

Phillips

(Surname.)

William E.

(Christian name in full.)

1,763,911

(Army serial number.)

Mechanic

Company K, 310th Infantry.

(Rank and organization.)

State your relationship to the deceased

Father

Do you desire the remains brought to the United States?

no

(Yes or no.)

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

~~no~~

(Yes or no.)

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

(Name of person to receive remains.)

(Express office.)

(Telegraph office.)

(Number and street.)

(City or town.)

(State.)

(Sign here)

Hiram A Phillips

(Number and street or rural route.)

(City, town, or post office.)

(State.)

South New Berlin

N.Y.

Read carefully the letter accompanying this card.

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1232 - Sec 83-150

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OCT 26 1926

DATE 10/10/21

1. NAME Phillips, William E.

SERIAL No. 1763911

RANK Mechanic

ORGANIZATION

Co. K 310th Inf.

8 DIVISION

GRAVE LOCATION Argonne Amer. Cty. Romagne-sous-Montfaucon, Meuse, 1232, Sec. 83

CTY. NAME

NUMBER

147 - Sec. 83

3

GRAVE

ROW

PLOT

(Meuse)

2. ORIGINAL BATTLE AREA GRAVE LOCATION

B.A.C. 21, Les Islettes (~~Argonne~~)

GRAVE

COMMUNE

DEPT.

COORDINATES 35SE, 260.88N, 300.55E

CONCENTRATED TO

6/2/19

147

83

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DATE

GRAVE

ROW

PLOT

Meuse-Argonne

1232.

CEMETERY

CTY. NUMBER

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

Tag on cross.

DATE OF DEATH

Oct 24, 1918

STATE FROM WHICH HE CAME

New York

Data from Form #1.

SUBSEQUENT REBURIALS

MEDALS OR DECORATIONS AWARDED

none fd.

DATE

GRAVE

ROW

PLOT

CEMETERY

DATE

GRAVE

ROW

PLOT

CEMETERY

SIGNATURE, AREA SUPERVISOR

M. B. Birdseye

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

3. FINAL GRAVE LOCATION

10/10/21

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DATE

GRAVE

ROW

BLOCK

PLOT

MM

Meuse Argonne American Cty # 1232 Romagne-sous-Montfaucon
CEMETERY

CEMETERY

27 1926

AUDITED BY

see 10/25/21
Rev. 4-23-25



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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D.O.W. 10-24-18 C.C. 352 *W.C.*
10-11-18

GRAVE LOCATION BLANK

LOCATION OF THE GRAVE OF

Phillips 1763911 Wm E.

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

Mech. CoK. 310 Inf.

(Rank). (Organization).

PLACE OF DEATH: *E.H.# 14*

CAUSE OF DEATH: _____

DATE OF BURIAL: *Oct 25/18*

PLACE OF DEATH: *Les Islettes.*

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

American Cemetery

GRAVE NUMBER: *84*

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:

NEAREST RELATIVE: _____

ADDRESS: _____

RELATIONSHIP: _____

REPORTED BY: *Chas L. Nourse Chaplain*

(Signature and Rank of Reporting Officer).

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

Date JUNE 12/1919

REPORT OF DISINTERMENT AND REBURIAL

Remains of:

Name: PHILLIPS William E

Number 1763911

Rank: Unkn

Organization Unkn

Disinterment and Reburial made by Group:

Unit

Disinterred (Date)

from (Give complete location)

6 2 JUNE 1919

Grave# 21 Sec E plot 1 AEF CTY ,

LES ISLETTES MEUSE?

35 SE E 300.55 N 260.88

Reburied (Date)

In, (Give complete location)

2 JUNE 1919

Grave # 147 Sec #83 Plot # 3

ARGONNE AMERICAN CEMETERY #1232

ROMAGNE MEUSE,

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

Body Buried in blanket , badly decomposed, Burial good,

Was any identification tag found upon the body? No

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

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Note:

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

Supervised by: Lt GOLDSBURY

R. H. ROSENTHAL

2nd Lieut. O.M.C.U.S.A.

