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G.R.S. Form #114-B

APR 27 1923

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DATE Feb 14th, 1922.

1. NAME DAVIS, Bernard F. SERIAL No. 2141788  
 RANK Pvt. ORGANIZATION Co. I. 138th Inf.  
 & DIVISION 35  
 GRAVE LOCATION Meuse-Argonne Amer. Cty. ROMAGNE-ss-MONTFAUCON (Meuse) 1232  
 CTY. NAME NUMBER Sec. 9

206 Sec. 9 4  
 GRAVE ROW PLOT

2. ORIGINAL BATTLE AREA GRAVE LOCATION Isolated 2 Charpentry, Meuse  
 GRAVE COMMUNE DEPT.

COORDINATES Verdun 35 SE 277.3 N 304.75 E

CONCENTRATED TO 5/12/19 206 Sec 9 4  
 DATE GRAVE ROW PLOT  
Meuse Argonne 1232  
 CEMETERY CTY. NUMBER

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

DATE OF DEATH Tag on cross, Sept 27, 1914

STATE FROM WHICH HE CAME Meuse

MEDALS OR DECORATIONS AWARDED data F-1.

SUBSEQUENT REBURIALS  
cog.  
 DATE GRAVE ROW PLOT CEMETERY  
 DATE GRAVE ROW PLOT CEMETERY

SIGNATURE, AREA SUPERVISOR M. B. BIRDSEYE  
1st Lt., Q.M. Corps, U.S. ARMY

3. FINAL GRAVE LOCATION Feb 14th, 1922 6 Block C. 16.  
 DATE GRAVE ROW PLOT  
Meuse-Argonne Amer. Cty # 1232. Romagne-sous-Montfaucon (Meuse)  
 CEMETERY

Robert O. Davis,  
 Major General,  
 The Adjutant General.  
 MAY 5 1923  
 AUDITED BY  
 B.W. 3/13/23

APR 30 1923  
 WAR DIV.

# INSTRUCTIONS FOR PREPARATION OF FORM 114 B

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

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

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

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



# GRAVE LOCATION BLANK

LOCATION OF THE GRAVE OF

Davis, ..... 2141788 ..... Bernard F. ....  
(Surname). (Number). (First Name and Initials).

..... Co. I, 138th Inftry. ....  
(Rank). (Organization).

PLACE OF DEATH: .....

CAUSE OF DEATH: .....

DATE OF BURIAL September 30, 1918 .....

PLACE OF BURIAL: .....

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

76.85 x 04.9 Map Verdun A .....

GRAVE NUMBER: .....

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

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

IDENTIFICATION TAGS:

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:

*Richard Hatch Chap 137 Inf*  
(Signature and Rank of Reporting Officer).

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

Davis, Bernard F.

2, 141, 788

Pvt Co. I, 138th Inf.

<sup>4</sup>  
France

Meuse-Argonne

Co. I 138th Infantry  
35th Div

BERNARD, Davis F. - Pvt 2141788

Pvt Bernard was killed in action in the Argonne Meuse offensive on Sept. 27 1918 by a high explosive shell which struck very ex close to him between the towns of Cheppy and Very France.

Informant: MRE, John J. - Pvt 1453301  
Co. I 138th Infantry

Searcher: Chap Edwin A. Shearer  
138th Infantry

*Davis, Bernard F.*

*Port.*

**CENTRAL PASSENGER ASSOCIATION**

TRANSPORTATION BUILDING  
HARRISON AND DEARBORN STREETS

CHICAGO, ILL.

C. A. FOX, CHAIRMAN  
R. E. PEPPER, SECRETARY

FILE NO.

SAILING FROM NEW YORK JULY 9, 1930

S. S. HARDING

No. 441

Name            Mrs Lydia A Davis (K-6)  
Address        306 Hancock St.  
From            Peoria, Ill.            To New York and return

Going Route

CCC&StL    to    Cleveland  
NYC            to    New York

Return same route

Train Schedule to New York

✓ Lv. Peoria	8:00 AM No. 12 July 7
✓ Ar. Indianapolis	1:30 PM No. 12 July 7
✓ Lv. Indianapolis	1:45 PM No. 12 July 7
✓ Ar. New York	9:05 AM No. 12 July 8

Parlor car from Peoria to Indianapolis

Change trains at Indianapolis

Sleeping car from Indianapolis to New York

Elapsed time 25 Hrs 5 Min

\$3.60 excess fare Indianapolis to New York

11/4    HGT



CODE SLIP

HEADING	SUB-HEADING	NO. OF COLS	CODE
NAME <b>DAVIS</b>	<b>DAVIS</b>	3	412 <sup>x</sup>
<b>Bernard</b>	CEMETERY <b>1232</b>	1	1
<b>BURIED 7</b>	GRAVE <b>6</b>	2	06
	ROW <b>16</b>	2	16
	BLOCK <b>C</b>	1	3
STATE	<b>Missouri</b>	2	27
RANK	<b>Port</b>	1	2
DIVISION	<b>35</b>	2	35
ORGANIZATION	<b>138</b>	3	138
ARM	<b>Inf</b>	1	1
MARTIAL	<b>no</b>	1	2
NAME <b>Davis</b>	<b>DAVIS</b>	3	412 <sup>x</sup>
<b>Mrs Lydia</b>	STATE <b>Ill</b>	2	13
RESIDENCE <b>A</b>	COUNTY <b>Peoria</b>	2	72
	CITY <b>Peoria</b>	3	123
RELATION	<b>Mother</b>	1	1
OTHER		1	
ELIGIBILITY	<b>yes</b>	1	1
NATIVITY		1	
RACE		1	
ENGLISH	<b>yes</b>	1	1
ATTENDANT		1	
HEALTH	<b>Good</b>	1	
NO. OF SONS		1	
DATE OF TRIP	MO. <b>Summer</b>	2	07
	YR. <b>1930</b>	1	1
ACCEPTANCE	<b>yes</b>	1	1

*Sorted 9/19/30*

**AUDITED**  
OCT 14 1931 KPL

*Age*

*76*

*76*

Party "K" - Itinerary - Meuse-Argonne Group

Sailed July 9, 1930 on PRESIDENT HARDING. Captain William Hesketh in charge. Lt. Col. H. S. Grier observer. Arrived Cherbourg 12.30am July 17th. Special tender arrived 8.25am bearing Majs. Bailey and Kinderman; Capts. Mitchell, Haley, Earnest, Dalton, Conway and Stark; Lts. Freeman and Sims, 3 nurses, 5 civilian employees. Train left 8.29am; arrived Gare des Invalides, Paris, 2.21pm. Met by Col. Ellis and members of his staff, interpreters and nurses. Taken in bus to hotel.

