

To The A. G. O.

G.R.S. Form #114-B

Sol Signs - Clifton E. Collins

VA records show as below JAN 15 1926

3010

FULL NAME... COLLINS, Clifton E.

RANK... Wagoner SERIAL... 1252850

DIVISION & ORGANIZATION... Supply Company, 108th F.A. 28 div

DATE OF DEATH... Aug 16, 1918

STATE FROM WHICH HE CAME... Pa

MEDALS OR DECORATIONS AWARDED... none found

FINAL GRAVE LOCATION	28	4	C
Date	Grave	Row	Block

608

Cemetery

Robert O. Davis,
Major General,
The Adjutant General.
By C R J

World War Div.
5 NOV 30 1927

3 A.G.O.
JAN 16 1926
WORLD WAR DIV.

JAN 19 26
M. & R. BRANCH
O. Q. M. G.

1st Ind.

WW ERD/1-203

War Department, A.G.O., December 10, 1927. To: The Quartermaster General.

The records of this office show that August 15, 1918 was the correct date of death in the case of Clifton E. Collins, A.S.#1252850.

By order of the Secretary of War:

W. E. Chickering
Adjutant General.

*OK M.H.R.
5X8*

CROSS INDEX

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D.M.G.O.

GRAVE LOCATION BLANK

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LOCATION OF THE GRAVE OF

Collins 1252850 Clifton E.
(Surname). (Number). (First Name and Initials).

Wagoner Supply Co. 108th F.A.
(Rank). (Organization)

656

PLACE OF DEATH: Chery-Chartreuve, France

CAUSE OF DEATH: Schrapnel

DATE OF BURIAL: August 16, 1918

M-21

SUPPLY CO

PLACE OF BURIAL: Chery Chartreuve, France.
(Give Cemetery, Town and Department). Map references must specify clearly what map is used.

Burial by
77 Div

data missing

on E., Pvt.

GRAVE NUMBER: unknown

use Farm.

WOOD MARKED: Name Peg? unknown

#1252850

BMJ Enq

Headboard? Bottle?

IDENTIFICATION TAGS:

ulling into position,
it him in the side m
and Chartreux) Aug. 16

Was one buried with body? unknown

more particulars

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

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

NEAREST RELATIVE: unknown

ADDRESS: unknown

RELATIONSHIP: unknown

REPORTED BY:
Chaplain W.B. Hilton 108th FA for Capt
George S. Stewart, Burial Officer 108th FA
(Signature and Rank of Reporting Officer)

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

RECEIVED
19 DEC 1918

GRAVE LOCATION BLANK.

LOCATION OF THE GRAVE OF

Collins,

Glifton E.

(Surname.)

(Number.)

(First Name and Initials.)

(Rank.)

Sup. CO., 108 F. A.

(Organization.)

DATE OF BURIAL August 17 1918

PLACE OF BURIAL Chartreuve Farm

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

Fismes Map

199.7 - 280.8

GRAVE NUMBER 3

HOW MARKED: Name Peg? Yes Cross?

Headboard? Bottle?

IDENTIFICATION TAGS:

Was one buried with body? Yes

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

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

REPORTED BY:

J. J. Allan, Chaplain, 77th Div. (Signature and Rank of Reporting Officer.)

This portion to be forwarded to Adj. Gen'l., G. H. Q., A. E. F.

606-154

617-M-21

SUPPLY CO., 108 F.A.

COLLINS, Clifton E., Pvt.

28

Burial by Chap. Allan Aug. 17, 1918 at Chartreuse Farm.
77 Division No date given (4-22-19)

Searcher gives #1252850

BMJ

Enquirer: W

"He was killed about midnight, as we were pulling into position,
and he died instantly, as Chery - Chartreuxaux (Chartreux) Aug. 16
and buried near by.

By writing to Capt. Clark of Bat. F 108 F.A. more particulars
can be obtained.

Tall, slender, big nose.

Informant: Captain, Wilson,

Base 119

Hdq. Co. 108 F.A.

Home: Morristown, Pa.

March 27, 1919

Thelma Warner, Searcher

BMJ Enquirer: W

SUPPLY CO., 108 F.A.

COLLINS, Clifton E., Pvt.

Searcher gives #1252850

28
*He was killed about midnight, as we were pulling into position, while he was driving a supply wagon, a shell hit him in the side and he died instantly, at Chery - Chartreuxaux (Chartreux) Aug. 16 and buried near by.

