

Phillips

(Surname.)

William H

(Christian name in full.)

2,235,171

(Army serial number.)

Pvt.

See 304

Co H, 39th Infantry.

(Rank and organization.)

State your relationship to the deceased.

Father

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?

yes

(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:

Buffalo, Gen. Co Texas

(Name of person to receive remains.)

(Express office.)

(Telegraph office.)

Hiram G. Phillips

(Number and street.)

(City or town.)

(State.)

(Sign here)

*Buffalo, Gen. Co. Texas
R. 1. Box 41*

(Number and street or rural route.)

(City, town, or office.)

(State.)

Read carefully the letter accompanying this card.

Orig Let sent to:
Mr. Hiram Jerome Phillips,
R.F.D. 1, Box 41,
Buffalo, Texas.

Drawn by L.H.

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G.R.S. Form #114-B

To The A. G. O.

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SEP 13 1926 DATE 12/13/21

1. NAME PHILLIPS, William H. SERIAL No. 2235171
RANK PFC. ORGANIZATION Co. H 39th Inf. H Din-
GRAVE LOCATION Meuse-Argonne Amer., Romagne/s/Montfaucon, Meuse #1232, Sec. 36
CTY. NAME NUMBER

8 SEC. 36 1
GRAVE ROW PLOT

2. ORIGINAL BATTLE AREA GRAVE LOCATION #1 Isolated Nantillois (Meuse) C-179
GRAVE COMMUNE DEPT.

COORDINATES Verdun 35NE, 280.2N, 311.9E

CONCENTRATED TO 6/9/19 8 36 1
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 body and on peg over body.

DATE OF DEATH Sept 28, 1918

STATE FROM WHICH HE CAME Texas

Data Form #1.

SUBSEQUENT REBURIALS MEDALS OR DECORATIONS AWARDED none
DATE GRAVE ROW PLOT CEMETERY

DATE GRAVE ROW PLOT CEMETERY

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

3. FINAL GRAVE LOCATION 12/13/21 39 37 G
DATE GRAVE ROW Block PLOT

Meuse-Argonne Amer. Cty. #1232 Romagne-sous-Montfaucon (Meuse)
CEMETERY

AUDITED BY
2024-11-23

Robert O. Davis, Major General,
The Adjutant General,
A. G. O.
SEP 14 1926
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INSTRUCTIONS FOR PREPARATION OF FORM 114 B

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

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

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

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



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GRAVE LOCATION BLANK.

LOCATION OF THE GRAVE OF

Phillips, 2234171, William H. (Surname.) (Number.) (First Name and Initials.)

Co. H. 59th. Inf. (Rank.) (Organization.)

DATE OF BURIAL Oct. 5th. 1918.

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

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GRAVE NUMBER. Separate Grave.

William H. - Pvt. 2234171.

HOW MARKED: Name Peg? Yes Cross?

th 1918.

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:

ki lled last October in the morning and had just when Pvt Phillips was hit in the ally. He was buried there by our tags and a cross. He was over age. Had been in C.A.C. Was

James. Sgt. 557013.

th Inf. one Rd. E Boston, Mass. 19.

REPORTED BY: Andrew C. Astor 1st. Lt. & Chaplain. (Signature and Rank of Reporting Officer.)

Searcher -

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

I was Argonne gone over forehead Chaplain six feet very qui

M.C.

C° H. 39th Inf.

PHILLIPS William H. - Pvt. 2234171.

Missing October 13th 1918.

I was eye witness when Pvt Phillips was killed last October in the Argonne Wood near Cosey. It was about 4:30 in the morning and had just gone over the top. We were going forward when Pvt Phillips was hit in the forehead by machine gun fire and died instantly. He was buried there by our Chaplain, and his grave is marked with his tags and a cross. He was over six feet tall, dark hair, about 32 years of age. Had been in C.A.C. Was very quiet.

Informant: MELENDY James. Sgt. 557013.
B.H. 100.

C° H. 39th Inf.
Home : 34 Neptune Rd. E Boston, Mass.
4/21/1919.

Leila E. Reilly - Searcher -

H.C.

REPORT OF DISINTERMENT AND REBURIAL

Remains of :

G.R.

NAME: PHILLIPS, William H.

NUMBER: 2235171

RANK: Pvt.

ORGANIZATION: Co H. 39 Inf.

DISINTERMENT AND REBURIAL MADE BY GROUP:

UNIT:

DISINTERMENT (Date)

FROM: (Give complete location)

9th June 1919.

Grave ISOLATED NANTILLOIS MEUSE

Map 35 NE E 311.9 N 280.2

REBURIAL (Date)

TO: (Give complete location)

9th June 1919.

Grave #8, Sec. 36, Plot 1.

ARGONNE AMERICAN CEMETERY No. 1232

ROMAGNE MEUSE

1232

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

Burial good Buried in uniform Body badly decomposed

Was any identification tag found upon the body? Yes

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

CONTAINED No. D-11315

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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, 1919, after being carefully examined for clues of identity in doubtful cases. Notation thereof will be made and reported to the Chief, Graves Registration Service.

Supervised by: Lt. Bateman
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R. H. ROSENTHAL
2nd Lieut. O. M. C. U. S. A.
C.O. Group Unit

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RECEIVED
27 JULY 1947
O. C. Q.
G. R. S.

