

To The A. G. O.

G.R.S. Form #114-B

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OCT 9 - 1926

DATE Feb 22nd, 1922

1. NAME COOMBS, Carl L. SERIAL No. 71138

RANK PFC. *Port 1st* ORGANIZATION Co. A. 104th Inf.

GRAVE LOCATION Meuse-Argonne Amer. Cty, ROMAGNE-ss- MONTFAUCON (Meuse) 1232
CTY. NAME NUMBER Sec. 9

156 Sec. 9 GRAVE ROW PLOT 3

2. ORIGINAL BATTLE AREA GRAVE LOCATION Isolated Flabas, Meuse

GRAVE COMMUNE DEPT.

COORDINATES Verdun 35 NE 278.71 N 328.45 E

CONCENTRATED TO 5/22/19 156 Sec 9 3
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 cross, Two tags on body.

DATE OF DEATH Oct 17-18

data F-1.

STATE FROM WHICH HE CAME Mass

SUBSEQUENT REBURIALS MEDALS OR DECORATIONS AWARDED None

ccg. DATE GRAVE ROW PLOT CEMETERY

DATE GRAVE ROW PLOT CEMETERY

SIGNATURE, AREA SUPERVISOR

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

3. FINAL GRAVE LOCATION Feb 22nd, 1922 39 Block H. 30.
DATE GRAVE ROW PLOT

Meuse-Argonne Amer. Cty # 1232. Romagne-sous-Montfaucon (Meuse)
CEMETERY

A. G. O.
OCT 11 1926
WORLD WAR DIV.

AUDITED BY
R. G. W. 3/13/23

Major General,
The Adjutant General,
By OCT 12 20

GRAVE REGISTRATION SERVICE
RECEIVED
OCT 16 1922

INSTRUCTIONS FOR PREPARATION OF FORM 114 B

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

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

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

4. If data is entered on Form 114-B from Form 1, Form 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.



GRAVE LOCATION BLANK

LOCATION OF THE GRAVE OF

Coombs 71138 Carl R
(Surname). (Number). (First Name and Initials).

Private 104 Inf
(Rank). (Organization).

PLACE OF DEATH: *Bais du Hamant*

CAUSE OF DEATH: *Killed in action*

DATE OF BURIAL: *Oct 26, 1918*

PLACE OF BURIAL: *Cordin. 28.5° - 78.8°*

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

Map - Verdun B
1-20000

GRAVE NUMBER:

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:

NEAREST RELATIVE:

ADDRESS:

RELATIONSHIP:

REPORTED BY:

Chaplain A. G. Butzer - 103 Inf
(Signature and Rank of Reporting Officer).

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

Co A 104 Inf.

COOMBS Carl L. Pvt. 71138

96
Missing October 17, 1918

Was killed and buried October 26th. by Chaplain Evans of 104th. Inf.

Informant : Henry Maier, Searcher.
Jan. 17, 1919

M.M.

Co. A, 104th Infantry
26th Div

COOMBS, Carl L. - Pvt 71138
Home: 84 Haven St
Reading, Mass.

Killed in action by G.S.W. 10/17/18 Sector Haumont
Burial 10/26/18 Co-ord 28:5 - 78:8 - Map Verdun B 1-20,000
Character Excellent
Service Honest and Faithful, a good and courageous soldier.

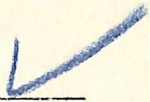
Informant: DODGE, C. R. - Cpl. 71039
Co. A, 104th Infantry
Home: 2 Edgewood St. Worcester, Mass.

No searcher given.

Emergency address:
Miss Bettie Coombs (Sister)
250 Lowell St.
Reading Mass.

