

*alcoholism*

DATE 6/19/22

1. NAME Costello, Thomas

SERIAL No. 2416199

RANK Pvt.

ORGANIZATION & DIVISION

Co. D 347 Inf.

GRAVE LOCATION Fr. Mil. Mehun-sur-Yevre, Cher.

*87 10<sup>th</sup>*

427

CTY. NAME

NUMBER

64

Amer.

GRAVE

ROW

PLOT

2. ORIGINAL BATTLE AREA GRAVE LOCATION  
As shown on GRS Form 1-A dated 11/26/20

64

Mehun sur Yevre

Cher *city 427*

GRAVE

COMMUNE

DEPT.

COORDINATES None given

CONCENTRATED TO None of record

DATE

GRAVE

ROW

PLOT

CEMETERY

CTY. NUMBER

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

Nothing of record

DATE OF DEATH

*Dec 2, 1918*

STATE FROM WHICH HE CAME

*Conn.*

MEDALS OR DECORATIONS AWARDED

*none*

SUBSEQUENT REBURIALS None of record.

DATE

GRAVE

ROW

PLOT

CEMETERY

DATE

GRAVE

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PLOT

CEMETERY

SIGNATURE, AREA SUPERVISOR

*Stanley J. Grogan*  
STANLEY J. GROGAN, Captain, Infantry.

3. FINAL GRAVE LOCATION

6/19/22

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24

A

DATE

GRAVE

ROW

Block ~~Plot~~

St Mihiel American Cty # 1233 Whiaucourt Meurthe et Moselle

CEMETERY

Robert C. Davis,

el

Major General,

The Adjutant General

MAY 27 1925

MAY 20 1925

MAY 20 1925

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MAY 28 1925  
AUDITED  
FOR 5-25-25



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# INSTRUCTIONS FOR PREPARATION OF FORM 114 B

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

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

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

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

East Hartford, April 14, 1919.

Adjutant General,  
Washington, D.C.

Dear Sir:

I would like to know the details pertaining to the death of my son - Pvt. Thomas Costello, Co. D, 347th Inf. A.E.F. which occurred in France, Dec 2nd 1918. He enlisted May 20th 1918 at East Hartford Ct. Any news relative to his death will be thankfully received.

Hoping this letter will receive prompt attention.

Yours truly,

Mrs Louis Austin.

201 (Costello, Thomas) Enl. 1st Ind. aec-63

War Department A.G.), May 12, 1919 - To the Surgeon General, and Q.M.G.O., Cemeterial Branch, in turn, for report of the death, and for the location of the grave, of Thomas Costello, Co. D, 347th Inf., reported to have died in France, Dec. 2, 1918.

By order of the Secretary of War:

W. A. Carter,  
Adjutant General.

Synopsis  
IG

293.8 Costello, Thomas

2nd Ind.

AGL:MC

War Dept., S.G.O. May 15, 1919 - To the Cemeterial Branch, Quartermaster General's Office.

No medical record was found on file in this office in the above case.

For The Surgeon General:

Albert G. Love,  
Lieut. Col., Medical Corps, U.S.A.



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"Jan. Report"  
J.M. 2416199  
1st Co D  
347 Inf  
Recd 12/2/18

GOING MAIL  
S.G.O.



3rd Ind.

In answer refer to file No. 293.3(Costello, Thomas)-Cemeterial  
Office, Quartermaster General, May 27th, 1919-- To The Adjutant General of  
the Army, War Dept. (REFERENCE: 208Costello, Thomas-Maj. A.G. O. May 12th,  
1919).

The records of this office show that the remains of Private  
Thomas Costello Serial Number 2416199, Company D, 347th Infantry, who died  
December 2nd, 1918, were interred in the Cemetery at Mahan sur Yevre, Depart-  
ment of Cher.

By authority of the Quartermaster General;

H. R. Lundy,  
Major, Quartermaster Corps.

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MAY 27 1919  
MAILED

CODE SLIP



HEADING	SUB HEADING	NO. OF COLS	CODE	
NAME	Costello, Thomas	COS	3	359
BURIED	CEMETERY	1233	1	3
	GRAVE	4	2	04
	ROW	24	2	24
	BLOCK	a	1	1
STATE	Conn		2	06
RANK	Pvt		1	2
DIVISION	87		2	87
ORGANIZATION	347		3	347
ARM	Inf		1	1
MARITAL	<del>Yes</del>		1	<del>1</del>
NAME	Austin	AUS	3	119
RESIDENCE (Whereabouts of Widow)	STATE	Conn	2	06
	COUNTY	Hartford	2	02
	CITY	East Hartford	3	013
RELATION	Widow - mother		1	1
OTHER			1	
ELIGIBILITY	Yes		1	1
NATIVITY			1	
RACE			1	
ENGLISH	Yes		1	1
ATTENDANT			1	
HEALTH	Good		1	
NO. OF SONS			1	
DATE OF TRIP	MO.		1	
	YR.		1	
ACCEPTANCE			1	
29/514/EAB	Age no			2 64

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DEC 16 1931  
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WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-M  
Costello, Thomas (STM)

July 12, 1932

Mrs. S. Costello Austin,  
14 Kenyon Place,  
E. Hartford, Conn.

