

G.R.S. Form #114-B

To The A. G. O.

Sol. Sig. Philip

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FEB 6 - 1926

FULL NAME *DAVIS, Philip* ✓

RANK *Private* ✓ SERIAL *3168710* ✓

DIVISION & ORGANIZATION *Company C, 119th Infantry* ✓

DATE OF DEATH *Sept 29, 1918* ✓

STATE FROM WHICH HE CAME *W. Va* ✓

MEDALS OR DECORATIONS AWARDED *none* ✓

Date	Grave	Row	Block
	<i>121</i>	<i>1516</i>	<i>A</i>

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Cemetery

Robert C. Davis,
Major General,
The Adjutant General.

By *[Signature]*
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WORLD WAR DIV.

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WORLD WAR DIV.

GRAVE LOCATION BLANK.

LOCATION OF THE GRAVE OF

DAVIS-3168710-THILIP

(Surname.) (Number.) (First Name and Initials.)

Inf. Co. 6 - 119th Inf.

(Rank.) (Organization.)

DATE OF BURIAL 10/1-18

PLACE OF BURIAL Old Hickory #1

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

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GRAVE NUMBER 58 Row a

HOW MARKED: Name Peg? Cross? Yes

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:

J. M. Roberson - S. Chaplin 30th Div.

(Signature and Rank of Reporting Officer.)

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

Co. C. 110th Infantry 1

DAVIS Phillip Pvt. 3189710
Home Address : Unknown

Killed

" Informant was not eye witness , but was with burial party and knew his Christian name , found him dead on the field and buried him a short way North of Villeret , at a grave yard with about 93 other men from 80th Division . No other man by this name in Company or Battalion . Ground was held . "

This accurate account .

Informant : BROWN Weldon Pvt. 1315113
Co. C. 110th Infantry
Box 596 Black Mtn. N.C.
Home : January 31st 1919

John A. Mitchell - Searcher .
1st Lt. 110th Infantry

C.F.

Co G 119 Inf

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DAVIS Phillip Pvt 316B.710

Missing in action sept 29-1918

Davis was killed by a shell near Bellicourt. He was killed instantly. He was buried in the Old Hickory cemetery an American Cemetery, about three kilom from Bellicourt. It is No 2 cemetery I saw his grave there it is marked.

Informant: Binkley Claude A Pvt 1315085
Camp 2
Co G 119 Inf
Home : Kernersville NC
Marb h 17-1919

F/N.

Eliz Andrews Searcher

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Missing in action sept 29-1918

Kern says;

Davis was killed in action on sept 29 in breaking the Hindenburg line near Bellecourt. He was killed by shell fire and must have been instantly killed. We held the ground and the bodies were buried. I do not know anything about his burial but I saw his grave later. I came out of the line. I cannot remember just where it was. The grave was marked with a white cross and an identification tag-

Informant: Kern Julian O Cpl 1315035
Embarkation camp 1
Co C 119 Inf
Home : 572 Poplar Ave, Memphis Tenn
March 16-1919

F/N.

REPORT OF DISINTERMENT AND REBURIAL.

Remains of:

Name: Davis, Philip

Number: 3168710

Rank:

Organization:

Disinterment and Reburial made by Group # 2 Unit 302

Disinterred (Date) June 4th, 1919. From: (Give complete location)

Grave # 59, Row # 1, Plot A, Old Hickory # 1 Military Cemetery, Map Rfs., Cambrai
S.W. East 174.1. North 361.4.

Reburied (Date) June 4th, 1919. in: (Give complete location)

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Grave # 93, Row # 4, Plot B, Bony Military Cemetery, Map Rfs., 13 S.W. East 176.3.
North 363.8.

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

Wrapped in burlap, condition poor.

11211

Was one identification tag found upon the body? Yes.

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

11211

CONFIRMED No. 0

Note:

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

Supervised by

[Handwritten signature]

C. E. Brader 2nd. Lt. O.M.C.

C.O. Group # 2 Unit 302 U.S.A.

REPORT OF DISINTERMENT AND REBURIAL

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Name: Davis, Philip

Number: 3168710

Rank:

Organization:

Disinterment and Reburial made by Group W 2 Unit 302

Disinterred (Date) June 4th, 1919. From: (Give complete location)

Grave # 93, Row W 1, Plot A, Old Hickory # 1 Military Cemetery, Map Rts., Campsite

S.W. East 174.1, North 361.4.

Reburied (Date) June 4th, 1919. In: (Give complete location)

Grave # 93, Row A, Plot B, New Military Cemetery, Map Rts., IS S.W. East 178.8.

North 363.8.

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

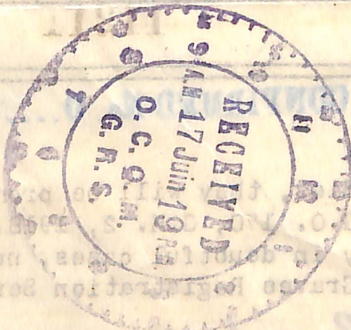
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What other means of identification were found on the body? None.

Note:

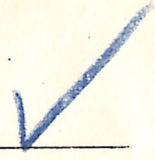
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Supervised by _____ and Lt. J. H. C.

C.O. Group # 2 Unit 302

CODE SLIP



HEADING	SUB-HEADING	NO. OF COLS	CODE
NAME	<i>Davis, Phillip</i>	<i>DAV</i>	<i>3</i>
	CEMETERY	<i>636</i>	<i>1</i>
BURIED	GRAVE	<i>1</i>	<i>2</i>
	ROW	<i>16</i>	<i>2</i>
	BLOCK	<i>9</i>	<i>1</i>
STATE	<i>N. Va.</i>	<i>2</i>	<i>57</i>
RANK	<i>Port</i>	<i>1</i>	<i>2</i>
DIVISION	<i>30</i>	<i>2</i>	<i>30</i>
ORGANIZATION	<i>119</i>	<i>3</i>	<i>119</i>
ARM	<i>Inf</i>	<i>1</i>	<i>1</i>
MARTIAL	<i>no</i>	<i>1</i>	<i>2</i>
NAME	<i>Frederick, Mrs</i>	<i>FRE</i>	<i>3</i>
	<i>Mary C</i>		
RESIDENCE	STATE	<i>W Va</i>	<i>2</i>
	COUNTY	<i>Ritchie</i>	<i>2</i>
	CITY	<i>Harisville</i>	<i>3</i>
RELATION	<i>Mother</i>	<i>1</i>	<i>1</i>
OTHER		<i>1</i>	
ELIGIBILITY	<i>Yes</i>	<i>1</i>	<i>1</i>
NATIVITY		<i>1</i>	
RACE		<i>1</i>	
ENGLISH	<i>Yes</i>	<i>1</i>	<i>1</i>
ATTENDANT		<i>1</i>	
HEALTH	<i>Poor</i>	<i>1</i>	<i>2</i>
NO. OF SONS		<i>1</i>	
DATE OF TRIP	MO.	<i>1</i>	
	YR.	<i>1</i>	
ACCEPTANCE	<i>no</i>	<i>1</i>	
	<i>Age</i>		

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QM 293 A-M
Davis, Phillip (Son)

August 19, 1932

Mrs. Mary C. Frederick,
Harrisville, West Virginia.