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CODE SLIP



HEADING	SUB-HEADING	NO. OF COLS	CODE
NAME	<i>Coombes</i>	3	<i>3055</i>
	<i>Carl L.</i>		
	CEMETERY <i>1232</i>	1	<i>1</i>
BURIED	GRAVE <i>39</i>	2	<i>39</i>
	ROW <i>30</i>	2	<i>30</i>
	BLOCK <i>8</i>	1	<i>8</i>
STATE	<i>Mass</i>	2	<i>25</i>
RANK	<i>Priv 1st</i>	1	<i>2</i>
DIVISION	<i>26</i>	2	<i>26</i>
ORGANIZATION	<i>104</i>	3	<i>104</i>
ARM	<i>Inf.</i>	1	<i>1</i>
MARTIAL	<i>(Sister) No</i>	1	<i>2</i>
NAME	<i>Hill, Mrs.</i>	3	
	<i>Gilbert J.</i>		
	<i>P.O. Box 217</i>		
RESIDENCE	<i>Reading, Mass.</i>		
	STATE	2	
	COUNTY	2	
	CITY	3	
RELATION	<i>Mother</i>	1	<i>1</i>
OTHER		1	<i>3</i>
ELIGIBILITY	<i>Dead</i>	1	<i>6</i>
NATIVITY		1	
RACE		1	
ENGLISH		1	
ATTENDANT		1	
HEALTH		1	
NO. OF SONS		1	
DATE OF TRIP	MO.	1	
	YR.	1	
ACCEPTANCE		1	

AUDITED

APR 21 1932

RS

M.L.H.
29/514/PJ.

pm

April 22, 1932.

QM 293 A-M

Coombs, Carl L. (MA)

Mrs. Gilbert T. Hill,
P. O. Box 217,
Reading, Mass.

Dear Madam:

Reference is made to office letter of July 19, 1930, relative to your eligibility to make a pilgrimage to the grave of your brother, the late Private first class Carl L. Coombs, under the loco parentis clause of the Act of Congress of March 2, 1929, as amended. To date no reply has been received, and it will be appreciated if you will furnish the following information:

1. Dates of death of the parents of the late Private Coombs.
2. Did you provide him with food, clothing and shelter for five years at any time prior to his becoming eighteen years of age? ①

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

For The Quartermaster General.

Very truly yours,

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

Encl.
Env.

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etc

QM 293 A-M
Coombs, Carl L. 1232 Rel.

July 19, 1930

Mrs. Gilbert T. Hill,
P. O. Box 217,
Reading, Mass.

Dear Madam:

Information has been furnished this office which indicates that you may be eligible to make the pilgrimage to the grave of the late Carl L. Coombs under the provisions of the Act of March 2, 1929 as amended on May 15, 1930. Section 4 (a) of the Act has been amended to read in part as follows: "--or any woman who stood in loco parentis to the 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 18 years of age".

In order to satisfy legal requirements it will be necessary for you to furnish as proof of your relationship, in loco parentis, the affidavits of at least two persons not related to you.

In the event you consider yourself eligible, under the law, to make the pilgrimage, it is requested that the enclosed form be completed and returned to this office in order that your eligibility may be determined. Under paragraphs 1(c) and 1(d), sufficient information should be included to permit an intelligible decision as to eligibility.

For The Quartermaster General.

Very truly yours,

Enclosures:
Forms
Envelope
Act - Amendment

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

*M + R file
shows sister's name
only*

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

Coombs, Carl L. 1232 Rel.

July 8, 1930.

Mr. Charles H. Coombs,
Durham Rd.
Brunswick, Me.

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:

NO

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

If so, give her name and address:

NO

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:

*He lived with his
sister several years
prior to his enlistment
Mrs. Gilbert J. Hill
Reading*

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

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QM 293 A-C
Coombs, Carl L.

September 27, 1929.

Mr. Charles H. Coombs,
Durham Road,
Brunswick, Maine.

Dear Sir:

Receipt is acknowledged of your letter of recent date relative to the pilgrimage of the Gold Star Mothers and Widows to Europe.

With reference to your question as to relatives making the pilgrimage at personal expense, it is regretted to have to advise that any arrangements which are desired to be made by friends and relatives of the deceased soldiers to visit their graves in the cemeteries in Europe must be made by them personally. The limited accommodations available in the small towns in the neighborhood of the cemeteries in Europe and the fact that it is contemplated that the War Department will utilize these accommodations to the limit for those mothers and widows eligible under the above mentioned Act makes it necessary for those ineligible under the law to make their own arrangements.

For The Quartermaster General.

Very truly yours,

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

sc/p

1232

John J. Harris
Major 2. M. Corps.

2 M. 293 A-C.

Will any other relative
other than mother or widow
be allowed to make the
pilgrimage by paying his
or her own expenses.