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.

2 Encls.

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

No.  
(Write answer here)

(Sign here)

Mrs. S. Costello Austin

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Vera R.

V.B. to Rec.

el 113002

14 Kenyon Place,  
East Hartford, Conn.

May 11, 1931.

(STM)

Dear Sir: -

In reply to your letter asking if my son Thomas Fostello was married or is survived by a widow, I will give you all the information I can.

Yes, my son was married. He did not hear from his wife years before the war. I myself, have not heard from her in eighteen years. I do not know whether she is living or dead.

His wife's name was Loraine (Clifton) Fostello.

Yours truly,

Mrs. S. Fostello Austin.



QM 293 A-M  
Costello, Thomas, Pvt. (StM) M

May 8, 1931.

Mrs. S. Costello Austin,  
14 Kenyon Place,  
East Hartford, Conn.

Dear Madam:

In order that the records of this office may be complete and correct, it is requested that you advise whether or not your son, the late Private Thomas Costello, was married and is survived by a widow, and if so, please furnish her name and address.

For your convenience in replying, there is enclosed herewith a self-addressed envelope which requires no postage.

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  
Costello, Thomas Pvt (StM) M

June 13, 1931.

Mrs. S. Costello Austin,  
14 Kenyon Place,  
E. Hartford, Connecticut.

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. Sarah Costello Austin*  
Sign here

WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

June 7, 1930.

**Costello, Thomas - 1233 M**

**Mrs. S. Costello Austin,  
4 Bigelow St.,  
E. Hartford, Conn.**

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

DO YOU DESIRE TO MAKE THE PILGRIMAGE DURING THE YEAR 1931? No.

(Write answer here)

*Sarah Costello Austin*  
(Sign here)

Dear Sirs-

I have changed my  
address from 4 Bigelow St. to  
14 Kenyon Place. East Hartford.

WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C  
Costello, Thomas 1233 M.

October 7, 1929.

Mrs. S. Costello Austin  
~~4 Bigelow St.,~~ 14 - Kenyon Pl.  
E. Hartford, Conn.

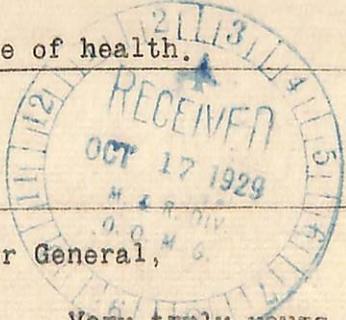
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Dear Madam:

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) <u>Yes</u> (No)
2. Do you desire to make the pilgrimage in the calendar year 1930?	(Yes) <u>No</u> (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) <u>Yes</u> (No)
4. Please give your age and state of health.	Age <u>6</u> / Health <u>Good</u> (Years) (Good) (Poor)
5. What language do you speak?	English - (Yes) <u>Yes</u> (No) Other language _____ (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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Costello, T 405.

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Mother

Mrs Sarah Costello Austin  
24 Burnside Ave (1921)  
E Hartford, Conn

Widow Mrs Vera E Costello

WHEREABOUTS

UNKNOWN

WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

Costello, Thomas

July 31, 1929.

1233

Mrs. Sarah Costello Austin,  
4 Bigelow St.,  
East Hartford, Conn.

Q-113002

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 Thomas Costello, Co. D, 347th Inf., whose remains are now interred in the St. Mihiel American Cemetery, Thiaucourt, Meurthe-et-Moselle, 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?

Have not heard from Mrs. Costello since 5 yrs. before the War.

2. If so, give her complete address.

3. Will you make the pilgrimage?

No.

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

2 Incls.  
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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-C

Costello, Thomas

May 28, 1929.

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Mrs. Louis C. Austin,  
20 Franklin St.,  
East Hartford, Conn.

M. Mrs. Sarah Costello Austin,  
4 Bigelow St.,  
East Hartford, Conn.

Dear Madam:

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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.  
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JOHN J. HARRIS,  
Major, U. S. Army  
Assistant.



WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-M

Costello, Thomas (STN)

July 12, 1932

Mrs. S. Costello Austin,  
14 Kenyon Place,  
E. Hartford, Conn.

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.

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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) \_\_\_\_\_

WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM-293-AM  
Costello, Thomas Pvt (StM) M

June 13, 1931.

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14 Kenyon Place,  
E. Hartford, Connecticut.

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For The Quartermaster General,

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

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\_\_\_\_\_  
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Assistant.

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Write answer here

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Sign here

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QM 293 A-M  
Costello, Thomas, Pvt. (StM) M

May 8, 1931.

Mrs. S. Costello Austin,  
14 Kenyon Place,  
East Hartford, Conn.

Dear Madam:

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For The Quartermaster General.

Very truly yours,

A. D. HUGHES,  
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Assistant.

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WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

Costello, Thomas - 1233 M

Mrs. S. Costello Austin,  
4 Bigelow St.,  
E. Hartford, Conn.

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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.

Costello, Thomas 1233 M.

