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G.R.S. Form #114 B

To The A. G. O.

911

DATE Oct.15, 1921

MAY 14 1921

1. NAME CONNOLLY, James SERIAL No. 61965

RANK Pvt. ORGANIZATION Co. K, 101st Inf. DIVISION 26

GRAVE LOCATION Meuse Argonne Amer. Romagne/s/Montfaucon 1232 sec 62

CTY. NAME NUMBER

97 sec 62 2

GRAVE ROW PLOT

2. ORIGINAL BATTLE AREA GRAVE LOCATION Near Flabas Meuse.

GRAVE COMMUNE DEPT.

COORDINATES Verdun 35NE. 280.78 N 326.7 E

CONCENTRATED TO June 16-19 97 62 2

DATE GRAVE ROW PLOT

Meuse Argonne 1232. CEMETERY CTY. NUMBER

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

Tag on body.

DATE OF DEATH Oct 23, 1918

STATE FROM WHICH HE CAME Mass

MEDALS OR DECORATIONS AWARDED none

Subsequent Reburials

Robert O. Davis, Major General, The Adjutant General.

DATE GRAVE ROW PLOT CEMETERY

By RIB MAY 18 1921 DATE GRAVE ROW PLOT CEMETERY

SIGNATURE, AREA SUPERVISOR M. B. Dwyer

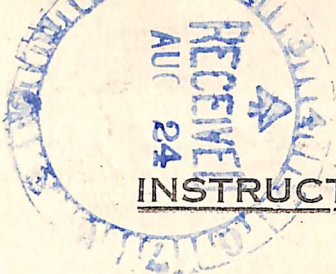
1st Lt., Q.M. Corps, U.S. Army

3. FINAL GRAVE LOCATION Oct.15, 1921 31 10 Block D

DATE GRAVE ROW PLOT

Meuse-Argonne American Cty 1232, Romagne-sous-Montfaucon (Meuse) CEMETERY

MAY 15 1928 AUDITED B. B.W. 4-17-23



INSTRUCTIONS FOR PREPARATION OF FORM 114 B

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



Co. K, 101st Infantry,
26th division.

Connelly, James O - Pvt. 61965
Home : Sea St. So Boston.

Pvt. James O. Connelly was killed on the morning of October 23rd 1918, by an exploding shell during the heavy counter barrage from the enemy before the attack of that day. Pvt. Connelly was a stretcher bearer and had already helped to remove four of his comrades. He was buried about 10 kilometres North of Verdun.

Informant : O'Keefe, Martin A, Sgt. 61829
Co. K, 101st Infantry.

Home : Clinton Mass.

Searcher : Lt. W.J. Lacrosse.
February, 15th 1919.

Emergency address :
(Father) Ireland.
Whereabouts, not known.

J.R.

Reptd Connolly Jas # 61965. Pot
Cot 101st Inf KLa 10/23/18. CC 309

GRAVE LOCATION BLANK

LOCATION OF THE GRAVE OF

Connolly 61955
(Surname). (Number). (First Name and Initials).

(Rank).

(Organization).

PLACE OF DEATH: Bois de Hoppe

CAUSE OF DEATH: Shell fire

DATE OF BURIAL: Nov 12th - 1918

PLACE OF BURIAL: Bois de Hoppe

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

Co ord 78.50 - 25 - 25

Ref map Mouffaucon 1/50,000

GRAVE NUMBER:

HOW MARKED: Name Peg? yes Cross?

Headboard?

Bottle?

IDENTIFICATION TAGS: 2

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:

Chaplain Lyman Rollins 101st Infy.
(Signature and Rank of Reporting Officer)

Chief Burial Officer 26th Div.

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

QM 293 A-M
Connolly, James 1232

March 2, 1931

Y not
Honorable Ruth Bryan Owen,
House of Representatives,
Washington, D. C.