CODE SLIP



HEADING	SUB-HEADING	NO. OF COLS	CODE		
NAME	Phillips	PH I	3	089	
	William H.	CEMETERY	1232	1	
BURIED	GRAVE	39	2	39	
	ROW	37	2	37	
	BLOCK	9	1	7	
STATE	Texas		2	49	
RANK	Post-1st Lt		1	2	
DIVISION	4		2	04	
ORGANIZATION	39		3	039	
ARM	Inf		1	1	
MARTIAL	no		1	2	
NAME	Phillips,	PH I	3	089	
	Mrs. S. C.	STATE	Texas	2	50
RESIDENCE	Route 1-Box 59	COUNTY	Leon	2	45
		CITY	Buffalo	3	XXX
RELATION	Mother		1	1	
OTHER	Father		1	1	
ELIGIBILITY	yes		1	1	
NATIVITY			1		
RACE			1		
ENGLISH	yes		1		
ATTENDANT			1	OK	
HEALTH	Bad		1	e	
NO. OF SONS			1		
DATE OF TRIP		MO.	1		
		YR.	1		
ACCEPTANCE	no		1	e	
29/514/PJ C.	Age			66	

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QM 295 A-M
Phillips, William H. (MA)

August 24, 1932.

Mrs. S. C. Phillips,
Route #1, Box 59,
Buffalo, Texas.

Dear Madam:

Receipt is acknowledged of your communication of recent date advising that you are unable to make a pilgrimage to the grave of your son, the late Private first class William H. Phillips, during the summer of 1933.

It is deeply regretted that, due to your physical condition, you are unable to accept the offer of the Government at this time. It is hoped, however, that your health will improve and that you will be able to visit your son's grave before the conclusion of the pilgrimages next year.

In the event you later reconsider and desire to make the pilgrimage next summer, it is requested that you notify this office in order that arrangements may be made for you.

For The Quartermaster General.

Very truly yours,

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

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WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-M

July 9, 1932

Phillips, William H. (MA)

Mrs. S. C. Phillips,
Route #1, Box 59,
Buffalo, Texas.

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.

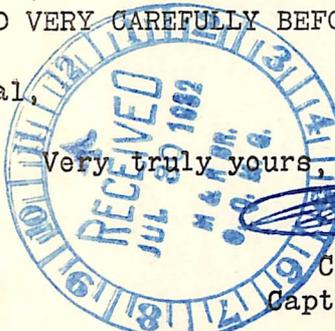
IT IS REQUESTED THAT YOU GIVE THE MATTER YOUR MOST CAREFUL CONSIDERATION BEFORE REACHING A DECISION, BEARING IN MIND THAT THIS IS THE LAST OPPORTUNITY YOU WILL HAVE TO MAKE THE TRIP AT GOVERNMENT EXPENSE.

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. Health want Permit
(Write answer here) going

(Sign here)

Mrs S C Phillips

QM 293 A-M
Phillips, William H. (MA)

March 23, 1932

Mrs. S. C. Phillips,
Route #1, Box #59,
Buffalo, Texas.

Dear Madam:

Reference is made to correspondence forwarded you from this office relative to a pilgrimage to the grave of your son, the late Private first class William H. Phillips.

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

Should you reconsider and desire to visit your son's grave this coming summer, it is requested that you so notify this office at the earliest practicable date. You are assured that not only will the pilgrimage be made at the expense of the Government, 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 A-M
Phillips, William H. (M-A) M

October 2, 1931. al

Mrs. S. C. Phillips,
Route #1, Box #59,
Buffalo, Texas.

Dear Madam:

Reference is made to previous correspondence relative to the pilgrimage to the cemeteries of Europe, authorized by the Act of Congress of March 2, 1929, as amended May 15, 1930. To date information has not been received as to whether or not you desire to make a pilgrimage during the summer months of 1932, in honor of the deceased veteran named above.

In order that the records may be complete, and arrangements made accordingly, it is requested you complete the form below by writing in the space provided, your answers to the questions listed, sign your name, and return this letter in the enclosed envelope which requires no postage.

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

Sign here

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

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WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM-293-AM

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

June 12, 1931

Mrs. S. C. Phillips,
Route #1, Box 89,
Buffalo, Texas.

Dear Madam:

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

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

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

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

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

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

Sign here

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

June 17, 1930.

Phillips, William H. -1232 M

Mrs. S. C. Phillips,
Route 1 Box 59
Buffalo, Texas.

Dear Madam:

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

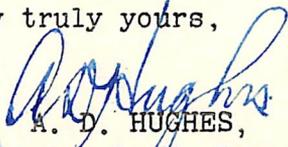
To assure proper and satisfactory accommodations, reservations for steamship transportation required during the summer of 1931 must be made by this office not later than August 1st of this year. It is therefore desired that you answer the question below by writing the word "Yes" or "No" in the blank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

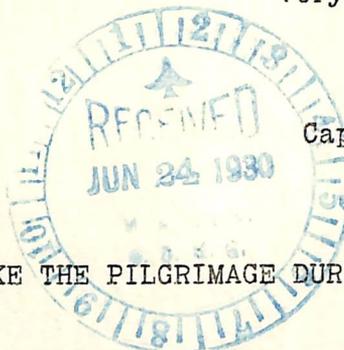
As soon as you have answered the question, please sign your name and return this sheet in the enclosed addressed envelope, which requires no postage. Do not delay, as a prompt reply is essential.

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

For The Quartermaster General,

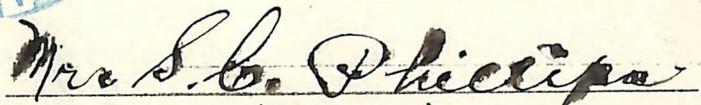
Very truly yours,


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



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

No. Poor health
(Write answer here)


(Sign here)

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WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C
Phillips, William H. 1232 M

October 7, 1929.

Mrs. S. C. Phillips,
Route #1, Box 59,
Buffalo, Leon Co., Tex.

