To The A. G. O.

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G.R.S. Form #114-B

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ml Soldier's Sig.

DATE May 5th 1922.

1. NAME COXDIA, Michael (Rox)

SERIAL No. 1452195

RANK Cpl,

ORGANIZATION Co.E, 138th Inf,

& DIVISION 35

GRAVE LOCATION Meuse-Argonne, Amer. Cty, ROMAGNE-sous-MONTFAUCON #1232 sec 64

CTY. NAME (Meuse) NUMBER

186	64	4
GRAVE	Sec ~~ROW~~	PLOT

2. ORIGINAL BATTLE AREA GRAVE LOCATION Isolated, Chatel Chehery, ~~Apremont,~~ Ardennes C-246

GRAVE COMMUNE DEPT.

COORDINATES Verdun 35 SE 280.15 N 301. E

CONCENTRATED TO

6/13/19	186	Sec 64	4
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 cross.

DATE OF DEATH Sept 29, 1918

STATE FROM WHICH HE CAME Ohio

data F-1.

MEDALS OR DECORATIONS AWARDED none

SUBSEQUENT REBURIALS

DATE	GRAVE	ROW	PLOT	CEMETERY

ccg

Robert C. Davis,
Major General,
The Adjutant General.
By RVB
MAY 18 1922

DATE	GRAVE	ROW	PLOT	CEMETERY

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

SIGNATURE, AREA SUPERVISOR

3. FINAL GRAVE LOCATION

May 5th 1922.	14	16	D
DATE	GRAVE	ROW	~~PLOT~~ Block

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

CEMETERY

AUDITED BY
JUL 18 1923

MAY 15 1922

RECEIVED
AUG 24

MAR 28 1922
WORLD WAR DIV.

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, statment 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.

Received
MAY 19 20
M & R BRANCH
O.Q.M.G.

No R.

GRAVE LOCATION BLANK

Cordia

LOCATION OF THE GRAVE OF

Cordia, 1452195 Michael
(Surname.) (Number.) (First Name and Initials.)

Corporal, Presumably 35th Division
(Rank.) Co. E. 138 Inf. (Organization.)

DATE OF BURIAL October 18, 1918

PLACE OF BURIAL

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

2½-80 Argonne Map. 14 Kile. South west of village of Exermont, (Meuse France)

GRAVE NUMBER

HOW MARKED: Name Peg? Yes Cross?

Headboard? Bottle?

IDENTIFICATION TAGS:

Was one buried with body? Yes

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

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

Chaplain J.J. Halliday

REPORTED BY:

J. J. Halliday 1st Lieut Chap

(Signature and Rank of Reporting Officer.)

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

DIA, Michael - Corp 1452195
Home: Richwood Mo.

Cordia was killed by machine
1918

ormant given.

er: Chap Edwin A. Shearer
138th Infantry

SH

Co. E 138th Infantry
35th Div

CORDIA, Michael - Corp 1452195
Home: Richwood Me.

Inf. from records show that Corp Cordia was killed by machine gun bullet near Cheppy Sept. 29 1918
No other Inf. available.

No informant given.

Emergency address:
Emer F Cordia (Father)
Richwood Me.

Searcher: Chap Edwin A. Shearer
138th Infantry

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CODE SLIP

HEADING	SUB-HEADING	NO. OF COLS	CODE
NAME CORDIA Michael	Cor	3	3 0 8
BURIED	CEMETERY 1239	1	1
	GRAVE 14	2	14
	ROW 16	2	16
	BLOCK 20	1	4
STATE	Mo.	2	29
RANK	Cpl	1	2
DIVISION	3s.	2	3 5
ORGANIZATION	138	3	138
ARM	Inf	1	1
MARTIAL	M W	1	2
NAME Cordia	Cor	3	3 0 8
RESIDENCE Mrs Sarah	STATE Mo	2	2 9
	COUNTY Washington	2	1 1
	CITY Richwoods	3	X X X
RELATION	Mother	1	1
OTHER		1	
ELIGIBILITY	Yes	1	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.	1	
ACCEPTANCE	no age	1	2 69.

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AUDITED
JAN 12 1932
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WAR DEPARTMENT

OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL

WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-M

Cordia Michael (MA) July 9 1932

Mrs Sarah Cordia
Richwoods Mo

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.

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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? No
(Write answer here)

(Sign here) Mrs Sarah Cordia

Michael Cordia
1232.

Washington Co
Richwoods Mo
Jan 32

War Department
Washington D. C.
Gentlemen,
In reply to yours of Jan 14 in
regard to the pilgrimage to the grave
of my son I never intend to take
the trip I would never stand it I
am not use to traveling and I do not
care for a trip now if it was to see
my son I would risk it at the
expence of my life but to see the
grave which I would not be sure
weather it was his or not I will not
undertake I am 69 years old & raised
12 children worked very hard all my
life now I rather stay at my home
& be quite Thanking you for your kindness
I am
mrs Sarah Cordia

RECEIVED
FEB 2 1932
M & R DR.
C. Q. M. G.

QM 293 A-M
Cordia, Michael Cpl. (M-A) M

January 14, 1932.

Mrs. Sarah Cordia,
Richwoods,
Missouri.

Dear Madam:

Reference is made to correspondence forwarded you from this office relative to a pilgrimage to the grave of your son, the late Corporal Michael Cordia. In reply to a questionnaire you advised 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

June 12, 1931.

Cordia, Michael Cpl. (M-A) M

Mrs. Sarah Cordia,
Richwoods, Missouri.

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.

RECEIVED JUN 18 1931 M.A.R. DIV. O.Q.M.G.

DO YOU DESIRE TO MAKE A PILGRIMAGE DURING THE YEAR 1932? No.
Write answer here

Mrs. Sarah Cordia
Sign here

QM 293 A-M
Cordia, Michael Cpl (MA) M

July 3, 1931.

Mrs. Sarah Cordia,
Richwoods,
Missouri.

Dear Madam:

Receipt is acknowledged of your reply to the questionnaire forwarded you under date of June 12th, also of your letter dated June 15, 1931, stating that you are unable to make the pilgrimage to Europe to visit the grave of your son, the late Corporal Michael Cordia.

