

JUN 14 1928

DATE Sept. 24th 1921.

1. NAME Dawson, Elsa SERIAL No. 1042507

RANK Sgt. ORGANIZATION Hq.Co.18th FA & DIVISION

GRAVE LOCATION Argonne Amer. Romagne-sous-Montfaucon - Meuse 1232 - Sec.91

CTY. NAME NUMBER

186 - Sec.91 4

2. ORIGINAL BATTLE AREA GRAVE LOCATION 134, Row 5 Froidos, (Meuse)

GRAVE COMMUNE DEPT.

COORDINATES Bar-le-Duc 51 Ne 255.3 N 308 .3 E

CONCENTRATED TO 6/16/19 186 Sec.91 4

DATE GRAVE ROW PLOT

Mruse Argonne Cemetery 1232

CEMETERY CTY. NUMBER

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

Tag on body and on peg over body.

DATE OF DEATH Oct. 9, 1918 STATE FROM WHICH HE CAME Nebraska

data form F-1.

SUBSEQUENT REBURIALS MEDALS OR DECORATIONS AWARDED none

Robert O. Davis, Major General, The Adjutant General. DATE GRAVE ROW PLOT CEMETERY

By [Signature]

JUN 18 1928 DATE GRAVE ROW PLOT CEMETERY

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

3. FINAL GRAVE LOCATION Sept. 24th 1921 31 38 E

DATE GRAVE ROW PLOT BLOCK

AUDITED BY [Signature]

Received JUN 21 1928 M.A.R. [Signature]

APR 26 28

Meuse-Argonne Amer. Cty #1232, Romagne-sous-Montfaucon, Meuse.

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JUN 18 1928 A.G.O. WORLD WAR DIV.

INSTRUCTIONS FOR PREPARATION OF FORM 114 B

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

1st. Ind.

adc 7-3

War Department, A.G.O., April 7, 1928. To The Quartermaster General.

The records of this office show that Elsa Dawson, Army serial number 1,042,507, entered the service from Nebraska.

By order of the Secretary of War:

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H. G. ...

Adjutant General.

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GRAVE LOCATION BLANK

LOCATION OF THE GRAVE OF

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

Sgt. Hq. Co. 13th P. A.
(Rank). (Organization).

PLACE OF DEATH: Mobile Hospital 2.

CAUSE OF DEATH: Spw back, pain. Lacer.

DATE OF BURIAL: 10

PLACE OF BURIAL:

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

American Cemetery, Chateau de Salvange

Rarecourt, Meuse.

GRAVE NUMBER: 138

HOW MARKED: Name Peg? Cross?

Headboard?

Bottle?

IDENTIFICATION TAGS:

Was one buried with body?

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

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

NEAREST RELATIVE: A. J. Dawson

ADDRESS: I. O. O. F. Home, York, Neb.

RELATIONSHIP: Father

REPORTED BY:

John D. S. Allison
Adjutant

(Signature and Rank of Reporting Officer).

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

CODE SLIP

HEADING	SUB-HEADING	NO. OF COLS	CODE
NAME Dawson	Daw	3	41 ¹² ₃
Elsa	CEMETERY 1232	1	1
BURIED	GRAVE 31	2	31
	ROW 38	2	38
	BLOCK E	1	5
STATE	Nebr	2	32
RANK	Sgt.	1	2
DIVISION	B	2	03
ORGANIZATION	18	3	018
ARM	F. a.	1	3
MARTIAL	no	1	2
Mrs Andrew Dawson	Daw	5	41 ¹² ₃
RESIDENCE	STATE Okla	2	42
	COUNTY Murray	2	50
(Mother dead)	CITY Sulphur	3	055
RELATION	Stepmother	1	3
OTHER	Father	1	1
ELIGIBILITY	No	1	2
NATIVITY		1	
RACE		1	
ENGLISH		1	
ATTENDANT		1	
HEALTH		1	
NO. OF SONS		1	
DATE OF TRIP	MO.	1	
	YR.	1	
ACCEPTANCE		1	

Married in 1921

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WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

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IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

Dawson, Elsa 1232 SM

July 9, 1930

Mrs. Andrew Dawson
West 12th Street
Sulphur, Okla.