Dear Madam:

Receipt is acknowledged of your communication of recent date, advising that you are unable to make a pilgrimage to the grave of your son, the late Private Phillip David, during the summer of 1933.

The pilgrimage was authorized by Congress in an endeavor to bring a measure of peace and solace to the hearts of the mothers and widows whose loved ones made the supreme sacrifice for their country during the late war. I am indeed sorry that your health will not permit you to accept this last offer of the Government to make a pilgrimage, as it is believed you would receive great comfort and consolation from the trip.

For The Quartermaster General.

Very truly yours,

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

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WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-M

Davis, Phillip (Som)

July 12, 1932

Mrs. Mary C. Frederick,
Harrisville, W. Va.

Dear Madam:

The Act of Congress of March 2, 1929, as amended May 15, 1930, authorizes pilgrimages to the cemeteries Of Europe during the years 1930, 1931, 1932 and 1933 for the mothers and widows of deceased members of the American forces who were lost or buried at sea or whose remains are interred in Europe.

Your attention is particularly invited to the fact that this is the last opportunity you will have to make the pilgrimage under the provisions of the above mentioned Act. Unless you take advantage of this LAST chance to make a trip in 1933 you will receive no benefit from the Act. There is no provision of law which will permit the Government to make a money allowance to any mother or widow who does not choose to make the pilgrimage.

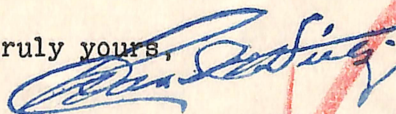
IT IS REQUESTED THAT YOU GIVE THE MATTER YOUR MOST CAREFUL CONSIDERATION BEFORE REACHING A DECISION, BEARING IN MIND THAT THIS IS THE LAST OPPORTUNITY YOU WILL HAVE TO MAKE THE TRIP AT GOVERNMENT EXPENSE.

In order to assure proper and satisfactory accommodations for the mothers and widows making the journey in 1933, reservations for steamship transportation must be made by this office several months in advance. It is requested that you answer the questions below by writing "Yes" or "No" or "Undecided" in the blank space following the question. When you have answered the question, sign your name and return this sheet in the enclosed addressed envelope which requires no postage. PLEASE DO NOT DELAY, as it is essential that the information be in this office promptly.

This letter is being sent to all eligible mothers and widows who did not make the pilgrimage during the years 1930, 1931 or 1932. There is enclosed a circular of information WHICH YOU SHOULD READ VERY CAREFULLY BEFORE MAKING YOUR DECISION.

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,



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

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

(Write answer here)

(Sign here) _____

GENERAL INFORMATION REGARDING THE PILGRIMAGE

The entire cost of the Pilgrimage from the time you leave your home until you return thereto will be borne by the United States Government. You will need money only for the purchase of any small articles of a personal nature you may desire to obtain as souvenirs.

Should you decide to make the trip, a formal invitation will be extended you, setting orth the name of the vessel and the date of sailing. If you accept the invitation, an identification badge will be forwarded you shortly before you leave home to wear while on the journey. The wearing of this badge assures you every attention, the railroad personnel rendering special care and assistance to the wearers of this emblem. Your local railroad agent will deliver your Pullman and railroad tickets to you about a week before you leave home, and you will be furnished a detailed schedule of your trip to New York. A check to cover the cost of your meals and incidental expenses to New York will be sent you about two weeks prior to leaving.

Upon arrival in New York you will be met at the station by an officer of the United States Army who will escort you to the hotel at which reservation has been made for you. From that time on you will be under the personal supervision of Army officers and any expenditures that are necessary will be taken care of by them. Competent personnel to care for your comfort and welfare throughout the trip will be provided and doctors and nurses will be available. When you return to New York from Europe, you will be given railroad and Pullman tickets to your home, together with a check to pay for meals and other expenses on the journey, and you will be escorted to the train by an officer.

Somewhat heavier clothing is required in Europe during the summer than is necessary in the United States, and the pilgrims are requested to provide themselves with slightly heavier and warmer clothing than they ordinarily wear at home. That is, at least two pairs of comfortable shoes to provide a change in the event your feet become wet, a pair of rubbers, an umbrella, a full length coat for general wear, and a sweater or some warm wrap to be used should the weather become uncomfortably cool.

The pilgrimage was authorized by Congress in an endeavor to bring a measure of solace and peace to the hearts of the mothers and widows whose loved ones gave their lives in their Country's cause, and it is evident from the many letters received from women who have made the journey that the effort has not been in vain. Approximately six thousand mothers and widows, many of whom were in very poor health and of advanced age, successfully made the pilgrimage during the summers of 1930, 1931 and 1932. The pilgrimages of 1930 and 1931 have been completed, that of 1932 is under way, and arrangements are now being made for conducting the last of these pilgrimages during the summer months of 1933.

in answer to your letter received
some time ago & Cant @ Go My
trip for I cant able to Go far
I had a stroke and Cant Go &
am bed fast now

Yours Mary @ Fredrick



WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-M

Davis, Phillip Som M-

December 18, 1931.

Mrs. Mary C. Frederick,
Harrisville, W. Va.

Dear Madam:

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

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

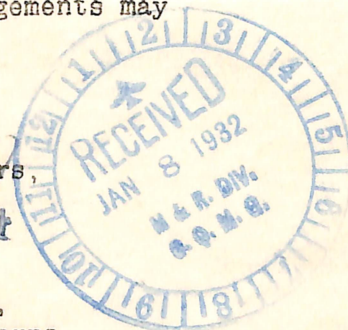
Your name is being placed on the list of mothers and widows who are eligible to make a pilgrimage in 1933. However, should you change your mind in view of the above, and desire to make a pilgrimage during the summer months of 1932, it is requested you advise this office in order that arrangements may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

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,



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



Dear Sirs:- My health is such I am not able to make the trip. Thanking you I am yours
Mary C. Frederick

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

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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-M

Davis, Phillip (Som) M

November 2, 1931.