It is regretted that you can not make the trip during 1932. However, your name has been placed on the list of mothers and widows eligible to make the pilgrimage during the summer months of 1933, and you will be further communicated with relative thereto. Should your health improve and you later desire to visit your son's grave during 1932, it is requested that you so advise this office in order that the necessary arrangements may be made.

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

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Richwoods Mo.
June 15 - 31

War Department.

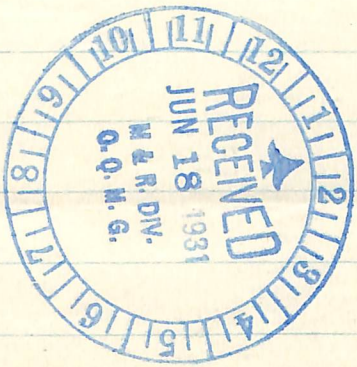
Gentlemen

I can not possibly make the pilgrimage as I was operated on last Sept and I am not straight.

not long ago I read an article in a paper concerning matters not going across that they would be given the sum that it cost to make the pilgrimage if that be true I would surely appreate

mine now as I am
not through paying
my Hospital bill.

Yours Truely
Mrs Sarah Cordia



WAR DEPARTMENT

OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL

WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

June 7, 1930.

Cordia, Michael - 1232 M

Mrs. Sarah Cordia,
Richwoods, Mo.

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.

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JUN 17 1930
M. & R. DIV.
O. Q. M. G.

DO YOU DESIRE TO MAKE THE PILGRIMAGE DURING THE YEAR 1931? No.
(Write answer here)

Mrs. Sarah Cordia
(Sign here)

WAR DEPARTMENT

OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL

WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

October 7, 1929.

Cordia, Michael 1232 M.

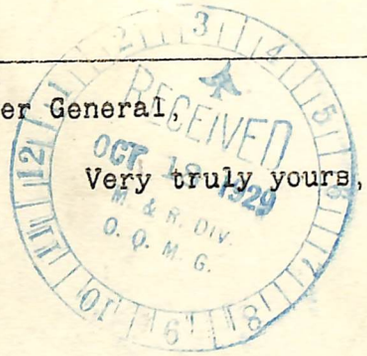
Mrs. Sarah Cordia,
Richwoods, Mo.

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)~~ X (No) I do not
2. Do you desire to make the pilgrimage in the calendar year 1930?	~~(Yes)~~ (No) I do not
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) I do not
4. Please give your age and state of health.	Age 69 (Years) Health (Good) (Poor)
5. What language do you speak?	English - (Yes) (No) Other language French + English (Specify language spoken)



For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

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Richwoods Mo.
Sept. 12 – 29

The Quartermaster General
Washington D.C.
Gentlemen:

I am sorry to say I do not care to take the trip Europe I am not very well & think it would do me more harm than good as I would not see my son only his grave Now if he was in a Vault that I could see him I surely would go Well or sick Thanking you just the same I am Mrs Sarah Leedia

WAR DEPARTMENT

OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL

WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

Cordia, Michael
1232.

Sept. 6, 1929

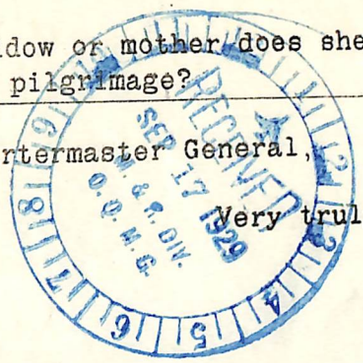
Mrs. Sarah Cordia,
Richwoods, Mo.

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 he was never married
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.	He is survived by a mother
3. If survived by a widow or mother does she desire to make the pilgrimage?	She does not



For The Quartermaster General,

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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
Cordia, Michael

June 29, 1929.

Mrs. Sarah Cordia,
Richwoods, Mo.

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 **Cpl. Michael Cordia, Co.E, 138th 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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Act of Congress.
Envelope.

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

WAR DEPARTMENT

OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL

WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-M

Cordia Michael (MA)

July 9 1932

Mrs Sarah Cordia
Richwoods Mo

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For The Quartermaster General,

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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
Cordia, Michael Cpl. (M-A) M

January 14, 1932.

Mrs. Sarah Cordia,
Richwoods,
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For The Quartermaster General.

Very truly yours,

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

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QM 293 A-M
Cordia, Michael Cpl (MA) M

July 3, 1931.

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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-AM

June 12, 1931.

Cordia, Michael Cpl. (M-A) M

Mrs. Sarah Cordia,
Richwoods, Missouri.

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For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

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

Write answer here

_____

Sign here

WAR DEPARTMENT

OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL

WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

June 7, 1930.

Cordia, Michael - 1252 M

Mrs. Sarah Cordia,
Richwoods, Mo.

Dear Madam:

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For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

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

_____
(Sign here)

WAR DEPARTMENT

OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL

WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

October 7, 1929.

Cordia, Michael 1232 M.

Mrs. Sarah Cordia,
Richwoods, Mo.

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.

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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

Cordia, Michael
1232.

Sept. 6, 1929

Mrs. Sarah Cordia,
Richwoods, Mo.

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:	
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,

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

2 Incls.
Act of Congress
Envelope

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C
Cordia, Michael

June 29, 1929.

Mrs. Sarah Cordia,
Richwoods, Mo.

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 Cpl. Michael Cordia, Co.E, 138th 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,

2 incls.
Act of Congress.
Envelope.

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

Cordia, Micheal — 1,452,195

(Surname.) (Christian name in full.) (Army serial number.)

Corp Co E 138 Inf

(Rank and organization.)

State your relationship to the deceased Mother

Do you desire the remains brought to the United States? yes

(Yes or no.)

If remains are brought to the United States, do you wish them interred in a national cemetery? No

(Yes or no.)