Dear Madam:

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

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

1. Is the deceased survived by a mother?

If so, give her name and address:

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

If so, give her name and address:

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

If so, give her name and address:

J. P. Mathis
Reta Dawson
724 W. Main Street
Dawson Texas
He was single
No

For The Quartermaster General

Very truly yours,

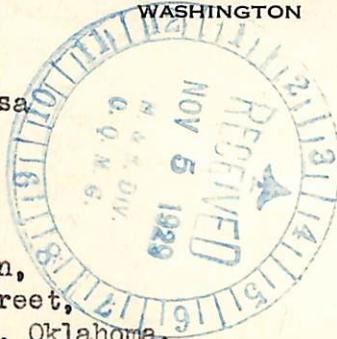
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A. D. Hughes
A. D. HUGHES,
Captain, Q. M. Corps,
Assistant.



WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C
Dawson, Elsa
1232



October 29, 1929.

Mrs. Andrew Dawson,
West 12th Street,
Sulphur, Oklahoma.

Non eligible

Dear Madam:

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- (1) Date of your marriage to the father of Sergeant Dawson.
- (2) Were you married to Mr. Dawson at the time his son entered the military service?
- (3) Were you married to Mr. Dawson at the time of his son's death?

Dec 20, 1921

No

No

*Stepmother valid
hupp - 6-10-32*

For the Quartermaster General.

Very truly yours,

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

We are not

eligible

able to

*make the
trip any
way*

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*The father is almost
incapable*

*Mr Andrew
Dawson*

Jal Phat OK, a west 12 Street
Mrs Andrew Dawson

July 9. 19. 29

Dear Sir in ~~Regard~~ Regard to your letter
about the trip to France we are unable
to make the trip physical has Elsa Dawson.
Father is very feeble he is almost 84 old

*Elsa Dawson was not married years truly

Mrs Andrew Dawson the JTB Mother of

Elsa Dawson

Jal Phat OK, a west 12 Street

Mrs Andrew Dawson



WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C
(Dawson, Elsa)

June 29, 1929.

Mr. Andrew J. Dawson,
Wanette, Okla.

Dear Sir:

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

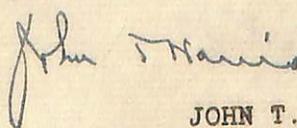
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For your reply, you may use the enclosed envelope which requires no postage.

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

Get hat OK la West 12 Street to
Andrew J Dawson

July 9, 1929
my son is not married by his mother only
a step mother

and Andrew J Dawson wife of
Mr. A. J. Dawson and Dawson will

we have two Bready
and feel particularly
I don't know what getting Bready we
will need

Let me know just how we
will have two Do we have no
relation except my wife and me

Respectfully Yours

Andrew J Dawson

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OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
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QM 293 A-C
Dawson, Elsa
1232

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Assistant.

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WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

(Dawson, Elsa)

June , 1929.

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

Dawson,
(Surname.)

Elsa
(Christian name in full.)

1,042,507
(Army serial number.)

Sergeant

Hdq. Co.,
(Rank and organization.)

18th F.A.

State your relationship to the deceased

my son

Do you desire the remains brought to the United States?

yes

(Yes or no.)

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

no

(Yes or no.)

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

Andrew J. Dawson *Creteneb* *York Neb*
(Name of person to receive remains.) (Express office.) (Telegraph office.)

(Number and street.)

Crete Nebraska

(City or town.)

York Neb

(State.)

(Sign here)

Andrew J. Dawson

(Number and street or rural route.)

1007 Home York

(City, town, or post office.)

Nebraska

(State.)

Read carefully the letter accompanying this card.

JOR - 4 - 2159 - 21

1232. Dec. 91-59

Shack & Hill

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(Signature)

(Signature)

(Signature)

September 29, 1923.

Mr. Andrew J. Dawson,
Wanette,
Okla.

Dear Sir:

The Quartermaster General desires you to be informed that the permanent grave of Sergeant Elsa Dawson, Headquarters Company, 18th Field Artillery, is Grave 31, Row 38, Block E, Meuse-Argonne American Cemetery, Romagne-sous-Montfaucon (Meuse), France.

