

G.R.S. Form #114 B

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DATE Sept. 26th 1921.

1. NAME Cooper, Louis SERIAL No. 558040

RANK Pvt. ORGANIZATION Co. D 47th Inf.

& DIVISION: 4

GRAVE LOCATION Argonne Amer. Romagne-sous-Montfaucon - Meuse - 1232 - Sec. 91

CTY. NAME NUMBER

37 - Sec. 91

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GRAVE ROW PLOT

2. ORIGINAL BATTLE AREA GRAVE LOCATION Bois de Septsarges (Meuse)

Amer. 3/a Cty Dannevoix
49 GRAVE COMMUNE DEPT.

COORDINATES Verdun 35NE, 280.95N, 315.8E C.R.

CONCENTRATED TO 6/3/19 37 91 1

DATE GRAVE ROW PLOT

Meuse-Argonne 1232.

CEMETERY CTY. NUMBER

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

Tag on body and ~~peg~~ over body.

DATE OF DEATH Sept 26-18

STATE FROM WHICH HE CAME Mass

Data from Form #1. MEDALS OR DECORATIONS AWARDED None

SUBSEQUENT REBURIALS

DATE GRAVE ROW PLOT CEMETERY

DATE GRAVE ROW PLOT CEMETERY

SIGNATURE, AREA SUPERVISOR M. B. BIRDSEYE 1st Lt., G.M. Corps, U.S. Army

3. FINAL GRAVE LOCATION Sept. 26th 1921 9 34 H

DATE GRAVE ROW PLOT Block

Meuse-Argonne Amer. Cty #1252, Romagne-sous-Montfaucon, Meuse.

CEMETERY

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AUDITED BY
M.G. 5-4-27-22

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WORLD WAR DIV.

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Robert C. Davis,
Major General,
The Adjutant General.
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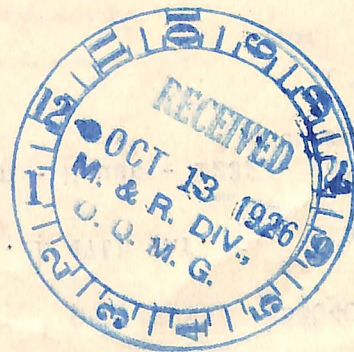
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Cooper, Louis

I Declines by letter rec'd 2-18-33
(Accept or decline) the invitation extended

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

Mrs. Etta Cooper
(Name)

162 Seaver St., Roxbury, Suffolk Co., Mass.
(Town or City) (State)

CODE SLIP

HEADING	SUB-HEADING	NO. OF COLS	CODE
NAME	COOPER	3	353 ⁰⁰
	LOUIS		
BURIED	CEMETERY 1232	1	1
	GRAVE 9	2	09
	ROW 34	2	34
	BLOCK 14	1	8
STATE	Mass	2	25-
RANK	Private	1	2
DIVISION	4	2	04
ORGANIZATION	47	3	047
ARM	Inf	1	1
MARTIAL	no	1	2
NAME	COOPER	3	353 ⁰⁰
	Mrs Etta		
RESIDENCE	STATE Mass	2	25
	COUNTY Suffolk	2	13
	CITY Roxbury (Boston)	3	019
RELATION	Mother	1	1
OTHER		1	
ELIGIBILITY	yes	1	
NATIVITY		1	
RACE		1	
ENGLISH	yes	1	1
ATTENDANT		1	
HEALTH	Bad	1	2
NO. OF SONS		1	
DATE OF TRIP	MO.	1	
	YR. 1933	1	4
ACCEPTANCE	no page	1	2/58

Recd Jan 6-7-33

AUDITED
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[Signature]

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WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-M
Cooper, Louis. (MA)

Feb. 13, 1933

Mrs. Etta Cooper,
162 Seaver Street,
Roxbury, Mass.

Declines

Dear Madam:

No reply has been received to the invitation forwarded you to make a pilgrimage to the cemeteries in Europe, sailing on the Washington, June 7th.

In order that arrangements may be completed for the pilgrimage, it is imperative that you accept or decline the invitation. It is requested therefore you complete AT ONCE the card enclosed with the invitation forwarded you, signifying whether you accept or decline the invitation. If you have lost or misplaced the card, please write "Accept" or "Decline" on the bottom of this letter and return it to this office.

PLEASE REPLY PROMPTLY.

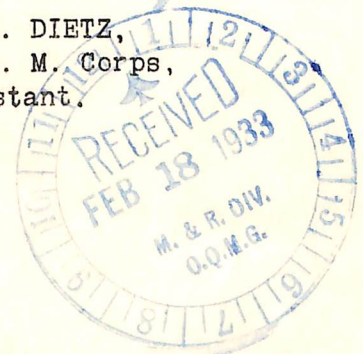
For The Quartermaster General.

Very truly yours,

Chas. W. Dietz

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

"Decline" due to illness.
Mrs Etta Cooper



IN REPLY QM 293 A-M
REFER TO
Cooper, Louis (MA)

WAR DEPARTMENT

OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

SPECIAL

October 13, 1932.

