

G.R.S. Form #114-B CAUSE OF DEATH

Died of wounds.

FULL NAME.....DAVIS, Selah *OK.*

RANK.....Pvt. 1/cl. *OK.* SERIAL.....541371 *OK.*

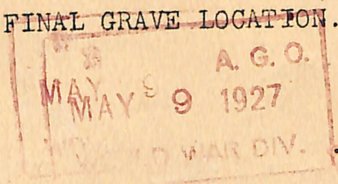
DIVISION & ORGANIZATION.....Co. D, 7th Inf. *3rd Div. OK.*

DATE OF DEATH.....7-31-18 *OK.*

STATE FROM WHICH HE CAME.....*n.y.*

MEDALS OR DECORATIONS AWARDED.....*none*

FINAL GRAVE LOCATION.....14.....10.....B
Grave Row Block



1764

Cemetery

*17863
5/19/27*

1941

GRAVE LOCATION BLANK.

LOCATION OF THE GRAVE OF

Davis **541371** **Selah**
(Surname.) (Number.) (First Name and Initials.)
Pvt. **Co. D, 7th Inf.**
(Rank.) (Organization.)

DATE OF BURIAL... **August 2, 1918**

PLACE OF BURIAL... **Vichy (Allier), France**

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

French Cemetery, American Section

"Les Bastin"

GRAVE NUMBER... **12.**

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

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

IDENTIFICATION TAGS :

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

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

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

REPORTED BY :

Charles H. Webb, and H. G. C. Na.
(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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STATISTICAL DIVISION
F. A. B. I.
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Co. D. 7th. Infantry.
3rd. Division.

Selah
DAVIS. ~~Sarah~~ Pvt. 541371.
Home: 138 Central Ave.
Newark. N.J.

Pvt. Selah Davis was wounded by a ~~shut~~ H.E. shell in t
the Bois de Belleau, on 21st June, 1918. He was taken to the First
Aid Station and died in the Hospital, July 31, 1918. He was buried i
in the French Military Cemetery, Les Bastins, Vichy, France.
American Grave # 12.

Informant: Zetterlund, Albert E. Sgt.
541227.

Emergency Address,
Mrs. Bertha Davis. (Mother)
138 Central Ave.
Newark. N.J.

Home: Co. D. 7th. Infantry.
Waverly. Minn.

Not Signed:

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CODE SLIP

HEADING	SUB-HEADING	NO. OF COLS	CODE
NAME	Davis	3	412 ¹²
BURIED	CEMETERY	1	4
	GRAVE	2	14
	ROW	2	10
	BLOCK	1	2
STATE	New York	2	37
RANK	Plt Sgt.	1	2
DIVISION	3	2	83
ORGANIZATION	7	3	007
ARM	Inf.	1	1
MARITAL	(Sister) Yes (See 'a)		1
NAME	KaPerte	3	
RESIDENCE	STATE	2	
	COUNTY	2	
	CITY	3	
RELATION	Mother	1	1
OTHER		1	
ELIGIBILITY	No. J.M. No. Soc. Dead	1	6
NATIVITY		1	
RACE		1	
ENGLISH		1	
ATTENDANT		1	
HEALTH		1	
NO. OF SONS		1	
DATE OF	MO.	1	
TRIP	YR.	1	
ACCEPTANCE		1	

AUDITED

AUG 18 1982

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QM 293 A-M
Davis, Selah AM

September 13, 1932.

Mrs. Mary LaPorte,
3525 Barns Avenue,
Bronx, New York.

Dear Madam:

This office is making an earnest endeavor to communicate with all women who may be eligible to make a pilgrimage to the cemeteries of Europe under the provisions of the Act of March 2, 1929, as amended May 15, 1930.

It is therefore requested that you advise whether or not your brother, the late Private first class Selah Davis is survived by a stepmother or any woman who stood in loco parentis to him for a period of five years at any time prior to his reaching the age of eighteen, and if so, her name and address. It will be appreciated if you will also furnish the dates of death of his parents.

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For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

Encl:
Env.