Mrs. S. Costello Austin  
4 Bigelow St.,  
E. Hartford, Conn.

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

Costello, Thomas

July 31, 1929.

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

Write answers in space below:

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

2. If so, give her complete address.

3. Will you make the pilgrimage?

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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Assistant.

WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

Costello, Thomas

May 28 1929.

Mrs. Louis C. Austin,  
20 Franklin St.,  
East Hartford, Conn.

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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 Thomas Costello, Co. D, 347th Inf., whose remains are now interred in the St. Mihiel American Cemetery, Thiaucourt, Meurthe-et-Moselle, 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.

DISPATCHED

✓

Costello, Thomas

(Surname.)

(Christian name in full.)

2,416,199

(Army serial number.)

Pvt Co D 347 Inf

(Rank and organization.)

State your relationship to the deceased

*Mother.*

Do you desire the remains brought to the United States?

*no.*  
(Yes or no.)

If remains are brought to the United States, do you wish them interred in a national cemetery?

(Yes or no.)

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

(Name of person to receive remains.)

(Express office.)

(Telegraph office.)

(Number and street.)

(City or town.)

(State.)

(Sign here)

*Wm Louis Gustafson*

*20 Franklin St.*

*East Hartford Conn.*

*Conn.*

(Number and street or rural route.)

(City, town, or post office.)

(State.)

Read carefully the letter accompanying this card.

Request has been  
made by  
Mrs. Nora Grady (sic)  
5 - E - 81st St., N.Y.C.

To leave body in  
France 10-17-19  
obs

Drawn by J.D.  
422-16

2/26/21

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12-20-21

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COSTELLO, Thomas - Private

January 5, 1924

Mrs. Louis C. Austin,  
20 Franklin St.,  
East Hartford, Conn.

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

This American military cemetery is one of those to be maintained by the United States for all time in Europe. Each grave will be marked by a headstone of white marble, of dignified design, with the 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.

Please be assured that in effecting removal of the dead, the utmost reverential care was exercised and more than willingly accorded by those who performed this sacred duty. For the future, these graves will be perpetually maintained by the Government in a manner befitting the last resting place of our heroes.

Very truly yours,

Assistant  
R. L. FOSTER

RD  
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1-Incl.  
Record card.

O. Q. M. G.  
GENERAL MAIL ROOM.



JAN 5 1924  
B. O. G.

293  
Costello, Thomas

Place Meun-sur-Yevres

# REPORT OF DISINTERMENT AND REBURIAL

Date November 15 1921.

1. REMAINS OF Costello Thomas SERIAL NUMBER 2416199

RANK Pvt ORGANIZATION Co D 347th Inf

2. Disinterred (date): November 15 1921 From (give complete location): Gr. 64 Cem. 427

By: Group 3 Unit Sec 5

3. Reburied (date): June 19 1922 In (give complete location): Gr. 4 Bk. A Row 24

By: Group Reburial Unit \_\_\_\_\_ Nature of reburial Casket & shipping case

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

unrecognizable, badly decomposed, in pine box, in uniform

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

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

none

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

(a) Height (actual measurement) unable to report

(b) Weight (estimated) unable to report

(c) Hair—Color none

Quantity none

Characteristics none

(d) Hair on face—Color none

Location none

Quantity none

(e) Permanent marks on body (old scars, peculiarities, or missing parts) unable to report

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

post mortem on skull

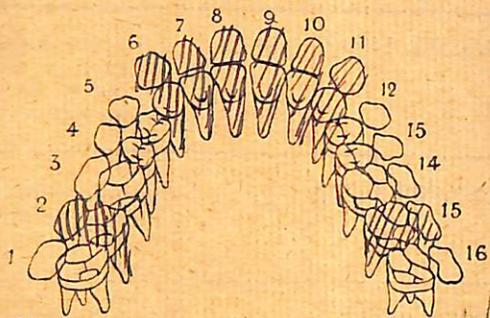
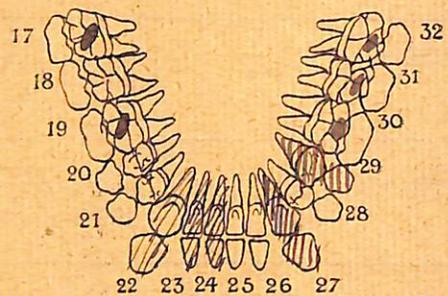


Diagram represents the mouth wide open



MBD 2 15 29 MAD 6 7 8 9 10  
11 22 23 24 27  
alloy fil 17 19 30 31 32

Checker J A Dougherty Checker WRM

7. Disinterment supervised by E T Anderson Superv. Emb

Approved: G A Ross  
(Title) Capt QMC

8. Reburial Supervised by H L Kramer

Approved: A E Dewey  
(Title) Ist. Lt. QMC

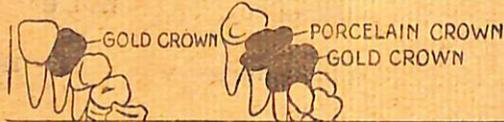
## INSTRUCTIONS FOR THE PROPER COMPLETION OF G. R. S. FORM NO. 16-A

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

1. Show soldier's name, serial number, rank and organization, and by whom disinterred and reburied.
2. Give date and accurate information as to location from which the body was disinterred and the group and unit which made disinterment.
3. Give date and accurate information as to location of reburial and the group and unit which made reburial, and how reburial was made—in casket, wooden box, etc.
4. State to what degree decomposition has progressed, whether recognition is possible, and how the body was originally buried—in a casket, box, burlap, etc. This statement should be as complete as possible.
5. (a) State whether identification tags were found buried with body and on grave marker by reporting "Yes" or "No".