By writing to Capt. Clark of Bat. F 108 F.A. more particulars can be obtained.

Tall, slender, light hair, about 23 or 24.

Informant : Rapiul, Wilmot, Pvt. 1251441

Base 119

Hdq. Co. 108 F.A.

Home : Morristown, Pa.

March 27, 1919

Thelma Warner, Searcher

BMJ Enquirer: W

REPORT OF DISINTERMENT AND REBURIAL.

Remains of:

Name: Clifton E. Collins.

Number: 1252850

Rank: None *Hagener*

Organization: Sup. Co. 108th F.A.

Disinterment and Reburial made by Group 1 Unit 304

Disinterred (Date) May 19/19 From: (Give complete location)

From Grave # 154 Cemetery #21-Forsberg.

#33 SE N282.4 E200.8

Reburied (Date) May 19/19 in: (Give complete location)

Grave #21 Section M. Cemetery #18 Fismes (Marne)

Map #34 Rims. SW 286.25N-205.75E

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

Buried 5 feet deep Body badly decomposed.

Was one identification tag found upon the body? Yes and one on cross.

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

CONFIRMED No. B

70640

Note:

If upon disinterment, effects are found upon bodies, they will be promptly sent to the Effects Depot direct, as is required by G.O. 170, G.H. 2, 1918., after being carefully examined for clues to identity in doubtful cases, notation whereof will be made and reported to Chief, Graves Registration Service.

Supervised by: Cpl. C.A. Gammon

1st. Lt Oscar W. Forsberg.

C.O. Group 1 Unit 304

FILE
1/30/20
R

Subscribed by: Chy. C. G. Gannon C.O. No. 304
for: Gen. M. K. K. K.

Subject will be made and referred to Chief, General Investigation Division,
after being certified, submitted for file to the Chief of the Bureau, Washington,
sent to the Director, Dept. of Justice, as the subject of O.C. No. 100, 100, 100, 100, 100, 100,
It upon investigation, etc., etc. are being made, they will be brought
note:

What other means of identification were found on the body? None
Was any identification found upon the body? Yes and one on cross.

Excluded by test of... Body parts decomposed.

Referred to Bureau of Origin of bullet and condition of body upon statement.

Was any... 2M. 500. 500. 100.
State of... (date) 10/10 10: (Give complete location)

From State of... 100. 100. 100. 100. 100. 100.

Discovered (Date) 10/10 10: (Give complete location)
Identification and description of body part found 10/10 10: 304

Name: None
Name: C. C. G. Gannon
Number: 158380



RECORDS OF DISMISSALS AND DEATHS

Date: 10/10 10: 304
Name: C. C. G. Gannon (Name)

CODE SLIP

HEADING	SUB-HEADING	NO. OF COLS	CODE
NAME	COWINS	3	3 2 2
	Clifton E.		
	Cemetery 1008	1	2
BURIED	GRAVE 28	2	28
	ROW 4	2	04
	BLOCK C	1	3
STATE	Penna.	2	44
RANK	Wag.	1	2
DIVISION	28	2	28
ORGANIZATION	108	3	108
ARM	F.a.	1	3
MARITAL	no	1	2 PM
NAME	Collins Frank	3	
RESIDENCE	526 Kohn St E	2	
	Monistown, Pa	2	
RELATION	Mother	1	1
OTHER	no loco	1	3
ELIGIBILITY	no SM	1	6
NATIVITY		1	
RACE		1	
ENGLISH		1	
ATTENDANT		1	
HEALTH		1	
NO. OF SONS		1	
DATE OF	MO.	1	
TRIP	YR.	1	
ACCEPTANCE		1	
29/514			

AUDITED
AUG 8 1982 MB

AGP

36 507 Collins, Clifton E.

Mother died when it was an infant

Father - illegitimate child - raised

~~Step-Mother~~ by Grand parents until

Loco

this death. in 1917

Is there an active address for Emma McCurdy ?

no

1st Cousin
not a loco

Uncle - Frank Collins
526 Kohn st
Morristown - Pa

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 AM

Collins, Clifton E. (OA)

August 9, 1932.

Mrs. Emma McCurdy,
Spring City,
Pennsylvania.