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

You are assured in effecting removal of the remains, the utmost care and reverence were exercised and more than willingly accorded by those who performed this sacred duty. The grave of the deceased will be perpetually maintained by this Government in a manner befitting the last resting place of our heroes.

Very truly yours,

H.H. CHEAL
Assistant.

WPK

Place Romagne sous Montfaucon.

REPORT OF DISINTERMENT AND REBURIAL

Date September 21st 1921

1. REMAINS OF DAWSON, Elsa SERIAL NUMBER 1042507

RANK Sgt ORGANIZATION Hdq. Co 18th F.A.

2. Disinterred (date) : September 21st 1921 From (give complete location) : Grave 186

Sect. 91. Plot 4. Cem. 1232..

By : Group 5 Unit F.S. 2.

3. Reburied (date) : In (give complete location) :

Sept. 24th 1921 Meuse Argonne Cemetery #1232 Gr 31 block B row 38

By : Group re-burial Unit Nature of reburial unlined casket

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

Burlap blanket and pine box. Body badly decomposed, features
unrecognizable.

5. (a) Identification tags : Buried with body ? Yes On grave marker ? No.

On peg over body? Yes.

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

Tag on peg over body agrees with Form 114a.

6. What does examination of body show as regards the following identifying items ? 13-18-20-21-23-

(a) Height (actual measurement) Impossible to determine. 24-25-26-M.A.D.

(b) Weight (estimated) do

(c) Hair—Color do

Quantity do

Characteristics do

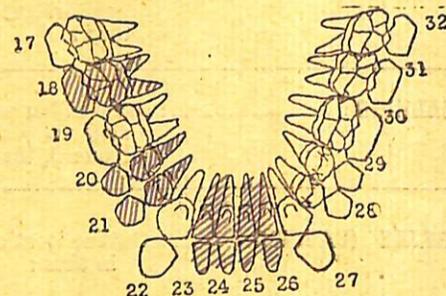
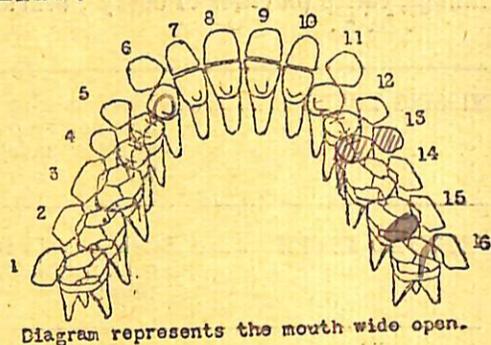
(d) Hair on face—Color do

Location do

Quantity do

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

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



15-Silver filling.

6-16-Cavities.

7-Broken off, pivot tooth.

7. Disinterment supervised by J.L. Haky
J.L. HAKY

Approved: G.B. Kidwell
G.B. KIDWELL 1st Lieut.
3 Q.M.C.

8. Reburial supervised by

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 :



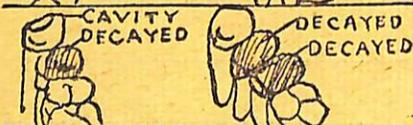
BRIDGE WORK.....Block in solid the crown of tooth (label gold bridge, gold and porcelain bridge), thus :



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.

To be prepared in triplicate.

DATE Sept. 21, 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 Dawson, Elsa
 2. No. 1042507
 3. Rank Sgt.
 4. Org. Hqs. Co. 18th FA
 5. D.D. 10-9-18
 6. C.D. DOWRIA

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

Discrepancy found upon disinterment

7. Grave No. 186 Sec. 91
 8. Plot 4 Row _____
 9. _____

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

18. Cemetery Argonne Amer.
 20. Dept. or County Meuse
 22. G.R.S. Hdqrs. Code No. 1232 - Sec. 91
 23. Disinterred (Date) Sept. 21, 1921
 24. Inscription on grave marker:

19. Commune or town Romagne-sous-Montfaucon
 21. Country France
 By J.L. Haky

Name DAWSON, Elsa
 Rank Sgt.

Serial No. _____
 Organization Hq. Co. 18th F.A.

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

L. B. Ayers

L. B. Ayers
 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).

Tag on peg over body and tag on body check with form 114-A.

