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G.R.S. Form #114 B

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JUN 1 -

DATE 10/28/21

1. NAME **Curtis, Clarence W**

SERIAL No. **369130**

RANK **Pvt**

ORGANIZATION **Co.C.115th Inf**

GRAVE LOCATION **French Mil.Cty Traubach-le-Haut (Alsace)**

CTY. NAME NUMBER

19

GRAVE

ROW

PLOT

2. ORIGINAL BATTLE AREA GRAVE LOCATION

13

**Traubach le Haut**

**Alsace**

GRAVE

COMMUNE

DEPT. *cty #526*

COORDINATES **E.452.38 N.96.61. Map Mulhouse S.W.101**

CONCENTRATED TO **Dec.7,1920**

19

DATE

GRAVE

ROW

PLOT

**French Mil.Cty. Traubach le Haut.**

526

CEMETERY

CTY. NUMBER

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

**Body buried in pine v box and uniform. Ident.Tags found on grave marker**

**and on body. Per GRS Form 16-A Dec.7,1920 Traubach le Haut ,Alsace.**

SUBSEQUENT REBURIALS

**None**

DATE OF DEATH

ROW

PLOT

CEMETERY

STATE FROM WHICH HE CAME

*maine*

DATE

GRAVE

ROW

MEDALS OR DECORATIONS AWARDED

CEMETERY

SIGNATURE, AREA SUPERVISOR

*Stanley J. Grogan*  
**STANLEY J. GROGAN, Capt. Inf. USA.**

3. FINAL GRAVE LOCATION **10/28/21**

39

26

B

DATE

GRAVE

ROW

Block

PLOT-

AUDITED BY *World War Div*  
*227.5-18-23*  
**APR 2 1928**

**Meuse Argonne American Cemetery # 1232 Romagne sous Montfaucou**

CEMETERY

Major General

The Adjutant General

By *AWB*

**JUN 10 1928**

*abc4-7-28*

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**JUN 9 1928**

**WORLD WAR DIV**

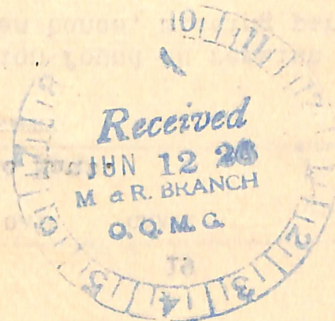
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# INSTRUCTIONS FOR PREPARATION OF FORM 114 B

1. Forms 114-B are to be prepared by Registration Branch in quadruplicate, three copies to be forwarded to Area Supervisor who will accomplish paragraph 2 and return all three copies to Headquarters, American Graves Registration Service.
2. Paragraphs 1 and 3 will be accomplished by Registration Branch, Headquarters, American Graves Registration Service, Q.M.C., in Europe.
3. Paragraph 2 will be accomplished by Area Supervisor from data on file in his office.
4. If data is entered on Form 114-B from Form 1, Form 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.



# GRAVE LOCATION BLANK.

LOCATION OF THE GRAVE OF

**Curtis,**..... **369130** ..... **Clarence**.....  
(Surname.) (Number.) (First Name and Initials.)

**Private Co. C, 115th Infantry**.....  
(Rank.) (Organization.)

**Date of Death: 14 Sept 18**

DATE OF BURIAL..... **15 Sept 18**.....

PLACE OF BURIAL... **Traubach le haut, Alsace**...

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

**Traubach le Haut, Alsace**.....

GRAVE NUMBER..... **13**.....

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

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

IDENTIFICATION TAGS:

Was one buried with body?..... **Yes**.....

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

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

REPORTED BY:

*FC. Reynolds, Chaplain 115<sup>th</sup> Inf.*.....  
(Signature and Rank of Reporting Officer.)

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

Place

Date Dec. 7, 1920

REPORT OF DISINTERMENT AND REBURIAL

1. REMAINS OF Clarene W. Curtis. SERIAL NUMBER 369130

RANK Pvt. ORGANIZATION Co.C. 115th Inf.

2. Disinterred (date): Dec. 7, 1920 From (give complete location): Grave #13, Cem. #526

By: Group #1 Unit #1

3. Reburied (date): Dec. 7, 1920 In (give complete location): Grave #19, Cem. #526

By: Group #6 Unit #3 Pine box, uniform and wrapped in blanket. Nature of reburial

4. Report as to nature of original burial and condition of body upon disinterment: Pine box and uniform Badly decomposed. Features not recognizable.

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

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

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

(a) Height (actual measurement) 5 ft. 6 inches

(b) Weight (estimated) 155 lbs.

(c) Hair—Color Dark brown

Quantity Medium

Characteristics Straight.

(d) Hair on face—Color None visible.

Location

Quantity

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

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

None visible.

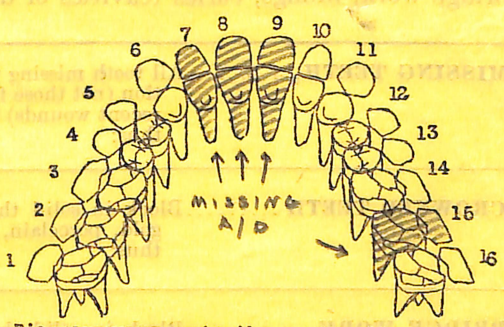
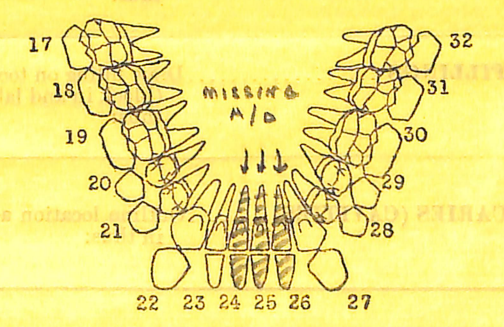


Diagram represents the mouth wide open.