Very truly yours

Wm. Chas. H. Coombs

Durham Rd.

Brunswick, Me.



WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

Coombs, Carl L.
1232.

Sept. 6, 1929

Mrs. Helen M. Coombs,
Durham Rd.,
Brunswick, Maine

Dear Madam:

The records of this office do not indicate that a reply has been received to our communication dated June 29, 1929 making inquiry concerning the name and address of the mother and widow of the deceased service man above named. These addresses are desired with a view to ascertaining the number of mothers and widows who desire to make a pilgrimage to the cemeteries of Europe in which the remains of their sons and husbands are interred.

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

Write answers in space below

1. Is the deceased survived by a widow who has not since remarried? If so, give her complete address:

No

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

No

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

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

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WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C
Coombs, Carl L.

June 29 1929.

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Durham Road,
Brunswick, Maine.

Dear Madam:

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The records of this office show that you are the mother of the late Private Carl L. Coombs, Co. A, 104th Inf. whose remains are now interred in the Meuse-Argonne American Cemetery, Romagne-sous-Montfaucon, Meuse, France.

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

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

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

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

QM 293 A-M
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April 22, 1932.

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Assistant:

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QM 293 A-M
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WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

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QM 293 A-C
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Captain, Q. M. Corps,
Assistant.

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Q. M. G. M. & R. DIV.

Mr. Coombs

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WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

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

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C
Combs, Carl L.

June 29, 1929.

Mrs. Helen M. Combs,
Durham Road,
Brunswick, Maine.

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 Private Carl L. Combs, Co. A, 10th Inf. whose remains are now interred in the Meuse-Argonne American Cemetery, Romagne-sous-Montfaucon, Meuse, France.

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

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

Coombs,

Carl L.

71,138

(Surname.)

(Christian name in full.)

(Army serial number.)

Pvt.

Co. A, 104th. Infantry.

(Rank and organization.)

State your relationship to the deceased.

Sister

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?

(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)

Betty Coombs

250

Lowell St., Reading Mass -

(Number and street or rural route.)

(City, town, or post office.)

(State.)

Read fully the letter accompanying this card.

Winnipeg

3-22-21

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Checked
3/22/21
~~1232~~

In reply refer to:
293.8 C-R

91242

March 20, 1923.

Mrs. Helen M. Coombs,
Durham Road,
Brunswick, Maine.

Dear Madam:

The Quartermaster General desires that you be informed that the permanent grave of the late Private Carl L. Coombs, Company A, 104th Infantry, is Grave 39, Row 30, Block H, 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.

Very truly yours,

H. J. Conner,
Assistant.

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Place NEUCHÂTEAU

Date June 13 1919

REPORT OF DISINTERMENT AND REBURIAL

91242

Remains of:

Name: COOMBS, Carl L.

Number 71138

Rank: Unkn

Organization

Unkn

Disinterment and Reburial made by Group:

Unit

Disinterred (Date)

From (Give complete location)

6 5/22/19

Grave isolated

HAUMONT MEUSE

35 NE 328.45 E 278.71 N

Reburied (Date)

In: (Give complete location)

5/22/19

Grave # 156 Sec #9 Plot # 3

ARGONNE AMERICAN CEMETERY # 1232

ROMAGNE MEUSE

1232

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

Burial good; buried in uniform; badly decomposed.

Was one identification tag found upon the body? Yes

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

CONFIRMED No. 10783

10783

Note:

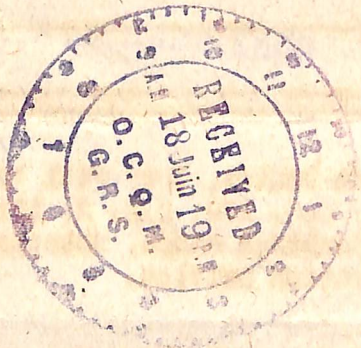
If upon disinterment, effects are found on bodies, they will be promptly sent to the Effects Depot direct as is required by G.O. 170, G.H. 2, 1918., after being carefully examined for clues of identity in doubtful cases, notation whereof will be made and reported to Chief, Graves Registration Service.