Mrs. Mary C. Frederick,
Harrisville, W. Va.

Dear Madam:

Reference is made to previous correspondence relative to the pilgrimage to the cemeteries of Europe, authorized by the Act of Congress of March 2, 1929, as amended May 15, 1930. In your reply to the recent inquiry as to whether or not you desired to make a pilgrimage in 1932, you advised you were undecided.

In view of the fact that steamship reservations must be made several months in advance, it is essential that this office know how many mothers and widows must be arranged for. It is possible that you may have made your decision by this time. It is therefore requested that you complete the form below by writing in the space provided, your answers to the questions listed, sign your name, and return this letter in the enclosed envelope which requires no postage. In the event you state you desire to make the journey in 1932 and circumstances prevent your making the pilgrimage, it is requested you notify this office as promptly as possible.

1. Do you desire to make a pilgrimage in 1932?	I do not desire to make the trip, as my health will not permit.
2. Please state your age and condition of health:	Age: 69 Health: Poor
3. Do you speak English?	
4. What other language do you speak?	

Sign here

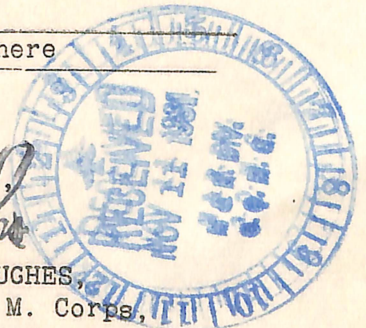
For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

A. D. Hughes

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-AM

Davis, Phillip Pvt. (Som) M

June 15, 1931

Mrs. Mary C. Frederick,
Harrisville, W. Va.

Dear Madam:

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

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

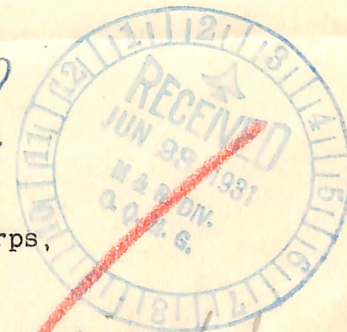
As soon as you have answered the question, please sign your name and return this sheet in the enclosed addressed envelope which requires no postage. Do not delay, as a prompt reply is essential.

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

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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



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

Undecided
Write answer here

Mary C. Frederick
Sign here

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C
Davis, Phillip 636 M

June 9, 1930

Mrs. Mary C. Frederick
Harrisville, W. Va.

Dear Madam:

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

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

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

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

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

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bad I am not able
to try it*

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

(Write answer here)

Mrs. Mary C. Frederick
(Sign here)

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WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
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IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C
Davis, Phillip 636 -M

October 7, 1929.

Mrs. Mary C. Frederick,
Harrisville, W. Va.

Dear Madam:

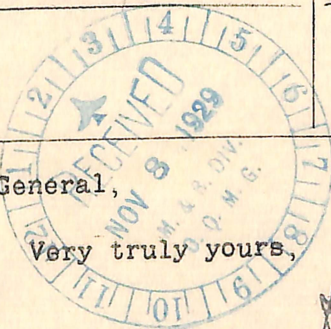
The Act of Congress which provides for pilgrimages to cemeteries in Europe by mothers and widows of members of the military or naval forces of the United States who died in the military or naval service at any time between April 5, 1917 and July 1, 1921, and whose remains are now interred in such cemeteries,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

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

1. Do you desire to make this pilgrimage if eligible?	(Yes)	(No) ✓
2. Do you desire to make the pilgrimage in the calendar year 1930?	(Yes)	(No) ✓
3. Have you at any time made a previous visit to the grave of the deceased member of the military or naval forces in whom you are interested?	(Yes)	(No) ✓
4. Please give your age and state of health.	Age <u>66</u> Health (Years) (Good) (Poor) ✓	
5. What language do you speak?	English - (Yes) ✓ (No) ✓ Other language (Specify language spoken)	

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,


JOHN T. HARRIS,
Major, 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, Phillip
636

August 28, 1929.

Mrs. Mary C. Frederick,
Box 253,
Parsons, W. Va.

Dear Madam:

The records of this office do not indicate that a reply has been received to our communication dated May 16, 1929, making inquiry concerning the name and address of the mother and widow of the deceased service man above named. These addresses are desired with a view to ascertaining the number of mothers and widows who desire to make a pilgrimage to the cemeteries of Europe in which the remains of their sons and husbands are interred.

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

Write answers in space below

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

no

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

yes, survived by mother

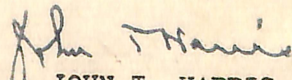
Mrs. Mary C. Frederick,
Harrisville, W. Va.

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

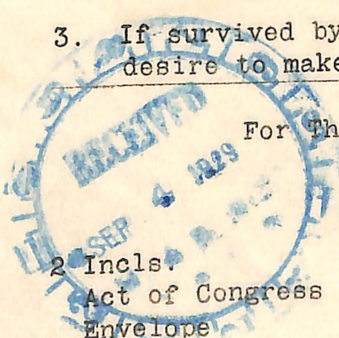
mother desires to make pilgrimage.

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,


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

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Act of Congress
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WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C
Davis, Phillip

May 16, 1929.

Mrs. Mary C. Frederick,
Box 253,
Parsons, W. Va.

Dear Madam:

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

The records of this office show that you are the mother of the late Private Phillip Davis, Co. C, 119th Inf., whose remains are now interred in the Somme American Cemetery, Bony, Aisne, 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.

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QM 293 A-M
Davis, Phillip (Son)

August 19, 1932

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For The Quartermaster General.

Very truly yours,

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

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WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-M

July 12, 1932

Davis, Phillip (Son)

Mrs. Mary C. Frederick,
Harrisville, W. Va.

Dear Madam:

The Act of Congress of March 2, 1929, as amended May 15, 1930, authorizes pilgrimages to the cemeteries Of Europe during the years 1930, 1931, 1932 and 1933 for the mothers and widows of deceased members of the American forces who were lost or buried at sea or whose remains are interred in Europe.

Your attention is particularly invited to the fact that this is the last opportunity you will have to make the pilgrimage under the provisions of the above mentioned Act. Unless you take advantage of this LAST chance to make a trip in 1933 you will receive no benefit from the Act. There is no provision of law which will permit the Government to make a money allowance to any mother or widow who does not choose to make the pilgrimage.

IT IS REQUESTED THAT YOU GIVE THE MATTER YOUR MOST CAREFUL CONSIDERATION BEFORE REACHING A DECISION, BEARING IN MIND THAT THIS IS THE LAST OPPORTUNITY YOU WILL HAVE TO MAKE THE TRIP AT GOVERNMENT EXPENSE.