7. Disinterment supervised by Joseph F. Meyer

Approved: O B Babrough (Title) Major

8. Reburial supervised by Harry E. Strong

Approved: O B Babrough (Title) Major

Handwritten number 30224

**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.

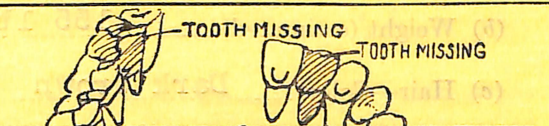




3. Give date and accurate information as to location of reburial and the group and unit which made reburial, and how reburial was made—in casket, wooden box, etc.

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

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.

CODE SLIP  
**LOCO PARENTIS**

HEADING	SUB-HEADING	NO. OF COLS	CODE
NAME	<i>Curtis</i>	3	3-12-8
	<i>Clarence W.</i>		
BURIED	CEMETERY <i>1232</i>	1	1
	GRAVE <i>39</i>	2	39
	ROW <i>26</i>	2	26
	BLOCK <i>E</i>	1	5
STATE	<i>Maine</i>	2	23
RANK	<i>Post.</i>	1	2
DIVISION	<i>29</i>	2	29
ORGANIZATION	<i>115</i>	3	115
ARM	<i>Inf.</i>	1	1
MARTIAL	<i>mb</i>	1	2
NAME	<i>Nickerson</i>	3	493
	<i>Mrs. Luella M.</i>		
RESIDENCE	STATE <i>Maine</i>	2	23
	COUNTY <i>Waldo</i>	2	14
	CITY <i>Belfast</i>	3	007
RELATION	<i>Loco parentis</i>	1	4
OTHER	<i>Sister</i>	1	2
ELIGIBILITY	<i>No</i>	1	2
NATIVITY		1	
RACE		1	
ENGLISH		1	
ATTENDANT		1	
HEALTH		1	
NO. OF SONS		1	
DATE OF	MO.	1	
TRIP	YR.	1	
ACCEPTANCE		1	

*Enl. 5-2-18*  
*Age 24 yrs*

*RFD #2*

*Mother dead*  
*died 1919*

**AUDITED**  
 APR 25 1992 *L.P.P.*

*M.L.P.*  
 29/514/PJ

Ziegler

X<sub>c</sub> 435 32 Curtis, Clarence W.

born enl

date of Mothers death 7-23-19

date of Fathers death 9-9-01

NE  
1303

Mrs Luella Nickerson - born no record of her in V.B files  
~~Is she recognized as a loco~~

2 Mrs. Egie Curtis Gorostes  
46 Fennessy st  
Quincy - Mass

Battne

QM 293 A-M  
Curtis, Clarence W. 1232 LP

September 22, 1930.

Mrs. Luella H. Nickerson,  
R. F. D. #2,  
Belfast, Maine.

Dear Madam:

Reference is made to your letter of July 28, 1930, in which you state that owing to poor health it will be impossible for you to make the pilgrimage authorized by Congress in the Act approved March 2, 1929, and amended May 15, 1930.

In the event that your health should so improve as to permit you to make the pilgrimage during the summer of 1931, 1932, or 1933, it is requested that you so advise this office, so that the necessary forms may again be furnished you with a view to determining your eligibility under the law to visit the grave of the late Private Clarence W. Curtis in the Meuse-Argonne American Cemetery, France.

Deeply regretting the condition of your health and with appreciation of the sentiment expressed in your letter, I am,

For The Quartermaster General.

Very truly yours,

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

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Belfast, Maine,

R. F. D. 2

July, 28, 1930.

Mr. A. W. Hughes.

Dear Sir,

Your letter received. It would be a great satisfaction to visit the cemetery where my dear boy is buried, (Clarence H. Curtis) but my health is very poor and it is impossible for me to travel so far.

I think our government  
and the officers are doing  
a great deal for us all  
and I feel very grateful.  
Thanking you for the trouble  
to inform me of the  
privilege I am sincerely

Mrs. Lorella H. Nickerson

Belfast

R. F. D. 2. Maine



State of \_\_\_\_\_ )

) ss

County of \_\_\_\_\_ )

name of deceased soldier \_\_\_\_\_

Rank \_\_\_\_\_ Organization \_\_\_\_\_

1. The undersigned disinterested persons, not related to the applicant or to the deceased soldier, depose and say of their own personal knowledge that:

(a) \_\_\_\_\_ stood in loco parentis to \_\_\_\_\_  
(name of applicant) (deceased  
\_\_\_\_\_ from \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_  
soldier)

(b) The age of the deceased soldier at the time the status in loco parentis began was \_\_\_\_\_ years, \_\_\_\_\_ months, \_\_\_\_\_ days. The age of \_\_\_\_\_ at the time the status in loco parentis began was \_\_\_\_\_ years, \_\_\_\_\_ months, \_\_\_\_\_ days.  
(name of applicant)

(c) \_\_\_\_\_ during the time she stood in loco parentis to the said deceased soldier, actually provided for such soldier in the following manner and to the following extent:  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

(d) The following additional circumstances, facts and declarations tend to show that the said applicant actually assumed the obligations which a father would have assumed in the matter of making provision for the support of the deceased soldier:  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

2. In making the above statements, it is understood that the term in loco parentis means that:

- (a) A person must act the part of a lawful father in performing the duty of providing for him; taking the place of a father in this particular.
- (b) To obtain the benefits of the Act of March 2, 1929, a woman must have occupied this status towards a particular deceased service man for a period of not less than 5 years at any time prior to the soldier, sailor, or marine becoming 18 years of age. Circumstances and facts should be stated in detail in order to insure intelligent decision. If additional space is required please write on the back of this sheet.