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

Sarah Cordia — Dedato Mo — Dedato Mo

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

Dedato Mo

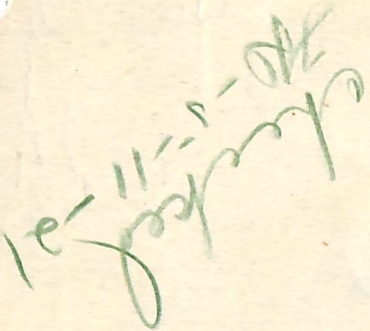
(Number and street.) (City or town.) (State.)

(Sign here) Sarah Cordia

Richwood Mo

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

Read carefully the letter accompanying this card. 3—6713



Drawn by F.L.
1232-Sec64-42
3-10-21

In reply refer to:
QM - 293 C-R

September 12, 1923.

Mr. Frank Cordia,
Richwoods,
Mo.

Dear Sir:

The Quartermaster General desires that you be informed that the permanent grave of

Corporal Michael Cordia, Company E, 138th Infantry, is Grave 14, Row 16, Block D, 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 headstone of white marble, of suitable design, with name, rank, division, 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.H. GHEIL

H. J. Conner,
Assistant.

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COMPILATION OF DISPOSITION OF REMAINS DATA

I. Location Index Card: File No. 53961

(a) Name CORDIA, Michael ea (5-17-21.) w. Ser. No. 1452195

(b) Rank Cpl. Organization Co. E. 138th Inf. ~~36th Div.~~ (5-17-21.) w.

(c) Date of death 9/29/18 (d) Cause of death K/A

TYP. VCH

CKR. B. J.

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

(a) Grave No. 186 Row - Plot 4 Sec. 64 TYP. VCH

(b) Emerg. Address a. R. O.-(5-17-21.) w.-Mrs. Samuel Cordia, (Mother)- Ridgewood, Mo. Mr. Frank Cordia (Father) Mrs. Sarah Cordia (Mother)

III. Files of soldiers dying from contagious diseases Richwood, Mo. CKR. B. J.

IV. A. G. O. Disposition Card: O.K. card 5-17-21. w. Date of receipt None

(a) Name Sarah Cordia (b) Relationship Mother

(c) Address Richwood, Mo.

(d) Remains to be brought to U. S.? Yes

(e) To be interred in National Cemetery in U. S. at No

(f) Shipping instructions upon arrival of body in U. S. Sarah Cordia DeSoto, Mo. (Exp. + Tel. DeSoto)

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

Examiner's Initials T. L. Date 5-10-21, 192

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

, dated

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

Examiner's Initials Date , 192

VI. G. R. S. Files, Correspondence—shows as follows:

No request for disposition

(a) Cancellation memos referred to? Yes T. L.

Examiner's Initials T. L. Date 5-10-21, 192

COUNTRY FRANCE Cemetery No. 1232, Sec. 64 Sheet No. 42

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

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Make Form No. 114

JUN 3 1921

H.S.

CARDED 6-13-21

VII. G. R. S. Form No. 114 made ..... , 192

Typed by ..... , Checked by B. J. , JUN 29 1921 5/36 , 192 /

RECEIVED BY MAIL UNIT

JUN 7 1921

VIII. FINAL ACTION:

Cemeterial Division
Overseas Project Sub-Section

Following advice forwarded to Europe by { cable on ..... , 192
letter on MAY 31 1921 , 192

Sec. #64

Par. #1, To Be Returned.

Cordia, Micheal, mcp

IX. **REMARKS**

G.L.B. - E.A. :- E.F. Cordia (father)
Richwood, Mo.
Form 129 to hold body Fwd Wash. 6/23/21 P.S.
6/8/21 Europe advised by proposed cable #318- Body to remain. 8/18/21 M.G.
Let from Europe 7/5/21 states return cancelled as per cable 11/2/21 AH

Location Index .....
Discrepancies .....
Name .....
Rank .....

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Location Index

Discrepancies

Name

Rank

Serial No.

Org.

Remarks

Livingston
5-10-21

A.G.O. Card & Corr.

Discrepancies

Name ✓

Rank

Serial NO.

Org. ✓ 36th Div
35th Div.?

Remarks

G. R. S. Corr.

Discrepancies

Name

Rank

Serial No.

Org.

Remarks

Checkers

Discrepancies

Name

Rank

Serial no.

Remarks

4 W Amt
5-13-21

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5-11-21
TD

S-1783/MB

G.R.S. FORM #114-A. STATION Romagne 1232

To be prepared in triplicate. DATE Oct 21st 1921.

REPORT OF DISINTERMENT, PREPARATION, SHIPMENT AND REBURIAL OF BODY

DISINTERMENT — COMPARATIVE REPORT

ml Records of G.R.S. Headquarters. — Discrepancy found upon exhumation of body

1. Name CONDIA, Michael — 10. Name
2. No. 1452195 — 11. No.
3. Rank Cpl. — 12. Rank
4. Org. Co.E, 138th Inf. — 13. Org.
5. D.D. 9-29-18 — 14. (a) D.D.
6. C.D. KIA — (b) D.B. No discrepancy.

Discrepancy found upon disinterment

7. Grave No. 186 Sec. 64 — 15. Grave No. Sec.
8. Plot 4 Row — 16. Plot Row
9. — 17. No discrepancy.

18. Cemetery Meuse-Argonne,Amer. — 19. Commune or town ROMAGNE-sous-MONTFAUCON
20. Dept. or County Meuse — 21. Country France
22. G.R.S. Hdqrs. Code No. #1232 sec 64
23. Disinterred (Date) Oct 21st 1921 — By C.V.RUSSELL.
24. Inscription on grave marker:
Name Michael Condia. — Serial No. 1452195
Rank Cpl. — Organization Co E 138 Inf.
25. Was identification disc found on grave marker? Yes — On body? Yes

H.W. Lemmon
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). Tags read," Condia, Michael. 1452195. Cpl U.S.A."
27. Condition of body Badly decomposed, features not recognizable.
28. Nature of burial Wooden box burlap.and uniform.
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 Oct 21 1921 By C.V.RUSSELL.
31. Casket sealed by C.V.RUSSELL.

Signature of Embalmer, (Supervisor C.V. Russell
C.V.RUSSELL.

