

Cummings,

(Surname.)

Jack

(Christian name in full.)

2,700,946

(Army serial number.)

Cpl

Co D, 804 Pion Inf.

(Rank and organization.)

State your relationship to the deceased

Do I desire the remains brought to the United States?

Yes.
(Yes or no.)

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

(Yes or no.)

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

(Name of person to receive remains.)

(Express office.)

(Telegraph office.)

(Number and street.)

(City or town.)

(State.)

(Sign here)

(Number and street or rural route.)

(City, town, or post office.)

(State.)

Read carefully the letter accompanying this card.

drawn by 784
1233-785
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checked
2-3-21
84

jc.

DATE

1. NAME CUMMINGS, Jack

SERIAL No. 2700946

RANK Cpl.

ORGANIZATION Co. D. 804th Pion Inf.

DIVISION none

GRAVE LOCATION St. Mihiel American Cty. THIAUCOURT (M-et-M)

1233

CTY. NAME

NUMBER

206

Sec. 4

4

GRAVE

ROW

PLOT

2. ORIGINAL BATTLE AREA GRAVE LOCATION

86 Plot 2

Briey

M et M

GRAVE

COMMUNE

DEPT.

COORDINATES Metz 36 SE

273.18 N

368.87 E

Cty 889

CONCENTRATED TO

4/23/19

206

Sec. 4

4

DATE

GRAVE

ROW

PLOT

St. Mihiel

1233

CEMETERY

CTY. NUMBER

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

Tag on cross.

DATE OF DEATH

Feb. 9, 1919

STATE FROM WHICH HE CAME

Lorraine

Data F-1

SUBSEQUENT REBURIALS

MEDALS OR DECORATIONS AWARDED

DATE

GRAVE

ROW

PLOT

CEMETERY

DATE

GRAVE

ROW

PLOT

CEMETERY

SIGNATURE, AREA SUPERVISOR

I. H. JOFFEE, 1st Lieut., QMC.

3. FINAL GRAVE LOCATION Aug. 12, 1922

2

2

Block B

DATE

GRAVE

ROW

PLOT

St. Mihiel American No. 1233, Thiaucourt

CEMETERY



Robert C. Davis,
Major General
The Adjutant General
By C.R.E.
NOV 6 - 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 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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GRAVE LOCATION BLANK

LOCATION OF THE GRAVE OF

Cummings 2700946 Jack
(Surname). (Number). (First Name and Initials).

Cpl. Co. D. 804 Pion. Inf.
(Rank). (Organization).

45 coed ambulance
PLACE OF DEATH: Mass. la. Tour, Md. D.

CAUSE OF DEATH: Gun shot wound

DATE OF BURIAL: March 10, 1919

PLACE OF BURIAL: Briey, France

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

Body sent from 2nd Army Hospital
at Mass. la. Tour for burial.

GRAVE NUMBER: Plot B, No. 86

HOW MARKED: Name Peg? Cross? Yes

Headboard? Bottle?

IDENTIFICATION TAGS: Two

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?

NEAREST RELATIVE:

ADDRESS:

RELATIONSHIP:

REPORTED BY: Erasmus Dooley

Chaplain Evac Hosp. No. 18
(Signature and Rank of Reporting Officer).

This portion to be forwarded to Central Records Office, A. G. O., A. E. F.

Place NEUFCHATEAUDate 27 May 1919REPORT OF DISINTERMENT AND REBURIAL.

Remains of:

Name: CUMMINGS, JackNumber: 2700946Rank: Corp.Organization: Co D 804 Pioneer Infantry

Disinterment and Reburial made by Group

Unit

Disinterred (Date)

From: (Give complete location)

23 April 1919Grave 86 Plot 2 Sec A BRIEY, M et M36 SE E368.87 N273.18

Reburied (Date)

in: (Give complete location)

23 April 1919Grave 206 Sec 4 Plot 4ST. MIHIEL AMERICAN CEMETERY #1233THIAUCOURT, M et M/ 52 NE E362.03 N241.44

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

Body dressed and wrapped in blanket, buried in box, body in good condition.Was one identification tag found upon the body? NoWhat other means of identification were found on the body? None

Note:

If upon disinterment, effects are found upon bodies, they will be promptly sent to the Effects Depot direct as is required by G.O. 170, G.H. 2, 1918., after being carefully examined for clues to identity in doubtful cases, notation whereof will be made and reported to Chief, Graves Registration Service.

Supervised by: Lt. Thomas H. ButcherR. H. ROSENTHAL2nd Lieut. O. M. C. U. S. AC.O. Group Unit

Date: 27 May 1953

REPORT OF IDENTIFICATION AND REBURIAL

Remains of:

Number: 2700743

Name: GUNNING, Jack

Organization: Co B 804 Engineer Infantry

Rank: Corp.

