

*Prue*

DATE 6/21/22

1. NAME COULSON, CHARLES W. SERIAL No. 4101135

RANK PVT. ORGANIZATION CO. G347th Inf

GRAVE LOCATION Fr. Mil. Mehun-sur-Yevre, Cher. NUMBER 427

CTY. NAME

NUMBER

37

Amer.

GRAVE

ROW

PLOT

2. ORIGINAL BATTLE AREA GRAVE LOCATION 37 Mehun sur Yevre Cher  
As shown on GRS Form 1-A dated 11/26/20 GRAVE COMMUNE DEPT.

COORDINATES None given

CONCENTRATED TO Nothing 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 Oct 14, 1918

STATE FROM WHICH HE CAME ng

MEDALS OR DECORATIONS AWARDED none of record  
SUBSEQUENT REBURIALS Nothing of record

DATE

GRAVE

ROW

PLOT

CEMETERY

DATE

GRAVE

ROW

PLOT

CEMETERY

SIGNATURE, AREA SUPERVISOR

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

3. FINAL GRAVE LOCATION 6/21/22 27 8 A  
DATE GRAVE ROW Block PLOT

St Mihiel American Cty # 1233 Thiaucourt Mourthe et Moselle  
CEMETERY

87 Received  
MAY 25 1925  
G. O. O.

Robert O. Doyle  
Major General  
MAY 27 1925

Rec'd World War Div  
MAY 25 1925



# INSTRUCTIONS FOR PREPARATION OF FORM 114 B

1. Forms 114-B are to be prepared by Registration Branch in quadruplicate, three copies to be forwarded to Area Supervisor who will accomplish paragraph 2 and return all three copies to Headquarters, American Graves Registration Service.
2. Paragraphs 1 and 3 will be accomplished by Registration Branch, Headquarters, American Graves Registration Service, Q.M.C., in Europe.
3. Paragraph 2 will be accomplished by Area Supervisor from data on file in his office.
4. If data is entered on Form 114-B from Form 1, Form 16, Form 1-A or Form 16-A, statement to this effect will be made on Form 114-B STATING WHICH G.R.S. form data is taken from. If data concerning co-ordinates is approximate and NOT accurate, statement to this effect will be made on these forms.

## GRAVE LOCATION BLANK

LOCATION OF THE GRAVE OF

COULSON, 4101135, Charles W.  
(Surname.) (Number.) (First Name and Initials.)

Private, Co. "G", 347th Infantry,  
(Rank.) (Organization.)

DATE OF BURIAL..... October 15, 1918,.....

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

Mehun-sur-Yevre (Cher),.....

City Cemetery,.....

American Lot,.....

GRAVE NUMBER..... 37.....

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:

REPORTED BY:

*Jno. C. James*  
Jno. C. James,

Chaplain 501st Engineers, U.S.A.  
(Signature and Rank of Reporting Officer.)

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

RECEIVED  
CENTRAL  
22 OCT 1918

CODE SLIP



HEADING	SUB-HEADING	NO. OF COLS	CODE
NAME	Coulson	3	3 5 12
	Charles W		
	CEMETERY	1	3
BURIED	GRAVE	2	27
	ROW	2	08
	BLOCK	1	1
STATE	29	2	35
RANK	Pvt	1	2
DIVISION	87	2	87
ORGANIZATION	347	3	347
ARM	Inf.	1	1
MARITAL	remarried	1	3
NAME	Coulson	3	3 5 12
	Mrs. Minnie		
	STATE	2	35
RESIDENCE	COUNTY	2	09
	CITY	3	055
RELATION	Mother	1	1
OTHER		1	
ELIGIBILITY	Yes	1	1
ACTIVITY		1	
RACE		1	
RELIGION		1	
DEPENDANT		1	
HEALTH	Bad	1	2
NO. OF SONS		1	
DATE OF TRIP	MO.	1	
	YR.	1	
ACCEPTANCE	No	1	2
	Age		62 Ja

Checked  
DEC 16 1931  
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CODE SLIP