Mrs. Etta Cooper,
162 Seaver St.,
Roxbury, Mass.

Dear Madam:

Your Government has provided an opportunity for all Mothers and Widows of deceased members of the American Forces who were lost, buried at sea, or whose remains are now interred in Europe, to make a pilgrimage to the cemeteries in Europe. This was done in the hope that all who may make the pilgrimage will derive a measure of comfort and solace from the visit.

You are numbered among those who are privileged to make this pilgrimage.

During July and September of this year, inquiries were addressed to you as to whether or not you desire to make the pilgrimage to Europe. To these inquiries no reply has been received from you.

You probably do not realize how important it is that a reply be received from you. If we do not receive replies, it becomes very difficult to make the necessary and proper arrangements for those who are to make the trip, as everything must be arranged in advance. Consequently, it is just as important for the Government to know the names of those who do not desire to take advantage of its offer as it is to know the names of those who do.

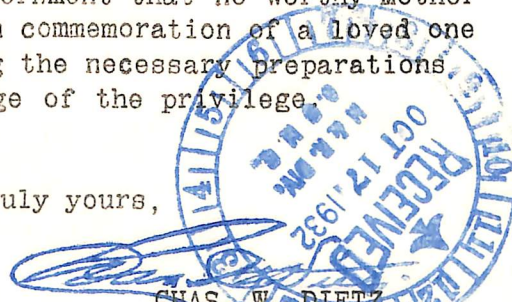
Will you please devote a few moments of your time to write either the word "YES" or "NO" in the following space Yes, thus indicating whether or not you desire to make the pilgrimage during 1933 and sign your name here Mrs. Etta Cooper. Use the enclosed envelope, which requires no postage, and return this sheet.

This reply will assure your Government that no worthy Mother or Widow has failed to receive its offer in commemoration of a loved one departed, and will greatly assist in making the necessary preparations for those of them who wish to take advantage of the privilege.

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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



WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-M

Sept. 7, 1932.

Cooper, Louis (MA)

Mrs. Etta Cooper
162 Seaver St.,
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

Cooper Louis (MA)

July 9 1932

Mrs Etta Cooper
162 Seaver St
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) _____

Jan 19, 1932

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

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QM 293 A-M
Cooper, Louis Pvt. (M-A) M

Gentlemen: Attention of A. D. Hushes, Cap.

Replying to your letter of the 14th, I am sorry to say that as much as my Mother would like to make this trip to France, she cannot go as she is a very sick woman. She has an acid stomach together with gall bladder trouble and is under the doctors care for the past 12 years. My Mother is a very thin woman and should she get seasick, she would have no resistance to fight it off, and for these reasons it is impossible for her to make the pilgrimage.

Yours very truly,

Minnie Cooper

for Mrs Letta Cooper

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162 Seaver St.
Roxbury, Mass.

new address



QM 293 A-M
Cooper, Louis Pvt. (M-A) M

January 14, 1932.

Mrs. Etta Cooper,
162 ~~140~~ Beaver St.,
Roxbury, Mass.

Dear Madam:

Reference is made to correspondence forwarded you from this office relative to a pilgrimage to the grave of your son, the late Private Louis Cooper. In reply to a questionnaire you advised that you did not desire to make a pilgrimage during the summer of 1932.

It is noted you previously stated your health was poor and in this connection you are advised that personnel to care for your comfort and needs will be provided, and doctors and nurses will be available. During the past two years many mothers who were in poor health and of advanced age made the pilgrimage and appeared to have benefited by the sea air and the excellent care they received.

In view of the foregoing, should you desire to make the pilgrimage to the grave of your son during the coming summer, it is requested that you notify this office. Should you make a pilgrimage you are assured that the journey will not only be made at the expense of the Government, but that everything possible for your comfort and welfare will be provided.

For The Quartermaster General.

Very truly yours, O

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

Cooper, Louis Pvt. (MA) M*

July 14, 1931.

167 Mrs. Etta Cooper,
~~140~~ Seaver St.,
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.

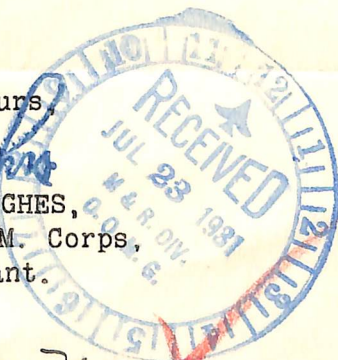
As soon as you have answered the question, please sign your name and return this sheet in the enclosed addressed envelope which requires no postage. Do not delay, as a prompt reply is essential.

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



DO YOU DESIRE TO MAKE A PILGRIMAGE DURING THE YEAR 1932? No

Write answer here

Mrs Etta Cooper
Sign here

January 21, 1931

QM 293 A-M
Cooper, Louis Pvt. 1232

Mrs. Etta Cooper,
140 Beaver Street,
Roxbury, Massachusetts.