SHIPMENT. (Show actual marking of box.) Box No. C-15409

32. Designation of body:

Name CONDIA, Michael Serial No. 1452195

Rank Cpl, Organization Co,E, 138th Inf,

33. Consigned to:

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

34. Casket boxed and marked (Date) Oct 21st 1921 By C.V.RUSSELL.

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.C.WORTHINGTON 1st Lieut MC.

36. Remarks

None.

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

To point of Concentration Morgue Romagne.

Convoyer W.J.ROYED. Signature Shipping Officer (Name) J. GERALD COLE Captain, C.A.C.

38. Received at Railhead or Point of Concentration: Date

By G.R.S. Representative

39. Shipped from Railhead or Point of Concentration: Date

To Permanent Cemetery

Convoyer Signature Shipping Officer (Name)

40. Received: Date

G.R.S. Representative

41. Reinterred Meuse Argonne Cemetery # 1232. May 5, 1922. (Date)

42. Grave No. 14 Section

43. ~~Row~~ Block D Row 16

G.R.S. Representative I.H. Joffee. 1st Lt. QMC.

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Concentration.

G. R. S. Form. No. 16-A

REPORT OF DISINTERMENT AND REBURIAL

Place Romagne 1232.

Date Oct. 21, 1921.

1. Remains of CORDIA, Michael Serial Number 1452195

Rank Cpl. Organization Co. E. 138th Inf.

2. Disinterred (date): Oct. 21, 1921 From (give complete location): gr 186, sec 64, plot 4.

By: Group 8 Unit sec 1

3. Reburied (date): May 5, 1922. Meuse Argonne Cemetery # 1232. Gr. 14, Bl. D, Row 16. In (give complete location):

By: Group Reburial S Unit Nature of reburial Lined casket.

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

wooden box and burlap and uniform. badly decomposed, features not recognizable.

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

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

Tags read "Cordia, Michael 1452195, Cpl. U.S.A."

6. What does examination of body show as regards the following identifying items? G7

(*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

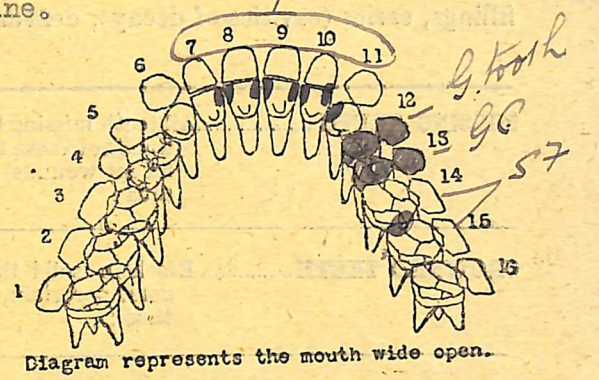
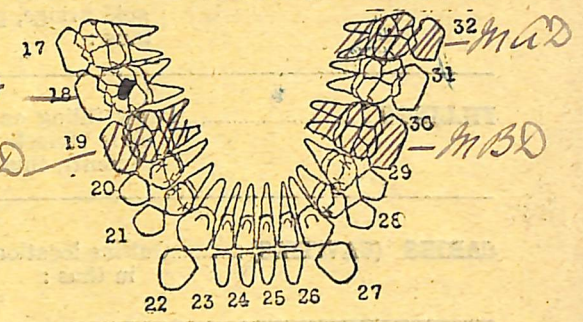


Diagram represents the mouth wide open.



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

none visible.

7. Disinterment supervised by C.V.Russell

C.V.Russell

Approved: R.C.Worthington, 1st Lt. Q.M.C.

(Title)

8. Reburial supervised by W.B. Sheild

Approved: I.H. Price. 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.

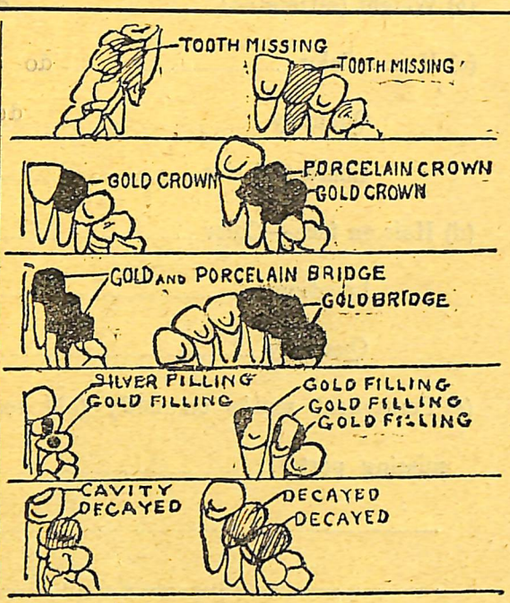
MISSING TEETH.....All teeth missing through previous extraction (not those fractured or displaced by recent wounds) should be scratched out, thus :

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 ol cavity, shade in thus :



DENTURES (PLATES).....Draw diagram of relative size and shape of plate, block in teeth attached and indicate retaining clasps on natural teeth with the word "clasp."

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

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

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G. R. S. Form No. 120
SHIPPING INQUIRY
(Ed. of Jan. 1, 1921)

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WAR DEPARTMENT

OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL OF THE ARMY

CEMETERIAL DIVISION

WASHINGTON

This is not a notice that body has arrived in U.S.

JUN 11 1921

FROM: Chief, Cemeterial Division, O. Q. M. G.

To: Mr. Frank Cordia, Richwood, Missouri.

SUBJECT: Remains of Cpl.Micheal Cordia, Ser.No. 1452195, Co.E, 138th Inf.
Mrs.Sarah Cordia has

The records of this office show that ~~you have~~ requested that the body of the above-named soldier

~~be returned to the United States and shipped to her at De Soto, Missouri.~~

Remain in Europe 6/22/21 ECS

If these are not the correct instructions, please correct them. Make corrections on reverse side of this sheet.

The nearest next of kin may choose between, (1) return of the body to any address in the United States; (2) interment in the National Cemetery, Arlington, Va., or any other National Cemetery; or (3) body to remain in Europe.