27. Condition of body Badly decomposed. Features not recognizable.

28. Nature of burial Wooden box in blanket and burlap.

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 Sept. 21, 1921 By J.L. Haky

31. Casket sealed by _____ J.L. Haky

Signature of Embalmer, (Supervisor) *J. L. Haky* J.L. Haky

AUDITED BY

SHIPMENT. (Show actual marking of box.) Box No. C-7278

32. Designation of body:

Name Dawson, Elsa Serial No. 1042507

Rank Sgt. Organization Hqs. Co. 18th FA

33. Consigned to:

Name of Permanent Cemetery Argonne Amer. Cem. #1232 - Romagne-sous-Montfaucon

34. Casket boxed and marked (Date) Sept. 21, 1921 By J. L. Haky

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

G.B. Kidwell
**G.B. Kidwell,
1st Lt, QMC**

36. Remarks

none

37. Shipped from point of Operation: (Date) Sept. 21, 1921

To point of Concentration Morgue Romagne

(Name)

Convoyer W. J. Royed

Signature Shipping Officer

Albert M. Jackson
**Albert M. Jackson
Capt. QMC**

38. Received at Railhead or Point of Concentration: Date

By G.R.S. Representative

39. Shipped from Railhead or Point of Concentration: Date

To Permanent Cemetery

(Name)

Convoyer

Signature Shipping Officer

40. Received: Date

22 SEP 1921

G.R.S. Representative

James W. Younger

41. Reinterred House Argonne Cemetery # 1232 Sept 24th 1921.

(Date)

42. Grave No. 31

Section

43. ~~Plot~~ Block E

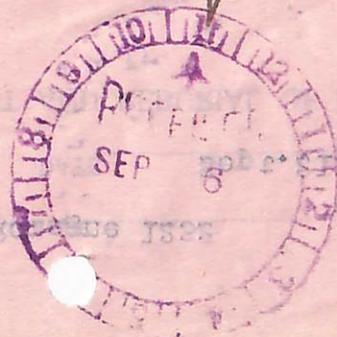
Row 38

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G.R.S. Representative

James W. Younger
James W. Younger, Capt QMC.

jt.



COMPILATION OF DISPOSITION OF REMAINS DATA

File #35408 ✓

I. LOCATION INDEX CARD:

(a) Name DAWSON, Elsa Ser. No. 1042507
(b) Rank Sgt. Organization Hqrs. Co., 18th F.A. } TYP. new
(c) Date of death 10-9-18 (d) Cause of death DWRIA } CKR. S.M.

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

(a) Grave No. 186 Row - Plot 4 Sec. 91 TYPE new
(b) Emerg. Address Mr. Andrew Dawson, Father, IOOF Home, York, Nebr.

III. Files of soldiers/dying from contagious diseases CKR. S.M.

IV. A. G. O. DISPOSITION CARD:

Date of receipt _____

(a) Name Andrew J. Dawson (b) Relationship Father
(c) Address IOOF Home, York, Nebraska
(d) Remains to be brought to U. S.? yes
(e) To be interred in National Cemetery in U. S. at no

(f) Shipping instructions upon arrival of body in U. S. Andrew J. Dawson
Crest, Nebraska
As Crest No. 52 York, Neb.
(g) Disposition instructions if not brought to U. S. _____

Examiner's Initials JAR Date 4-25-21, 1920.

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

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

Examiner's Initials _____ Date _____, 1920.

VI. G. R. S. FILES, CORRESPONDENCE—shows as follows: Letter 1-11-20 - Father

Andrew J. Dawson - IOOF Home, York, Nebraska
Cancel request in Par IV wishes body of son left in France.

(a) Cancellation memos referred to? _____

Examiner's Initials JAR Date 4-25-21, 1920.

COUNTRY France CEMETERY No. 1232, Sec. 91 SHEET No. 59

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

Typed by _____, Checked by _____, 1920.

VIII. FINAL ACTION:

Following advice forwarded to Europe by { cable on _____, 1920
letter on 5/5/21, 1920

Section # 91
par # 2 - Not to be returned - HD

IX. CORRECTIONS

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

X. SUSPENSION REMARKS:

G.S. B. 2A. A. J. Dawson (Father)
1007. Home
York, Nebraska
4-25-21

Let. 3/27/20 from Alice G. Harvey, Yankton College, Yankton, S.D. requests inf. as to whether deceased body has been ret'd. to U.S. or is still interred in France.