- July 18th. Morning devoted to transaction of personal business. Exchange of money, preparation of laundry, etc. Afternoon-Arc de Triomphe. Wreath laid by Mrs. Fitzsimmons for party. Tea and reception at Restaurant Laurent. Dinner at hotel.
- July 19th. Departed 7.18am for Verdun via Montmirail, Chalons s/Marne (lunch Hotel Haute-Mare-Dieu), Ste. Menchould (rest stop Modern Hotel). Arrived 8.18pm.
- July 20th, 21st, 22nd. Daily trips made from Verdun to the Meuse-Argonne American Cemetery.
- July 23rd. Left Verdun 8.15am for Reims. Lunch at Cemetery. Left 2pm via Charpentry, Argonne Forest, Four-de-Paris, Vienne-le-Chateau, Vienne-la-Ville, Somme Biennes. Rest stop Hotel Champagne at Suippes. Jonchery, St. Milaire-le-Grand. Arrived Reims 6.00pm. Quarters Hotel Bristol Crystal.
- July 24th. Visited Cathedral and Reims. Lunch Hotel Crystal. Departed 1.50pm for Paris via Champfleury, Ay, Epersay, Dormans, Chateau Thierry (rest stop Hostellerie du Bonhomme) Belleau Woods, Le Thiolet, Montreuil-aux-Lions, La Ferte-sous-Jouarre. Arrived Paris 6.45pm. Dinner at hotel.
- July 25th. Free or shopping. Lunch at hotel. Sightseeing trip - Notre Dame. Dinner at hotel.
- July 26th. Visited Louvre. Lunch at hotel. Sightseeing trip. Napoleon's Tomb. Dinner at hotel.
- July 27th. Free or Church. Lunch at hotel. Sacre Coeur. Dinner at hotel. Sightseeing trip at nite.
- July 28th. Fontainebleau via Barbizon. Lunch Hotel Logris. Visited Chateau. Departed 4pm via Melun for Paris. Arrived 8.30pm. Dinner at hotel.
- July 29th. Boat train for Cherbourg. Left 8.22am. Arrived 3.52pm. PRESIDENT ROOSEVELT sailed about 6.26pm. Arrived New York August 6th.

Mrs. Lydia A. Davis

NAME DAVIS, MRS. LYDIA A. 1930

S.S. ROOSEVELT

HOME PEORIA, PEORIA COUNTY, ILL.

R.R. NYC to Cleveland-Big 4

STATION to dest.

TRAIN #

CAR #

BERTH OR SEAT

TIME

DATE ~~AUG 6 1930~~ Sept. 5-30

Mr Thomas Fox

306 Hancock

Peoria Ill. <sup>IA</sup>

Name ..... DAVIS, Mrs Lidya A.

Paris Hôtel ..... HOTEL AMBASSADOR

Home address ..... BOULEVARD HAUSSMANN  
306 Hancock St, Peoria, PeoriaCounty, Illinois

Party ..... K ..... Group I ..... Unit §§.HARDING.

Date of arrival ..... July 17 1930. ..... Date of departure ..... §§. ROOSEVELT, July 29, 1930.

Relationship ..... Mother

Name of deceased ..... DAVIS, Bernard F

Rank ..... Pvt ..... Organization Co. I, 138th Inf

Cemetery ..... Meuse-Argonne

REMARKS

Lydia Ann Davis



June 19th, 1930.

Mrs. Lydia A. Davis,  
306 Hancock Street,  
Peoria, Illinois.

Dear Madam:

Please attach the enclosed tags to each piece of baggage, thus to protect the safe arrival of same in New York.

Upon your arrival in this City, you will be met at the Railroad Station by a United States Army Officer, in uniform, who will wear on the left sleeve of his coat a blue cloth band, showing a Gold Star and the word "Pilgrimage". This officer will escort you and your baggage to your Hotel in New York City.

For the Officer in Charge

Arrived by 2:05 am July 8  
Trains 12. NYC  
Capt Cistero

George F. R. Taylor,  
1st. Lieut., G.M.C. Corps,  
Assistant.

Enclosures  
2 tags.

2 tags

WAR DEPARTMENT  
 "PILGRIMAGE, WAR MOTHERS AND WIDOWS"  
 ROOM 901  
 225 WEST 34TH ST., NEW YORK, N. Y.

DAVIS, BERNARD F.

M.A.

Party ..... K.....

Number ..... 1936.....

REQUEST FOR PULLMAN RESERVATION

MRS LYDIA A. DAVIS ..... Actual cost of through Pullman.  
 Name of Traveler

PEORIA, PEORIA COUNTY ..... New York, to ..... PEORIA ILL.  
 Home Address

ILLINOIS ..... \$ .....

New York, to ..... PEORIA ILL.  
 Destination

Via ..... NYC to Cleveland - BIG 4 to dest. ....

TICKETS EXPIRE ..... AUGUST 7, 1930.  
 SEPT 5, 1930 ..... Date of Departure

	Road	Tr. No.	Date	Time	Lower or Seat	Car	U. S. G. Order No.	Actual Cost
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AR	Peoria Ill		8/8	530 <sup>Lo</sup>				
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TOTAL .....

Remarks:

The above being the best service, it is necessary to charge an extra-fare of \$36. NO-1,022,967  
 Lt. Young

QM 293 A-M

Davis, Bernard F. 1232-M

August 18, 1930.