Unit

Detachment and Reburial made by Group

Detachment (Date) From: (Give complete location)

23 April 1953 Grave 26 Plot 2 Sec A Bury M at M

26 26 2626.27 1273.15

Reburied (Date) In: (Give complete location)

23 April 1953 Grave 206 Plot 4 Sec A

ST. VINCENT MOUNTAIN CEMETERY 1273

THE UNITED STATES ARMY M at M / 26 26 2626.27 1273.15

Report as to nature of original burial and condition of body and remains
Body dressed and wrapped in blanket, buried in box, body in good condition.

Was one identification tag found upon the body? No

What other means of identification were found on the body? None



If upon identification, effects are found upon body as in required by 13-1, the body should be sent to the H.Q. of the Department for examination for cause of death in light of the fact that after being carefully examined for cause of death, the body should be returned to the H.Q. of the Department for examination.

Note:

Supervised by: Lt. Thomas H. Wether

U.S. ARMY
and Lt. Col. O. M. C. S. A.
27 May 1953

CODE SLIP

HEADING	SUB- HEADING	NO. OF COLS	CODE
NAME <i>Cummings</i>	<i>C. U. M.</i>	3	<i>3 1 3</i>
BURIED	CEMETERY <i>1233</i>	1	<i>3</i>
	GRAVE <i>2</i>	2	<i>02</i>
	ROW <i>2</i>	2	<i>02</i>
	BLOCK <i>13</i>	1	<i>2</i>
STATE	<i>Tenn</i>	2	<i>48</i>
RANK	<i>Cpl</i>	1	<i>2</i>
DIVISION	<i>Infantry</i>	2	<i>51</i>
ORGANIZATION	<i>804</i>	3	<i>804</i>
ARM	<i>Pioneer</i>	1	<i>1</i>
MARTIAL	<i>no</i>	1	<i>2</i>
NAME <i>Mrs. Scales, Martha</i>	<i>SCA</i>	3	<i>931</i>
RESIDENCE	STATE <i>Tenn</i>	2	<i>48</i>
	COUNTY <i>Shelby</i>	2	<i>79</i>
<i>Rear, 227 New S. 3rd St.</i>	CITY <i>Memphis</i>	3	<i>133</i>
RELATION	<i>mother</i>	1	<i>1</i>
OTHER		1	
ELIGIBILITY	<i>yes</i>	1	<i>1</i>
NATIVITY		1	
RACE	<i>BLACK</i>	1	<i>2</i>
ENGLISH	<i>yes</i>	1	<i>1</i>
ATTENDANT		1	
HEALTH	<i>Good</i>	1	<i>1</i>
NO. OF SONS		1	
DATE OF	MO.		
TRIP	YR.		
ACCEPTANCE	<i>no</i>	1	<i>2</i>
29/514/PJ	<i>Age 53</i>		<i>53</i>

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WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-M
Cummings Jack (StM) x

Sept 8, 1932

Mrs Martha Scales
Rear 227 New South 3rd St
Memphis Tenn

Dear Madam:

Reference is made to the questionnaire recently forwarded you, making inquiry as to whether you desire to make a pilgrimage to the cemeteries of Europe during the summer of 1933, and inviting attention to the fact that 1933 is the LAST YEAR for which the pilgrimages are authorized. To date no reply has been received.

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

1. Do you desire to make a pilgrimage in 1933? (Answer "Yes" or "No")	<i>no</i>	<i>Can not make the journey</i>
2. Please state your age and condition of health:		
3. Do you speak English?		
4. What other language do you speak?		

NOTE CAREFULLY, THIS IS THE LAST CHANCE WHICH YOU WILL HAVE TO MAKE THE PILGRIMAGE, AND THERE IS NO PROVISION OF LAW FOR A MONEY ALLOWANCE INSTEAD.

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

Encl:
Env.



WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-M

July 12, 1932

Cummings, Jack (STM) x

Mrs. Martha Scalos,
Rear 227 New South 3rd St.,
Memphis, Tenn.

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)

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM-293-AM

Cummings, Jack Cpl. (StM) M*x

July 16, 1931.

Mrs. Martha Scales,
Rear 227 New South 3rd St.,
Memphis, Tenn.

Dear Madam:

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

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

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

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

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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



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

no
Write answer here

Martha Scales
Sign here

American Banker
5-29-31
1233

Cummings, Jack

✓
Mrs Martha Scales

I

Decline
↑
(Accept or decline)

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

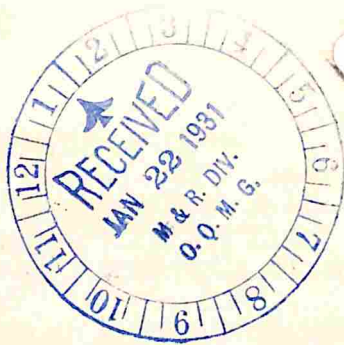
Mrs. Martha Scales

(Name)

Rear 227 New South 3rd St., Memphis, Shelby Co., Tenn.