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

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

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

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

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



STATION Mehun-sur-Yevre

To be prepared in triplicate.

DATE November 15, 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 COSTELLO, THOMAS  
 2. No. 2416199  
 3. Rank Pvt.  
 4. Org. Co. D 347 Inf.  
 5. D.D. 12-2-18  
 6. C.D. acute alcoholism. Result of own misconduct.

10. Name \_\_\_\_\_  
 11. No. \_\_\_\_\_  
 12. Rank \_\_\_\_\_  
 13. Org. \_\_\_\_\_  
 14. (a) D.D. \_\_\_\_\_  
 (b) D.B. none

Discrepancy found upon disinterment

7. Grave No. 64 Sec. \_\_\_\_\_  
 8. Plot Amer. Row \_\_\_\_\_  
 9. \_\_\_\_\_

15. Grave No. \_\_\_\_\_ Sec. \_\_\_\_\_  
 16. Plot \_\_\_\_\_ Row \_\_\_\_\_  
 17. none

18. Cemetery Fr. Mil.

19. Commune or town Mehun-sur-Yevre

20. Dept. or County Cher.

21. Country France

22. G.R.S. Hdqrs. Code No. 427

23. Disinterred (Date) Nov. 15, 1921

By E T Anderson

24. Inscription on grave marker:

Name Thomas Costello  
 Rank Pvt

Serial No. \_\_\_\_\_  
 Organization Co. D 347th Inf

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

J A Dougherty  
 Signature Junior Technical Assistant  
J. A. DOUGHERTY  
 J A Dougherty

PREPARATION

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

None

27. Condition of body badly decomposed

28. Nature of burial in pine box in 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 Nov. 15, 1921 By E T Anderson

31. Casket sealed by E T Anderson

Signature of Embalmer, (Supervisor) E T Anderson

SHIPMENT. (Show actual marking of box.) Box No. C-18603

32. Designation of body:

Name THOMAS COSTELLO Serial No. 2416199  
Rank PVT. Organization CU. D 347 Inf.

33. Consigned to:

Name of Permanent Cemetery St. Mihiel Amer. 1233, Thimacourt, M-et-M

34. Casket boxed and marked (Date) November 15, 1921 By E T Anderson

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 G.A. ROSS ? Captain, OMC  
~~XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX~~

36. Remarks none

37. Shipped from point of Operation: (Date) \_\_\_\_\_  
To point of Concentration \_\_\_\_\_  
Convoyer \_\_\_\_\_ Signature Shipping Officer \_\_\_\_\_ (Name)

38. Received at Railhead or Point of Concentration: Date \_\_\_\_\_  
By G.R.S. Representative \_\_\_\_\_

39. Shipped from Railhead or Point of Concentration: Date Nov 30th 1921  
To Permanent Cemetery November 1921  
St. Mihiel Amer. Cty 1233 Thimacourt M-et-M  
Convoyer R.E. Williams Signature Shipping Office A.M. Jackson, Capt. CAC.

40. Received: Date 6-DEC. 1921  
G.R.S. Representative F B Daniel, Capt. 2MC

41. Reinterred June 19 1922 (Date)

42. Grave No. 4 Section \_\_\_\_\_

43. Plot xxxxx Block A Row 24

G.R.S. Representative A E Dewey  
A E Dewey Ist. Lt. OMC

AUDITED BY

COMPILATION OF DISPOSITION OF REMAINS DATA File No. 67076

*2/5/22 Examined  
for Concentration  
St Michel 1273  
3/16/22  
ATT*

1. LOCATION INDEX CARD:

(a) Name COSTELLO, Thomas Ser. No. 2416199 )  
(b) Rank Pvt. Organization Co. D. 347th Inf. ) TYP. EML  
(c) Date of death 12-2-18 of death Acute Acholism ) CKR. OK

11. Registration Card:- (Check Reg. Card Inf. against Loc. Ind. Inf.)

(a) Grave No. 64 Row ---- Plot ---- Sect. ---- ) TYP. HDP  
(b) Emerg. Address Mrs. Louise Austin (Mother) 20 Franklin St., East Hartford, Conn.  
111. Files of soldiers dying from contagious diseases: No Card ) CKR. OK

IV. A.G.O. DISPOSITION CARD:

Date of receipt None

(a) Name Mrs. Louise Austin (b) Relationship Mother  
(c) Address 20 Franklin St. East Hartford, Conn.  
(d) Remains to be brought to U. S.? No  
(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 J.L. Date 5-18-1920

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

dated \_\_\_\_\_, confirmed request in Par. IV. item \_\_\_\_\_, above, or requesting that \_\_\_\_\_  
No correspondence

Examiner's Initials a.a. Date 5-18-1920

VI. G.R.S. Files - Correspondence - shows as follows: Mora Grady (Sister)

#5 E. 81 St. New York, (8-11-19) Requests remains rest in France.