My dear Mrs. Owen:

Receipt is acknowledged of your letter of February 21, 1931, with affidavit from Mrs. Nora C. Currie of Hollywood, Florida, to substantiate her claim as having stood in loco parentis to her brother, the late Private James Connolly, in order to establish her eligibility to make a pilgrimage to his grave in France under the provisions of the Act of March 2, 1929, as amended May 15, 1930.

Your attention is invited to Section 4 (a) of the enclosed Act, as amended, which reads in part as follows: "or any woman who stood in loco parentis to a deceased member of the military or naval forces for a period of not less than five years at any time prior to the soldier, sailor, or marine becoming eighteen years of age".

In view of the statement made in the affidavit that the late Private Connolly was twenty one years of age at the time Mrs. Currie's status in loco parentis began, it is regretted to advise that she is not eligible within the meaning of the law to make a pilgrimage to his grave at the expense of the Government.

For The Quartermaster General.

Very truly yours,

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

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Enclosures:
2 letters.
Act-Amendment.
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QM 293 A-C
Connellally, James

March 27, 1930.

✓ X 20(Honorable Ruth Bryan Owen,
House of Representatives,
Washington, D. C.

My dear Mrs. Owen:

Receipt is acknowledged of your letter of March 24, 1930, with its enclosure relative to the desire of Mrs. Nora C. Currie, to make a pilgrimage to the grave of her brother, the late Private James Connolly, under the provisions of the Act of March 2, 1929.

Mrs. Currie was advised under date of November 6, 1929, that the only provision of the law under which she could make this pilgrimage is contained in Section 4 (a) thereof which reads in part "or any woman who stood in loco parentis to the deceased member of the military or naval forces for the year prior to the commencement of his service in such forces".

It will be noted that the legal status of "loco parentis" must have existed for the year prior to the commencement of the military service of the deceased. It has been held that a person cannot stand legally in loco parentis to an adult unless such adult is mentally or physically incapacitated. The records show that Private Connolly was 23 years of age at the time he entered the military service. As no man who was mentally or physically incapacitated was accepted for military service, it follows that under the above interpretation of the law Mrs. Currie did not legally stand in loco parentis to her brother at the time of his entry into the service.

I appreciate Mrs. Currie's desire to make this pilgrimage and regret to advise there is no provision of the law whereby she could make this pilgrimage at the expense of the Government.

For The Quartermaster General.

Very truly yours,

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

Enclosure:
Letter 3-20-30 returned.

G. I. M. G. M. & R. DIV.

1930 MAR 27 PM 3

DISPATCH

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RUTH BRYAN OWEN
4TH DISTRICT FLORIDA

MEMBER
COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN AFFAIRS

Mrs. JESSIE R. HILL
SECRETARY

Congress of the United States
House of Representatives
Washington, D. C.

March 24th, 1930

6566
23 yrs old

Quartermaster General,
Cemeterial Division,
War Department,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

The inclosed letter from Mrs. Nora C. Currie, of 1728 Funston Street, Hollywood, Florida, is self-explanatory.

I would appreciate it very much if you would let me know whether or not Mrs. Currie would be eligible to make the pilgrimage to the graves of the soldiers buried overseas.

Thanking you for the courtesy of a prompt reply, I am

Sincerely yours,

Ruth Bryan Owen
M. C.



↑
Mrs

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Mrs. Currie, Mrs. Currie

copy

1728 Funston St.
Hollywood, Fla.
March 20 1930.

My dear Mrs. Ruth Bryan Owen:

I am taking the opportunity of writing direct to you. I know you will assist me in my trip to France to visit the grave of my hero brother James Connelly, age 23 years. Arrived in this country from Ireland 1 year before the United States entered the great conflict. Made his home with me until he enlisted for service. Right after war was declared, enlisted at Camp Devens, Mass., went over seas in August 1917 was in active fighting until the morning of October 23, 1918. Killed in action by shell fire.