(Town or City)

(State)



WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C
Cummings, Jack 1233-M

June 19, 1930

Mrs. Martha Scales,
Rear, 227 New South 3rd St.,
Memphis, Tennessee.

Colored

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?

yes
(Write answer here)

Martha Scales
(Sign here)

QM 295 A-C

Cummings, Jack 1233-M

May 27, 1930

Mrs. Martha Scales,
Near 227 New South Third Street,
Memphis, Tenn.

Dear Madam:

Receipt is acknowledged of your telegram of May 26, declining the invitation to sail on the SS "American Merchant" July 12, 1930, to visit the grave of your son, the late Corporal Jack Cummings, under the provisions of the Act of March 2, 1929.

Your name has been placed upon the list of mothers and widows who are eligible to make the journey in 1931, and you will be communicated with when the pilgrimages are being arranged for that year.

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

CE

American Merchant

Cummings, Jack

12-30

1233

I decline by wire ^{5/27/30} ans ^{5/27/30} the invitation extended
(Accept or decline)

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

Mrs. Martha Scales

(Name)

369 Taylor St., Memphis Tenn

(Town or City)

(State)

U. S. GOVERNMENT PRINTING OFFICE. 1929

Rear 227 New South 3rd St.

Not able to make trip

Signal Corps, United States Army

Received at

War Department Message Center,
Room 3441, Munitions Building,
Washington, D. C.

WESTERN UNION TELEGRAPH CO.

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MEMPHIS 410PM MAY 26-1930

DEWITT QUARTERMASTER GENERAL,

1155 G S M

WASHN, D.C.

I WILL NOT BE ABLE TO MAKE THE TRIP.

MRS MARTHA SCALES.

611P



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*Declined Inv. American Merchant
Listed for 1931
7/12/30
Conning's - Jack*

May 23, 1930, Washington, D. C.

MRS MARTHA SCALES
REAR 227 NEW SOUTH THIRD STREET
MEMPHIS TENNESSEE

REPLY TO INVITATION MAILED YOU TO SAIL JULY TWELFTH NOT
RECEIVED STOP DO YOU ACCEPT OR DECLINE WIRE ANSWER. 1156 GEN

DEWITT
QUARTERMASTER GENERAL

QM 293 A-C
Cummings, Jack

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Night Letter

Washington, D. C. May 16, 1930

MRS. MARTHA SCALES,
~~509 TURLEY ST.,~~
MEMPHIS, TENN.

REPLY TO INVITATION MAILED YOU TO SAIL JULY TWELFTH NOT RECEIVED STOP
DO YOU ACCEPT OR DECLINE WIRE ANSWER 1077GSM

DEWITT
QUARTERMASTER GENERAL

QM 293 A-C Cummings, Jack

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ADH



Signal Corps, United States Army

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War Department Message Center,
Room 3441, Munitions Building,
Washington, D. C.

RADIOGRAM

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QM

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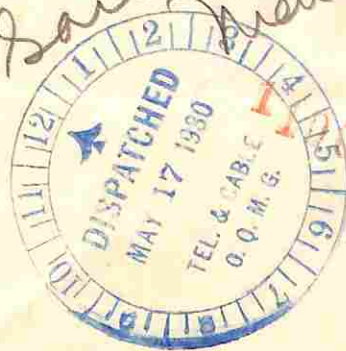
UNDLD YR 33 16TH MRS MARTHA SCALES SINED DEWITT PARTY MOVED ADDRESS

UNKNOWN

MEMPHIS TENN. PER WVR MAY 17

1045A

*Rear 227
New South 3rd St
Memphis, Tenn.*



LOGGED AT 5:40 PM

Cummings - Jack -

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WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C
Cummings, Jack 1233 M.

October 7, 1929.

Mrs. Martha Scales,
~~369 Turley St.,~~
Memphis, Tenn.

colored
Rear 227 New South 3rd St.

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 50 Health ☒ (Years) (Good) (Poor)	
5. What language do you speak?	English - (Yes) ☒ (No) Other language (Specify language spoken)	

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

Encl.
Act
Envelope

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

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

Cummings, Jack

July 31, 1929.

Mrs. Martha Scales,
369 Turley St.,
Memphis, Tenn.

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 Corporal Jack Cummings, Co. D, 804 Pion. 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?

Not married

2. If so, give her complete address.

3. Will you make the pilgrimage?

Yes

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

2 Incls.
Act of Congress
Envelope

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

WAR DEPARTMENT

WASHINGTON, D. C.