SCW

G.O. Group

Unit



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CODE SLIP

HEADING	SUB-HEADING	NO. OF COLS	CODE
NAME <i>Phillips, N^m</i>	<i>Phi</i>	3	<i>989</i>
	CEMETERY <i>1232</i>	1	<i>1</i>
BURIED	GRAVE <i>20</i>	2	<i>20</i>
	ROW <i>5</i>	2	<i>05</i>
	BLOCK <i>34</i>	1	<i>8</i>
STATE	<i>N. Y.</i>	2	<i>37</i>
RANK	<i>melch.</i>	1	<i>2</i>
DIVISION	<i>78</i>	2	<i>78</i>
ORGANIZATION	<i>310</i>	3	<i>310</i>
ARM	<i>Inf.</i>	1	<i>1</i>
MARTIAL	<i>No</i>	1	<i>2</i>
NAME <i>Mrs Effie A Phillips</i>	<i>Phi</i>	3	<i>989</i>
	STATE <i>N. Y.</i>	2	<i>37</i>
RESIDENCE	COUNTY <i>Chenango</i>	2	<i>09</i>
<i>Rt. #2</i>	CITY <i>New Berlin</i>	3	<i>XXX</i>
RELATION	<i>Mother</i>	1	<i>1</i>
OTHER	<i>Father</i>	1	<i>1</i>
ELIGIBILITY	<i>Yes</i>	1	<i>1</i>
NATIVITY		1	
RACE		1	
ENGLISH	<i>Yes</i>	1	<i>1</i>
ATTENDANT		1	
HEALTH	<i>Bad</i>	1	<i>2</i>
NO. OF SONS		1	
DATE OF	MO.	1	
TRIP	YR.	1	
ACCEPTANCE	<i>No</i>	1	<i>2</i>
29/514/PJ.	<i>Age</i>		<i>58</i>

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R. F.

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WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-M

July 9, 1932

Phillips, William E. (MA)

Mrs. Effie A. Phillips,
Route #2,
South New Berlin, N. Y.

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? No
(Write answer here)

(Sign here) Effie A Phillips



QM 293 A-M

February 5, 1932.

Phillips, William E. (MA) M

Mrs. Effie A. Phillips,
Route #2,
South New Berlin, N. Y.

Dear Madam:

Reference is made to correspondence forwarded you from this office relative to a pilgrimage to the grave of your son, the late William E. Phillips, Mechanic. In reply to a questionnaire you advised that you did not desire to make a pilgrimage during the summer of 1932.

It is noted you previously stated your health was poor, and in this connection you are advised that personnel to care for your comfort and needs will be provided, and doctors and nurses will be available. During the past two years a number of mothers in poor health and of advanced age made the pilgrimage and appear to have benefited by the sea air and the excellent care they received.

It is believed that you would experience no difficulty in making the journey, and should you later decide to visit your son's grave next summer, it is requested that you so notify this office. You are assured that not only will the pilgrimage be made at the expense of the United States, but everything possible will be provided for your comfort and welfare.

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-AM

Phillips, Wm. E. (M-A) M

June 12, 1931

Mrs. Effie A. Phillips,
Route #2,
South New Berlin, N. Y.

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? No

Write answer here

Mrs Effie A Phillips
Sign here

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

June 17, 1930.

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

Phillips, William E. -1232 M

Mrs. Effie A. Phillips
Route 2
So. New Berlin, N. Y.

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.



DO YOU DESIRE TO MAKE THE PILGRIMAGE DURING THE YEAR 1931? No

(Write answer here)

Mrs Effie A Phillips
(Sign here)

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OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
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IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C
Phillips, William E. 1232 M

October 7, 1929.

Mrs. Effie A. Phillips,
Route #2, S. New Berlin, N.Y.

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) <i>no</i>
2. Do you desire to make the pilgrimage in the calendar year 1930?	(Yes)	(No) <i>no</i>
3. Have you at any time made a previous visit to the grave of the deceased member of the military or naval forces in whom you are interested?	(Yes)	(No) <i>no</i>
4. Please give your age and state of health.	Age <i>58</i> Health <i>Poor</i>	(Years) (Good) (Poor)
5. What language do you speak? <i>The American Language</i>	English - (Yes) <i>no</i> (No)	Other language <i>no</i> (Specify language spoken)

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

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OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
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IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

Phillips, William E.
1232

September 4, 1929.

Mr. Hiram A. Phillips,
Route #2,
South, New Berlin, N. Y.

Dear Sir:

The records of this office do not indicate that a reply has been received to our communication dated **June 29, 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:

was not-married

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.