In order to assure proper and satisfactory accommodations for the mothers and widows making the journey in 1933, reservations for steamship transportation must be made by this office several months in advance. It is requested that you answer the questions below by writing "Yes" or "No" or "Undecided" in the blank space following the question. When you have answered the question, sign your name and return this sheet in the enclosed addressed envelope which requires no postage. PLEASE DO NOT DELAY, as it is essential that the information be in this office promptly.

This letter is being sent to all eligible mothers and widows who did not make the pilgrimage during the years 1930, 1931 or 1932. There is enclosed a circular of information WHICH YOU SHOULD READ VERY CAREFULLY BEFORE MAKING YOUR DECISION.

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

2 Encls.

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

(Write answer here)

(Sign here) _____

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-M

Davis, Phillip Som M-

December 18, 1931.

gb

Mrs. Mary C. Frederick,
Harrisville, W. Va.

Dear Madam:

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BR

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

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

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

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-M

Davis, Phillip (Son) M

November 2, 1931.

gb

Mrs. Mary C. Frederick,
Harrisville, W. Va.

Dear Madam:

Reference is made to previous correspondence relative to the pilgrimage to the cemeteries of Europe, authorized by the Act of Congress of March 2, 1929, as amended May 15, 1930. In your reply to the recent inquiry as to whether or not you desired to make a pilgrimage in 1932, you advised you were undecided.

In view of the fact that steamship reservations must be made several months in advance, it is essential that this office know how many mothers and widows must be arranged for. It is possible that you may have made your decision by this time. It is therefore requested that you complete the form below by writing in the space provided, your answers to the questions listed, sign your name, and return this letter in the enclosed envelope which requires no postage. In the event you state you desire to make the journey in 1932 and circumstances prevent your making the pilgrimage, it is requested you notify this office as promptly as possible.

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

Sign here

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

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WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM-293-AM

Davis, Phillip Pvt. (Som) M

June 15, 1931

Mrs. Mary C. Frederick,
Harrisville, W. Va.

Dear Madam:

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

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

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

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

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

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

Write answer here

Sign here

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C
Davis, Phillip 636 M

June 9, 1930

Mrs. Mary C. Frederick
Harrisville, W. Va.

Dear Madam:

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

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

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

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

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

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

(Sign here)

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

October 7, 1929.

Davis, Phillip 636 -M

Mrs. Mary C. Frederick,
Harrisville, W. Va.

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.
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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

Davis, Phillip
686

August 28, 1929.

Mrs. Mary C. Frederick,
Box 253,
Parsons, W. Va.

Dear Madam:

The records of this office do not indicate that a reply has been received to our communication dated May 16, 1929, making inquiry concerning the name and address of the mother and widow of the deceased service man above named. These addresses are desired with a view to ascertaining the number of mothers and widows who desire to make a pilgrimage to the cemeteries of Europe in which the remains of their sons and husbands are interred.

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

Write answers in space below

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

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

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

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

Davis, Phillip

May 16, 1929.

Mrs. Mary C. Fredorick,
Box 253,
Parsons, W. Va.

Dear Madam:

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

The records of this office show that you are the mother of the late Private Phillip Davis, Co. C, 118th Inf., whose remains are now interred in the Somme American Cemetery, Bony, Aisne, 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.

Handwritten initials and a checkmark.

Vertical stamp: C.M.G. GENERAL
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To be prepared in triplicate.

DATE April 2, 1928

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 Davis, Phillip
 2. No. 3168710
 3. Rank Pvt.
 4. Org. Co. C, 119th Inf.
 5. D.D. Sept. 29, 1918
 6. C.D. KIA

10. Name _____
 11. No. _____
 12. Rank _____
 13. Org. _____
 14. (a) D.D. _____
 (b) D.B. _____

Discrepancy found upon disinterment

7. Grave No. 12 Sec. _____
 8. Plot Block A Row 13
 9. _____

15. Grave No. _____ Sec. _____
 16. Plot _____ Row _____
 17. _____

18. Cemetery Somme
 20. Dept. or County Aisne
 22. G.R.S. Hdqrs. Code No. #636

19. Commune or town Bony
 21. Country France

23. Disinterred (Date) April 2, 1928

By P.D. WOODMAN

24. Inscription on grave marker:

Name DAVIS, Phillip
 Rank Pvt.

Serial No. 3168710
 Organization Co. C, 119th Inf.

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

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).

1 pc. silver French 50 centimes; 2 pcs. copper, English, 1 penny;
1 pc. copper English, halfpenny, 2 pcs. French, 10 centimes, copper;
1 pc. copper, French, 5 centimes.

27. Condition of body _____

28. Nature of burial Pine box and burlap

29. Any discrepancy noted upon examination of body, as compared with G.R.S. records quoted above? _____

30. Body prepared and placed in casket: Date April 2, 1928 By P.D. WOODMAN

31. Casket sealed by P.D. WOODMAN

Signature of Embalmer, (Supervisor)

P.D. Woodman
 P.D. WOODMAN

SHIPMENT. (Show actual marking of box.) Box No. _____

32. Designation of body:

Name DAVIS, Phillip Serial No. 3168710

Rank Pvt. Organization Co. C, 119th Inf.

33. Consigned to:

Name of Permanent Cemetery Somme, Bony, Aisne

34. Casket boxed and marked (Date) April 2, 1928 By J.J. DILLON

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 J.J. Dillon

36. Remarks J.J. DILLON

37. Shipped from point of Operation: (Date) _____

To point of Concentration _____

Convoyer _____ Signature Shipping Officer _____ (Name)

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 April 2, 1928 Somme American Cty.
(Date)

42. Grave No. 1 Section _____

43. Plot Block A Row 16

G.R.S. Representative _____

J.F.V. BRADY,
Superintendent.

Place Somme Cty. 636.

REPORT OF DISINTERMENT AND REBURIAL

Date April 2, 1928.

1. REMAINS OF DAVIS, Phillip SERIAL NUMBER 3168710

RANK Private. ORGANIZATION Co. C, 119th Inf.

2. Disinterred (date) : April 2, 1928. From (give complete location) :
Grave 12, Block A, Row 13.

By : Group Cty. Unit _____

3. Reburied (date) : April 2, 1928. In (give complete location) :
Grave 1, Block A, Row 16.

By : Group Cty. Unit _____ Nature of reburial Metallic Casket.

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

Pine box and burlap.

5. (a) Identification tags : Buried with body ? NO On grave marker ? Al. Strip.

