


293 WARDEN, RUSSELL L. 34,192,235 PFC INF. EUROP.AREA. (TENN.)
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 TO: **REVIEW** BX10041

MEMORIALIZATION OF NON-RECOVERABLE
REMAINS OF WORLD WAR II

THIS FILE HAS BEEN AUDITED FOR NON-RECOVERABILITY

NAME (Last, First, Middle)

WARDEN, RUSSELL L.

RANK

PFC

SERIAL NUMBER

34192235

ARM OF SERVICE

ARMY

DATE OF DEATH

24 DEC 45

AREA OF DEATH

BELGIUM

NAME OF AUDITOR

KATZ

DATE

3 Oct. 51

NAME OF REVIEWER

FRAZIER

DATE

3 Oct. 51

REMARKS

CONTROLLED CASE

NAME WARDEN, RUSSELL L.		GRADE PFC	SERIAL NO. 34 192 235
DO NOT TAKE ANY ACTION ON THIS CASE OR RELEASE INFORMATION FROM THIS FILE WITHOUT THE CONCURRENCE OF:			
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REQUEST FOR INFORMATION

TO: PENTAGON LIAISON SECTION, MEMORIAL DIVISION		DATE 20 September 1951	
FROM (Branch and Section) Registration Branch, Records Section	REQUESTED BY G. Diggs	TEL. EXT. 52408	ROOM NO. 2624 "B"
NAME OF DECEDENT (Last, First, Middle Initial) Warden, Russell L.	RANK Pfc.	SERIAL NUMBER 34 192 235	

INFORMATION REQUESTED

AGO Report of Death.

INFORMATION FURNISHED

1 October 1951

Inclosed herewith W.D., A.G.O. Form 0353, Finding of Death of Missing Person, pertaining to Private First Class Russell L. Warden, 34, 192,235.

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RECORDS ANNOTATED
DATE 3 October 1951
NAME Regis. BR. MEM. DIV
G. Diggs

PENTAGON LIAISON SECTION OFFICER (Signature)

G.
S. GIBBS
Major, QMC.

Form prescribed by
Comptroller General, U.S.
7 October 1944

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

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FINDING OF DEATH OF MISSING PERSON

Pursuant to the provisions of Section 5 of the Act of 7 March 1942 (Public Law 490 77th Cong.) as amended, upon direction and delegation by The Secretary of War, The Chief, Casualty Branch, The Adjutant General's Office, finds Private, First Class Russell L. Warden, Army Serial Number 34,192,235, Infantry,

to be dead. He was officially reported as missing in action as of the 23rd day of December 1944. For the purposes stated in said Act, death is presumed to have occurred on the 24th day of December, 1945.

BY ORDER OF THE SECRETARY OF WAR

George F. Hebert

ADJUTANT GENERAL
CHIEF, CASUALTY BRANCH

SUMMARY OF INFORMATION

AREA		FLYING STATUS	JUMP STATUS	LINE OF DUTY	OWN MIS-CONDUCT	ON DUTY STATUS	ABSENCE AUTH'D
European		No	No	Yes	No	Yes	
PREVIOUS REVIEWS							
None							
DATE OF BIRTH	HOME ADDRESS	DATE OF ENTRY ON CURRENT ACTIVE SERVICE		LENGTH OF SERVICE (AS OF PRESUMED DATE OF DEATH)			
19 Aug 1913	Sharon, Tennessee	10 Mar 1942		YEARS	MONTH	DAYS	
				Over	three	years	

EMERGENCY ADDRESSEE

NAME	RELATIONSHIP	ADDRESS
Mrs. Clara M. Warden	Mother	Route Number Two Sharon, Tennessee

BENEFICIARIES

NAME	RELATIONSHIP	ADDRESS
Mrs. Clara May Warden	Mother	Route Number Two Sharon, Tennessee
NAME	RELATIONSHIP	ADDRESS
Mr. B. C. Warden	Brother	Route Number Two Sharon, Tennessee

REMARKS

Distribution 56

Circumstances of Disappearance: Subject person became missing in action during the bitter fighting in the vicinity of Fays, Belgium.

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

STANDARD FORM NO. 64
MAY 1962 EDITION
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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL

TO: THE ADJUTANT GENERAL
FROM: [Illegible]
SUBJECT: [Illegible]



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PENTAGON LIAISON
OCT 1 1951
MEM. DIV. OQMG

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NON-RECOVERABLE REMAINS REEXAMINATION OF RECORDS

AREA OF DEATH European, near Fays, Belgium		CASE NUMBER 15400 (1)
NAME (Last, First, Middle Initial) 293 Warden, Russell L.	RANK Pfc	SERIAL NUMBER 34 192 235

IN THE COURSE OF THIS REEXAMINATION IT HAS BEEN DETERMINED THAT THE CIRCUMSTANCES OF DEATH WERE SUCH THAT: (Check appropriate box)

- THE REMAINS OF THE DECEDENT COULD NOT HAVE BEEN RECOVERED
- THE REMAINS OF THE DECEDENT COULD HAVE BEEN RECOVERED. HOWEVER, AFTER REVIEW OF THE FOLLOWING IT HAS BEEN DETERMINED THAT EVIDENCE DOES NOT EXIST TO CONTRADICT A FINDING OF NON-RECOVERABILITY:

