

INDIVIDUAL DECEASED

PERSONNEL FILE

Interred 25 July 1949

J-14-11, USM ST LAURENT

John C. Perry Jr. DISINTERMENT DIRECTIVE

JOHN C. PERRY JR
Capt OMC, Interring Officer

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KIND OF COMPLEYANCE
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SECTION A - NAME AND BURIAL LOCATION OF DECEASED
DIRECTIVE NUMBER 3572 01977
DATE 15 04 49
DAY MONTH YEAR

NAME WARD VIVIAN L
SERIAL NUMBER 38090157
GRADE TEC5
ARM 1
RACE 1
RELIGION 1

CEMETERY ST ANDRE FRANCE
PLOT A
ROW 7
GRAVE 129
DISPOSITION OF REMAINS 3505 80
CODE DIST. CTR.

SECTION B - CONSIGNEE AND NEXT OF KIN
NAME AND ADDRESS OF CONSIGNEE ST. LAURENT, FRANCE
NAME AND ADDRESS OF NEXT OF KIN MRS. ELSIE WARD (MOTHER)
ROUTE 5, BOX 417
AUSTIN, TEXAS
Flag sent 25 July 1949

SECTION C - DISINTERMENT AND IDENTIFICATION
NAME WARD, Vivian L.
SERIAL NUMBER 38090157
GRADE T/5
DATE OF DEATH 15 July 1948
DATE DISTINTERRED 15 July 1948

IDENTIFICATION TAG ON REMAINS MARKER
ORGANIZATION USAGF
RELIGION Prot.
IDENTIFICATION VERIFIED BY W.C. STRAUBE, Embalmer
NAME AND TITLE

SECTION D - PREPARATION OF REMAINS FOR SHIPMENT
NATURE OF BURIAL officers' Uniform
CONDITION OF REMAINS Advanced decomposition, Fractured skull, left humerus, right fibula left ulna and radius missing.
OTHER MEANS OF IDENTIFICATION GRS tag on marker
Initials "J.W." found in waist band of trousers

MINOR DISCREPANCIES (Prepare Discrepancy Report OMC Form 1194a for major discrepancies.)
None

REMAINS PREPARED AND PLACED IN CASKET transfer case

DATE 16 July 1948 BY P. W. JAMNARD
CASKET SEALED BY [Signature] EMBALMER (Signature)
DATE 15 Sept 49
NAME Bell
R & R BR.

CASKET BOXED AND MARKED
DATE 6/10/48 BY [Signature]
SHIPPING ADDRESS VERIFIED BY All markings tags and plates verified by: P.A. MAC KENZIE CAPT USM

I hereby certify that all the foregoing operations were conducted and accomplished under my immediate supervision and that the report above is correct.

REMARKS AND SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS
The entries on this form are correct.
copies of the entries on Copy No. 4 of the Disinterment Directive which contains the signatures of the persons whose names are typed hereon.
John C. Perry Jr
capt OMC

24 August 1949

Sec 5 Vivian L. Ward, ASN 38 090 157
~~Plot J, Row 14, Grave 11~~
Headstone: Cross
St. Laurent (France) U. S. Military Cemetery

Mrs. Elsie Ward
Route #5, Box #417
Austin, Texas

Dear Mrs. Ward:

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, Washington 25, D. C. Your letter should include the full name, rank, serial number, grave location, and name of the cemetery.

While interments are in progress, the cemetery will not be open to visitors. 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,

W. H. MIDDLESWART
Major General
Acting The Quartermaster General

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MAIL & RECORDS BRANCH

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A. CAB SECTION

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VOGL MEM DIV QMS

WASHDC

293 T/S

PLEASE LET THE REMAINS OF VIVIAN L WARD 38090157 REST WHERE

IT IS NOW

USMC - ST. LAURENT, FRANCE

MRS ELSIE WARD (Mother)

Rt. 5 - Box 417

Austin, Texas 1248P

38090157**

used in lieu of 345

Handwritten notes and signatures:
J. S. ...
4/15/49
M. L. ...