Mrs. Lydia A. Davis,  
306 Hancock Street,  
Peoria, Illinois.

Dear Madam:

The testimonial dated August 2nd to the Officer in Charge, Gold Star Pilgrimage, New York City, which you and the other mothers and widows returning on the SS "President Roosevelt" were so kind as to send regarding your pilgrimage to the cemeteries of Europe, has been forwarded to me.

It is gratifying to know that the officers of the Army and the personnel connected with the pilgrimage rendered such courteous and efficient service. The Quartermaster Corps is proud of the honor bestowed upon it by being charged with the conduct of these pilgrimages and has expended every effort that those making the journey might have a comfortable and pleasant trip. I feel, however, that the task has been materially lightened by the wonderful spirit of cooperation shown by the mothers and widows who are making the pilgrimage.

With sincere appreciation of the sentiments expressed by you,

Sincerely yours,

J. L. DEWITT,  
Major General,  
The Quartermaster General.

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JTH  
WRG

RS

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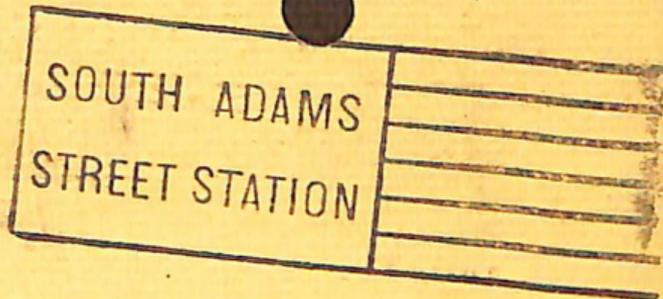
WAR DEPARTMENT



OFFICIAL BUSINESS



PENALTY FOR PRIVATE USE \$300.



PILGRIMAGE, WAR MOTHERS AND WIDOWS

225 WEST 34TH STREET,

NEW YORK, N. Y.

NAME Davis, Mrs. Lydia A.

K

ADDRESS 306 Hancock St., Peoria, Ill.

DATE August 9

TO: OFFICER-IN-CHARGE,  
PILGRIMAGE, WAR MOTHERS AND WIDOWS

I BEG TO INFORM YOU THAT I HAVE RETURNED  
TO MY HOME SAFELY AND IN GOOD HEALTH.

SINCERELY,

(SIGNED) Mrs. Lydia A. Davis

STATE

*Davis, Bernard F.*

.....ILLINOIS.....

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NAME *Davis, Mrs. Lydia A.* HOME ADDRESS *306 Hancock St., Peoria*  
.....*Peoria County*.....

NAME AND ADDRESS OF NEAREST KIN *Mrs. Thomas Fox same*

ARRIVAL IN NEW YORK

DATE *July 8* HOTEL *Roosevelt* ROOM NO. *525*

*quarters: Mrs O. Kehick*

DEPARTURE NEW YORK

*JUL 9 1930*

DATE ..... VESSEL *S/S HARDING* CABIN NO. *104F*

DESTINATION ..... *CHERBOURG* ..... CEMETERY ..... *M. A.* .....

RETURN NEW YORKDATE AUG 6 1930

PEORIA.

306 HANCOCK ST.,

NAME DAVIS, MRS. LYDIA A. HOME ADDRESS PEORIA COUNTY,

ILLINOIS.

RETURN ON S. S. S/S ROOSEVELT HOTEL ASTOR ROOM NO. 334*quarters Mrs Hanna Warsaw*DEPARTURE NEW YORKDATE AUG 7 1930ROAD NYC TRAIN 11 CAR 36 BERTH or SEAT L5

REMARKS .....

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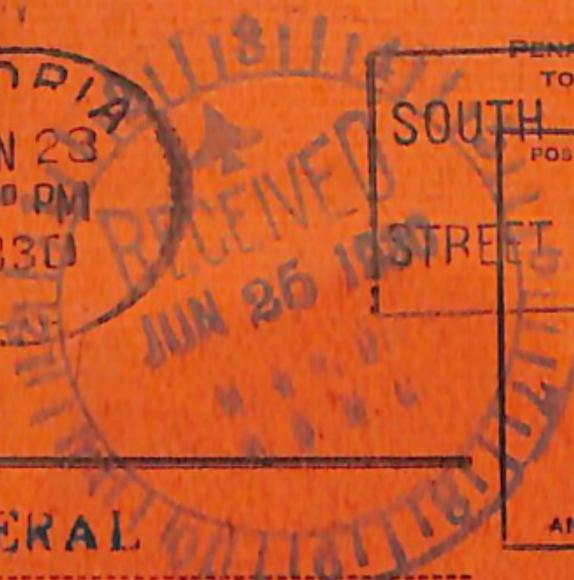
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AND DATE OF DELIVERY	

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RETURN RECEIPT

Harding 7-9-30

Received from the Postmaster the Registered or Insured Article, the original number of which appears on the face of this Card.

*Mrs. Lydia A. Davis*

(Signature or name of addressee.)

6/23/30

(Signature of addressee's agent.)

Date of delivery, \_\_\_\_\_, 19

# Post Office Department

OFFICIAL BUSINESS

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(NAME OF SENDER)

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*Hanging* 7/2/30  
RETURN RECEIPT.

1232

Received from the Postmaster the Registered or Insured Article, the original number of which appears on the face of this Card.



*Mrs Lydia A Davis*  
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(Signature or name of addressee.)

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(Signature of addressee's agent.)

Date of delivery, *6/15/30*, 192

WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

May 12, 1930.

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

Davis, Bernard F. -1232 M  
Harding 7-9

Mrs. Lydia A. Davis,  
306 Hancock St.,  
Peoria, Ill.

Dear Madam:

The records of this office show that you have not furnished the name of your Emergency Addressee as requested in letter of instructions from this office.

It is requested that in the blank space below you write the name and address of the person in the United States whom you desire to be notified in case you become seriously ill or other emergency arises while you are making the pilgrimage to Europe authorized by the Act of Congress approved March 2, 1929.