Let. 4-1-22 to Alice G. Harvey advising our records indicate that the father desires body permanently interred in France & inst. have been received accordingly. Fitcher advised of g/l (ALS let 1-22)

Discrepancies

Name

Rank

Serial No.

Org.

Discrepancies

Name

Rank

Serial No.

Org.

Remarks

A.G.O. Card & Corr.

Discrepancies

Name

Rank

Serial No.

Org.

Remarks

G. R. S. Corr

Discrepancies

Name

Rank

Serial No.

Org.

Remarks

Checkers

Discrepancies

Name

Rank

Serial No.

Org.

Remarks

Initial

EA

checked by H.Y.

April 1st 1922.

293.8 C-R #35408-(Dawson, Elsa Sgt.) Cty. 1232, Sec. 91, Sht. 59.

The Quartermaster General, U.S. Army, (Graves Registration Service)

Alice G. Harvey, Yankton College, Yankton, South Dakota.

Permanent burial in France.

1. In reply to your letter of March 27, 1922, you are advised that the records of this office indicate that the father of the late Sergeant Elsa Dawson, Headquarters Company, 18th Field Artillery desires the remains of his son permanently buried in France and instructions have been issued that his wishes be complied with.

2. The remains of this late soldier are interred in Grave 186, Section 91, Plot 4, The American Cemetery of the Meuse-Argonne. This is a permanent American Cemetery in France and the grave of the deceased will be marked by a suitable headstone and will be tenderly and fittingly cared for by this Government for all time.

By authority of the Quartermaster General:

CHARLES J. WYNNE,
Captain, Q.M.C.

1 incl.
Envelope returned.

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Noted on Form 115

Date 4-1-22 axs

Pla NEUFCHATEAUDate 27th June 1919REPORT OF DISINTERMENT AND REBURIAL.

Remains of:

Name DAWSON ELSA Number: 1042507Rank Unkn Organization: Hq. Co. 18 F.A.Disinterment and Reburial made by Group UnitDisinterred (Date) 16th June 1919 From: (Give complete location)Grave #134 AMER. MIL. CITY.CHATEAU SALVANHE MUSE51 NE E. 308.3 N 255.3Reburied (Date) 16th June 1919 in: (Give complete location) 1232Grave 186, Sec. 91, Plot 4ARGONNE AMERICAN CEMETERY # 1232ROMAGNE MUSE

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

Burial good, buried in blanket, body decomposed.Was one identification tag found upon the body? YesWhat other means of identification were found upon the body? None**CONFIRMED No. D.....**12030

Note:

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

Supervised by Lt HanesR. H. ROSENTHALC.O. Group 2nd Lieut Unit M.C.U.S.A

G.R.S. #106
DISPOSITION OF BODY

War Department
Office of the Quartermaster General,
Graves Registration Service
Washington, D.C.

January 24, 1920.

For information of:

- (a) The Adjutant General of the Army
- (b) G.R.S., Paris, France.
- ✓(c) Office Files.
- (d) Photographic Section.

Case of: Sgt. Elsa Dawson,
serial number 1042507, Hdqs. Co.,
18th Field Artillery.

Grave Location: Grave #186, Sec. 91,
Plot 4, American Cty., Romagne-
sous-Montfaucon, Meuse.

Request for action checked below:

- (a) Return of Body to the U.S.
- ✓(b) Permanent Burial in France. *A. J. P.*
- ✓(c) Cancellation of former requests.
- ✓(d) Change of address.
- (e) Photograph of grave.

has been made by:

Mr. Andrew J. Dawson, (father)
Wanette, Okla.

