

Conway,
(Surname.)

William E.
(Christian name in full.)

1,686,779
(Army serial number.)

Pvt.

Co E, ~~289 Engrs. Corps~~ **314 Engrs.**
(Rank and organization.)

State your relationship to the deceased Mother

Do you desire the remains brought to the United States? No
(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:

(Name of person to receive remains.) (Express office.) (Telegraph office.)

(Number and street.) (City or town.) (State.)

(Sign here) Mrs. Sarah Conway

24 Hammond St Roxbury Mass

(Number and street or rural route.) (City, town, or post office.) (State.)

Read carefully the letter accompanying this card.

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To The A. G. C.

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G.R.S. Form #114-B

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FULL NAME . CONWAY, William E.

RANK..... Pvt. SERIAL..... 1686779

DIVISION & ORGANIZATION Co. E. 314th Engrs.

DATE OF DEATH..... *Oct 26, 1918*

STATE FROM WHICH HE CAME..... *Mass*

MEDALS OR DECORATIONS AWARDED. *none*

FINAL GRAVE LOCATION..... 13..... 12..... B.....
Date Grave Row Block

Meuse-Argonne, #1232

Cemetery

Robert O. Davis,
Major General,
The Adjutant General,
by *RVR*

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WORLD WAR DIV.

WAR DEPARTMENT
THE ADJUTANT GENERAL'S OFFICE
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY
REFER TO WW/AI/1-208

SUBJECT: Verification

April 20, 1927

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

1. A reexamination of the records in the case of William E. Conway, army serial #1686779, shows that at the time of his death he was serving with the 89th Division.

By order of the Secretary of War:

JOE N DARTON
Adjutant General.

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GRS Form 114-B

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GRAVE LOCATION BLANK

LOCATION OF THE GRAVE OF

Conway, 1686779, William E.
(Surname.) (Number.) (First Name and Initials.)

Pvt. Co. E. 31st Engineers,
(Rank.) (Organization.)

DATE OF BURIAL. October 27, 1918.

PLACE OF BURIAL.....

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

La Grange Aux Bois Farm Cemetery,
Banzanzy Special Map.

GRAVE NUMBER... Cemetery not platted

William E. - Pvt. 1686779
East Braintan, Mass.

HOW MARKED: Name Peg?..... Cross?..... yes...

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:

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d thru the Bois de Bantheville
me over for observation pur-
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4th Engr.
5th Str.
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REPORTED BY: Chaplain Rudisill,
31st Engineers,
(Signature and Rank of Reporting Officer.)

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

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Co. E, 314th Eng.
89th Division

Conway, William E. - Pvt. 1686779
Home: East Braintan, Mass.

Killed in action Oct. 26, 1918, by H. E. Shell
Pvt. Conway was at work on a road thru the Bois de Bantheville on October 26, 1918. A German plane came over for observation purposes and a few moments later a heavy barrage was put down on the road and Pvt. Conway was instantly killed by a small fragment of H. E. shell which struck him in the left side and evidently penetrated his heart. He was carried back by members of his Co. and buried. A substantial cross was placed at his grave with his name plainly marked thereon. He was buried in a small cemetery by the roadside between Eclisfontaine and Romagne, France.

Informant: Axon, Elmer R. - Capt.
Co. E, 314th Engr.
Home: 2714 E. 36th Str.
Kansas City, Mo.

No signature:

Emergency address:
Mrs. Thomas Conway,
90 Factory Hill,
East Braintan, Mass.

QM 293 A-M
Conway, William E. MA

September 30, 1932.

Mrs. Sarah Conway,
P. O. Box 133, Sta. 19,
Roxbury, Mass.

Dear Madam:

Receipt is acknowledged of your reply to office letter of September 7, 1932, stating that you do not desire to make a pilgrimage to the grave of your son, the late Private William E. Conway.

It is indeed regretted that your physical condition will not permit you to accept the offer of the Government at this time. However, should your health improve and you desire to make the pilgrimage next year, it is requested that you notify this office, and arrangements will be made for you.

Properly qualified personnel will be provided to care for the comfort and needs of the mothers and widows making the pilgrimage, and doctors and nurses will be available. During the past three years many women who were in poor health made the trip and appeared to have benefited by the sea air and the excellent care they received. Should you make the pilgrimage you are assured that everything possible will be done for your comfort and welfare.