HEADING	SUB-HEADING	NO. OF COLS	CODE
NAME	<i>Coulson</i>	3	<i>33-12</i>
<i>Charles W.</i>	CEMETERY	1	<i>3</i>
BURIED	GRAVE	2	<i>27</i>
	ROW	2	<i>08</i>
	BLOCK	1	<i>1</i>
STATE	<i>N.J.</i>	2	<i>30-</i>
RANK	<i>Pvt</i>	1	<i>2</i>
DIVISION	<i>87</i>	2	<i>87</i>
ORGANIZATION	<i>347</i>	3	<i>347</i>
AFM	<i>Inf</i>	1	<i>1</i>
MARITAL	<i>Unmarried</i>	1	<i>3</i>
NAME	<i>Knaepke</i>	3	
<i>Mrs Vina W.</i>	STATE	2	
<i>506 West Side Ave.</i>	COUNTY	2	
<i>Jersey City N.J.</i>	CITY	3	
RELATION	<i>Widow</i>	1	<i>5-</i>
OTHER		1	
ELIGIBILITY	<i>No</i>	1	<i>2</i>
NATIVITY		1	
RACE		1	
ENGLISH		1	
ATTENDANT		1	
HEALTH		1	
NO. OF SONS		1	
DATE OF	MO.	1	
TRIP	YR.	1	
ACCEPTANCE		1	

*Amended*  
DEC 16 1931  
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WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-M

Coulson, Charles W. (STM)

July 12, 1932

Mrs. Minnie Coulson,  
177 Boyd Ave.,  
Jersey City, N. J.

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? \_\_\_\_\_

(Write answer here)

(Sign here) \_\_\_\_\_

QM 293 A-M

August 11, 1932

Coulson, Charles W. (STM)

Mrs. Minnie Coulson,  
177 Boyd Ave.,  
Jersey City, N. J.

Dear Madam:

Receipt is acknowledged of your reply to office letter of July 12, 1932 stating that on account of your health you are unable to make a pilgrimage to the grave of your son, the late Private Charles W. Coulson.

It is indeed regretted that you are unable to accept the offer of the Government at this time. However, should your health improve and you later desire to visit your son's grave next year it is requested that you notify this office and arrangements will be made for you.

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

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Assistant.

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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.

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Very truly yours,

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

2 Encls.

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

(Sign here)

*No. Notable*  
(Write answer here)

*on account of ill health*  
*Mrs. Minnie Coulson*  
*177 Boyd Ave. J.C.*



WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-M

August 15, 1931

Coulson, Charles W. Pvt. (STM) M

Mrs. Minnie Coulson,  
177 Boyd Ave.,  
Jersey City, New Jersey

Dear Madam:

Receipt is acknowledged of your reply to form letter forwarded you under recent date relative to the pilgrimage to the cemeteries of Europe, wherein you advise that your health will not permit you to make a pilgrimage during the year 1932.

Competent personnel will be provided to care for the mothers and widows from the time of their arrival in New York until their return thereto. Medical attendants and all other necessities will be arranged for and in the event you decide to make a pilgrimage, you are assured everything possible will be done for your care and welfare. During the summers of 1930 and 1931 many mothers of advanced age and in poor health made the pilgrimage and appear to have benefited therefrom.

Your name is being placed on the list of mothers and widows who are eligible to make a pilgrimage in 1933. However, should you change your mind in view of the above, and desire to make a pilgrimage during the summer months of 1932, it is requested you advise this office in order that arrangements may be made for you.

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM-293-AM

Coulson, Charles W. Pvt (St.M), M-

July 13, 1931.

Mrs. Minnie Coulson,  
~~161 Lexington Avenue,~~  
Jersey City, N. J.

*177 - Boyd Ave*

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, very*  
Write answer here

*hered will not permit*

*Minnie Coulson*  
Sign here *177 Boyd Ave*  
*Jersey City, N. J.*

WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

June 7, 1930.

Coulson, Charles W. - 1233 M

Mrs. Minnie Coulson,  
161 Lexington Ave.,  
Jersey City, N. J.