Dear Madam:

The records of this office indicate that you may be eligible to make a pilgrimage to the grave of the late Wagoner Clifton E. Collins under the provisions of the Act of March 2, 1929, as amended May 15, 1930.

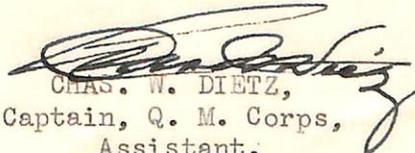
In order to assist in determining whether or not you may be eligible to make a pilgrimage under this provision of the law, it is requested that you furnish the following information:

1. Did you provide food, clothing and shelter for Wagoner Collins for a period of not less than five years at any time prior to his reaching the age of eighteen.
2. Dates of death of the parents of Wagoner Collins.

A self-addressed envelope which requires no postage is enclosed for your convenience in replying.

For The Quartermaster General.

Very truly yours,


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

Enclosures:
Envelope.
Act.-Amend.

no locs
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WAR DEPARTMENT

OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL

WASHINGTON, D. C.

OFFICIAL BUSINESS

REASON FOR NON-DELIVERY (check one)

Unclaimed Unknown

Seized For better address

Over, Left no address Refused

Such post office name named

WASHINGTON, D. C. 15
 AUG 11
 11 30 AM
 7932

PENALTY FOR PRIVATE USE TO
 AVOID PAYMENT OF POSTAGE \$300
 NOTIFY
 YOUR
 CORRESPONDENTS
 OF CHANGE
 OF ADDRESS.

Not for Carrier No. 1-2

Not for R. D. No. 1-2



SPRING CITY
 AUG 12
 11 AM
 PA.

1932

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

Collins, Clifton E. - 608 Uncle

July 8, 1930

Mr. Chas. Collins
2107 West 43rd Street
Kansas City, Kansas

Dear Sir:

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

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

1. Is the deceased survived by a mother?

If so, give her name and address:

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

If so, give her name and address:

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

If so, give her name and address:

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

Enclosures:
Envelope
Act
Amendment

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

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C
Collins, Clifton E. 608

March 6, 1930

Mr. Charles E. Collins,
2107 West 43rd Street,
Kansas City, Kansas.

Dear Sir:

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

The records of this office show that you are the uncle of the late Clifton E. Collins, Wagoner, Sup. Co. 108th F.A., whose remains are now 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. If he is survived by a mother, stepmother, mother thru adoption, or any other woman who stood in loco parentis to him, according to the terms of Section 4 of the enclosed Act, give her name, address, and relationship in the space opposite.

The nearest to this Requirement was a Cousin who cared for him - after his Grand Mother passed on Emma M. Curdley Spring City - Penna

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

2 Incls.
Act of Congress
Envelope

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

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

DATE 2/11/30

NAME	RANK	SERIAL	ORGANIZATION	DATE OF DEATH
<u>COLLINS, Clifton E.</u>	<u>Wag.</u>	<u>1252850</u>	<u>Sup. Co. 108th F. A.</u>	<u>Aug. 15/18</u>

STATE	Pennsylvania	CTY. NO.	608	GRAVE	28	ROW	4	BLOCK	C
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	<u>Check relationship</u>	<u>Living</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>Deceased</u>	
NAME AND ADDRESS	MOTHER	:	:	:	
		:	:	:	
	STEPMOTHER (For the year prior to commencement of service)	:	:	:	<i>uncle -</i>
		:	:	:	<i>Mr. Chas E. Collins</i>
	MOTHER THRU ADOPTION (For the year prior to commencement of service)	:	:	:	<i>2107. West 43rd St</i>
		:	:	:	<i>Kansas City</i>
		:	:	:	<i>Kans.</i>
	MOTHER IN LOCO PARENTIS (For the year prior to commencement of service)	:	:	:	_____
		:	:	:	_____
	WIDOW (Who has not remarried)	:	:	:	_____
	<i>Single man</i>	:	:	:	

Veterans Bureau Claim Number 6 36-507
29/156

2-18-7

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

June 24, 1929.

Collins, Clifton E.

Mr. Frank Collins,
215 W. Penn St.,
Norristown, Pa.

Dear Sir:

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

Your attention is particularly invited to Section 4 of the enclosed Act, which defines the terms "mother" and "widow". If the relative is a stepmother, mother through adoption, or any woman who stood in loco parentis to the decedent, a statement as to her relationship is requested. If he was survived by a widow who has since remarried it is also requested that a statement to that effect be made.