Mrs Thomas Fox  
Name

306 Hancock St, Peoria, Ill  
Address

*noted*

Please fill in the above and mail it TODAY in the self-addressed envelope which requires no postage.

For The Quartermaster General,



Very truly yours,  
*A. D. Hughes*  
A. D. HUGHES,  
Captain, Q. M. Corps,  
Assistant.

Encl.  
Env.

WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C  
Davis, Bernard F. 1232 M

April 17, 1930.

Mrs. Lydia A. Davis,  
306 Hancock St.,  
Peoria, Ill.

Dear Madam:

The following instructions prepared by the Secretary of State contain the necessary instructions to be followed by you in obtaining the passport or travel document to be utilized in connection with your pilgrimage to the cemeteries in Europe. Please read the directions carefully and call in person upon the nearest Passport Agent or clerk of a Federal or State court having jurisdiction to naturalize aliens. Passport Agencies are located in Boston, Chicago, New Orleans, New York City, San Francisco and Seattle. In large cities there are usually two or more courts and at each county-seat a state court authorized to accept these passport applications.

When you make this call be sure to take with you the four photographs called for in the instructions together with your invitation as a means of identification. You should take with you to the passport office at this time a friend who is an American citizen and who has known you for several years. The passport Agent or clerk of the court will mail your application to the Secretary of State in Washington, D. C., who will issue the passports and travel documents and will deliver them to The Quartermaster General to be held by him until your arrival in New York.

The instructions prepared by the Secretary of State are as follows:

"A mother or widow who owes allegiance to the United States must apply to the Department of State for a Special Pilgrimage Passport through a Passport Agent or through a clerk of a Federal court or State court having jurisdiction to naturalize aliens and on the form prescribed by that Department. When making application, she should be accompanied by a credible witness who is an American citizen and who has known her for a period of two years or more. With her application she should submit four photographs on a light background and on thin paper not more than 3x3 inches in size not less than 2½x2½ inches in size and such documentary

evidence of her American citizenship as she may have in her possession. In the absence of evidence of citizenship, her application should be witnessed by a credible person residing in the same community who is an American citizen, has known her for a long period of time and is able to swear to the best of his or her knowledge and belief that she is a citizen of the United States.

"A mother or widow who does not owe allegiance to the United States must apply to the Department of State for a Pilgrimage Travel Document through a clerk of a Federal court or a State court having jurisdiction to naturalize aliens or through a Passport Agent upon the form of application prescribed for that purpose, entitled APPLICATION FOR A PILGRIMAGE TRAVEL DOCUMENT, issued under the Act of March 2, 1929, submitting therewith four photographs on a light background and on thin paper not more than 3 x 3 inches in size and not less than 2½ x 2½ inches in size. When making application she should be accompanied by a credible witness who has known her for a period of two years or more.

"The Act of March 2, 1929, provides that no fee shall be charged for the execution of an application for a passport or travel document or for the issue of a passport or travel document to a mother or widow making a pilgrimage to the cemeteries of Europe in which deceased soldiers, sailors, and marines of the American forces are now interred.

"Special Pilgrimage Passports and Pilgrimage Travel Documents when issued by the Department of State will be forwarded to the War Department.

"Applicants resident in Boston, Chicago, New Orleans, New York City, San Francisco and Seattle should execute applications at the Passport Agencies in those cities."

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

Harding

7/9/30

1232

*Davis, Bernard F.*

I accept 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.

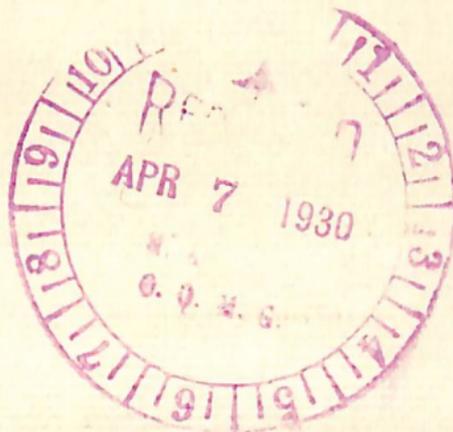
Mrs. Lydia A. Davis

(Name)

306 Hancock St., Peoria, Peoria Co., Ill.

(Town or City)

(State)



WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

October 7, 1929

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C  
Davis, Bernard F. 1232 M.

Mrs. Lydia A. Davis,  
306 Hancock St.,  
Peoria, Ill.

*Filed*  
JUL 9 1930

Dear Madam:

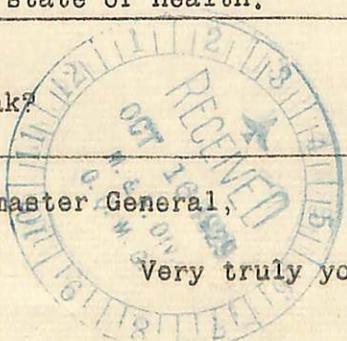
The Act of Congress which provides for pilgrimages to cemeteries in Europe by mothers and widows of members of the military or naval forces of the United States who died in the military or naval service at any time between April 5, 1917 and July 1, 1921, and whose remains are now interred in such cemeteries, 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) <i>Yes</i> (No)
2. Do you desire to make the pilgrimage in the calendar year 1930?	(Yes) <i>Yes</i> (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) <i>No</i>
4. Please give your age and state of health.	Age 76 (Years) Health <i>very good</i> (Good) (Poor)
5. What language do you speak?	English - (Yes) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> (No) <input type="checkbox"/> Other language <i>no other</i> (Specify language spoken)

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,



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

Encl.  
Act  
Envelope

306 Hancock St.  
Peoria Ill, July 10, 1929

War Department  
Office of the Quartermaster General  
Washington D C

Gentlemen:

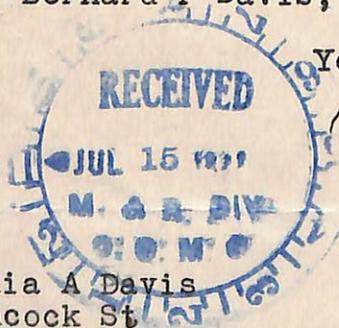
Thank you for your letter in regard to the pilgrimage to be made to the Cemeteries of France and the copy of Act of Congress.