Mrs. Ruth Bryan Owens all I ask is this trip to France to visit his grave. Won't you do what you can for me.

James Connelly 1232
101st Inf. Co. K. 26th Div.
Mass. Reg.

Sister-Nora C. Currie.

Mother -

Mrs. Margaret Connolly

Rossareal, County Galway, Ireland,

QM 295 A-C

Connolly, James *Port.*

Co. K, 101 st Inf. -

November 6, 1929.

Mrs. Wm. F. Currie,
1401 Madison St.,
Hollywood, Florida.

Dear Madam:

Acknowledging receipt of your letter of September 16, 1929, concerning the pilgrimage to Europe, please find inclosed herewith a copy of the Act of Congress of March 2, 1929, providing for such pilgrimages. Your attention is invited to Section 2(g) thereof which states in part "Suitable transportation, accommodations, meals and other necessities pertaining thereto ** shall be furnished each mother and widow included in any pilgrimage ** while enroute in the United States from home to port and from port to home". In view of the foregoing it has been held that only residents of the United States are within the contemplation of the law. It is therefore regretted to advise that inasmuch as the mother of the late Private James Connolly is not a resident of the United States, she is not eligible to make the pilgrimage to her son's grave at the expense of the Government.

In connection with your further inquiry as to whether the next-of-kin can be considered as eligible to make the pilgrimage in place of the mother, you are advised that the law contains no provision which will permit of the transfer of the invitation. The only condition under which you would be eligible to make this pilgrimage would be by qualifying under the provisions of Section 4(a) of the Act, which states in part "or any woman who stood in loco parentis to the deceased member of the military or naval forces for the year prior to the commencement of his service in such forces".

It has been held that within the meaning of the law a person cannot stand in loco parentis to an adult unless such adult is mentally or physically incapacitated. No man who was mentally or physically incapacitated was accepted for service in the mili-

tary or naval forces. Inasmuch as your brother, the late Private James Connolly, was an adult at the time of the commencement of his service, his age having been 23 years, no person could have stood in loco parentis to him for the year prior to his entry into the service. Therefore, I regret to advise that you are ineligible within the meaning of the law to make this pilgrimage at the expense of the Government.

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

1 Incl.
C. Act.

C. Q. M. G. M. C. R.

1929 NOV 7 AM 11 07

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Place Re ne 1232.

REPORT OF DISINTERMENT AND REBURIAL

Date Oct. 14, 1921.

1. REMAINS OF CONNOLLY, James SERIAL NUMBER 61965
61695
RANK Pvt. ORGANIZATION Co. K. 101st Inf.

2. Disinterred (date): Oct. 14, 1921 From (give complete location): gr 97, sec 62, plot 2.

By: Group 1 Unit sec 2.

3. Reburied (date): Oct. 15, 1921. Meuse Argonne Cem. #1232. Row 10 Block D. Gr. 31
In (give complete location): Unlined Casket.

By: Group Reburial Sec. Unit Nature of reburial

4. Report as to nature of original burial and condition of body upon disinterment :
wooden box and uniform, badly decomposed, features not recognizable.

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

(b) Other means of identification found upon disinterment, and general remarks :
Tags read "J. Connelly 101st U.S. Inf. 61955"

15 decayed. 19 MBD. 24, 25, MAD

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

(a) Height (actual measurement) impossible to determine.

(b) Weight (estimated) do

(c) Hair—Color do

Quantity do

Characteristics do

(d) Hair on face—Color do

Location do

Quantity do

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

(f) Wounds or missing parts (received at time of casualty) none visible.