	INITIALS OF ANALYST
1. 293 FILE OF DECEDENT	<i>E.M.</i>
2. GEOGRAPHICAL CLUE INDEX FILE OF UNKNOWN RECOVERED FROM APPROPRIATE AREA, COMPARED WITH DECEDENT	<i>E.M.</i>
3. OTHER DOCUMENTS OR SOURCES	

REMARKS

**MAN
File**

19 SEP 1951

[Signature]
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RECOMMEND APPROVAL		APPROVED	DATE
NAME OF CASE ANALYST <i>E. Miller</i>	CASE REVIEWER, FINAL DETERMINATION SECTION	CHIEF, FINAL DETERMINATION SECTION <i>Mary A. Edwards</i> Mary A. Edwards Capt OMC	SEP 19 1951

**NON-RECOVERABLE CASE
RECORD OF REVIEW AND APPROVAL**

CASE NUMBER

15400 (1)

AREA OR ZONE(S)

European

NAME (Last, First, Middle Initial)

Warden, Russell L.

RANK

Pfc

SERIAL NUMBER

34 192 235

THE ATTACHED PROCEEDINGS OF THE FIELD BOARD OF REVIEW HAVE BEEN REVIEWED AND THE FINDINGS OF NON-RECOVERABILITY OF THE REMAINS OF THE FOLLOWING INDIVIDUAL(S) ARE APPROVED. (Corrections in name, rank, and/or serial number have been effected when appropriate.)

Individual Case

IN THE COURSE OF THIS REVIEW THE FOLLOWING SOURCES OF INFORMATION HAVE BEEN EXAMINED FOR ADDITIONAL CLUES. COPIES OF ANY DOCUMENTS BELIEVED MATERIAL TO THE CASE ARE ATTACHED FOLLOWING THE PROCEEDINGS OF THE FIELD BOARD OF REVIEW.

	INITIALS OF ANALYST	(CROSS OUT THOSE NOT APPLICABLE)	INITIALS OF ANALYST
1. 293 FILE OF SUBJECT(S)	JCP	a. REPORT OF DEATH b. FINDING OF DEATH c. STATUS REVIEW & INDEX RECORDED	JCP
3. A - Z FILE OF KNOWN INTERMENTS IN U.S. MILITARY CEMETERIES, ISOLATED LOCATIONS, AND SEA BURIALS	JCP	4. GEOGRAPHICAL CLUE INDEX FILE OF UNKNOWN RECOVERED FROM APPROPRIATE AREA	JCP
5. ALPHABETICAL INDEX OF "BELIEVED TO BE" AND TENTATIVELY IDENTIFIED UNKNOWN	JCP	6. ALPHABETICAL FILE OF FORMER UNKNOWN NOW IDENTIFIED	JCP
7. OTHER DOCUMENTS OR SOURCES AGO Casualty Information Captured German Records			JCP

THE FACTS AND CIRCUMSTANCES HAVE BEEN FOUND TO BE SUBSTANTIALLY AS PRESENTED IN THE ATTACHED PROCEEDINGS OF THE FIELD BOARD OF REVIEW, WITH THE FOLLOWING EXCEPTIONS:

NONE

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File

19 SEP 1951

Identification Branch

NAME OF CASE ANALYST

J. C. Peterson
J. C. Peterson/cwt

CASE TO BE FORWARDED TO _____
FOR CONSIDERATION OF NOTIFICATION TO INTERESTED PARTIES.

RECOMMEND APPROVAL

APPROVED

DATE

CASE REVIEWER, FINAL DETERMINATION SECTION

W. A. Wolf
W. A. WOLF

CHIEF, FINAL DETERMINATION SECTION

MARY A. EDWARDS, Capt QMC

CHIEF, IDENTIFICATION BRANCH

THOMAS E. COX, Maj QMC

19 Sept 51

15400

Nelson, Clarence H.	T/4	37 278 935
Nelson, Joseph H.	Pfc	32 131 674
Offre, Rinaldo J.	Pvt	37 564 539
Osterlund, John A.	Sgt	37 046 443
Pangle, Dudley M.	Pvt	36 669 938
Paus, Ormond W., Jr.	Pfc	39 620 006
Pile, William O.	1/Lt	0 686 489
Pinto, George J.	Sgt	32 314 394
Pitt, James M.	Pvt	35 807 297
Posillipo, Dominick	Pfc	32 610 144
Puckett, John T.	Sgt	17 082 911
Read, David A.	Pfc	35 232 803
Reeves, Bradley	Cpl	33 451 260
Ridgeway, Warren E.	S/Sgt	32 025 844
Schuerger, Andrew W.	Pfc	35 524 747
Shauvin, Eugene P.	2/Lt	0 756 333
Sito, Alphonse M.	Pfc	33 728 517
Slayton, Johnnie B.	Pfc	35 689 344
Smith, Wilmer A.	T/5	35 510 227
Snyder, Ervin C.	Pvt	37 737 578
Stapler, James C., Jr.	1/Lt	0-1 309 107
Stevens, Henry L.	S/Sgt	13 042 061
Strauss, Oscar	Pvt	31 421 264
Straw, John A.	Pfc	35 763 232
Suprek, George A.	T/5	33 117 631
Thomas, George E.	S/Sgt	6 834 871
Tolle, James R.	Pfc	35 675 639
Trandem, Marvin F.	Cpl	37 371 935
Varricchio, Michael A.	Pvt	31 362 284
Victor, Edward J.	Sgt	19 000 526
Walczak, John F.	Pfc	35 249 899
Wallace, Floyd L.	Pfc	35 604 518
Wallis, Charles G., Jr.	Pfc	18 214 559
Ward, Robert W.	2/Lt	0- 830 759
Warden, Russell L.	Pfc	34 192 235
Williams, Raymond F. ½	Pvt	36 959 789
Wince, Manuel B.	Sgt	35 745 025
Wurzer, Joseph M.	2/Lt	0 521 173
Yowell, Mitchell T.	Sgt	15 305 528

The Roster received from Field Board is filed in 293 file of S/Sgt William W. Allen, 13 184 989.