Dear Madam:

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

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

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

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

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

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

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Sign here)

WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON



IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C  
Coulson, Charles W. 1233 M.

October 7, 1929.

Mrs. Minnie Coulson,  
161 Lexington Ave.,  
Jersey City, N. J.

Dear Madam:

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

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

1. Do you desire to make this pilgrimage if eligible?	(Yes)	(No) <i>no</i>
2. Do you desire to make the pilgrimage in the calendar year 1930?	(Yes)	(No) <i>no</i>
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>no</i>
4. Please give your age and state of health.	Age <i>60</i> Health <i>good</i>	(Years) (Good) (Poor)
5. What language do you speak?	English - (Yes) (No)	Other language <i>English</i> (Specify language spoken)

For The Quartermaster General



Very truly yours,

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

Encl.  
Act  
Envelope

WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

Coulson, Chas. W.  
1233.

Sept. 4, 1929

Mrs. Minnie Coulson,  
161 Lexington Ave.,  
Jersey City, N. J.

Dear Madam:

The records of this office do not indicate that a reply has been received to our communication dated June 20, 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:

*remarried*

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

*Mrs Minnie Coulson*

*161 Lexington Ave*

*Jersey City*

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

*No. account of poor health*

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

*John T. Harris*

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



WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
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IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

Coulson, Charles W.

July 31, 1929.

Mrs. Minnie Coulson,  
161 Lexington Ave.,  
Jersey City, N. J.

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 Charles W. Coulson, Co. G, 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?

*Remarried*

2. If so, give her complete address.

*Mrs. Vera Wooley Knoefke  
#506 West Side Av.  
Jersey City N.J.  
No.*

3. Will you make the pilgrimage?

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

*John T. Harris*  
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

Coulson, Charles W

May 28 , 1929.

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Mother:

Mrs. Minnie Coulson,  
761 Communipaw Ave.,  
Jersey City, N. J.

Mrs. Minnie Coulson  
161 Lexington Ave.,  
Jersey City, N.J.

Dear Madam:

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The records of this office show that you are the mother of the late Private Charles W. Coulson, Co. G, 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.

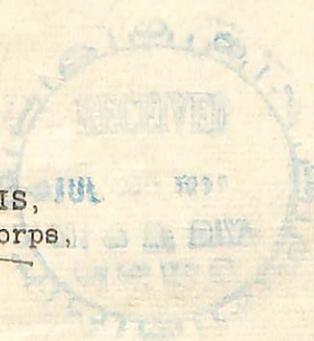
For your reply, you may use the enclosed envelope which requires no postage.

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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Act of Congress.  
Envelope.

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



QM 293 A-M

August 11, 1932

Coulson, Charles W. (STM)

Mrs. Minnie Coulson,  
177 Boyd Ave.,  
Jersey City, N. J.

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For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

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OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

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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 A-M

August 15, 1931

Coulson, Charles W. Pvt. (STM) M

Mrs. Minnie Coulson,  
177 Boyd Ave.,  
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Dear Madam:

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Very truly yours,

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Captain, Q. M. Corps,  
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OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM-293-AM

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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

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OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

Coulson, Charles W. Pvt. (St.M) M

April 10, 1931.

Mrs. Minnie Coulson,  
161 Lexington Ave.,  
Jersey City, N. J.

Dear Madam:

Your attention is invited to the enclosed copy of an Act of Congress of March 2, 1929, together with an amendment thereto, approved May 15, 1930.

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

- |  |                            |
|--|----------------------------|
| 1. Do you desire to make this pilgrimage?                          |                            |
| 2. Do you desire to make the pilgrimage in the calendar year 1931? |                            |
| 3. Please give your age and state your health.                     | Age<br>Condition of Health |
| 4. Do you speak English?   |                            |
| 5. What other language do you speak?                               |                            |

For The Quartermaster General, 41

Very truly yours,

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

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QM 293 A-M

October 13, 1930

Coulson, Charles W. Pvt 1233 M

Mrs. Minnie Coulson  
161 Lexington Avenue  
Jersey City, New Jersey

Dear Madam:

A reply has not been received to office letter of recent date relative to the pilgrimage to the cemeteries of Europe, authorized by the Act of Congress of March 2, 1929, as amended May 15, 1930.