Plot	Row	Grave
A	7	129

St. Audre, France

St. Laurent, France

Coded

18 April 9

M. Baker

APR 21 1949

*Dr. Audre
A-7-129*

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3x card
4-14-49*

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APR 15 1949

Q1GMMW DEPT OF ARMY WASH D C MULLIGAN X-75837

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MRS. ELSIE WARD
ROUTE 5 BOX 417
AUSTIN TEXAS

PRIORITY

CHARGE GRAVES WW II

REFERENCE TELEGRAM 8 APRIL 49 REQUESTING OVERSEAS BURIAL REMAINS YOUR SON
COMMA THE LATE TECHNICIAN FIFTH GRADE VIVIAN L WARD COMMA 38090157. SINCE
TEMPORARY CEMETERY AT ST ANDRE FRANCE ~~WILL BE~~ ^{HAS BEEN} EVACUATED AND ALL REMAINS
INTERRED IN THIS CEMETERY WHICH ARE TO BE BURIED OVERSEAS WILL BE INTERRED
COMMA
IN THE PERMANENT AMERICAN MILITARY CEMETERY ST LAURENT FRANCE/ REMAINS YOUR
SON WILL BE INTERRED IN THE PERMANENT CEMETERY ST LAURENT. YOU WILL BE
NOTIFIED LATER OF EXACT GRAVE LOCATION END

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CAPT WOGL
Memorial Division
OQMG

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Q1GMMW 293
WARD, VIVIAN L, 38090157

20 Apr 49 Captain, OMC, Memorial Division

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8 CAB SECTION

J. F. VOGEL

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MRS ELSIE WARD
ROUTE #5 BOX #417
AUSTIN TEXAS

PRIORITY

CHARGE GRAVES WW II

REFERENCE LETTER THIS OFFICE ON REMAINS YOUR SON COMMA THE LATE TECHNICIAN
FIFTH GRADE VIVIAN L WARD COMMA 38090157. COMPLETED FORM NOT RECEIVED.
PLEASE ADVISE IF YOU DESIRE INTERMENT OVERSEAS OR RETURN TO UNITED STATES.
IF YOU WISH INTERMENT IN NATIONAL CEMETERY COMMA GIVE NAME. IF PRIVATE
CEMETERY COMMA GIVE NAME AND ADDRESS OF FUNERAL DIRECTOR OR OTHER CONSIGNEE
TO RECEIVE REMAINS ON ARRIVAL FROM OVERSEAS. TELEGRAPH REPLY COLLECT END

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CAPT VOGL
Memorial Division
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QMGW 293
Ward, Vivian L., 38090157

07 Apr 49 J. F. VOGL
Captain, OMC, Memorial Division

REQUEST FOR NEW LETTER OF INQUIRY

TO LETTER OF INQUIRY SECTION REPATRIATION RECORDS BRANCH		FROM	
NAME OF DECEDENT (First, Middle, Last) <i>Ward, Vivian S.</i>		GRADE <i>T/5</i>	SERIAL NUMBER <i>38090157</i>
GRAVE LOCATION			
CEMETERY <i>St. Andre</i>	PLOT <i>A</i>	ROW <i>7</i>	GRAVE <i>129</i>
LETTER OF INQUIRY TO BE SENT TO: MR. MISS MRS. <i>Elsie Ward</i>		RELATIONSHIP <i>Mother</i>	
ADDRESS			
STREET <i>Rt. 5 - Box 417</i>		CITY AND STATE <i>Austin, Texas.</i>	

8 April 49
 Telegram (which has been accepted for permanent interment in USMC - St. Laurent)
 from NAK reads "Please let the remains of Vivian S. Ward 38090157 rest where it is now."
 Please advise NAK that St. Andre is not a permanent cemetery and remains will be interred in St. Laurent.

Ref telegram 8 April 49 requesting o/s burial remains your son, the late T/5 Vivian L. Ward, 38090157. Since temporary cemetery at St Andre France will be evacuated and all remains interred in this cemetery requested for o/s burial will be interred in perm Am Mil Cem St Laurent France, your sons remains will be interred in the Perm cemetery. You will be notified later of exact grave location end Vogl

FILE
 Name *Slough*
 Action *NAT*
 Date *21 Apr. 49*
 ACCEPTED FOR FILE
 Post Office

DATE <i>15 Apr. '49</i>	CLERK'S SIGNATURE <i>Slough</i>
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REQUEST FOR NEW LETTER OF INQUIRY

TO LETTER OF INQUIRY SECTION
REPATRIATION RECORDS BRANCH

FROM

NAME OF DECEDENT (First, Middle, Last)
53 Vivian L. Ward

GRADE
T/5

SERIAL NUMBER
38090157

GRAVE LOCATION

CEMETERY
St Andre

PLOT
A

ROW
7

GRAVE
129

LETTER OF INQUIRY TO BE SENT TO:
~~MRS.~~
~~MISS~~ *Elise Ward*
MRS.