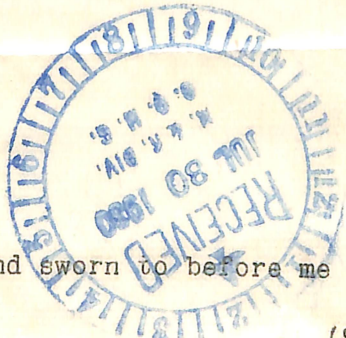
Signed: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Subscribed and sworn to before me this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ 19\_\_\_\_



(Seal)

(Notary Public)

State of \_\_\_\_\_ )  
County of \_\_\_\_\_ ) ss

Name of deceased soldier \_\_\_\_\_

Rank \_\_\_\_\_ Organization \_\_\_\_\_

1. The undersigned disinterested persons, not related to the applicant or to the deceased soldier, depose and say of their own personal knowledge that:

(a) \_\_\_\_\_ stood in loco parentis to \_\_\_\_\_  
(name of applicant) (deceased soldier)  
from \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_

(b) The age of the deceased soldier at the time the status in loco parentis began was \_\_\_\_\_ years, \_\_\_\_\_ months, \_\_\_\_\_ days. The age of \_\_\_\_\_ at the time the status in loco parentis began was \_\_\_\_\_ years, \_\_\_\_\_ months, \_\_\_\_\_ days.  
(name of applicant)

(c) \_\_\_\_\_ during the time she stood in loco parentis to the said deceased soldier, actually provided for such soldier in the following manner and to the following extent:

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

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\_\_\_\_\_  
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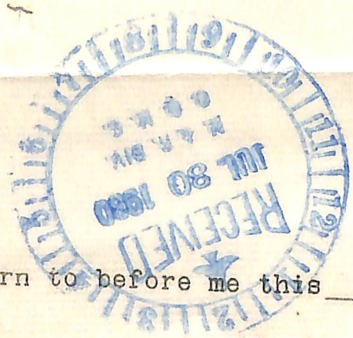
Signed: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Subscribed and sworn to before me this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ 19\_\_\_\_



(Seal)

(Notary Public)

July 17, 1930.

QM 293 A-M  
Curtis, Clarence W. 1232 LP

Mrs. Luella H. Nickerson,  
R. F. D. #2,  
Belfast, Maine.

Dear Madam:

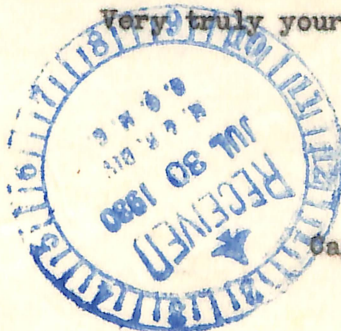
Information has been furnished this office which indicates that you may be eligible to make a pilgrimage to the grave of the late Clarence W. Curtis under the provisions of the Act of March 2, 1929, as amended May 15, 1930. Section 4 (a) of the Act was amended so that it now reads in part as follows: "or any woman who stood in loco parentis to the deceased member of the military or naval forces for a period of not less than five years at any time prior to the soldier, sailor, or marine becoming eighteen years of age."

In order to satisfy legal requirements it will be necessary for you to furnish as proof of your relationship, in loco parentis, the affidavits of at least two persons not related to you.

In order that you consider yourself eligible under the law to make the pilgrimage, it is requested that the enclosed form be completed and returned to this office in order that your eligibility may be determined. Under paragraphs 1 (c) and 1 (d) sufficient information should be included to permit an intelligible decision as to eligibility.

For The Quartermaster General.

Very truly yours,



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

Enclosures:  
Act - Amend.  
Forms - Env.

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*No reply  
BFB*

July 17, 1950.

QM 293 A-M  
Curtis, Clarence W. 1232 LP

Mrs. Luella H. Nicholson,  
R. F. D. #2,  
Belfast, Maine.

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Captain, Q. M. Corps,  
Assistant.

Enclosures:

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Forms - Env.

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WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

July 8, 1930

Curtis, Clarence W. 1232-S

Mrs. Effie Curtis P. Kanes  
63 Thomas Park  
S. Boston, Mass.

Dear Madam:

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

This office has no record of any person entitled under the Act mentioned to make a pilgrimage to the cemeteries in Europe as the mother or widow of the above named deceased service man. To complete the list of eligibles and to assure that, if the above named man is survived by a mother or widow entitled to make a pilgrimage she receive an invitation to do so, it is requested you answer the following questions in the space provided on this letter and return to this office in the enclosed envelope which requires no postage.

1. Is the deceased survived by a mother?

If so, give her name and address:

No

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

If so, give her name and address:

No

3. Is the deceased survived by any woman who stood in loco parentis to him according to the terms of Section 4 (a) of the enclosed Act as amended?

If so, give her name and address:

yes

Mrs. Luella W. Nickerson

Belfast, Maine

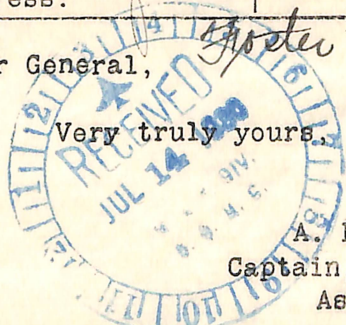
P. O. # 2  
Proper mother for 20 years

A. D. Hughes

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

Enclosures:  
Envelope  
Act  
Amendment



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

WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

Curtis, Clarence W.

August 21, 1929

Mrs. Effie Curtis Partridge Kanes,  
63 Thomas Park,  
S. Boston, Mass.