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

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WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-M
Conway, Wm. E. (MA)

Sept. 7, 1932.

Mrs. Sarah Conway,
P.O.Box 133, Sta. 19
Roxbury, Mass.

Dear Madam:

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

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

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

Sign here

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

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

Encl:
Env.

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

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-M

Conway William E (MA)

July 9 1932

Mrs Sarah Conway
P O Box 135, Station 19
Roxbury Mass

Dear Madam:

The Act of Congress of March 2, 1929, as amended May 15, 1930, authorizes pilgrimages to the cemeteries Of Europe during the years 1930, 1931, 1932 and 1933 for the mothers and widows of deceased members of the American forces who were lost or buried at sea or whose remains are interred in Europe.

Your attention is particularly invited to the fact that this is the last opportunity you will have to make the pilgrimage under the provisions of the above mentioned Act. Unless you take advantage of this LAST chance to make a trip in 1933 you will receive no benefit from the Act. There is no provision of law which will permit the Government to make a money allowance to any mother or widow who does not choose to make the pilgrimage.

IT IS REQUESTED THAT YOU GIVE THE MATTER YOUR MOST CAREFUL CONSIDERATION BEFORE REACHING A DECISION, BEARING IN MIND THAT THIS IS THE LAST OPPORTUNITY YOU WILL HAVE TO MAKE THE TRIP AT GOVERNMENT EXPENSE.

In order to assure proper and satisfactory accommodations for the mothers and widows making the journey in 1933, reservations for steamship transportation must be made by this office several months in advance. It is requested that you answer the questions below by writing "Yes" or "No" or "Undecided" in the blank space following the question. When you have answered the question, sign your name and return this sheet in the enclosed addressed envelope which requires no postage. PLEASE DO NOT DELAY, as it is essential that the information be in this office promptly.

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

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

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

(Write answer here)

(Sign here) _____

QM 295 A-M
Conway, William E. 1252M

June 27, 1930.

Mrs. Sarah Conway,
P.O. Box 133, Station 19,
Roxbury, Massachusetts.

Dear Madam:

Receipt is acknowledged of your letter of June 21st, relative to the pilgrimage to the grave of your son the late William E. Conway, authorized by the Act of Congress, approved March 2, 1929.

In connection with your inquiry as to whether or not you would be allowed a sum of money in lieu of the pilgrimage, you are advised that there is no provision of the law which would permit the Government to make a money allowance to any mother or widow who is unable or does not desire to make the pilgrimage.

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-AM

June 12, 1931.

Conway, William E. Pvt. (M-A) M

Mrs. Sarah Conway,
P. O Box 133,
Station 19,
Roxbury, Mass.

Dear Madam:

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

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

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

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

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

DO YOU DESIRE TO MAKE A PILGRIMAGE DURING THE YEAR 1932? _____
Write answer here

Sign here

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WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C
Conway, William E. - 1232 M

June 7, 1930.

Mrs. Sarah Conway,
PO Box 133, Station 19,
Roxbury, Mass.

Dear Madam:

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

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

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

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

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

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

(Sign here)

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

October 7, 1929.

Conway, William E. 1232 M.

Mrs. Sarah Conway,
P.O. Box 133, Station 19,
Roxbury, Mass.

Dear Madam:

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

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

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

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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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 28, 1929.

Conway, William E.

Mrs. Thomas Conway,
1513 Washington St.,
Boston, Mass.

Dear Madam:

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

The records of this office show that you are the mother of the late Pvt. William E. Conway, Co. E, 314th Engrs., whose remains are now interred in the Meuse-Argonne American Cemetery, Romagne-sous-Montfaucon, Meuse, France.

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

Conway, William E.

Sept. 16, 1929.

Mrs. Sarah Conway,
P.O. Box 133,
Station 19,
Roxbury, Mass.

Dear Madam:

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

The records of this office show that you are the mother of the late Pvt. William E. Conway, Co. E, 314th Engrs., whose remains are now interred in the Meuse-Argonne American Cemetery, Romagne-sous-Montfaucon, Meuse, 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.

