



***INDIVIDUAL DECEASED
PERSONNEL FILE***

Bell, James

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USMC: Henri-Chapelle		DIED ON: 7 BHR	
1	PLOT: E ROW: 4 GRAVE: 76		OFF: JOHN C. EVANS
	DATE OF BURIAL: 20 AUG 48		35613006
VERIFIED BY: <i>James J Doyle</i>		DISINTERMENT DIRECTIVE LEFT: OPEN GRAVE	
SECTION A - NAME AND BURIAL LOCATION OF DECEASED		DIRECTIVE NUMBER	DATE
		1240 00966	12 03 48 DAY MONTH YEAR
NAME	SERIAL NUMBER	RANK	ARM DATE OF DEATH
BELL JAMES M	32253313	TEC5	1
CEMETERY			DISPOSITION OF REMAINS
HENRI-CHAPELLE			1 1201 80 CODE DIST. PT.
PLOT	ROW	GRAVE	COUNTRY
J	1	6	BELGIUM
SECTION B - CONSIGNEE AND NEXT OF KIN			
NAME AND ADDRESS OF CONSIGNEE		NAME AND ADDRESS OF NEXT OF KIN	
HENRI-CHAPELLE, BELGIUM		LAURA PENQUE (MOTHER) 16 August 48 92 LENOR ROAD WILLIAMSVILLE, NEW YORK	
SECTION C - DISINTERMENT AND IDENTIFICATION			
NAME	SERIAL NUMBER	RANK	DATE OF DEATH
BELL JAMES M	32253313	TEC 5	7 OCT 44
DATE DISTINTERRED	IDENTIFICATION TAG ON		
3 NOV 47	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> REMAINS <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> MARKER		
ORGANIZATION		RELIGION	IDENTIFICATION VERIFIED BY
USAGF		C	ROBERT C MALLORY, 1/LT INF 537 QM SV CO. NAME AND TITLE
SECTION D - PREPARATION OF REMAINS FOR SHIPMENT			
NATURE OF BURIAL		CONDITION OF REMAINS	
UNIFORM AND MATTRESS COVER.		SKULL CRUSHED; BODY COMPLETE.	
OTHER MEANS OF IDENTIFICATION			
GROUND FORCE TYPE CLOTHING.			
MINOR DISCREPANCIES			
NONE.			
REMAINS PREPARED AND PLACED IN CASKET			
DATE	BY		
3 NOVEMBER 1947	RICHARD N CONRAD, EMB SUPV.		
CASKET SEALED BY	EMBALMER (Signature)		
RICHARD N CONRAD, EMB SUPV.	<i>Richard N Conrad</i>		
CASKET BOXED AND MARKED	SHIPPING ADDRESS VERIFIED BY		
JAMES J DOYLE DATE 3 NOV 47 BY CLERK RECORDER.	RICHARD N CONRAD, EMB SUPV.		
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 GRS INSPECTOR
			<i>Raymond G Johnson</i>
			RAYMOND G JOHNSON, 1/PLT INF.
1 Prepare Discrepancy Report QMC Form 1194a for major discrepancies.			
RECORDS ANNOTATED			
DATE OCT 19 1948			
NAME <i>William</i>			
R & R BR.			

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8 October 1948

~~Tec. 5 James M. Bell, ASN 32 253 313~~
Plot E, Row 4, Grave 76
Headstone: Cross
Henri-Chapelle U. S. Military Cemetery

Mrs. Laura Penque
92 Lenor Road
Williamsville, New York

Dear Mrs. Penque:

This is to inform you that the remains of your loved one have been permanently interred, as recorded above, side by side with comrades who also gave their lives for their country.

Customary military funeral services were conducted over the grave at the time of burial.

After the Department of the Army has completed all final interments, the cemetery will be transferred, as authorized by the Congress, to the care and supervision of the American Battle Monuments Commission. The Commission also will have the responsibility for permanent construction and beautification of the cemetery, including erection of the permanent headstone. The headstone will be inscribed with the name exactly as recorded above, the rank or rating where appropriate, organization, State, and date of death. Any inquiries relative to the type of headstone or the spelling of the name to be inscribed thereon, should be addressed to the American Battle Monuments Commission, the central address of which is 1712 "G" Street, N. W., Washington 25, D. C.

While interment and beautification activities are in progress, the cemetery will not be open to visitors. However, upon completion thereof, due notice will be carried by the press.

You may rest assured that this final interment was conducted with fitting dignity and solemnity and that the grave-site will be carefully and conscientiously maintained in perpetuity by the United States Government.

Sincerely yours,

THOMAS B. LARKIN
Major General
The Quartermaster General

FAMILY CORRESPONDENCE BRANCH
ACCEPTANCE SECTION

DATE 10 March, 1948

NAME Bell, James H. RANK T/5 SERIAL NO 32253313 DD# 00966
80-1201
Dispatched Nov. 17, '47

CEMETERY Henri-Chapelle PLOT J ROW 1 GRAVE 6

	<u>FROM</u>	<u>TO</u>
<u>OPTION</u>	Op. 1 (Adm. Order)	Op. 1
<u>CONSIGNEE</u>	No change	
<u>NAME</u>		
<u>ADDRESS</u>		
<u>DC#</u>		
<u>NEXT OF KIN</u>		
<u>NAME</u>		Laura Penque (Mother)
<u>ADDRESS</u>		92 Lenox Road, Williamsville, New York.

WAGE

AUTHORITY

345 - attached.

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27 November 1947

SUBJECT: REPORT OF DUTY OFFICER, MEMORIAL DIVISION

TO : Chief, Administrative Branch, Memorial Division, OQMG.

The following report is submitted covering my tour of duty on 27 November 1947 from 0855 hours to 1600 hours:

0855 hours Reported for duty.

1000 hours Telephone call for General Horkan from Frankfurt, Germany. Call referred to his home.

1030 hours Telephone call from General Horkan to Colonel Hinman concerning Mrs. Bell's call from Frankfurt in connection with her son, James M. Bell. Mrs. Bell to phone on 28 November 1947 at 0900 hours and General Horkan desires that Mrs. McDonald, Liaison Branch, Mem. Division discuss this case with Mrs. Bell. Colonel Busch to be advised by Colonel Hinman. No personnel on duty in Administrative Division or Mail and Records so that 293 file on James M. Bell could be procured.