Supervised by: Lt Stirn

R. H. ROSENTHAL

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

C.O. Group Unit



REPORT OF DISINTERMENT AND REBURIAL

1. REMAINS OF COOMBS, Carl L. SERIAL NUMBER 71138

RANK Pvt. ~~1/c~~ ORGANIZATION Co. A. 104th Inf.

2. Disinterred (date): Feb 22, 1922 From (give complete location):

gr 156, sec 9, plot 3, cty, 1232.

By : Group Maire. Unit sec 1.

3. Reburied (date): Feb. 22, 1922, Meade In (give complete location):

Argonne cty 1232, gr 39, bl H, row 30

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 :

gold service chevron on left sleeve

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

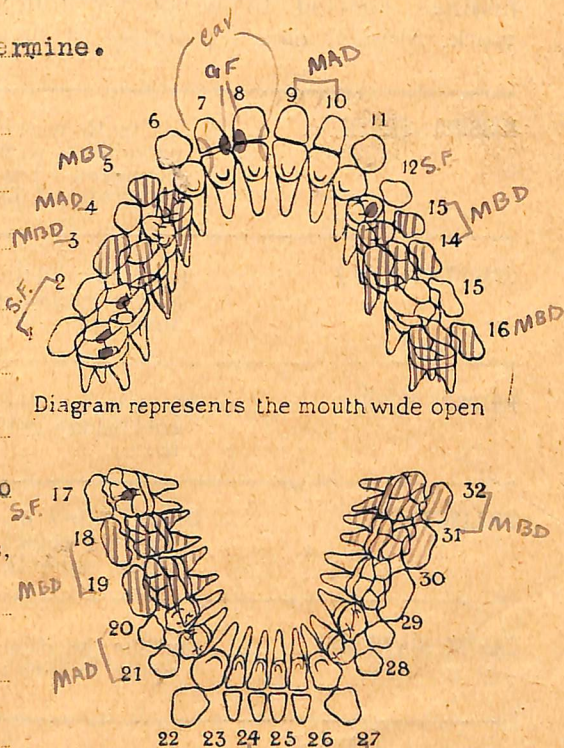
Quantity do

(e) Permanent marks on body (old scars, peculiarities,

or missing parts) do

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

skull fractured.



7. Disinterment supervised by Eduo Maire

E. Maire.

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

8. Reburial Supervised by W.B. Shield

W.B. Shield

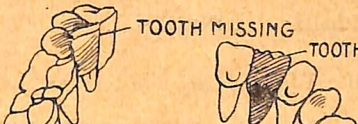




Approved: A.E. Dewey, 1st Lt. QMC.
(Title)

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

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

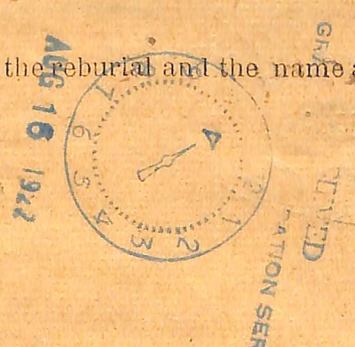
1. Show soldier's name, serial number, rank and organization, and by whom disinterred and reburied.
2. Give date and accurate information as to location from which the body was disinterred and the group and unit which made disinterment.
3. Give date and accurate information as to location of reburial and the group and unit which made reburial, and how reburial was made—in casket, wooden box, etc.
4. State to what degree decomposition has progressed, whether recognition is possible, and how the body was originally buried—in a casket, box, burlap, etc. This statement should be as complete as possible.
5. (a) State whether identification tags were found buried with body and on grave marker by reporting "Yes" or "No".
 (b) State whether or not body appears to have been a hospital case. Were any identifying articles found in or on body or grave? List any personal effects, letters, money-order receipts, and the like found on body or in grave, Give any and all information which it is thought might be of use in identifying the body, other than that tabulated under Item No 6.

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

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

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

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



To be prepared in triplicate.

DATE Feb 22 1922

REPORT OF DISINTERMENT, PREPARATION, SHIPMENT AND REBURIAL OF BODY

DISINTERMENT

COMPARATIVE REPORT

jc.

Records of G.R.S. Headquarters.