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 (Years) <i>66</i>	Health <i>Poor</i> (Good) (Poor)
5. What language do you speak?	English - (Yes)	(No) <i>English</i> (Specify language spoken)

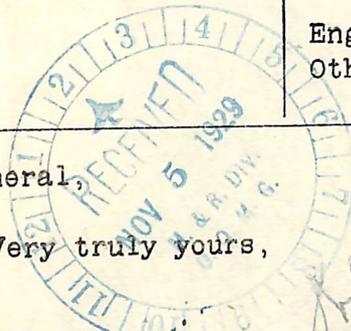
For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

John T. Harris

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

Encl.
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WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

Phillips, William H.

June 29, 1929.

Mr. Hiram J. Phillips,
R. #1, Box 59,
Buffalo, Leon Co., Texas.

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 Private 1/cl. William H. Phillips, Co. H, 39th Inf., whose remains are now interred in the Meuse-Argonne American Cemetery, Romagne-sous-Montfaucon, Meuse, France.

yes Will you please advise this office whether or not he is survived by a mother or *no* 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,

William H. Phillips was a single man
Very truly yours,

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Act of Congress.

Envelope.


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

Mrs. S. C. Phillips is his mother

Hiram J. Phillips

QM 293 A-M
Phillips, William H. (MA)

August 24, 1932.

Mrs. S. C. Phillips,
Route #1, Box 59,
Buffalo, Texas.

Dear Madam:

Receipt is acknowledged of your communication of recent date advising that you are unable to make a pilgrimage to the grave of your son, the late Private first class William H. Phillips, during the summer of 1933.

It is deeply regretted that, due to your physical condition, you are unable to accept the offer of the Government at this time. It is hoped, however, that your health will improve and that you will be able to visit your son's grave before the conclusion of the pilgrimages next year.

In the event you later reconsider and desire to make the pilgrimage next summer, it is requested that you notify this office in order that arrangements may be made for you.

For The Quartermaster General.

Very truly yours,

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

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WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-M

July 9, 1932

Phillips, William H. (MA)

Mrs. S. C. Phillips,
Route #1, Box 59,
Buffalo, Texas.

Dear Madam:

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

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

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

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

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

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

2 Encls.

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

_____ (Write answer here)

(Sign here) _____

QM 293 A-M
Phillips, William H. (MA)

March 23, 1932

Mrs. S. C. Phillips,
Route #1, Box #59,
Buffalo, Texas.

Dear Madam:

Reference is made to correspondence forwarded you from this office relative to a pilgrimage to the grave of your son, the late Private first class William H. Phillips.

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

Should you reconsider and desire to visit your son's grave this coming summer, it is requested that you so notify this office at the earliest practicable date. You are assured that not only will the pilgrimage be made at the expense of the Government, 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 A-M
Phillips, William H. (M-A) M

October 2, 1931. al

Mrs. S. C. Phillips,
Route #1, Box #59,
Buffalo, Texas.

Dear Madam:

Reference is made to previous correspondence relative to the pilgrimage to the cemeteries of Europe, authorized by the Act of Congress of March 2, 1929, as amended May 15, 1930. To date information has not been received as to whether or not you desire to make a pilgrimage during the summer months of 1932, in honor of the deceased veteran named above.

In order that the records may be complete, and arrangements made accordingly, it is requested you complete the form below by writing in the space provided, your answers to the questions listed, sign your name, and return this letter in the enclosed envelope which requires no postage.

1. Do you desire to make a pilgrimage in 1932?	
2. Please state your age and condition of health:	Age: Health:
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Sign here

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

Encl:
Env.

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM-293-AM

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

June 12, 1931

Mrs. S. C. Phillips,
Route #1, Box 59,
Buffalo, Texas.

Dear Madam:

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

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

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

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

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

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

Write answer here

Sign here

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COMM. Q. M. & R. BR.

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

June 17, 1930.

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C
Phillips, William H. -1232 M

Mrs. S. C. Phillips,
Route 1 Box 59
Buffalo, Texas.

Dear Madam:

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

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

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

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

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

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

(Sign here)

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

October 7 , 1929.

Phillips, William H. 1232 M

Mrs. S. C. Phillips,
Route #1, Box 59,
Buffalo, Leon Co., Tex.

Dear Madam:

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

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

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

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

Encl.
Act
Envelope

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

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

Phillips, William H.

June 29 1929.

Mr. Hiram J. Phillips,
R. #1, Box 53,
Buffalo, Leon Co., Texas.

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 Private 1/cl. William H. Phillips, Co. H, 39th 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.

In reply refer to:
293 C-R

July 13, 1923.

Mr. Hiram J. Phillips,
Route #1, Box 59,
Buffalo, Leon County, Texas.

Dear Sir:

The Quartermaster General desires that you be informed that
Private 1/c William H. Phillips, Company B,
the permanent grave of
39th Infantry, is grave 39, Row 37, Block G, 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. The headstones will be placed at all graves in
connection with the improvement work now in progress, as soon as
possible and without waiting for special action or request on the
part of relatives.

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

Very truly yours,

H. J. Conner,
Assistant.

✓
HD

23/236/ARK

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



JUL 13 1923
H. P.

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COMPILATION OF DISPOSITION OF REMAINS DATA

I. LOCATION INDEX CARD:

File # 81283

(a) Name PHILLIPS, William H. Ser. No. 2235171
 (b) Rank Pvt. 1/C ^{OK 4-29-21} Organization Co. H. 39th Inf.
 (c) Date of death 9-28-18 (d) Cause of death K/A

TYP. hmp

CKR. Sp

*3/14/22 Examined
 for Concentration
 Munn - Argonne
 4/23/22*

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

(a) Grave No. 8 Row 33--- Plot 1 Sec. 36 TYP. hmp
 (b) Emerg. Address Mr. Hiram J. Phillips (Father) Buffalo, Texas.