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RETURN TO WRITER

NAME OF WRITER _____

Address _____

City _____

State _____

No such post office in state named.

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C
Cummings, Jack

May 28 , 1929.

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Mrs. Martha Scales,
~~Macel,~~
~~Miss.~~

M. Mrs. Martha Scales,
~~369 Turley Street,,~~
Memphis, Tenn.

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 Corporal Jack Cummings, Co. D, 804 Pion. Inf., whose remains are now interred in the St. Mihiel American Cemetery, Thiaucourt, Meurthe-et-Moselle, France.

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

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

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

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

2 incls.
Act of Congress.
Envelope.

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



WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-M
Cummings Jack (StM) x

Sept 8, 1932

Mrs Martha Scates
Rear 227 New South 3rd St
Memphis Tenn

Dear Madam:

Reference is made to the questionnaire recently forwarded you, making inquiry as to whether you desire to make a pilgrimage to the cemeteries of Europe during the summer of 1933, and inviting attention to the fact that 1933 is the LAST YEAR for which the pilgrimages are authorized. To date no reply has been received.

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

1. Do you desire to make a pilgrimage in 1933? (Answer "Yes" or "No")	
2. Please state your age and condition of health:	Age: Health:
3. Do you speak English?	
4. What other language do you speak?	

Sign here

NOTE CAREFULLY, THIS IS THE LAST CHANCE WHICH YOU WILL HAVE TO MAKE THE PILGRIMAGE, AND THERE IS NO PROVISION OF LAW FOR A MONEY ALLOWANCE INSTEAD.

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

Encl:
Env

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

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-M

July 12, 1932

Cummings, Jack (STM) x

Mrs. Martha Soales,
Rear 227 New South 3rd St.,
Memphis, Tenn.

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)

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM-293-AM
Cummings, Jack Cpl. (StM) M*x

July 16, 1931.

Mrs. Martha Scales,
Rear 227 New South 3rd St.,
Memphis, Tenn.

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

Cummings, Jack 1234-V

June 19, 1930

Mrs. Martha Soules,
Rear, 227 New South 3rd St.,
Memphis, Tennessee.

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)

QM 293 A-C

Cummings, Jack 1253-M

May 27, 1930

Mrs. Martha Seales,
Rear 227 New South Third Street,
Memphis, Tenn.

Dear Madam:

Receipt is acknowledged of your telegram of May 26, declining the invitation to sail on the SS "American Merchant" July 12, 1930, to visit the grave of your son, the late Corporal Jack Cummings, under the provisions of the Act of March 2, 1929.

Your name has been placed upon the list of mothers and widows who are eligible to make the journey in 1931, and you will be communicated with when the pilgrimages are being arranged for that year.

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

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QM 293 A-C
Cummings, Jack 1233-M

May 22, 1930

Mrs. Martha Seales,
369 Turley St.,
Memphis, Tenn.

Dear Madam:

The invitation which was extended you to make a pilgrimage to Europe sailing from New York on the S. S. American Merchant on July 12, 1930 has been withdrawn due to the fact that no acceptance has been received from you.

If you desire to make the pilgrimage at a later date, it is requested that you communicate your wishes to this office.

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

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WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

May 12, 1930.

Cummings, Jack 1233 M

Mrs. Martha Scales,
369 Turley St.,
Memphis, Tenn

Dear Madam:

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

For The Quartermaster General:

Very truly yours,

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

1 Enclosure.
Regulation.

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C
Cummings, Jack 1233 M.

October 7, 1929.

Mrs. Martha Scales,
369 Turley St.,
Memphis, Tenn.

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

Cummings, Jack

July 31, 1929.

**Mrs. Martha Scales,
369 Furley St.,
Memphis, Tenn.**

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 **Corporal Jack Cummings, Co. D, 804 Pion. 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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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

May 28, 1929.

Cummings, Jack

Mrs. Martha Seales,
Maeel,
Miss.

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 Corporal Jack Cummings, Co. D, 804 Pion. Inf., whose remains are now interred in the St. Mihiel American Cemetery, Thiaucourt, Mourthe-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.

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Cummings, Jack.

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War Department, OCMG, Washington, D. C., March 17th, 1924--To the General Accounting Office, Military Division, Washington, D. C.

1. Requesting that Mrs. Martha Scales, Box 228, Grenada, Mississippi, be advised whether your records show that any money was found on the body of the late Corporal Jack Cummings, Company D, 804th Pioneer Infantry, at the time of his death in France.

2. The files of this office do not show that any effects were found on the body.

3. Mrs. Scales has been informed of this reference.

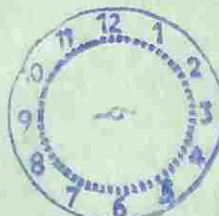
For The Quartermaster General:

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Let. Jan. 22/24.