CODE SLIP



HEADING	SUB-HEADING	NO. OF COLS	CODE
NAME	CONWAY	3	354
	William G		
BURIED	CEMETERY 1232	1	1
	GRAVE 13	2	13
	ROW 12	2	12
	BLOCK B	1	2
STATE	Mass	2	25
RANK	Pt	1	2
DIVISION	89	2	89
ORGANIZATION	314	3	314
ARM	Engineers	1	4
MARTIAL	no	1	2
NAME	CONWAY	3	354
	Mrs Sarah		
RESIDENCE	STATE Mass	2	25
	COUNTY Suffolk	2	13
	CITY Roxbury (Sta Boston)	3	019
RELATION	Mother	1	1
OTHER		1	
ELIGIBILITY	Yes	1	1
NATIVITY		1	
RACE		1	
ENGLISH	Yes	1	
ATTENDANT		1	
HEALTH	Bad	1	2
NO. OF SONS		1	
DATE OF TRIP	MO.	1	
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ACCEPTANCE	no age	1	2
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QM 293 A-M
Conway, William E. MA

September 30, 1932.

Mrs. Sarah Conway,
P. O. Box 133, Sta. 19,
Roxbury, Mass.

Dear Madam:

Receipt is acknowledged of your reply to office letter of September 7, 1932, stating that you do not desire to make a pilgrimage to the grave of your son, the late Private William E. Conway.

It is indeed regretted that your physical condition will not permit you to accept the offer of the Government at this time. However, should your health improve and you desire to make the pilgrimage next year, it is requested that you notify this office, and arrangements will be made for you.

Properly qualified personnel will be provided to care for the comfort and needs of the mothers and widows making the pilgrimage, and doctors and nurses will be available. During the past three years many women who were in poor health made the trip and appeared to have benefited by the sea air and the excellent care they received. Should you make the pilgrimage you are assured that everything possible will be done for your comfort and welfare.

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

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WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-M
Conway, Wm. E. (MA)

Sept. 7, 1932.

Mrs. Sarah Conway,
P.O.Box 133, Sta. 19
Roxbury, Mass.

Dear Madam:

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

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

1. Do you desire to make a pilgrimage in 1933? (Answer "Yes" or "No")	<i>No</i>
2. Please state your age and condition of health:	Age: <i>71</i> Health: <i>poor health</i>
3. Do you speak English?	<i>yes</i>
4. What other language do you speak?	

Sign here

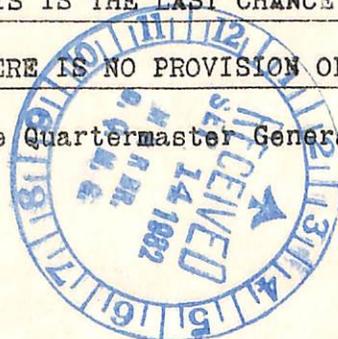
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For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

Encl:
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WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-M

Conway William E (MA)

July 9 1932

Mrs Sarah Conway
P O Box 133, Station 19
Roxbury Mass

Dear Madam:

The Act of Congress of March 2, 1929, as amended May 15, 1930, authorizes pilgrimages to the cemeteries Of Europe during the years 1930, 1931, 1932 and 1933 for the mothers and widows of deceased members of the American forces who were lost or buried at sea or whose remains are interred in Europe.

Your attention is particularly invited to the fact that this is the last opportunity you will have to make the pilgrimage under the provisions of the above mentioned Act. Unless you take advantage of this LAST chance to make a trip in 1933 you will receive no benefit from the Act. There is no provision of law which will permit the Government to make a money allowance to any mother or widow who does not choose to make the pilgrimage.

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In order to assure proper and satisfactory accommodations for the mothers and widows making the journey in 1933, reservations for steamship transportation must be made by this office several months in advance. It is requested that you answer the questions below by writing "Yes" or "No" or "Undecided" in the blank space following the question. When you have answered the question, sign your name and return this sheet in the enclosed addressed envelope which requires no postage. PLEASE DO NOT DELAY, as it is essential that the information be in this office promptly.

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

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

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

(Write answer here)

(Sign here) _____

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM-293-AM

June 12, 1931.

Conway, William E. Pvt. (M-A) M

Mrs. Sarah Conway,
P. O Box 133,
Station 19,
Roxbury, Mass.

Dear Madam:

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

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

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

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

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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



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

Write answer here

Mrs Sarah Conway

Sign here

QM 293 A-M
Conway, William E. 1232M

June 27, 1930.