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

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

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Act of Congress.
Envelope.

QM 293 AM
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1932 AUG - 10 - 12:35

QQMG M & R BR

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IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

Collins, Clifton E.
608

Aug. 29, 1929.

Mr. Frank Collins,
215 W. Penn St.,
Norristown, Pa.

Dear Sir:

The records of this office do not indicate that a reply has been received to our communication dated **June 24, 1929** making inquiry concerning the name and address of the mother and widow of the deceased service man above named. These addresses are desired with a view to ascertaining the number of mothers and widows who desire to make a pilgrimage to the cemeteries of Europe in which the remains of their sons and husbands are interred.

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

Write answers in space below

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

For The Quartermaster General,

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Collins, Clifton E. Wagoner
Supply Company, 108th Field Artillery

September 23, 1926.

Mr. Frank Collins,
215 W. Penn St.,
Norristown, Pa.

Dear Sir:

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

This American overseas military cemetery is to be maintained by the United States for all time. The graves will be permanently marked by white headstones inscribed with the name, rank, division, organization, date of soldier's death and State from which he came. Headstones will be placed at all graves, as soon as possible, and without necessity 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 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,

F. H. POPE,
Colonel, Q.M.C.,
Assistant.

1 Incl.
Record card.

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Miss Nicholson:

To E. A.
Treadwell.

Yours

9/12/24

COMPILATION OF DISPOSITION OF REMAINS DATA

File # 15458

I. LOCATION INDEX CARD:

(a) Name COLLINS, Clifton E. Ser. No. 1252850
(b) Rank Wagoner Organization Sup. Co. 108th F.A.
(c) Date of death 8-15-18 (d) Cause of death K/A

TYP. DB
CKR. J.

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

(a) Grave No. 21 Row - Plot 1 Sec. M TYP. DB
(b) Emerg. Address Mr. Frank Collins, (Uncle) 215 W. Penn St. Norristown, Pa.

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

IV. A. G. O. DISPOSITION CARD:

no card in file - 12-2-20
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

no correspondence

Examiner's Initials Date, 1920.

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

No request for disposition.

(a) Cancellation memos referred to?

Examiner's Initials Date, 1920.

COUNTRY FRANCE CEMETERY No. 617 SHEET No. 226

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

Make Form No. 114

FORM 115 - A COMPLETED

12-17-21

checked by JPK

12-2-20

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

AGS - No Card
G.R.S. - No Correspondence
1-8-21 B

V. Following advice forwarded to Europe by (cable on 12/22 1920
 (Letter of transmittal on 12/22 1920)

Paragraph 2
Not to be returned B

JAN 18 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

VIII. Form 115 received from G.R.S. Hoboken, N.J. 5/16 192 11

REPORT OF DISINTERMENT AND REBURIAL

Date Jan. 27th, 1922

1. REMAINS OF COLLINS, Clifton E. SERIAL NUMBER 1252850
 RANK Wag. ORGANIZATION Supply Co. 108th F. A.

2. Disinterred (date): Jan. 27th, 1922 From (give complete location): Gr. 21, Plot 1, Sec. M, Cem. 617
 By: Group 3 Unit Sec. 7

3. Reburied (date): Aug. 21, 1922 In (give complete location): Gr. 28, Block C, Row 4, Oise-Aisne Cem. 608, Seringes et Wasles (Aisne)
 By: Group re-burial group Unit ----- Nature of reburial Lined casket

4. Report as to nature of original burial and condition of body upon disinterment:
Body badly decomposed, recognition impossible, buried in uniform and burlap.

5. (a) Identification tags: Buried with body? No On grave marker? Yes

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

Two gold signet rings, one engraved (Initial "C") found on body and forwarded in separate envelope. No other evidence found on body to establish identity. Row regular.