Dear Madam:

Receipt is acknowledged of your recent communication, declining the invitation to sail on the SS HARDING May 20, 1931, to visit the grave of your son, the late Private Louis Cooper, under the provisions of the Act of Congress of March 2, 1929.

It is regretted that due to ill health you will not be able to make the pilgrimage this year. Reservation made for you on the SS HARDING has been cancelled.

In the event that you are able and desire to make the pilgrimage during the summer months of 1932 or 1933, it is requested that you so advise this office in order that the necessary arrangements may be made for you.

For The Quartermaster General.

Very truly yours,

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

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Per Declines cd.

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

June 27, 1930.

Cooper, Louis - 1232 M

Mrs. Etta Cooper,
140 Seaver St.,
Roxbury, Mass.

Dear Madam:

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.

The records of this office show that you are the Mother of the deceased veteran named above and in order that plans may be completed for conducting the pilgrimages, it is requested you answer the following questions by filling out the blanks left therefor and return the letter to this office in the enclosed envelope which requires no postage.

1. Do you desire to make this pilgrimage?

2. Do you desire to make the pilgrimage in the calendar year 1931?

3. Please give your age and state your health.

4. Do you speak English?

5. What other language do you speak?

Yes
I do not know as I do not feel well for the past 4 or 5 years
Am under doctor's care
Age *right now*
Condition of Health *Very poor*



For The Quartermaster General

Very truly yours,
H. Q. M. S.

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

Enclosures:
Envelope
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Harding
5-20-31
1232

Cooper, Louis
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on account of illness

I decline the invitation extended
(Accept or decline)

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

Mrs. Etta Cooper

(Name)

140 Seaver St., Roxbury, Suffolk Co., Massachusetts

(Town or City)

(State)



*Postmarked
Boston, Mass.*

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

Cooper, Louis 1232 M

June 18, 1930

Mrs. Etta Cooper
140 Seaver Street
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.

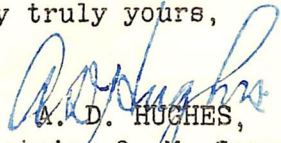
To assure proper and satisfactory accommodations, reservations for steamship transportation required during the summer of 1931 must be made by this office not later than August 1st of this year. It is therefore desired that you answer the question below by writing the word "Yes" or "No" in the blank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

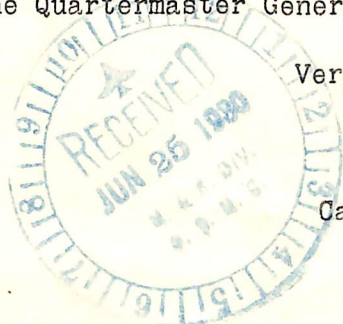
As soon as you have answered the question, please sign your name and return this sheet in the enclosed addressed envelope, which requires no postage. Do not delay, as a prompt reply is essential.

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? I do not know if
I feel well I would like to go this year (Write answer here)
my health is very poor. I would like
to make this trip very much
Mrs Etta Cooper
(Sign here)

America

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Cooper, Louis

I Decline the invitation extended
(Accept or decline)

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

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Mrs. Etta Cooper

(Name)

140 Seaver St., Roxbury, Suffolk Co., Mass.

(Town or City)

(State)

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

October 7, 1929.

Cooper, Louis 1232 M.

Mrs. Etta Cooper,
140 Seaver St.,
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) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	(No) <input type="checkbox"/> <i>11811</i>
2. Do you desire to make the pilgrimage in the calendar year 1930?	(Yes) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	(No) <input type="checkbox"/>
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) <input type="checkbox"/>	(No) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <i>no</i>
4. Please give your age and state of health.	Age <i>55</i> Health <i>pretty fair</i> (Years) (Good) (Poor)	
5. What language do you speak? <i>Hebrew and English</i>	English <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> (Yes) (No) <input type="checkbox"/> Other language <i>Hebrew</i> (Specify language spoken)	

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
Cooper, Louis 1232

September 10, 1929

Mrs. Etta Cooper,
140 Seaver St.,
Roybury, Mass.

Dear Madam:

The records of this office do not indicate that a reply has been received to our communication dated Aug. 13, 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.

Mrs Etta Cooper
140 Seaver St Roybury Mass
Mother

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

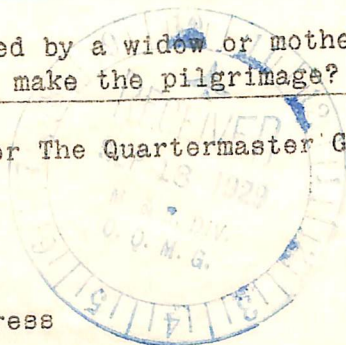
Mother - Yes

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

Cooper, Louis

Aug. 13, 1929.

Mrs. Etta Cooper,
140 Seaver St.,
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 Private Louis Cooper, Co. D, 47th Inf., 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,

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

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

Mother
IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C
Cooper, Louis

June 29 1929.

Mrs. Yetta Cooper,
75 Ash Street,
Chelsea, Mass.

*Mrs. Etta Cooper
140 Beaver St,
Rayburg, Mass.*

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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 Louis Cooper, Co. D, 47th 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 remarried it is requested that a statement to that effect be made.

