

No. The Adj. G. O. 8299

G.R.S. Form #114-B

JUN 1 - 1928

FULL NAME COUTURE, Joseph E. ✓

RANK Pvt. ✓ SERIAL None ✓

DIVISION & ORGANIZATION Co.K, 102nd Inf. ✓ 26th

DATE OF DEATH Oct 26, 1917 ✓

STATE FROM WHICH HE CAME Connecticut ✓

MEDALS OR DECORATIONS AWARDED none ✓

FINAL GRAVE LOCATION.....
Date 19 Grave 24 Block E
Meuse-Argonne, #1232

Cemetery Robert O. Davis,
Major General,
The Adjutant General.

By *CRB*
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Nov. 1, 1917. , 8.50 p.m.
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From: HAEF

To: The Adjutant General, Washington.

CABLE NO. 255

PARAGRAPH NO 1

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293.3 Couture, Joseph E.

OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL, WASHINGTON, D. C.

In reply refer to:
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(WD-C) Couture,
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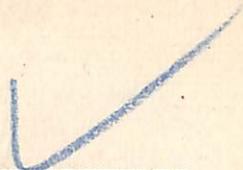
France ✓

C O U T U R E, Joseph E.

Private, Co. K, 102d Inf.

Died Oct. 26/17, in France, of Lobar
Pneumonia in line of duty: not
result of own misconduct.

CODE SLIP



HEADING	SUB-HEADING	NO. OF COLS	CODE
NAME <i>Couture</i>	<i>COU</i>	3	<i>3 0 12</i>
<i>Joseph E</i>	CEMETERY <i>1232</i>	1	<i>1</i>
BURIED	GRAVE <i>19</i>	2	<i>19</i>
	ROW <i>24</i>	2	<i>24</i>
	BLOCK <i>E</i>	1	<i>5</i>
STATE	<i>Conn.</i>	2	<i>06</i>
RANK	<i>Pvt.</i>	1	<i>2</i>
DIVISION	<i>26</i>	2	<i>26</i>
ORGANIZATION	<i>102</i>	3	<i>102</i>
ARM	<i>Inf</i>	1	<i>1</i>
MARTIAL	<i>No</i>	1	<i>2</i>
NAME <i>Couture</i>	<i>COU</i>	3	<i>3 0 12</i>
<i>Mrs. Eugene</i> <i>(sister-in-law)</i>	STATE <i>Mass</i>	2	<i>25</i>
RESIDENCE <i>Holyoke, Mass</i>	COUNTY <i>Hampden</i>	2	<i>07</i>
	CITY <i>Holyoke</i>	3	<i>06</i>
RELATION	<i>Mother</i>	1	<i>1</i>
OTHER <i>(no loco or S.M.)</i>		1	
ELIGIBILITY	<i>Dead 10-23-30</i>	1	<i>6</i>
NATIVITY		1	
RACE		1	
ENGLISH		1	
ATTENDANT		1	
HEALTH		1	
NO. OF SONS		1	
DATE OF TRIP	MO.	1	
	YR.	1	
ACCEPTANCE	<i>No</i>	1	<i>2</i>

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WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-M
 Couture, Joseph E. (M-A) M

September 29, 1931.

Mrs. Emily Couture,
 12 Spring Street,
 c/o Mr. Eugene Couture,
 Holyoke, Massachusetts.

Dear Madam:

Reference is made to previous correspondence relative to the pilgrimage to the cemeteries of Europe, authorized by the Act of Congress of March 2, 1929, as amended May 15, 1930. To date information has not been received as to whether or not you desire to make a pilgrimage during the summer months of 1932, in honor of the deceased veteran named above.

In order that the records may be complete, and arrangements made accordingly, it is requested you complete the form below by writing in the space provided, your answers to the questions listed, sign your name, and return this letter in the enclosed envelope which requires no postage.

1. Do you desire to make a pilgrimage in 1932?	
2. Please state your age and condition of health:	Age: Health:
3. Do you speak English?	
4. What other language do you speak?	



Sign here

Dear Sirs;
 Am sorry to say this is the 3rd time I've answered this same kind of request, but must say, that my mother in law. (Emily Couture) died Oct 23rd 1930.
 For The Quartermaster General,
 Very truly yours, Mrs. J. E. Couture.
 Holyoke Mass.

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

Encl:
 Env.

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM-293-AM

June 12, 1931.

Couture, Joseph E. Pvt. (M-A) M

Mrs. Emily Couture,
12 Spring St.,
c/o Mr. Eugene Couture,
Holyok, e, Mass.

Dear Madam:

Arrangements are now being made for conducting pilgrimages during the year 1932 to the cemeteries in Europe under the provisions of the Act of Congress of March 2, 1929, as amended.