III. Files of soldiers dying from contagious diseases

CKR. Sp

IV. A. G. O. DISPOSITION CARD:

Date of receipt _____

(a) Name Hiram J. Phillips (b) Relationship Father
 (c) Address Rt. 1, Box 41, Buffalo, Lon Co., Texas
 (d) Remains to be brought to U. S.? Yes
 (e) To be interred in National Cemetery in U. S. at Yes
 (f) Shipping instructions upon arrival of body in U. S. _____
 (g) Disposition instructions if not brought to U. S. _____

Examiner's Initials L.H.

Date 4-28-, 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:

no request for disposition

(a) Cancellation memos referred to? yes

Examiner's Initials L.H.

Date 4-28-, 1920.

COUNTRY FRANCE

CEMETERY No. 1232 Sec. 36

SHEET No. 150

CARDED

*checked file
 4-4-21*

AP 5-12-21

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

Typed by _____, Checked by *gor*, *JUN 14 1921*, 1920.

VIII. FINAL ACTION: *MAY 19 1921*

Cemeterial Division
Overseas Project Sub-Section

Following advice forwarded to Europe by { cable on _____, 1920
letter on *5/11/21*, 1920

Section #36
par # 1 - To be returned - HD

IX.

CORRECTIONS

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

X. SUSPENSION REMARKS:

Form 109 to hold body, Fred Wash 6/9/21 B.7.
4/16/21. Europe advised by proposed Cable
#325 not to return body (E&D) 6/23/21.
Letter from Europe 7/18/21 states return cancelled
as per cable ^{at} 11/15/21.

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To be prepared in triplicate.

DATE Dec. 12, 1921.

REPORT OF DISINTERMENT, PREPARATION, SHIPMENT AND REBURIAL OF BODY

DISINTERMENT

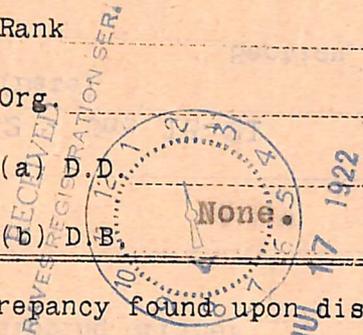
COMPARATIVE REPORT

Records of G.R.S. Headquarters.

Discrepancy found upon exhumation of body

1. Name **PHILLIPS, William H.**
 2. No. **2235171**
 3. Rank **PFC**
 4. Org. **Co.H 39th Inf.**
 5. D.D. **Between Sept. 28, 1918 and Oct. 18th**
 6. C.D. **KIA**

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



Discrepancy found upon disinterment

7. Grave No. **8** Sec. **36**
 8. Plot **1** Row _____
 9. _____

15. Grave No. _____ Sec. _____
 16. Plot _____ Row _____
 17. **None.**

18. Cemetery **Meuse-Argonne Amer.**

19. Commune or town **Romagne/s/Montfaucon**

20. Dept. or County **Meuse**

21. Country **France**

22. G.R.S. Hdqrs. Code No. **Cty.#1232,Sec.36**

23. Disinterred (Date) **Dec. 12, 1921.**

By **H. E. Strong.**

24. Inscription on grave marker:

Name **William H. Phillips**
 Rank **Pvt. 1/c**

Serial No. **2235171**
 Organization **Co. H, 39th Inf.**

25. Was identification disc found on grave marker? **Yes (Peg)** On body? **Yes**

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).

GRS plaque on body read, "William H. Phillips 2235171 Co.H, 39th Inf"

27. Condition of body **Badly decomposed; features unrecognizable.**

28. Nature of burial **Pine 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 **Dec., 12, 1921.** By **H. E. Strong.**

31. Casket sealed by **H. E. Strong**

Signature of Embalmer, (Supervisor

H. E. Strong
H. E. Strong.

SHIPMENT. (Show actual marking of box.) Box No. C-18992

32. Designation of body:

Name William H. PHILLIPS Serial No. 2235171

Rank PFC Organization Co. H 39th Inf.

33. Consigned to:

Name of Permanent Cemetery Meuse-Argonne Amer. #1232, Romagne/s/Montfaucon, Meuse

34. Casket boxed and marked (Date) Dec. 12, 1921. By H. E. Strong.

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 H. S. Harpole, 1st Lieut. QMC.

36. Remarks None.

37. Shipped from point of Operation: (Date) Dec. 12, 1921.

To point of Concentration Morgue, Romagne. (Name)

Convoyer W. J. Royed. Signature Shipping Officer J. Gerald Cole
J. GERALD COLE
Captain, C. A. 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 Cemetery 1232 - Dec 13-21

(Date)