By authority of the Quartermaster General

CHARLES C. BIRNCE,
Colonel, Q.M.G., U.S.A.
Chief, Graves Registration Service.
NS-2992/L

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

Hq. G. R. S. File

2. Soldier No. 1042507

3. Dawson Elsa
Surname (in block letters) First Name and Initials

4. Sgt. Hdqrs. 18th M.A.
Rank Company Regt. or Corps

5. 10/9/18
Date of Death Cause, if known

6. /10/10/18 A.E.F.
Date of Burial Cemetery

7. Chateau-de-Salvange Meuse
Town or Commune (in block letters) Department

8. 138
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

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13. William Wood ARC
Give name of Chaplain or Burial Officer

Signed Joseph Baker Sgt lcl

Group 3 Unit A G. R. S.

1918 OCT 27

GRAVE LOCATION BLANK

LOCATION OF THE GRAVE OF

1042507

Dawson.....IO42507...Elsa.....
(Surname). (Number). (First Name and Initials).

Sgt. Hq. Co. 18th F. A.
(Rank). (Organization).

PLACE OF DEATH: In Civil Hospital 2.

CAUSE OF DEATH: gun back, penetrating liver

DATE OF BURIAL Oct. 10

PLACE OF BURIAL:

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

American Cemetery, Chateau de Salvango,

Rarecourt, Meuse.

GRAVE NUMBER: 138

HOW MARKED: Name Peg? Cross?

Headboard? Bottle?

IDENTIFICATION TAGS:

558

Was one buried with body?

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

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

NEAREST RELATIVE: A. J. Dawson,

ADDRESS: I. O. O. F. Home, York, Neb.

RELATIONSHIP: Father.

REPORTED BY: John M. S. Allison.

1st. Lt. San. Corps, USA. Adjutant.

(Signature and Rank of Reporting Officer).

April 1st 1922.

293.8 C-R #35408-(Dawson, Elsa Sgt.)Cty.1232,Sec.91,Sht.59.

The Quartermaster General,U.S.Army,(Graves Registration Service)

Alice G. Harvey, Yankton College, Yankton, South Dakota.

Permanent burial in France.

*4/1/22
axs*
File

1. In reply to your letter of March 27, 1922, you are advised that the records of this office indicate that the father of the late Sergeant Elsa Dawson, Headquarters Company, 18th Field Artillery desires the remains of his son permanently buried in France and instructions have been issued that his wishes be complied with.

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By authority of the Quartermaster General:

1 incl.
Envelope returned.

CHARLES J. WYNNE,
Captain, Q.M.C.

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MAILED

APR - 1 1922

CEMETERIAL DIV.
O. Q. M. G.

Noted on Form 115
Date 4-1-22-axs

Yankton College

Yankton, South Dakota

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
ALICE G. HARVEY

Recorded, Cemeterial Div., U. S. D. M. G.
File # 2938
35408

HC

March 27, 1922.

Graves Registration Bureau,
Washington, D. C.

Gentlemen:

I am writing to inquire if the body of Sergeant Elsa Dawson has been returned to this country. I saw in the paper a short time ago that the last shipment of bodies had been made from France, and I am anxious to know if his body has been returned or is to be returned. I know that the father expected the body to be returned to Crete, Neb. but for the past few months I have been unable to locate his father so do not know the particulars. Elsa Dawson was buried at Chateau de Salvange near Montfaucou, France in Oct. 1918 and I am very anxious to know whether the body is still at that place or has been returned to this country. And if returned to this country where is the body buried.

Would you please send me this information as soon as possible.

Yours truly
Alice G. Harvey

Noted on Form 115
Date 4-1-22-ger

Dawson Elsa

RECEIVED
INFO. & CORR. SECT.

MAR 31 1922

CEMETERIAL DIV.
O. O. M. G.



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FILE

4-26-21

(Date)

FORM 115 has been compiled on the following case:-

CEMETERY NO. 1232 SECTION 91

FORM 115 Sheet No. 579

AKH

(Initials)

OSP-SS
Form No. 1011.

S/2053/LML

Address reply to
DIRECTOR OF PURCHASE & STORAGE
Munitions Building

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR OF PURCHASE AND STORAGE
WASHINGTON

35408

January 24, 1920

FILES

35408 (Dawson, Elsa, Sgt.) G.R.S.

Graves Registration Service.

Mr. Andrew J. Dawson, Wanette, Oklahoma, Okla.

Disposition of Body.

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1. Your letter of January 11th, addressed to The Adjutant General of the Army, has been referred to this office. You are advised that notation has been made of your desire to cancel your former request for the return of your son's body to this country and of your wish to have him buried in a Field of Honor in France.