To assure proper and satisfactory accommodations, reservations for steamship transportation required during the summer of 1932 must be made by this office not later than August 1st of this year. It is therefore desired that you answer the question below by writing either of the words "Yes", "No", or "Undecided" in the blank space following the question.

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

This letter is being sent to all eligible mothers and widows who did not make a pilgrimage at the expense of the Government during 1930 and are not making the journey in 1931.

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

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

Write answer here

Sign here

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

June 7, 1930.

Couture, Joseph E. - 1232 M

**Mrs. Emily Couture,
12 Spring St.,
C/o Mr. Eugene Couture,
Holyoke, Mass.**

Dear Madam:

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

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

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

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

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,


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

DO YOU DESIRE TO MAKE THE PILGRIMAGE DURING THE YEAR 1931?

No
(Write answer here)

hugx make.
Mrs. Emily Couture
(Sign here) *me.*

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WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

October 7, 1929.

Couture, Joseph E. 1232 M.

Mrs. Emily Couture,
12 Spring St.,
c/o Mr. Eugene Couture,
Holyoke, Mass.

Dear Madam:

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

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

1. Do you desire to make this pilgrimage if eligible?	(Yes)	(No)
2. Do you desire to make the pilgrimage in the calendar year 1930?	(Yes)	(No)
3. Have you at any time made a previous visit to the grave of the deceased member of the military or naval forces in whom you are interested?	(Yes)	(No)
4. Please give your age and state of health.	Age <u>71</u> Health <u>Very</u>	(Years) (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
JOHN T. HARRIS,
Major, Q. M. Corps,
Assistant.

Encl.
Act
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WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

Couture, Joseph E.

August 14, 1929

Mrs. Emily Couture,
12 Spring Street,
c/o Mr. Eugene Couture,
Holyoke, Massachusetts

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 Pvt. Joseph E. Couture, Co. K, 102nd Inf., whose remains are now interred in the Meuse-Argonne Amer. Cty. Romagne-sous-Montfaucon, Meuse, France.

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

Write answers in space below:

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

no.

2. If so, give her complete address.

no.

3. Will you make the pilgrimage?

no.

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For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

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Act of Congress
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WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

Couture, Joseph E.

June 29, 1929.

Mrs. Emily Couture,
20 Hammer St.,
Burnside, Conn.

Mother

Mrs. Emily Couture,

12 Spring St.

Eugene Couture,

Holyoke, Mass. XC-13-1

7-29-29

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 Joseph E. Couture, Co. K, 102nd Inf., whose remains are now interred in the Meuse-Argonne American Cemetery, Romagne-sous-Montfaucon, Meuse, France.

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

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

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

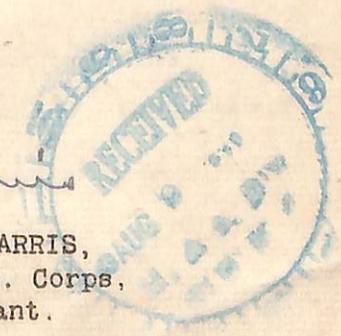
For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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Act of Congress.
Envelope.

John T. Harris

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



WAR DEPARTMENT

OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL

WASHINGTON, D. C.

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**REASON FOR
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UNCLAIMED _____ UNKNOWN

DECEASED _____ FOR BETTER ADDRESS _____

MOVED LEFT NO ADDRESS _____ REFUSED _____

NO SUCH POST OFFICE IN STATE NAMED _____



REPORT OF DISINTERMENT AND REBURIAL

Date Oct. 5, 1921.

1. REMAINS OF COUTURE, Joseph E. SERIAL NUMBER ---
RANK Pvt. ORGANIZATION Co. K, 102nd. Inf.

2. Disinterred (date): Oct. 5, 1921. From (give complete location) Gr. No. 8-d
Amer. Mil. Cem. #. 6-A. Bazoilles (Vosges)

By: Group 1. Unit Section No. 4.

3. Reburied (date): Nov. 23, 1921 In (give complete location): Meuse-Argonne Cty. #1232 Gr. 19, Block E, row 24.

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

4. Report as to nature of original burial and condition of body upon disinterment:
Buried in wooden box in uniform. Body badly decomposed, recognition impossible.

5. (a) Identification tags: Buried with body? No. On grave marker? Yes.
(b) Other means of identification found upon disinterment, and general remarks:
No effects found.

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

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

(b) Weight (estimated) Unable to determine.

(c) Hair—Color Light brown.

Quantity Normal.

Characteristics curly.