42. Grave No. 39 Section

43. ~~Block~~ G Row 37

G.R.S. Representative James W. Younger
James W. Younger
Captain, QMC gcs

AUDITED BY

Place Rome no 1232

REPORT OF DISINTERMENT AND REBURIAL

Date Dec 12 1921

1. REMAINS OF PHILLIPS, William H SERIAL NUMBER 2235171

RANK PFC ORGANIZATION Co H 39th Inf

2. Disinterred (date): Dec 12 1921 From (give complete location): Gr 8 Sec 36 Plot 1 Cemetery 1232

By: Group 5 Unit

3. Reburied (date): Dec 13-21 In (give complete location): Grave 39, Row 37, Block G, Cem 1232

By: Group Reburial S. Unit Nature of reburial Unlined Casket

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

Body decomposed, unrecognizable. In pine box and uniform

5. (a) Identification tags: Buried with body? Yes On grave marker Yes on peg

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

GRS plaque on body reads: William H Phillips, 2235171, Co H 39th Inf

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

(a) Height (actual measurement) Imp to det

(b) Weight (estimated) do

(c) Hair—Color do

Quantity do

Characteristics do

(d) Hair on face—Color do

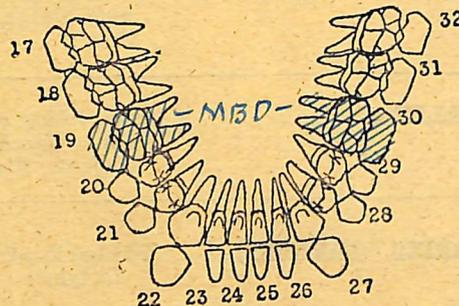
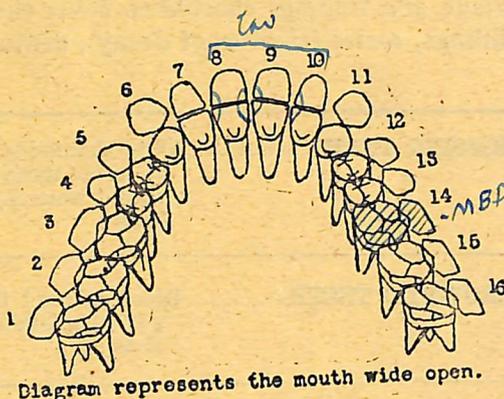
Location do

Quantity do

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

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

None visible



7. Disinterment supervised by H. E. Strong
H E Strong

Approved: H S Harpole
H S Harpole, 1st Lt. QMC
(Title)

8. Reburial supervised by A. U. Dufault
A. U. Dufault

Approved: James W. Younger
James W. Younger
(Title) Captain, QMC gcs

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), bicuspid (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.

<p>MISSING TEETH.....All teeth missing through previous extraction (not those fractured or displaced by recent wounds) should be scratched out, thus :</p>	 <p style="text-align: center;">TOOTH MISSING TOOTH MISSING</p>
<p>CROWNED TEETH.....Block in solid the crown of tooth (label gold, porcelain, or gold and porcelain), thus :</p>	 <p style="text-align: center;">GOLD CROWN PORCELAIN CROWN</p>
<p>BRIDGE WORK.....Block in solid the crown of tooth (label gold bridge, gold and porcelain bridge), thus :</p>	 <p style="text-align: center;">GOLD AND PORCELAIN BRIDGE GOLD BRIDGE</p>
<p>FILLINGS.....Draw filling on tooth accurately as possible (block in and label gold, silver, cement), thus :</p>	 <p style="text-align: center;">SILVER FILLING GOLD FILLING</p> <p style="text-align: center;">GOLD FILLING GOLD FILLING</p>
<p>CARIES (CAVITIES).....Outline location and size of cavity, shade in thus :</p>	 <p style="text-align: center;">CAVITY DECAYED DECAYED</p>
<p>DENTURES (PLATES).....Draw diagram of relative size and shape of plate, block in teeth attached and indicate retaining clasps on natural teeth with the word "clasp."</p>	

WAR DEPARTMENT
QUARTERMASTER CORPS
GRAVES REGISTRATION SERVICE
HOBOKEN, N. J.

June 9th-1921 1921.

From: Graves Registration Officer, Hoboken, New Jersey.
To: Quartermaster General, Cemeterial Division, Washington, D. C.
Subject: Supplementary Advice concerning:

Name Phillips, William H. Ser. No. 2235171

Rank Private 1/c1 Organization Co. H., 39th Infantry

Cemetery No. 1332-Sec. 35 Cable Reference No. (Sheet No.) 150

Request shown below dated June 7th 1921 is latest in this case:

Name of Relative	<u>Return</u>	<u>Remain</u>	<u>Special</u>
	to	in	
		<u>FRANCE.</u>	

Widow None

Children _____

Guardian _____

Father Hiram J. Phillips, R.#1, Box ⁵⁹ ~~5~~, Buffalo, Texas.

Mother _____

Brother _____

Sister _____

Others _____

Body to be shipped to, or for interment in: P.A.C.

MAILED

JUN 9 1921

COR. BR. G. R. S.

MM

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Cable _____
Letter 6/16/21 1921 forwarding advice to Europe dispatched _____ 1921.

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Cemeterial Division
Overseas Project Sub-Section

TO
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DATE
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U.S. DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT
WASHINGTON, D.C.

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June 11, 1921.

File No. 293.8 Cem.Div.Cor.Br.

Re: Phillips, William H., Pvt.
1/c, Serial Number 2235171,
Co. H, 39th Infantry.

Mr. Hiram J. Phillips,
R.#1, Box #59,
Buffalo, Texas.

Dear Sir:

Your shipping inquiry dated June 4, 1921, requesting that the remains of the deceased soldier named above be left in France has been forwarded to the Cemeterial Division, Office of the Quartermaster General, Washington, D. C., for necessary action;

It is requested that any further communications concerning the disposition of the remains be addressed to that office for reply.

The Department desires to renew its previous expression of sympathy in your bereavement.

By authority of the Quartermaster General:

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

BY:

B.R. F. G. BELLAS,
Executive Assistant.

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MAILED
JUN 11 1921
COR. BR. C. R. S.

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RECEIVED DIRECTOR
CORPORAL DIVISION

JUN 11 1921
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OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL OF THE ARMY

CEMETERIAL DIVISION

WASHINGTON

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This is not a notice that
body has arrived in U.S.

MAY 24 1921

FROM: Chief, Cemeterial Division, O. Q. M. G.

To: Mr. Hiram J. Phillips, R #1, Box 41, Buffalo, Leon Co., Texas

SUBJECT: Remains of Pvt. 1/c William H. Phillips, Ser. No. 2235171 Co. H, 39th Inf.

The records of this office show that you have requested that the body of the above-named ~~soldier be returned to the United States and interred in the National Cemetery,~~

~~Arlington, Va.~~

Remains in Europe 6/9/21 ELS

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

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

By authority of the Quartermaster General.

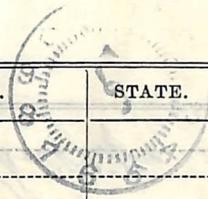
GEORGE H. PENROSE,
Colonel, Q. M. C.