The records of this office show that you are the of the deceased veteran named above and in order that plans may be completed for conducting the pilgrimages in 1931, it is requested you answer the following questions by filling out the blanks left therefor and return the letter to this office in the enclosed envelope which requires no postage.

1. Do you desire to make this pilgrimage?	
2. Do you desire to make the pilgrimage in the calendar year 1931?	
3. Please give your age and state your health.	Age Condition of health
4. Do you speak English?	
5. What other language do you speak?	

For The Quartermaster General:

Very truly yours,

A. D. HUGHES,  
Captain, Q. M. Corps,  
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WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

Coulson, Charles W. - 1233

Mrs. Minnie Coulson,  
161 Lexington Ave.,  
Jersey City, N. J.

Dear Madam:

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

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

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

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

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

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

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Sign here)

WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

October 7, 1929.

Coulson, Charles W. 1233 M.

Mrs. Minnie Coulson,  
161 Lexington Ave.,  
Jersey City, N. J.

Dear Madam:

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

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

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

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

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OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO, QM 293 A-C

Coulson, Chas. W.  
1235.

Sept. 4, 1929

Mrs. Minnie Coulson,  
161 Lexington Ave.,  
Jersey City, N. J.

Dear Madam:

The records of this office do not indicate that a reply has been received to our communication dated <sup>June 20, 1929,</sup> making inquiry concerning the name and address of the mother and widow of the deceased service man above named. These addresses are desired with a view to ascertaining the number of mothers and widows who desire to make a pilgrimage to the cemeteries of Europe in which the remains of their sons and husbands are interred.

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

Write answers in space below

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

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

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

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

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OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

Goulson, Charles W.

July 31, 1929.

Mrs. Minnie Goulson,  
161 Lexington Ave.,  
Jersey City, N. J.

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 Charles W. Goulson, Co. G, 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?

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.

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OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

June , 1929.

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Coulson, Charles W.

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Mrs. Mimmie Coulson,  
161 Lexington Ave.,  
Jersey City, N. J.

Dear Madam:

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The records of this office show that you are the mother of the late  
Private Charles W. Coulson, Co. C, 347th Inf., whose remains are now interred in the St. Michel American Cemetery, Thioncourt, Neufcho-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 invitation to her to make the pilgrimage. Both mothers and widows are entitled to make the pilgrimage.

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

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

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

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OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

Coulson, Charles W

Mrs. Vina Coulson,  
706 Johnson Ave.,  
Trenton, N. J.

May 28, 1929.  
Mrs. Minnie Coulson (mother)  
161 Lexington Ave.,  
Jersey City, N.J.  
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W. Remarried.

Dear Madam:

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

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Will you please advise this office whether or not he is survived by a mother 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.

Your attention is particularly invited to Section 4 of the enclosed Act, which defines the terms "mother" and "widow". If the relationship is that of a stepmother, mother through adoption or a woman who stood in loco parentis to the decedent, a statement as to her relationship is requested. In case you have remarried it is also requested that a statement to that effect be made.

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For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

JOHN T. HARRIS,  
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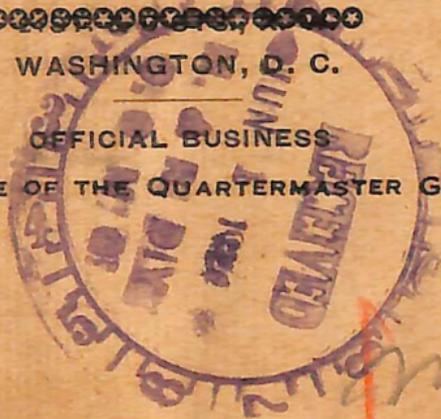
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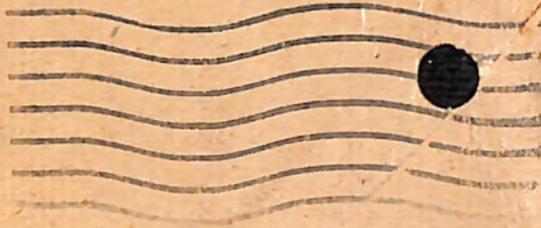
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May 28 1929.