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

(a) Height (actual measurement) Unable to determine

(b) Weight (estimated) " "

(c) Hair—Color None

Quantity

Characteristics

(d) Hair on face—Color None

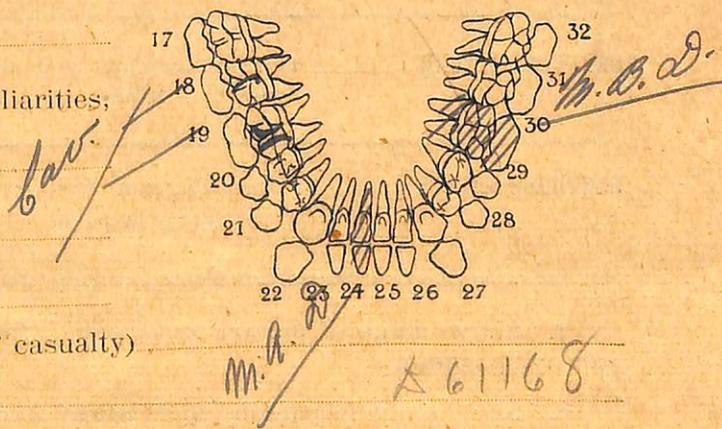
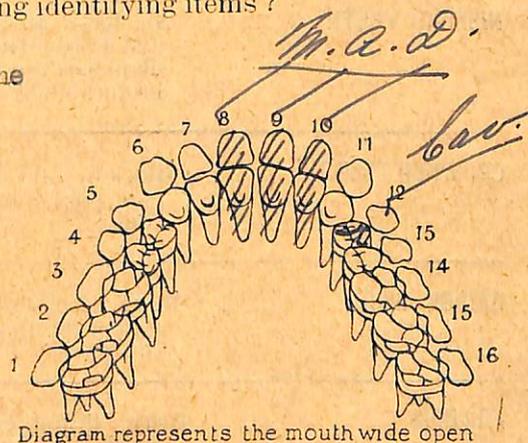
Location

Quantity

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

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

None



7. Disinterment supervised by C. J. Osgood, Sup. Emb.

Approved: O. E. Davis, 1st Lt., QMC
(Title)

8. Reburial Supervised by L. D. Hays

Approved: W. D. Cleary
(Title) Lt., Chaplain, USA.

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

Enter information, as noted below, on reverse side of sheet in the *corresponding numbered space*. This form is supplemental to and is to be forwarded with G. R. S. Form 11-a, reporting reburial locations. To be used in answer to Question 26, Form 114, in case no means of identification on body.

1. Show soldier's name, serial number, rank and organization, and by whom disinterred and reburied.

2. Give date and accurate information as to location from which the body was disinterred and the group and unit which made disinterment.

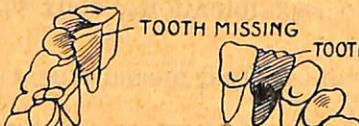
3. Give date and accurate information as to location of reburial and the group and unit which made reburial, and how reburial was made—in casket, wooden box, etc.

4. State to what degree decomposition has progressed, whether recognition is possible, and how the body was originally buried—in a casket, box, burlap, etc. This statement should be as complete as possible.

5. (a) State whether identification tags were found buried with body and on grave marker by reporting "Yes" or "No".

(b) State whether or not body appears to have been a hospital case. Were any identifying articles found in or on body or grave? List any personal effects, letters, money-order receipts, and the like found on body or in grave. Give any and all information which it is thought might be of use in identifying the body, other than that tabulated under Item No 6.

6. Give all information as to body description and dental chart as nearly correctly as the condition of the body will allow. Items (e) and (f) under the body description are very important and should be very complete. The dental chart is also very important and should be filled in with great care. There are 32 teeth to be accounted for, as shown by the numbers on the chart. Beginning at the middle line in both upper and lower jaws, the teeth are arranged symmetrically on either side and classed as incisors (cutting teeth), cuspids or canines (tearing teeth), bicuspids (chewing teeth), and molars (principal chewing teeth). An examination should be made and findings charted to cover the following basic conditions: Lost teeth, crowned teeth, bridge work, fillings, caries (cavities of decay), dentures (plates), and any deformity of jaws found.

MISSING TEETH	All teeth missing through previous extraction (not those fractured or displaced by recent wounds) should be scratched out, thus :	 <p>TOOTH MISSING TOOTH MISSING</p>
CROWNED TEETH	Block in solid the crown of tooth (label gold, porcelain, or gold and porcelain), thus :	 <p>GOLD CROWN PORCELAIN CROWN</p>
BRIDGE WORK	Block in solid the crown of tooth (label gold bridge, gold and porcelain bridge) thus :	 <p>GOLD AND PORCELAIN BRIDGE GOLD BRIDGE</p>
FILLINGS	Draw filling on tooth accurately as possible (block in and label gold, silver, cement), thus :	 <p>SILVER FILLING GOLD FILLING</p> <p>GOLD FILLING GOLD FILLING</p>
CARIES (CAVITIES)	Outline location and size of cavity, shade in thus :	 <p>CAVITY DECAYED</p> <p>DECAYED DECAYED</p>
DENTURES (PLATES)	Draw diagram of relative size and shape of plate block in teeth attached and indicate retaining clasps on natural teeth with the word "clasp"	

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

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

To be prepared in triplicate.

