Office of the Quartermaster General of the Army
Washington

G.R.S. Form 8-W-A-O
Information requested of A.G.O.

Date 12/15/20.

File No. Requisition.

From: The Quartermaster General, U. S. Army, (Cometerial Division)

To: The Adjutant General of the Army, 6th & B Sts., N.W., Washington, D.C.

Subject: Information required for G.R.S.

1. It is requested that the items checked below be completed, Request confirmation of all information shown.

- a. Surname **Connolly,** ✓
- b. Christian name **Charles A.** ✓
- c. Serial Number **90974.** ✓
- d. Organization **Co. I, 165th Inf.** ✓
- e. Rank **Sgt.** ✓
- f. Date of death **7/28/18.** ✓
- g. Cause of death **K/A.** ✓
- h. Authority (C.O.#)
- i. Emergency address
- j. Relationship

BODY DESCRIPTION
(See page #2 of the Service Record)

- a. Age of enlistment
- b. Color of eyes
- c. Color of hair
- d. Height
- e. Weight
- f. Permanent marks and physical defects at enlistment (Old fractures or breaks)

DENTAL CHARTS
(See Physical report of examination prior to enlistment)

- a. Strike out teeth missing
- 8 7 6 5 4 3 2 1 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8
upper right upper left
- 8 7 6 5 4 3 2 1 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8
lower right lower left

FILE

*Donnelly H M 13 -
Enl Rec Sec w 7
12-16-20*

H. L. ROGERS,
Quartermaster General, U.S.A.

BY: *HJ Conner*

H. J. CONNER,
1st. Lieut. Q.M.C.

Rec'd World War Div.
Date DEC. 16. 1920

CEMETERY NO: 608.

SHIRT NO: 616.
TYPED BY: rln.

S/713/LML

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September 1, 1920.

NO: 293.8 Cem. #17047 (Connolly, Charles, Sgt.)

FROM: The Quartermaster General, U. S. Army, (Cemeterial Division).

TO: Mrs. Catherine Connolly, 359 West 53rd St., New York City, N.Y.

SUBJECT: Cancellation of former request.

1. In reply to your letter of August 20, 1920, referred to this office by the Secretary of War with instructions to reply to same, you are advised that notation has been made of your desire to cancel your former request that the remains of your son, Sergeant Charles Connolly, Company I, 165th Infantry, be returned to the United States for final burial, and record has been made of your present wish that the remains of this soldier be permanently interred in France. The necessary instructions will be issued to effect this end.

By authority of the Quartermaster General:

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

DS

BPM

By:

CHARLES J. WYNNE,
Captain, Q. M. C.

✓
mail
SEP 1 1920

August 20 1920

Ann

Secretary of War
Dear Sir

I have an application
in for the return of my son Sergeant
Charles A. Connolly Co I 165th INT.
who was killed in action on July 28th 1918. I have thought it over and think
it is best to let him remain in
France. Will you kindly see that
the order for his remains to be
returned is cancelled.

Recorded, General
File # 9388
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M. G.

Connolly

Yours Truly

Mrs Catherine Connolly
359 West 53rd
New York City

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with [unclear]
with [unclear]*

GENERAL DIVISION
OVERSEAS PROJECT SECTION
AUG 25 1920



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AUG 25 1920
WA* OFFICE

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AUG 28 1920
GENERAL
D. H. M. C.

1920
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To: Inquiry Section.
From: Overseas Project Sub-Section.

I. GENERAL INFORMATION on Cemetery No. (furnished by: 608 MRC) (date: 8/30/20)

Data sent Overseas
Operations to commence (approx.)
Operations to be completed (approx.)
Bodies shipped from European Port
Bodies arrived at Hoboken

II. CASE OF Counolly, Charles D. Sgt. Co. D 165th Inf. 90, 9704.
The following information was abstracted (Date) 8/30/20 from: Index

| SOURCE | CLK. | in OFFICE | Shppg. Inquiry (sent | Clk. | in OFFICE |
|-----------------------------------|------------|------------|---------------------------------|------|-----------|
| A. G. O. Cards | <u>MRC</u> | <u>Yes</u> | | | |
| A.G.O. Corresp. | | | To | | |
| G.R.S. Corresp. relative to disp. | | | OSP S-S Corresp. (see Remarks.) | | |

A.G.O card. DESIRES as to Disposition.

| Name of Relative | RETURN | | REMAIN | SPECIAL |
|---|--------|-------------------------------------|--------|---------|
| | N. C. | Pvt. Int. | | |
| Widow | | | | |
| Children (Name oldest first) | | | | |
| Father | | | | |
| Mother <u>Catherine Connolly</u> | | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | | |
| Brothers <u>359 West 53rd St., New York, N.Y.</u> | | | | |
| Sisters | | | | |

Body to be shipped to Catherine Connolly, 359 West 53rd St., New York, N.Y. was shipped (Date)

REMARKS Cty #608 not audited.
AE
8-28

OK all

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

Date 8-28-20

FROM:- INQUIRY BRANCH.