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 sister of the late Pvt. Clarence W. Curtis, Co. C. 115th 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 -

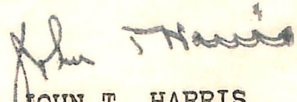
2. If so, give her complete address.

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

No -

For The Quartermaster General

Very truly yours,

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

2 Incls.  
Act of Congress  
Envelope

WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

Curtis, Clarence W.

June 29, 1929.

Mrs. Effie Curtis Partridge,  
65 Pembroke St.,  
Boston, Mass.

*Sis*  
*Mrs. Effie Curtis Partridge Kaus*  
*63 Thomas Park*  
*So. Boston, Mass*  
*XC-43532-*

Dear Madam:

*7-29-29*

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

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

Your attention is particularly invited to Section 4 of the enclosed Act, which defines the terms "mother" and "widow". If the relative is a stepmother, mother through adoption, or any woman who stood in loco parentis to the decedent, a statement as to her relationship is requested. If he was survived by a widow who has since remarried it is also 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*  
JOHN T. HARRIS,  
Major, Q. M. Corps,  
Assistant.

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JUN 30 1929  
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QM 293 A-M  
Curtis, Clarence W. 1232 LP

September 22, 1930.

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R. F. D. #2,  
Belfast, Maine.

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For The Quartermaster General.

Very truly yours,

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

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July 17, 1930.

QM 293 A-M  
Curtis, Clarence W. 1232 LP

Mrs. Luella H. Nickerson,  
R. F. D. #2,  
Belfast, Maine.

Dear Madam:

Information has been furnished this office which indicates that you may be eligible to make a pilgrimage to the grave of the late Clarence W. Curtis under the provisions of the Act of March 2, 1929, as amended May 15, 1930. Section 4 (a) of the Act was amended so that it now reads in part as follows: "or any woman who stood in loco parentis to the deceased member of the military or naval forces for a period of not less than five years at any time prior to the soldier, sailor, or marine becoming eighteen years of age."

In order to satisfy legal requirements it will be necessary for you to furnish as proof of your relationship, in loco parentis, the affidavits of at least two persons not related to you.

In the event you consider yourself eligible under the law to make the pilgrimage, it is requested that the enclosed form be completed and returned to this office in order that your eligibility may be determined. Under paragraphs 1 (c) and 1 (d) sufficient information should be included to permit an intelligible decision as to eligibility.

For The Quartermaster General.

Very truly yours,

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

Enclosures:  
Act - Amend.  
Forms - Env.

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WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

July 8, 1930

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

Curtis, Clarence W.

1232-S

Mrs. Effie Curtis P. Kanes  
63 Thomas Park  
S. Boston, Mass.

Dear Madam:

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

This office has no record of any person entitled under the Act mentioned to make a pilgrimage to the cemeteries in Europe as the mother or widow of the above named deceased service man. To complete the list of eligibles and to assure that, if the above named man is survived by a mother or widow entitled to make a pilgrimage she receive an invitation to do so, it is requested you answer the following questions in the space provided on this letter and return to this office in the enclosed envelope which requires no postage.

1. Is the deceased survived by a mother?

If so, give her name and address:

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

If so, give her name and address:

3. Is the deceased survived by any woman who stood in loco parentis to him according to the terms of Section 4 (a) of the enclosed Act as amended?

If so, give her name and address:

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

Enclosures:

Envelope  
Act  
Amendment

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

Belfast, Maine,  
R.R.#2.

Jan, 24, 1924.

Quartermaster General

Dear Sir:

I want to express  
my thanks to you for the  
card telling me where  
my dear soldier boy is  
buried.

It is pleasing to me to  
know that his grave is  
marked and I trust  
will have good ~~care~~ care.



Thanking you again.

Respectfully

Mrs Snella G Nickerson

Belfast

R.R.#2.

Maine

Q.M. 293 A-C

Curtis. Clarence H. - Port.

WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

**Curtis, Clarence W.**

**August 21, 1929**

**Mrs. Effie Curtis Partridge Kanes,  
63 Thomas Park,  
S. Boston, Mass.**

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 **sister of the late Pvt. Clarence W. Curtis, Co. C. 115th 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. If he is survived by a mother, stepmother, mother thru adoption, or any other woman who stood in loco parentis to him, according to the terms of Section 4 of the enclosed Act, give her name, address, and relationship in the space opposite.

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-C

Curtis, Clarence W.

June 29, 1929.

Mrs. Effie Curtis Partridge,  
65 Pembroke St.,  
Boston, Mass.

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 sister of the late Pvt. Clarence W. Curtis, Co. C, 115th 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 mother or widow who is entitled under the provisions of the above quoted Act, to make the pilgrimage, and if so, will you please furnish the full names and addresses of the mother and widow in order that action may be taken to extend invitations to them to make the pilgrimage. Both mothers and widows are entitled to make the pilgrimage.

Your attention is particularly invited to Section 4 of the enclosed Act, which defines the terms "mother" and "widow". If the relative is a stepmother, mother through adoption, or any woman who stood in loco parentis to the decedent, a statement as to her relationship is requested. If he was survived by a widow who has since remarried it is also 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.

Curtis  
(Surname.)

Clarence W.  
(Christian name in full.)

369,130  
(Army serial number)

Pvt

Co C 115 Inf

(Rank and organization.)

State your relationship to the deceased

*Foster Mother*

Do you desire the remains brought to the United States?

*No*  
(Yes or no.)

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

*No*  
(Yes or no.)

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

(Name of person to receive remains.)

(Express office.)

(Telegraph office.)

(Number and street.)

(City or town.)

(State.)

(Sign here)

*Omella H Nickerson*

*R. H. 2*  
(Number and street or rural route.)