ROSTER TO ACCOMPANY NON-SPECIFIC BOARD
FINDINGS OF NON-RECOVERABILITY

30 November 1950

Belgium

<u>NAME</u>	<u>RANK</u>	<u>ASN</u>
Allen, William W.	S/Sgt	13 184 989
Bailey, Charles A.	Pvt	35 674 235
Bailey, James T.	Pfc	33 378 939
Baker, Robert L.	Pfc	35 225 726
Bauer, Donald R.	2/Lt	0-1 996 607
Beckwith, Jack C.	Pfc	37 550 296
Bradford, Harvey N.	Sgt	34 441 449
Brown, Edwin C.	M/Sgt	39 018 810
Brown, Ernest E.	Pvt	33 843 369
Butler, Raphael C.	Pfc	35 400 517
Clark, Leland ..	Pvt	13 135 076
Cooper, William D.	Pfc	17 145 336
Cowan, Thomas J.	S/Sgt	6 877 750
Dixon, Robert	Pvt	34 481 844
Gentry, Lester E.	2/Lt	0 678 355
Hanson, Edward E.	1/Lt	0 820 006
Harbaugh, Lloyd E.	Pfc	33 493 989
Harman, Johnie T.	Pvt	38 532 392
Hayes, John W.	Pfc	38 691 665
Holloway, L. O., Jr.	2/Lt	0-1 317 633
Houser, Donald R.	Sgt	39 280 902
Johnson, Douglas E.	Pvt	34 883 090
Johnson, Hilding R.	2/Lt	0-1 996 000
Kantz, Richard O.	Pvt	35 244 325
Khoury, George J.	Pfc	31 081 808
Lane, Roger T.	1/Lt	0 818 888
Lechon, Harold E.	Pvt	39 152 404
Lindholm, John M.	Sgt	39 826 039
Murphy, Thomas A.	1/Lt	0 765 045

HEADQUARTERS
7887 GRAVES REGISTRATION DETACHMENT
OPERATIONS DIVISION
APO 757 (Liege) US ARMY

Proceedings of Board of Review appointed in accordance with letter AGAO-S 293.9 (27 Mar 47) D-M, War Dept, TAGO, 9 April 1947.

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1. The Board convened pursuant to par 4, SO 139, Headquarters, 7887 Graves Registration Detachment, APO 757, US Army, 15 November 1950, at Liege, Belgium on 30 November 1950.

2. Members present:

JAMES C. MacFARLAND, Major, QMC

C. W. STEINSIEK, Captain, QMC

JOHN A BOUTIN, 2nd Lt., QMC

3. PURPOSE: To review and determine, from evidence presented, the non-recoverability of the remains of World War II dead lost in the geographical area described below:

a. BELGIUM.

4. FINDINGS:

a. General and/or individual Area Search and Recovery operations have been completed in the above area from May 1945 to September 1950.

b. List of persons lost in subject area whose remains are determined non-recoverable is attached as Exhibit "A". This list contains sixty-eight (68) names.

c. It has not been possible to associate definitely any of the persons listed in Exhibit "A" with any of the unknown remains recovered in the area.

d. Reference is made to OQMG Forms 371, After Action Reports, Missing Reports, Status Review and Determination Reports, Statements of Survivors and Witnesses, Narrative Reports of Field Investigations, previously forwarded: On file in the Office of the Quartermaster General, Washington 25, D. C.

Non-Recoverable Board Proceedings cont'd

e. Reference is also made to Narrative Report of Field Investigation, dated 28 September 1950: Attached.

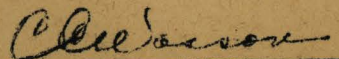
5. RECOMMENDATIONS: That the remains of the decedents listed in Exhibit "A" be determined non-recoverable.

s/ James C. MacFarland
 JAMES C. MacFARLAND
 Major QMC
 Member

s/ C. W. Steinsiek
 C. W. STEINSIEK
 Captain QMC
 Member

s/ John A. Boutin
 JOHN A. BOUTIN
 2nd Lt. QMC
 Member

A TRUE COPY:



C. C. WASSON
 Capt QMC

NOTE: The Narrative Report of Field Investigation, dated 28 September 1950 referred to above is filed in the 293 file of S/Sgt William W. Allen, 13 184 989. It substantiates general area search in the locality where the decedents are believed to have been lost.