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Born - 11-23-91
died - 11-22-16

XC 38 433 Davis, Selan

Mother - Died 1896
Father " 1912

Loco - no record

Step-Mother none

from
age 43 Sister - Mary *of* PaPorte. Otisville, n.y.
in 1920 ~~3525 Barns Ave. Bronx~~

widow allowed
neither comp or ins
on account of person
misconduct. By her own
affidavits she has been
living with other men

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-M

Davis, Selah, Pvt. 1 cl (A-M)

June 8, 1931.

Mrs. Mary LaPorte,
3525 Barns Avenue,
Bronx, New York

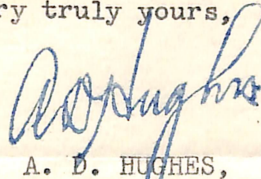
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For your convenience in replying there is enclosed herewith a self-addressed envelope which requires no postage.

For The Quartermaster General.

Very truly yours,



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

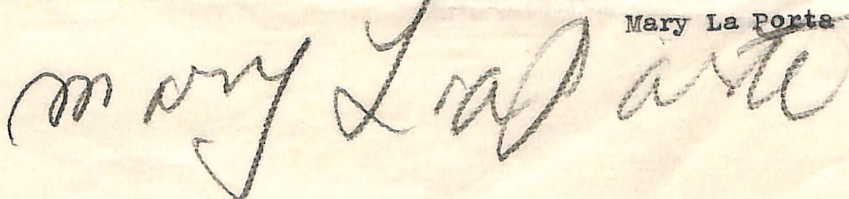


Enclosure
Envelope

The wife died; but as to when and where, I do not know. This information was conveyed to me by a relative.

Yours truly

Mary LaPorte



QM 293 A-M
Davis, Selah 1764

December 15, 1930

Mrs. Mary La Porte,
~~3526~~ Barns Avenue,
Bronx, New York.

3525

Dear Madam:

In order that the records of this office may be complete and correct, it is requested that you advise whether or not the late Private, first class, Selah Davis is survived by a widow, and if so, her name and address.

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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, Selan 1764 S

July 9, 1930

Mrs. Mary LaPorte
3525 Barns Avenue
Bronx, New York

Dear Madam:

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

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If so, give her name and address:

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If so, give her name and address:

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

Enclosures:
Envelope
Act
Amendment

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

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

Davis, Selah

September 17, 1929.

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For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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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, Selah
1764

Aug. 23, 1929.

Mrs. Bertha Davis,
66 Warren St.,
Newark, N. J.

Dear Madam:

The records of this office do not indicate that a reply has been received to our communication dated June 13, 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.

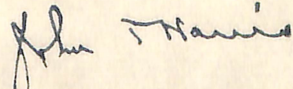
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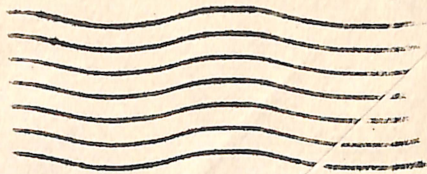
Mother of [unclear] & [unclear]

WASHINGTON, D.C.
AUG 23
8:30 PM
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PENALTY FOR PRIVATE USE TO
ADDRESS YOUR MAIL
TO
STREET AND NUMBER
AVOID PAYMENT OF POSTAGE, \$300

RETURNED TO SENDER
NEWARK, N. J. P. O.

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AUG 27
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N. J.



WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

Parents Deceased

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

June 13 1929.

Davis, Selah

46
Mrs. Bertha Davis,
66 Warren Street,
Newark, N.J.

Sister -
Mrs Mary La Porte
3525 Burns Ave,
Bronx, N.Y. N.Y.
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QM 293 A-M
Davis, Selah AM

September 13, 1932.

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QM 293 A-M
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June 8, 1931.

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QM 293 A-M
Davis, Selah 1764

December 15, 1930

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3525 5526 Barne Avenue,
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WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

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Davis,

(Surname.)

Pvt 1cl

Selah

(Christian name in full.)

Co D 7 Inf

541,371

(Army serial number)

(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.