Effie A Phillips

Mother

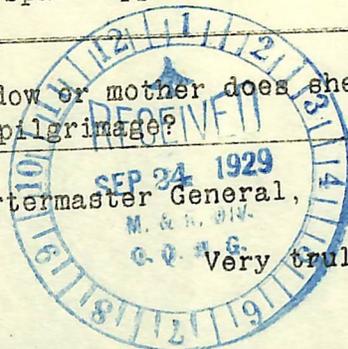
SO New Berlin New York

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

does not care to go

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,



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

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

Phillips, William E.

June 29, 1929.

Mr. Hiram A. Phillips,
Route #2,
South, New Berlin, N. Y.

Dear Sir:

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 father of the late Mechanic William E. Phillips, Co. K, 510th Inf., whose remains are now interred in the Meuse-Argonne American Cemetery, Romagne-sous-Montfaucon, Meuse, France.

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

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

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

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
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IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-M

July 9, 1932

Phillips, William E. (MA)

Mrs. Effie A. Phillips,
Route #2,
South New Berlin, N. Y.

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.

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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) _____

QM 293 A-M

February 5, 1932.

Phillips, William E. (MA) M

Mrs. Effie A. Phillips,
Route #2,
South New Berlin, N. Y.

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For The Quartermaster General.

Very truly yours,

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

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OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
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IN REPLY REFER TO QM-293-AM

Phillips, Wm. E. (M-A) M

June 12, 1931

Mrs. Effie A. Phillips,
Route #2,
South New Berlin, N. Y.

Dear Madam:

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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.

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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
Phillips, William E. -1232 M

June 17, 1930.

Mrs. Effie A. Phillips
Route 2
So. New Berlin, N. Y.

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.

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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
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IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

October 7 1929.

Phillips, William E. 1232 M

Mrs. Effie A. Phillips,
Route #2, S. New Berlin, N.Y.

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.

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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,

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

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
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IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

Phillips, William S.
1282

September 4, 1929.

Mr. Hiram A. Phillips,
Route #2,
South, New Berlin, N. Y.

Dear Sir:

The records of this office do not indicate that a reply has been received to our communication dated June 29, 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:

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

For The Quartermaster General,

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JOHN T. HARRIS,
Major, Q. M. Corps,
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OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

Phillips, William E.

June 29, 1929.

Mr. Hiram A. Phillips,
Route #2,
South, New Berlin, N. Y.

Dear Sir:

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 father of the late Mechanic William E. Phillips, Co. K, 310th Inf., whose remains are now interred in the Meuse-Argonne American Cemetery, Romagne-sous-Montfaucon, Meuse, France.

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

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

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

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

2 incls.
Act of Congress.
Envelope.

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

QM 293 C-R

September 20, 1923.

Mr. Hiram A. Phillips,
Route #2, South,
New Berlin, N.Y.

Dear Sir:

The Quartermaster General desires you to be informed that the permanent grave of ^{Mechanic William E. Phillips, Company K, 510th Infantry,} is Grave 20, Row 5, Block H, 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.

O.Q.M.G.
Central Mail & Files Bldg.



SEP 21 1923
F. B.

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COMPILATION OF DISPOSITION OF REMAINS DATA

I. LOCATION INDEX CARD:

File # 61552

(a) Name PHILLIPS, William E. Ser. No. 1763911
(b) Rank Mech. Organization Co. K, 310th Inf.
(c) Date of death 10-24-18 (d) Cause of death DWRIA

TYP. IBM
CKR. CB

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

(a) Grave No. 147 Row --- Plot 3 Sec. 83 TYP. IBM
(b) Emerg. Address Hiram A. Phillips (father), RFD #1, New Berlin, N. Y.

III. Files of soldiers

IV. A. G. O. DISPOSITION CARD:

Date of receipt

(a) Name Hiram A. Phillips (b) Relationship Father
(c) Address R# 2 South New Berlin, N.Y.
(d) Remains to be brought to U. S.? No
(e) To be interred in National Cemetery in U. S. at

(f) Shipping instructions upon arrival of body in U. S.

(g) Disposition instructions if not brought to U. S.

Examiner's Initials bbr Date 4-19-1920

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:

3-12-20 Hiram A. Phillips, R# 2 South New Berlin, N.Y. no request for disposition

(a) Cancellation memos referred to?