HEADQUARTERS
7887 GRAVES REGISTRATION DETACHMENT
APO 757 (LIEGE) US ARMY

15 November 1950

SPECIAL ORDERS)
:
NUMBER 139)

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4. PAC, Ltr., WD-AGO-S 293.9, dtd 9 Apr 47, Subject: "Establishment of Boards of Review for Identification of Unknown Dead Overseas", and par 118 b, SR 830-110-5, DA, dtd 2 Mar 49, a Board of O's as follows is hereby apt to meet at the call of the President thereof, for the purpose of reviewing case records pertaining to the Identification of Deceased. Determination of non-recoverability of Remains and for the purpose of reviewing Major Discrepancy cases:

LT COL EDWARD D. MULVANITY, O 359 598, QMC., President
MAJOR JAMES C. MacFARLAND, O 1 576 321, QMC.,
MAJOR GEORGE GUNDERMAN, Jr., O 1 289 071, INF/QMC.,
CAPT CLYDE W. STEINSIEK, O 1 040 311, QMC.,
CAPT LEWIS A. McAMIS, O 1 543 042, MSC/QMC.,
CAPT JOHN M. NEFF, O 1 055 924, QMC.,
CAPT ALLAN L. LAWSON, O 1 288 075, QMC.,
1ST LT ROBERT W. GANSEL, O 1 599 085, QMC.,
2D LT JOHN A. BOUTIN, O 947 298, QMC.,

BY ORDER OF COLONEL AMLONG:

EDWARD F. PRICE, Jr.,
CAPT., QMC,
Adjutant

OFFICIAL:

s/t/ EDWARD F. PRICE, Jr.,
CAPT., QMC
Adjutant.

A TRUE COPY:

Robert S. Lay
ROBERT S. LAY
Maj QMC

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QMGMS 293

GRS European *Ident*

SUBJECT: Request for Information

1st Ind

Dept. of the Army, OCMG, Washington 25, D. C., 12 October 1950

TO: Commanding Officer, 7887 Graves Registration Detachment, APO 757,
c/o Postmaster, New York, New York

1. There is no record of the complete crew listing for the tank in which Cpl Marvin F. Trandem, 37321935 and Pfc Russell L. Warden, 293 34192235 lost their lives.

2. Dates of death for T/4 George Hawkins, 32249518 and Sgt. John A. Ostertund, 37046443 are not in agreement with those of Cpl Trandem and Pfc Warden. It is therefore improbable that they were crew members of the same tank.

FOR THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL:

1 Incl n/e

THOMAS E. COX
Captain QMC
Memorial Division

AIR MAIL

DOF

QMMS 293
Warden, Russell L.
SN 34 192 235
SUBJECT: Request for Information

1st Ind

Dept of the Army, OQMG, Washington 25, D. C., 2 June 1950

TO: Commanding Officer, 7887 Graves Registration Detachment, APO 757,
c/o Postmaster, New York, New York

1. Submitted herewith is a Copy of a Memorandum for Record dated 3 April 1950 covering all available information surrounding the disappearance of Pfc Russell L. Warden, 34192235.

2. Also attached are photostat copies of three (3) Forms 79 for Pfc Warden, not previously furnished your headquarters. His date of birth was 19 August 1913.

FOR THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL:

- 2 Incls:
- 1. Cy Memo for Record
 - 2. Photo Cyps Forms 79

THOMAS E. COX
Captain, QMC
Memorial Division

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1st Ind

Warden, Russell L.
RM 24 102 238

SUBJECT: Request for information

Dept of the Army, O&G, Washington 25, D. C., 8 June 1950

TO: Commanding Officer, 7887 Graves Registration Detachment, APO 767,
Brooklyn, New York, New York

1. Submitted herewith is a copy of a Memorandum for Record dated
8 April 1950 covering all available information surrounding the
disappearance of the Russell L. Warden, 2412238.

2. Also attached are photostat copies of three (3) Form VS for
the Warden, not previously furnished your headquarters. His date of
birth was 19 August 1912.

FOR THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL:

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1. By memo for Record
2. Photo type Form VS

THOMAS E. GCK
Captain, O&G
Memorial Division

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AIR MAIL

(Belgium 9974) *kw*

HEADQUARTERS
7887 GRAVES REGISTRATION DETACHMENT
REGISTRATION DIVISION
APO 757 (Liege) US ARMY

GRRE 293.9 (IB)

9 May 1950

SUBJECT: Request for Information

TO: The Quartermaster General
Washington 25, D. C.
ATTENTION: Memorial Division

1. Reference is made to OQMG Form 371 pertaining to Pfc. ²⁹³ Russell
L. WARDEN, 34 192 235, MIA 23 December 1944.

2. It is requested that all available data contained in records
your office, including Status Review and Determination Report, After
Action Report and a crew listing of tank crew members and current
status, be forwarded this headquarters as a possible aid in resolving
this case.

3. Further action withheld pending receipt of additional
information.

FOR THE COMMANDING OFFICER:

JAMES C. MacFARLAND
Major QMC
Registration Division



(Belgium 297A)

HEADQUARTERS
7887 GRAVES REGIMENT ATTACHMENT
REGIMENT DIVISION
APO 757 (Liege) US ARMY

9 May 1950

ORR 293.9 (IR)

SUBJECT: Request for Information

TO: The Quartermaster General
Washington 25, D. C.
ATTENTION: Memorial Division

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3. Further action withheld pending receipt of additional information.

FOR THE COMMANDING OFFICER:
REGIMENT DIVISION
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JAMES C. WICKLIFF
Major
Regiment Division

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IDENTIFICATION
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AG 704 (24 Dec 45)

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3 April 1950

MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD:

SUBJECT: Review of Circumstances Regarding Personnel Presumed Dead.