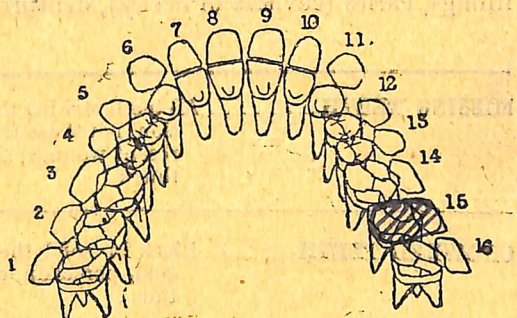
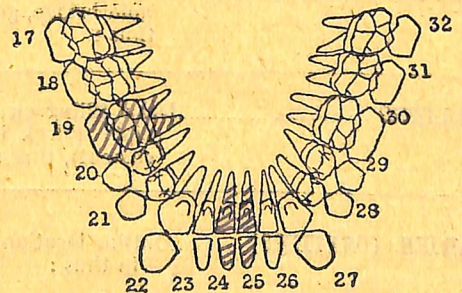


Diagram represents the mouth wide open.



7. Disinterment supervised by G.S. Wright
G.S. Wright,

Approved: F.B. Daniel
F.B. Daniel, Capt., M.C.
(Title)

8. Reburial supervised by W. B. SHEILD

Approved: JAMES W. YOUNGER
CAPT., 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.

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

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 be prepared in triplicate.

DATE Oct. 14, 1921.

REPORT OF DISINTERMENT, PREPARATION, SHIPMENT AND REBURIAL OF BODY

DISINTERMENT

COMPARATIVE REPORT

Records of G.R.S. Headquarters.

Discrepancy found upon exhumation of body

1. Name CONNOLLY, James
 2. No. 61965
 3. Rank Pvt.
 4. Org. Co. K, 101st Inf.
 5. D.D. Oct. 23rd
 6. C.D. KIA

10. Name J. Connolly
 11. No. 61955
 12. Rank Section
 13. Org. _____
 14. (a) D.D. _____
 (b) D.B. _____

Discrepancy found upon disinterment

7. Grave No. 97 Sec. 62
 8. Plot 2 Row _____
 9. _____

15. Grave No. _____ Sec. _____
 16. Plot _____ Row _____
 17. No discrepancies.

18. Cemetery Meuse Argonne Amer.

19. Commune or town Romagne/s/Montfauc on

20. Dept. or County Meuse

21. Country France

22. G.R.S. Hdqrs. Code No. 1232 sec 62

23. Disinterred (Date) Oct. 14, 1921.

By G. S. Wright

24. Inscription on grave marker:

Name James Connolly
 Rank Pvt.

Serial No. 61965
 Organization Co. K, 101st Inf.

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

Rex M. Moody
 Signature Junior Technical Assistant

Rex M. Moody

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).

Body identified by tags.

27. Condition of body Badly decomposed; features unrecognizable.

28. Nature of burial Wooden box and uniform.

29. Any discrepancy noted upon examination of body, as compared with G.R.S. records quoted above? Yes. See Pars. 10 and 11.

30. Body prepared and placed in casket: Date Oct. 14, 1921. By G. S. Wright

31. Casket sealed by G. S. Wright

Signature of Embalmer, (Supervisor)

G. S. Wright

SHIPMENT. (Show actual marking of box.) Box No. C-11875

32. Designation of body:

Name CONNOLLY, James Serial No. 61965

Rank Pvt. Organization Co. K, 101st Inf.

33. Consigned to:

Name of Permanent Cemetery Meuse Argonne Amer. Romagne/s/Montfauc on 1232

34. Casket boxed and marked (Date) Oct. 14, 1921. By G. S. Wright.

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 F. B. Daniel, Captain, C.A.C.

36. Remarks None.

37. Shipped from point of Operation: (Date) October 14th, 1921. a

To point of Concentration Morgue, Romagne.

Convoyer W. J. Royed. Signature Shipping Officer Albert M. Jackson, Captain, C.A.C.