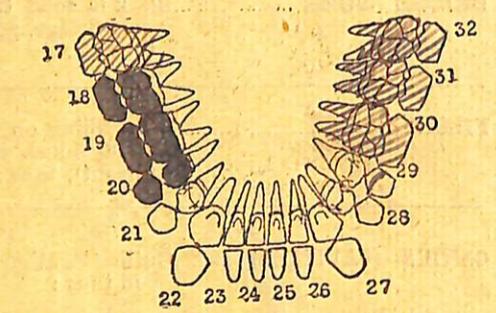
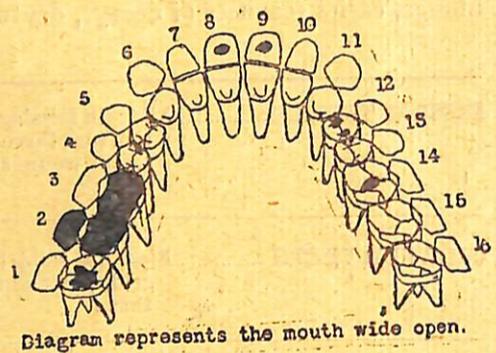
(d) Hair on face—Color None.

Location ---

Quantity ---

(e) Permanent marks on body (old scars, peculiarities, or missing parts) ---

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



No. 16, Not cut. No. 2, 3, gold and porcelain bridge. No. 1, 12, 14, S. F. No. 2, 9, G. F. No. 18, 19, 20. Gold bridge. No. 17, 30, 31, 32. M.B.D. No. 29, Cavity.

None visible.

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7. Disinterment supervised by W. R. TOMLINSON.

Approved: D. E. LOWRY
TAP. (Title) 1st. Lt., Q.M.C. bjm

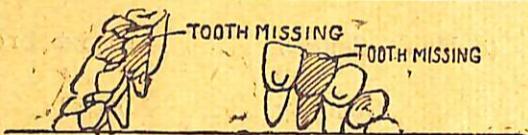
8. Reburial supervised by A. U. DUFALT.

Approved: JAMES W. YOUNGER
(Title) CAPT., Q.M.C.

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.

<p>MISSING TEETH.....All teeth missing through previous extraction (not those fractured or displaced by recent wounds) should be scratched out, thus:</p>	 <p align="center">TOOTH MISSING TOOTH MISSING</p>
<p>CROWNED TEETH.....Block in solid the crown of tooth (label gold, porcelain, or gold and porcelain), thus:</p>	 <p align="center">GOLD CROWN PORCELAIN CROWN</p>
<p>BRIDGE WORK.....Block in solid the crown of tooth (label gold bridge, gold and porcelain bridge), thus:</p>	 <p align="center">GOLD AND PORCELAIN BRIDGE GOLDBRIDGE</p>
<p>FILLINGS.....Draw filling on tooth accurately as possible (block in and label gold, silver, cement), thus:</p>	 <p align="center">SILVER FILLING GOLD FILLING</p> <p align="center">GOLD FILLING GOLD FILLING</p>
<p>CARIES (CAVITIES).....Outline location and size of cavity, shade in thus:</p>	 <p align="center">CAVITY DECAYED DECAYED</p> <p align="center">DECAYED DECAYED</p>
<p>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."</p>	

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 Oct. 5, 1921.

REPORT OF DISINTERMENT, PREPARATION, SHIPMENT AND REBURIAL OF BODY

DISINTERMENT

COMPARATIVE REPORT

Records of G.R.S. Headquarters.	Discrepancy found upon exhumation of body
1. Name <u>COUTURE, Joseph E.</u>	10. Name
2. No. <u>-----</u>	11. No.
3. Rank <u>Pvt.</u>	12. Rank
4. Org. <u>Co.K., 102nd Inf.</u>	13. Org.
5. D.D. <u>10-26-17</u>	14. (a) D.D.
6. C.D. <u>Disease</u>	(b) D.B. <u>None.</u>

Discrepancy found upon disinterment	
7. Grave No. <u>8-D</u> Sec. <u>-----</u>	15. Grave No. <u>-----</u> Sec. <u>-----</u>
8. Plot <u>-----</u> Row <u>-----</u>	16. Plot <u>-----</u> Row <u>-----</u>
9. <u>-----</u>	17. <u>None.</u>

18. Cemetery <u>French Military</u>	19. Commune or town <u>BAZOILLES</u>
20. Dept. or County <u>Vosges</u>	21. Country <u>France.</u>
22. G.R.S. Hdqrs. Code No. <u>6-A</u>	

23. Disinterred (Date) Oct. 5, 1921. By W. R. TOMLINSON.

24. Inscription on grave marker:

Name <u>COUTURE, Joseph E.</u>	Serial No. <u>-----</u>
Rank <u>Pvt.</u>	Organization <u>Co. K, 102nd. Inf. Gr. 8-D.</u>

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

Thos. A. Pace.
Signature Junior Technical Assistant

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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).