(a) Cancellation memos referred to? Yes - mHS

Examiner's Initials MHS Date 5-19-1920

*checked by  
Ch 28-21*

VII. G. R. S. FORM No. 114 made \_\_\_\_\_, 1920

Typed by \_\_\_\_\_ Checked by \_\_\_\_\_ 1920

VIII. FINAL ACTION:

Following advice forwarded to Europe by- ( cable on \_\_\_\_\_ 1920  
( letter on ~~May 24~~ 1920

*not to be returned*

IX. CORRECTIONS

CHANGE OF ADVICE	ACTION TAKEN
Desires body be	
Body to be shipped to	
<i>MREd. Mrs Sarah Costello Austin (Mother) 40 Banney St, E Hartford, Conn</i>	<i>MHS 2/3/21</i>

X. SUSPENSION REMARKS:

*Form 120 - 5-26-20 from mother requests body remain in France ed 2-28-21*  
*7/2/20 MREd Jim*  
*Mrs Louis C. Austin - Mother*  
*20 Franklin St*  
*East Hartford, Conn*

*6/29/20 Let. to Mrs. Louis Austin, 20 Franklin St., East Hartford, Conn. (mother), Advising that in order that the Department may respect her request as to disposition of remains it will be necessary that she submit a statement, properly sworn to and executed, to the effect that she has made reasonable effort to obtain whereabouts of late soldier's widow, and has been unable to do so. IBM*  
*Letter 7-19-20 mother submits statement that she is unable to locate widow. Father deceased, her wishes respected. ESC 8-4-20*

*Letter pack to mother 4/13/21 J*

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

*Please rush*

Harlow.

NAME OF DECEASED SOLDIER

C 113002

CEMETERY NO.

DATE

Costello, Thomas, Pvt.

SERIAL NUMBER

427 - 16

ORGANIZATION

3/5/21.

2416199

Co. D, 347th Inf.

Date of death - 12/2/18.

WAR RISK INSURANCE INFORMATION

Copy forwarded to  
Adjustment Department

DATE March 21, 1921.

Date 3/21/21 M.H.S.

NAME OF BENEFICIARY

RELATIONSHIP

Mrs. Sarah Costello Austin,

Mother

Address

40 Banney St., E. Hartford, Conn.

# GRAVE LOCATION BLANK

6776

Costello LOCATION OF THE GRAVE OF 416,199

Costello 241619-9 Thomas  
(Surname.) (Number.) (First Name and Initials.)

private Co. D. 347 Inf.  
(Rank.) (Organization.)

DATE OF BURIAL Dec. 5, 1918.

PLACE OF BURIAL

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

Mehun Cemetery, Mehun

Cher France.

GRAVE NUMBER 64

HOW MARKED: Name Peg? Peg Cross? 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:

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REPORTED BY:

Bertrand C. Dolan

Bertrand C. Dolan Chaplain

(Signature and Rank of Reporting Officer.)

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

for R. S. Det. G. P. D. 741

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D. C. O. N.  
U. S. S. A.

293.8 Reg. Sec. Gen. Div.  
( COSTELLO, Thomas)

April 13, 1921.

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

Mrs. Louis Austin, 40 Ramney St., E. Hartford, Conn.

Disposition of Remains - Pvt. Thomas Costello, Ser. # 2416199,  
Co. D. 347th Inf.

1. Referring to affidavit, in which you state you are unable to locate Mrs. Vera Costello, widow of the deceased, you are advised that your wishes will be complied with and the body of your late son left in France in a permanent American Cemetery.

2. The Department wishes to convey to you its assurance of sympathy in your bereavement.

By authority of the Quartermaster General:

THOS. G. HANSON, Jr.,  
Captain, Q. M. Corps.

OSP:SS  
C. & C. DEPT.

MAILED

APR 13 1921

Overseas Proj. Sec.  
Cemeterial Division.

Noted on Form No. 115  
Date 4/13/21

Classification

Adjustment \_\_\_\_\_

CEMETERY DIVISION  
GRAVES REGISTRATION SERVICE  
REGISTRATION SECTION

**CTY 427**

Date 7/2/20

MEMORANDUM:

To: Registration Files Sub-Section.

Subject: Adjustments made on Registration Files.

1. Charges 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 <u>4X6</u> ✓		
Organization			Notified Nearest Relative		
Cause of Death			Blue Card thrown out		
Date of Death			White Card set up		
Casualty Cablegram Number					

O.K. Alphabetical Files A. E. S. 7-7-20

~~O.K. Organization Files~~ \_\_\_\_\_

~~O.K. State Files.~~ \_\_\_\_\_

Cemetery Audit Department  
✓ Investigation & Adjustment Dept.

By J. Johnson

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1 Cards attached.

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

C-113002

NAME OF DECEASED SOLDIER

CEMETERY NO.