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OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
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IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C  
Coulson, Charles W

28  
May , 1929.

Mrs. Mimmie Coulson,  
761 Comanipaw Ave.,  
Jersey City, N. J.

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The records of this office show that you are the mother of the late Private Charles W. Coulson, 59, whose remains are now interred in the St. Mihiel American Cemetery, Thiaucourt, Meurthe-et-Moselle, France.

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

COULSON, Charles W. - Pvt.

January 8, 1924

Mrs. Vera Coulson,  
c/o Knoepke,

706 Johnson Ave., Trenton, N.J.

The Quartermaster General desires to invite your attention to ~~the~~ 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.

1-Incl.  
Record card.

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JAN 8, 1924

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QM 293 A-C

COULSON, Charles W. - Pvt.

January 8, 1924

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Assistant,  
R.L. FOSTER RD

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# REPORT OF DISINTERMENT AND REBURIAL

Date November 15 1921

1. REMAINS OF Coulsen Charles W SERIAL NUMBER 4101135

RANK Pvt ORGANIZATION Co. C. 347th Inf

2. Disinterred (date): November 15 1921. From (give complete location): Gr. 37 Cem. 427

By: Group 4 Unit See 5

3. Reburied (date): June 21 1922 In (give complete location): Gr. 27Bk. A

Row 8

By: Group Reburial Unit Casket & shipping case

Nature of reburial

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

badly decomposed. Features unrecognizable. uniform and pine box

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

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

none

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

(a) Height (actual measurement) impossible to determine

(b) Weight (estimated) -do

(c) Hair—Color 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) none

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

none

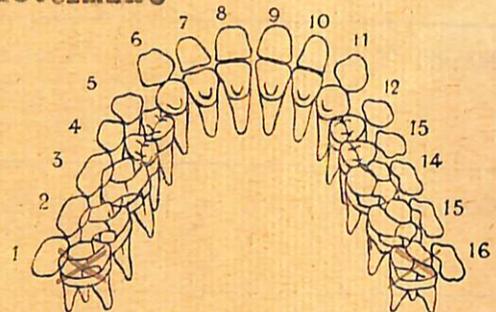
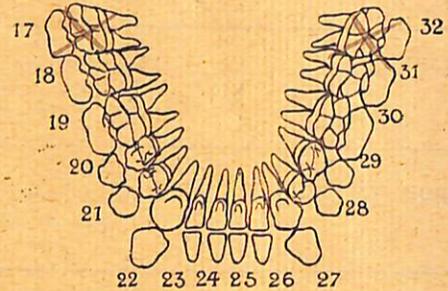


Diagram represents the mouth wide open



7. Disinterment supervised by H. W. Saylor Approved: Hunsicker

8. Reburial supervised by H. L. Kramer Approved: A. E. Dewey  
(Title) 1st Lieut. OMC  
(Title) 1st Lt. OMC

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

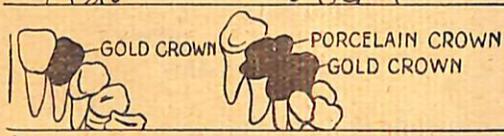
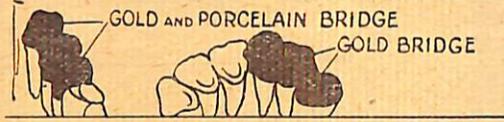
Enter information, as noted below, on reverse side of sheet in the *corresponding numbered space*. This form is supplemental to and is to be forwarded with G. R. S. Form 1-a, reporting reburial locations. To be used in answer to Question 26, Form 114, in case no means of identification on body.

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.

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

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

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



To be prepared in triplicate.