No effects found. Form 16a accomplished. Hospital record on body and hospital record under cross both check and established identity.

27. Condition of body Badly decomposed, recognition impossible.

28. Nature of burial Buried in wooden box and in uniform.

29. Any discrepancy noted upon examination of body, as compared with G.R.S. records quoted above? No.

30. Body prepared and placed in casket: Date Oct. 5, 1921. By W.R. Tomlinson.

31. Casket sealed by W. R. Tomlinson.

Signature of Embalmer, (Supervisor) W. R. Tomlinson
W. R. TOMLINSON.

SHIPMENT. (Show actual marking of box.) Box No. **C-11850**



32. Designation of body:

Name **COUTURE, Joseph E.**

Serial No. _____

Rank **Pvt.**

Organization **Co. K, 102nd Inf.**

33. Consigned to:

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

34. Casket boxed and marked (Date) **Oct. 5, 1921.** By **W. R. Tomlinson.**

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

D. E. Lowry

D. E. LOWRY, 1st Lt., Q.M.C.

36. Remarks

Disc on cross reads (Couture, Joseph. Pvt. Co. K, 102nd. Inf. U.S.A.)

37. Shipped from point of Operation: (Date) **Oct. 5, 1921.**

To point of Concentration **Neufchateau (Vosges)**

Convoyer _____ Signature Shipping Officer **Capt. Q.M.C.**

38. Received at Railhead or Point of Concentration: Date _____

By G.R.S. Representative _____

39. Shipped from Railhead or Point of Concentration: Date **30 OCT 1921**

To Permanent Cemetery **Romagne-sous-Montfaucon (Meuse)**

Convoyer **W. R. BUCKLEY** Signature Shipping Officer *W. R. Buckley*

40. Received: Date _____ **W. R. BUCKLEY, Capt. Q.M.C.** bjm

G.R.S. Representative _____

41. Reinterred **Nov. 23, 1921** **Meuse-Argonne Cty. #1232.**

42. Grave No. **19** (Date) _____ Section _____

43. Plot **Block E** Row **24**

G.R.S. Representative

James W. Younger
JAMES W. YOUNGER, CAPT., Q.M.C.

COMPILATION OF DISPOSITION OF REMAINS DATA

I. LOCATION INDEX CARD:

File # 229

(a) Name COUTURE, Joseph E. (11-15) m. Enlistment - Mar. 27, 1917, Hartford, Conn. Ser. No. --- TYP. EK
(b) Rank Pvt. Organization Co. K, 102nd. Inf. CKR. N12
(c) Date of death 10/26/17 (d) Cause of death Lobar Pneumonia in line of duty.

10/11/21 for transit for Meade Argonne 1232 10-22-21

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

(a) Grave No. 8D, Row --- Plot --- Sec. --- TYP. EK
(b) Emerg. Address Mrs. Emily Couture (mother) 20 Hammer St., Burnside, Conn. CKR. N12

III. Files of soldiers dying from contagious diseases NO CARD CKR. N12

IV. A. G. O. DISPOSITION CARD:

No card in file 10-20-20 MKS

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

Examiner's Initials --- Date ---, 1920.

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

---, dated ---
confirming request in Par. IV., item ---, above, or requesting that ---
No correspondence

Examiner's Initials MKS Date 10-20, 1920.

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

No request for disposition

(a) Cancellation memos referred to? Yes Mom
Examiner's Initials Mom Date 10-21, 1920.

COUNTRY France CEMETERY No. 6-A SHEET No. 10

checked all 10-21-21

VII. G. R. S. Form No. 114 made _____, 1920.

Typed by _____, Checked by _____, 1920.

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VIII. FINAL ACTION:

Following advice forwarded to Europe by

cable on _____, 1920
letter on 11-4, 1920

Cemeterial Division
Overseas Project Sub-Section

Par 1 Not to be returned. P.C. 1

IX.

CORRECTIONS

CHANGE OF ADVICE.

ACTION TAKEN.

Desires body be _____

Body to be shipped to _____

X. SUSPENSION REMARKS:

*Letter 4-22-21 fr Emily Coonture (Mother)
20 Hammer St, Burnside, Conn. Stating
deceased was single Request Remains
Remain in France H 4-29-21*

File - DS

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL OF THE ARMY

WASHINGTON August 12, 1922.

FILE: 293.8 C-R #229

SUBJECT: Permanent Grave Location of **Private Joseph E. Couture,**
Company K, 102nd Infantry.

TO: **Mrs. Emily Couture, c/o American Central Insurance Co.,**
Holyoke, Mass.

1. The permanent grave of this soldier is No. 19, Row 24, Block E, The American Cemetery of Meuse-Argonne, Romagne-sous-Montfaucon, Department of Meuse, France.