1115 hours Telephone call from Frances Bennett, Winston-Salem, North Carolina, brother of (293) William A. Bennett, ASN 34597947, U.S. Military Cemetery, Andilly, plot K, Row 2, Grave 27. Desired information as to approximate date of exhumation of remains at this cemetery and when next of kin would receive letter of inquiry. Mr. Bennett was advised that tentative planning contemplates the exhumation of remains at Andilly during the winter of 1948-1949 and that letters of inquiry are now being dispatched by this office in accordance with the operations schedule as presently established, and that next of kin will receive letter of inquiry several months in advance of the commencement of exhumations.

1200 hours. Telephone call from Lt. Colonel Allen, Operations Branch, inquiring as to whether or not a TWX had been received from NYPOE concerning the remains of Wesley D. Perry. Since no message had been received, Lt. Col. Allen requested that a phone call be placed to New York port to ascertain status of case.

1245 hours Placed telephone call to New York Port. Major McCarthy, Executive Officer, AGR Division, advised that the remains of Wesley D. Perry were unloaded on 26 November 1947. Remains will leave New York by rail at 0835 hours on 28 November 1947 and will arrive in Washington 1510 hours. This information furnished Lt. Colonel Allen by telephone.

1600 hours Departed.

/s/
HAROLD O. OLSEN
Captain QMC
Duty Officer

T/5 James M. Bell, 32 253 313
Plot J, Row 1, Grave 6,
United States Military Cemetery
Henri-Chapelle, Belgium

12 June 1947

Mrs. Laura Penque
92 Lenox Road
Williamsville, New York

Dear Mrs. Penque:

The people of the United States, through the Congress have authorized the disinterment and final burial of the heroic dead of World War II. The Quartermaster General of the Army has been entrusted with this sacred responsibility to the honored dead. The records of the War Department indicate that you may be the nearest relative of the above-named deceased, who gave his life in the service of his country.

The enclosed pamphlets, "Disposition of World War II Armed Forces Dead," and "American Cemeteries," explain the disposition, options and services made available to you by your Government. If you are the next of kin according to the line of kinship as set forth in the enclosed pamphlet, "Disposition of World War II Armed Forces Dead," you are invited to express your wishes as to the disposition of the remains of the deceased by completing Part I of the enclosed form "Request for Disposition of Remains." Should you desire to relinquish your rights to the next in line of kinship, please complete Part II of the enclosed form. If you are not the next of kin, please complete Part III of the enclosed form.

If you should elect Option 2, it is advised that no funeral arrangements or other personal arrangements be made until you are further notified by this office.

Will you please complete the enclosed form, "Request for Disposition of Remains" and mail in the enclosed self-addressed envelope, which requires no postage, within 30 days after its receipt by you? Its prompt return will avoid unnecessary delays.

Sincerely,

THOMAS B. LARKIN
Major General
The Quartermaster General

Incls.

T/5 James M. Bell, 32 253 313
Plot J, Row 1, Grave 6,
United States Military Cemetery
Henri-Chapelle, Belgium

3 March 1947

Mrs. Gastana R. Bell
98 Seventh Street
Buffalo, New York

Dear Mrs. Bell:

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Sincerely,

- * Enclosures
1. Pamphlet (Options)
 2. Disposition Form
 3. Envelope
 4. Pamphlet (Cemeteries)

THOMAS B. LARKIN
Major General
The Quartermaster General

CMCGR 293
Bell, James M.
A.S.N. 32 253 313

15 January 1947

Mrs. Gastana R. Bell
98- Seventh Street
Buffalo, New York

Dear Mrs. Bell:

Inclosed herewith is a picture of the United States Military Cemetery Henri-Chapelle, Belgium, in which your husband, the late Technician Fifth Grade James M. Bell, is buried.

It is my sincere hope that you may gain some solace from this view of the surroundings in which your loved one rests. As you can see, this is a place of simple dignity, neat and well cared for. Here, assured of continuous care, now rest the remains of a few of those heroic dead who fell together in the service of our country.

This cemetery will be maintained as a temporary resting place until, in accordance with the wishes of the next of kin, all remains are either placed in permanent American cemeteries overseas or returned to the Homeland for final burial.

FOR THE QUARtermASTER GENERAL:

Sincerely yours,

1 Incl
Photograph

G. A. HORKAN
Brigadier General, CM
Assistant

SP293 293
Bell, James M.

25 August 1945

Mrs. Gaetana Rose Bell
98 7th Street
Buffalo, New York

Dear Mrs. Bell:

The War Department is most desirous that you be furnished the burial location of your husband, the late Technician Fifth Grade James M. Bell.

The records of this office disclose that he is interred in the U. S. Military Cemetery #1, Henri Chapelle, Belgium, plot J, row 1, grave 6.

This cemetery is located approximately 7 miles southwest of Aachen, Germany, and is under the constant care and supervision of United States military personnel.

Please accept my sincere sympathy in the loss of your husband.

Sincerely yours,

E. B. GREGORY
Lieutenant General
The Quartermaster General

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GRAVES REGISTRATION SECTION

AUG 25 1 34 PM '45

MEMORIAL DIVISION


WAR DEPARTMENT
THE ADJUTANT GENERAL'S OFFICE
 WASHINGTON 25, D. C.