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

1 pc. silver, French, 50 centimes; 2 pcs. copper, English, 1 penny;
1 pc. copper, English, halfpenny; 2 pcs. French, 10 centimes, copper;
1 pc. copper, French, 5 centimes.

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

(a) Height (actual measurement) 6 and 7 G.C.

(b) Weight (estimated) _____

(c) Hair—Color _____

Quantity _____

Characteristics _____

(d) Hair on face—Color _____

Location _____

Quantity _____

(e) Permanent marks on body (old scars, peculiarities, or missing parts) 20 MAD

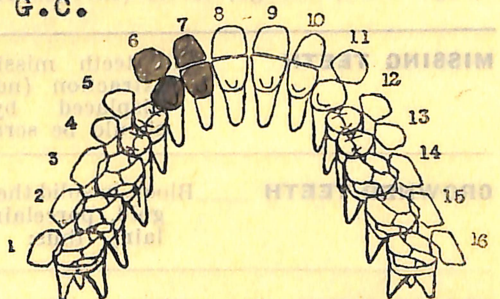
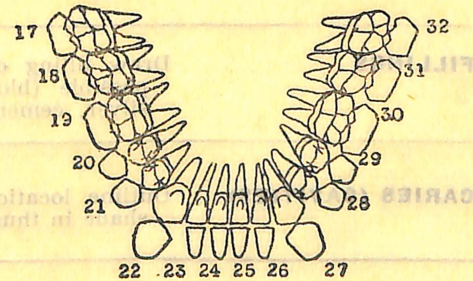


Diagram represents the mouth wide open.



24 & 25 MAD.

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

7. Disinterment supervised by P. Woodman

Approved : _____

(Title) _____

8. Reburial supervised by J. J. Dillon

Approved : _____

(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:



CROWNED TEETH Block in solid the crown of tooth (label gold, porcelain, or gold and porcelain), thus:



BRIDGE WORK Block in solid the crown of tooth (label gold bridge, gold and porcelain bridge), thus:



FILLINGS Draw filling on tooth accurately as possible (block in and label gold, silver, cement), thus:



CARIES (CAVITIES) Outline location and size of cavity, shade in thus:



DENTURES (PLATES) Draw diagram of relative size and shape of plate, block in teeth attached and indicate retaining clasps on natural teeth with the word « clasp ».

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

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

Davis, Philip 3,168,710
(Surname.) (Christian name in full.) (Army serial number.)
Pvt Co C, 119 Inf
(Rank and organization.)

State your relationship to the deceased _____

Do you desire the remains brought to the United States? _____
(Yes or no.)

If remains are brought to the United States, do you } _____
wish them interred in a national cemetery? } (Yes or no.)

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

(Name of person to receive remains.) (Express office.) (Telegraph office.)

(Number and street.) (City or town.) (State.)

(Sign here) _____

(Number and street or rural route.) (City, town, or post office.) (State.)

Read carefully the letter accompanying this card.

RETURNED
UNCLAIMED

QM 293 A-C

β DAVIS, Phillip - Pvt.

April 19, 1926

Mrs. Mary C. Frederick,
Box 253,
Parsons, W.Va.

Dear Madam:

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

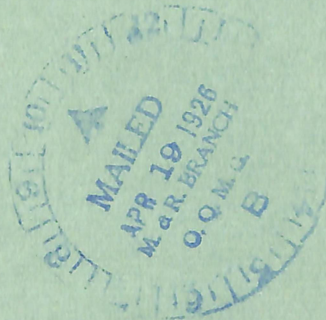
This American overseas military cemetery is to be maintained by the United States for all time. The graves will be permanently marked by white headstones inscribed with the name, rank, division, organization, date of soldier's death and State from which he came. Headstones will be placed at all graves, as soon as possible, and without necessity for special action or request on the part of relatives.

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

Very truly yours,

1 Incl.
Record card.

L.W. REDINGTON,
Major, Q.M.C.,
Assistant.



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COMPILATION OF DISPOSITION OF REMAINS DATA

File #77746

I. LOCATION INDEX CARD:

(a) Name DAVIS, Phillip Ser. No. 3168710 } TYP. HB
 (b) Rank Pvt. Organization Co. C, 119th Inf. } CKR. LS
 (c) Date of death 9/29/18 (d) Cause of death K/A

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

(a) Grave No. 93 Row 4 : Plot B Sec. ---- TYP. X
 (b) Emerg. Address Mr. Frank Davis (Brother) Iris, West Va.

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

no card in file - 6112-4-2-20

IV. A. G. O. DISPOSITION CARD:

Date of receipt _____

(a) Name _____ (b) Relationship _____
 (c) Address _____
 (d) Remains to be brought to U. S.? _____
 (e) To be interred in National Cemetery in U. S. at _____
 (f) Shipping instructions upon arrival of body in U. S. _____
 (g) Disposition instructions if not brought to U. S. _____

SEE SUSPENSION REMARKS

OK
9.25

Examiner's Initials _____ Date _____, 1920.

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

_____, dated _____
 confirming request in Par. IV., item _____, above, or requesting that _____

no correspondence

Examiner's Initials HEK Date 9-2-, 1920.

Reviewed 4/4/21 ELL

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

No request for disposition

(a) Cancellation memos referred to? yes AM

Examiner's Initials AM Date 9-3-, 1920.

COUNTRY France CEMETERY No. 636 SHEET No. 324

Typed by _____, Checked by ED, **RECEIVED**, 1920.

VIII. FINAL ACTION:

Following advice forwarded to Europe by { cable on _____, 1920
letter on 9/16

FEB 9 1921
CENTRAL DIVISION
OVERSEAS PROJECT SUB-SLC.

Par. #2 Not to be returned (E.P.)

IX.

CORRECTIONS

CHANGE OF ADVICE.

ACTION TAKEN.

Desires body be _____

Body to be shipped to _____

FORM 115 RETURNED BY WOBOKEN - BCSY
TO REMAIN IN EUROPE.
FEB 9 1921

Deceased

X. SUSPENSION REMARKS:

*Form 120 - to Brother Mr. Frank Davis returned - Deceased.)
N.R. & A - Mrs. Mary C. Furr, Harrisville, Ritchie Co., W. Va. (mother)
11-6-21-8*

*1/25/21 Mother Mrs. Mary C. Frederick of Box 253 Parsons W. Va. (nee Mary C. Furr) wishes body to remain in France. Henry Wade Davis is brother of deceased soldier (9#) no widow or children, and father is dead.
14-1-21-8-21-83*

1/25/21. Mother, Mary C. Furr, Box 253, Parsons, Va., requests body to remain where it is; +14/21 E.P.