This is a wonderful opportunity to be given the mothers and wives and I would like to make the trip. I would prefer to go during the year of 1930 and in summer, if possible.

My son, Bernard F Davis, was not married.

Yours truly,

LAD:ff



Mrs Lydia A Davis

Mrs Lydia A Davis  
306 Hancock St  
Peoria Ill

WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

June 29, 1929.

Davis, Bernard F.

Mrs. Lydia A. Davis,  
306 Hancock St.,  
Peoria, Ill.

Dear Madam:

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

The records of this office show that you are the mother of the late Pvt. Bernard F. Davis, Co. I, 138th Inf., whose remains are now interred in the Meuse-Argonne American Cemetery, Romagne-sous-Montfaucon, Meuse, France.

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

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

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

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

2 incls.  
Act of Congress.  
Envelope.

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

QM 293 A-M  
Davis, Bernard F. 1232-M

August 18, 1950.

Mrs. Lydia A. Davis,  
308 Hancock Street,  
Peoria, Illinois.

Dear Madam:

The testimonial dated August 2nd to the Officer in Charge, Gold Star Pilgrimage, New York City, which you and the other mothers and widows returning on the SS "President Roosevelt" were so kind as to send regarding your pilgrimage to the cemeteries of Europe, has been forwarded to me.

It is gratifying to know that the officers of the Army and the personnel connected with the pilgrimage rendered such courteous and efficient service. The Quartermaster Corps is proud of the honor bestowed upon it by being charged with the conduct of these pilgrimages and has expended every effort that those making the journey might have a comfortable and pleasant trip. I feel, however, that the task has been materially lightened by the wonderful spirit of cooperation shown by the mothers and widows who are making the pilgrimage.

With sincere appreciation of the sentiments expressed by you,

Sincerely yours,

J. L. DeWITT,  
Major General,  
The Quartermaster General.

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Davis, Bernard F. - 1232

June 13, 1930.

Mrs. Lydia A. Davis,  
306 Hancock Street,  
Peoria, Ill.

Dear Madam:

Arrangements have been completed for your transportation to New York City on your pilgrimage to the American Cemeteries in Europe. One week before your departure the railroad ticket agent, of the first road shown below, will deliver your railroad and pullman ticket to you. Your route to New York will be as follows:

Lv. Peoria	CCC&STL	Train No. 12	8:00 AM	July 7
Ar. Indianapolis	"	" " "	1:30 PM	" 7
Lv. Indianapolis	NYC	" " "	1:45 PM	" 7
Ar. New York	"	" " "	9:05 AM	" 8

All railroad employees have been instructed by their officials to see that you are shown every courtesy and given assistance, particularly at points where it is necessary to change cars.

Should you not receive your ticket six days before the date shown for your departure please take up at once with the ticket agent and if he does not have your ticket, telegraph this office, collect, to that effect.

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

R. E. SHANNON,  
Captain, Q. M. Corps,  
Assistant.

WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 295 A-C

Davis, Bernard F. 1232-M

June 12, 1930

Mrs. Lydia A. Davis,  
306 Hancock St.,  
Peoria, Illinois

Dear Madam:

Somewhat heavier clothing is required to be worn in Europe than is necessary in the United States, in order to be comfortable. During the summer in Europe it is cool during the day and the nights are frequently chilly. Considerable rain is usually encountered during this time.

In order that you may be comfortable at all times, regardless of the condition of the weather, and may avoid missing any of the sights or any part of the itinerary which has been planned for you, the following suggestions are made.

The clothing which you will take with you should be slightly heavier and warmer than you would normally wear in the United States during the summer and should be strong and durable. It is essential that you take with you the necessary equipment to afford protection from the cold and dampness. Be sure to take at least two pairs of comfortable shoes to provide a change in the event your feet become wet, a pair of rubbers, an umbrella, and a sweater or some warm wrap to be used should the weather become uncomfortably cool. It is very desirable that, in addition to the sweater, you have with you a full length coat of medium weight for general wear.

The shortages of suitable facilities for laundry and the frequency of the moves you will make while in Europe will make it impracticable to secure as frequent service of this nature as may be desired. You should therefore provide yourself with sufficient underwear, nightgowns, stockings and handkerchiefs to meet your requirements should it be impossible to have your washing done more frequently than once in two weeks.

If you will read carefully the suggestions made above, and comply with them, it will add greatly to your comfort throughout the trip and will assist the Government in carrying out successfully its plans for conducting the pilgrimage. This letter is being sent to every mother and widow who has accepted the invitation sent to her by the Government to visit the grave of her son or husband.

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

May 12, 1930.

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

Davis, Bernard F. -1232 M  
Harding 7-9

Mrs. Lydia A. Davis,  
306 Hancock St.,  
Peoria, Ill.

Dear Madam:

The records of this office show that you have not furnished the name of your Emergency Addressee as requested in letter of instructions from this office.

It is requested that in the blank space below you write the name and address of the person in the United States whom you desire to be notified in case you become seriously ill or other emergency arises while you are making the pilgrimage to Europe authorized by the Act of Congress approved March 2, 1929.

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Name

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Address

Please fill in the above and mail it TODAY in the self-addressed envelope which requires no postage.

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

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WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

Davis, Bernard F. -1232 M  
Harding 7-9

May 6, 1930

Mrs. Lydia A. Davis,  
306 Hancock St.,  
Peoria, Ill.

Dear Madam:

Requests for stop-overs on return from the pilgrimage to the American cemeteries in Europe are being received by this office, in some cases, too late to take action.

Transportation arrangements for the round-trip are made a month before departure and requests for stop-overs on return must be in this office at that time.

Stop-overs can not be allowed on the trip to New York or in Europe, but may be allowed at any point on return from New York provided there is no additional cost or, if there is, that it is paid in advance by the pilgrim.