DATE Nov. 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 COULSON, CHARLES W. 10. Name \_\_\_\_\_  
 2. No. 4101125 11. No. \_\_\_\_\_  
 3. Rank Pvt. 12. Rank \_\_\_\_\_  
 4. Org. Co. G 347 Inf. 13. Org. \_\_\_\_\_  
 5. D.D. 10-14-18 14. (a) D.D. \_\_\_\_\_  
 6. C.D. BRONCHO PNEUMONIA (b) D.B. none

Discrepancy found upon disinterment

7. Grave No. 37 Sec. 11101 15. Grave No. \_\_\_\_\_ Sec. \_\_\_\_\_  
 8. Plot Amp. Row \_\_\_\_\_ 16. Plot MOA Row \_\_\_\_\_  
 9. \_\_\_\_\_ 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 J.F. MADINE  
 24. Inscription on grave marker:  
 Name Charles W. Coulson Serial No. Pvt.  
 Rank Pvt. Organization Co. G, 347 Inf.  
 25. Was identification disc found on grave marker? yes On body? yes

*R.W. Saylor*  
 Signature Junior Technical Assistant  
 R.W. SAYLOR

## PREPARATION

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

None

27. Condition of body badly decomposed, features unrecognizable  
 28. Nature of burial uniform and pine box  
 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 Nov. 15, 1921 By J.F. MADINE  
 31. Casket sealed by J.F. MADINE

Signature of Embalmer, (Supervisor)

*J.F. Madine*  
J.F. MADINE

SHIPMENT. (Show actual marking of box.)

Box No.



32. Designation of body:

Name

Serial No.

Rank

CHARLES W. COULSON

Organization

4101125

33. Consigned to:

Pvt.

Co. G 347 Inf.

Name of Permanent Cemetery

34. Casket boxed and marked (Date)

St. Mihiel Amer. 1233, Thiaucourt, M-et-M

Nov. 15, 1921

By

J.F. MADINE

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

*S.H. Hunsicker*

S.H. HUNSICKER, 1st.Lt., QMC

36. Remarks

37. Shipped from point of Operation: (Date)

To point of Concentration

(Name

Convoyer

Signature Shipping Officer

38. Received at Railhead or Point of Concentration: Date

By G.R.S. Representative

39. Shipped from Railhead or Point of Concentration: Date

Nov 30 1921

To Permanent Cemetery St. Mihiel. Amer. 1233, Cty. Thiaucourt (M-et-M)

Convoyer

Signature Shipping Officer

*W.M. Jackson*

40. Received: Date

R.E. Williams

6-DEC 1921

A.M. Jackson, Capt. CAC.

G.R.S. Representative

*J.B. Daniel, Capt. 2 MC*

41. Reinterred

42. Grave No.

June 21 1922

(Date

Section

43. Plot

27

Row

xxxxx Block

A

8

G.R.S. Representative

*A.E. Dewey*

A E Dewey 1st. Lt. QMC

COMPILATION OF DISPOSITION OF REMAINS DATA

File No. 33417

1. LOCATION INDEX CARD:

(a) Name COULSON, Charles W. Ser. No. 4101135 )
(b) Rank Pvt. Organization Co. G. 347th Inf. )
(c) Date of death 10-14-18 of death Broncho Pneumonia )
(d) Cause )

TYP. IML

CKR. [initials]

Handwritten notes: 2 1/2 Exhumed for Concentration St Michel, 12-23 at 3/14/22

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

(a) Grave No. 37 Row --- Plot Amer. Sect. --- ) TYP. ILH

(b) Emerg. Address Mrs. Minnie Coulson, (Mother), 761 Communipaw Ave., Jersey City, N. J.