Mrs. Sarah Conway,
P.O. Box 155, Station 19,
Roxbury, Massachusetts.

Dear Madam:

Receipt is acknowledged of your letter of June 21st, relative to the pilgrimage to the grave of your son the late William E. Conway, authorized by the Act of Congress, approved March 2, 1929.

In connection with your inquiry as to whether or not you would be allowed a sum of money in lieu of the pilgrimage, you are advised that there is no provision of the law which would permit the Government to make a money allowance to any mother or widow who is unable or does not desire to make the pilgrimage.

For The Quartermaster General.

Very truly yours,

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

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P.O.Box 133, Station 19,
Roxbury, Mass.
June 21, 1930.

War Department,
Washington, D.C.
Gentlemen:

I have been informed that the government is making a cash award to those Mothers who are unable to go to Europe.

Would you kindly advise me regarding the same, and oblige,

Yours very respectfully

Mrs Sarah Conway

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WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C
Conway, William E. - 1232 M

June 7, 1930.

Mrs. Sarah Conway,
PO Box 133, Station 19,
Roxbury, Mass.

Dear Madam:

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

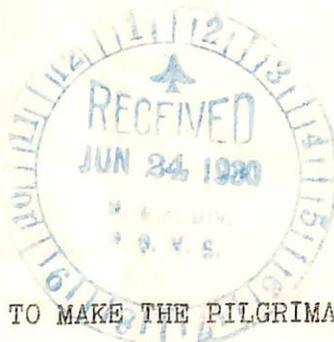
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For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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



DO YOU DESIRE TO MAKE THE PILGRIMAGE DURING THE YEAR 1931? _____

(Write answer here)

No

(Sign here)

Mrs Sarah Conway

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

Conway, William E.

Sept. 16, 1929.

Mrs. Sarah Conway,
P.O. Box 133,
Station 19,
Roxbury, Mass.

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".

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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?

Never Married

2. If so, give her complete address.

3. Will you make the pilgrimage?

NO

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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Envelope



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

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OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
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IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C (M)
Conway, William E.

June 28, 1929.

Mrs. Thomas Conway,
1513 Washington St.,
Boston, Mass.

*Mrs Sarah Conway,
P.O. Box 133,
Station 19,
Roxbury, Mass -*

Dear Madam:

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

The records of this office show that you are the mother of the late Pvt. William E. Conway, Co. E, 314th Engrs., whose remains are now interred in the Meuse-Argonne American Cemetery, Romagne-sous-Montfaucon, Meuse, France.

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

In the event your son was survived by a widow who has since 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.
Act of Congress.
Envelope.

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

REPORT OF DISINTERMENT AND REBURIAL.

Remains of:

Name: CONWAY William E.

Number: 1686799

Rank: Unknown

Organization: Co E 314th Engrs

Disinterment and Reburial made by Group

Unit

Disinterred (Date)

From: (Give complete location)

31st March 1919.

Grave #78 Battle Area Cemetery

CIERGES, MEUSE 35 NE 306.9 E 280.5 N

Reburied (Date)

in: (Give complete location)

31st March 1919.

Grave #207 Sec #6 Plot #4

ARGONNE AMERICAN CEMETERY #1232

ROMAGNE, MEUSE 35 NE 308.16 E 284.87 N ✓

1232

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

Burial poor, buried in uniform and shelterhalf, body in fair condition.

Was one identification tag found upon the body? Yes

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

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CONTINUED 1-8800

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: Lieut. Lewis

R. H. ROSENTHAL

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

conf. C.O. Group Unit

1232

Received of _____



of the sum of _____

To the account of _____

for the purpose of _____

and the balance of _____

is hereby acknowledged _____

and the receipt of the same _____

_____ (date)

_____ (date)

_____ (date)

_____ (date)

In reply refer to:
293.8 C-R # 49521

File
Nov. 24, 1922.

Mrs. Sarah Conway,
1513 Washington St.,
Boston, Mass.

Dear Madam:

The Quartermaster General desires that you be informed that the permanent grave of the late William E. Conway, Private, Company E, 314th Engrs., is Grave 13, Row 12, Block B, Meuse-Argonne American Cemetery, Romagne-sous-Montfaucon, Department of Meuse, France.