By authority of the Quartermaster General:

CHARLES C. PIERCE,
Colonel, U. S. Army,
Chief, Graves Registration Service.
By:

CHARLES J. WYNNE,
Captain, Q.M.C.,
Graves Registration Service.

Q. M. G. MAILED
JAN 24 1920

Box of Home York New York Jan 11 1920

War Department

The Adjutant General's Office

Mr. P. C. Harris

Dear Sir

Sorrow two day circumstances
have so changed with me that I can't
be at Canteen Reserve the remains of
my son Sergeant Elsa Dawson

Headquarters Co. 18, Field Artillery
So please gather them for France
or Bureau them in the National
Cemetery in America

I had got two ~~to~~ down in Oklahoma
where my Brother lives for two Bee
with them

and please address me at Warette
Oklahoma

Respectfully Yours
Andrew J. Dawson

RECEIVED AGO JAN 15 1920



COMMUNICATIONS SECTION



AG 293.8 (Dawson, Elsa) Dem.

mm 1-213, 6th & B

Sept. 20th, 1919.

FROM: The Adjutant General of the Army.

TO: Mr. Andrew J. Dawson, I.O.O.F, Home,
York, Neb.

SUBJECT: Sergeant Elsa Dawson, Headquarters Co.,
18th Field Artillery.

1. I beg to acknowledge receipt of your letter of Sept. 9th, in which you state that you now desire the remains of your son, the above named soldier, left in France.

2. The card previously filed by you is herewith returned with a new one, which you will please carefully complete and return to this office, that your latest wishes may be recorded.

3. For your information you are advised that the expenses of the transfer of the bodies, including transportation, casket, shipping case, flag and the preparation of the remains for shipment will be paid by the United States Government.

4. Expenses connected with the funeral, after the body is turned over to the relatives; such as burial site, hire of hearse, flowers, music, etc. (not to exceed \$100.00) will be paid by the War Risk Insurance Bureau. Claim for such expense must be made upon an application form (form 531) provided by the Bureau of War Risk Insurance.

File
P.O. Harrie
Per

9/20/19

2 Incl.

Per

NO 5000 (Dawson, 1919) 1000

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Dawson, Elva

Please send my mail to
Dewitt Moraska all in future
from your Department as this is my
future home
Sergeant Elva Dawson is my son
Andrew J. Dawson

Received Enlisted Division

MAY 12 1919

Inc -

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File

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War Department, A. G. O.,

April 29, 1919.

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To: Mr. Andrew J. Dawson,
I. O. O. F. Home,
York, Nebraska.

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Respectfully returned with the request that the accompanying card be completed by filling in the items checked, and returned to this office in the inclosed envelope, which requires no postage.

P. C. Harris,
The Adjutant General.

File

W. L.

293.6 (Dawson, Elsa) Enl.

BPV-gw-59

May 16, 1919.

Mr. Andrew J. Dawson,
DeWitt, Nebraska.

Dear Sir:-

Referring to the letter received with the return of card relative to disposition of the remains of your son, Elsa Dawson, formerly Sergeant, Headquarters Company, 18th Field Artillery, I beg leave to advise you that the change of address has been noted in this office.

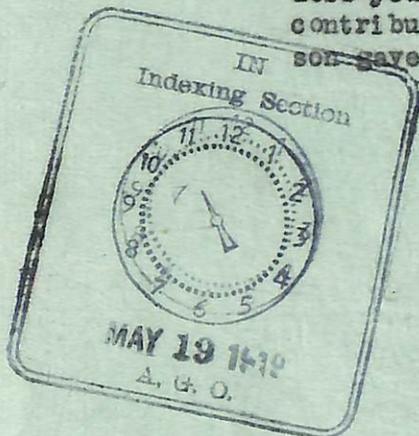
It is desired to express to you the deep sympathy of the Department on account of the great loss you have sustained, and to commend you for the contribution you have made to the cause for which your son gave his life.

Very respectfully,

The Adjutant General.

Per

James N. Peala.