If you desire stop-overs at any point on return, please advise this office AT ONCE as to the cities where you desire to stop and we will be glad to arrange accordingly, or advise you if there is any additional cost to be paid by you. Send your request direct to this office and do NOT include it with your passport application.

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

R. E. SHANNON,  
Captain, Q. M. Corps,  
Assistant.

WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

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Harding 8-9

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WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

April 17, 1930.

Davis, Bernard F. 1232 M

Mrs. Lydia A. Davis,  
306 Hancock St.,  
Peoria, Ill.

Dear Madam:

The following instructions prepared by the Secretary of State contain the necessary instructions to be followed by you in obtaining the passport or travel document to be utilized in connection with your pilgrimage to the cemeteries in Europe. Please read the directions carefully and call in person upon the nearest Passport Agent or clerk of a Federal or State court having jurisdiction to naturalize aliens. Passport Agencies are located in Boston, Chicago, New Orleans, New York City, San Francisco and Seattle. In large cities there are usually two or more courts and at each county-seat a state court authorized to accept these passport applications.

When you make this call be sure to take with you the four photographs called for in the instructions together with your invitation as a means of identification. You should take with you to the passport office at this time a friend who is an American citizen and who has known you for several years. The passport Agent or clerk of the court will mail your application to the Secretary of State in Washington, D. C., who will issue the passports and travel documents and will deliver them to The Quartermaster General to be held by him until your arrival in New York.

The instructions prepared by the Secretary of State are as follows:

"A mother or widow who owes allegiance to the United States must apply to the Department of State for a Special Pilgrimage Passport through a Passport Agent or through a clerk of a Federal court or State court having jurisdiction to naturalize aliens and on the form prescribed by that Department. When making application, she should be accompanied by a credible witness who is an American citizen and who has known her for a period of two years or more. With her application she should submit four photographs on a light background and on thin paper not more than 3x3 inches in size not less than 2½x2½ inches in size and such documentary

evidence of her American citizenship as she may have in her possession. In the absence of evidence of citizenship, her application should be witnessed by a credible person residing in the same community who is an American citizen, has known her for a long period of time and is able to swear to the best of his or her knowledge and belief that she is a citizen of the United States.

"A mother or widow who does not owe allegiance to the United States must apply to the Department of State for a Pilgrimage Travel Document through a clerk of a Federal court or a State court having jurisdiction to naturalize aliens or through a Passport Agent upon the form of application prescribed for that purpose, entitled APPLICATION FOR A PILGRIMAGE TRAVEL DOCUMENT, issued under the Act of March 2, 1929, submitting therewith four photographs on a light background and on thin paper not more than 3 x 3 inches in size and not less than 2½ x 2½ inches in size. When making application she should be accompanied by a credible witness who has known her for a period of two years or more.

"The Act of March 2, 1929, provides that no fee shall be charged for the execution of an application for a passport or travel document or for the issue of a passport or travel document to a mother or widow making a pilgrimage to the cemeteries of Europe in which deceased soldiers, sailors, and marines of the American forces are now interred.

"Special Pilgrimage Passports and Pilgrimage Travel Documents when issued by the Department of State will be forwarded to the War Department.

"Applicants resident in Boston, Chicago, New Orleans, New York City, San Francisco and Seattle should execute applications at the Passport Agencies in those cities."

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

In reply refer to QM 293 A-C

Davis, Bernard F. 1232-M

March 29, 1930

Mrs. Lydia A. Davis,  
306 Hancock St.,  
Peoria, Ill.  
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

and escorted to first class hotel where reservations have been made. The duration of your stay in New York will be from 24 to 48 hours. At the 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 from two to four will be quartered in the same stateroom. If you have any 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

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

October 7, 1929.

Davis, Bernard F. 1252 H.

Mrs. Lydia A. Davis,  
306 Hancock St.,  
Peoria, Ill.

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,

Encl.  
Act  
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

June 29, 1929.

Davis, Bernard F.

Mrs. Lydia A. Davis,  
306 Hancock St.,  
Peoria, Ill.

Dear Madam:

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

The records of this office show that you are the mother of the late Pvt. Bernard F. Davis, Co. I, 138th Inf., whose remains are now interred in the Meuse-Argonne American Cemetery, Romagne-sous-Montfaucon, Meuse, France.

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

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

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

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

2 incls.  
Act of Congress.  
Envelope.

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

In reply refer to:  
293.8 C-R

March 20, 1923.

#35395

Mrs. Lydia A. Davis,  
308 Hancock St.  
Peoria, Ill.

Dear Madam:

The Quartermaster General desires that you be informed that  
the permanent grave of

Private Bernard F. Davis, Company I, 138th  
Infantry is Grave 6, Row 16, Block C, Meuse-Argonne American  
Cemetery, ~~It is one of the permanent military cemeteries~~  
to be maintained by this Government in Europe. Each grave will  
be marked by a headstone of white marble, of suitable design,  
with name, rank, organization, date of soldier's death and State  
from which he came. The 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.

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

Very truly yours,

H. J. Conner,  
Assistant.

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REPORT OF DISINTERMENT AND REBURIAL

Remains of:

Name: DAVIS? Bernard F.

Number 2141788

Rank: Unkn

Organization

Unkn

Disinterment and Reburial made by Group:

Unit

Disinterred (Date)

From (Give complete location)

6 18th May 1919.

Grave #2, ISOLATED, CHARENTREY MEUSE

Map 55 SE 304.75 E 277.3 N.

Reburied (Date)

In: (Give complete location)

1232

12 May 1919.

Grave #206, Sec. 9, Plot 4.

ARGONNE AMERICAN CEMETERY No. 1232

ROMAGNE MEUSE

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

Burial good Buried in uniform Body decomposed

Was one identification tag found upon the body? No

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

10670  
CONFIRMED No. 0

Note:

If upon disinterment, effects are found on 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 of identity in doubtful cases, notation whereof will be made and reported to Chief, Graves Registration Service.