DATE

Pvt Thomas Costello

427-16

6/7/20

SERIAL NUMBER

ORGANIZATION

2,416,199

Co. D. 347 Inf.

WAR RISK INSURANCE INFORMATION

DATE June 12, 1920

NAME OF BENEFICIARY Mrs. Louis C. Austin, ✓

RELATIONSHIP Mother

20 Franklin St., East Hartford, Conn

Address:

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NS-8438/JC

Answers reply to  
DIRECTOR OF PURCHASE & STORAGE  
Munitions Building

WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR OF PURCHASE AND STORAGE  
WASHINGTON

6707-6  
CJW/hhh

293.3 (Costello, Thomas, Pvt.)G.R.S.

Oct. 11, 1919.

Graves Registration Service.

Mrs. Nora Grady, 5 East 81st St., New York City.

Location of Grave.

1. Your communication dated August, 1919, concerning the grave location of your brother has been referred to us by the Adjutant General of the Army for reply.

2. The records of this office show Private Thomas Costello, #2416199, Co. D, 347th Infantry, buried in Grave 64, French American Cemetery, Mehun-sur-Yevre, Cher.

3. Notation of your desire to have the body of this soldier buried in France has been made and the necessary authorities notified.

By authority of the Quartermaster General, Director of Purchase and Storage.

Charles C. Pierce,  
Colonel, Q. M. C.,  
Chief, Graves Registration Service.

By:

Charles J. Wynne,  
Captain, Q. M. C.,  
Graves Registration Service.

G. R. S. MAILED

OCT 11 1919  
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G.R.S. #106  
DISPOSITION OF BODY

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

Oct. 11, 1919.

For information of:

- (a) The Adjutant General of the Army
- (b) G.R.S., Paris, France,
- (c) Office Files.
- (d) Photographic Section.

Case of:

Private Thoms Costello,  
#2416199, Co. D, 347th Infantry.

Grave Location:

Grave 64, French American Cemetery,  
Mehun-sur-Yevre, Cher.

Request for action checked below:

- (a) Return of Body to the U.S.
- (b) Permanent Burial in France.
- (c) Cancellation of former requests.
- (d) Change of address.
- (e) Photograph of grave,

has been made by:

Mrs. Nora Grady, (sister)  
5 East 81st St., N. Y. C.

By authority of the Quartermaster General:

CHARLES C. PIERCE,  
Colonel, Q.M.C., U.S.A.,  
Chief, Graves Registration Service.  
NS-2992/L

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TO:- REGISTRATION BRANCH, G.R.S.

Date 10-8-19

FROM:- INQUIRY BRANCH.

Please furnish information as checked (✓) below regarding the following soldier:

NAME **COSTELLO, Thomas**

Serial Number

RANK

ORGANIZATION

NO.	QUESTION	REPLY
1.	Do particulars of soldiers given above agree with Records?	Costello, Thomas Pvt. #2416199 Co. D, 347th Inf.
2.	Date of Death.	
3.	Cause and place of death.	
4.	Number of Casualty \ Cablegram.	
5.	Date buried.	
6.	Grave Location. (a) Complete record required. (b) Name of Cemetery or Commune only required. (c) Note reinterments.	Grave 64, Qty 427 French American Cemetery Mehun-sur-Yevre Cher
7.	Who reported burial?	
8.	Confirmed by G.R.S.?	
9.	Report as to Grave Marker.	
10.	Identification Tags: (a) Buried with body? (b) Attached to grave marker?	
11.	Complete Emergency Address?	Mrs. Louis Austin (mother) 20 Franklin St. East Hartford Conn.
12.	Has above been notified? (Give date)	
13.	Report the exact position of your inquiry on this case. (Reply in all cases if no information on record)	
14.	What is the Photograph No.?	
15.	Inquiry made by?	

Released by Information Control  
Dept.  
Directory  
x Cards 5 x 8  
Cards 4 x 6

N.B. All Proper names to be typewritten, or printed in PLAIN BLOCK LETTERS.

G. R. S. MAILED

L.E.G.

DRD

1st Ind.

*Post. Castello, Thomas*

mer - 6th & B  
Bldg E 1-215

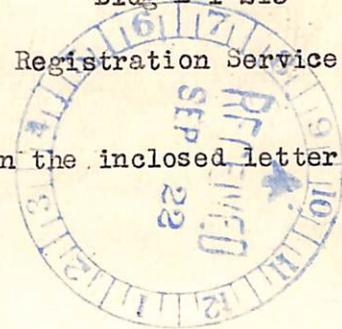
War Department, A.G.O. September 15, 1919. To: The Graves Registration Service  
Quartermaster General's Office.

1. Inviting attention to the request contained in the inclosed letter  
and for direct reply to writer.

2. Writer has been advised of this reference.

By order of the Secretary of War.

*J. E. Quinn*  
Adjutant General.



DRD

1st Ind.

mer - 6th & B  
Blde E 1-215

War Department, A.G.O. September 15, 1919. To: The Graves Registration Service  
Quartermaster General's Office.

1. Inviting attention to the request contained in the inclosed letter  
and for direct reply to writer.

2. Writer has been advised of this reference. ✓

By order of the Secretary of War.