111. Files of soldiers dying from contagious diseases: No Card

CKR. [initials]

IV. A.G.O. DISPOSITION CARD:

Date of receipt

(a) Name (b) Relationship

(c) Address

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

(e) To be interred in National Cemetery in U. S. at

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

SEE SUSPENSION REMARKS

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

Examiner's Initials Date 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 Date 1920

VI. G.R.S. Files - Correspondence - shows as follows:

no request for disposition

(a) Cancellation memos referred to? yes - G. Y. B

Examiner's Initials Date 1920

checked by [initials]

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 ~~24~~ 24 1920

*not to be returned*

IX. CORRECTIONS

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

X. SUSPENSION REMARKS: *Telegram to wife forwarded on to 706 Johnson Ave Trenton N.J.  
Telegram - 6-19-20, from Mrs. C. Coulson,  
888 West Side Ave., Jersey City, N.J., widow  
requests that body remain in Europe -  
6-24-20 F.*

*216-24-20*

CLASS OF SERVICE	SYMBOL
Telegram	
Day Letter	Blue
Night Message	Nite
Night Letter	N L

If none of these three symbols appears after the check (number of words) this is a telegram. Otherwise its character is indicated by the symbol appearing after the check.

# WESTERN UNION TELEGRAM



NEWCOMB CARLTON, PRESIDENT

GEORGE W. E. ATKINS, FIRST VICE-PRESIDENT

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RECEIVED AT **WAR DEPARTMENT**

139 W R024 Collect Govt

Trenton NJ June 19th 1920

Rogers QM General

Washington Dc

Please let the body of late Private Charles W Coulson remain  
in Europe

Mrs Vina Coulson

Care Knoepke

756Pm

Noted on Form No. 115  
Date 6-24-20

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JUN 21 1920

TELEGRAPH SECTION  
ADMINISTRATIVE DIVISION



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TELEGRAPH SECTION  
ADMINISTRATIVE DIVISION



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THE WESTERN UNION TELEGRAPH COMPANY  
INCORPORATED

WASHINGTON DC MAIN Office JUNE 18 1920 191

M. ROGERS QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
4081

WASHINGTON DC

Your telegram dated JUNE 18 to MRS C COULSON 888 WESTSIDE AVE  
JERSEY CITY NJ ~~WASHINGTON DC~~

~~YOUR~~ HAS BEEN FORWARDED TO 706 JOHNSON AVE TRENTON NJ

If you desire to communicate with this office by telephone in regard to the above message, call  
FR 7100 and ask for extension No. 66

Changes in the address must be paid for at the usual rates.

WESTERN UNION Manager

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CHARGE TO  
GOVERNMENT RATE

# WAR DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM

## OFFICIAL BUSINESS

WASHINGTON

June 18, 1920

Mrs. C. Coulson,

888 Westside Ave.,

Jersey City, N. J.

widow

Private Charles W. Coulson

Necessary that you as.....of late.....

.....state whether you desire body returned to United States and  
buried National Cemetery, shipped to you or remain in Europe. In this case  
<sup>your</sup>

no other than.....wish is desired. Telegram signed by you

C-837

necessary. Wire immediately, Government expense.

ROGERS

Quartermaster General

OFFICIAL:

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

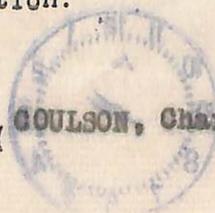
BY:

C. D. ANNIS,  
1st Lieut. Q.M. Corps,  
Chief, Overseas Project Sub-Section.

OSP:SS

Compl. Dept.

FILE NO: 293.3-Reg.Sec.Cem.Div.( GOULSON, Charles W. )



MAR 22 1920



WAR DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM

CHARGE TO GOVERNMENT RATE

OFFICIAL BUSINESS

WASHINGTON

June 18, 1920

Mrs. G. Goslar

338 Westlake Ave.

Jersey City, N. J.

Private Charles W. Goslar

widow

Necessary that you as \_\_\_\_\_ of late \_\_\_\_\_

state whether you desire body returned to United States and

buried National Cemetery, shipped to you or remain in Europe. In this case

your

no other than \_\_\_\_\_ wish is desired. Telegram signed by you

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necessary. Wire immediately, Government expense.

ROGERS

Quartermaster General

OFFICIAL:

CHARLES C. PIERCE,  
Colonel, U.S. Army,  
Chief, Cemetery Division.

BY:

G. D. ANNIS,  
1st Lieut. U.S. Corps,  
Chief, Overseas Project Sub-Section.

OSP:SS

Compl. Dept.