Examiner's Initials bbr Date 4-19-1920

COUNTRY France

CEMETERY No. 1232- Sec. 83 SHEET No. 150

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checked 9.M. 4-21-21

SHIPMENT. (Show actual marking of box.) Box No. **0-8252**

32. Designation of body:

Name **Phillips, William S.** Serial No. **1763911**

Rank **Hech.** Organization **Co. K 310th Inf.**

33. Consigned to:

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

34. Casket boxed and marked (Date) **Oct. 10th 1921** By **G.S. WRIGHT**

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 **F. B. Daniel**
F. B. DANIEL CAPT. R.M.C.

36. Remarks

None.

37. Shipped from point of Operation: (Date) **October 10th 1921**

To point of Concentration **Morgue Romagne.**

Convoyer **W. J. ROYED** (Name **Albert M. Jackson**)
Signature Shipping Officer **Albert M. Jackson, Capt. G.S.C.**

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

G.R.S. Representative

41. Reinterred **Meuse Argonne Cem. #1232. Oct. 10th, 1921.**
(Date)

42. Grave No. **Row 5 Block H Gr. 20** Section

43. Plot Row

G.R.S. Representative **James W. Younger**
JAMES W. YOUNGER,
CAPT., QMC.

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AUDITED BY

To be prepared in triplicate.

DATE October 10th 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 Phillips, William E.
 2. No. 1763911
 3. Rank Mech.
 4. Org. Co. K 310th Inf.
 5. D.D. Oct. 24th - 18
 6. C.D. DOW

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

Discrepancy found upon disinterment

7. Grave No. 147 Sec. 83
 8. Plot 3 Row _____
 9. _____

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

18. Cemetery Argonne American
 20. Dept. or County Meuse
 22. G.R.S. Hdqrs. Code No. 1232- Sec. 83

19. Commune or town Romagne-sous-Montfaucon
 21. Country France

23. Disinterred (Date) Oct. 10th 1921
 24. Inscription on grave marker:

By C.S. WRIGHT

Name William E. Phillips.
 Rank Mech.

Serial No. 1763911
 Organization Co. K. 310 Inf.

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

A. J. VITELLO.

A. J. Vitello
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 body and tag on cross agree with Form 114a.

27. Condition of body Badly decomposed, features unrecognizable.

28. Nature of burial Uniform burlap and wooden box.

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

30. Body prepared and placed in casket: Date Oct. 10th 1921 By C.S. WRIGHT

31. Casket sealed by C.S. WRIGHT

Signature of Embalmer, (Supervisor)

C.S. WRIGHT

Concentration.

Place Romagne 1232.

REPORT OF DISINTERMENT AND REBURIAL

Date Oct. 10, 1921.

1. REMAINS OF PHILLIPS, William E SERIAL NUMBER 1763911
RANK Mech. ORGANIZATION Co. K. 310th Inf.

2. Disinterred (date): Oct. 10, 1921 From (give complete location): Gr 147, Sec 83. Plot 3.

By: Group 1 Unit Sec 2.

3. Reburied (date): Oct. 10th, 1921. Meuse Argonne Cem. #1232. Row 5 Block H Gr. 20
In (give complete location): Unlined Casket.

By: Group Reburial Sec. Unit _____ Nature of reburial _____

4. Report as to nature of original burial and condition of body upon disinterment :
wooden box and burlap and uniform. badly decomposed, features not recognizable.

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

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

Tags agree with G.R.S. records.

2,3,14,15,18,20,31 S.F. 19 MBD.

6. What does examination of body show as regards the following identifying items 6,8,12,13,25,27, MAD.
4,5,30 decayed. 16 never erupted

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

(b) Weight (estimated) do

(c) Hair—Color do

Quantity do

Characteristics do

(d) Hair on face—Color do

Location do

Quantity do

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

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

hospital case head posted.

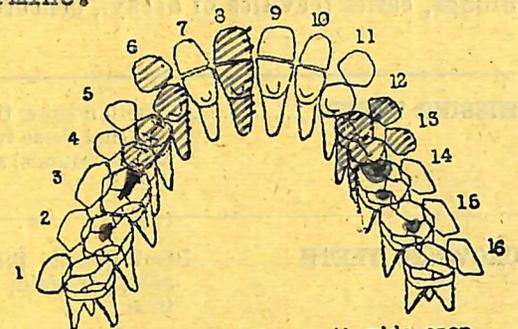
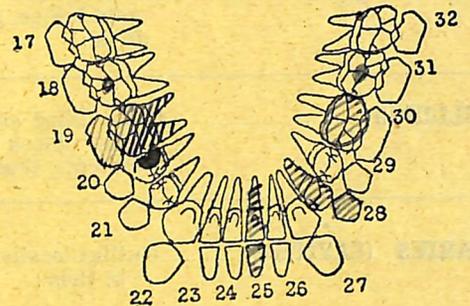


Diagram represents the mouth wide open.