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3. In effecting removal, the utmost care and reverence were exacted and more than willingly accorded by those performing this sacred duty. The grave of the deceased will be perpetually maintained by this Government in a manner befitting the last resting place of our heroes.

For the Quartermaster General:

GEORGE H. PENROSE,
Assistant.

MAILED

AUG 12 1922

G.R.S.

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WAR DEPARTMENT.

OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL OF THE ARMY

WASHINGTON, D. C.

OFFICIAL BUSINESS

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TO
WRITER

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Ing

Mrs Emily Couture,

~~20 Hammer St.,~~

~~Barnside,~~

Conn.

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M. & R. BRANCH
P. O. M. O.

WASHINGTON, D. C.
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PENALTY FOR PRIVATE USE, \$300



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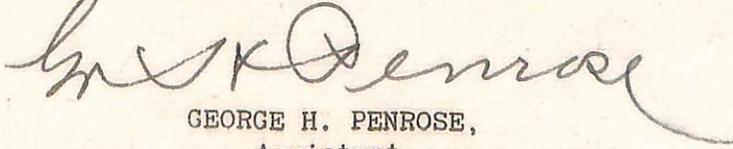
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WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL OF THE ARMY
WASHINGTON July 25, 1922.

FILE: 293.8 C-R - #229 - (Couture, Joseph E. Private.)
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WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL OF THE ARMY

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For the Quartermaster General:

MAILED

JUL 25 1922

G.R.S.

GEORGE H. PENROSE,
Assistant.

DATE 11/23/211. NAME COUTURE, Joseph E. SERIAL No. _____RANK Pvt. ORGANIZATION Co.K., 102nd Inf.GRAVE LOCATION French Mil. Cty., BAZOILLES (Vosges) #6-A
CTY. NAME NUMBERGRAVE 8-D ROW PLOT2. ORIGINAL BATTLE AREA GRAVE LOCATION 8-D. Bazoilles-sur-Meuse Vosges.
GRAVE COMMUNE DEPT.COORDINATES E.346-21. N. 170-12. approx. Map: Mirecourt NW 84.CONCENTRATED TO No record of concentration.
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.SUBSEQUENT REBURIALS Not of record.
DATE GRAVE ROW PLOT CEMETERY

DATE GRAVE ROW PLOT CEMETERY

SIGNATURE, AREA SUPERVISOR Wm. H. Quarterman, Capt. F.A. USA.3. FINAL GRAVE LOCATION 11/23/21 19 24 E.
DATE GRAVE ROW PLOT BlockMeuse-Argonne American Cemetery #1232, Romagne-sous-Montfaucon (Meuse).
CEMETERY3/13/22
AUDITED BY
89 1906

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 I6, 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.



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

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NOV 19 1920

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

To: Mrs. Emily Couture, 20 Hammer St., Burnside, Conn.

SUBJECT: Remains of Pvt. Joseph E. Couture, Co. K, 102nd. Infantry

The records of this office show that you have requested that his body ~~no request has been~~
~~made as to the disposition of his remains.~~

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

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

By authority of the Quartermaster General.

CHARLES C. PIERCE,
Major, U. S. A.

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

NAME OF—	INSTRUCTIONS NO. AND STREET.	TOWN.	STATE.
Was soldier married? Soldier's widow			
Soldier's children. (Name oldest first.)	1.		
	2.		
	3.		
Father			
Mother			
Brothers. (Name oldest first.)	1.		
	2.		
	3.		
Sisters. (Name oldest first.)	1.		
	2.		
	3.		

Date

Signature

Address

Relationship

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

....., 1920.

I, the undersigned, am the and nearest living relative of the within-named
(Relationship.)
soldier, and desire the following disposition of his remains, viz:
(Strike out all except the one showing the disposition desired.)

1. As stated on first page of this sheet.

2. To be returned to the U. S. and shipped to
(Name.)
.....
(R. R. station.) (State.)

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

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

Signature

INSTRUCTIONS FOR FILLING OUT.

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

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

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

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

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

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

7. 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.

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

9. Use the inclosed envelope—pay no postage.

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WASHINGTON
SERVICES REGISTRATION SERVICE
OFFICE OF THE COMMISSIONER GENERAL OF THE ARMY
WAR DEPARTMENT

WAR DEPARTMENT
Quartermaster Corps,
Graves Registration Service
Pier 2, Hoboken, N.J.

May 14, 1921.

FILE NO. 293.8 Cem. Div. Cor. Br.

MEMORANDUM FOR: Chief, Cemeterial Division, O.Q.M.G.,
Washington, D.C.

SUBJECT: Return of Records - Cemetery #6 A
Transmittal Memorandum Number H- 2998

1. The records pertaining to the following cases are returned herewith, it having been definitely determined that the bodies are to remain in Europe.