By authority of the Quartermaster General.

GEORGE H. PENROSE,
Colonel, Q. M. C.

6/8/21 Europe advised by proposed Cable #318 - body to remain. ECS

If all blank spaces below are not filled out, it will necessitate a return of this paper and a SERIOUS DELAY in the shipment of this body. State in each case WHETHER or not these relatives are STILL LIVING.

JUN 22 1921

Was soldier married? No

NAME OF—	NO. AND STREET.	TOWN.	STATE.
Soldier's widow			
Soldier's children. (Name oldest first.) 1			
2			
3			
Father Frank Cordia		Richwood	Mo.
Mother Sarah Cordia		Richwood	Mo.
Brothers. (Name oldest first.) 1 Alex Cordia		Potosi	Mo.
2 Francis Cordia		Potosi	Mo.
3 Henry Cordia		Richwood	Mo.
Sisters. (Name oldest first.) 1 Margaret Cooper		Richwood	Mo.
2 Mary Coleman		Bliss	Mo.
3 Emma Cordia		Richwood	Mo.

Date June 17 1921

Signature Frank Cordia

Address Richwood Mo.

Relationship Father

IMPORTANT.—CAREFULLY read instructions before filling out this paper.

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(OVER.)

June 17, 1921

I, the undersigned, am the Father and nearest living next of kin of the within-named
(Relationship.)

soldier, and desire the following disposition of his remains, viz:
(Strike out all except the one showing the disposition desired.)

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MAIL UNIT
JUN 29 1921
Cemeteral Division
Overseas Project Sub-Section

~~1. As stated on first page of this sheet.~~

~~2. To be returned to the U. S. and shipped to~~ _____
(Name.)

_____ _____
(R. R. station.) (State.)

~~3. To be returned to the U. S. and buried in~~ _____ National Cemetery.

4. To remain in Europe, for burial in a permanent American Cemetery.

Signature Frank Cordis

INSTRUCTIONS FOR FILLING OUT.

1. If definite instructions for the disposition of a body are not received from the next of kin within two weeks of its arrival at New York, burial will be made without further notice in the World War Section of Arlington National Cemetery.

2. The transfer of bodies will be made ENTIRELY at Government expense.

3. This paper MUST BE SIGNED BY THE PERSON WHO IS THE NEXT of kin IN THE ORDER shown in the square on the other side of this sheet.

4. This paper must be returned showing the name and address of each of the nearest next of kin in the spaces provided therefor on the other side of this sheet.

5. If there are minor children of the deceased soldier and no widow, the LEGALLY APPOINTED GUARDIAN of the children should ascertain their wishes and act for them in this matter.

6. If YOU are not the nearest next of kin, please ask the nearest next of kin, if living near you, to fill out this paper.

7. If YOU are not the nearest living next of kin and do not know who or where the nearest relatives are, please fill out this paper AT ONCE and mail to this office.

8. You are requested to return this paper AT ONCE in order to avoid delay in the case of this body.

9. Use the inclosed envelope—pay no postage.

NOTE.—INSTRUCTIONS FOR THE DISPOSITION OF REMAINS will be issued by this office upon the properly executed authority of the legal next of kin in each case. The widow is the first person having disposition of the remains of her husband. Should there be no widow or children, the father and, in turn (upon his decease), the mother, is the proper authority. The brothers, in order of seniority, and then the sisters in order of seniority, if there are no brothers, rank next in authority to decide. Under an opinion rendered by the Judge Advocate General of the Army, if a widow has remarried she forfeits her right, and the next of kin as given above will make decision.

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G. R. S. Form No. 114
5-31-21

*Station*_____ *Date*_____, *192*

als **REPORT OF DISINTERMENT, PREPARATION, AND SHIPMENT OF BODY**

DISINTERMENT

COMPARATIVE REPORT

Records Office Chief G. R. S.	*Discrepancy found upon examination of body.*
1. Name CORDIA, Micheal	10. Name
2. No. 1452195	11. No.
3. Rank Cpl.	12. Rank
4. Org Co.E,138th Inf.	13. Org
5. D. D 9-29-18	14. (*a*) D. D
6. C. D K/A	15. (*b*) D. B

Discrepancy found upon disinterment.

7. Grave No.	186	Sec. 64	15. Grave No.		Sec.
8. Plot	4	Row --	16. Plot		Row
9.	----		17.		

Cancelled 5/18/21

18. Cemetery Argonne Amer.
19. Commune or town Romagne-sous-Montfaucon
20. Department or county Meuse
21. Country France
22. G. R. S. Headquarters Code No. 1252-Sec.64

23. Disinterred _____ (Date.) By _____

24. Inscription on grave marker { Name_____ Serial No. _____ Rank_____ Organization _____

25. Was identification disk found on grave marker?_____ On body?_____

_____
Signature of Junior Technical Assistant.

(The following space is reserved for notations to be made by office Chief Graves Registration Service.)

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Sec.64.Cable ref.no.42.

C.R.F. S.S.
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PREPARATION

26. What other means of identification were on body? (If no disk or other means of identification on body, give description of body in detail)_____

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27. Condition of body_____

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28. Nature of burial_____

29. Any discrepancy noted upon examination of body, as compared with G. R. S. records quoted above?

_____

30. Body prepared and placed in casket_____ (Date.) By_____

31. Casket sealed by _____

Signature of Embalmer (Supervisor)_____

SHIPMENT (Show actual marking of box.) Box No. 1,744

32. Designation of body { Name Michael Cordia. Serial No. 1452195
Rank Cpl. Organization Co.E.138th Inf.

33. CONSIGNEE—Name Sarah Cordia.

Address De Soto,Mo.(Exp.& Telg.,DeSoto.)