DATE

Jan. 27, 1922

REPORT OF DISINTERMENT, PREPARATION, SHIPMENT AND REBURIAL OF BODY

DISINTERMENT jc.

COMPARATIVE REPORT

Records of G.R.S. Headquarters.

Discrepancy found upon exhumation of body

1. Name COLLINS, Clifton E.

10. Name

2. No. 1252850

11. No.

3. Rank Wag.

12. Rank

4. Org. Supply Co. 108th F.A.

13. Org.

5. D.D. Aug. 16th 1914

14. (a) D.D.

6. C.D. KIA.

(b) D.B.

Discrepancy found upon disinterment

7. Grave No. 21 Sec. M.

15. Grave No. Sec.

8. Plot 1 Row

16. Plot Row

9.

17. No discp

18. Cemetery American Cty.

19. Commune or town FISMES

20. Dept. or County Marne

21. Country France

22. G.R.S. Hdqrs. Code No. 617

23. Disinterred (Date) 1-27-22

By C.J. Osgood

24. Inscription on grave marker:

Name Clifton E. Collins

Serial No. 1252850

Rank Wag.

Organization Sup. Co. 108th F.A.

25. Was identification disc found on grave marker? Yes On body? No

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).

Two gold signet rings, one engraved (initial C) found on body and forwarded in separate envelope. No other evidence found on body to establish identity Row regular.

27. Condition of body Badly decomposed features unrecognizable

28. Nature of burial Uniform and burlap

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

30. Body prepared and placed in casket: Date 1-27-22 By C.J. Osgood

31. Casket sealed by C.J. Osgood

Signature of Embalmer, (Supervisor

Handwritten signature and date: C.J. Osgood 5/31/24

SHIPMENT. (Show actual marking of box.) Box No. C-22822

32. Designation of body: I-5A-SS

Name Clifton E. COLLINS. Serial No. 1252850

Rank Wag. Organization Supply Co. 108th F.A.

33. Consigned to:

Name of Permanent Cemetery Oise-Aisne Amer. Cty. 608 SERINGES-et-NESLES(Aisne)

34. Casket boxed and marked (Date) 1-27-22 By C. J. Osgood

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 O. E. Davis, 1st Lt. QMC

36. Remarks

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 Oise Aisne, Am. Cty 608 seringes et Nesles, Aisne. (Name)

Convoyer Signature Shipping Officer O. E. Davis 1st Lt. QMC

40. Received: Date JAN 28 1922

G.R.S. Representative R. D. Woods

41. Reinterred Aug. 21, 1922, Oise-Aisne Cem. 608, Seringes et Nesles (Aisne) (Date)

42. Grave No. 28 Section -----

43. Plot BLOCK Row C 4

G.R.S. Representative W. D. Cleary
W. D. Cleary
Lt., Chaplain, USA.

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WAR DEPARTMENT
Office of the Quartermaster General of the Army
Washington

G.R.S. Form 2-W-A
Information requested of A.G.O.

Date 11-27-23

File No. Registration.
From: The Quartermaster General, U. S. Army, Graves Registration Service,
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 Collins ✓
- b. Christian name Clifton E. ✓
- c. Serial Number 1252850 ✓
- d. Organization Sup. Co, 108 F. A. ✓
- e. Rank Wag. ✓
- f. Date of death 8-15-18 ✓
- g. Cause of death KA ✓
- h. Authority (C.O.#) not shown
- i. Emergency address Frank Collins
215 West Penn. St., Norristown
Pa.
- j. Relationship uncle

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

- a. Age of enlistment 21 7/12 yrs.
- b. Date of enlistment July 3, 1917
- ~~Color of eyes~~ Mobilization chart.
- c. Color of hair Light brown.
- d. Height 5 ft. 6 in.
- e. Weight 124 lbs.
- f. Permanent marks and physical defects at enlistment (Old fractures or breaks) none shown

✓ 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
- Local Board chart. - not inducted
- 8 7 6 5 4 3 2 1 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8
- 8 7 6 5 4 3 2 1 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8

CEMETERY NO:

SHEET NO:

TYPED BY:

S/3310/LML



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

BY: R. L. Roster,
Charles J. Wynne,
Major Captain, C.M.C., U.S.A.