REFERENCE NO:

10 Couture, Joseph E., Private, Company K,
102nd Infantry.

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

BY:

F. C. Pallas
F. C. PALLAS,
Executive Assistant.

1 Incl.

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Cemeterial Division
Overseas Project Sub-Section

TO
REFERENCE NO.

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May 14, 1921.

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

Re: Couture, Joseph E., Private,
Company K, 102nd Infantry.

Mrs. Emily Couture,
20 Hammer Street,
Burnside, Conn.

Dear Madam:

Your communication dated April 22nd, 1921, requesting that the remains of the deceased soldier named above be left in France for burial in a permanent American cemetery has been forwarded to the Cemeterial Division, Office of the Quartermaster General, Washington, D. C., for necessary action.

The Cemeterial Division, Washington, D. C., will furnish you the grave location in the permanent American cemetery as soon as possible after the body has been placed therein.

The Department desires to renew its previous expression of sympathy in your bereavement.

By authority of the Quartermaster General:

Mailed-G.P.D.
MAY 16 1921

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

BY:

F. C. FALLAS, *Quartermaster General*
Executive Assistant *Quartermaster General*

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May 14 1921

File No. 282 B Gen. Div. War. Dep.

Re: Colonel Joseph H. ...
Company K, 102nd Infantry.

Mrs. Emily ...
30 ...
Harrisburg, Penn.

Dear Madam:

Your communication dated April 22nd, 1921, requesting that the remains of the deceased soldier ... be laid to rest in a permanent American cemetery has been forwarded to the General Division, Office of the Quartermaster General, Washington, D. C., for necessary action.

The General Division, Washington, D. C., will furnish you the grave location in the permanent American cemetery as soon as possible after the body has been placed therein.

The Department desires to renew its previous expression of sympathy in your bereavement.

In authority of the Quartermaster General:

R. L. ...
Colonel, D. C. ...
Office in Charge.

Mailed - G. R. D.
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Simpson, Campbell & Co.
MANAGERS

New England Department

American Central Insurance Company

IN SAINT LOUIS

Office: 111 Milk Street
Boston

J. ALBERT PARADIS, AGENT
305 MAIN ST.

HOLYOKE, MASS., April 22nd 19 21

War Department
Quartermaster Corps
Graves Registration Service
Pier 2, Hoboken, N.J.

File No. 293.8 Cem. Div. Cor. Br.
(Couture, Joseph E.)

Gentlemen:-

I wish to advise the Department that there is no relative beside myself entitled to a voice in the disposition of the remains of my son the late Pvt. Joseph E. Couture, Company K, 102nd Infantry, the deceased was single, and as I am his mother and the only one to state my desire of what is to be done with the remains, I wish to say that I wish the remains left in France for burial in a permanent American Cemetery.

Truly yours,

Witness to mark
J. Albert Paradis

Emily ^{her} Couture
mark

Noted 4/15
@ 4:28 4-21
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James ...

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WAR DEPARTMENT
QUARTERMASTER CORPS
GRAVES REGISTRATION SERVICE
PIER 2, HOBOKEN, N. J.

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April 13th, 1921.

File No. 293.8 Cem.Div.Cor.Br.
(Couture, Joseph E.)

Mrs. Emily Couture,
20 Hammer St.,
Burnside, Conn.

GEMETERIAL DIVISION



APR 23 1921

Dear Madam:-

The Department desires to be assured that no relative properly entitled to a voice in the disposition of the remains of your son the late, Private Joseph E. Couture, Company K, 102nd Infantry, is denied an opportunity of expressing his or her wishes. Accordingly please inform this office if the deceased is survived by widow, children or father, giving the name and address of each.

If the deceased is not survived by the above mentioned persons, please state definitely if you desire the remains left in France for burial in a permanent American Cemetery, returned to the United States and shipped to you, or interred in the National Cemetery at Arlington, Va.

Your prompt attention to this matter will be appreciated.

By authority of the Quartermaster General:

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Officer in Charge.

BY:

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СПАВІТНИКІВ СОВ'ЯЗ
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WAR DEPARTMENT

Office of the Quartermaster General of the Army
Washington.

G.R.S. Form 8-W-4-1920
Information Requested of A.G.O.

Date 11/9/20.

File No. Registration.

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

To: The Adjutant General of the Army, 6th & B Sts., N. W., Washington, D. C.

Subject: Information required for G.R.S.