REPORT OF DEATH

DATE 27 October 1944
pmr/dmr/4627

FULL NAME <i>m</i> Bell, James M.		ARMY SERIAL NUMBER 32 253 313	GRADE T/5th Gr.
HOME ADDRESS Buffalo, New York		ARM OR SERVICE Infantry	DATE OF BIRTH 17 Sep 1915
PLACE OF DEATH European Area	CAUSE OF DEATH Killed in Action		DATE OF DEATH 7 Oct 44
STATION OF DECEASED European Area		DATE OF ENTRY ON CURRENT ACTIVE SERVICE 13 Mar 42	LENGTH OF SERVICE FOR PAY PURPOSES YEARS MONTHS DAYS
EMERGENCY ADDRESSES (NAME, RELATIONSHIP & ADDRESS) Mrs. Gaetana Rose Bell, wife, 98 - 7th Street, Buffalo, N. Y.			
BENEFICIARY (NAME, RELATIONSHIP & ADDRESS) Mrs. Gaetana Rose Bell, wife, address shown above. Laura Penque, mother, 92 Lenor Rd., Williamsville, N. Y. Lawrence Penque, step-father, 92 Lenor Rd., Williamsville, N. Y.			
INVESTIGATION MADE?		IN LINE OF DUTY	OWN MISCONDUCT
YES	NO	YES	NO
WAS DECEASED ON DUTY STATUS		AUTHORIZED ABSENCE	IN FLYING PAY STATUS
YES	NO	YES	NO
OTHER PAY STATUS (SPECIFY BELOW)			
YES	NO		

ADDITIONAL DATA AND/OR STATEMENT



COPIES FURNISHED:		
S. G. O.	F. B. I.	F. O. U. S. A.
S. O. C. M. G.	G. P. D.	ARMY EFFECTS BUREAU
G. A. O.	VET. ADMIN.	CASUALTY BRANCH FILE
		A. G. 201 FILE

BATTLE
 NON-BATTLE

BY ORDER OF THE SECRETARY OF WAR
James Rinkhart
 ADJUTANT GENERAL

ARMY SERVICE FORCES
ARMY EFFECTS BUREAU

ORDER FOR SHIPMENT

Mrs. Gaetana Ross Bell
98 - 7th Street
Buffalo, New York

SHIP TO:
2/5 James V. Bell

Effects of: 32253913
Name 280,188 D
ASN
Case No.
Wt.

DATE 19 June 1945
CHG:MH:jp

N. Wiewstock
FCM Effects Quartermaster

REMARKS:

<input type="checkbox"/> Inclose Bureau Check	<input type="checkbox"/> Receipts G.I.
Acct. No. _____	<input type="checkbox"/> Not discrepancy in _____
Amount _____	<input type="checkbox"/> Films removed _____
<input type="checkbox"/> Inclose "Valuables" item	<input type="checkbox"/> Dirty removed _____
<input type="checkbox"/> Ship "Valuables" item(s)	<input type="checkbox"/> Laundry removed _____

ROUTING:

Accounting Branch
 1 Warehouse Division
 2 Files Branch, Adm. Div.

1 Ctr

REMARKS:

SEND DAMAGED AND BLOODSTAIN PROPERTY.

FRANKED
 Franked _____
 Est. Exp. Chgs. _____
 Est. Frt. Chgs. _____
 No. of packages _____

AD
Shipping Clerk



ARMY SERVICE FORCES
KANSAS CITY QUARTERMASTER DEPOT

801 HARDESTY AVENUE
KANSAS CITY 1, MISSOURI

IN REPLY REFER TO 280188

GHG:MH:dn
June 21, 1945

Mrs. Gaetana Rose Bell
98 - 7th Street
Buffalo, New York

Dear Mrs. Bell:

The Army Effects Bureau has received some additional property of your husband, Technician Fifth Grade, James M. Bell.

These effects, contained in one carton, are being forwarded to you. If delivery is not made within thirty days from this date, please notify me so that tracer action may be instituted.

As previously indicated, personal property is transmitted by this Bureau for distribution according to the laws of the state of the soldier's legal residence.

Extending every sympathy, I am

Sincerely yours,

P. L. DOB
1st Lt. Q.M.C.
Officer-in-Charge
SJ Unit

SCREENED
4-27-48 SK

230,188

GEG:MH:md
June 7, 1945

Mrs. Gaetana Rose Bell
98-7th St.,
Buffalo, New York

Dear Mrs. Bell:

The Army Effects Bureau has received some additional property of your husband, Technician Fifth Grade James M. Bell.

I regret to advise that included among your husband's effects are three knives which are rusty, one ring which appears to have been hit by some sharp object, and a billfold which has been damaged by shrapnel and apparently bloodstained. Please say whether you want these items sent with the remainder of the property. It is our desire to refrain from sending any article which would be distressing; at the same time, we do not feel justified in removing the items without your consent.

For your convenience, there is inclosed a self-addressed return envelope which needs no postage.

Yours very truly,

P. L. KOOB
2nd Lt. Q.M.C.
Officer-in-Charge
SJ Unit

1 Incl—Envelope

ARMY SERVICE FORCES
ARMY EFFECTS BUREAU

ORDER FOR SHIPMENT

Mrs. Costana Rose Bell

SHIP TO:

98-7th Street

1/2 of Mrs. Bell

Buffalo, New York

Effects of:

Name

32253313

ASN

280188 D

Case No.

Wt.

DATE 9 May 1945

JRM:MH:jk

E. Burton

FOR: Effects Quartermaster

REMARKS:

 Inclose Bureau Check

Acct. No.

Amount

 Inclose "Valuables" item

 Ship "Valuables" item(s)

 Remove G.I.

 Note discrepancy in

 Films removed

 Diary removed

 Laundry removed

ROUTING:

 Accounting Branch

1 Warehouse Division

2 Files Branch, Adm. Div.

REMARKS:

1/2 of Mrs. Bell

Franked **FRANKED**

Est. Exp. Chgs.

Est. Frt. Chgs.

No. of packages 7

MAY 14 1945

[Signature]

Shipping Clerk



ARMY SERVICE FORCES
KANSAS CITY QUARTERMASTER DEPOT
601 HARDESTY AVENUE
KANSAS CITY 1, MISSOURI

JUN:KTH:jkn
May 10, 1945

280188

IN REPLY REFER TO _____

Mrs. Castana Rose Bell
98 - 7th Street
Buffalo, New York

Dear Mrs. Bell:

The Army Effects Bureau has received from overseas some personal effects of your husband, Technician Fifth Grade James W. Bell.

These effects are being forwarded to you in one package.

If, by any chance, the property has not reached you at the expiration of thirty days from this date, please notify me and tracer will be instituted.

The action of this Bureau in transmitting personal effects does not, of itself, vest title in the recipient. Such property is forwarded for distribution according to the laws of the state of the soldier's legal residence.

I regret the circumstances prompting this letter, and wish to express my sympathy in the loss of your husband.