1. ETO Casualty Shipment No. 005 reported that the following Infantry personnel, members of Company A, 31st Tank Battalion, were missing in action in Belgium on 23 December 1944:

Cpl	Trandem, Marvin F.	37321935
Pfc	293 <u>Warden, Russell L.</u>	34192235 <i>JHJ</i>

Under the provisions of Section 5, Missing Persons Act, a Finding of Death was issued for Corporal Trandem and Private Warden, setting the presumed date of their death as 24 December 1945 (SR&D No. 4973).

2. Missing Report, dated 24 December 1944, submitted for Corporal Trandem, stated that Corporal Trandem was last seen in the woods $\frac{1}{2}$ mile north of St. Vith, Belgium, on 23 December 1944 during the defense of St. Vith. During an enemy artillery barrage, his tank was knocked out and the crew had to dismount. The enemy counter-attacked and infiltrated through our lines, took the ground on which the tanks were located and the whereabouts of the crew was therefore unknown.

3. USFET Casualty Form No. 5, dated 30 August 1945, forwarded to this office by 1st indorsement dated 11 February 1946, file AG 201 Trandem, contains the information that Corporal Trandem was the gunner on his crew, that Pfc Russell L. Warden, 34192235, was the cannoneer, and that no further information than that given above was known concerning the personnel of the tank crew or their casualty status.

The area where the tank was disabled is stated to have been subjected to heavy artillery, mortar, and small arms fire. Three members of the crew are supposed to have escaped from the tank and to have been accounted for. The probable fate of Corporal Trandem is given as prisoner of war.

4. Neither of the men was ever reported as a prisoner of war by any source, official or unofficial. The Office of The Quartermaster General has no burial information associated with Corporal Trandem and Private Warden on file at the present time.

APR 14 1950

Identification Bureau

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IN 100 (25 Dec 42)

2 April 1950

MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD:

SUBJECT: Review of Circumstances Regarding Personnel Released from

1. The following information was reported that the following personnel, members of Company A, 51st Tank Battalion, were missing in action in Belgium on 23 December 1944:

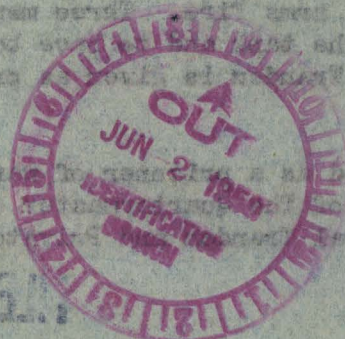
Private, 1st Lt.	Private, 1st Lt.	Private, 1st Lt.
3418233	3418233	3418233

Under the provisions of Section 5, Article 10, of the Uniform Code of Military Justice, the following personnel were listed for removal from the service on 23 December 1944 (Serial No. 3418233):

2. Missing Report, dated 24 December 1944, reported that Corporal [Name], [Rank], [Company], [Battalion], [Division], [Army], was reported as missing on 23 December 1944. The report stated that the crew had to disembark. The many number-attached and [Name] through our line, took the ground on which the tanks were located and the whereabouts of the crew was therefore unknown.

3. [Name], [Rank], [Company], [Battalion], [Division], [Army], was reported as missing on 23 December 1944. The report stated that the crew had to disembark. The many number-attached and [Name] through our line, took the ground on which the tanks were located and the whereabouts of the crew was therefore unknown.

The area where the tank was disabled is stated to have been [Location]. The crew was reported to have been [Location]. The report stated that the crew had to disembark. The many number-attached and [Name] through our line, took the ground on which the tanks were located and the whereabouts of the crew was therefore unknown.



APR 14 1950

AG 704 (24 Dec 45)

5. The information available concerning the disappearance of the two men in question is so meager and such a strong possibility exists that they were captured that a report of death under the provisions of Section 9 of the Missing Persons Act cannot be justified at this time.

Lulu May Lybrook
Investigator

CONCUR:

N. B. STARR
Captain, AGD
Asst. OIC, Det. & Rev. Unit
Casualty Section
PA Branch, AGO

AGENCY DIVISION
DEC 21 1945
IDENTIFICATION DIVISION

COPY FOR:

- OQMG, Mem. Div. (one copy for each individual named in par. 1.)
- AG 201 file of each individual named in par. 1.

Source material obtained as a result of this investigation is filed in the AG 201 file of Cpl Marvin F. Tranden, 37321935, unless otherwise indicated.



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The following information concerning the disappearance of the
two men is furnished as requested and such a further inquiry
has been made through the report of disappearance and progress of
Section 2 of the Missing Persons and cannot be furnished at this time.

COPIES: 1
Date: 4/15/50
Investigator: [Name]

IDENTIFICATION BRANCH

APR 15 4 40 PM '50

MEMORIAL DIVISION

R. J. [Name]
[Address]
[City, State, Zip]

NY 100-100000
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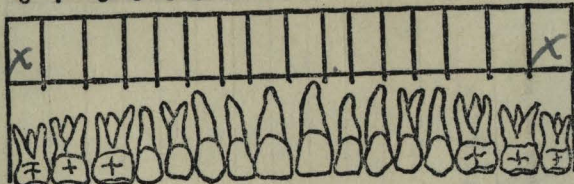


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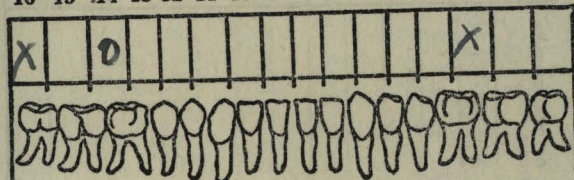
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LOWER TEETH

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Dental foci suspected: Yes No

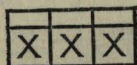
Other conditions

Date, 19.....