6/16/21 Europe advised by proposed cable #325 not to return body. (ELS) 6/23/21

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 or not these relatives are STILL LIVING.

Was soldier married? *No*

NAME OF—	NO. AND STREET.	TOWN.	STATE.
Soldier's widow			
Soldier's children. (Name oldest first.)	1		
	2		
	3		
Father	<i>Hiram J. Phillips</i>	<i>R #1 Box 59</i>	<i>Buffalo Texas</i>
Mother	<i>Susan E. Phillips</i>	" "	" "
Brothers. (Name oldest first.)	1 <i>G. Phillips</i>	" "	" "
	2 <i>Walter Phillips</i>	" "	" "
	3 <i>W. T. Phillips</i>	" "	" "
Sisters. (Name oldest first.)	1 <i>E. D. Phillips</i>	" "	" "
	2 <i>W. E. Phillips</i>	" "	" "
	3		



Date *June 4th 1921*

Signature *Hiram J. Phillips*

Address *Buffalo Texas*

Relationship *Father*

Address _____ Relationship 6-47, 192 /

Date _____ I, the undersigned, am the Father and nearest living next of kin of the within-named (Relationship.)

soldier, and desire the following disposition of his remains, viz: (Strike out all except the one showing the disposition desired.)

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1. As stated on first page of this sheet.

2. To be returned to the U. S. and shipped to _____ (Name.) Cemeterial Division
Overseas Project Sub-Section

(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 Howard J. Phillips

INSTRUCTIONS FOR FILLING OUT.

1. If definite instructions for the disposition of a body are not received from the next of kin 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 next of kin 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 next of kin, please ask the nearest next of kin, if living near you, to fill out this paper.
7. If YOU are not the nearest living next of kin 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.

NOTE.—INSTRUCTIONS FOR THE DISPOSITION OF REMAINS will be issued by this office upon the properly executed authority of the legal next of kin in each case. The widow is the first person having disposition of the remains of her husband. Should there be no widow or children, the father and, in turn (upon his decease), the mother, is the proper authority. The brothers, in order of seniority, and then the sisters in order of seniority, if there are no brothers, rank next in authority to decide. Under an opinion rendered by the Judge Advocate General of the Army, if a widow has remarried she forfeits her right, and the next of kin as given above will make decision.

WAR DEPARTMENT

U.S. GOVERNMENT PRINTING OFFICE: 1918

File No. 5/11/21.

REPORT OF DISINTERMENT, PREPARATION, AND SHIPMENT OF BODY

DISINTERMENT

COMPARATIVE REPORT

Records Office Chief G. R. S.

Discrepancy found upon examination of body.

- 1. Name PHILLIPS, William H. 10. Name _____
- 2. No. 2235171. 11. No. _____
- 3. Rank Pvt. 1/cl. 12. Rank _____
- 4. Org Co. H, 39th Inf. 13. Org _____
- 5. D. D. 9-28-18. 14. (a) D. D. _____
- 6. C. D. K/A. 15. (b) D. B. _____

Discrepancy found upon disinterment.

- 7. Grave No. 8 Sec. 35. 15. Grave No. _____ Sec. _____
- 8. Plot 1 Row -- 16. Plot _____ Row _____
- 9. -- -- 17. _____

- 18. Cemetery Argonne Amer.
- 19. Commune or town ROMAGNE-sous-MONFAUCON.
- 20. Department or county Meuse.
- 21. Country France. 22. G. R. S. Headquarters Code No. 1232-Sec. 36.
- 23. Disinterred _____ (Date) _____ By _____
- 24. Inscription on grave marker { Name _____ Serial No. _____
Rank _____ Organization _____
- 25. Was identification disk found on grave marker? _____ On body? _____

Signature of Junior Technical Assistant.

(The following space is reserved for notations to be made by office Chief Graves Registration Service.)

2-7727

Sec. 36. Cable Ref. No. 150.

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PREPARATION

26. What other means of identification were on body? (If no disk or other means of identification on body, give description of body in detail)-----

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27. Condition of body-----

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28. Nature of burial-----

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Overseas Project Sub-

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

30. Body prepared and placed in casket----- (Date.) By-----

31. Casket sealed by -----

Signature of Embalmer (Supervisor)-----

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

32. Designation of body { Name William H. Phillips. Serial No. 2235171.
Rank Pvt. 1/cl. Organization Co. H, 39th Inf.

33. CONSIGNEE—Name Quartermaster General, Graves Registration Service.

Address Hoboken, New Jersey.

34. Casket boxed and marked----- (Date.) By-----

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-----

36. Remarks-----

37. Shipped from cemetery----- (Date.) To----- (Point of concentration.)

Convoyer----- Signature Shipping Officer-----

38. Received at point of concentration----- (Date.)

Signature Receiving Officer-----

39. Shipped from point of concentration----- (Date.)

To----- (Port.) Convoyer-----

Signature Shipping Officer-----

40. Received European port----- (Date.)

Signature of G. R. S. Representative-----

41. Shipped to----- (U. S. port.) On----- (Boat.)

Date----- Convoyer----- (Signature of Shipping Officer.)

42. Received----- (Date.) By G. R. S. Representative----- (Signature.)

43. Shipped to destination----- (Date.) { B/L or Express Order No. -----
Convoyer----- { Shipping Officer-----

G.R.S. FORM 129
Transmittal Supplementary Advice
Hoboken to Washington

WAR DEPARTMENT
QUARTERMASTER CORPS
GRAVES REGISTRATION SERVICE
HOBOKEN, N. J.

June 9th-1921

1921.