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

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

MAILED
Very truly yours,

NOV 27 1922

G.R.S.

H. J. CONNER,
Assistnat.

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DATE 3-11-22

1. NAME CONWAY, William E. SERIAL No. 1686779

RANK Pvt ORGANIZATION Co. E 314th Eng.

GRAVE LOCATION Meuse-Argonne Amer., Romagne/s/Montfaucon, Meuse 1232, Sec.6

CTY. NAME NUMBER

207 Sec.6 4

GRAVE ROW PLOT

2. ORIGINAL BATTLE AREA GRAVE LOCATION 78 Bac. Cierges, Meuse

GRAVE COMMUNE DEPT.

COORDINATES Verdun 35 NE 280.5 N 306.9 E

CONCENTRATED TO 3/31/19 207 Sec 6 4

DATE GRAVE ROW PLOT

Meuse Argonne Cemetery 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 and cross.

data F-1.

SUBSEQUENT REBURIALS

ccg. DATE GRAVE ROW PLOT CEMETERY

DATE GRAVE ROW PLOT CEMETERY

SIGNATURE, AREA SUPERVISOR

M. B. Birdseye

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

3. FINAL GRAVE LOCATION 3-11-22 43 12 Block B.

DATE GRAVE ROW PLOT

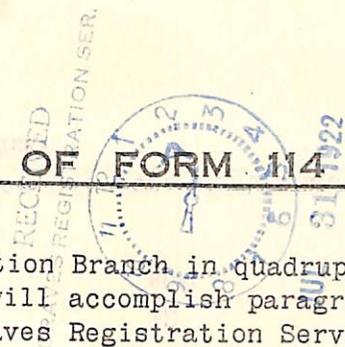
AUDITED BY

A. M. E.
9-13-22

Meuse-Argonne Amer. Cty. #1232, Romagne-sous-Montfaucon, Meuse.

CEMETERY

INSTRUCTIONS FOR PREPARATION OF FORM 114 B



1. Forms 114-B are to be prepared by Registration Branch in quadruplicate, three copies to be forwarded to Area Supervisor who will accomplish paragraph 2 and return all three copies to Headquarters, American Graves Registration Service.

2. Paragraphs 1 and 3 will be accomplished by Registration Branch, Headquarters, American Graves Registration Service, Q.M.C., in Europe.

3. Paragraph 2 will be accomplished by Area Supervisor from data on file in his office.

4. If data is entered on Form 114-B from Form 1, Form I6, Form 1-A or Form 16-A, statement to this effect will be made on Form 114-B STATING WHICH G.R.S. form data is taken from. If data concerning co-ordinates is approximate and NOT accurate, statement to this effect will be made on these forms.

Place Romag. 1232.

REPORT OF DISINTERMENT AND REBURIAL

Date Mar 10, 1922.

1. REMAINS OF CONWAY, William E. SERIAL NUMBER 1682779 168779 P&R
RANK Pvt. ORGANIZATION Co. E. 314th Engrs.

2. Disinterred (date): Mar 10, 1922 From (give complete location): gr 207, sec 6, plot 4. Cty. 1232.

By: Group Maire. Unit sec 1

3. Reburied (date): Mch 11, 1922, Meuse Argonne Cty 1232, gr 13, bl B, row 12 In (give complete location):

By: Group Reburial S Unit Nature of reburial unlined casket

4. Report as to nature of original burial and condition of body upon disinterment: wooden box and burlap and U.S. uniform. badly decomposed,

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

(b) Other means of identification found upon disinterment, and general remarks: none.