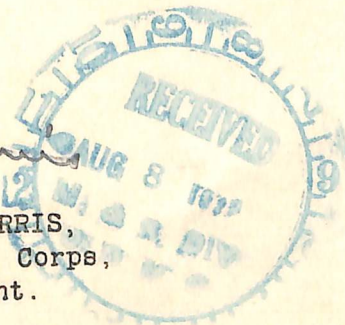
For your reply, you may use the enclosed envelope which requires no postage.

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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



WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-M

Sept. 7, 1932.

Cooper, Louis (MA)

Mrs. Etta Cooper
162 Seaver St.,
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.

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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,

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

Encl:
Env.

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-M

Cooper Louis (NA)

July 9 1932

Mrs Etta Cooper
182 Seaver St
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 293 A-M
Cooper, Louis Pvt. (M-A) M

January 14, 1932.

Mrs. Etta Cooper,
140 Beaver St.,
Roxbury, Mass.

Dear Madam:

Reference is made to correspondence forwarded you from this office relative to a pilgrimage to the grave of your son, the late Private Louis Cooper. In reply to a questionnaire you advised that you did not desire to make a pilgrimage during the summer of 1932.

It is noted you previously stated your health was poor and in this connection you are advised that personnel to care for your comfort and needs will be provided, and doctors and nurses will be available. During the past two years many mothers who were in poor health and of advanced age made the pilgrimage and appeared to have benefited by the sea air and the excellent care they received.

In view of the foregoing, should you desire to make the pilgrimage to the grave of your son during the coming summer, it is requested that you notify this office. Should you make a pilgrimage you are assured that the journey will not only be made at the expense of the Government, but that everything possible for your comfort and welfare will be provided.

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
Cooper, Louis Pvt. (MA) M*

July 14, 1931.

Mrs. Etta Cooper,
140 Seaver St.,
Roxbury, Mass.

Dear Madam:

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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

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Sign here

January 21, 1931

QM 293 A-M
Cooper, Louis Pvt. 1232

Mrs. Etta Cooper,
140 Seaver Street,
Roxbury, Massachusetts.

Dear Madam:

Receipt is acknowledged of your recent communication, declining the invitation to sail on the SS HARDING May 20, 1931, to visit the grave of your son, the late Private Louis Cooper, under the provisions of the Act of Congress of March 2, 1929.

It is regretted that due to ill health you will not be able to make the pilgrimage this year. Reservation made for you on the SS HARDING has been cancelled.

In the event that you are able and desire to make the pilgrimage during the summer months of 1932 or 1933, it is requested that you so advise this office in order that the necessary arrangements may be made for you.

For The Quartermaster General.

Very truly yours,

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

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WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

June 27, 1930.

Cooper, Louis - 1232 M

Mrs. Etta Cooper,
140 Seaver St.,
Roxbury, Mass.

Dear Madam:

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.

The records of this office show that you are the Mother of the deceased veteran named above and in order that plans may be completed for conducting the pilgrimages, it is requested you answer the following questions by filling out the blanks left therefor and return the letter to this office in the enclosed envelope which requires no postage.

1. Do you desire to make this pilgrimage?

2. Do you desire to make the pilgrimage in the calendar year 1931?

3. Please give your age and state your health.

4. Do you speak English?

5. What other language do you speak?

Age
Condition of Health

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

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WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

Cooper, Louis 1232 M

June 18, 1930

Mrs. Etta Cooper
140 Seaver Street
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

Cooper, Louis 1232-M

March 26, 1930

Mrs. Etta Cooper,
140 Seaver St.,
Roxbury, Mass.

Dear Madam:

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

For The Quartermaster General:

Very truly yours,

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

1 Enclosure.
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WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

October 7, 1929.

Cooper, Louis 1232 M.

Mrs. Etta Cooper,
140 Seaver St.,
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,

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

Cooper, Louis 1232

September 10, 1929

Mrs. Etta Cooper,
140 Seaver St.,
Roxbury, Mass.

Dear Madam:

The records of this office do not indicate that a reply has been received to our communication dated Aug. 13, 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:

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.

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

Cooper, Louis

Aug. 13, 1929.

Mrs. Etta Cooper,
140 Seaver St.,
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 Private Louis Cooper, Co. D, 47th Inf., 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,

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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
Cooper, Louis

June 29, 1929.

Mrs. Yetta Cooper,
75 Ash Street,
Chelsea, 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 Private Louis Cooper, Co.D, 47th 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-C
Cooper, Louis

March 1, 1929.

Miss Minnie Cooper,
140 Seaver Street,
Roxbury, Massachusetts.

Dear Madam:

Receipt is acknowledged of your letter of February 4, 1929, by reference from the United States Veterans Bureau, this city.