1. It is requested that the items checked below be completed. Request confirmation of all information shown.

- a. Surname **Couture**, ✓
- b. Christian name **Joseph. E.**
- c. Serial Number -- *No record*
- d. Organization **Co. K, 102nd Inf.** ✓
- e. Rank **Pvt.** ✓
- f. Date of death **10/26/17.** ✓
- g. Cause of death **Lobar pneumonia**
in line of duty. ✓
- h. Authority (C.C.#) *no records found
mailed card on other records.*
- i. Emergency address **Emily Couture**
207 Harmon St Riverside Conn.
- j. Relationship **Mother**

BODY DESCRIPTION

(See page #2 of the Service Record)

- a. Age of enlistment
- b. Color of eyes
- c. Color of hair
- d. Height
- e. Weight
- f. Permanent marks and physical defects at enlistment (Old fractures or breaks)

DENTAL CHARTS

(See Physical report of examination prior to enlistment)

- a. Strike out teeth missing

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Date of enlistment. *march 27, 1917*

Place of enlistment. *Hartford Conn*

FILE

H. L. ROGERS,
Quartermaster General, U.S.A.

BY:

H. J. Conner
H. J. CONNER,
~~XXXXXXXXXXXX~~
1st Lieut. QMC.

CIMENTERY NO: 8-A.

SHEET NO: 10. *Normally (S.N.)*
TYPED BY: *tlh.*

8-713/MB
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OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL OF THE ARMY
WASHINGTON

ADJUSTMENT BOARD
NOV 14 1920

Date 11/9/20

The Adjutant General of the Army, (General Division)

The Adjutant General of the Army, 4th & D Sts., N. W., Washington, D. C.

Subject: [Illegible]

It is requested that the items checked below be copied. Request

1. Date of death 10/26/17.

2. Cause of death, [Illegible] pneumonia
if time or duty.

3. Authority (I.C.R.) [Illegible]

4. Service address [Illegible]

5. [Illegible]

6. [Illegible]

7. [Illegible]

8. [Illegible]

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10. [Illegible]

11. [Illegible]

12. [Illegible]

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98, Quai de la Repée, Paris, France

BURIAL DEPARTMENT

November 7th, 1917

Chief Burial Department

Mrs. Emily Couture, 20, Hammer Street, BURNSIDE, Connecticut

Location of grave of Private Joseph COUTURE

1. - In compliance with instructions from the Commander in Chief of the A.E.F. you are hereby notified that Private Joseph Couture Co. "K" 102nd Infantry was buried upon the 29th of October 1917 in the French Cemetery of Bazailles s Grave No. 8-D, marked with bottle containing report of death.

E. J. Heller

Captain Q.M., U.S.R.

J
Joseph Couture
Co "K"

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HEADQUARTERS AMERICAN EXPEDITIONARY FORCES,
OFFICE OF ASSISTANT TO CHIEF QUARTERMASTER
98, Quai de la Rapée, ; Paris, France.

November 3rd, 1917

From : Chief Burial Department

To : Adjutant General, A.E.F., Chaumont

Subject : Interment of Private Joseph E. COUTURE, Co. "K", 102nd Infantry

1. It is requested that the following information be supplied ~~to this Department~~, for the completion of ~~the~~ records and in order that the instructions contained in General Order 27 relative to the notification of nearest relatives as to location of grave ~~be~~ carried out.

*of this Department
A.E.F.*

Caplan

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Subject: Interment of Private Joseph Couture, Co."K", 102nd Inf.

1. Information is requested for completion of records of this Department.

- a. Name and address nearest relative
 - b. Disposal of identification tags
 - c. Location of grave and nature of marking
- employed .

Captain Q.M., U.S.R.

✓

T-1704
COUTURE, JOSEPH E.

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2229

OCT 30 12¹⁰ PM 1917

TELEGRAM:

George Edward, Major, Medical Corps, to
Adjutant General, American Expeditionary Forces, Chaumont.

Private Joseph Couture Company K, 102d Infantry died at Base
Hospital No. 18 at 10:30 P. M. October 1917 Cause of death
lobar pneumonia both sides Death was in line of duty and was
not the result of his own misconduct.

Commanding Officer,
Base Hospital No. 18,
Bazoilles.

Wire date of death of Private Joseph E. Couture Company K,
One Hundred Second Infantry.

ALVORD.

OCT 30

12¹⁰ PM

1917

Bazoilles, October 29, 1917.

Geo. M. Edwards, Major, Medical Corps, to Adjutant General,
A. E. F., Chaumont.

Date of death of Private Joseph Couture, Co. K, 102d Infantry,
Oct. 26, 1917.

C.O.M.
30 OCT 1917
H.L.R.

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12¹⁰ PM

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Copy for Chief Quartermaster.

OFFICIAL
HEADQUARTERS AMERICAN EXPEDITIONARY FORCES

O.C.Q.M. Oct. 30, 1917.

Copy to:
W. E. Hoy, Capt. Q.M., U.S.R. ✓
Records
T. & C.

T-1704
3:05 p.m.