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

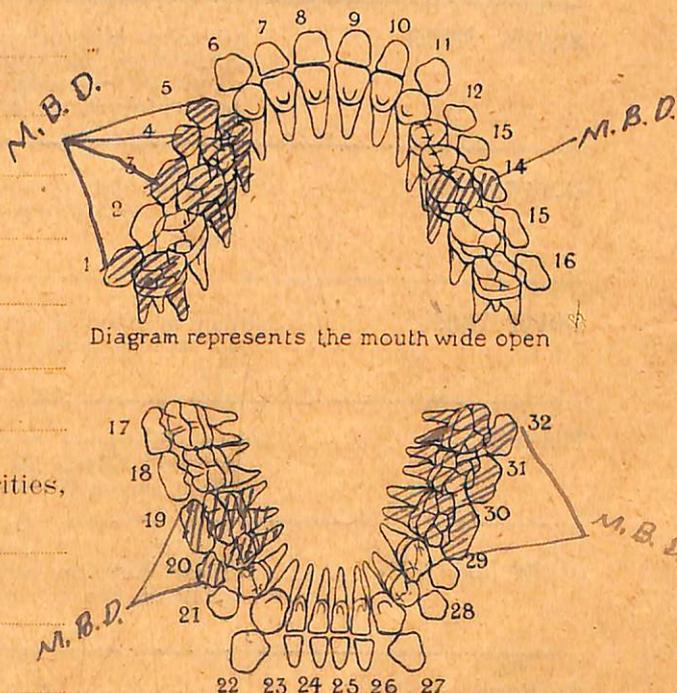
Location do

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.



7. Disinterment supervised by E. Maire

Approved: R. Richards, 1st Lt. Q.M.C. (Title)

8. Reburial Supervised by W.B. Sheild

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

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

STATION Romagne, 1922.

To be prepared in triplicate.

DATE March 10, 1922.

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 CONWAY, William E.

10. Name

2. No. 1686779

11. No.

3. Rank Pvt

12. Rank

4. Org. Co. E 314th Engrs.

13. Org.

5. D.D. Oct. 28th

14. (a) D.D.

6. C.D. KIA

(b) D.B. None.

Discrepancy found upon disinterment

7. Grave No. 207 Sec. 6

15. Grave No. Sec.

8. Plot 4 Row

16. Plot Row

9.

17. None.

18. Cemetery Meuse-Argonne Amer.

19. Commune or town Romagne/s/Montfaucon

20. Dept. or County Meuse

21. Country France

22. G.R.S. Hdqrs. Code No. 1232, Sec. 6

23. Disinterred (Date) March 10, 1922.

By Edmo M Maire.

24. Inscription on grave marker:

Name CONWAY, William E.

Serial No. 1686779

Rank Pvt.

Organization Co. E., 314th. Engrs.

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

Signature Edmo M Maire
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).

None.

27. Condition of body Badly decomposed; features unrecognizable.

28. Nature of burial U.S. Uniform; burlap; box.

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

30. Body prepared and placed in casket: Date March 10, 1922. By Edmo Maire.

31. Casket sealed by Edmo Maire.

Signature of Embalmer, (Supervisor Edmo Maire)

SHIPMENT. (Show actual marking of box.)

Box No. **C-25658**



32. Designation of body:

Name **William E. CONWAY**

Serial No. **1686779**

Rank **Pvt**

Organization

Co. E 314th Eng.

33. Consigned to:

Name of Permanent Cemetery **Meuse-Argonne Amer. #1232, Romagne/s/Montfaucon, Meuse**

34. Casket boxed and marked (Date) **March 10, 1922.**

By **Ramo Maire.**

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

[Handwritten Signature]
A. E. Dewey, 1st Lt., QMC.

36. Remarks

37. Shipped from point of Operation: (Date) **March 10, 1922.**

To point of Concentration **Morgue, Romagne.**

Convoyer **H. E. Danton.**

(Name *[Signature]*)
Signature Shipping Officer **E. J. Riordan, Capt., QMC.**

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 **Meuse Argonne #1232, Mch 11, 1922**

(Date

42. Grave No. **13**

Section

43. ~~Plot~~ Block **B**

Row

12

G.R.S. Representative

[Signature]
A. E. Dewey, 1st Lt., QMC.

COMPILATION OF DISPOSITION OF REMAINS DATA

File #49521

I. LOCATION INDEX CARD:

(a) Name CONWAY, William E. Ser. No. 1686779
(b) Rank Pvt. Organization Co E, 314th Engrs.
(c) Date of death 10/28/18 (d) Cause of death K/a
TYP. evs
CKR. 370

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

(a) Grave No. 207 Row - Plot 4 Sec. 6 TYP. evs
(b) Emerg. Address Mrs. Thomas Conway (Mother) 90 Factory Hill, E. Braintree, MASS.