Yours very truly,

P. L. KOOB
2nd Lt. Q.M.C.
Officer-in-Charge
SJ Unit

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R E S T R I C T E D

October 25 1944

SUBJECT: Inventory of Effects of: T/5 James M. Bell 32253313
31st Tank Bn 7th Armored Division
KIA about October 7 1944

TO: Effects Quartermaster, Communication Zone
Designated Beneficiary not readily accessible.

Inventory of Effects

1	New Testament ✓
1	Soap Container ✓
1	Cigarette Lighter ✓
1	Stamp Pad and stamp ✓
1	Cigarette Holder ✓
1	Belt Buckle ✓
1 bar	Ribbons ✓
1	Nail File ✓
3	Pencils ✓
4	Fountain Pens ✓
1	Pen Pencil ✓
1	Machine Gun Marksman Medal ✓
1	Submachine Gun Expert Medal ✓

No Money

Names and addresses of any banks not known

I certify that the above items constitute all of the effects, secured by me, of the above named individual and that they were forwarded to the Effects Depot by truck on October 25 1944.

H. A. Pickford
H. A. PICKFORD
1st Lt. QMC G-1016270
Headquarters 7th A.D.

REPORT OF BURIAL

27 October 1944
Date

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293 Bell, James M Unk. 32253313
Last Name First Initial Rank Serial No.
31st Tank Bn.
Unit Organization
Germany 7 October 1944 KIA- Shrap. Head
Place of Death Date of Death Cause of Death
1500, 11 October 1944 Henri Chapelle #1 705352
Time and Date of Burial Name of Cemetery Name or Coordinates of Location
6 1 J Cross
Grave Number Row Number Plot Number Type of Marker

Disposition of Identification Tags: Buried with body Yes No Attached to Marker Yes No

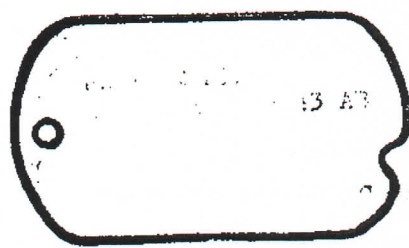
If No Identification Tags
How were remains identified?

What means of identification were buried with the body?

To determine Right or Left use Deceased's Right and Left.

Who is buried on:	Hillman	37354936	Pfc	7th Div	7
Deceased's Right:	Name	Serial No.	Rank	Organization	Grave No.
Deceased's Left:	Fredred	32253386	Pfc	7th Div	5
	Name	Serial No.	Rank	Organization	Grave No.

Signature or Name, Rank and if possible Organization of person furnishing above Data when other than officer reporting burial.



If print of identification tag is not affixed fill in below:

Emergency Addressee _____ Name

Address _____

Religion 0

List only Personal Effects Found on Body and disposition of same:

23 OCT 1944

HARRY DUBROV, 1st Lt., GIC
Verified by G.I.C. Officer
MAY 8 1945

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REQUEST FOR DISPOSITION OF REMAINS

GRADE OF DECEASED, NAME, ARMY SERIAL NUMBER AND REPORTED PLACE OF BURIAL

DATE:

174
 T/5 James M. Bell, 32 253 313
 Plot J, Row 1, Grave 6,
 United States Military Cemetery
 Henri-Chapelle, Belgium

3 March 1947

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DO NOT WRITE ABOVE THIS LINE

NOTE.—The next of kin should familiarize himself with the contents of the pamphlet, "Disposition of World War II Armed Forces Dead," before filling out this form. When the proper part of this form is filled out and properly signed by the next of kin, it should be returned to the OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL, MEMORIAL DIVISION, WAR DEPARTMENT, WASHINGTON 25, D. C., in the self-addressed postage-free envelope provided for this purpose.
 If you are the next of kin or authorized representative of next of kin and desire to direct the disposition of the remains, please fill in PART I of this form.

PART I

1. GAETANA ROSE POLIZZI
(PLEASE PRINT OR TYPE NAME OF NEXT OF KIN)

(Please indicate relationship to the deceased by placing an "X" in the proper box.)

WIDOW WIDOWER SON OVER 21 YEARS OLD DAUGHTER OVER 21 YEARS OLD

FATHER MOTHER BROTHER OVER 21 YEARS OLD SISTER OVER 21 YEARS OLD

RELATIONSHIP OTHER THAN ABOVE *(Specify) Remarried, but the veteran is my son still giving support*

HAVING FAMILIARIZED MYSELF WITH THE OPTIONS WHICH HAVE BEEN MADE AVAILABLE TO ME WITH RESPECT TO THE FINAL RESTING PLACE OF THE DECEASED DESIGNATED ABOVE, NOW DO DECLARE THAT IT IS MY DESIRE THAT THE REMAINS: (Please place an "X" in the box opposite the option you have selected.)

- 1. BE INTERRED IN A PERMANENT AMERICAN MILITARY CEMETERY OVERSEAS.
- 2. BE RETURNED TO THE UNITED STATES OR ANY POSSESSION OR TERRITORY THEREOF FOR INTERMENT BY NEXT OF KIN IN A PRIVATE CEMETERY

(NAME AND LOCATION OF CEMETERY)

- 3. BE RETURNED TO _____, THE HOMELAND OF THE DECEASED OR NEXT OF KIN, FOR INTERMENT BY NEXT OF KIN IN A PRIVATE CEMETERY LOCATED AT _____

(FOREIGN COUNTRY)

(LOCATION OF CEMETERY SELECTED)

- 4. BE RETURNED TO THE UNITED STATES FOR FINAL INTERMENT IN A NATIONAL CEMETERY LOCATED AT Albion, N.Y.

(LOCATION OF NATIONAL CEMETERY SELECTED)

(Please indicate if your own religious services at a location other than the selected national cemetery are desired by placing an "X" in the proper box)

YES NO

THE NAME OF THE DECEASED, THE SERIAL NUMBER AND GRADE ARE CORRECT EXCEPT FOR THE FOLLOWING CHANGES: (If no corrections are necessary, indicate this fact by inserting the word "NONE" in the space below.)

none

PART I (Continued)

If on Page 1 of this form you have selected Option Number 2 or 3, or Option Number 4 with you funeral ceremonies desired at a location other than the selected national cemetery, complete one of these sections.
 I, AS THE NEXT OF KIN, DO FURTHER DECLARE THAT I DESIRE THE REMAINS TO BE SENT TO THE FOLLOWING PERSON WHO HAS AGREED TO RECEIVE THEM:

LAST NAME	FIRST NAME	MIDDLE INITIAL
NUMBER AND STREET	CITY OR TOWN	COUNTY OR PROVINCE
EXPRESS OFFICE (Nearest railroad passenger station)	TELEGRAPH ADDRESS	STATE OR TERRITORY OF U. S. A., OR COUNTRY
		TELEPHONE No.