Dental Corps, U. S. A.

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Nonrestorable carious teeth by /
Missing natural teeth by X

Teeth replaced by denture
(horizontal line)



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REGISTER OF DENTAL PATIENTS AT

Camp Polk, Ia. 19

(1) SURNAME		(2) CHRISTIAN NAME		
Warden, Russell L.		34192235		
(3) RANK	(4) COMPANY	(5) REGIMENT OR STAFF CORPS		
Pvt.	"D"	31st. A. R.		
(6) AGE, YEARS	(7) RACE	(8) NATIVITY	(9) SERVICE, YEARS	
29	W	Tenn.	8/12	

(10) DISEASE OR INJURY WITH LOCATION, COMPLICATIONS, SEQUELAE, ETC.	(11) DATES AND NATURE OF TREATMENTS AND OPERATIONS	(12) RESULTS AND REMARKS
Pulp (9) I-8	Examination 1942 The Anes October 30	30 C1-1 C1-4 SJB ECC

Everett C. Claus
Major, Dental Corps, U. S. A.

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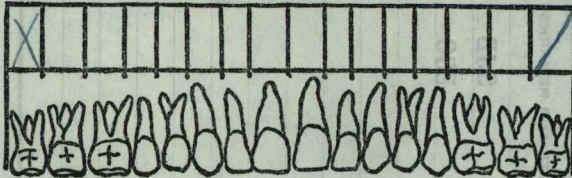
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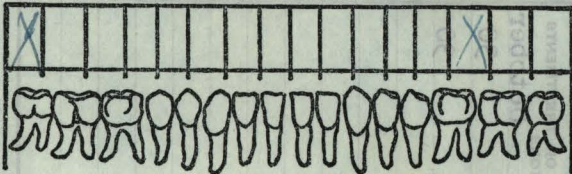
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LOWER TEETH

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CLASS II

Occlusion: Calculus: Slight, Medium, Heavy

Periodontoclasia

Dental foci suspected: Yes No

Other conditions

Date 10-30, 1942

J. Bourgeois Capt. Dental Corps, U. S. A.

*Restorable carious teeth by O
Nonrestorable carious teeth by /
Missing natural teeth by X

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REGISTER OF DENTAL PATIENTS AT

Ft. Benning, Ga. ASN 34192235

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(6) AGE, YEARS 30	(7) RACE W.	(8) NATIVITY Tenn.	(9) SERVICE, YEARS 1-7/12			

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Caries L 15	10-20-43	RBD Class II
Calculus	10-20-43 C.R.Prx.	RBD Class IV

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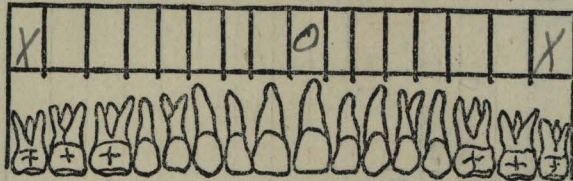
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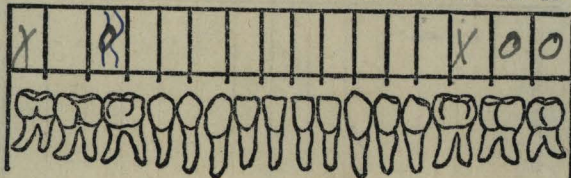
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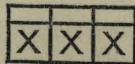
Other conditions

Date OCT 14 1943, 19

EDWARD P. BURVANT
CAPT. D. C.
Dental Corps, U. S. A.

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Identification Branch

IDENTIFICATION SECTION
MEMORIAL DIVISION

21107

IDENTIFICATION DATA

LAST NAME - FIRST NAME - MIDDLE INITIAL <i>Warden Russell L-</i>			ARMY SERIAL NUMBER <i>34192235</i>		GRADE <i>Pfc.</i>
HEIGHT <i>5 FT 10 1/4</i>	WEIGHT <i>130</i>	COLOR EYES <i>Brown</i>	COLOR HAIR <i>Brown</i>	SHOE SIZE <i>7 1/2 E</i>	DATE OF DEATH <i>24 Dec-45</i>

LAST ORGANIZATION TO WHICH ATTACHED OR ASSIGNED (Give complete designation)

Co-A-31st Tank Bn-

PLACE OF DEATH OR PLACE LAST SEEN IF MIA

Killed in action Near Fays Belgium

LIST ALL CAMPS IN WHICH STATIONED IN U.S. PRIOR TO SERVICE OVERSEAS, WITH INCLUSIVE DATES AT EACH.