34. Casket boxed and marked_____ (Date.) By_____

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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_____

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36. Remarks_____

_____

37. Shipped from cemetery_____ (Date.) To_____ (Point of concentration.)

Convoyer_____ Signature Shipping Officer _____

38. Received at point of concentration _____ (Date.)

Signature Receiving Officer_____

39. Shipped from point of concentration_____ (Date.)

To_____ (Port.) Convoyer _____

Signature Shipping Officer_____

40. Received European port _____ (Date.)

Signature of G. R. S. Representative_____

41. Shipped to_____ (U. S. port.) On_____ (Boat.)

Date_____ Convoyer _____ _____ (Signature of Shipping Officer.)

42. Received_____ (Date.) By G. R. S. Representative_____ (Signature.)

43. Shipped to destination_____ (Date.) { B/L or Express Order No. _____

Convoyer _____ { Shipping Officer _____

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COMPILATION OF DISPOSITION OF REMAINS DATA

I. Location Index Card: File No. 53961

(a) Name CORDIA, Michael (5-17-21.) Ser. No. 1452195

(b) Rank Cpl. Organization Co. E. 138th Inf. ~~56th~~ Div. (5-17-21.) TYP. VCH

(c) Date of death 9/29/18 (d) Cause of death K/A

13. J.

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

(a) Grave No. 186 Row - Plot 4 Sec. 64 TYP. VCH

(b) Emerg. Address a.N.O.-(5-17-21.)-Mrs. Samuel Cordia, (Mother)-Ridgewood, N.J. Mr. Frank Cordia (Father) Mrs. Sarah Cordia (Mother)

III. Files of soldiers dying from contagious diseases Richwood, Mo. CKR. 13. J.

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

V. Following advice forwarded to Europe by { cable on ....., 192 / letter of transmittal on MAY 31 1921, 192

Sec. #64

Par. #1, To Be Returned.

Cordia, Micheal mcK.

VI. Form 115 forwarded to G. R. S., Hoboken, N. J., JUN 4 1921, 192

VII. Supplementary Requests.

Date of and source.	Relationship and name.	Desires.	Action taken.
Miss Norman authorized that Europe be advised not to return body per request of Congressman Rhodes June 6th			6/8/21 Europe advised by proposed Cable 318.-To Remain 6/9/21 HS
Let from Europe 7/5/21 states return cancelled as per cable 11/12/21			

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

COUNTRY Cemetery No. ..... Sheet No. .....

G. R. S. Form 115-A
August, 1920

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G.R.S. FORM 129
Transmittal Supplementary Advice
Hoboken to Washington

Recorded, Cemeterial Div., O. Q. M. G.
File # 1938 # 539961

WAR DEPARTMENT
QUARTERMASTER CORPS
GRAVES REGISTRATION SERVICE
HOBOKEN, N. J.

June 23. 1921.

From: Graves Registration Officer, Hoboken, New Jersey.
To: Quartermaster General, Cemeterial Division, Washington, D. C.
Subject: Supplementary Advice concerning:

Name Cordia, Micheal Ser. No. 1452195

Rank Cpl. Organization Co. E, 138th Inf.

Cemetery No. 1232 Sec. 64 Cable Reference No. (Sheet No.) 42

Request shown below dated June 22, 1921 is latest in this case:

Name of Relative	Return to	Remain in France	Special
Widow	None		
Children			
Guardian			
Father	Mr. Frank Cordia, Richwood, Missouri.		
Mother			
Brother			
Sister			
Others			

Body to ~~be shipped to,~~ or for interment in: permanent American Cemetery

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Cordia, Michael

Cable ~~Letter~~ June 8 1921 forwarding advice to Europe dispatched _____ 1921.

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QUARTERMASTER CORPS
GRAVES REGISTRATION SERVICE
HOBOKEN, N. J.

From: Graves Registration Officer, Hoboken, New Jersey.
To: Quartermaster General, Cemeterial Division, Washington, D. C.
Subject: Supplementary advice concerning:

Name _____ Rank _____ Co. _____ Regt. _____

Cemetery No. _____ Cable Reference No. (Sheet No.) _____

Request above noted be changed to read as follows in this case:

Name to Relative	Retain	Remain	Special
		to	Place

Widow _____

Children _____

Guardian _____

Father _____

Mother _____

Brother _____

Sister _____

Other _____

Body [illegible]

Cable

Mail

C.R.S. FORM 151
Transmitting Supplementary Advice
Hoboken to Washington.

G.R.S. FORM 129
Transmittal Supplementary Advice
Hoboken to Washington

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QUARTERMASTER CORPS
GRAVES REGISTRATION SERVICE
HOBOKEN, N. J.

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Mailed O.R.D. JUN 23 1921

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Overseas Project Sub-Section

1232 Sec.64-42

June 27, 1921.

File No. 293.8 Cem.Div.Cor.Br.

Re: Cordia, Michael, Corporal,
Serial Number 1452195,
Co. E, 138th Infantry.

Mr. Frank Cordia,
Richwood, Missouri.

Dear Sir:

Your shipping inquiry dated June 17, 1921, requesting that the remains of the deceased soldier named above be left in France has been forwarded to the Cemeterial Division, Office of the Quartermaster General, Washington, D. C., for necessary action.

It is requested that any further communications concerning the disposition of the remains be addressed to that office for reply.

The Department desires to express its sympathy in your bereavement.

By authority of the Quartermaster General:

R. E. SHANNON,
Captain, Q. M. Corps,
Officer in Charge.

BY:

F. C. BALLAS,
Executive Assistant.

MRS/BR Mailed 6.7.D.

JUN 28 1921

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G. H. S.

Dear Sir:

Enclosed please find a copy of a letter addressed by Mr. Thomas Gordon Hutchinson, M.P., to the Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, with regard to the case of Mr. Ernest Darling, a British subject who is now under sentence of death in Germany.

Mr. Darling is a native of Scotland, and has been in Germany for the last two years. He is married to a German lady, and has a child about one year old.

Mr. Hutchinson has been in communication with Mr. Darling's wife, and has received from her a letter, which he encloses herewith, asking that some steps may be taken to secure the release of her husband.

Mr. Hutchinson has also been in communication with Mr. Darling's solicitor, Mr. [illegible], of [illegible], and has received from him a letter, which he encloses herewith, stating that he has been unable to obtain any information as to the charge on which Mr. Darling was arrested, or as to the evidence against him.