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

By G.R.S. Representative _____

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

To Permanent Cemetery _____

Convoyer _____ Signature Shipping Officer _____

40. Received: Date _____

G.R.S. Representative _____

41. Reinterred Meuse Argonne Cem. 1232. (Date) Oct. 15, 1921.

42. Grave No. Row 10 Block Gr. 31 Section _____

43. Plot _____ Row _____

G.R.S. Representative James S. Younger, Capt., QMC.



COMPILATION OF DISPOSITION OF REMAINS DATA

File #49516

I. LOCATION INDEX CARD:

(a) Name CONNOLLY, James Ser. No. 61965
(b) Rank Pvt. Organization Co. K, 101st Inf.
(c) Date of death 10/23/18 (d) Cause of death K/A
TYP. als
CKR. [initials]

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

(a) Grave No. 97 Row -- Plot 2 Sec. 62 TYP. als
(b) Emerg. Address Mrs. Margaret Connolly, (mother) Rossaveal, County Galway, Ireland.

III. Files of soldiers dying from contagious diseases / CKR. [initials]

IV. A. G. O. DISPOSITION CARD: Date of receipt

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

Examiner's Initials Date, 1920.

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

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

Examiner's Initials Date, 1920.

VI. G. R. S. FILES, CORRESPONDENCE—shows as follows: Wm. J. Connolly, brother

339 Webster Ave., Pittsburg, Pa. states mother's address given in case of emergency - Mrs. Margaret Connolly Rossaveal Co., Galway, Ireland.
(a) Cancellation memos referred to? she was not notified about his death

Examiner's Initials W. C. Date 5-6-21, 1920.

COUNTRY FRANCE CEMETERY No. 1232-Sec. 62 SHEET No. 23.

JUN 9 1921

H.S

checked 9/10/21 [initials]

no card

[checkmark]

Location Index

Discrepancies

Name

Rank

Serial No.

Org.

Remarks

A.G.O. Card & Corr.

Discrepancies

Name

Rank

Serial NO.

Org.

Remarks

G. R. S. Corr.

Discrepancies

Name

Rank

Serial No.

Org.

Remarks

Checkers

Discrepancies

Name

Rank

Serial no.

Remarks

S-1783/MB

*Checked
5/6/24
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IV. Information on which advice to Europe in letter of transmittal was based:

V. Following advice forwarded to Europe by { cable on _____, 192
Sec. #62. { letter of transmittal on JUN 1 1921, 192
Par. #2, Not To Be Returned
mesd.

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.

VIII. Form 115 received from G. R. S., Hoboken, N. J. _____, 192

COUNTRY _____ CEMETERY No. _____ SHEET No. _____

GRAVE LOCATION BLANK

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LOCATION OF THE GRAVE OF

Conolly 61955
(Surname). (Number). (First Name and Initials).

(Rank). (Organization).

PLACE OF DEATH: Bois de Hoppe

CAUSE OF DEATH: Shell Furs

DATE OF BURIAL: Nov 15 1918

PLACE OF BURIAL: Bois de Hoppe

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

Co. ord 78.50 E 28.25

Ref. Map Montaucon 1/50000

GRAVE NUMBER:

HOW MARKED: Name Peg? yes Cross?

Headboard?

IDENTIFICATION TAGS: 2

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:

OMME Conzemroye / Meuse

NEAREST RELATIVE: COORD E 325.25 N 278.50

ADDRESS:

RELATIONSHIP:

REPORTED BY:

Chaplain Lyman Rollins 101st Inf. (Signature and Rank of Reporting Officer).

Chief Burial officer 26th Div.

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



280-1000

Communal List No. _____
Daily Report No. _____

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

49576 G. R. S. File

2. Soldier's No.

3. CONNELLY J.
Surname (in block letters) First Name and Initials

4. K 101 Inf.
Rank Company Regt. or Corps

5.
Date of Death Cause, if known

6. isolated grave
Date of Burial Cemetery
CREPION MEUSE

7.
Town or Commune (in block letters) Department

8. 2
Grave No. Plot No. or Letter

9. Name Peg? Cross? YES Headboard? Bottle?
Check Method of Marking

10. Buried with Body? Attached to Grave Marker? YES
Identification Tags

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

Sk. #135

Plot #7

12. Veroun NE E327.6-N280.74
Map reference, if interment is outside of cemetery

13. (1705) (1705) (1705)
Give name of Chaplain or Burial Officer

Signed P. Taliaferro

Group... 3... Unit... 311 G. R. S.