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COMPILATION OF DISPOSITION OF REMAINS DATA

File No. 11350

I. LOCATION INDEX CARD:

(a) Name DAVIS, Selah Ser. No. 541371
(b) Rank Pvt. 1/c. Organization Co. D, 7th Inf.
(c) Date of death 7-31-18 (d) Cause of death DWRIA.
TYP. als.
CKR.

10/28/21 for transit to
Aime McNamee 1764
11-16-21

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

(a) Grave No. 12 Row - Plot - Sec. - TYP. als.
(b) Emerg. Address Mrs. Bertha Davis, (wife) 66 Warren St., Newark, N.J.

III. Files of soldiers dying from contagious diseases --- NO CARD CKR. 104.

IV. A. G. O. DISPOSITION CARD:

no card in file 11-8-20 MES

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

Examiner's Initials Date, 1920.

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

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

No correspondence

Examiner's Initials M K S Date 11-8, 1920.

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

No request for disposition

(a) Cancellation memos referred to? Yes. P F
Examiner's Initials P F Date 11-9, 1920.

COUNTRY France

CEMETERY No. 536

SHEET No. 33.

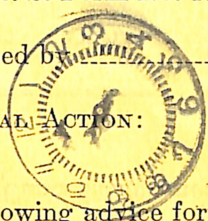
Make Form No. 114

CARDED

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

GENERAL INVESTIGATIVE DIVISION



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Typed by _____, Checked by _____, 1920.

VIII. FINAL ACTION:

Following advice forwarded to Europe by { cable on _____, 1920
letter on 11/30, 1920

RECEIVED
AUG 5 1921

Immigration Division
Census Project Sub-Section

Par. # 2 Not to be returned. NJ

IX.

CORRECTIONS

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

X. SUSPENSION REMARKS: 1/11/21-Form 120 - Forms sent to Mrs. Bertha Davis, 66 Warren St., Newark, New Jersey, were returned to this office unclaimed. H-1/21/21-jt

War Risk Beneficiary Mr. George W. Davis, (Gdn) Uncle of children
Otisville, N.Y. 2/28/21 RAH

To be prepared in triplicate.

DATE Oct 11th 1921

REPORT OF DISINTERMENT, PREPARATION, SHIPMENT AND REBURIAL OF BODY

DISINTERMENT

COMPARATIVE REPORT

Records of G.R.S. Headquarters.

Discrepancy found upon exhumation of body

1. Name DAVIS, Selah

10. Name _____

2. No. 541371

11. No. _____

3. Rank Pvt. 1/cl.

12. Rank _____

4. Org. Co. D. 7th Inf.

13. Org. _____

5. D.D. July 31st. 1918

14. (a) D.D. _____

6. C.D. DOWRIA

(b) D.B. none

Discrepancy found upon disinterment

7. Grave No. 12 Sec. _____

15. Grave No. _____ Sec. _____

8. Plot _____ Row _____

16. Plot _____ Row _____

9. _____

17. see remarks.

18. Cemetery American

19. Commune or town Vichy-les-Bains

20. Dept. or County Allier

21. Country France

22. G.R.S. Hdqrs. Code No. 536

23. Disinterred (Date) Oct 11th 1921

By J.F. Madine

24. Inscription on grave marker:

Name Selah Davis

Serial No. _____

Rank Pvt 1/c

Organization Co. D. 7th Inf. Gr. 12

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

R. W. Saylor
Signature Junior Technical Assistant

R. W. Saylor

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 wooden box and uniform.

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 Oct 11th 1921 By J.F. Madine

31. Casket sealed by J.F. Madine

Signature of Embalmer, (Supervisor)

J.F. Madine

11/1/21
Sub

J.F. Madine

SHIPMENT. (Show actual marking of box.) Box No. **C-11617**

32. Designation of body:

Name **DAVIS, Selah** Serial No. **541371**

Rank **Pvt. 1/cl.** Organization **Co. D. 7th Inf.**

33. Consigned to:

Name of Permanent Cemetery **Aisne-Marne Amer. Cty. #1764, Belleau (Aisne)**

34. Casket boxed and marked (Date) **Oct 11th 1921** By **J.F. Madine**

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 **S.H. Hunsicker, 1st Lt. QMC**