M. & R.: Please note change of address and send to Casualty Division for notation.

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5/16/19*

WAR DEPARTMENT
GRAVES REGISTRATION SERVICE
OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR OF PURCHASE & STORAGE
WASHINGTON

ANALYSIS OF INQUIRY

✓
1.19.20

_____ Circumstances of Death
(Par. #2, Bul. 10-C-W)

_____ Liberty Bonds
(G.R.S. Form 111)

_____ Flowers, Flags, etc.
(Par. #6, Bul. 10-C-W)

_____ War Risk Insurance
(G.R.S. Form 111)

_____ Monument
(Par. #8, Bul. 10-C-W)

_____ Photographs
(Par. #11, Bul. 10-C-W)

_____ Discrepancies in Inscription
(Par. #9, Bul. 10-C-W)

_____ Permanent Burial In
_____ (a) France (G.R.S. Form 106)

_____ Personal Effects
(G.R.S. Form 111)

_____ (b) Other Countries

_____ Accrued Pay
(G.R.S. Form 111)

_____ Return of Bodies From
_____ (a) France (G.R.S. Form 106)
(Par. #12, Bul. 10-C-W)

_____ Maintenance
(Par. #7, Bul. 10-C-W)

_____ (b) Other countries

Remarks; G. L.

NOTE: In addition to information furnished on Nos. 1, 6, 11, and 12, G.R.S. Form 101-A (Information Blank), supply data on the following:

✓ ✓ ✓ ✓ ✓ ✓ ✓ ✓ ✓ ✓
Nos. 2, 3, 4, 5, 7, 8, 9, 10, 14, 15.

M B M
Analysis Clerk.

TO:- REGISTRATION BRANCH, G.R.S.

Date 1-19-20

FROM:- INQUIRY BRANCH.

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

NAME Dawson, Elsa

Serial Number

RANK Sgt.

ORGANIZATION Hdq. Co., 18th Field Artillery

NO.	QUESTION	REPLY
1.	Do particulars of soldiers given above agree with Records?	① 1042507
2.	Date of Death.	② 10-9-18
3.	Cause and place of death	③ D. W. R. I. A.
4.	Number of Casualty Cablegram	④ CC-291
5.	Date buried	⑤ 10-10-18 ✓
6.	Grave Location. (a) Complete record required. (b) Name of Cemetery or Commune only required. (c) Note reinterments.	⑥ American Cty. 558 Froidos (Chateau-Salvange) Meuse. Gr. #134, Row #5 Reburied 6-16-19
7.	Who reported burial?	Argonne Amer. Cty. 1232
8.	Confirmed by G.R.S.?	Rebagny-sous-Montfaucon,
9.	Report as to Grave Marker.	Meuse. Gr. #186 Sec. 91, Plot 4.
10.	Identification Tags: (a) Buried with body? (b) Attached to grave marker?	⑩ yes
11.	Complete Emergency Address?	yes
12.	Has above been notified? (Give date)	yes
13.	Report the exact position of your inquiry on this case. (Reply in all cases if no information on record)	⑪ Mr Andrew Dawson I.O.O.F. Home York, Nebr.
14.	What is the Photograph No.?	
15.	Inquiry made by?	

Released by Information Control Dept. Directory

X Cards 5 x 8
Cards 4 x 6

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

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COMPILATION OF DISPOSITION OF REMAINS DATA

File #35408

I. LOCATION INDEX CARD:

(a) Name DAWSON, Elsa Ser. No. 1042507
 (b) Rank Sgt. Organization Hqrs. Co., 18th F.A. } ^{new} TYP.
 (c) Date of death 10-9-18 (d) Cause of death DWRIA } _{S.M.}

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

(a) Grave No. 186 Row - Plot 4 Sec. 91 TYP. ^{new}
 (b) Emerg. Address Mr. Andrew Dawson, Father, 100F Home, York, Nebr.

III. Files of soldiers dying from contagious diseases //////////////////// CKR. S.M.

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

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V. Following advice forwarded to Europe by { cable on _____, 192
 letter of transmittal on 5/5/21, 192
Action # 91
par # 2 - Not to be returned - AD

VI. Form 115 forwarded to G. R. S., Hoboken, N. J., _____, 192

VII. SUPPLEMENTARY REQUESTS.

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