*Belfast*  
(City, town, or post office.)

*Maine*  
(State.)

Read carefully the letter accompanying this card.

Drawn by MKS

5-0-14

10-11-20

checked

at 10-11-20

QM 293 A-C

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.

Mrs. Effie Curtis Partridge,  
65 Pembroke St.,  
Boston, Mass.

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.

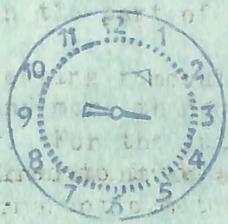
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Very truly yours,  
O. Assistant,  
CENTRAL MAIL ROOM.

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JAN 21 1924

B.O.C.

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QM 293 A-C  
CURTIS, Clarence W. - Pvt.

January 21, 1924

Mrs. Luella Nickerson,  
R.R. #2,  
Belfast, Maine

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.

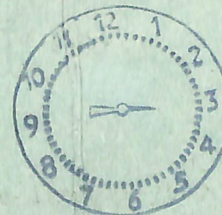
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Very truly yours,

1-Incl.  
Record card.

R. L. FOSTER  
Assistant  
CENTRAL MAIL ROOM



JAN 21 1924

B. O. C.

# REPORT OF DISINTERMENT AND REBURIAL

Date Sept. 7, 1921.

1. REMAINS OF GUTH, Clarence W. SERIAL NUMBER 369130

RANK Pvt. ORGANIZATION C. C. 115th Inf.

2. Disinterred (date): Sept. 7, 1921. From (give complete location): Gr. No. 19 Traubach-le-Haut (Alsace) France, French Military Cemetery # 526.

By: Group 1. Unit Section No. 4.

3. Reburied (date): Oct. 28, 1921. In (give complete location): Musee-Armenie Cemetery 1232 Grave-39 Block-F Row-28

By: Group Reburial 8. 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 and blanket.  
Body badly decomposed, recognition impossible.

5. (a) Identification tags: Buried with body? Yes. 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 None.

Quantity None.

Characteristics None.

(d) Hair on face—Color None.

Location None.

Quantity None.

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

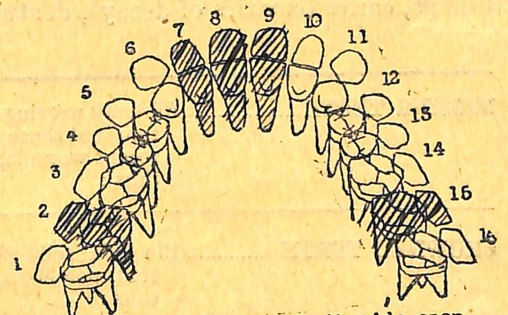
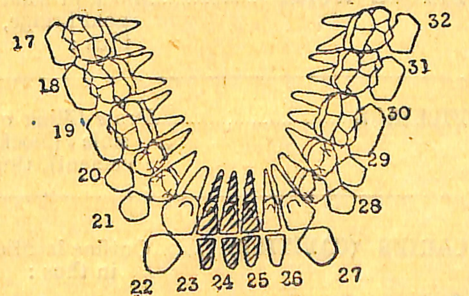


Diagram represents the mouth wide open.



No. 2, 7, 8, 9, 15, 24, 25, 26, M.A.D.

(f) Wounds or missing parts (received at time of casualty) None visible.

7. Disinterment supervised by W. R. TOLLINSON.

Approved: C. J. Blake  
TAP. (Title) Capt. Q.M.C. bjm.






8. Reburial supervised by A. U. Dufault

Approved: James V. Younger  
(Title) Captain Q.M.C.

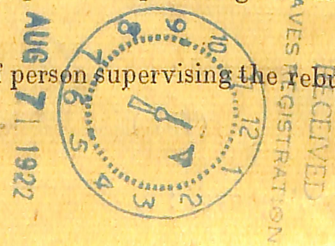
**INSTRUCTIONS FOR THE PROPER COMPLETION OF G. R. S. FORM NO. 16-A**

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.

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

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



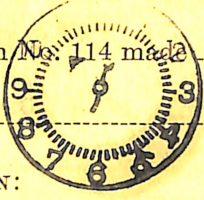


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VII. G. R. S. Form No. 114 made \_\_\_\_\_, 1920.

Typed by \_\_\_\_\_, Checked by JAN 21 1921, \_\_\_\_\_, 1920.



VIII. FINAL ACTION:

Following advice forwarded to Europe by NOV 5 20

CEMETERIAL DIVISION  
OVERSEAS PROJECT SUB-SEC.

CEMETERIAL DIVISION  
OVERSEAS PROJECT SUB-SEC.

cable on \_\_\_\_\_, 1920

letter on 11-1- \_\_\_\_\_, 1920

Par. 2 not to be returned. NB. 11-2-20  
ALP.

IX.

CORRECTIONS

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

X. SUSPENSION REMARKS: 11-15-20 Form #150 Foster - mother  
wishes body left in France 11-18-20 E.C.  
W.R.E.A. gives Mrs. Lillian Choate, mother,  
35 Miller St. Belfast, Maine 11-24-20  
12/23/20 - Letter from sister Mrs. Effie Curtis  
Partridge - requests body remain in France  
as requested by Foster - Mother - 58

**FORM 115 RETURNED BY HOBOKEN - BODY  
TO REMAIN IN EUROPE**

JAN 20 1921

To be prepared in triplicate.

DATE Sept 7, 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 Curtis, Clarence W

10. Name Clarence Curtis.

2. No. 369130

11. No.

3. Rank Pvt.

12. Rank

4. Org. Co. C, 115th Inf

13. Org.

5. D.D. Sept. 14 1918

14. (a) D.D.