OR
 I, AS THE NEXT OF KIN, DO FURTHER DECLARE THAT I DESIRE THE REMAINS TO BE SENT TO THE FOLLOWING FUNERAL DIRECTOR WHO HAS AGREED TO RECEIVE THEM:

FULL NAME OF FUNERAL DIRECTOR			
NUMBER AND STREET	CITY OR TOWN	COUNTY OR PROVINCE	STATE OR TERRITORY OF U. S. A., OR COUNTRY
EXPRESS OFFICE (Nearest railroad passenger station)	TELEGRAPH ADDRESS	TELEPHONE No.	

IN CASE OF EMERGENCY THE NAME AND ADDRESS OF THE PERSON NEXT IN LINE OF KINSHIP AFTER ME, AS SET FORTH IN THE PAMPHLET, "DISPOSITION OF WORLD WAR II ARMED FORCES DEAD," IS:

LAST NAME	FIRST NAME	MIDDLE INITIAL	RELATIONSHIP TO DECEASED
NUMBER AND STREET	CITY OR TOWN	COUNTY OR PROVINCE	STATE OR TERRITORY OF U. S. A., OR COUNTRY

REMARKS OR ADDITIONAL INSTRUCTIONS (For additional space see page 4.)

AS EXPLAINED IN THE PAMPHLET, "DISPOSITION OF WORLD WAR II ARMED FORCES DEAD," I AM THE NEXT OF KIN AND THE INDIVIDUAL AUTHORIZED TO DIRECT THE DISPOSITION OF THE SAID REMAINS.

I, the undersigned, DO SOLEMNLY SWEAR (OR AFFIRM) that the statements made by me in the foregoing document are full and true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Gaetano Polizzi (SIGNATURE OF NEXT OF KIN) 375-7th St. (STREET AND NUMBER)
GAETANO POLIZZI (NAME PRINTED OR TYPED) BUFFALO N. Y. (CITY AND STATE)

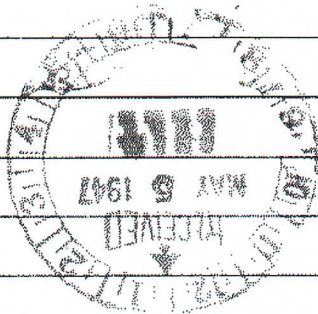
Subscribed and duly sworn to before me according to law by the above-named applicant this 1st day of May, 1947, at city (or town) of Buffalo, county of Erie, and State (or Territory or District) of New York.

*NOTE.—Page 4 is part of the notarial attestation.
Joseph P. Spano (SIGNATURE OF OFFICER AUTHORIZED TO ADMINISTER OATHS)
JOSEPH P. SPANO NOTARY PUBLIC (OFFICIAL TITLE)
 Notary Public, State of New York
 Residing in Erie County at time of appointment
 My Commission Expires March 30, 1949
 Registered No. 1551

ADDITIONAL REMARKS AND INSTRUCTIONS

All remarks and information entered here will be considered as part of the Notarial Attestation.

I remarried Aug 17 but my son born
of my marriage between James Bell
& myself is receiving compensation
from the govt. till he is 16 age +
I have been appointed his legal
guardian.



REQUEST FOR DISPOSITION OF REMAINS

12/25

GRADE OF DECEASED, NAME, ARMY SERIAL NUMBER AND REPORTED PLACE OF BURIAL

DATE

T/5 James M Bell, 32 253 313
Plot J, Row 1, Grave 6,
United States Military Cemetery
Henri-Chapelle, Belgium

12 June 1947

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DO NOT WRITE ABOVE THIS LINE

NOTE.—The next of kin should familiarize himself with the contents of the pamphlet, "Disposition of World War II Armed Forces Dead," before filling out this form. When the proper part of this form is filled out and properly signed by the next of kin, it should be returned to the OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL, MEMORIAL DIVISION, WAR DEPARTMENT, WASHINGTON 25, D. C., in the self-addressed postage-free envelope provided for this purpose.

If you are the next of kin or authorized representative of next of kin and desire to direct the disposition of the remains, please fill in PART I of this form.

PART I

I, Laura Penque

(Please indicate relationship to the deceased by placing an "X" in the proper box.)

(PLEASE PRINT OR TYPE NAME OF NEXT OF KIN)

- WIDOW WIDOWER SON OVER 21 YEARS OLD DAUGHTER OVER 21 YEARS OLD
- FATHER MOTHER BROTHER OVER 21 YEARS OLD SISTER OVER 21 YEARS OLD
- RELATIONSHIP OTHER THAN ABOVE (Specify) _____

HAVING FAMILIARIZED MYSELF WITH THE OPTIONS WHICH HAVE BEEN MADE AVAILABLE TO ME WITH RESPECT TO THE FINAL RESTING PLACE OF THE DECEASED DESIGNATED ABOVE, NOW DO DECLARE THAT IT IS MY DESIRE THAT THE REMAINS: (Please place an "X" in the box opposite the option you have selected.)