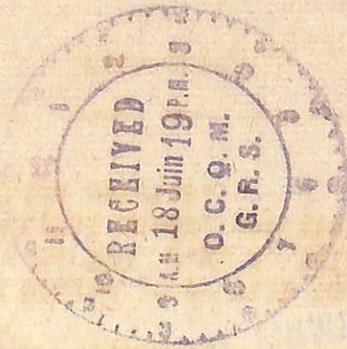
Supervised by: Lt. Zama

R. H. ROSENTHAL

and Lieut. O. M. C. U. S. A.

C.O. Group Unit

H.O'K



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# GRAVE LOCATION BLANK

LOCATION OF THE GRAVE OF

Devie, ..... 2141788 ..... Bernard F. ....  
(Surname). (Number). (First Name and Initials).

..... Co. I, 138th Infty. ....  
(Rank). (Organization).

PLACE OF DEATH: .....

CAUSE OF DEATH: .....

DATE OF BURIAL: September 30, 1918 .....

PLACE OF BURIAL: .....

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

76.85 x 04.9 Map Verdun A .....

GRAVE NUMBER: .....

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

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

IDENTIFICATION TAGS:

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:

*CHIME* Charpentry (Meuse) *2*

NEAREST RELATIVE *CHIME* 35 S.E. COORD / E 304.9

ADDRESS: ..... N 276.85 *15*

RELATIONSHIP: ..... *2*

REPORTED BY:

*Richard Hatch Chap 137th*

(Signature and Rank of Reporting Officer).

... List No. 148-410  
... Report No.

1 G.R.S. form no 1

2 no 2/41788

3 DAVIS BERNARD F.

4 prot. —

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6 Isolated American

7 Charpentry, Meuse

8 grave no 2 Isolated burial

9 Cross.

10 yes — yes

11 1 kilo S. Charpentry Eclisfontaine rd. 2 kilo N.E. Charpentry. 5 M.N. of creek.

12 Map 35 SE. 277, 3 N. x 304, 8 E.

13 Sketch no 70.

Group 4 unit 306 G.R.S.

George Diehoff

CMME. Charpentry (Meuse)

(C-148) SHT. 35 SE COORD. { E. 304.8  
N. 277.3

DAVID BERNARD

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JAN 19 11 00 AM  
O. C. O. M.  
S. D. S.

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OSPSS CtY. NO. 1232

Sec. 9. case no 44

AY

Davis,

(Surname)

Bernard F

(Christian name in full.)

2,141,788

(Army serial number.)

Pvt.

Co I, 138 Inf.

(Rank and organization.)

State your relationship to the deceased

Mother

Do you desire the remains brought to the United States?

No

(Yes or no.)

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

(Yes or no.)

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

(Name of person to receive remains.)

(Express office.)

(Telegraph office.)

(Number and street.)

(City or town.)

(State.)

(Sign here)

Mrs. Lydia A. Davis

306

Hancock St.

Peoria Ill

(Number and street or rural route.)

(City, town, or post office.)

(State.)

Read carefully the letter accompanying this card.

drawn by M.H.  
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Place Pomagne 1232.

REPORT OF DISINTERMENT AND REBURIAL

Date Feb 14, 1922.

1. REMAINS OF DAVIS, Bernard F. SERIAL NUMBER 2141788  
RANK Pvt ORGANIZATION Co. I. 138th Inf.

2. Disinterred (date): Feb 14, 1922 From (give complete location): gr 206, sec 9, plot 4. Cty. 1232.  
By: Group 1 Unit sec 1

3. Reburied (date): Meuse Argonne Cty 1232 Feb 14 In (give complete location): Gr. 6 Bl C. Row 16  
By: Group Reburials Unit \_\_\_\_\_ Nature of reburial Unlined casket

4. Report as to nature of original burial and condition of body upon disinterment: wooden box and burlap and U.S. uniform. body decomposed, unrecognizable.

5. (a) Identification tags: Buried with body? yes. On grave marker? yes.  
(b) Other means of identification found upon disinterment, and general remarks: body tag agrees with records.

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)

do

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

none visible.

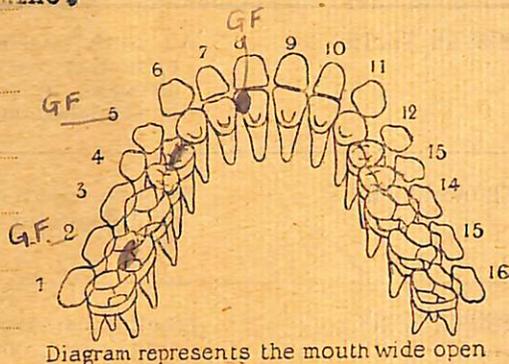
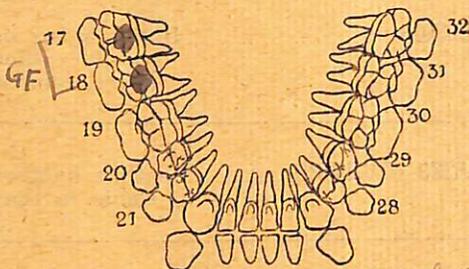


Diagram represents the mouth wide open



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7. Disinterment supervised by C.V. Russell

Approved: R. Richards. 1st Lt. Q.M.C.  
(Title)

8. Reburial supervised by W.B. Sheild

Approved: A.E. Dewey 1st Lt. Q.M.C.  
(Title)

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

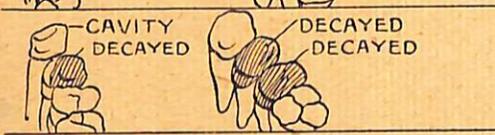
Enter information, as noted below, on reverse side of sheet in the *corresponding numbered space*. This form is supplemental to and is to be forwarded with G. R. S. Form 1-a, reporting reburial locations. To be used in answer to Question 26, Form 114, in case no means of identification on body.