Robert E. Davis
The Adjutant General
per b.m.

NOV 27 1923

Received A. G. O. 11-27-23

8-4-25-21

March 20th, 1921.

File No. 293.8 Gen. Div., Corr. Br.,
(COLLINS, Clifton E.)

Mr. Frank Collins,
215 W. Penn St.,
Norristown, Pa.

Dear Sir:-

Kindly inform this office at your earliest convenience whether or not the late Clifton E. Collins, Wagoner, Serial Number 1252850, Supply Company, 108th Field Artillery, is survived by widow, children, father, mother, brothers or sisters, and if so, furnish the name and address of each.

This information is desired in order that the Department may be assured that the proper person to determine the disposition of remains of the late soldier is given an opportunity of expressing his or her wishes.

If the late soldier is not survived by any of the above mentioned relatives, please state whether you desire the body left in France in a permanent American Cemetery, returned to the United States and shipped to you at Government expense, or interred in the National Cemetery at Arlington, Virginia.

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

Your early reply will be greatly appreciated.

By authority of the Quartermaster General:

R. E. SHANNON, *Adjutant General's Department*
Captain, Q.M. Corps, *Adjutant's Division*
Officer in Charge.

BY:

J. F. BUTLER,
Captain, Infantry.

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Address _____ Relationship _____
Date _____ Signature _____, 192

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

1. As stated on first page of this sheet.
2. To be returned to the U. S. and shipped to _____
(Name.)
_____ (R. R. station.) _____ (State.)
3. To be returned to the U. S. and buried in _____ National Cemetery.
4. To remain in Europe, for burial in a permanent American Cemetery.

Signature _____

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.

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REPORT OF DISINTERMENT AND REBURIAL.

Remains of:

Name: Clifton E. Collins

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Number: 1252850

Rank: None

Organization: Supply Co. 108th F.A.

Disinterment and Reburial made by Group 1 Unit 304

Disinterred (Date) Mar. 26, 1919 From: (Give complete location)

From 28108 N 200.10 E Chery Chartreuve (Aisne)

Map #33 Soissons S.E. Sketch #26-Forsberg. Grave #3

Copy

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Reburied (Date) Mar. 26, 1919 in: (Give complete location)

Grave #154 Cemetary #21 Chery Chartreuve (Aisne)

Map #33 Soissons S.E. 282.40 N 200.80 E

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

Buried in 3 feet of sandy soil

Body badly decomposed

Was one identification tag found upon the body? Yes and one on cross

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

CONFIRMED No. D. 7300

Note:

If upon disinterment, effects are found upon bodies, they will be promptly sent to the Effects Depot direct, as is required by G.O. 170, G.H. 2, 1918., after being carefully examined for clues to identity in doubtful cases, notation whereof will be made and reported to Chief, Graves Registration Service.

Supervised by: James E. Murff Sgt.

1st. Lieut. Oscar W. Forsberg
C.O. Group 1 Unit 304

Supervised by: James D. Merritt Sgt.

C.O. (Group)

1st. Sgt. Robert J. ...

whereof will be made and reported to Chief, Graves Registration Service, Station after being carefully examined for clues to identity in doubtful cases. Station sent to the Effects Room direct as is required by G.O. 170, G.H.C. 1919. Station Note: If upon disinterment, effects are found upon bodies, they will be promptly



COMMITMENT No. 1320

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

Was any identification tag found upon the body? Yes and one on cross

Body badly decomposed

Buried in 3 feet of sandy soil

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

Map 433 Robinson S.E. 333.40 N 300.80 W

Grave #124 Cemetery ASI Chery Chertrewe (Viame)

Reported (date) Mar. 30, 1919 in: (Give complete location)

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Map 433 Robinson S.E. Section 333-40-N-300-80 W

From Section N 300.10 E Chery Chertrewe (Viame)

Disinterred (date) Mar. 30, 1919 from: (Give complete location)

Disinterment and Reburial made by Group I Unit 304

Work: None Organization: Supply Co. 108th R.A.