In reply you are advised that in the absence of any request from your mother or any legal next-of-kin as to the disposition desired of the body of your brother, the late Private Louis Cooper, Company D, 47th Infantry, final interment was made in Grave 9, Row 34, Block H of the Meuse-Argonne American Cemetery, Romagne-sous-Montfaucon, Meuse, France. In view of the policy adopted by the War Department that after April 1, 1922, requests for the return of bodies at Government expense could not be accepted, it is not possible to favorably consider your request for the return of your brother's body.

In this connection you are advised that the Meuse-Argonne American military cemetery is one of those to be permanently maintained by this Government in Europe, and where you may be assured that your brother's grave will be perpetually cared for. In it are interred the remains of over 14,000 American soldiers, the grave of each being marked with a white marble headstone showing the name of the soldier, his rank, regiment, division, date of death and the State from which he came.

A card showing the permanent location of your brother's grave is enclosed herewith.

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

J. McCLINTOCK,
Major, Q. M. Corps,
Assistant.

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UNITED STATES VETERANS BUREAU

WASHINGTON

February 15, 1929

THIS LETTER REFERS TO
YOUR FILE NUMBER:

IN REPLY REFER TO: FABF

Graves Registration Bureau,
War Department,
Washington, D. C.

COOPER, Louis
XC - 143,666.

Gentlemen:

The inclosed letter from Mrs. Etta Cooper under date of February 4, 1929, together with tentative reply from this Bureau, is forwarded to your Department for appropriate action and reply.

By direction,

H. H. MILKS,
Chief, Awards Division



Incls.

United States Veteran Bureau
Washington D. C.

Feb 1929

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Gentlemen:

My brother Private Louis Cooper was killed in France Sept 1918. My Mother now wishes to have his body brought for burial in the United States. Can this be done now. When you asked us some years ago regarding this matter, my Mother was very ill and we were afraid to bury his body over. However, now my Mother is brooding over this and wait you please help us out and have his body brought to this Country so that my Mother can visit his grave during the year.



Please let me hear from you at once

Yours very truly
Ermine Cooper

Mrs Etta Cooper
140 Seaver St
Rohbury Mass



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February 15, 1929

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Graves Registration Bureau,
War Department,
Washington, D. C.

COOPER, Louis
XC - 148,666.

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The inclosed letter from Mrs. Etta Cooper under date of February 4, 1929, together with tentative reply from this Bureau, is forwarded to your Department for appropriate action and reply.

By direction,

H. H. MILKS,
Chief, Awards Division



Incls.

February 15, 1929

FABF

Mrs. Etta Cooper,
140 Seaver Street,
Roxbury, Massachusetts.

COOPER, Louis
XC - 143,666.

Dear Madam:

Your letter of February 4, 1929, in reference to return of the body of the above named deceased ex-soldier to this country, is acknowledged.

You are advised that the matter referred to in your letter has been called to the attention of the War Department. You will receive a further reply from the War Department within a reasonable period from this date.

Future communications relative to this case should bear the veteran's name and refer to the number XC-143,666.

By direction,

H. H. MILKS,
Chief, Awards Division

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Per Telephone - Mr. Lyle

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WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

October 1, 1923.

Mrs. Yetta Cooper,
75 Ash St.,
Chelsea, Mass.

Dear Madam:

The Quartermaster General desires you to be informed that the permanent grave of Private Louis Cooper, Company D, 47th Infantry, is Grave 9, Row 34, Block H, Meuse-Argonne American Cemetery, Romagne-sous-Montfaucon (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, division, organization, date of soldier's death and State from which he came. Headstones will be placed at all graves in connection with the improvement work now in progress, as soon as possible and without waiting for special action or request on the part of relatives.

You are assured in effecting removal of the remains, the utmost care and reverence were exercised and more than willingly accorded by those who performed 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. H. Cheal
H. H. CHEAL
Assistant.

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Very truly yours,

H.H. CHEAL
Assistant.

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REPORT OF DISINTERMENT AND REBURIAL

Date September 21st 1921.

1. REMAINS OF COOPER, Louis SERIAL NUMBER 558040
RANK Pvt. ORGANIZATION Co. D. 47th Inf.

2. Disinterred (date): September 21st 1921 From (give complete location): Grave 37.
Sec. 91. Plot 1. Cem. 1232

By: Group 1 Unit F.S.2.

3. Reburied (date): Sept. 26th 1921 In (give complete location): Meuse Argonne Cemetery #1232 Gr 9 block H row 34.

By: Group re-burial Unit Nature of reburial unlined casket

4. Report as to nature of original burial and condition of body upon disinterment:
Uniform burlap and wooden box. Body badly decomposed, features unrecognizable.

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

(b) Other means of identification found upon disinterment, and general remarks:
Tag on body corroded, legible part reads "Louis Co---. ---040.
Tag on peg over body checks with G.R.S. records.