WAR DEPARTMENT.

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

49516

OFFICIAL BUSINESS.

James Connelly
61955



61955

49516

5/6/21
(Date)

FORM 115 has been compiled on the following case:-

CEMETERY NO. 1232 SECTION 62

FORM 115 Sheet No. 23

SH
(Initials)

GSP-SS
Form No. 1011.

S/2052/LML

Reg. Cards.

File No.

June 1919

49516

G.R.S. Form No. 6; ...
Name For: G.R.S. representative, G.R.O.
SUBJECT: Information required for G.R.S.

FILE

1. Items checked are to be completed:

- () Surname: Connolly.
- () Number:
- () First name: James.
- () Rank: Pvt.
- () Company: K.
- () Organization: 101st Inf.
- () Date of death: Oct. 23. 1918.
- () Cause:
- () Place:

Location of hospital:

Number " "
Class " "

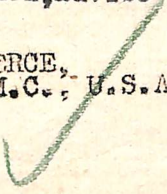
- () Relative:
- () Relationship:
- () Address:
- () Authority:
- Cablegram No:
- Telegram from:

dated:

- () Reported to Washington:
- C.C. Nos:
- (UnderSCORE the "official" C.C.)
- () Remarks:
- () Show present status on reverse side.
- Burial notification returned, advise correct address of N.R.

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

Initials of Reporter:



Lieut. Ernest Chase of Shannon, O., was with the Graves Registration Service, organized under the direction of Col. Pierce to make it certain that there will be a permanent record of all graves of the soldiers who have been buried in France. Lieut. Chas said that during a combat details from the Graves Registration Service follow the fighters and make record of the spots where the men are buried. These records are assembled at Tours and any relative who has lost a loved one in France can ascertain the location of the grave by writing to the Graves Registration Service, American Post Office 717, France. He said that no distinction is shown, all soldiers being buried with military honors and having placed above their grave a white cross which gives the name, rank and organization of the dead man.

Pgh Pa U. S. A.

May 24/1919

Grave Registration Service
American P.O. 717 France
C. O. Pierce.

Dear Sir,

I had a brother James Connolly with C. O. K. 101st Inf. enlisted from Boston. He was in active service 1917 and 18. The last letter we received from him was dated Oct 12/18.

He gave as his emergency address his mother Mrs Margaret Connolly Rossareal Galway Ireland.

Now his mother has received no word from or about him and we feel as though something has happened to him. Now if you have any record of this boy will you kindly inform me in near future.

address
3391 Webster Ave. And oblige his brother
Pgh Pa U. S. A. Wm J. Connolly



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Reference: 41916,

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

May 7th, 1919.

FROM : Chief, Graves Registration Service, American E.F.
TO : Mr. Wm. J. Connolly, 3391 Webster Avenue, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.
SUBJECT : Private James ~~X~~ Connolly, Co. K., 101st Infantry.

1. In reply to your letter of inquiry, I am very sorry to have to inform you that my field force has not as yet succeeded in obtaining any definite burial information regarding this soldier. You may rest assured that every possible effort will be made to locate the grave, and, if necessary, a special search will be made of the area where he died and is, no doubt, buried.

2. Careful note is being made of your name and address, and immediately the burial information is received, you will be informed.

By direction

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

Per

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

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Connolly, James.

Co.K., 101st Infantry.

Burial information required for Inquiry Branch, American
Red Cross Section.