Name: Clifton E. Collins Number: 1328850

Remains of:

REPORT OF DISINTERMENT AND REBURIAL

Date March 30, 1919

Place Los Yon Kern (Viame)

U.S. FORM NO. 1

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GRAVE LOCATION BLANK

LOCATION OF THE GRAVE OF

Collins 1252350 Clifton E.
(Surname). (Number). (First Name and Initials).

Wagoner, Supply Co. 108th F.A.
(Rank). (Organization).

PLACE OF DEATH: ... Chery-Chertrevue, France

CAUSE OF DEATH: ... ~~General~~

DATE OF BURIAL: August 16, 1918

PLACE OF BURIAL: Chery-Chertrevue,
(Give Cemetery, Town and Department). Map references must specify clearly what map is used.

data missing

GRAVE NUMBER: unknown

HOW MARKED: Name Peg? unknown ✓

Headboard? Bottle?

IDENTIFICATION TAGS:

Was one buried with body? unknown

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

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

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NEAREST RELATIVE: unknown

ADDRESS: unknown

RELATIONSHIP: unknown

REPORTED BY:

Chaplain W.B. Hilton 108th FA for Capt
George S. Stewart, Chaplain, Officer 108th FA
(Signature and Rank of Reporting Officer).



GRAVE LOCATION BLANK. 545

LOCATION OF THE GRAVE OF

Collins,

Clifton E.

(Surname.)

(Number.)

(First Name and Initials.)

(Rank.)

Sup. CO., 108 F. A.

(Organization.)

DATE OF BURIAL August 17 1918

PLACE OF BURIAL Chartreuve Farm

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

~~Fismes Map~~

Map 33 S.E.

E 199.7 - 280.8

GRAVE NUMBER 3

Comm. C-52, Chery-Chartreuve (aigue)

HOW MARKED: Name Peg? Yes Cross?

Headboard? Bottle?

IDENTIFICATION TAGS:

Was one buried with body? Yes

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

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

REPORTED BY:

J. J. Allaw, Chaplain 77th Div. (Signature and Rank of Reporting Officer.)

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

24 AUG 1918

- # 15458

WAR DEPARTMENT NMK-1-213.
THE ADJUTANT GENERAL'S OFFICE
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY
REFER TO

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February 24, 1920.

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To: The Quartermaster General of the Army,
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Subject: Date of death of Clifton E. Collins, #1,252,850, Sup.
Co. 108th F.A.

1. Upon investigation, it has been ascertained that the date of death of the above man heretofore communicated to you, is erroneous, and that he died August 15, 1918.

2. For purposes of identification, you are advised that the records show that the deceased was enlisted July 3, 1917. and the name of the person to be notified in case of emergency was given as: Frank Collins, (Uncle), 215 West Penn St., Norristown, Pa.

By order of the Secretary of War:

O. C. Harris
The Adjutant General.
per: *W. E. N.*

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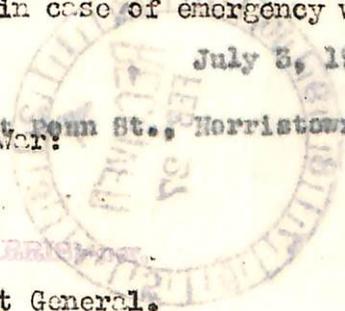
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Classification

Adjustment

CEMETRIAL DIVISION
GRAVES REGISTRATION SERVICE
REGISTRATION SECTION

File # 15458

FILE

Date 9/2/20

MEMORANDUM:

To: Registration Files Sub-Section

Subject: Adjustments made on Registration Files

1. Changes as checked have been made in the Registration Files which will necessitate a corresponding change in the Classification Files.

	CORP.	ADD. DATA		CORP.	ADD. DATA
File Number			Date of Burial		
Name			Date of Reburial		
Serial Number			Burial Information		✓
Rank			Nearest Relative		
Organization			Notified Nearest Relative		✓
Cause of Death			Blue Card thrown out		
Date of Death			White Card set up		
Casualty Cablgram Number					

O.K. Alphabetical Files 9-8-20-RW

~~O.K. Organization Files~~

~~O.K. State Files~~

✓ Card Dept.
Cemetery Audit Department
Investigation & Adjustment Dept.

By MJ Coslett

1 Cards attached.