6. What does examination of body show as regards the following identifying items? 4-13-M.B.D.
8-M.A.D. 17-32-Not Cut.

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

(b) Weight (estimated) do

(c) Hair—Color do

Quantity do

Characteristics do

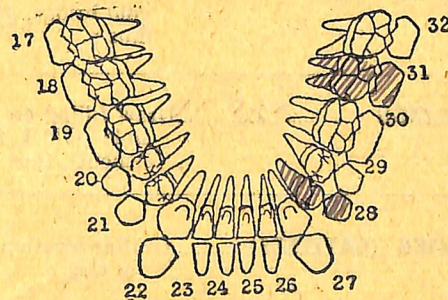
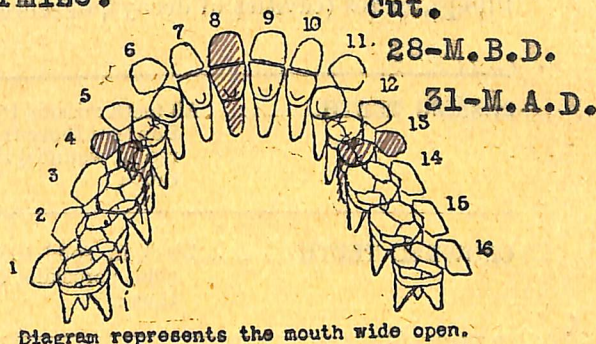
(d) Hair on face—Color do

Location do

Quantity do

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

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



7. Disinterment supervised by G.S. WRIGHT

Approved: F.B. DANIEL Capt. Q.M.C.
(Title) ewr

8. Reburial supervised by

Approved:
(Title)




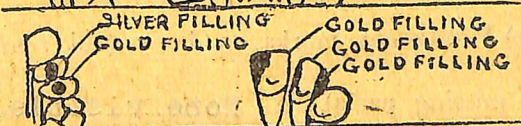



INSTRUCTIONS FOR THE PROPER COMPLETION OF G. R. S. FORM NO. 16-A

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

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

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

MISSING TEETHAll teeth missing through previous extraction (not those fractured or displaced by recent wounds) should be scratched out, thus :	
CROWNED TEETHBlock in solid the crown of tooth (label gold, porcelain, or gold and porcelain), thus :	
BRIDGE WORKBlock in solid the crown of tooth (label gold bridge, gold and porcelain bridge), thus :	
FILLINGSDraw 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 September 21st 1921

REPORT OF DISINTERMENT, PREPARATION, SHIPMENT AND REBURIAL OF BODY

DISINTERMENT

COMPARATIVE REPORT

Records of G.R.S. Headquarters.

Discrepancy found upon exhumation of body

1. Name <u>Cooper, Louis</u>	10. Name
2. No. <u>558040</u>	11. No.
3. Rank <u>Pvt.</u>	12. Rank
4. Org. <u>Co.D 47th Inf.</u>	13. Org.
5. D.D. <u>9/26/18</u> <u>11-11-18</u>	14. (a) D.D.
6. C.D. <u>KIA</u>	(b) D.B. <u>No discrepancy</u>

Discrepancy found upon disinterment

7. Grave No. <u>37</u> Sec. <u>91</u>	15. Grave No. Sec.
8. Plot <u>1</u> Row	16. Plot Row
9.	17. <u>No discrepancy.</u>
18. Cemetery <u>Argonne Amer.</u>	19. Commune or town <u>Romagne-sous-Montfaucon</u>
20. Dept. or County <u>Meuse</u>	21. Country <u>France</u>
22. G.R.S. Hdqrs. Code No. <u>1232 - Sec.91</u>	
23. Disinterred (Date) <u>Sept. 21st 1921</u> By <u>G.S.WRIGHT</u>	
24. Inscription on grave marker:	
Name <u>Louis Cooper</u> Serial No. <u>558040</u>	
Rank <u>Pvt.</u> Organization <u>Co. D. 47 Inf.</u>	
25. Was identification disc found on grave marker? <u>No</u> On body? <u>Yes</u> <u>On peg over body? Yes.</u>	
<u>C.T.BROWN.</u>	<u>C.T. Brown,</u> 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). Tag on body corroded, legible part reads, Louis Co---, ---040. Tag on peg over body ~~XXX~~ agrees with G.R.S. records.

27. Condition of body Badly decomposed, features unrecognizable.

28. Nature of burial Uniform burlap and wooden 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 Sept. 21st 21. By G.S.WRIGHT

31. Casket sealed by G.S.WRIGHT

Signature of Embalmer, (Supervisor) G.S.WRIGHT

Junior
AUDITED BY

G.S. Wright

SHIPMENT. (Show actual marking of box.) Box No. C-7276

32. Designation of body:
Name Cooper, Louis Serial No. 558040
Rank Pvt. Organization Co. D 47th Inf.

33. Consigned to:
Name of Permanent Cemetery Argonne Amer. #1232 - Romagne-sous-Montfaucon

34. Casket boxed and marked (Date) September 21st 21. By G.S. WRIGHT

35. I hereby certify that all the foregoing operations were conducted and accomplished under my immediate supervision and that the report above is correct.

Signature of G.R.S. Inspector *F. B. Daniel*

F.B. DANIEL Capt. Q.M.C.

36. Remarks None.

37. Shipped from point of Operation: (Date) September 21st 1921

To point of Concentration Morgue Romagne sous Montfaucon.