1. BE INTERRED IN A PERMANENT AMERICAN MILITARY CEMETERY OVERSEAS.
2. BE RETURNED TO THE UNITED STATES OR ANY POSSESSION OR TERRITORY THEREOF FOR INTERMENT BY NEXT OF KIN IN A PRIVATE CEMETERY _____
(NAME AND LOCATION OF CEMETERY)
3. BE RETURNED TO _____, THE HOMELAND OF THE DECEASED OR NEXT OF KIN, FOR INTERMENT BY NEXT OF KIN IN A PRIVATE CEMETERY LOCATED AT _____
(FOREIGN COUNTRY) (LOCATION OF CEMETERY SELECTED)
4. BE RETURNED TO THE UNITED STATES FOR FINAL INTERMENT IN A NATIONAL CEMETERY LOCATED AT _____
(LOCATION OF NATIONAL CEMETERY SELECTED)
- (Please indicate if your own religious services at a location other than the selected national cemetery are desired by placing an "X" in the proper box)
- YES NO

THE NAME OF THE DECEASED, THE SERIAL NUMBER AND GRADE ARE CORRECT EXCEPT FOR THE FOLLOWING CHANGES: (If no corrections are necessary, indicate this fact by inserting the word "NONE" in the space below.)

none

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PART I (Continued)

If on Page 1 of this form you have selected Option Number 2 or 3, or Option Number 4 with you own funeral ceremonies desired at a location other than the selected national cemetery, complete one of these sections.
 I, AS THE NEXT OF KIN, DO FURTHER DECLARE THAT I DESIRE THE REMAINS TO BE SENT TO THE FOLLOWING PERSON WHO HAS AGREED TO RECEIVE THEM:

LAST NAME	FIRST NAME		MIDDLE INITIAL
NUMBER AND STREET	CITY OR TOWN	COUNTY OR PROVINCE	STATE OR TERRITORY OF U. S. A., OR COUNTRY
EXPRESS OFFICE (Nearest railroad passenger station)	TELEGRAPH ADDRESS		TELEPHONE NO.

OR
 I, AS THE NEXT OF KIN, DO FURTHER DECLARE THAT I DESIRE THE REMAINS TO BE SENT TO THE FOLLOWING FUNERAL DIRECTOR WHO HAS AGREED TO RECEIVE THEM:

FULL NAME OF FUNERAL DIRECTOR			
NUMBER AND STREET	CITY OR TOWN	COUNTY OR PROVINCE	STATE OR TERRITORY OF U. S. A., OR COUNTRY
EXPRESS OFFICE (Nearest railroad passenger station)	TELEGRAPH ADDRESS		TELEPHONE NO.

IN CASE OF EMERGENCY THE NAME AND ADDRESS OF THE PERSON NEXT IN LINE OF KINSHIP AFTER ME, AS SET FORTH IN THE PAMPHLET, "DISPOSITION OF WORLD WAR II ARMED FORCES DEAD," IS:

LAST NAME	FIRST NAME	MIDDLE INITIAL	RELATIONSHIP TO DECEASED
Penque	Lorenzo		Step father
NUMBER AND STREET	CITY OR TOWN	COUNTY OR PROVINCE	STATE OR TERRITORY OF U. S. A., OR COUNTRY
92 Lenor Road	Williamsville	Erie	New York

REMARKS OR ADDITIONAL INSTRUCTIONS (For additional space use page 4.)

Witnesses to signature by mark

Emil Hohler 271 Southampton Street, Buffalo, New York
Mavis McKay 311 Hudson Street, Buffalo, New York

AS EXPLAINED IN THE PAMPHLET, "DISPOSITION OF WORLD WAR II ARMED FORCES DEAD," I AM THE NEXT OF KIN AND THE INDIVIDUAL AUTHORIZED TO DIRECT THE DISPOSITION OF THE SAID REMAINS.

I, the undersigned, DO SOLEMNLY SWEAR (OR AFFIRM) that the statements made by me in the foregoing document are full and true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

her + mark (Laura Penque) 92 Lenor Road
(SIGNATURE OF NEXT OF KIN) (STREET AND NUMBER)
Laura Penque Williamsville, New York
(NAME PRINTED OR TYPED) (CITY AND STATE)

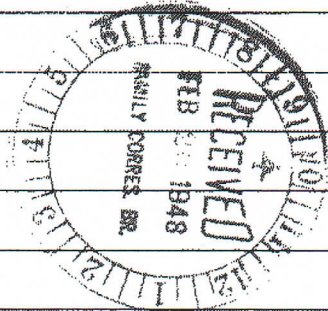
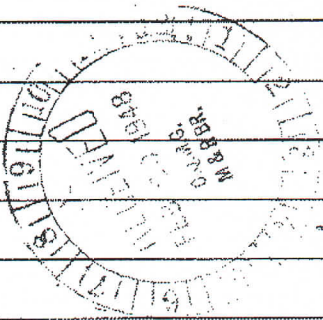
Subscribed and duly sworn to before me according to law by the above-named applicant this 17th day of February,
 19 48 at city (or town) of Buffalo, county of Erie, and State (or Territory or District) of New York

Katherine Maxwell
(SIGNATURE OF OFFICER AUTHORIZED TO ADMINISTER OATHS)
Notary Public
(OFFICIAL TITLE)

*NOTE.—Page 4 is part of the notarial attestation.
 KATHERINE MAXWELL—Notary Public
 My Commission Expires Mar. 30, 1949

ADDITIONAL REMARKS AND INSTRUCTIONS

All remarks and information entered here will be considered as part of the Notarial Attestation.



PACKAGE DESCRIPTION <i>#1 cln</i>	ARMY EFFECTS BUREAU INVENTORY <i>280,188</i>	DECEASED <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> MISSING <input type="checkbox"/> P.O.W. <input type="checkbox"/> ABANDONED <input type="checkbox"/> TALLY NO. <i>7713</i>
NAME <i>JAMES M. BELL</i>		INV. DATE <i>16 May 45</i>
A.S.N. <i>32253313</i> RANK		ORG. NO. OF PKGS. <i>1</i>
		BOX NO. <i>35</i>
		SHEET <i>1</i> OF <i>1</i> SHEETS
		ORGANIZATION <i>31st Inf. Div.</i>