Please furnish information as checked (✓) below regarding the following soldier:

NAME Connolly, Charles Serial NumberRANK Sgt. ORGANIZATION Co. 3, 135th Inf.

| NO. | QUESTION | REPLY |
|-----|---|--|
| 1. | Do particulars of soldiers given above agree with Records? | (1) # 90974 |
| 2. | Date of Death. | (2) 7-28-18 |
| 3. | Cause and place of death. | (3) R/A |
| 4. | Number of Casualty Cablegram. | (4) 253 |
| 5. | Date buried. | (5) 7-29-18 |
| 6. | Grave Location. (a) Complete record required (b) Name of Cemetery or Commune only required. (c) Note reinterments. | (6) Grave # 122, Plot # 3, Sec. N, Amer. B/A City # 608, Seringes-et-Nesles, (Aisne) Disinterred and Reburied: 6-6-19. Grave # 115, Sec. M, Plot 3, Amer. City # 608, Seringes-et-Nesles, Aisne. |
| 7. | Who reported burial? | |
| 8. | Confirmed by G.R.S.? | |
| 9. | Report as to Grave Marker. | (9) 2 - No |
| 10. | Identification Tags: (a) Buried with body? (b) Attached to grave marker? | b - yes |
| 11. | Complete Emergency Address? | (11) Mrs. K. Connolly, (Mother) 359 West 53d St., New York City. |
| 12. | Has been notified? (Give date) | (12) 11-9-18 12-30-19 - 107 Re-notified 4-24-19 |
| 13. | Report the exact position of your inquiry on this case. (Reply in all cases if no information on record) | (14) F-16682 |
| 14. | What is the Photograph No.? | |
| 15. | Inquiry made by? | |

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Cards 4x6
S.S.G. *R/E*

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

January 15th, 1919

File No. 17047

Case of : Sgt. Charles Connelley, Co. I, 165th Inf. 42nd Division

Forwarded to Lt. Price for Special Cemetery File

(Body to be returned to the United States)

James R. Price
Signature

FILE

Reference: File 17047

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

17047

January 13, 1919.

FROM: Chief, Graves Registration Service, American E. F.
TO: Plunkett, Richard A., Pvt., c/o Maj. J. L. Buchanan, A.P.O. 780
SUBJECT: Connolley, Charles Sgt., Co. I, 165th Inf., 42d Division.

Reference your letter of recent date: According to the records of this office, as yet unconfirmed, the above mentioned non-commissioned officer was killed in action July 28, 1918, and is buried in Grave No. 195, American Battle Area, Cemetery, Meurcy Farm, Sergy, Department of the Aisne.

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

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

MBD-ca

W. G. K. B.
A. R. C.

RE 7047

Ing.

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

File Number

From:- A.R.C.

Date: 12/14/18

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

NAME CONNOLLEY, CHAR NUMBER

RANK SGT ORGANIZATION Co. 1 - 165 INF ~~42nd Div.~~

| No. | Question | Reply |
|------|---|---|
| 1 | Do particulars of soldier given above agree with Records? | N.B. All Proper names to be printed in PLAIN BLOCK LETTERS |
| ✓ 2 | Date of Death | ① CONNELLY, CHAR |
| ✓ 3 | Cause and place of death | Sgt - Co I 165 INF. |
| ✓ 4 | Number of Casualty Cablegram | ② 7/28/18 |
| 5 | Date buried | ③ K/a |
| ✓ 6 | Grave location (a) Complete record required (b) Name of cemetery or commune only required | ④ CC 253 ⑤ grave 195- CTV #574 AMER B/A CTV MEURCY FARM. SERGV, (AISNE) |
| 7 | Who reported burial? | ⑧ - 76 |
| ✓ 8 | Has report been confirmed by G.R.S. | |
| 9 | Report as to grave marker | |
| 10 | Report as to identification tags | |
| 11 | Who is nearest relative? | |
| ✓ 12 | Has N/R been notified? (Give date) | ② yes 11/9/18 |
| 13 | Report the exact position of your inquiry on this case. (Reply in all cases if no information on record) | |
| 14 | What is the photograph No.? | |

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12/28/18

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