Convoyer H. J. ROYER Signature Shipping Officer *Albert M. Jackson*
Albert M. Jackson, Capt. C.A.C. ovr

38. Received at Railhead or Point of Concentration: Date

By G.R.S. Representative

39. Shipped from Railhead or Point of Concentration: Date

To Permanent Cemetery

Convoyer Signature Shipping Officer

40. Received: Date 22 SEP 1921

G.R.S. Representative *James W. Younger*

41. Reinterred House Argonne Cemetery # 1232 Sept 26th 1921.
(Date)

42. Grave No. 9 Section

43. Plot Block H Row 34

G.R.S. Representative *James W. Younger*
James W. Younger Capt QMC

el jt.



COMPILATION OF DISPOSITION OF REMAINS DATA

File #70770

I. LOCATION INDEX CARD:

(a) Name GOOPER, Louis Ser. No. 558040
(b) Rank Pvt. Organization Co. D, 47th Inf.
(c) Date of death 9-26-18 (d) Cause of death K/A
TYP. aew
CKR. S.M.

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

(a) Grave No. 37 Row - Plot 1 Sec. 91 TYP. aew
(b) Emerg. Address Mrs. Yetta Cooper, Mother, 75 Ash St., Chelsea, Mass.
#201 confirms 2/13/20 MEX 5-4-21
CKR. S.M.

III. Files of soldiers dying from contagious diseases

IV. A. G. O. DISPOSITION CARD:

Date of receipt no card in file 5-4-21 PF

(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 PF Date 5-4-1920

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

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

Examiner's Initials PF Date 5-4-1920

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

No request for disposition

(a) Cancellation memos referred to? Yes PF
Examiner's Initials PF Date 5-4-1920

COUNTRY France

CEMETERY No. 1232, Sec. 91 SHEET No. 54

WP 5-11-21

Checked H 5-4-21

COMPILATION OF DISPOSITION OF REMAINS DATA File #70770

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#201 contagious 2/10/20 with 5-4-21

III. Files of soldiers dying from contagious diseases CKR. S.M.

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 5/5/21, 192

*Section # 91
 par # 2 - Not to be returned - HD*

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

VII. SUPPLEMENTARY REQUESTS.

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

COUNTRY _____ CEMETERY No. _____ SHEET No. _____

DP. 5-11-21

HEADQUARTERS
AMERICAN GRAVES REGISTRATION SERVICE, Q.M.C., IN EUROPE
8, AVENUE D' IENA, PARIS

FILE

FILE

File No.

April 5, 1921

From: Chief,

70770

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

Subject: Acknowledgment of Correspondence.

Receipt this date is acknowledged of the following correspondence from your office:

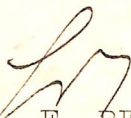
~~Indorsement~~)
dated: March 18, 1921
lst. Indorsement)

File No. 293.8. Cem Div. # 70770 (COOPER, Louis)

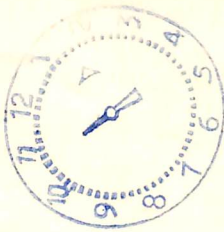
Subject: Change of Inscription on grave marker.

Name: Louis COOPER Pvt.

MH


H. F. RETHERS,
Colonel, Q.M.C.

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APR 26 1921
G. H. S.

NAME: JOHN COOPER

ADDRESS: 12345 67th Street, New York, N.Y.

DATE: APR 26 1921

TO: JOHN COOPER

FROM: JOHN COOPER

RE: [illegible]

REFERENCE: [illegible]

REMARKS: [illegible]

INITIALS: [illegible]

DATE: [illegible]

BY: [illegible]

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AMERICAN OVERSEAS REGISTRATION SERVICE, INC. 100 WALL STREET, NEW YORK, N.Y.

1st Ind.

FILE

File No : 293.8 Cem. Div -#70770-(COOPER, Louis).
From: O. Q. M. G., Cemeterial Division, March 18, 1921 -To: Chief, American
Graves Registration Service, Q. M. C. in Europe, # 8 Avenue d'Iena, Paris,
France.

1. Returned. The records of this office show the correct
particulars regarding the soldier whose body is contained in Grave #37,
Section #91, Plot #1, Argonne American Cemetery #1232, Romagne-sous-Montfaucon,
Meuse to be :

Private Louis COOPER, #558040,
Company D, 47th Infantry,
Date of Death9/26/18

and the records of your office should be adjusted accordingly.

2. It is requested that the inscription on the marker erected
over this soldier's grave be corrected and photograph taken showing correct
inscription.

By authority of the Quartermaster General:

Inv. SS
Inv & Adj

BG

M. N. GREELEY,
Captain, Q. M. C.,
Executive Officer,
Cemeterial Division.

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MAILED
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G.R.S.

H E A D Q U A R T E R S
AMERICAN GRAVES REGISTRATION SERVICE. Q.M.C. IN EUROPE
8 Avenue d'Iena, Paris.

February 19th, 1921.

FROM: Chief
TO: Quartermaster General, Munitions Building, WASHINGTON. D.C.
SUBJECT: Corrected Inscription.