36. Remarks **Body found in Grave 13 under cross of Nicholas Spallas Identified by tag on body.**

37. Shipped from point of Operation: (Date)

To point of Concentration (Name)

Convoyer Signature Shipping Officer

38. Received at Railhead or Point of Concentration: Date

By G.R.S. Representative

39. Shipped from Railhead or Point of Concentration: Date **Oct 14th 1921**

To Permanent Cemetery **Aisne-Marne Amer. Cty. 1764, Belleau (Aisne)** (Name)

Convoyer **H.F. Tebeau** Signature Shipping Officer **F. Overheiser, 1st Lt. QMC**

40. Received: Date **October 19, 1921.**

G.R.S. Representative **G.F. WAUGH, Major, Infantry.**

41. Reinterred: **Dec. 21, 1922.** (Date) **Aisne-Marne Cem. 1764.**

42. Grave No. **14** Section

43. Plot **BLOCK B** Row **10**

G.R.S. Representative **W.D. Cleary**

W.D. CLEARY, Lt. Chaplain USA.

Place Vi chy

REPORT OF DISINTERMENT AND REBURIAL

Date October 11, 1921.

1. REMAINS OF Davis, Selah SERIAL NUMBER 541371
RANK Pvt 1 cl. ORGANIZATION Co. D 7th Inf

2. Disinterred (date): October 11, 1921 From (give complete location): Gr. 12 Cemetery 536

By : Group 4 Unit Sec 5

3. Reburied (date): Dec. 21, 1922. In (give complete location): Grave 14, Row 10, Block B, Cem. 1764, Belleau (Aisne)

By : Group re-burial group Unit _____ Nature of reburial lined casket

4. Report as to nature of original burial and condition of body upon disinterment :
Badly decomposed. Features unrecognizable Uniform and pine box

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

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

6. What does examination of body show as regards the following identifying items ? 3 14 MBD
4 C 28 MAD

(a) Height (actual measurement) impossible to det.

(b) Weight (estimated) impossible to determine

(c) Hair—Color none visible

Quantity none

Characteristics none

(d) Hair on face—Color none visible

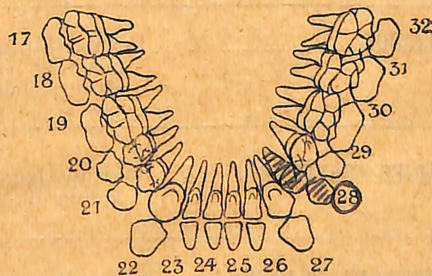
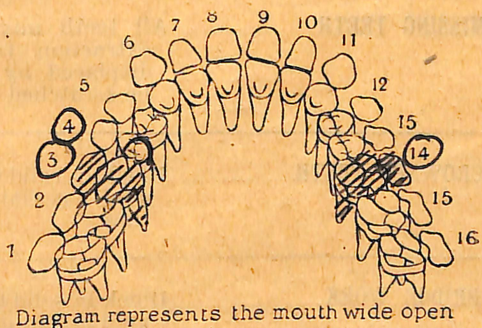
Location none

Quantity none

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

none

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



Checker R. W. Baylor

7. Disinterment supervised by J. F. Madine, Supervising Amb.

Approved: J. H. Hunsicker
(Title) 1st Lieut QMC

8. Reburial supervised by L. D. HAYS

Approved: W. D. Cleary
(Title) W. D. CLEARY, Lt. Chaplain USA

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.

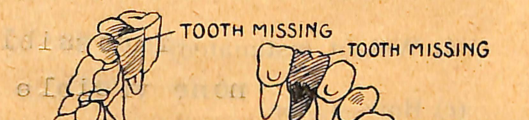




3. Give date and accurate information as to location of reburial and the group and unit which made reburial, and how reburial was made—in casket, wooden box, etc.

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.