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 :	 <p style="text-align: center;">TOOTH MISSING      TOOTH MISSING</p>
CROWNED TEETH	Block in solid the crown of tooth (label gold, porcelain, or gold and porcelain), thus :	 <p style="text-align: center;">GOLD CROWN      PORCELAIN CROWN GOLD CROWN</p>
BRIDGE WORK	Block in solid the crown of tooth (label gold bridge, gold and porcelain bridge) thus :	 <p style="text-align: center;">GOLD AND PORCELAIN BRIDGE      GOLD BRIDGE</p>
FILLINGS	Draw filling on tooth accurately as possible (block in and label gold, silver, cement), thus :	 <p style="text-align: center;">SILVER FILLING      GOLD FILLING GOLD FILLING      GOLD FILLING GOLD FILLING</p>
CARIES (CAVITIES)	Outline location and size of cavity, shade in thus :	 <p style="text-align: center;">CAVITY DECAYED      DECAYED DECAYED</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.



To be prepared in triplicate.

DATE Feb 14 1922

REPORT OF DISINTERMENT, PREPARATION, SHIPMENT AND REBURIAL OF BODY

DISINTERMENT

COMPARATIVE REPORT

Records of G.R.S. Headquarters. <sup>jc.</sup> Discrepancy found upon exhumation of body

1. Name DAVIS, Bernard F. 10. Name \_\_\_\_\_

2. No. 2141788 11. No. \_\_\_\_\_

3. Rank Pvt. 12. Rank \_\_\_\_\_

4. Org. Co. I. 138th Inf. 13. Org. \_\_\_\_\_

5. D.D. Sept. 27th 14. (a) D.D. \_\_\_\_\_

6. C.D. KIA. (b) D.B. None

Discrepancy found upon disinterment

7. Grave No. 206 Sec. 9 15. Grave No. \_\_\_\_\_ Sec. \_\_\_\_\_

8. Plot 4 Row \_\_\_\_\_ 16. Plot \_\_\_\_\_ Row \_\_\_\_\_

9. \_\_\_\_\_ 17. None

18. Cemetery Meuse-Argonne Amer. Cty. 19. Commune or town ROMAGNE-ss-MONTFAUCON

20. Dept. or County Meuse 21. Country France

22. G.R.S. Hdqrs. Code No. 1232--Sec. 9

23. Disinterred (Date) Feb 14 1922 By C V Russell

24. Inscription on grave marker:

Name Barnard F Davis Serial No. 2141788

Rank Pvt Organization Co I 138th Inf

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

*J L White*  
Signature Junior Technical Assistant

J L White

PREPARATION

26. What other means of identification were on body? (If no disc or other means of identification on body, give description of body in detail).  
None

27. Condition of body Badly decomposed features unrecognizable

28. Nature of burial US Uniform burlap pine box

29. Any discrepancy noted upon examination of body, as compared with G.R.S. records quoted above? None

30. Body prepared and placed in casket: Date Feb 14 1922 By C V Russell

31. Casket sealed by C V Russell

Signature of Embalmer, (Supervisor) *C V Russell*  
C V Russell

AUDITED BY

SHIPMENT. (Show actual marking of box.)

Box No.

C-25342

32. Designation of body:

Name Bernard F. DAVIS

Serial No. 2141788

Rank Pvt.

Organization Co. I. 138th Inf.

33. Consigned to:

Name of Permanent Cemetery Meuse-Argonne Amer. Cty. 1232, ROMAGNE-ss-MONTFAUCON (Meuse)

34. Casket boxed and marked (Date)

Feb 14 1922

By C V Russell

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

R Richards 1st Lt QMC

36. Remarks

37. Shipped from point of Operation: (Date)

Feb 14 1922

To point of Concentration

Morgue Romagne

Convoyer W J Royed

Signature Shipping Officer

(Name

G F Spann, Capt. QMC

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

Convoyer

Signature Shipping Officer

(Name

40. Received: Date

G.R.S. Representative

41. Reinterred

Meuse Argonne Cty 1232 Feb 14 1922

(Date

42. Grave No.

6

Section

43. ~~Row~~ Block

C

Row

xxix-16

G.R.S. Representative

A.E. Dewey 1st Lt. Q.M.C.

dlb.

# COMPILATION OF DISPOSITION OF REMAINS DATA

## I. LOCATION INDEX CARD:

File #35395

(a) Name DAVIS, Bernard F. Ser. No. 2141788  
(b) Rank Pvt. Organization Co. I, 138th Infantry  
(c) Date of death 9/27/18 (d) Cause of death K/A

TYP. DMA  
CKR. B. J.

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

(a) Grave No. 206 Row - Plot 4 Sec. 9 TYP. DMA  
(b) Emerg. Address Mrs. Lydia A. Davis (mother) 402 Hancock St., Peoria, Ill

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

## IV. A. G. O. DISPOSITION CARD:

Date of receipt

(a) Name Mrs. Lydia A. Davis (b) Relationship Mother  
(c) Address 304 Hancock St., Peoria Ill.  
(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 3/20, 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 MH Date 3-22, 1920.

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

No request for disposition

(a) Cancellation memos referred to? Yes

Examiner's Initials MH Date 3-22, 1920.

COUNTRY FRANCE

CEMETERY No. 1232-Sec. 9

SHEET No. 44

G. R. S. Form No. 115  
Amended April 6, 1920

Make Form No. 114

FORM 115 - A COMPLETED

CARDED

MB 4-5-21

Checked  
3-23-20 JSC



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 - no 8W sent JBB*

Checkers

Discrepancies

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*checked 2/11*

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

*A. G. O. Card: Mrs. Lydia A. Davis (mother) 306 Hancock St., Peoria, Ill., requests body remain in Europe. P. L. 4/4/21.*

V. Following advice forwarded to Europe by { cable on \_\_\_\_\_, 192  
 letter of transmittal on 3/30, 192/1  
*Sec 9*  
*Par 2 not to be returned SPA*

VI. Form 115 forwarded to G. R. S., Hoboken, N. J., APR 8 1921, 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. \_\_\_\_\_, 192

COUNTRY \_\_\_\_\_ CEMETERY No. \_\_\_\_\_ SHEET No. \_\_\_\_\_

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