Mr. Hutchinson has also been in communication with the British Consul at [illegible], and has received from him a letter, which he encloses herewith, stating that he has been unable to obtain any information as to the charge on which Mr. Darling was arrested, or as to the evidence against him.

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GRAVE LOCATION BLANK

LOCATION OF THE GRAVE OF

Cardia, 1452195 Michael
(Surname.) (Number.) (First Name and Initials.)

Corporal, Presumably 35th Division
(Rank.) (Organization.)

DATE OF BURIAL October 18, 1918

PLACE OF BURIAL

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

2½-80 Argonne~~e~~ ~~Map~~ 1/4 Kilo. South west of village of Evermont, (Meuse France)

GRAVE NUMBER

HOW MARKED: Name Peg? Yes Cross?

Headboard? Bottle?

IDENTIFICATION TAGS:

Was one buried with body? Yes

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

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

CMDR. EVERMont (ARDENNES)
(C-209) SHT. 35 SE COORD E302.5
N980

26 OCT Rgu

Chaplain J.J. Halliday
REPORTED BY:

J.J. Halliday 166th Inf.
(Signature and Rank of Reporting Officer.)

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

Continuation List No. C-209-117

Daily Report No. _____

293.8 Cem. #53961 (Cordia, Michael, Cpl.)

FILE

June 17, 1921.

53961

Hon. M. E. Rhodes,
House of Representatives.

My dear Mr. Rhodes:

In reply to your letter of June 13th, enclosing letter of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Cordia, you are advised that notation has been made of the desire of the parents of the late Corporal Michael Cordia, Company "E", 138th Infantry, that the remains of their son be permanently interred in France. The Chief, American Graves Registration Service, Quartermaster Corps in Europe, has been directed to comply with this request.

Sincerely yours,

H. L. ROGERS,
Quartermaster General.

DS BPM

O.W.

Chief, Cem. Div.

mailed 6/15

File O. S. P.
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June 17, 1921.

293.8 Cem. #53961 (Cordia, Michael, Corporal)

The Quartermaster General, U. S. Army, (Cemeterial Division).

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Mr. & Mrs. Frank Cordia, J. D. DeClue & Company, Potosi, Mo.

Permanent burial in France.

1. In reply to your letter of June 11th and acknowledging receipt of your letter of the same date forwarded by Hon. M. E. Rhodes, you are advised that notation has been made of your desire that the remains of your son, the late Corporal Michael Cordia, Company "E", 138th Infantry, be permanently interred in France. The necessary instructions have been issued to effect this end.

By authority of the Quartermaster General:

DS

CHARLES J. WYNNE,
Captain, Q. M. C.

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Cemeterial Division
Overseas Projects Section

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DATE 7-2-#C7#

M. E. RHODES
13TH DIST. MISSOURI

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House of Representatives U. S.

Washington, D. C.

June 13th 1921.

Maj. Gen. Harry L. Rogers,
Quartermaster General of the Army,
Washington, D. C.

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Cordia, Michael

My dear General Rogers:

I am transmitting herewith, a letter addressed to you and signed by Frank and Sarah Cordia, stating that it is their wish that the remains of their son, Corp. Michael Cordia, Co. E, 138th Inf., remain buried in France, in the event the body has not already been prepared for shipment to the United States.

I shall thank you to give this matter prompt attention and advise me of the action taken.

Thanking you, I have the honor to remain

Yours with very great respect,

M. E. Rhodes

M.C.
13th District-Missouri.

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CEMETERIAL DIVISION RECEIVED

LOCATION:
WEST OF COURT HOUSE

TELEPHONE. 13. POTOSI
LOCAL AND LONG DISTANCE

J. D. DECLUE & COMPANY

DEALERS IN

FLOUR AND MEAL

Feed of All Kind

GROCERIES, ETC.

WHOLESALE AND RETAIL

Potosi, Mo., 6/11 1921

Quartermaster Gen. U.S. army
Washington D.C.

Sir :—

We as parents of
Corp. Michael Cordia Co. E. 138th Infantry
killed in action in France, request of you
to take this matter up and if possible at
this date prevent the remains being returned
to this country.

Thanking you we are

Very truly

Frank Cordia Father,
Sarah Cordia Mother.

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DIV. Q. M. G.

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GRAVE LOCATION BLANK

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LOCATION OF THE GRAVE OF

CONDIA, 1452195, Michael
(Surname). (Number). (First Name and Initials).

Corp. Co. E 138th., Infantry
(Rank). (Organization).

PLACE OF DEATH: Very, France.

CAUSE OF DEATH: Machine Gun-Enemy

DATE OF BURIAL: Unknown

PLACE OF BURIAL: Very, France.

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

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Very (Meuse)

275 35 SE

GRAVE NUMBER:

HOW MARKED: Name Peg? Cross?

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?

NEAREST RELATIVE: C. F. Condia

ADDRESS: Richmond, Va.

RELATIONSHIP: Father

REPORTED BY:

Edwin A. Shearer, Chas. 138th Inf.
(Signature and Rank of Reporting Officer).

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

FILE

Communist List No. 725-7608

Daily Report No.

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LOCAL AND LONG DISTANCE

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WHOLESALE AND RETAIL

Recorded, Cemeterial Div., Q. M. G.
File # 293.8 - 53961

Potosi, Mo., 6/11 1921

Quartermaster General U.S. army
Washington D.C.
Sir:—

We as parents of
Corp. Michael Cordia, Co. E 138 Infantry,
killed in action in France, request
of you to take this matter up, and
if possible, at this date, prevent
the return of his remains.

Thanking you we are
Very truly
x Frank Cordia Father
x Sarah Cordia Mother

Sending Overseas

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~~Condia~~, Michael 1,452,195

Corp Co E 137 Inf.

Aug 26 1918

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Condia, Michael #files

Name a[illegible]pears on

This soldier, having been reported as missing in action or prisoner in Germany in C. C. ——— is now reported

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For further data see Casualty Files.

Card Dept. 53961 File # 82531 5-22-19

U.S.S. Form No. 8; Official Business

FILE.