February 7, 1921

File No. 293.8 Gen. Div. Cor. Br.
(DAVIS, Phillip)

Mrs. Mary E. Frederick,
Box 253, Parsons,
West Virginia.

Dear Madam:-

Receipt of your communication dated January 25th, 1921, relative to the remains of your son, the late Private Phillip Davis, Serial Number 3168710, Company C., 119th Infantry, is acknowledged.

Instructions have been issued that your request to have the remains left in France for burial in a permanent American Cemetery be complied with. You are assured that the grave site will always be maintained as a fitting memorial of the late soldier's sacrifice.

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

By authority of the Quartermaster General:

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

BY:

F. C. PALLAS,
Executive Assistant.

Mailed-O.F.D.

FEB 8 1921

ff/cm

636-324
S/1/31/21.

WAR DEPARTMENT
QUARTERMASTER CORPS
CEMETERIAL DIVISION; GRAVES REGISTRATION SERVICE
ROOM 350, PIER 2, HOBOKEN, N. J.

January 12, 1921.

File No. 293.8, Cem. Div., Cor. Branch,
(Davis, Phillip)

Mrs. Mary C. Furr,
Harrisville, Ritchie Co.,
West Virginia.

Dear Madam:

In order to complete the records of this office and before final disposition of the remains of the late Phillip Davis, Private, Serial No. 3168710, Company C, 119th Infantry, can be determined, it is necessary that you state definitely whether or not he is survived by a widow, children, or father, and if so, furnish the name and address of each.

If the late soldier is not so survived, it is requested that you, as the nearest of kin, advise whether or not you desire the remains left in France in a permanent American Cemetery, returned to the United States and shipped to you, or interred in the National Cemetery at Arlington, Virginia.

Your early reply will be greatly appreciated.

By authority of the Quartermaster General:

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

BY:

J.F. J. F. BUTLER, *me*
1st Lt., Infantry.

MC/DS

OK
Mailed-O.P.D.
JAN 15 1921

NOTED ON FORM #115

H-1-58 (2)

Jan, 25, 1928

J. F. Butler.

Dear Sir

I am ans your ltr in
regards the removal of
my son Phillip Davis.

I want the body remain
where it is as I am not
see him. Therefore be no
satisfaction to have him
moved. & as for any
other buried him none
but me Mother &
Henry Wade Davis.

Respect yours
Mary C. Furr

Box 253
Parsons, W. Va.

Noted on Form No. 115
Date 4-4-21 EFB

RECEIVED.

FEB 9 1941

CEMETERIAL DIVISION
OVERSEAS PROJECT SUB-SEC.

Parsons, West Va. 1/25, 1921.

Mr. J. F. Butler,
1st Liet. Inf.
Washington, D. C.

Sir:-- In answer to attached letter will say that I do not want the body of my son removed.

My son Phillip Davis was single and left no widow. He had no children. His father is dead. Henry Wade Davis is a brother of the soldier and I am his mother--the only two heirs.

I am satisfied that the body of my son Phillip remain in France.

Yours respectfully, *son*

Mary C. Davis
now Mary C. Frederick

NOTED ON FORM #115

4-1-28-21-8

636-324
S/1/31/21.

WAR DEPARTMENT
QUARTERMASTER CORPS
CEMETERIAL DIVISION; GRAVES REGISTRATION SERVICE
ROOM 350, PIER 2, HOBOKEN, N. J.

January 12, 1921.

File No. 293.8, Cem. Div., Cor. Branch,
(Davis, Phillip)

Mrs. Mary C. Furr,
Harrisville, Ritchie Co.,
West Virginia.

Dear Madam:

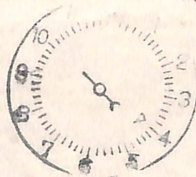
In order to complete the records of this office and before final disposition of the remains of the late Phillip Davis, Private, Serial No. 3168710, Company C, 119th Infantry, can be determined, it is necessary that you state definitely whether or not he is survived by a widow, children, or father, and if so, furnish the name and address of each.

If the late soldier is not so survived, it is requested that you, as the nearest of kin, advise whether or not you desire the remains left in France in a permanent American Cemetery, returned to the United States and shipped to you, or interred in the National Cemetery at Arlington, Virginia.

Your early reply will be greatly appreciated.

By authority of the Quartermaster General:

GRAVES REGISTRATION SERVICE
CORRESPONDENCE BRANCH



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

BY:

J. F. Butler
J. F. BUTLER,
1st Lt., Infantry.

JAN 12 1921

J.P.

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

November 8, 1920. 3-7860

FROM: Chief, Graves Registration Service, Q. M. C.
 To: Mrs. Mary C. Furr, Harrisville, Ritchie Co. W. Va.
 SUBJECT: Remains of Pvt. Phillip Davis,

Co. C, 119th Infantry, Serial number 3168710

The records of this office show that you have requested that his body
 not expressed your desires as to the disposition of the remains.

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

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

By authority of the Quartermaster General.

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

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

NAME OF—	NO. AND STREET.	TOWN.	STATE.
Soldier's widow			
Soldier's children. (Name oldest first.)	1		
	2		
	3		
Father			
Mother			
Brothers. (Name oldest first.)	1		
	2		
	3		
Sisters. (Name oldest first.)	1		
	2		
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Mailed-O.P.D.
 NOV 9 1920

Date

Signature

Address

Relationship

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

Address

Relationship _____, 1920.

I, the undersigned, am the _____ and nearest living relative of the within-named
(Relationship.)

soldier, and desire the following disposition of his remains, viz:

(Strike out all except the one showing the disposition desired.)

1. As stated on first page of this sheet.		
2. To be returned to the U. S. and shipped to _____ (Name.)		
_____ (R. R. station.)		_____ (State.)
3. To be returned to the U. S. and buried in _____ National Cemetery.		
4. To remain in Europe, for burial in a permanent American Cemetery.		
Signature _____		

INSTRUCTIONS FOR FILLING OUT.

It is the policy of the Government to return the remains of the soldier to his home as soon as possible. If you have any questions, please write to the nearest office of the War Department.

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
GRAVES REGISTRATION SERVICE
OFFICE OF THE GOVERNMENT GENERAL OF THE ARMY
WAR DEPARTMENT

Hoboken, N.J.

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

NAME OF DECEASED SOLDIER		CEMETERY NO.	DATE
DAVIS, Phillip	Pvt.	636 - 324	10/15/20
SERIAL NUMBER	ORGANIZATION	DATE OF DEATH	
3168710	Co.C, 119th Infantry	9/29/18	

WAR RISK INSURANCE INFORMATION

DATE _____

NAME OF BENEFICIARY

RELATIONSHIP

Address _____

S-709/MB

Hoboken, N.J.