[Handwritten signature]

COMPILATION OF DISPOSITION OF REMAINS DATA

File No. 11350

*See 115-
11-16-21*

I. LOCATION INDEX CARD:

(a) Name DAVIS, Selah Ser. No. 541371 } TYP als.
 (b) Rank Pvt. 1/c. Organization Co. D, 7th Inf. }
 (c) Date of death 7-31-18 Cause of death DWRIA. } MB.

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

(a) Grave No. 12 Row Plot Sect. - TYP als.
 (b) Emerg. Address Mrs. Bertha Davis, (wife) 66 Warren St., Newark, N.J.

III. Files of soldiers dying from contagious diseases OKR ABV

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

A.G.P. Card. No card in file 11-8-20. No request for disposition.

(702)-12/8/20

V. Following advice forwarded to Europe by (cable on 192)
 (Letter of transmittal on 11/30/1920)

*Par. * 2. Not to be returned. (702)*

VI. Form 115 forwarded to G.R.S. Hoboken, N.J. DEC. 16 1920 192

VII. SUPPLEMENTARY REQUESTS

Date of and source	Relationship and name	Desires	Action taken

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

COUNTRY _____ CEMETERY NO. _____ SHEET NO. _____

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

France

536

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6-666/A/B

alcp 12/10/20

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

HOBOKEN, N. J.

Please Check

NAME OF DECEASED SOLDIER	GRAVE NO.	DATE
DAVIS, Selah	536 - 33	Jan. 22, 1921
SERIAL NUMBER	ORGANIZATION	Date of Death
#541371	Co. D. 7th Inf.	7-31-18

*Copy made
to add
2-21-21*

C-38433

WAR RISK INSURANCE INFORMATION

DATE _____

NAME OF BENEFICIARY	RELATIONSHIP
Mr. George W. Davis (Idm)	Uncle of children

Address:

Otisville, N. Y.

Cor. Sec.

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WAR DEPARTMENT

Graves Registration Service
Hoboken, N. J.

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Mrs. Bertha Davis,
66 Warren St., Newark, N.J.

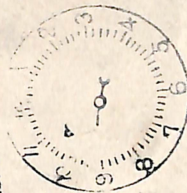
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GRAVES REGISTRATION SERVICE
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WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL OF THE ARMY
GRAVES REGISTRATION SERVICE
HOBOKEN, N.J.

JAN 11 1920

FROM: Chief, Graves Registration Service, Q.M.C.
TO: Mrs. Bertha Davis, 66 Warren St., Newark, N.J.
SUBJECT: Remains of ..Pvt..1/c.Selah.Davis,,Ser..No..541371..Co..D, 7th Inf.

The records of this office show that you have ~~requested that this body ..~~
~~.....made no request for the disposition of remains.....~~
~~.....~~

If these are not the correct instructions, please correct them. Make corrections on second page.

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 (either place at Government expense); or (3) remain in Europe.

By authority of the Quartermaster General:

CHARLES C. PIERCE,
Lieut. Colonel, U.S.A.

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

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

Handwritten notes and signature:
Wm. ...
Wm. ...

Date Signature
Address Relationship

Important. - CAREFULLY read instructions before filling out this paper.

I, the undersigned, am the(relationship).....and nearest living relative of the within-named soldier, and desire the following disposition of his remains, viz:

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

- 1. As stated on first page of this sheet.
- 2. To be returned to the U.S. and shipped to.....
..... (Name)
.....
..... (R.R. station) (State)

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

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

Signature

INSTRUCTIONS FOR FILLING OUT.

1. If definite instructions 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.

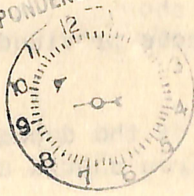
7. If YOU are not the nearest living relative and do not know who or where the nearest relatives are, please fill out this paper AT ONCE and mail to this office.

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.

INSTRUCTIONS FOR FILING OUT

CRAT'S REGENERATION CENTER
CORRESPONDENCE BRANCH



JAN 17 1921

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AUG 5 1921

Criminal Division
Criminal Record Sub-Section

DATE _____

1. NAME DAVIS, Selah SERIAL No. 541371

RANK Pvt.1/cl. ORGANIZATION Co.D. 7th Inf.