STATION	DATES
<i>Camp Polk-La.</i>	<i>16-Mar-42 - 2-May-42 -</i>
<i>" " "</i>	<i>14 SEPT-42 - 12-NOV42 -</i>
<i>FT. Benning Ga.</i>	<i>20 SEPT-43</i>

FROM: W.O. AGO CLINICAL RECORDS BRANCH
NO RECORDS ON FILE

FRACTURES AND/OR BREAKS	TATTOOS AND/OR BIRTH MARKS
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DENTAL CHART

3- Oct-42

<i>X</i> 7 6 5 4 3 2 1	1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8
UPPER RIGHT	UPPER LEFT
<i>X</i> 15 14 13 12 11 10 9	9 10 11 12 13 14 15 <i>X</i>
LOWER RIGHT	LOWER LEFT

X - EXTRACTED O - CARIOUS / - CARIOUS NON-RESTORABLE

293 FILE **DATA ON REMAINS NOT YET RECOVERED OR IDENTIFIED**

NAME (Last, First, Middle Initial) WARDEN RUSSELL L.		GRADE PFC	PRESENT SERIAL NUMBER 34192235
ORGANIZATION Co. "A" 31st TANK BN.		RACE WHITE	CREED PROT.
DATE OF DEATH/MIA 23-12-44	CAUSE OF DEATH FINDING OF DEATH		PLACE OF DEATH OR PLACE LAST SEEN IF MIA NEAR
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ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

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BY ORDER OF THE SECRETARY OF WAR

293 Warden, Russell L. George F. Heahent

ADJUTANT GENERAL
CHIEF, CASUALTY BRANCH

SUMMARY OF INFORMATION

AREA		FLYING STATUS	JUMP STATUS	LINE OF DUTY	OWN MIS-CONDUCT	ON DUTY STATUS	ABSENCE AUTH'D
European		No	No	Yes	No	Yes	
PREVIOUS REVIEWS							
None							
DATE OF BIRTH	HOME ADDRESS	DATE OF ENTRY ON CURRENT ACTIVE SERVICE		LENGTH OF SERVICE (AS OF PRESUMED DATE OF DEATH)			
19 Aug 1913	Sharon, Tennessee	10 Mar 1942		YEARS	MONTH	DAYS	
				Over	three	years	

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BATTLE CASUALTY REPORT

366787

NAME			SERIAL NUMBER			GRADE	ARM OR SERVICE	REPORTING THEATRE
WARDEN RUSSELL			34192235			PFC	INF	ETO
PLACE OF CASUALTY		DATE OF CASUALTY			FLYING OR JUMPING STAT	TYPE OF CASUALTY	SHIPMENT NUMBER	
BELGIUM9		DAY	MONTH	YEAR		MIA	005	
		23	DEC	44				

NAME AND ADDRESS OF EMERGENCY ADDRESSEE

THE INDIVIDUAL NAMED ABOVE DESIGNATED THE FOLLOWING PERSON AS THE ONE TO BE NOTIFIED IN CASE OF EMERGENCY, AND THE OFFICIAL TELEGRAPHIC AND LETTER NOTIFICATIONS WILL BE SENT TO THIS PERSON, THE RELATIONSHIP, IF ANY, IS SHOWN BELOW. IT SHOULD BE NOTED THAT THIS PERSON IS NOT NECESSARILY THE NEXT-OF-KIN OR RELATIVE DESIGNATED TO BE PAID SIX MONTHS' PAY GRATUITY IN CASE OF DEATH.

MRS. NAME—FIRST NAME—MIDDLE INITIAL—LAST NAME		RELATIONSHIP	DATE NOTIFIED
MRS CLARA M WARDEN		MOTHER	15 JANUARY 1945
ST. AND NAME OF STREET—CITY—STATE			
ROUTE NUMBER TWO		SHARON TENNESSEE	MLH

REMARKS:

CORRECTED COPY

EFFECTS BRANCH
RECEIVED
93 1945

ACTION BY PROCESSING AND VERIFICATION SECTION: REPORT VERIFIED FORM 43 AS 201 REG

CASUALTY BRANCH FILE ATTACHED OR CHARGED TO DATE

PREVIOUSLY REPORTED NO. YES (AS INDICATED BELOW)

FILE NO.	MESSAGE NO.	TYPE	DATE AND AREA	E. A. NO.

FORWARDED TO SPEC. IDEN. TELEGRAM WOUNDED LETTER CORRES. S. R. & D. CERTIF. M. & W.

REPORT NOT VERIFIED NO FORM 43 NO CAS. BR. FILE CHECKED BY *Johnson* 14 Jan 45 REVIEWED BY *60*

THIS SPACE FOR USE OF MACHINE RECORDS BRANCH, A.G.O.

ACCT. AREA	CASUALTY STATUS	ORIGINAL CAS. DATE			MESSAGE NO.	LATEST CAS. DATE			REV. NO.	RESIDENCE															
		DAY	MO.	YR.		DAY	MO.	YR.		STATE	COUNTY														
34	35	36	37	38	39	40	41	42	43	44	45	46	47	48	49	50	51	52	53	54	55	56	57	58	59

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W.D., A.G.O. FORM NO. 6005
15 JUNE 1944

ARMY SERVICE FORCES
KANSAS CITY QUARTERMASTER DEPOT
ARMY EFFECTS BUREAU
601 Hardesty Avenue
Kansas City 1, Missouri

(S-10-1-45)
RTB:JFH:jr
July 28, 1945

In Reply Refer To: 366787

Mrs. Clara M. Warden
Route #2
Sharon, Tennessee

file up

Dear Mrs. Warden:

The Army Effects Bureau is forwarding to you the following personal property, recently received here, belonging to your son, **Private First Class Russell L. Warden;**

1 Carton and contents

My action in transmitting the property does not, of itself, vest title in you. The items are forwarded in order that you may act as gratuitous bailee in caring for them pending the return of the owner, who has been reported missing in action. In the event he later is reported a casualty, and I sincerely hope he never is, it will be necessary that the property be turned over to the person or persons legally entitled to receive it.