6. C.D. KIA

(b) D.B.

Discrepancy found upon disinterment

7. Grave No. 19 Sec.

15. Grave No. Sec.

8. Plot Row

16. Plot Row

9.

17. None.

18. Cemetery French Military

19. Commune or town Traubach-le-Haut

20. Dept. or County Alsace

21. Country France

22. G.R.S. Hdqrs. Code No. 526

23. Disinterred (Date) Sept. 7, 1921.

By W. R. Tomlinson.

24. Inscription on grave marker:

Name CURTIS, Clarence W.

Serial No. 369130

Rank Pvt.

Organization Co. C, 115th. Inf. Gr. 19

25. Was identification disc found on grave marker? Yes. On body? Yes.

THOS A PAGE  
Signature Junior Technical Assistant

PREPARATION

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

No effects found. Form 16a accomplished. Reburial record on body.  
Disc on body shows name to be ( Clarence Curtis)

27. Condition of body Badly decomposed, recognition impossible.

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

29. Any discrepancy noted upon examination of body, as compared with G.R.S. records quoted above? See No. 10.

30. Body prepared and placed in casket: Date Sept. 7, 1921. By W. R. Tomlinson.

31. Casket sealed by W. R. Tomlinson.

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

AUDITED BY

SHIPMENT. (Show actual marking of box.) Box No. C-4836

32. Designation of body:

Name Curtis, Clarence Serial No. 369130

Rank Pvt Organization Co. C. 115th Inf

33. Consigned to:

Name of Permanent Cemetery Argonne Amer. Cty #1232 Romagne-sous-Mont-faucon

34. Casket boxed and marked (Date) Sept. 7, 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

*C. J. Blake*

C. J. BLAKE, Capt. Q.M.C.

36. Remarks

37. Shipped from point of Operation: (Date) Sept. 7, 1921.

To point of Concentration Belfort (Terr. de Belfort) (Name)

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 Sept. 17, 1921.

To Permanent Cemetery Romagne-sous-Mont-faucon (Terr. de Belfort) (Name)

Convoyer RAY HALL. Signature Shipping Officer W. R. BUCKLEY,

40. Received: Date Sept. 26, 1921. Capt. Q.M.C.

G.R.S. Representative Reservante Morgan Capt.

41. Reinterred Meuse-Argonne Cemetery 1232 Oct. 28, 1921. (Date)

42. Grave No. 39 Section

43. ~~Block~~ Block E Row 26

FR

G.R.S. Representative

*James W. Younger*  
James W. Younger,  
Captain, Q.M.C.

hba

CEMETERIAL DIVISION  
REGISTRATION SECTION

FILE

January 18 1922

MEMO FOR:

Cards Department.

1.

CASE OF:

Co. C. 115th Inf.,  
ORGANIZATION (Old)

CURTIS 369130 Clarence W., Pvt.,  
(Name)

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

ORGANIZATION (New)

FILE NO.

SURNAME

SERIAL NUMBER

FIRST NAME AND INITIALS

RANK

DATE OF DEATH

CAUSE OF DEATH

	Date	Place	F-1A No.
Orig.			D-
1st. Reb.	12/7/20	526	D- 30224
2nd Reb.			D-
3rd Reb.			D-

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

BY: Miss Lannon

Card.,  
(Department)

5 x 8 card was sent to file.

Corrections made  
on Organization  
File Card:

By A.B.  
S/3324/LML

Jan. 10th, 1921.

File No. 293.8 Gen. Div., Cor. Branch.  
(Curtis, Clarence W.)

Mrs. Luella H. Nickerson,  
Belfast, Maine.

Dear Madam:-

You are advised that your request that the remains of your foster son, the late Clarence W. Curtis, Private, Serial No. 369130, Co. C, 115th Infantry, be left in France for burial in a permanent National Cemetery, will be complied with. The Department desires to assure you that the grave site will always be maintained as a fitting memorial of the late soldier's sacrifice.

The Department desires to convey renewed assurance of its sympathy in your bereavement.

By authority of the Quartermaster General:

R. E. SHANNON,  
Captain, U. S. Corps,  
Officer in Charge.

By:

J. F. BUTLER,  
1st Lieut., Infantry. *JB*

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MAILED - O.P.D.  
*JB*  
JAN 11 1921

Jan. 10th, 1921.

File No. 293.8 Cem. Div., Cor. Branch.  
(Curtis, Clarence W.)

Mrs. Effie Partridge,  
65 Pembroke Street,  
Boston, Mass.

Dear Madam:-

Receipt of your communication dated  
December 23rd, 1920, relative to the remains  
of your brother, the late Clarence W. Curtis,  
Private, Serial No. 369130, Co. C, 115th Inf.,  
is acknowledged.

You are advised that your request that  
the body be left in France for burial in a  
permanent National Cemetery will be complied  
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By:

J. F. BUTLER,  
1st Lieut., Infantry. ✓✓

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Mailed P. D.

*off*  
JAN 11 1921

Boots, Massachusetts, 100/23/20,

Mr. J. F. Butler;  
1st, Lieutenant, Inf. 8

City 526-14  
NOTED ON FORM #115  
-7-21-1936

Dear Sir:

it is my desire to

have the remains of my  
late brother left in France

for burial, as requested  
by Mrs. Lulla G. Nickerson,  
Jones Very Society.

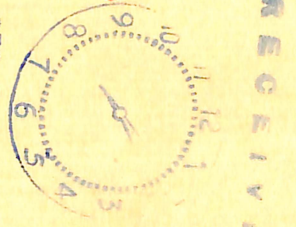
Mrs. Effie Leontie Partridge,  
65 Pembroke St.