R. L. WOSTER,
Assistant.

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IN REPLY REFER TO
CUMMINGS, Jack Cpl.

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

February 29, 1924

Mrs. Martha Scales,
Macel,
Mississippi.

Dear Madam:

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

This American military cemetery is one of those to be maintained by the United States for all time in Europe. Each grave will be marked by a headstone of white marble, of dignified design, with the name, rank, division, organization, date of soldier's death and State from which he came. Headstones will be placed at all graves in connection with the improvement work now in progress, as soon as possible and without waiting for special action or request on the part of relatives.

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

Very truly yours,



R. L. FOSTER
Assistant.

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Record card.

Handwritten initials: R4/1

**Soldier's Overseas
Grave**

Name Jack Cummings

Rank Corporal

Organization Company D, 804th Pioneer Infantry

Grave No. 2 Row 2 Block B

Cemetery St. Mihiel American

Location Thiaucourt, Meurthe-et-Moselle, France

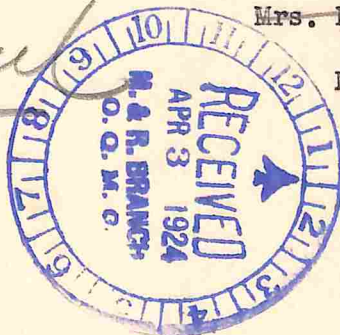
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Mrs. Martha Scales,

Macel,

Mississippi.

Heath Brothers

Grenada, Miss. Jan. 29/24

U.S. Veterans Bureau

Wash. DC

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Mr. Charles E. Mulhearn

Dear Sir: This letter is written in behalf of Mrs. Martha Scales of Grenada, Miss. Box 228, in reply to your favor of the 1/21st, 24, #0.31 Abeyance File, LJP/gmc

As this old colored woman seems to be in trouble over some money that she was due found on her dead sons body in France, and of which she, according to her statement has only received a very small part, which she says was three checks each mounting to \$33.33 1/3 Cts. or the three making only \$100.00

She has furnished me with the necessary papers, to give you the information desired, and asked that I write the department this letter for her.

Her sons name was (Jack Cummings) colored. Corporal, Co. D, 804 Pioneer Infantry. Died with honor March 9th, 1919, Overseas in France. Certificate 2857276 dated Jul. 3, 1918 for \$10,000.00.

Trusting that this is the desired information needed, and assuring you that we have no interest in this old colored womans affair except that she has no knowledge of business, and we always cash her warrants, and she is relying on me to get this matter straightened out for her, as she feels that she is entitled to more than the \$100.00 which she said was all she received, through another attorney in Grenada, Miss. And any reply that you should want to make in behalf of this matter, you can make to her at the given address in the beginning of this letter.

Thanking you for your prompt attention given this matter
I am very truly

H.H. Heath

In behalf of Martha Scales
Box 228, Grenada, Miss.

U.S. Veterans Bureau

Washington

Mch. 12, 1934

In reply refer to

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C-188,505

Jack Cummings,

Cpl. Co. D

804th Pion. Inf.

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U.S. Army

War Dept.

Wash. DC

Sir:

The attached letter from Mr. H.H. Teath in behalf of Mrs. Martha Scales requesting information relative to money that was supposed to have been on the person of her son, the above captioned deceased, at the time of his death occurred in France, is forwarded for your attention

If it is possible to furnish the interested party with any information relative to this inquiry, kindly do so. He is being advised of this reference.

All future communications with reference to this case should bear the full name, rank and organization of the former service man, and the claim number, C-188,505, as indicated above.

For the Director,

Charles E. Mulhearn
Asst. Director in Charge of
Claims and Insurance Service.

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QM 293 A-C
Cummings, Jack

March 17, 1924.

Mrs. Martha Scales,
Box 228,
Grenada,
Mississippi.

Dear Madam:

The Quartermaster General desires that receipt be acknowledged of the letter of January 29th, 1924, written by Mr. H. H. Heath in your behalf, addressed to the United States Veterans' Bureau, and forwarded to this office for consideration.

Please be informed that the records of this office do not show that any money was found on the body of your son, the late Corporal Jack Cummings, Company D, 804th Pioneer Infantry, at the time of his death. However, the General Accounting Office, Military Division, has this day been requested to advise you further regarding the matter. You may expect to hear from that office in the near future.

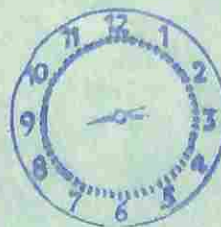
Very truly yours,

R. L. FOSTER,
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CUMMINGS, Jack Cpl.

February 29, 1924

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Very truly yours,

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Record card.