When delivery has been made, I shall appreciate your acknowledging receipt by signing one copy of this letter in the space provided below, and returning it to this Bureau. For your convenience, there is inclosed an addressed envelope which needs no postage.

I regret the circumstances prompting this letter, and wish to express my hope for the safe return of your son.

Yours very truly,

P. L. KOOB
1st Lt., QMC
Officer-in-Charge
SJ Unit

Incl—
Envelope

Receipt acknowledged:

Clara M. Warden
(Signature of Bailee)

Aug. 8 1945
(Date)

Eff. QM Form 205 (11 Apr 45)

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U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20535



KANSAS CITY, MO.

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ARMY SERVICE FORCES
ARMY EFFECTS BUREAU

ORDER FOR SHIPMENT

Mrs. Clara M. Warden

SHIP TO:

Route #2

Pfc. Russell L. Warden

Sharon, Tennessee

Effects of:

Name

34192235

ASN

366787 M

Case No.

Wt.

DATE 28 July 1945
RTB:JFH:jr

[Signature]
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.

[Handwritten initials]

REMARKS:

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

AUG 4 1945

[Handwritten initials]
Shipping Clerk

File on

PACKAGE DESCRIPTION
#1 etc

ARMY EFFECTS BUREAU INVENTORY

DECEASED
MISSING
P.O.W.
ABANDONED
TALLY NO. 9781
INV. DATE 20 July 45
OPIC. NO. OF PKGS. 1
BOX NO.
SHEET 1 OF 1 SHEETS
ORGANIZATION 31 Tank BN, 7th Army Div.

36678
Hei

NAME Russell L. Warden
A.S.N. 34192235 RANK OFC

Belt		TOWELS & WASHCLOTHS		KINGS
BELT MONEY (NO MONEY)	X	CASHING	1	BAGS, CLOTH OR TRAVEL
Cloth, wash		BRACELET IDENT.		BILLFOLD (NO MONEY)
Coats		Brushes		Case
Footwear, Pr.		CAMERAS		Footlocker
Gloves, Pr.		Glasses		KIT, SHW, PPL, OR WRITING
Handkerchiefs		Knives		BOOKS
Headwear		Lighters		Books, Address
Jackets	X	MISC. MISC.		Books, Pilot Log
Overcoats		Pen, Fountain		DIARY (REMOVED FOR DUTY)
Scar's		Pencil, Mechanical		FILES
shirts		Pipes		Letters
Socks, Pr.		RELIGIOUS ARTICLES		Papers, Personal
Ties	X	RIBBONS, DECORATION		Photos
Towels		Rings		Shoe shine Articles
Trousers, Pr.		Tobacco		SPORT SHORTER
Trunks, Pr.		Toilet Articles		SOUVENIRS
Underwear		WALGH		SOUVENIR MONEY
				Stationery
				TESTIMONIES
				U.S. MONEY (AMOUNT)

REMARKS *no 2y checked* ATTACHMENTS FORM #54 FORM #100
1 2nd

C.A.T. *none*

WAREHOUSE SPACE *595*

INVENTORIED BY *Covert*

STORED BY *[Signature]*

WEIGHT	G.I. REMOVED
	SHORTAGE ON REVERSE
	IDENT. TAGS REMOVED
	DIARY REMOVED
DATE SHIPPED <i>AUG 4 1945</i>	LOCKED STORAGE
	LADNOPY REMOVED
MARKS OR ADDITIONAL	FILM REMOVED

AD

ADDITIONAL REMARKS

1 Towel 1 Tie dirty & Ragged
7 no valves removed. Salvaged me

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

NAME WARDEN, RUSSELL L.

~~XXXXXXXXXX~~
PFC. 2235

BAY	PALLET	BOX	TALLY
66	24	22	9781
TYPE OF PKG.	WHSE. SPACE	INVENTORIED	
PKG.			

ER. QM Form 48

R E S T R I C T E D
I N V E N T O R Y F O R M

17 JANUARY 1945

Date

SUBJECT: Inventory of Personal Effects of:

WARDEN RUSSELL L PFC 34192235
(Last Name) (First Name) (MI) (Rank) (ASN)

TO: Effects Quartermaster, Communication Zone, APO _____ US Army

The above named individual of 31 TANK BN 7TH ARMORED DIVISION
(Unit) (Organization)

was reported MIA about 23 DECEMBER 1944
Status (KIA, MIA, Hosp. etc.) (Date)

Designated Beneficiary if information readily accessible NOT KNOWN

I N V E N T O R Y O F E F F E C T S

- 1 PAIR SHOES ✓
- 3 COLLAR INSIGNIAS ✓
- 3 MEDALS ✓
- 1 RIBBON BAR ✓
- 1 HUCKLE ✓ R
- 1 TOWEL ✓ R

Money in the amount of NONE has been turned into _____
(Name of Finance Office)
Form WDFD 38 enclosed.
and symbol number) _____

NOT KNOWN

Names and addresses of any Banks in which accounts may be carried:

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 17 JANUARY 1945
(Rail, Truck, etc.)

Name Sam B. Plyler
Rank & ASN CAPT QMC O-1016266
Organization HEADQUARTERS 7th A.D.

Any additional pertinent information:

A-15/38/9