Discrepancy found upon exhumation of body

- 1. Name COOMBS, Carl L.
- 2. No. 71138
- 3. Rank PFC. Pat
- 4. Org. Co. A. 104th Inf.
- 5. D.D. 10-17-18
- 6. C.D. KIA,

- 10. Name _____
- 11. No. _____
- 12. Rank _____
- 13. Org. _____
- 14. (a) D.D. _____
- (b) D.B. None

Discrepancy found upon disinterment

- 7. Grave No. 156 Sec 9
- 8. Plot 3 Row _____
- 9. _____

- 15. Grave No. _____ Sec. _____
- 16. Plot _____ Row _____
- 17. none

18. Cemetery Meuse-Argonne Amer. Cty.

19. Commune or town ROMAGNE-ss-MONTFAUCON

20. Dept. or County Meuse

21. Country France

22. G.R.S. Hdqrs. Code No. 1232--Sec. 9

23. Disinterred (Date) Feb 22 1922

By Edmo Maire.

24. Inscription on grave marker:

Name Carl L Coombs

Rank PFC

Serial No. 71138

Organization Co A 104th Inf

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

C. Smyth O'Meara
 Signature Junior Technical Assistant
 C Smyth O'Meara

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).

Gold service chevron on left sleeve

27. Condition of body Badly decomposed, features unrecognizable

28. Nature of burial US Uniform, burlap and 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 Feb 22 1922 By Edmo Maire.

31. Casket sealed by Edmo Maire.

Signature of Embalmer, (Supervisor) *Edmo Maire*
 Edmo Maire.

SHIPMENT. (Show actual marking of box.) Box No. **C-25339**

32. Designation of body:

Name **Carl L. COOMBS**

Serial No. **71138**

Rank **PFC.**

Organization **Co. A. 104th Inf.**

33. Consigned to:

Name of Permanent Cemetery **Meuse-Argonne Amer. Cty. 1232, ROMAGNE-ss-MONTFAUCON (Meuse)**

34. Casket boxed and marked (Date) **Feb 22 1922** By **Edmo 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

R Richards 1st Lt. QMC

36. Remarks

37. Shipped from point of Operation: (Date) **Feb 22 1922** cc

To point of Concentration **Morgue Romagne**

(Name

Convoyer ~~xxxxxxx~~

Signature Shipping Officer

G F Spann, 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 Cty 1232, Feb. 22, 1922**

(Date

42. Grave No. **39**

Section

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

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Row

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G.R.S. Representative

A.E. Dewey, 1st Lt, QMC.

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.

Org.

Remarks

S/1783/LML

Checked
3/22/21
[Signature]

01/28/1921

TO: _____
FROM: _____
SUBJECT: _____

RECEIVED.

APR 29 1921

GENERAL DIVISION
SUB-223

DISCLOSURE OF
CORRECTION

TO: _____
FROM: _____
SUBJECT: _____

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DISCLOSURE OF
CORRECTION

COMPILATION OF DISPOSITION OF REMAINS DATA
91242

I. LOCATION INDEX CARD:

(a) Name COOMBS, Carl L. Ser. No. 71138
 (b) Rank Pvt. Organization Co. A, 104th Inf. } TYP. VBB
 (c) Date of death 10-17-18 (d) Cause of death K/A } 30

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

(a) Grave No. 156 Row - Plot 3 Sec. 9 TYP. vbb
 (b) Emerg. Address Miss Bettie Coombs (sister) 250 Lowell St., Reading, Pa.

III. Files of soldiers dying from contagious diseases /// CKR. 30

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

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V. Following advice forwarded to Europe by { cable on _____, 192
 { letter of transmittal on 3/30, 1921
Sec 9
Par 2 not to be returned

VI. Form 115 forwarded to G. R. S., Hoboken, N. J., APR 11 1921, 192

VII. SUPPLEMENTARY REQUESTS.

Date of and source.	Relationship and name.	Desires.	Action taken.
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VIII. Form 115 received from G. R. S., Hoboken, N. J., _____, 192

COUNTRY _____ CEMETERY No. _____ SHEET No. _____

OSP-SS
Form No. 1009

OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
CEMETERIAL DIVISION
OVERSEAS PROJECT SUB-SECTION.

Harlow C.W.

NAME OF DECEASED SOLDIER	CEMETERY NO.	DATE
Coombs, Carl L., Pvt.	1232-Sec.9 - 36	3/23/21.
SERIAL NUMBER	ORGANIZATION	DATE OF DEATH
71138	Co. A, 104th Inf.	10/17/18.