Central Mail & File

Assistant.
R. L. FOSTER

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FEB 29 1924

COMPILATION OF DISPOSITION OF REMAINS DATA

File # 101566

I. LOCATION INDEX CARD:

(a) Name..... **CUMMINGS, Jack** Ser. No. **2700946** DB
 (b) Rank..... **Cpl.** Organization **Co. D, 804th Pion. Intf.** **B. J.**
 (c) Date of death..... **3-9-19** Cause of death **Killed by soldier with .45 Colt automatic**

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

(a) Grave No. **206** Row Plot **4** Sect. **4** TP. DB
 (b) Emerg. Address..... **Mrs. Martha Sales, (Mother)** **Macel, Miss.**

III. Files of soldiers dying from contagious diseases..... CKR..... **B. J.**

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

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V. Following advice forwarded to Europe by (cable on.....192.....
 (letter of transmittal on **FEB 18 1921**)
Par. 2 Not to be returned.

VI. Form 115 forwarded to G.R.S. Hoboken, N.J.....192.....
MAR 1- 1921

VII. SUPPLEMENTARY REQUESTS

Date of Relationship
 and Source.....and name.....Desires.....Action taken

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

COUNTRY..... GERMANY NO. SHEET NO.
 G.R.S. FORM 115-A
 August , 1920

S/666/LML **FRANCE** 1233 785

PRIORITY 104
FEB 28 1921

To be prepared in triplicate.

DATE Aug. 12, 1922

REPORT OF DISINTERMENT, PREPARATION, SHIPMENT AND REBURIAL OF BODY

DISINTERMENT

COMPARATIVE REPORT

jc.

Records of G.R.S. Headquarters.

Discrepancy found upon exhumation of body

1. Name CUMMINGS, Jack

10. Name

2. No. 2700946

11. No.

3. Rank Cpl.

12. Rank

4. Org. Co.D. 804th Pion. Inf.

13. Org.

5. D.D. March 9th 1918 1919

14. (a) D.D.

6. C.D. Killed by soldier with
45 Colt Auto(b) D.B. None

Discrepancy found upon disinterment

7. Grave No. 206 Sec. 4

15. Grave No. Sec.

8. Plot 4 Row

16. Plot Row

9.

17. None18. Cemetery St Mihiel American Cty.19. Commune or town THIAUCOURT20. Dept. or County M-et-M21. Country France22. G.R.S. Hdqrs. Code No. 123323. Disinterred (Date) Aug. 12, 1922By Edmo. Maire

24. Inscription on grave marker:

Name CUMMINS, JackSerial No. 2700946Rank Cpl.Organization Co.D. 804th Pion. Inf.25. Was identification disc found on grave marker? No On body? NoSignature E. E. Cohn Junior Technical Assistant

PREPARATION

E.E. Cohn

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).

Cpl. chevrons27. Condition of body Badly decomposed, features unrecognizable.28. Nature of burial Wooden box, burlap and U.S. uniform29. Any discrepancy noted upon examination of body, as compared with G.R.S. records quoted above? None30. Body prepared and placed in casket: Date Aug. 12, 1922 By Edmo. Maire31. Casket sealed by Edmo. MaireSignature of Embalmer, (Supervisor) Edmo. Maire

Edmo. Maire

SHIPMENT. (Show actual marking of box.) Box No. C-29602

32. Designation of body:

Name Jack CUMMINGS Serial No. 2700946

Rank Cpl Organization Co. D. 804th Pion Inf.

33. Consigned to:

Name of Permanent Cemetery St. Mihiel American Cty. 1233, THIAUCOURT (M-et-M)

34. Casket boxed and marked (Date) Aug. 12, 1922 By Edmo Maire

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

O.E. Davis, 1st Lt., G.M.C.

36. Remarks

None

37. Shipped from point of Operation: (Date) Aug. 12, 1922

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

To Permanent Cemetery St. Mihiel Amer. 1233, Thiaucourt, France.

(Name)

Convoyer

Signature Shipping Officer

40. Received: Date

G.R.S. Representative

41. Reinterred August 12th 1922.

(Date)

42. Grave No. 2

Section

43. ~~Plot~~ Block B

Row 2

G.R.S. Representative A.E. DEWEY, 1st Lt., G.M.C.

Place Thiencourt France**REPORT OF DISINTERMENT AND REBURIAL**Date August 12, 1922.