BELT	TOWELS & WASHCLOTHS	WINGS
BELT, MONEY (NO MONEY)	CLOTHING	BAGS, CLOTH OR TRAVEL
CLOTH, WASH	BRACELET IDENT. <i>XXX /</i>	BILFOLD, (NO MONEY)
COATS	BRUSHES	CASE
FOOTWEAR, PR.	CAMEL'S	FOOTLOCKER
GLOVES, PR.	GLASSES	KIT, SEW, TLT, OR WRITING
HANDKERCHIEFS <i>X 3</i>	KNIVES	BOOKS
HEADWEAR	LIGHTERS	BOOKS, ADDRESS
JACKETS	MISC. INSNIA	BOOKS, PILOT LOG
OVERCOATS	PEN, FOUNTAIN	DIARY (REMOVED FOR DUR)
SCARFS	PENCIL, MECHANICAL	FILMS
SHIRTS	PIPES	LETTERS
SOCKS, PR.	RELIGIOUS ARTICLES	PAPERS, PERSONAL
TIES	RIBBONS, DECORATION	PHOTOS
TOWELS <i>XX /</i>	RINGS	SHOE SHINE ARTICLES
TROUSERS, PR.	TOBACCO	SHORT SNORTER
TRUNKS, PR.	TOILET ARTICLES	<i>X</i> SOUVENIRS
UNDERWEAR	WATCH	<i>X</i> SOUVENIR MONEY
		STATIONERY
		TESTAMENTS
		U.S. MONEY (AMCKNT)

DAMAGED OR STAINED

5.30

REMARKS <i>no information re checked</i>	ATTACHMENTS	FORM #54 <i>1 tag</i>	FORM #100 <i>Inventory</i>
C.A.T. <i>none</i>	STORIED BY <i>AD</i>	WEIGHT	Q.L. REMOVED
WAREHOUSE SPACE <i>1837</i>	INVENTORIED BY <i>Probst</i>	DATE SHIPPED <i>27 May 45</i>	SHORTAGE OR REVERSE
PACKED BY <i>W. M. ...</i>	CHECKED BY <i>[Signature]</i>	LAUNDRY REMOVED	IDENT. TAGS REMOVED
		FILM REMOVED	DIARY REMOVED

ADDITIONAL REMARKS

* Rusty
** appears to have been hit by some sharp object
*** Holes through appears to have been hit by
submachine gun & stained appears to be blood-

SHORTAGES

U.S. GOVT. CHECK SHORT

NUMBER

DATE

SYMBOL

AMOUNT

I certify that the above listed items were
not in the containers inventoried by me:

INVENTORY CLERK

SUPERVISOR

G.I. REMOVED

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SHEET 1 OF 1 SHEETS	ARMY EFFECTS BUREAU INVENTORY		DECEASED <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
BOX NUMBER 8	ORIGINAL NUMBER OF PACKAGES		MISSING <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
TALLY NUMBER 7384	INVENTORY DATE 13 Apr 45	CASE NUMBER 280,188 M	P.O.W. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
EFFECTS OF James M. Bell	RANK T/5		ABANDONED <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
A.S.N. 32253313	ORGANIZATION 31 Inf Bn 7th Arm Div		
PACK/GP DESCRIPTION #18 kg			

CLOTHING	PERSONAL ITEMS	CONTAINERS	
BELT	BRACELET, IDENTIFICATION	BAGS, CLOTH	
BELT, MONEY (NO MONEY)	BRUSHES	BAGS, TRAVEL	
CLOTH, WASH	CAMERAS	BILLFOLD (NO MONEY)	
COATS	GLASSES	CASE	
FOOTWEAR, PR.	KNIVES	FOOTLOCKER	
GLOVES, PR.	LIGHTERS	KIT, SEWING	
HANDKERCHIEFS	MISC. INSIGNIA	KIT, TOILET	
HEADWEAR	MISC. ITEMS	KIT, WRITING	
JACKETS	PEN, FOUNTAIN	PAPERS AND MISCL.	
OVERCOATS	PENCIL, MECHANICAL	BOOKS	
SCARFS	PIPES	BOOKS, ADDRESS	
SHIRTS	RELIGIOUS ARTICLES	BOOKS, NOTE	
SOCKS, PR.	RIBBONS, DECORATION	BOOKS, PILOT LOG	
TIES	RINGS	DIARY (REMOVED FOR DURATION)	
TOWELS	TQBACCO	FILMS	
TROUSERS, PR.	TOILET ARTICLES	LETTERS	
TRUNKS, PR.	WATCH	PAPERS, PERSONAL	
UNDERWEAR	WINGS	PHOTOS	
		SHOE SHINE ARTICLES	
		SHORT SHORTER	
		SOUVENIRS	
		SOUVENIR MONEY	
		STATIONERY	
		TESTAMENTS	
		U.S. MONEY (AMOUNT)	

REMARKS: no information ATTACHMENTS: 2 mountaineer

C.A.T. none	WAREHOUSE SPACE 1788	STORED BY [Signature]	WEIGHT	GI REMOVED
INVENTORIED BY [Signature]	DATE SHIPPED MAY 14 1945	LOCKED STORAGE	SHORTAGE ON REVERSE	IDENT. TAGS REMOVED
PACKED BY [Signature]	CHECKED BY [Signature]	LAUNDRY REMOVED	DIARY REMOVED	FILM REMOVED

Summary Court-Martial
ARMY SERVICE FORCES.
KANSAS CITY QUARTERMASTER DEPOT
601 Hardesty Avenue
Kansas City 1, Missouri

JWM:KH,jk
Case No. 250189

Date 10 May 1946

SUBJECT: Report of transaction in disposing of the effects of

James E. Bell, 32253315 late
(Name of deceased) (Army Serial Number)
Technician Fifth Grade, Infantry who died
(Grade) (Organization, Army or Service)
on the 7 day of Oct, 1944, in European Area

TO : The Adjutant General, War Department, Washington 25, D.C.

1. Complying with A. W. 112, a Summary Court-Martial, convened at Kansas City, Mo. Pursuant to S.O., 228 Hq., KQCM Depot, dated 25 September 1943, for the purpose of disposing of the effects of the above-named soldier, or person subject to military law, reports that:

a. No legal representative or widow of decedent being present at decedent's camp or quarters, effects of decedent were forwarded to this Summary Court-Martial.

b. Local debtors owed decedent's estate none, of which the sum of \$ none was collected. (If nothing was found due or collected, state "None"; otherwise attach itemized statement of sums owing and collected.) (Incl _____.)

c. Decedent owed undisputed local creditors the sum of \$ none which has been paid by the Summary Court-Martial from funds of decedent. (See inclosed receipt _____, Incl _____.)

d. Disposition of decedent's effects (less money paid creditors, if any) has been made by the Summary Court-Martial by transmittal through the Quartermaster Corps, at Government expense to person found entitled. (See Summary Court-Martial FINDING below)

FINDING

Before a Summary Court-Martial which convened at Kansas City, Missouri, on 9 May 1946, pursuant to Special Orders 228, Headquarters KQCM Depot, dated 25 September 1943, the application or affidavit of

Mrs. Gastana Rose Bell for the effects of the above-named deceased soldier, or person subject to military law, now in the possession of the United States, with other relevant evidence, was duly considered;

Whereupon, this Summary Court-Martial finds that, under the provisions of A. W. 112, Mrs. Gastana Rose Bell of
(Name of person found entitled)

98 - 7th Street, Buffalo State of
(Number, Street or Avenue) (City, Town or Village)
New York, is the widow of the
(Relationship or Capacity)

above-named decedent and appears to be entitled to receive his or her effects.