CEMETERIAL DIVISION  
OVERSEAS PROJECT SUB-SEC.  
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CEMETERIAL DIVISION

JAN 5 1921

Recorded, Cemeterial Dept., O.O.M.G.  
File 293.8 #37931  
Curtis, Clarence W.

37931

C O P Y

Boston, Mass.  
12/23/20.

Mr. J. F. Butler,  
1st Lieut. Inf.

Dear Sir:

It is my desire to have the remains of my  
late brother left in France for burial, as requested  
by Mrs. Luella H. Nickerson.

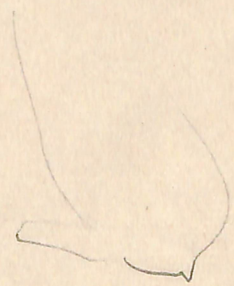
Yours very truly,

Mrs. Effie Curtis Partridge,  
65 Pembroke St.,  
Boston, Mass.

*Original letter forwarded  
to Hoboken as it was  
in answer to a letter  
sent out by Hoboken*

*12-30-20*

Copied by L. Cross.



COPY

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

43532

Hoboken, N. J.

NAME OF DECEASED SOLDIER

CEMETERY NO.

DATE

Curtis, Clarence W. Pvt.

526 - 14

11/19/20

SERIAL NUMBER

ORGANIZATION

369130

Co. C. 115th Inf.

Date of death - 9-14-18

Cause of death - K/A

FILE

*Original filed  
in 12-2-20*

WAR RISK INSURANCE INFORMATION

Adjustment *MADE*

DATE 11-29-20

DEC 3 1920

37931

File No.

NAME OF BENEFICIARY

RELATIONSHIP

Mrs. Lillian Choate

Mother

Address

35 Miller St., Belfast, Maine

3709/MB

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WAR DEPARTMENT

526-14

QUARTERMASTER CORPS

CEMETERIAL DIVISION, GRAVES REGISTRATION SERVICE, Q. M. C.  
ROOM 350, PIER 2, HOBOKEN, N. J.

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Recorded, Cemeterial Div., Q. M. C.  
File # 293.8 #37931

December 17, 1920.

File No. 293.8 Cem. Div. Cor. Branch,  
(Curtis, Clarence W.)

Mrs. Effie Partridge,  
65 Pembroke St.,  
Boston, Mass.

Dear Madam:-

It is requested that you inform this office if you agree to the request of Mrs. Luella H. Nickerson, foster mother of the late Clarence W. Curtis, Private, Serial #369130, Co. C, 115th Infantry, to have the remains of your late brother left in France for burial in a permanent National Cemetery.

Your early attention to this matter will be greatly appreciated.

By authority of the Quartermaster General:

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

By:

*J. F. Butler*  
J. F. BUTLER,  
1st Lieutenant, Infantry.

*Curtis, Clarence W.*

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WAR DEPARTMENT

QUARTERMASTER CORPS

Cemeterial Division, Graves Registration Service, G. M. C.

Room 330, Park 5, Hoboken, N. J.

December 17, 1920.

File No. 128.8 Gen. Div. Cor. Branch,  
(Gurtis, Clarence W.)

Mrs. Willie Gurtis,  
117 Broadway St.,  
Boston, Mass.

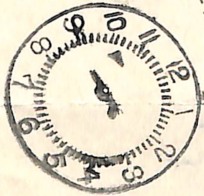
Dear Madam:

It is requested that you inform this office if you have  
to the request of Mrs. Willie Gurtis, former member of the  
late Clarence W. Gurtis, Private, 138th Infantry, Co. A, 1st  
Infantry, to have the remains of your late brother left in France  
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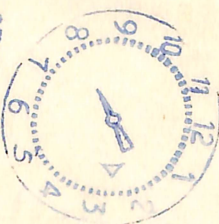
H. E. WILSON,  
Major, Quartermaster  
Office in Charge



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GRAVE LOCATION BLANK.

LOCATION OF THE GRAVE

Curtis 369130 Clarence  
(Surname.) (Number.) (First Name and Initials.)

Private Co. C, 115th Infantry  
(Rank.) (Organization.)

Date of Death: 14 Sept 18  
DATE OF BURIAL: 15 Sept 18

PLACE OF BURIAL: Traubach le Haut

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

Traubach le Haut, Alsace

French Military Cemetery

GRAVE NUMBER: 13 American Plot

HOW MARKED: Name Peg? Yes Cross?

Headboard? Bottle?

IDENTIFICATION TAGS:

Was one buried with body? Yes

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

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

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15 OCT 1918

REPORTED BY:

F. C. Reynolds Captain 115<sup>th</sup> Inf.  
(Signature and Rank of Reporting Officer.)

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

Clarance 352130 Curtis

Private Co. G, 115th Infantry

Date of Death: 14 Sept 18  
15 Sept 18

Traubach in Hand

December 17, 1920.

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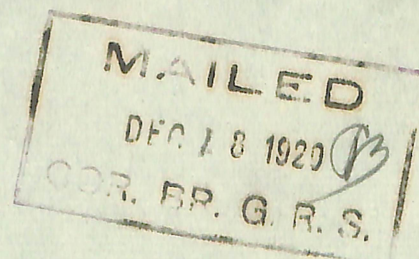
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By:

*RW* J. F. BUTLER,  
1st Lieutenant, Infantry. *JF*

*J.F.*

FF:RW



COMPILATION OF DISPOSITION OF REMAINS DATA

File # 37931

*See 115 -  
10-26-21*

I. LOCATION INDEX CARD:

**CURRIS, Clarence W.** 369130

(a) Name Pvt. Ser. No. 115th Inf. } TYP EK  
 (b) Rank 9/14/18 Organization K/A }  
 (c) Date of death Cause of death }