1. REMAINS OF CUMMINGS Jack SERIAL NUMBER 2700946
 RANK Cpl ORGANIZATION Co D 804th Pion Inf

2. Disinterred (date) : August 12, 1922 From (give complete location) : Gr. 206 Sec 4 Plot 4 Cemetery 1233
 By : Group 4 Unit Sec 1

3. Reburied (date) : August 12th 1922. In (give complete location) : Grave 2, Block B, Row 2, Cam. 1233.
 By : Group Reburial Unit Casket and shipping case.
 Nature of Reburial

4. Report as to nature of original burial and condition of body upon disinterment :
Wooden box, burlap and US uniform
Badly decomposed, features unrecognizable.

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

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 -do

Quantity -do

Characteristics -do

(d) Hair on face—Color -do

Location -do

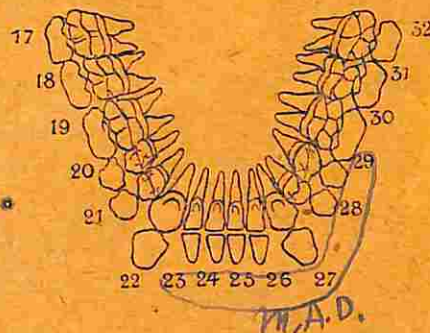
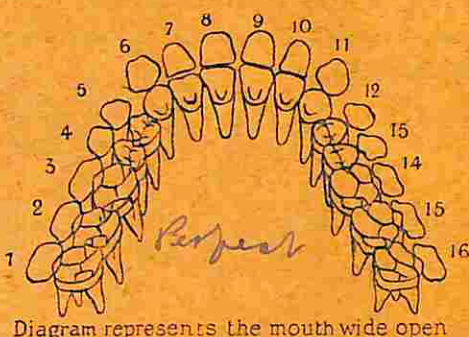
Quantity -do

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

missing after death 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29.

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

none visible.



7. Disinterment supervised by Edmo Maire Approved : O. E. Davis
 (Title) 1st Lieut QMC

8. Reburial supervised by H. I. KRAMER Approved : A. E. DEWEY, 1st Lt., QMC
 (Title)

concentration

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

COMPILATION OF DISPOSITION OF REMAINS DATA

File # 101566 ✓

I. LOCATION INDEX CARD:

(a) Name CUMMINGS, Jack Ser. No. 2700946
 (b) Rank Cpl. Organization Co. D, 804th Pion. Inf. TYP. DB
 (c) Date of death 3-9-19 (d) Cause of death Killed by soldier with 45 Colt automatic CKR. B. J.

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

(a) Grave No. 206 Row - Plot 4 Sec. 4 TYP. DB
 (b) Emerg. Address Mrs. Martha Sales, (Mother) Macel, Miss.

III. Files of soldiers dying from contagious diseases -- CKR. B. J.

IV. A. G. O. DISPOSITION CARD:

Date of receipt _____

(a) Name Martha Sales (b) Relationship Mother
 (c) Address Macel, Miss.
 (d) Remains to be brought to U. S.? No
 (e) To be interred in National Cemetery in U. S. at _____
 (f) Shipping instructions upon arrival of body in U. S. _____

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

Examiner's Initials MH Date 2-2-21, 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 _____ Date _____, 1920.

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

No request for disposition

(a) Cancellation memos referred to? _____

Examiner's Initials MB Date 2.3., 1920.

COUNTRY FRANCE

CEMETERY No. 1233

SHEET No. 785

CARDED

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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 1761 FEB 18 1921, 1920

Par. 2 Not to be returned.

IX.

CORRECTIONS

CHANGE OF ADVICE.	ACTION TAKEN.
Desires body be _____	
Body to be shipped to _____	
(a) Disposition _____	

X. SUSPENSION REMARKS:

*7-120 4/18/21 - Mrs. Martha
Realer, Mother w/k - Macel, Miss. -
Shipped in Europe - 4 1/8 per.*

(a) To be interred in _____

(b) Remains to be brought _____

(c) Address _____

(d) Name _____

IA. V. G. O. DISPOSITION GIVEN:

III. Effect of soldiers' claims from contrabands:

(a) Effect of address _____

(b) Effect of _____ Box _____

II. REGISTRATION GIVEN: (Check Box) _____

(a) Date of death _____ (b) Cause _____

(c) Effect _____ Organization _____

(d) Name _____

I. DISCUSSION INDEX GIVEN:

Discrepancies _____

Name _____

Rank _____

Serial No. _____

LION OF

Discrepancies

Name.....

Rank.....

Serial No.....

Org.....

Remarks

A. G. O. Card & Corr.....

Discrepancies.....

Name.....

Rank.....

Serial No.....

Org.....

Remarks

G. R. S. Corr.....

Discrepancies.....

Name.....

Rank.....

Serial No.....

Org.....

Remarks

OK not w sent 2-4-21

Checkers.....

Discrepancies.....

Name.....

Rank.....

Serial No.....

Org.....