I. Erwin

Adjutant General.

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576 81 st  
New York  
Aug 4 1919

F L Harris

Adjutant General.

Dear Sir

received your letter stating  
you would have the Body of  
my Brother Private Thomas  
Hostell sent home from  
France. I would prefer  
to have the Body lay where  
it is buried. I have been  
told that he was killed  
instantly and his body

blown to atoms. poor  
unfortunate. I would like  
very much to have the  
location of the place in  
France where he is buried.

Respectfully  
Yours Truly.

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AMERICAN EXPEDITIONARY FORCES  
HEADQUARTERS SERVICES OF SUPPLY  
OFFICE OF THE CHIEF QUARTERMASTER, A. E. F.  
GRAVES REGISTRATION SERVICE  
FRANCE

June 26th, 1918.

Burial information for the American Red Cross.  
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Soldier's name : COFFLANDO, Thomas.

Rank : Private.

Organization : Co. D., 347th Infantry.

Date of Death : 2nd December, 1918.

Place of Burial : grave number 64, Cemetery at MIGNON SUR  
YVINE, department of the OHER.

Reference number : 67076.

(All communications regarding this Grave location should  
quote the above reference number and be addressed to : -

Chief, Graves Registration Service  
Headquarters Service of Supply  
Office of the Chief Quartermaster  
American E. F.  
France.)

Home Communication Section,  
American Red Cross,  
Paris.

CCP/GVC.

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

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JUL 6 1919

NAME Costello, Thomas

FILE NUMBER 67076

RANK Private

ORGANIZATION Co.D. 347th Inf. SERIAL NUMBER

NO.	QUESTION	REPLY
1.	Do particulars of soldier given above agree with records?	1. Costello. 2416199. Thomas. Pvt. Co D. 247th. Inf.
2.	Date of death?	2.- 12/2/18
3.	Cause and place of death?	3.- Acute Alcoholism.
4.	Has this been reported on Casualty Cablegram, if so, give reference,	4.- C.C. 362. Decm. 17-1918.
5.	Date of burial?	5.- 12/5/18
6.	Grave Location:	6.- Grave No 64. Cty. Fr.. Mehun. ( Cher) <u>cty. # 427.</u>
7.	Who reported burial?	
8.	Confirmed by G.R.S.?	
9.	How is grave marked?	9.- Name peg. Cross.
10.	Identification Tags: (a) Buried with body? (b) Attached to grave marker?	Yes Yes.
11.	Emergency address:	11. Mrs. Louis Austin ( Mother) 20 Franklin St.. East Hartford. Conn.
12.	Has above been notified? (Give date)	26 Decm. 1918.

## ANALYSIS OF INQUIRY

Flowers, flags, etc.  
(Par. #5, Bul. 10-B)

Effects (G.R.S. Form No. 7&7-A)

Monuments (Par. #6, Bul. 10-B)

Accrued Pay  
(G.R.S. Forms Nos. 19 & 22)

Disinterments  
(Par. #8, Bul. 10-B)

Liberty Bonds  
(G.R.S. Forms Nos. 21 & 22)

Circumstances of death  
(G.R.S. Form No. 6)

War Risk Insurance  
(G.R.S. Forms Nos. 20 & 22)

Photographs requested  
(File 004.5)

Disposition of Remains

(a) Return to U.S.  
(Form 25)

(b) Remain in France  
(Form 24)

(c) Miscellaneous  
(Letter)

Grave Location

Remarks:

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AMERICAN RED CROSS

Paris, May 27th, 1919

Name of Soldier: Thomas Costello

Rank: Private

Company: D

Regiment: 347th Inf.

Forward Burial Report to  
"Bureau of Communication" for

Burial report required for Paris.



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CEMETERIAL DIVISION  
REGISTRATION SECTION**FILE**

February 19 1922

## MEMO FOR:

Cards Department.

1.

CASE OF:

Co. D., 347th Infantry.,  
ORGANIZATION (Old)COSTELLO 2416199 Thomas Pvt.,  
(Name)

Correction or additional data changes as shown below have been made on the Registration Card of the above-mentioned soldier and a corresponding change will be necessary on the Organization Card:

## ORGANIZATION (New)

FILE NO.

SURNAME

SERIAL NUMBER

FIRST NAME AND INITIALS

RANK

DATE OF DEATH

CAUSE OF DEATH

	Date	Place	F-1A No.
Orig.	12/3/18	427	D- 50165
1st. Reb.			D-
2nd Reb.			D-
3rd Reb.			D-

(Note: In the above spaces below double line fill in ONLY the new date and data correcting previous information)

BY: Miss LannonCard.,  
(Department)5 x 8 card was sent to file.Corrections made  
on Organization  
File Card;By YLB  
S/3324/LML

Address reply to

WAR DEPARTMENT  
PURCHASE, STORAGE, AND TRAFFIC DIVISION  
OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR OF PURCHASE AND STORAGE  
WASHINGTON

Division

DIRECTOR OF PURCHASE  
Munitions Building

No:  
From:  
To:  
Subject:

June 29th, 1920.