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

**EK**

(a) Grave No. Row Mrs. Luella Nickerson (friend) Belfast, Maine. } TYP EK  
 (b) Emerg. Address --- }

III. Files of soldiers dying from contagious diseases **NO CARD**

**CKR**

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

*A.G.O. Card - Luella H. Nickerson, (foster mother)  
 R.R. # 2 Belfast Maine requests body be  
 not returned to U.S. ms 11-2-20*

V. Following advice forwarded to Europe by (cable on 192  
 Letter of transmittal on 11-1-1920

*Par. 2. Not to be returned. ms 11-2-20*

VI. Form 115 forwarded to G.R.S. Hoboken, N.J. **NOV 3 1920** 192

VII. SUPPLEMENTARY REQUESTS

Date of and Source	Relationship and name	Desires	Action taken

VIII. Form 115 received from G.R.S. Hoboken, N.J. **JAN 21 1921** 192

COUNTRY CEMETERY NO. SHEET NO.

G.R.S. FORM 115-A  
 August, 1920  
 France

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

NOV 8 1920

FROM: Chief, Graves Registration Service, Q. M. G.  
To: Mrs. Luella H. Nickerson, R.D.# 2, Belfast, Maine.  
SUBJECT: Remains of Pvt. Clarence W. Curtis, Ser. No. 369130.  
Co. C. 115th Inf.

*Change*

The records of this office show that you have requested that his body remain in Europe.

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—	NO. AND STREET.	TOWN.	STATE.
Was soldier married? <i>No</i>			
Soldier's widow			
Soldier's children. (Name oldest first.)	1		
	2		
	3		
Father	<i>Dead</i>		
Mother	<i>Dead</i>		
Brothers. (Name oldest first.)	1		
	2	<i>Rufus Curtis</i>	<i>Address unknown</i>
	3		
Sisters. (Name oldest first.)	1	<i>Effie Partridge</i>	<i>65 Pembroke St, Boston Mass.</i>
	2	<i>Annie Bowden</i>	<i>Address unknown</i>
	3		

Date *Nov 15 1920*

Signature *Mrs. Luella H. Nickerson*

Address *Belfast Maine R.D. 2*

Relationship *Foster Mother*

1920

I, the undersigned, am the \_\_\_\_\_ and nearest living relative 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.

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.

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

Belgian me-  
Mrs. Nickerson the  
foster mother  
Request that body  
remain in France  
Bro. <sup>N-R.</sup> address unknown

Soldier's name is  
Curtis -

War R. # A is

Mrs. Lillian Choate  
Belgian Marie -

Shall we write  
to beneficiaries?

El

No. write to sister  
and ask if she agrees  
with beneficiary

Jep

Write nothing below this line.

WAR DEPARTMENT

Cometerial Division.

OFFICIAL BUSINESS.

PENALTY FOR PRIVATE USE TO AVOID  
PAYMENT OF POSTAGE \$300.

WASHINGTON, D.C.  
DEC 7  
5-PM.  
1920

EARLY  
FOR  
CHRISTMAS

BELFAST  
DEC 9  
1230PM  
MAINE

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1920

Mrs. Lillian Choate,  
35 Miller St., Belfast, Maine.

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U.S. DEPT. OF WAR

*Lillian Choate*  
*Belfast*  
*Maine*  
*R-R-2*

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DEC 11  
8:30 AM  
1920

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

HOBOKEN, N.J.

NAME OF DECEASED SOLDIER	CEMETERY NO.	DATE
CURTIS, Clarence W. private	526-14	11/19/20
SERIAL NUMBER	ORGANIZATION	DATE OF DEATH.
369130	Co. C., 115th Inf.	9-14-18
CAUSE OF DEATH:		K/A

WAR RISK INSURANCE INFORMATION

DATE \_\_\_\_\_

NAME OF BENEFICIARY

RELATIONSHIP

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Cor. Sec. \_\_\_\_\_

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OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
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DATE 11/29/20

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RELATIONSHIP

Mrs. Lillian Choate

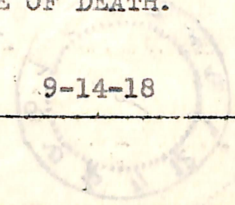
Mother

Address

35 Miller St., Belfast, Maine

Cor.Sec.

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to my file  
12-2-20  
JH



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*Quint*

OFFICE OF THE ASSISTANT SECRETARY GENERAL  
COMMERCIAL DIVISION  
OVERSEAS PROJECT SUB-DIVISION

HONOLULU, H. I.

NAME OF DECEASED SOLDIER	CAMP/COMPANY NO.	DATE
CURTIS, Clarence W.	528-14 Private	11/29/50
SERIAL NUMBER	ORGANIZATION	
869180	Co. G., 1st Inf.	
CAUSE OF DEATH		
WAR RISK INSURANCE INFORMATION		
DATE		11/29/50
NAME OF BENEFICIARY	RELATIONSHIP	
Mrs. Lillian Choate	Wife	
ADDRESS		
35 Miller St., Belfast, Maine		
Col. Post.		



*11-29-50*  
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37931  
Belfast Maine  
Jan. 17, 1919.

Forms. 04.5 forwarded April, 29, 1919.

I can not express my  
gratitude to you for informing  
me where my dear soldier boy's  
body lies. Clarence H. Curtis  
Co. C. 115 Infantry.

I would be much pleased  
to have a photograph of the  
grave. As I never can visit  
his grave.

I am a widow and my  
boy was all I had the cruel  
war has made so much  
saddness the world over.



Thanking you again for  
your kindness and may  
the blessing of God be with  
you Sincerely

Mrs. Luella H. Nickerson

Belfast, Maine

U.S.A.

R. D. 2