FJE

Name - Joseph Couture

Rank - Private

Organization - Co."K", 102nd Infantry.

Date of death - 10.30 PM, October 26, 1917.

Name and address of nearest realtive - Mrs. Emily Couture (Mother)
20 Hamner St., Burnside, Conn.

Disposal of Tags - One buried with body. No square tag available.

Location of grave - 8 - D

Nature of marking - Bottle containing report of death.

Employed - Yes (printer)

Date of Burial - October 29, 1917.

If deceased Jewish Faith - No.

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A. E. F., France,

October 29, 1917.

From: Quartermaster, Base Hospital No. 18.
To: Chief of the Burial Department, L. of C., A. E. F.
Subject: Burials.

1. Herewith reports of death of privates Joseph Couture and Crawford Barber, at Base Hospital No. 18.

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enc. 2

J. C. Weller,
Capt., Q. M., U. S. R.

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TELEGRAM.

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Oct. 26, 1917.

Hq. A. E. F., Copy to - Chief Quartermaster.

O. C. Q. M., October 30th, 1917.

Copy to.

Capt. W. E. Hoy, O.M., U. S. R. ✓
Records,
T. & C.

Recvd. 1st November 1917

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T-1704
3:05 p.m.

TELEGRAM:

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O. C. Q. M., October 30th, 1917.

Copy to.

Capt. W. E. Hoy, C.M., U. S. R.
Records, T. & C.

OCT 30 1917

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T-1704
3:05 p.m.

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-M
Couture, Joseph E. (M-A) M

September 29, 1931. AL

Mrs. Emily Couture,
12 Spring Street,
c/o Mr. Eugene Couture,
Holyoke, Massachusetts.

Dear Madam:

Reference is made to previous correspondence relative to the pilgrimage to the cemeteries of Europe, authorized by the Act of Congress of March 2, 1929, as amended May 15, 1930. To date information has not been received as to whether or not you desire to make a pilgrimage during the summer months of 1932, in honor of the deceased veteran named above.

In order that the records may be complete, and arrangements made accordingly, it is requested you complete the form below by writing in the space provided, your answers to the questions listed, sign your name, and return this letter in the enclosed envelope which requires no postage.

1. Do you desire to make a pilgrimage in 1932?	
2. Please state your age and condition of health:	Age: Health:
3. Do you speak English?	
4. What other language do you speak?	

Sign here

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

Encl:
Env.

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

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM-293-AM

June 12, 1931.

Couture, Joseph E. Pvt. (M-A) M

Mrs. Emily Couture,
12 Spring St.,
c/o Mr. Eugene Couture,
Holyok, e, Mass.

Dear Madam:

Arrangements are now being made for conducting pilgrimages during the year 1932 to the cemeteries in Europe under the provisions of the Act of Congress of March 2, 1929, as amended.

To assure proper and satisfactory accommodations, reservations for steamship transportation required during the summer of 1932 must be made by this office not later than August 1st of this year. It is therefore desired that you answer the question below by writing either of the words "Yes", "No", or "Undecided" in the blank space following the question.

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

This letter is being sent to all eligible mothers and widows who did not make a pilgrimage at the expense of the Government during 1930 and are not making the journey in 1931.

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

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

Sign here

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

June 7, 1930.

Couture, Joseph E. - 1232 H

Mrs. Emily Couture,
12 Spring St.,
C/o Mr. Eugene Couture,
Holyoke, Mass.

Dear Madam:

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

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

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

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

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

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

(Sign here)

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C
Couture, Joseph E. 1232 M.

October 7, 1929.

Mrs. Emily Couture,
12 Spring St.,
c/o Mr. Eugene Couture,
Holyoke, Mass.

Dear Madam:

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

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

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

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

Couture, Joseph E.

August 14, 1929

Mrs. Emily Couture,
12 Spring Street,
c/o Mr. Eugene Couture,
Holyoke, Massachusetts

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 Pvt. Joseph E. Couture, Co. K, 102nd Inf., whose remains are now interred in the Meuse-Argonne Amer. Cty. Romagne-sous-Montfaucon, Meuse, France.

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

Write answers in space below:

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

2. If so, give her complete address.

3. Will you make the pilgrimage?

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

2 Incls.
Act of Congress
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JOHN T. HARRIS,
Major, Q. M. Corps,
Assistant.

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

Couture, Joseph E.

June 29 1929.

Mrs. Bally Couture,
20 Hammer St.,
Burnside, Conn.

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 Joseph E. Couture, Co. K, 102nd Inf., whose remains are now interred in the Meuse-Argonne American Cemetery, Romagne-sous-Montfaucon, Meuse, France.

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

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

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

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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Act of Congress.
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JOHN T. HARRIS,
Major, Q. M. Corps,
Assistant.