GRAVE LOCATION Amer.Cty. Vichy-les-Bains(Allier) # 536

CTY. NAME NUMBER

12

GRAVE ROW PLOT

2. ORIGINAL BATTLE AREA GRAVE LOCATION

GRAVE COMMUNE DEPT.

COORDINATES

CONCENTRATED TO Remains are in original grave.

DATE GRAVE ROW PLOT

CEMETERY CTY. NUMBER

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

None

SUBSEQUENT REBURIALS Has not been exhumed.

DATE GRAVE ROW PLOT CEMETERY

DATE GRAVE ROW PLOT CEMETERY

SIGNATURE, AREA SUPERVISOR Tom Ward

Tom Ward, Captain. Q.M.Corps.

3. FINAL GRAVE LOCATION 12/21/22 14 10 Block B

DATE GRAVE ROW PLOT

Aisne-Marne American Cemetery #1764 Belleau, Aisne.

CEMETERY

RECEIVED BY

INSTRUCTIONS FOR PREPARATION OF FORM 114 B

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

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

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

4. If data is entered on Form 114-B from Form 1, Form I6, Form 1-A or Form 16-A, statement to this effect will be made on Form 114-B STATING WHICH G.R.S. form data is taken from. If data concerning co-ordinates is approximate and NOT accurate, statement to this effect will be made on these forms.

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CEVAE LOCATION AREA' CLY' ALGERIA-JER-SOUTH(VIETNAM)

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NAME BAR-T/ST

ORGANIZATION CO'D' AND INT'

NAME DVAIS' 20109

SERVICE NO' 011201

DATE

Claim 28433

next of kin

Father or mother

mentioned in Com.

no one of parents

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George Walter ~~Pro.~~

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GRAVE LOCATION BLANK.

LOCATION OF THE GRAVE OF

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11351

Davis 541371 Selah
(Surname.) (Number.) (First Name and Initials.)

Pvt. Co. D, 7th Inf.
(Rank.) (Organization.)

DATE OF BURIAL August 2, 1918

PLACE OF BURIAL Vichy (Allier), France

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

French Cemetery, American Section

"Les Bastin"

GRAVE NUMBER 12

HOW MARKED: Name Peg? Yes Cross?

Headboard? Bottle?

IDENTIFICATION TAGS:

Was one buried with body? Yes

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

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

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REPORTED BY:

Charles H. Webb, 2nd Lt, MC USA
(Signature and Rank of Reporting Officer.)

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

1 2 AUG 1918

1. U.S. Form No. 1. Hq. G. File

2. Soldier's No. 541371

3. *Davis* Surname *B. Selah* First Name and Initials

4. *Pvt* Rank *D* Company *7th Inf* Regt. or Corps

5. *7-31-18* Date of Death Cause, if known

6. *8-2-18* Date of Burial *American Sector* Cemetery

7. *Vichy* Town or Commune *Allier* Department

8. *12* 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

12. Map Reference, if interment is outside of cemetery

13. Give name of Chaplain or Burial Officer

Signed *G. F. P. Flanders*
Group *Inspector* Unit G.R.S.

6 SEP 1918

Davis, Lelah

5-41, 371

Put, 10 Co D 7 Inf.

Letter sent Mrs.

Beitha Davis

66 Warren St
Newark, N. J.

Also 83 Plain St
Newark,

N. J.

Also 18 Chestnut St
New York City

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No further E. G. can be
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THE ADJUTANT GENERAL'S OFFICE,
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THE ADJUTANT GENERAL,
War Department,
Washington, D. C.

(Disposal of remains.)

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Mrs. Bertha Davis,

66 Warren St.,

Newark, N. J.

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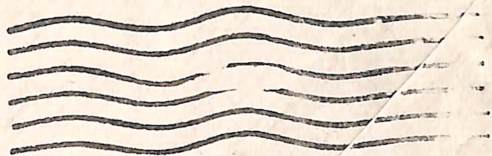
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WAR DEPARTMENT,
THE ADJUTANT GENERAL'S OFFICE,
WASHINGTON.

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Mrs. Bertha Davis,
#83 Plain St.,
Newark, N.J.

Madam:

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.