III. Files of/soldiers dying from contagious/diseases
CKR. 370

IV. A. G. O. DISPOSITION CARD:

Date of receipt none

(a) Name Mrs Sarah Conway (b) Relationship Mother
(c) Address 24 Hammond St, Roxbury, Mass.
(d) Remains to be brought to U. S.? no
(e) To be interred in National Cemetery in U. S. at no

(f) Shipping instructions upon arrival of body in U. S.

(g) Disposition instructions if not brought to U. S.

Examiner's Initials S.M. Date 3-21-1920

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

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

No correspondence

Examiner's Initials S.M. Date 3-21-1920

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

No request for disposition
(a) Cancellation memos referred to? Yes S.M.

Examiner's Initials S.M. Date 3-21-1920

COUNTRY FRANCE CEMETERY No. 1232--Sec. 6 SHEET No. 37

4/30/21

Checked by H 4-25-21

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

Typed by _____, Checked by _____, 1920.

VIII. FINAL ACTION:

Following advice forwarded to Europe by { cable on _____, 1920
letter on 3/29/21, 1920

Section # 6
Par # 2 - Not to be returned - H

IX.

CORRECTIONS

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

X. SUSPENSION REMARKS:

B/a W.P. Mrs. Sarah Conway
(Mother) 1513 Washington St. Boston, Mass
J 4-25-21-H

COMPILATION OF DISPOSITION OF REMAINS DATA

File #49521

I. LOCATION INDEX CARD:

(a) Name CONWAY, William E. Ser. No. 1686779
(b) Rank Pvt. Organization Co. B, 314th Regts.
(c) Date of death 10/26/18 (d) Cause of death K/a
TYP. evs. 30

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

(a) Grave No. 207 Row - Plot 4 Sec. 6 TYP. evs
(b) Emerg. Address Mrs. Thomas Conway (Mother) 90 Factory Hill, E. Braintree, Mass.

III. Files of soldiers/dying from contagious diseases 990 (3-26-21) e CKR. 30

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

(Dotted lines for handwritten information)

V. Following advice forwarded to Europe by { cable on ..., 192
letter of transmittal on 3/29/21, 192
Section # 6
Par # 2 - Not to be returned - H

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

VII. SUPPLEMENTARY REQUESTS.

Table with 4 columns: 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.

Handwritten initials and date 4-20/21

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GRAVE LOCATION BLANK

LOCATION OF THE GRAVE OF

Conway 1686779, William E
(Surname.) (Number.) (First Name and Initials.)

Pvt Co E 314th Engineers
(Rank.) (Organization.)

DATE OF BURIAL October 27, 1918.

PLACE OF BURIAL

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

La Grange Aux Bois Farm Cemetery,
Banzanzy Special Map.

GRAVE NUMBER Cemetery not platted

HOW MARKED: Name Peg? Cross? yes

Headboard? Bottle?

IDENTIFICATION TAGS:

Was one buried with body? yes

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

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

CMME Charges (New)
(178) IT 35 NE COORDS - 386.5
m. 280.7
approximate

REPORTED BY: Chaplain Rudisill,
314th Engineers,
(Signature and Rank of Reporting Officer.)

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

CHIEF OF GRAVES REGISTRATION SERVICE

NOV 1918

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List No. _____

Report No. _____

WAR. DEPARTMENT
Office of the Quartermaster General of the Army
Washington

G.R.S. Form 8-W-A-0
Information requested of A.G.O.

Date 3/21/21.

File No. Requisition.

(SPECIAL)

From: The Quartermaster General, U. S. Army, (Cemeterial 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.

NOTED FORM #15
DATE 3-26-21

- a. Surname Conway ✓
- b. Christian name William E. ✓
- c. Serial Number 1686779 ✓
- f. Date of death 10/28/18.
- g. Cause of death W/A ✓
- h. Authority (C.O.#)

- d. ~~Organization Co. E, 314th Engrs.~~
~~or (Co. E, 289th Engr. Corps.)~~ Emergency address Mrs. Thomas Conway - Factory Hill - Mass.
- e. Rank Pvt. ✓
- j. Relationship Wife

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

- a. Age of enlistment Adjustment Made
- 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

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									lower right					lower left	

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File No. 49521

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Donnelly - prob-202
3-24-21 - Wg.

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

BY: *[Signature]*
H. U. CONNER,
1st. Licut, Q.M.C.

C.W.
CEMETERY NO: 1232-Sec.6.
SHEET NO: 37
TYPED BY: I.W.

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