(Signature of Summary Court Officer)

JOHN E. MURPHY, Colonel, C.M.C.

(Name, Rank, Organization)

SUMMARY COURT-MARTIAL

P. 289

TALLY IN INVENTORY RECORD

NAME. BELL JAMES M. RANK. T/15 ASN. 32253313

SHOW ON CONSIGNORS T.O. AS.

ORGANIZATION. 31 TANK BN. 7 A.D.

DATE. 27 Nov 44 CASE. PARCEL. Post STATUS. KIA.

ITEMS	DESCRIPTION	REMARKS
		<i>Box ill d open</i>
	<i>Wartmouth</i>	
	<i>Rubber Stamp Set</i>	
<i>4</i>	<i>Louise Pens</i>	
<i>3</i>	<i>Pensils</i>	
<i>1</i>	<i>Comb. Pen & Pencil</i>	
	<i>Nypal Ribbons & Squeezers</i>	
	<i>Nail File</i>	
	<i>Cigarette Holder</i>	
	<i>Lighter</i>	
	<i>Buckle</i>	
	<i>Soap Dish</i>	

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INVENTORIED BY. *a. [unclear]* WISE SERGE.

TYPE CONTAINER.

INVENTORY OF EFFECTS

The following listed effects
were found on U'kn
(Rank)

Bell, James M 32253313
(Name) (ASN)

31 Tank Bn 10-7-44
(Orgn) (Date Died)

Buried at Henri Chapelle # 1

and effects forwarded to
Effects QM.

3 Knives ✓
Wallet w/photos ✓
2 Rings ✓
Lighter ✓
Cig Case ✓
5 Souv Coins ✓


HARRY DUBROV, 1ST LT, QMC

Form 3847-S NOTICE TO SENDER OF FORWARDING ADDRESS
(Rev. 5-51)
Buffalo, N. Y. United States Post Office

In accordance with your request you are notified that the matter mailed by you to Mr. Leonard R. Bell (State)

(Key No. None)
is incorrectly addressed because the addressee has removed to 375-7th St Buffalo NY

Forwarding postage required _____ cents.
Matter bearing a pledge to pay forwarding or return postage is forwarded or returned, unless with the postage due. Matter not bearing such pledge is treated as prescribed by the Postal Laws and Regulations. Respectfully,
Bel James M. 3225-3317/1056g MASTER
POSTMASTER—Fill in amount of forwarding postage ONLY when requested by addressee.

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Office of Budgetmaster
Washington
D.C.

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SHIPMENT CLERK

Dear Sir,

I received your letter today referring to the personal property you hold of my husband James M. Bell. I would appreciate it if you would send the things you mentioned in your letter ^{to me}. I am referring to No. 280, 188

Sincerely
Mrs. Factona Rose Bell

BELL, J. M. 3035 3213
 7-10-54
 11/10/44
 AKN.

LA RUE-KANSAS CITY 1-9-45-501E

NAME ~~NAME~~ BELL, JAMES M T/5 3313

BAY	PALLET	BOX	TALLY
		8	7284
TYPE OF PKG.	WHSE. SPACE	INVENTORIED	
CTN			

EE. QM Form 48

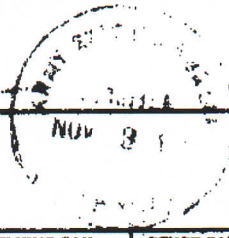
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WAR DEPARTMENT
THE ADJUTANT GENERAL'S OFFICE
WASHINGTON 25, D. C.

REPORT OF DEATH

DATE 27 October 1944
DDF/dmr/4627

FULL NAME Bell, James M.		ARMY SERIAL NUMBER 32 253 313	GRADE T/5th Gr.										
HOME ADDRESS Buffalo, New York		ARM OR SERVICE Infantry	DATE OF BIRTH 17 Sep 1915										
PLACE OF DEATH European Area	CAUSE OF DEATH Killed in Action		DATE OF DEATH 7 Oct 44										
STATION OF DECEASED European Area		DATE OF ENTRY ON CURRENT ACTIVE SERVICE 13 Mar 42	LENGTH OF SERVICE FOR PAY PURPOSES YEARS MONTHS DAYS										
EMERGENCY ADDRESSEE (NAME, RELATIONSHIP & ADDRESS) Mrs. Gaetana Rose Bell, wife, 98 - 7th Street, Buffalo, N. Y.													
BENEFICIARY (NAME, RELATIONSHIP & ADDRESS) Mrs. Gaetana Rose Bell, wife, address shown above. Laura Penque, mother, 92 Lenor Rd., Williamsville, N. Y. Lawrence Penque, step-father, 92 Lenor Rd., Williamsville, N. Y.													
INVESTIGATION MADE?		IN LINE OF DUTY		OWN MISCONDUCT		WAS DECEASED ON DUTY STATUS		AUTHORIZED ABSENCE		IN FLYING PAY STATUS		OTHER PAY STATUS (SPECIFY BELOW)	
YES	NO	YES	NO	YES	NO	YES	NO	YES	NO	YES	NO	YES	NO
										X			X



ADDITIONAL DATA AND/OR STATEMENT

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S. O. G.	F. B. I.	F. O. U. S. A.
S. O. G. M. S.	G. P. D.	ARMY EFFETS BUREAU
S. A. C.	VET. ADMIN.	CASUALTY BRANCH FILE
		A. S. 201 FILE

BATTLE
 NON-BATTLE

BY ORDER OF THE SECRETARY OF THE ARMY
James Rinkart
ADJUTANT GENERAL