1. There is listed below a grave in Cemetery #1232, ROMAGNE-sous-MONTFAUCON, (Meuse) upon which complete information as to serial number is not available in these Headquarters.

2. It is requested that these Headquarters be furnished with such additional information as may be on record in your Office on this case, in order that our records and inscription on the cross may be corrected.

COOPER, Louis, Pvt. Co. D. 47th Inf.
Grave 37, Sec. 91, Plot 1.

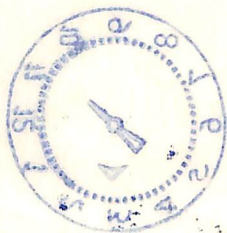
EDGAR A. FRY

H. F. RETHERS
Colonel, Q.M.C.
Chief.

HW/kvs

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G. H. Q.

WAR DEPARTMENT
THE ADJUTANT GENERAL'S OFFICE
WASHINGTON

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IN REPLY
REFER TO

201 (Cooper, Louis) WW

February 13, 1920.

From: The Adjutant General of the Army
To: The Quartermaster General of the Army,
Washington, D. C.
Subject: Notification of Death

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2. It appears from the records that the deceased was enlisted June 7, 1917, and gave the name of the person to be notified in case of emergency as Mrs. Yetta Cooper, 75 Ash St., Chelsea, Mass.

By order of the Secretary of War:

J. C. Harris
The Adjutant General.
Per: *W. H. L.*



IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and the seal of the War Department at Washington, D. C., this 12th day of August, 1918.

AS WITNESSED BY ME, SECRETARY OF WAR.

BY THE SECRETARY OF WAR: [Signature]
12 AUG 1918

THE SECRETARY OF WAR: [Signature]

THE SECRETARY OF WAR: [Signature]

THE SECRETARY OF WAR: [Signature]

RECEIVED: [Signature]

NO: [Signature]

FROM: [Signature]

FORM NO. 10

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THE ADJUTANT GENERAL'S OFFICE

WAR DEPARTMENT

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1 (Cooper, Louis) WW

February 13, 1920.

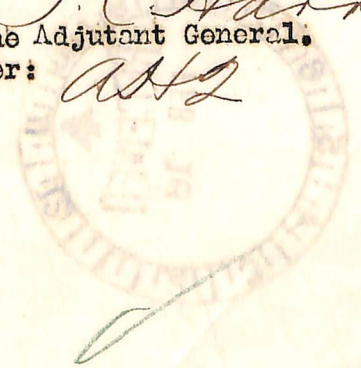
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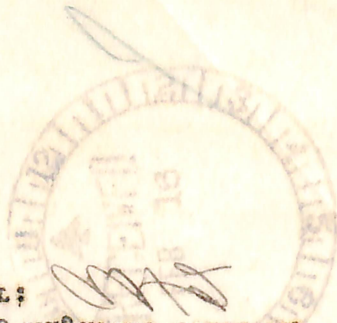
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Per: *AWG*





TO: THE ASSISTANT SECRETARY

[Handwritten signature]

BY ORDER OF THE SECRETARY OF WAR:

AS THE CASE OF THE DECEASED PERSON
TO BE NOTIFIED IN CASE OF EMERGENCY AS THE DECEASED PERSON
ENTITLED TO THE PAYMENT OF PENSION AND ALSO THE NAME OF THE PERSON
5° IT APPEARS FROM THE RECORDS THAT THE DECEASED PERSON

WHOSE RECORD HAS BEEN PLACED UPON THE OFFICIAL RECORDS
WAS KILLED IN ACTION SEPTEMBER 28, 1918. A NOTIFICATION TO
BE DETERMINED.

WHO WAS PROBABLY REPORTED AS DECEASED AND CAUSE OF DEATH
UNKNOWN.

DEPARTMENT THAT PRIVATE JOHN COOPER, 4228 040 COMPANY D, 1ST
INFANTRY, UPON INVESTIGATION IT HAS BEEN ASCERTAINED BY THE WAR

SUBJECT: NOTIFICATION OF DEATH

WASHINGTON, D. C.
THE ASSISTANT SECRETARY OF THE WAR

FROM: THE ASSISTANT SECRETARY OF THE WAR

1 (COOPER, JOHN) WA

SEPTEMBER 12, 1920

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REPORT OF DISINTERMENT AND REBURIAL

Remains of:

Name: COOPER, Louis

Number 558040

Rank: Unkn

Organization

Unkn

Disinterment and Reburial made by Group:

Unit

Disinterred (Date)

From (Give complete location)

6 6/3/19

GRAVE # 49 B/A Cemetery

DANNEVOUX MEUSE 35 NE 315.8E 280.95 N

Reburied (Date)

In: (Give complete location)

6/3/19

Grave #37 Sec #91 Plot #1

1232

ARGONNE AMERICAN CEMETERY #1232

ROMAGNE MEUSE

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

CONFIDENTIAL No. 10541
10571

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. Babbitt

R. H. ROSENTHAL
2nd Lieut. Q.M.C.U.S.A.
C.O. Group Unit

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