FILE NO: 293-3-Reg. Sec. Cem. Div. ( )



MAY 21 1920

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

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MAY 21 1920

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

*Rush Answer*

TO: Mrs. Minnie Coulson, 761 Communipaw Ave., Jersey City, N. J.

*Telegram 6-19-20  
Widow requests  
body remain in  
France.  
etc.*

SUBJECT: Remains of Pvt. Charles W. Coulson.

The records of this office show that you have requested that ~~the~~  
~~body be~~ not expressed your desire as to the return of the body.

*Remain in France.  
no change*

If these 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.

Noted on Form No. 118

Date 6-24-20

By authority of the Quartermaster General:

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

NAME OF	NO. & STREET	TOWN	STATE
Soldier's Widow	<i>Mrs E. Coulson</i>	<i>888 West side Ave</i>	<i>Jersey City N.J.</i>
Soldier's Children	1.		
(Name eldest first)	2.		
	3.		
Father	<i>none</i>		
Mother	<i>William J. Coulson</i>		
Brothers	1.		
(Name oldest first)	2.		
Sisters	<i>Miss Minnie Coulson</i>		

Date *May 23 1920*

Signature *Mrs Minnie Coulson*

Address *761 Communipaw Ave. N.J.* 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.

Dear Sir:

I do not wish my beloved son's  
body disturbed let him rest in peace in  
France.

Yours respectfully  
Mrs. Minnie Coulson

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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.

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# GRAVE LOCATION BLANK

LOCATION OF THE GRAVE OF

COULSON, 4101135, Charles W.  
(Surname) (Number) (First Name and Initials.)

Private, Co. "G", 347th Inf.,  
(Rank) (Organization)

DATE OF BURIAL... October 15, 1918,

PLACE OF BURIAL.....

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

Mahun-sur-Yevre (Cher),

City Cemetery,

American Lot,

GRAVE NUMBER..... 37.

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

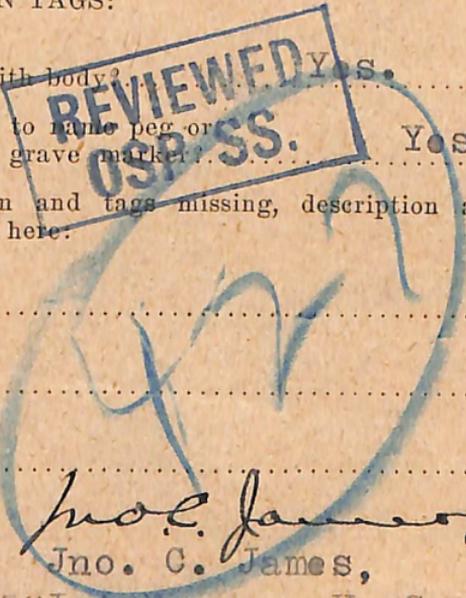
Headboard? ..... Bottle? .....

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:



21 OCT 1918

REPORTED BY: Jno. C. James,  
Chaplain, 501st Engrs., U. S. A.  
(Signature and Rank of Reporting Officer.)

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

THE SCHOOL FOR BAKERS AND COOKS  
INSTRUCTOR'S BULLETIN

ORGANIZATIONS	INSTRUCTIONS	SIGNATURES



# 33417  
No name

FILE

27 Camden Street,  
Roselle Park, N.J.

A. G. 293.8 Coulson,  
X 201 Coulson,  
X 195- Coulson, Thomas

War Department,  
Information Division,  
Washington, D.C.

Gentlemen:--

I received word from the War Department yesterday that my son had been killed on October 24th while serving in France.

I would like to inquire if the body will be shipped back home, or if it will stay in France. I have been informed that all bodies of American Soldiers, killed during this War will be shipped back and buried on American soil. Kindly advise if this is correct, and if so, if the bodies will be buried in one large grave, or if the individual bodies will be delivered to the parents for final burial here.

Any information that you can give me on this subject, will be appreciated by,

Yours very truly,

Thomas Coulson

ASSISTANT AND CHIEF CLERK  
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5 DEPT.

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Charles W.