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Pat. C. H. 101st Inf
follow up letter sent to
Mrs. Margaret Connelly,
65 C Street,
South Boston, Mass.

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WAR DEPARTMENT,
THE ADJUTANT GENERAL'S OFFICE,
WASHINGTON.

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November 28, 1919.

Margaret Connolly,
Rosaver, Ireland.

Dear Madam:--

AGO CARD
RETURNED
ENCLOSURE

The War Department desires to ascertain the wishes of the families of officers, enlisted men, and civilian employees regarding the permanent disposition of the bodies of those who have died overseas.

The original plan of the Department was to deliver the body in every case at the home address of the deceased to the person legally entitled to dispose of the remains. A desire has been expressed, however, in numerous instances to have the body remain abroad, and General Pershing is likely soon to enter into negotiations with the French and Allied Governments with the view of establishing permanent cemeteries for members of the American Expeditionary Forces. Marshal Petain in a most courteous letter has informed General Pershing that "France would be happy and proud to retain the bodies of the American victims who have fallen upon her soil."

A bill is now before Congress for the establishment of "Fields of Honor" abroad, which will insure future care by the United States Government as national cemeteries are now cared for. Burials have been made heretofore in cemeteries of the Allied nations or at or near the battle field in land set apart for this purpose as a cemetery, and religious services in accordance with the rites of the Protestant, Catholic, or Hebrew faith have been held at the grave.

In case the remains of a deceased soldier are returned to the United States they will be interred either at the former home of the deceased or at a national cemetery, according to the wishes of the one authorized to direct the disposition of the remains, and all expenses, including transportation, casket, shipping case, flag, and the preparation of the remains for shipment, will be paid by the United States. Hire of a hearse and other burial expenses incurred at the home of the deceased may be paid, on application by the relatives, by the Bureau of War Risk Insurance, Treasury Department.

In order that the proper disposition of the remains may be made, and that such disposition be directed by the person entitled to do so, the War Department will recognize the right to direct the disposition of remains in the following order:

In the case of an unmarried man—

- (1) Father; (2) mother, if father is dead; (3) brother, if both parents are dead; (4) sister, if both parents are dead and there are no brothers.

In the case of a married man—

- (1) Wife; (2) parents or children and other relatives in order set forth above.

It is desired that the information indicated on the inclosed card be furnished concerning the person named thereon at the earliest practicable date. If the card is received by some one not authorized to direct the disposition to be made of the remains, please deliver this circular and the card to the person who is entitled to do so.

The Department is unable to state when it will be possible to begin the removal of the remains of the soldiers, but the information requested is being collected at this time in order that there may be no delay when the time comes for such removal.

In returning the card please use the inclosed addressed penalty envelope, which requires no postage.

Very respectfully,

P. C. HARRIS,
The Adjutant General.

Connelly

James

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(Surname.)

(Christian name in full.)

(Army serial number.)

Pvt

Co K 101st Inf

(Rank and organization.)

State your relationship to the deceased

Do desire the remains brought to the United States?

(Yes or no.)

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

(Yes or no.)

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

(Name of person to receive remains.)

(Express office.)

(Telegraph office.)

(Number and street.)

(City or town.)

(State.)

(Sign here)

(Number and street or rural route.)

(City, town, or post office.)

(State.)

Read carefully the letter accompanying this card.

Connelly,

(Surname.)

James

(Christian name in full.)

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(Army serial number.)

Private, Company K, 101st Infantry.

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WAR DEPARTMENT,
THE ADJUTANT GENERAL'S OFFICE,
WASHINGTON,

August 23, 1919

Dear Madam:

This is the second request for information concerning this matter that has been sent to you. Inasmuch as no reply has been received to the first request it is presumed you did not receive it, and as the information indicated on the inclosed card is necessary to complete the records it will be appreciated if you will fill in and return the card at the earliest practicable date.

P. C. HARRIS,
The Adjutant General.

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