5/23/19

Memo For: G.R.S. representative, C.R.O.

SUBJECT: Information required for G.R.S.

1. Items checked are to be completed:

( ) Surname: CARDIA Cordia
( ) Number: 1452195
( ) First name: Michael
( ) Rank: Cpl.
(✓) Company: 138th Inf.
( ) Organization: 35 th. Division.
(✓) Date of death: 9/29/18
(✓) Cause: K.I.A.
( ) Place:

OVER

Location of hospital:

Number " "
Class " "
( ) Relative: Mrs Sarah Cordia
(✓) Relationship: Mother
( ) Address: Richwoods Missouri

(✓) Authority:
Cablegram No: 315
Telegram from:

dated:
( ) Reported to Washington:
J.C. Nos:
(Underscore the "official" C.C.)
( ) Remarks:
( ) Show present status on reverse side.

REVIEWED C.S.P. SS.

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

Initials of Reporter:

Buried 10-18-18
C-246
Cmme. Chatel Chehery (Ardennes)

Reported by G R S.

G.R.S. FORM NO. 12

GENERAL HEADQUARTERS
AMERICAN EXPEDITIONARY FORCES
ADJUTANT GENERAL'S OFFICE.

FROM : ADJUTANT GENERAL.

TO : C.O. Co. E 138th. Infantry

SUBJECT : Information for burial Register.

1. You are directed to transmit without delay to the Chief, Graves Registration Service, the information indicated on enclosed Graves Location Blank as necessary for the completion of official records.

By Command of General Pershing:

Robert C. Davis
Adjutant General.

Note: [✓] In case this item is checked, you will note hereon:

Nearest relative of deceased:

E. F. Cordia

Relationship: Father

Address: Richwood, Mo.

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G. R. S.

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G.R.S. Form #8 ; A.G.O. Liaison.

Date April 5, 1920.

Memo. For: G.R.S. Representative, A.G.O.

Subject: Information required for G.R.S.

1. Items checked are to be completed.

Surname	~~Cardia,~~ Cordia
Number	1452195
First name	Michael
Rank	Corporal
Company	Co E. 138 Inf.
Organization	35th Division
Date of death	Sept 29/18.
Cause	K.I.A.
Emergency address.	Mr. Frank Cordia Ridgewood, Mo.
Relationship.	(Father)
Authority (C.C.#)	#315

Note: If this man is not dead show present status, and in case of discharge, show date and place. If case is under investigation, make notation to that effect.

Mr Orick - W.D. G.R.S. 4/7/20.

CHARLES C. PIERCE,
Colonel, U.S.Army,
Chief, Graves Registration Service.

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G.R.S. Form No. 121

File # 53961 83331

Classification

Adjustment

CEMETERIAL DIVISION
GRAVES REGISTRATION SERVICE
REGISTRATION SECTION

Date 5-11-20

MEMORANDUM:

To: Registration Files Sub-Section.

Subject: Adjustments made on Registration Files.

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

	CORR.	ADD. DATA		CORR.	ADD. DATA
File Number			Date of Burial	✓	
Name			Date of Reburial		
Serial Number			Burial Information		
Rank			Nearest Relative ✓		✓
Organization			Notified Nearest Relative ✓ F 107 5-11-20		
Cause of Death			Blue Card thrown out		
Date of Death			White Card set up		
Casualty Cablegram Number					

O.K. Alphabetical Files HEM 5-12-20

O.K. Organization Files

O.K. State Files.

	Cemetery Audit Department
✓	Investigation & Adjustment Dept.

By Pearl Bond

1 Cards attached.

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FILE

G.R.S. Form No. 107.
Notification of Grave Location,

received 4/27/20

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WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
GRAVES REGISTRATION SERVICE
WASHINGTON, D. C.

April 20, 1920.

To: Mr. Frank Cordia,
Ridgewood, Mo. - Sarah Cordia (mother) Richwood Mo.

Case of: Corporal Michael Cordia, #1452195,
Company E, 138th Infantry, 35th Division.

Place of Burial: Disinterred and Reburied in:
Grave No. 186, Section 64, Plot 4,
Argonne American Cemetery #1232,
Romagne-sous-Montfaucon, Meuse.

1.- It would be likely to involve further delay if we should write personal letters in each of the many cases of notification of relatives as to the present resting places of their noble dead who glorify the nation's roll of honor.

2.- Will you therefore, please accept this letter as being the best we can do, just now? And will you also accept the sympathy of those who have been working hard for many months to render worthy service to tens of thousands of sorrowing people, in the care of their dead?

3.- Many delays in notification have resulted from our ignorance of proper addresses, shortage of clerical personnel, incomplete and imperfect information, or non-delivery and return of former letters.

4.- Thousands of bodies have been transferred to larger and better cemeteries, for reasons which were deemed imperative by the military authorities of all the Allied Nations, and the great task of improving these cemeteries is well under way. The most diligent care has been exercised to insure accuracy, and this immense project is being carried through as an unquestionable service to the friends of our dead.

5.- In serving you and others, we have been hampered by conditions and consequences of such a war as we hope may never involve our country again.

By authority of the Quartermaster General:

CHARLES C. PIERCE,
Colonel, Q. M. Corps,
Chief, Graves Registration Service.

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G.R.S. Form No. 121

File # 83531

Classification

Adjustment

CEMETERIAL DIVISION
GRAVES REGISTRATION SERVICE
REGISTRATION SECTION

Date 4-20-20

MEMORANDUM:

To: Registration Files Sub-Section.

Subject: Adjustments made on Registration Files.

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Organization 5 x 8		✓	Notified Nearest Relative 5 x 8		
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Date of Death 5x 8		✓	White Card set up 5X8	0	0
Casualty Cablegram Number 5 x 8		✓	" " " "4X6	0	0
			" " " "3 X5	✓	

O.K. Alphabetical Files PB-4-22-20 Cross reference

O.K. Organization Files

O.K. State Files.

	Cemetery Audit Department
✓	Investigation & Adjustment Dept.

By J.B. Jordan

5 Cards attached.

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