Remarks

EA

S-1357/MB

*checked
2-3-21
SSH*

August 13th, 1921.

File no. 293.8 Com.Div.Ger.Br.

Mrs. Martha Seales,
 Macel,
 Miss.

Re:- Cummings, Jack, Cpl.,
 Serial No. 2700946,
 Co.D, 804 Pion Inf.

Dear Madam:-

Our Shipping Inquiry Form #120, dated April 18th, 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
 AUG 16 1921
 COR. BR. C. R. S.

R.E. SHANNON,
 Captain, Quartermaster Corps,
 Officer in Charge.

BY:

F.C. PALLAS, *mk S*
 Executive Assistant.

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WAR DEPARTMENT

OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL OF THE ARMY
CEMETERIAL DIVISION
WASHINGTON

APR 11 1921

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

To: Mrs. Martha Scales, Macel, Miss

SUBJECT: Remains of Cpl. Jack Cummings Ser No. 2700946 Co D 804 Pion Inf

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

soldier remain in Europe

am

no change

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

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

By authority of the Quartermaster General.

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

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

Was soldier married? no

NAME OF—	NO. AND STREET.	TOWN.	STATE.
Soldier's widow	<u>noted 115</u>		
Soldier's children. (Name oldest first.)	<u>7/18/21</u>		
Father	<u>dead</u>		
Mother	<u>Martha Scales</u>	<u>Macel Miss</u>	
Brothers. (Name oldest first.)	<u>None</u>		
Sisters. (Name oldest first.)	<u>Pearlin Sanders</u>	<u>Memphis, Tenn</u>	
	<u>Ida Popsy</u>	<u>Memphis, Tenn</u>	

Date April 18th 1921

Signature Mrs Martha Scales

Address Macel Miss

Relationship mother

IMPORTANT.—CAREFULLY read instructions before filling out this paper

witness
Philip Miss (over.)

August 13th, 1921.

File No. 222,8 General Div. Gen. H.

Mr. Nathan Scales,
Mabel,
Miss.

Re: - Complaint, Jack, 1911.
Serial No. 170044,
Gen. Div. 204 from Int.

Dear Madam:-

Our Chicago Agency, Form 4360, dated April 18th, 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 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.

By authority of the Quartermaster General:

H. H. LAMSON,
Captain, Quartermaster Corps,
Office in Charge.

W. C. HALLAS,
Executive Assistant.

BY:

MAILED
AUG 16 1921
COR. BR. G. R. S.

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Apr 18, 1921

I, the undersigned, am the Mother and nearest living next of kin of the within-named 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.

Witness
O. B. Speak
Philip Miss
Signature

Mrs Martha Sealie
her mark

INSTRUCTIONS FOR FILLING OUT.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

9. Use the inclosed envelope—pay no postage.

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

GRAVE LOCATION BLANK

LOCATION OF THE GRAVE OF

Cummings *2700946* *Jack*
(Surname). (Number). (First Name and Initials).

Cpl. Co. E., 804 Pion Inf.
(Rank). (Organization).

PLACE OF DEATH: *Marsha Tour, M. et M.*

CAUSE OF DEATH: *Gun shot wound*

DATE OF BURIAL: *March 10, 1919*

PLACE OF BURIAL: *Briey France*

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

Body sent from 2nd Army Hospital at Marsha Tour for burial

GRAVE NUMBER: *Plot B, No. 86*

HOW MARKED: Name Peg? ☐ Cross? ☒

Headboard? ☐ Bottle? ☐

IDENTIFICATION TAGS: *Two*

Was one buried with body? ☒

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

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

NEAREST RELATIVE:

ADDRESS:

RELATIONSHIP:

REPORTED BY: *Erasmus Dooley*

Chaplain Evac. Hosp. No. 18
(Signature and Rank of Reporting Officer).

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



Registration Card No. 101566

G.R.S. Form No. 8: Central Records Liaison.

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

Subject: Information required for G.R.S.

1. Items checked are to be completed:

- () Surname: CUMMINGS
 () Number: 2700946
 () First Name: Jack
 () Rank: Corp.
 () Company: D
 () Organization: 804th Pioneer.
 () Date of Death: 3-9-19
 () Cause:
 () Place:

Location of hospital:

Number " "

Class " "

() Relative:

() Relationship:

() Address:

() Authority:

Cablegram No.: 495

Telegram from:

dated:

() Reported to Washington:

C.C. Nos:

(Under score the "official" C.C.)

() Remarks:

() Show present status on reverse side.

CHARLES C. PIERCE,

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

Initials of Reporter:



2-4-21

Mr. Wilson:

Cummings, Jack.

2700 946. Cpl.

Co D. 804th Pion. Inf.

Ed:

Mrs. Martha Seales

Make adjustment

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Adjustment Made

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