WAR RISK INSURANCE INFORMATION

DATE _____

PERSON NAMED BY SOLDIER TO BE BENEFICIARY OF INSURANCE _____ RELATIONSHIP _____

ADDRESS _____

PERSON RECEIVING DEATH COMPENSATION _____ RELATIONSHIP _____

ADDRESS _____

S-1868/MB

OSP-SS
Form No. 1009

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OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
CEMETERIAL DIVISION
OVERSEAS PROJECT SUB-SECTION.

*Please
rush!*

Harlow C.W.

NAME OF DECEASED SOLDIER

CEMETERY NO.

DATE

Coombs, Carl L., Pvt.

1232-Sec.9 - 36

3/23/21.

SERIAL NUMBER

ORGANIZATION

DATE OF DEATH

71138

Co. A, 104th Inf.

10/17/18.

made 4/26

WAR RISK INSURANCE INFORMATION

Copy forwarded to
Adjustment Department

DATE April 9, 1921.

Date 4-15-21 *yes*

Mrs. Helen M. Coombs,

Mother

PERSON NAMED BY SOLDIER TO BE BENEFICIARY OF INSURANCE

RELATIONSHIP

Durham Road, Brunswick, Maine.

ADDRESS

PERSON RECEIVING DEATH COMPENSATION

RELATIONSHIP

ADDRESS

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RECEIVED BY
MAIL UNIT

MAY 26 1921

Cemeterial Division
Overseas Project Sub-Section

MAY 26 1921



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GRAVE LOCATION BLANK

LOCATION OF THE GRAVE OF

Coombs 71138 Carl R.
(Surname). (Number). (First Name and Initials).

Private 1049 Inf.
(Rank). (Organization)

PLACE OF DEATH: Bois du Haumont

CAUSE OF DEATH: Killed in action

DATE OF BURIAL: Oct 26, 1918

PLACE OF BURIAL: Carton 28.5-78.8°

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

Map - Verdun B-20000

GRAVE NUMBER:

HOW MARKED: Name Peg? Cross? Yes

Headboard? Bottle?

IDENTIFICATION TAGS:

Was one buried with body?

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

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

MME. Alabas (mause)

(C-492) SHT. 35 S. E. COORD {E-328.5 }
NEAREST RELATIVE: {N-278.8 }

ADDRESS:

RELATIONSHIP:

REPORTED BY:
Chaplain A. G. Butzow - 1039 Inf.
(Signature and Rank of Reporting Officer).

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



Reported missing in action

10/17/18 (520)

D.F.P. 11/2/18

Communal List No. _____
Daily Report No. _____

492-11822

WAR DEPARTMENT.

~~STATES REGISTRATION SERVICE,~~

WASHINGTON, D. C.

OFFICIAL BUSINESS.



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

11/16/20

No Such Street in Reading, Pa.

Miss Bettie Coombs,
250 Lowell St.,
Reading, Pa.

Returned to Writer
UNCLAIMED
READING, PA.

FILLED

91242

DIRECTORY SEARCHER NO. 5

READING
JAN 31
1920
1 AM
PA.



FEB 1

91242

SUBJECT: Information required for G.R.S.

FILE

1. Items checked are to be completed:

- () Surname: Coombs.
 () Number:
 () First name: Carl.L.
 () Rank: Pvt.
 () Company: A.
 () Organization: 104th Inf.
 () Date of death:
 () 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, Q.M.C., U.S.A.

Initials of Reporter:

WAR DEPARTMENT.

GRAVES REGISTRATION SERVICE

American Expeditionary Forces

OFFICIAL BUSINESS.

FILE



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PAYMENT OF POSTAGE \$300.



No Such Street in Reading, Pa.

Miss Bettie Combs,
250 Lowell St.,
Reading, Pa.

RETURNED TO WRITER
UNDELIVERED
ETC

DIRECTORY SEARCHER NO 5

1st Lt. Q.M. Corps

RECEIVED
12 MAY 1919
U. C. Q. M.
G. R. S.

READING
APR 25
1919
11 PM
PA.



CSPR. CTY. NO. 1232

Sec. 9. case no 36

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