Recorded, Cemeterial Div., O. O. M. G.
File # 293,8-
8/28/21

From: Graves Registration Officer, Hoboken, New Jersey.
To: Quartermaster General, Cemeterial Division, Washington, D. C.
Subject: Supplementary Advice concerning:

Name Phillips, William H. Ser. No. 2235171

Rank Private 1/cl Organization Co. H., 39th Infantry

Cemetery No. 1232-Sec. 36 Cable Reference No. (Sheet No.) 150

Request shown below dated June 7th-1921 is latest in this case:

Name of Relative	<u>Return</u>	<u>Remain</u>	<u>Special</u>
	to	in	
		FRANCE.	

Widow None

Children _____

Guardian _____

Father Hiram J. Phillips, R.#1, Box ⁵⁹ 41, Buffalo, Texas.

Mother _____

Brother _____

Sister _____

Others _____

Body to ~~be shipped to~~ or for interment in: P.A.C.

MM

Cable Letter 6/16/21 1921 forwarding advice to Europe dispatched _____ 1921.

S-744 EB

sn, 6/16/21

Phillips, William H.

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JUN 11 1921

Cemeterial Division
Overseas Project Sub-Section

RECEIVED



JUN 11 1921
G. H. S.

TO: _____
FROM: _____
SUBJECT: _____
RE: _____
DATE: _____

NO. _____
SERIAL NO. _____
CLASSIFICATION _____
AUTHORITY _____
DATE _____

NOVEMBER 11
SERIALS ACQUISITION SERVICE
COMMUNICATIONS CENTER
MAIL DELIVERY UNIT

NOVEMBER 11 1921
SERIALS ACQUISITION SERVICE
COMMUNICATIONS CENTER
MAIL DELIVERY UNIT

COMPILATION OF DISPOSITION OF REMAINS DATA

See Form 115
att 3/30/22

File # 81283

I. LOCATION INDEX CARD:

(a) Name PHILLIPS, William H. Ser. No. 2235171
 (b) Rank Pvt. 1/C ^{075 (24.4-29-21)} Organization Co. H. 39th Inf. } hmp
 (c) Date of death 9-28-18 (d) Cause of death K/A } TYP. 370

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

(a) Grave No. 8 Row 33--- Plot 1 Sec. 36 TYP. hmp
 (b) Emerg. Address Mr. Hiram J. Phillips (Father) Buffalo, Texas.
240 209 48 30-20 29 (24.4-29-21)

III. Files of soldiers dying from contagious diseases _____ CKR. 370

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 5/11/21, 192
Section # 36
Par # 1 - To be returned - AD

VI. Form 115 forwarded to G. R. S., Hoboken, N. J., MAY 17 1921, 192

VII. SUPPLEMENTARY REQUESTS.

Date of and source.	Relationship and name.	Desires.	Action taken.
<u>6/9/21</u> <u>Form 129</u>	<u>Father - 6/7/21.</u> <u>Hiram J. Phillips</u>	<u>Body remain</u> <u>in France</u>	<u>6/16/21 Europe</u> <u>advised by</u> <u>proposed cable</u> <u># 325 not to</u> <u>return body</u> <u>370</u> <u>6/16/21.</u>

Letter from Europe 7/18/21 states return cancelled
as per cable att 11/5/21

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

COUNTRY _____ CEMETERY No. _____ SHEET No. _____

AR 5/13/21.

GRAVE LOCATION BOOK.

LOCATION OF THE GRAVE OF

Phillips, 2235171, William H.
(Surname.) (Number.) (First Name and Initials.)
Co. H. 39th. Inf.
(Rank.) (Organization.)

DATE OF BURIAL Oct. 5th. 1918.

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

Don Sur Mesue. G. 35-03.

GRAVE NUMBER Separate Grave.

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 :

(Meuse)
CMMR. Brioules-sur-Meuse
236 35NE COORD E. 312 N. 2833

REPORTED BY: Andrew C. Aston
1st. Lt. & Chaplain.
(Signature and Rank of Reporting Officer.)

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

MEMORANDUM

Not in 317th Regt Duplicate 21283

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Communal List No. 230-854
Daily Report No.

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

Hq. G. R. S. File

2. Soldier's No. 235171

3. Phiklips William H.

Surname (in block letters) First Name and Initials
Pvt. H 39th. Inf.

4. Rank Company Regt. or Corps

5. Date of Death Cause, if known

Isolated

6. Date of Burial Cemetery

Nantillois Meuse

7. Town or Commune (in block letters) Department

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8. 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.

CMME. NANTILLOIS (MEUSE
(C-179) SHT 35 NE COORD. { E-311.82
{ N-280.35 }

12. "A" sketch 22
Map Reference, if interment is outside of cemetery

280.4 N 311.9 E

13. Give name of Chaplain or Burial Officer

Signed. Sgt. Baker

RBH
671

GROUP No. 3

Group.....Unit.....G. R. S.

PROV. UNIT "A" G.R.S.



WAR DEPARTMENT
THE ADJUTANT GENERAL'S OFFICE
WASHINGTON

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Adj. made
8-9-20
HKM

IN REPLY
REFER TO

201(Phillips, William H)WW

August 30, 1920.

From: The Adjutant General of the Army.

To: The Quartermaster General of the Army,
Washington, D. C.

Subject: Date of death of Private first class William H.
Phillips, #2235171, Company H, 39 Infantry.

1. Upon investigation, it has been ascertained that the date of death of the above man heretofore communicated to you, is erroneous, and that he was killed in action September 28, 1918.

2. For purposes of identification, you are advised that the records show that the deceased was enlisted Sept 19, 1917, and the name of the person to be notified in case of emergency was given as: Hiram Jerome Phillips, father, Buffalo, Texas.