7. Disinterment supervised by G.S. Wright
G.S. Wright.

Approved: F.B. Daniel
F.B. Daniel. Capt., Q.M.C.
(Title)

8. Reburial supervised by W. B. SHEILD

Approved: JAMES W. YOUNGER
CAPT., Q.M.C.
(Title)

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

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

1. Show soldier's name, serial number, rank and organization, and by whom disinterred and reburied.
2. Give date and accurate information as to location from which the body was disinterred and the group and unit which made disinterment.
3. Give date and accurate information as to location of reburial and the group and unit which made reburial, and how reburial was made—in casket, wooden box, etc.
4. State to what degree decomposition has progressed, whether recognition is possible, and how the body was originally buried—in a casket, box, burlap, etc. This statement should be as complete as possible.
5. (a) State whether identification tags were found buried with body and on grave marker by reporting "Yes" or "No".
 (b) State whether or not body appears to have been a hospital case. Were any identifying articles found in or on body or grave? List any personal effects, letters, money-order receipts, and the like found on body or in grave. Give any and all information which it is thought might be of use in identifying the body, other than that tabulated under Item No. 6.
6. Give all information as to body description and dental chart as nearly correctly as the condition of the body will allow. Items (e) and (f) under the body description are very important and should be very complete. The dental chart is also very important and should be filled in with great care. There are 32 teeth to be accounted for, as shown by the numbers on the chart. Beginning at the middle line in both upper and lower jaws, the teeth are arranged symmetrically on either side and classed as incisors (cutting teeth), cuspids or canines (tearing teeth), bicuspids (chewing teeth), and molars (principal chewing teeth). An examination should be made and findings charted to cover the following basic conditions: Lost teeth, crowned teeth, bridge work, fillings, caries (cavities of decay), dentures (plates), and any deformity of jaws found.

MISSING TEETH.....All teeth missing through previous extraction (not those fractured or displaced by recent wounds) should be scratched out, thus:



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



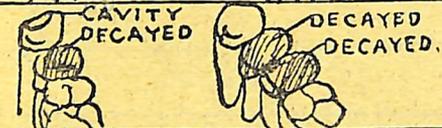
BRIDGE WORK.....Block in solid the crown of tooth (label gold bridge, gold and porcelain bridge), thus:



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.



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TYP. IBM
OB

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

(a) Grave No. 147 Row --- Plot 3 Sec. 83 TYP. IBM
(b) Emerg. Address Hiram A. Phillips (father), RFD #1, New Berlin, N. Y.

III. Files of soldiers dying from contagious diseases

CKR. OB

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

V. Following advice forwarded to Europe by { cable on ..., 192
letter of transmittal on 4-28-1921
Section 83
Par. 2. Not to be returned (JEAN)

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.

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

3-8020

France

1232- Sec. 83

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GRAVE LOCATION BLANK

LOCATION OF THE GRAVE OF

Phillips *4763911* *Wm E.*
(Surname). (Number). (First Name and Initials).

Mech. Co K. 310 Inf.
(Rank). (Organization).

PLACE OF DEATH: *E. H. #14*

CAUSE OF DEATH: _____
DATE OF BURIAL: *Les Islettes*

PLACE OF BURIAL: *Oct. 25/18*

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

American Cemetery

GRAVE NUMBER: *84*

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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NEAREST RELATIVE: _____

ADDRESS: _____

RELATIONSHIP: _____

REPORTED BY: *E. H. #14*
Chas. L. Nourse Chaplain
(Signature and Rank of Reporting Officer).

5 NOV 1918

61114

Soldier's No 1763911

Name PHILLIPS, WILLIAM E.

Rank Mech. Co. K (Gerps) 310 Inf
Regt.)

Oct 24, 1918

Wounds

Date of Death

Cause

Oct 25, 1918

American

Date of Burial

Cemetery

LES ISLETTES

MEUSE

Town or Commune

Dept.

Grave No. 188 Plot 4 Sec. L

Tag

buried with body

Tag

attached to Name Peg

Charles L. Nourse, E.H. 14
Chaplain - ~~Burial Officer~~ (which?)

Galen M. Willis,

CPL QMC

Signature

Rank

Group 4 Unit 310 G.R.S.