File No. 293.3 Reg. Sec. Gen. Div.  
( Costello, Thomas.)

Mrs. Louis Austin,  
20 Franklin St.  
East Hartford, Conn.

Dear Madam:-

In order that the action of the Department in respecting your request in the matter of disposition of remains of the late Private Thomas Costello, may be justified, it is requested that you submit a statement properly sworn to before an officer authorized to administer oaths, to the effect that you have made reasonable effort to ascertain the whereabouts of the late soldier's widow, and have been unable to do so.

By authority of the Quartermaster General:

CHARLES C. BLERCE,  
Colonel, U. S. Army,  
Chief, Cemeterial Division.

BY:

*Coop*  
C. D. ANNIS,  
1st Lieut., Q.M. Corps.

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*Noted on 115  
7/27/20  
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CEMETERIAL DIVISION.

WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL OF THE ARMY  
GRAVES REGISTRATION SERVICE  
WASHINGTON

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MAY 21 1920

FROM: Q.M.G., Graves Registration Service, Q.M.C.

TO: Mrs. Louis Austin, 20 Franklin St., East Hartford, Conn.

SUBJECT: Remains of Pvt. Thomas Costello

*Rush Answer*

*Letter 7/19/20  
Mother submits  
statement that  
she is unable to  
locate widow.*

The records of this office show that you have requested that his body be not returned to the U.S.

*The above is correct, we wish his body to remain in France.*

*No change*

If the above are not the correct instructions, please change them. Make changes on reverse side of this sheet.

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

By authority of the Quartermaster General:

CHARLES C. PIERCE,  
Colonel, U.S. Army.

*Noted on Form No. 115  
8-4-20 JPC*

NAME OF	NO. & STREET	TOWN	STATE
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Soldier's Widow

*Vera Costello. Address unknown.*

Soldier's Children 1.

(Name oldest first) 2. *none*  
3.

Father

*Richard J Costello. Deceased.*

Mother

*Mrs. Louis Austin, 40 Ranney St. East Hartford Conn.*

Brothers

(Name oldest first) 1. *H. J. Costello, 40 Ranney St. East Hartford Conn.*  
2.

Sisters

*Ladie Austin, 40 Ranney St. East Hartford Conn.*

Date *May 26, 1920*

Signature *Mrs. Louis Austin*

Address *40 Ranney St. East Hartford Conn.* Relationship *Mother.*

Note:- Instructions on the reverse side of this sheet should be carefully read before filling out this paper.

(OVER)

*The transfer of bodies will be made entirely at government expense.*





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INSTRUCTIONS FOR FILLING OUT

1. This paper **MUST** be signed by the person who is the **NEXT** of kin in the order shown in the square on other side of this sheet.
2. This paper must be returned showing the name and address of each of the nearest living relatives in the spaces provided therefor on the other side of this sheet.
3. 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.
4. If **YOU** are not the nearest relative, please ask the nearest relative, if living near you, to fill out this paper.
5. If **YOU** are not the nearest living relative and do not know who or where the nearest relatives are, please fill out this paper **AT ONCE** and mail to this office.
6. You are requested to return this paper **AT ONCE** in order to avoid delay in the case of this body.
7. Use the enclosed envelope - pay no postage.

June 29th, 1920.

File No. 293.5 Reg. Sec. Gen. Div.  
( Costello, Thomas.)

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20 Franklin St.,  
East Hartford, Conn.

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By authority of the Quartermaster General:

CHARLES G. PIERCE,  
Colonel, U. S. Army,  
Chief, Cemeterial Division.

BY:

*M. M. M.*

G. D. ANNIS,  
1st Lieut., Q.M. Corps.

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War Department  
Office of the Quartermaster General of the Army  
Washington

July 19, 1920

File No. 293.3 Reg. Sec. Cem. Div.  
(Costello, Thomas.)

I solemnly swear, that I have made reasonable effort to ascertain whereabouts of Private Thomas Costello and have failed to do so.

*File 427-16  
Mr. Buck*

*Louis Louis Austin*

State of Connecticut

Hartford ss.

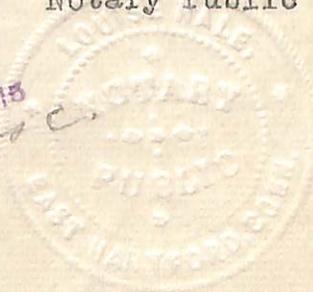
Town of East Hartford July 19, 1920

Sworn to before me on the above mentioned date.

*Louise Hale*  
Notary Public

*Noted on Form No. 113  
8-4-2020 C.*

*427-16*



War Department  
Office of the Quartermaster General of the Army  
Washington

July 19, 1920

Title No. 233.3 Reg. Sec. Gen. Div.  
(Castellio, Thomas)

I solemnly swear, that I have made reasonable effort to  
ascertain whereabouts of Private Thomas Castellio and have failed

to do so.

*James Jones Christy*

JUL 20 1920  
G. H. S.



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State of Connecticut

Hartford, Conn. Town of East Hartford July 19, 1920

Sworn to before me on the above mentioned date.