*of 115 corrected to
agree (L.H. 4-29-20)*

P. C. Harris
The Adjutant General.
Per: *EB*





Handwritten in red ink:
Copy to [unclear]
[unclear]

Handwritten in black ink:
The Adjutant General
[unclear]

For purposes of identification, you are advised
that the records area that the deceased was entitled to have
and the name of the person to be notified in case of emergency

It is requested that you advise the person named above
of the date of death of [unclear] and refer to the
date of death of [unclear] if you have been notified that



Date of death of [unclear] that was [unclear]

The Adjutant General of the Army

The Adjutant General of the Army

MAIL ROOM

WASHINGTON

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WASHINGTON

THE ADJUTANT GENERAL'S OFFICE

ARMY DEPARTMENT

MAIL ROOM

June 7, 1920.

FILE

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Phillips, William H., Pvt. 1st Cl. 1st Ind.

O.Q.M.G., Cemeterial Division, Munitions Building, Washington, D. C.
June 7, 1920. To: The Adjutant General of the Army, Washington, D. C.

1. The records of this office show that Private William H. Phillips, #2235171, Co. H, 39th Infantry, was killed in action Sept. 26, 1918 - October 18, 1918, per CC-351-SP-10. His remains were buried in Grave #1, Isolated, Commune of Nantillois, Department of the Meuse, and disinterred and reburied in Grave #8, Section 36, Plot 1, Argonne American Cemetery at Romagne-sous-Montfaucon, Department of the Meuse, June 9, 1919.

2. Grave Location Blank submitted by Andrew C. Aston, 1st Lieut. and Chaplain, gives the date of burial as October 5, 1918, and place of burial Don Sur Mesue, G. 23 - 03, and shows one identification tag buried

81283-Inquiry

Phillips, William H., Pvt. 1st Cl. 1st Ind. Cont'd.

with body and one attached to the grave marker.

By authority of the Quartermaster General.

CHARLES C. PIERCE,
Colonel, U. S. Army
Chief, Cemeterial Division

By:

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

llb

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

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W

Phillips

ANALYSIS OF INQUIRY *6/3/20*

_____ 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. #6, 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)
(b) Other countries

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

Remarks; *ML*

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.

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Analysis Clerk.

AG 201(Phillips, William H.)WW

May 29, 1920

Date and place of burial.

The Quartermaster General,
Washington, D. C.

The records on file in this office show Pvt. 1st Cl. William H. Phillips, #2,235,171, Co. H, 39th Inf. killed in action between September 26, 1918 and October 18, 1918. No report of burial.

A report from the original burial report is desired, showing the date of burial and any other information that may aid in determining the date of death.

By order of the Secretary of War.

L. Erwin.

Adjutant General.



May 29, 1930

AG SOI(Phillips, William H.)WW

Date and place of burial.

The Quartermaster General,
Washington, D. C.

The records on file in this office show
Pvt. 1st Cl. William H. Phillips, #2,235,171,
Co. H, 32nd Inf. killed in action between September
26, 1918 and October 16, 1918. No report of burial.

A report from the original burial report
is desired, showing the date of burial and any other
information that may aid in determining the date of
death.

By order of the Secretary of War.



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G.R.S. FORM #105 - Reply to Casualty Div., A.G.O.

WAR DEPARTMENT
The Office of Director Purchase & Storage.
Washington, D.C. 10/6/19

MEMORANDUM TO: Casualty Division, Adjutant General's Office,
6th & B Streets, n.w., Washington, D.C.

Attached papers are returned with the information that the files of the Graves Registration Service show that:

Phillips, William H. #2235171 Pvt. Co. H, 39th Inf.

~~#####~~
is buried was disinterred and reburied in grave B,
sect. 36, plot 1, Argonne Amer. Cemetery 1232,
Romagne-sous-Montfaucon. (Meuse)

By authority of the Quartermaster General,
Director of Purchase and Storage

Charles C. Pierce,
Colonel, Q.M.C.
Chief, Graves Registration Service.

G.R.S. FILE NO.

CCP/

16-2849-ad

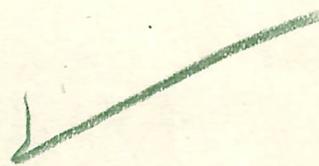


SYNOPSIS OF COMMUNICATION RECEIVED AND INDORSED OUT.

DATED: April 4, 1919 DATE RECEIVED IN 10/6/19
FROM: Hiram J. Phillips, Buffalo, Leon Co., Texas
TO: War Dept.

For the correct date of the death of William H.
Phillips, also his rank at time of death.

EW



Sept. 12, 1919.

Name: Phillips, WilliamH.

Number: 2235171

Rank: Private

Organization: Co; "H" 39th Inf.

(1)

Yes.

(6)

Isolated Grave #1, Cmm. #C-179--35NE. E311.9
N280.2

Mantillois,
C-179,
Meuse.

*Disinterred & Reburied
Grave #8, Sec. #36, Plot #1
Argonne Amer. Cty #1232
Comagne-Sachs-Montfaucon
Meuse*

Information control - - - - - J.C. - - - - -

201 (Phillips, William H.) Enl.

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1st Ind.

War Dept. A.G.O. May 20, 1919- To Commanding General, American Expeditionary Forces.

For further information relative to the death of William H. Phillips, Serial Number 2,235,171, Company H, 39th Infantry. Showing the date and place of death and the location of his grave, also the rank of the soldier at the time of his death.

By order of the Secretary of War:

James N. Peala.

Adjutant General

(Synopsis made)



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201 (Phillips, William H.) Ind.

1st Ind.

War Dept. A.G.O. May 20, 1919 - To Commanding General, American Expeditionary Forces.

For further information relative to the death of William H. Phillips, Serial Number 2,235,171, Company H, 39th Infantry. Showing the date and place of death and the location of his grave, also the rank of the soldier at the time of his death.

By order of the Secretary of War:

James N. Peala

Adjutant General

Received
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G.H.A.E.F.

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