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

C-133093

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SERIAL NUMBER	ORGANIZATION	DATE OF DEATH
3168710	Co.C, 119th Infantry	9/29/18

WAR RISK INSURANCE INFORMATION

DATE Oct. 23, 1920

*noted on H 5
11-6-20*

NAME OF BENEFICIARY	RELATIONSHIP
Mrs. Mary C. Furr	Mother
Address	
Harrisville, Ritchie Co., W. Va.	

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

Hoboken, N. J.

NAME OF INCARCERATED SOLDIER

CHEMISTRY NO. DATE

10/25/20 656 - 524

DAVIS, BRITISH

SERIAL NUMBER

DATE OF BIRTH

9/23/78

Co. C, 21st Infantry

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WE RISK UNACCURATE INFORMATION

DATE JAN 23 1920

RELATIONSHIP

Wife

OCT 19 1920
G. H. S.



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NAME OF BENEFICIARY

Mrs. Mary C. Felt

Address

Harrisville, Ritchie Co., W. Va.

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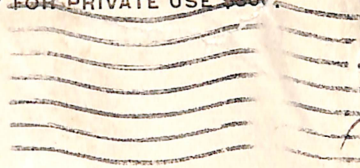
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Washington, D.C.

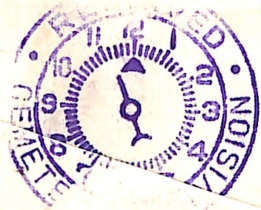


PENALTY FOR PRIVATE USE \$300.



*Return to sender
deceased
Unclaimed*

Mr. Frank Davis. *is deceased*
~~Iris, West Virginia.~~



SEP 11 1920

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

FROM: Chief, Graves Registration Service, Q. M. C.
To: Mr. Frank Davis. Iris, West Virginia.
SUBJECT: Remains of Pvt. Phillip Davis.
Co. C. 119th Inf. Ser. No. 3168710

Push Answer.

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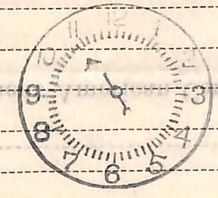
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CEMETERIAL DIVISION



OCT 9 20

Date

Signature

Address

Relationship

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....., 1920.

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.....
(R. R. station.)
(State.)
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Signature

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

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1. G.R.S. Form No. 1.

Hq. G.R.S. File

2. Soldier's 3168710

3. Davis Phillip
Surname First Name and Initials

4. Pvt. O. 1179 Inf.
Rank Company Regt. or Corps

5. K.I.A.
Date of Death Cause, if known

6. 10/1/18 Old Hickory #1
Date of Burial Cemetery

7. Hercicourt
Town or Commune Department

8. 58 1
Grave No. Plot No. or Letter

9. Name Peg? Cross? Headboard? Bottle?
Check Method of Marking

10. Buried with Body? Attached to Grave Marker?
Identification Tags

11. If name unknown and tags missing, give marks and description.

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12.
Map Reference, if interment is outside of cemetery

13. J. M. Robeson
Give name of Chaplain or Burial Officer

Signed Chas E. D. [Signature]

Group 9 Unit 309 G.R.S.

1. Soldier

2. Name and Initial

3. Rank

4. Date of Birth

5. Date of Death

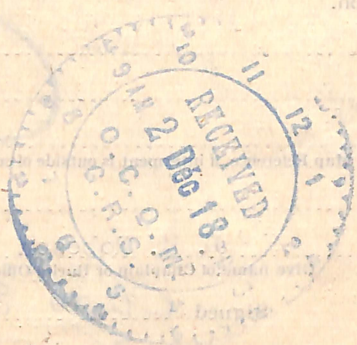
6. Town or Community

7. State

8. Name of Family, Crossed? Handwritten? Class Medical of Death

9. Buried with Body? Attached to Grave Markers? Identification Tag

10. If name unknown and tags missing, give marks and description



GRAVE LOCATION BOOK.

LOCATION OF THE GRAVE OF

DAVIS-3168710-Philip
(Surname.) (Number.) (First Name and Initials.)
Capt. Co. C. 119th Inf.
(Rank.) (Organization.)

DATE OF BURIAL 10/1-1918

PLACE OF BURIAL Old Hickory #1
(Give Cemetery, Town and Department.) Map reference must specify clearly what map is used.

Sh. 62 = L5d5.9

GRAVE NUMBER 58 Row A

HOW MARKED: Name Peg? Cross? Yes
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:

NAME HARGICOURT (SOMME)
(O-289) SHT. 135V COORD E 174.35 N 361.4
24 OCT 1918

REPORTED BY: J. Roberson, S. Chaplain 3rd Div.
(Signature and Rank of Reporting Officer.)

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

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GRAVE LOCATION BLANK

LOCATION OF THE GRAVE OF

(Surname). (Number). (First Name and Initials).

(Rank). (Organization).

PLACE OF DEATH:

CAUSE OF DEATH:

DATE OF BURIAL: 10/1-18

PLACE OF BURIAL: O. A. #1

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

Sh. 62^c 10/1-18

FILE

GRAVE NUMBER: 58

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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:

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NEAREST RELATIVE:

ADDRESS:

RELATIONSHIP:

REPORTED BY:

(Signature and Rank of Reporting Officer).

File Number 77746

TO: REGISTRATION BRANCH, G. R. S.

Date December 6, 1920.

FROM: INQUIRY BRANCH.

Please furnish information as checked (✓) below regarding the following soldier:

NAME: DAVIS, Phillip

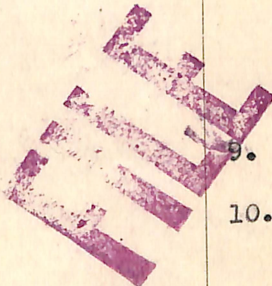
Serial Number 3168710

RANK: Pvt.

ORGANIZATION: Co. C, 119th Inf.



No.	QUESTION	REPLY
1.	Do particulars of soldiers given above agree with records?	1. Yes
2.	Date of death.	2. 9/29/18
3.	Cause and place of death.	3. K/A
4.	Number of casualty cablegram.	4. CC 319 SP40
5.	Date buried.	5. 10/1/18
6.	Grave location. (a) Complete record required. (b) Name of cemetery or commune only required. (c) Note reinterments.	6. Grave #59, Plot A, Row 1, Old Hickory #1, Military, <i>Ch.</i> Hargicourt, Aisne. #671 Disinterred & Reburied 6/4/19 in: Grave #93, Plot B, Row 4, American Cemetery #636, Bony, Aisne. #636
7.	Who reported burial?	
8.	Confirmed by G. R. S.?	
9.	Report as to grave marker.	9. Cross
10.	Identification tags: (a) Buried with body? (b) Attached to grave marker?	10. (a) Yes (b) Yes
11.	Complete emergency address?	11. Mr. Henry Wade Davis, (Brother) White Pine, West Virginia.
12.	Has been notified? (Give date.)	12. F107-12/6/20.
13.	Report the exact position of your inquiry on this case. (Reply in all cases if no information on record.)	
14.	What is the photograph number?	14. B11200
15.	Inquiry made by.	