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G.R.S Form No. 8-W; Central Records
 Card Sec. #3. Liaison.
 Feb. 27, 1920.

Memo For: G.R.S. representative, C.R.O.
 Subject: Information required for G.R.S.

1. Items checked are to be completed:

master card.

✓ Surname: **Phillips** ✓
 ✓ Number: **1763911** ✓
 ✓ First name: **William E.** ✓
 ✓ Rank: **Mech.** ✓
 ✓ Company: **"K"** ✓
 ✓ Organization: **310th Inf.** ✓
 ✓ Date of death: **10-24-18** ✓
 Cause: **DVRIA** ✓
 Place:

44-47
 Location of hospital:

~~Number " "~~

~~Class " "~~

~~Emergency address **Hiram A. Phillips**
Rt 1, New Berlin, N.Y.~~

~~Relationship: **Father**~~

~~Evil Records loaned to Diamond
 Bldg A.~~

Authority:

Cablegram No: **- 352**

Telegram from: ~~_____~~

dated:

Reported to Washington:

C.C.Nos.

(Underscore the "official" C.C.)

RPS Remarks:

CHARLES C. PIERCE,
 Colonel, Q.M.C., U.S.A.

NS-3404/MB *E*

3/4/20 Elder

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
CEMETERIAL DIVISION
WASHINGTON

March 23, 1920.

No: 61552- (Phillips, William E. Mechanic)
TO: Mr. Hiram A. Phillips, RD.#2, South New Berlin, New York.
From: The Quartermaster General, U.S. Army, (Cemeterial Division)
Subject: Grave Location:

FILED

1. In reply to your inquiry we beg to say that the records of the Cemeterial Division contain the following information as to grave location.

Case of: Mechanic William E. Phillips,
Co. K, 310th. Infantry.

Place of Burial: Reburied: 6-2-19.
Grave #147, Sect. 83, Plot 3,
Argonne American Cemetery,
Romagne-sous-Montfaucon, Meuse.

2. The grave has been registered and suitably marked for present purposes, pending the adoption of a more permanent monument by the National Fine Arts Commission, which now has the matter under consideration.

3. While it is a sad duty on our part to convey information concerning the burial of men who were our valient comrades, it is a satisfaction to answer the queries of those who suffer so grievously by the casualties of War.

By authority of the Quartermaster General:

CHARLES C. PIERCE,
Colonel, Q.M.C.
Chief, Cemeterial Division

By:

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

Received -- Inq. Dept.
MAR 20 1920

South New Berlin, N.Y. Mar 17/1920
Colonel Chas Pierce. Dear Sir
I have rec'd Picture of grave
of William ^{Wm} E. Phillips, and
wish to thank you. & The Red
Cross. for your kindness in
sendin^{ing} same, and in order
to give card out properly can
you give me information
as to what cemetery he was
buried in, in France. We have
now been able to know where
he was placed, and thinking
that you possibly would know

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MAR 20

would you be so kind as to
write us. he was in K Co. 310th
Inf. 78 Div. we have friends
that talk of going across to
visit. I would look for his
gram if they knew where it
was situated in France.

Sincerely yours.

Hiram A Phillips
South New Berlin

Rt. 2. N.Y.



Q. 9. - 2938 - Phillips, William E.

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FILE

South New Berlin N.Y. May 23^d 1919
 The Adjutant General's Office
 dear Sir. a few weeks ago
 I signed a card. in regards
 to the disposition of the
 body of Mech Thm & Phillips
 Inf whose Army serial was
 1763911. Now I signed the
 card yes but upon talking
 with some of his comrades
 have decided to not have
 him brought back. so if
 it is not too late could you
 send me another card to
 sign & consider that one
 void. Yours truly

21 Received A G O. MAY 29 1919

Hiram A Phillips
 South New Berlin
 N.Y.

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June 3, 1919.

Mr. Hiram A. Phillips,
R. F. D. No. 2,
South New Berlin,
New York.

Dear Sir:

I beg to acknowledge receipt of your letter of May 23rd, in which you state that you now desire the remains of your son, William E. Phillips, late mechanic, Company K, 310th Infantry, left in France.

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

It is desired to extend to you the deep sympathy of the Department on account of the loss of your son, and to commend you for the contribution to the cause for which he gave his life.

Very sincerely,

3 incl.

The Adjutant General

Per *W. V. Carter*



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