RELEASED BY INFORMATION CONTROL DEPARTMENT.

..... X Confirmed.

..... Unconfirmed.

N. B.—All proper names to be typewritten, or printed
in PLAIN BLOCK LETTERS.

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G.R.S. Form No. 107.
Notification of Grave Location.

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
GRAVES REGISTRATION SERVICE
WASHINGTON, D.C.

December 5, 1919.

To: Mr. Frank Davis,
Iris, West Virginia.

Case of: Private Phillip Davis, 3168710,
Company C 119th Infantry

Place of Burial: Disinterred and Reburied in
Grave #93, Plot B, Row 4
American Cemetery #636
Bony, Aisne

1.- It would be likely to involve further delay if we should write personal letters in each of the many cases of notification of relatives as to the present resting places of their noble dead who glorify the nation's roll of honor.

2.- Will you therefore, please accept this letter as being the best we can do, just now? And will you also accept the sympathy of those who have been working hard for many months to render worthy service to tens of thousands of sorrowing people, in the care of their dead?

3.- Many delays in notification have resulted from our ignorance of proper addresses, shortage of clerical personnel, incomplete and imperfect information, or non-delivery and return of former letters.

4.- Thousands of bodies have been transferred to larger and better cemeteries, for reasons which were deemed imperative by the military authorities of all the Allied Nations, and the great task of improving these cemeteries is well under way. The most diligent care has been exercised to insure accuracy, and this immense project is being carried through as an unquestionable service to the friends of our dead.

5.- In serving you and others, we have been hampered by conditions and consequences of such a war as we hope may never involve our country again.

By authority of the Quartermaster General.

MKS/

CHARLES C. PIERCE,
Colonel, Q. M. Corps,
Chief, Graves Registration Service.

CCP/jad.

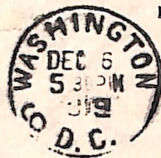
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WAR DEPARTMENT.

GRAVES REGISTRATION SERVICE

OFFICIAL BUSINESS.

*return to writer
Frank Davis
is dead*



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



~~Mr. Frank Davis,~~
~~Iris, West Virginia.~~

U.S. POSTAGE
DEC 10
1919

U.S. POSTAGE
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1919

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1919

Davis, Philip - Deceased

WAR DEPARTMENT,
THE ADJUTANT GENERAL'S OFFICE,
WASHINGTON.

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Mr. Frank B Davis,
Iris, W. Va.

MAR 21 1919

CARD
RETURNED
(CLAIMED)

Dear Sir:

The War Department desires to ascertain the wishes of the families of officers, enlisted men, and civilian employees regarding the permanent disposition of the bodies of those who have died overseas.

The original plan of the Department was to deliver the body in every case at the home address of the deceased to the person legally entitled to dispose of the remains. A desire has been expressed, however, in numerous instances to have the body remain abroad, and General Pershing is likely soon to enter into negotiations with the French and Allied Governments with the view of establishing permanent cemeteries for members of the American Expeditionary Forces. Marshal Petain in a most courteous letter has informed General Pershing that "France would be happy and proud to retain the bodies of the American victims who have fallen upon her soil."

A bill is now before Congress for the establishment of "Fields of Honor" abroad, which will insure future care by the United States Government as national cemeteries are now cared for. Burials have been made heretofore in cemeteries of the Allied nations or at or near the battle field in land set apart for this purpose as a cemetery, and religious services in accordance with the rites of the Protestant, Catholic, or Hebrew faith have been held at the grave.

In case the remains of a deceased soldier are returned to the United States they will be interred either at the former home of the deceased or at a national cemetery, according to the wishes of the one authorized to direct the disposition of the remains, and all expenses, including transportation, casket, shipping case, flag, and the preparation of the remains for shipment, will be paid by the United States. Hire of a hearse and other burial expenses incurred at the home of the deceased may be paid, on application by the relatives, by the Bureau of War Risk Insurance, Treasury Department.

In order that the proper disposition of the remains may be made, and that such disposition be directed by the person entitled to do so, the War Department will recognize the right to direct the disposition of remains in the following order:

In the case of an unmarried man—

- (1) Father; (2) mother, if father is dead; (3) brother, if both parents are dead; (4) sister, if both parents are dead and there are no brothers.

In the case of a married man—

- (1) Wife; (2) parents or children and other relatives in order set forth above.

It is desired that the information indicated on the inclosed card be furnished concerning the person named thereon at the earliest practicable date. If the card is received by some one not authorized to direct the disposition to be made of the remains, please deliver this circular and the card to the person who is entitled to do so.

The Department is unable to state when it will be possible to begin the removal of the remains of the soldiers, but the information requested is being collected at this time in order that there may be no delay when the time comes for such removal.

In returning the card please use the inclosed addressed penalty envelope, which requires no postage.

Very respectfully,

P. C. HARRIS,
The Adjutant General.

Davis, Philip. 3, 68, 710.

Prot. **CHICAGO** 9 Inf.

E.A.

1. Sub letter retd.

Mr. Frank B. Davis

Iris. W. Va.

"Address deceased"

2. Cas. File. gives

Same E. A.

5x3 gives this original
also

Prot. Inf. July Repl.

Draft. Prov. Co 1

3. Cas. File gives

Same E. A.

Relg. to E. A. has no
record of being un-
delivered.

4. P. G. gives

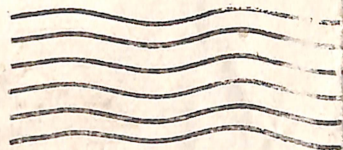
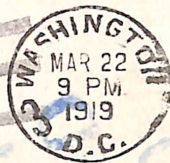
Iris, W. Va.

WAR DEPARTMENT.

THE ADJUTANT GENERAL'S OFFICE,

OFFICIAL BUSINESS

PENALTY FOR PRIVATE USE, \$300.



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THE ADJUTANT GENERAL'S OFFICE,
WASHINGTON.

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THE ADJUTANT GENERAL,

War Department,

Washington, D. C.

(Disposal of remains.)