RELATIONSHIP
Mother

ADDRESS

STREET
Qt # 5 Box 417

CITY AND STATE
Austin, Texas

AUTHORITY FOR LETTER OF INQUIRY AND REMARKS

*Request follow up telegram
(Refer our letter dated 9 April 48)*

REFERENCE LETTER ~~FROM~~ THIS OFFICE ~~DATE~~ ~~ON~~ REMAINS
YOUR SON, THE LATE TECH 5/GR VIVIAN L. WARD, 38090157. ~~NO~~
COMPLETED FORM NOT RECEIVED. PLEASE ADVISE IF YOU DESIRE INTERMENT.
O/S OR RETURN TO US. IF YOU WISH INTERMENT IN NATL CEM, GIVE NAME.
IF PRIVATE CEMETERY, GIVE NAME AND ADDRESS OF FUNERAL DIRECTOR OR
OTHER CONSIGNEE TO RECEIVE REMAINS ON ARRIVAL FROM O/S. TELEGRAPH
REPLY COLLECT END VOGL

Herold 6 April 1949

FILE
Name *Slough*
Action *NATL*
Date *21 April 49*
Acceptance Section
Postal Corps Branch

DATE
4-2-9

CLERK'S SIGNATURE
[Signature]

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DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON 25, D. C.

IN REPLY REFER TO BURIAL OF
T/5 Vivian L. Ward, 38 090 157
Plot A, Row 7, Grave 129
United States Military Cemetery
St. Andre, France

9 April 1948

Mrs. Elsie Ward
Route #5, Box 417
Austin, Texas

Dear Mrs. Ward:

The inclosed Request for Disposition of Remains form, which you accomplished, is returned for completion or correction as checked below. Please make changes or additions on the form and return both the form and this letter in the self-addressed envelope inclosed. No postage is required.

1. () Indicate your relationship to the deceased. (Part 1, page 1, in blocks)
2. () Indicate option desired. (Part 1, page 1, items 1, 2, 3, or 4)
3. () Indicate National or Private Cemetery in which interment is desired. (Part 1, page 1, item 2 or 4)
4. () Indicate country (Homeland) of deceased. (Part 1, page 1, item 3)
5. () Advise name and address of consignee. (Part 1, page 2)
6. () If you are Next of Kin, affix your signature in the presence of a Notary Public. (Part 1, page 2)
7. () Have form notarized. (Bottom of page 2)
8. () The National Cemetery you selected is closed. Please select another from attached list. (Change form Part 1, page 1, item 4)
9. () Furnish certified copy of Remarriage Certificate of Widow, or statement from widow that she has in fact remarried.
10. () Furnish copy of Death Certificate of _____.
11. () Special instructions, not covered by the above:

Upon receipt of the corrected Reply Form, and this letter, action will be taken to process this case.

Sincerely yours,

RICHARD B. COOMBS
Major, QMC
Memorial Division

- 2 Incls.
1. Request for Disposition form
 2. Return Envelope

FAMILY CORRESPONDENCE BRANCH
FCA SECTION, ACCEPTANCE UNIT

TO BE USED ON IRFS

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Ward T. ... T/S 38070157 Moeher 1

Name	Rank	SN	345 Executed by	Option Selected
St Andrew FR	A 7	129		
Cemetery	Plot Row	Grave	Consignee	

Write NOK

Mr.	Mrs.	Miss	Name	Address	Relationship
			Ward Mrs. Elice	Moeher	
				Route 5 Box 417	(Address)
				West, Texas	(City and State)

- A. Action to Family Letters Section
1. () Indicate RELATIONSHIP
 2. () Indicate OPTION desired
 3. () Indicate CEMETERY in which interment desired
 4. () Indicate Country (HOME LAND) of deceased or NOK
 5. () Indicate CONSIGNEE - Name and/or Address
 6. (✓) Obtain SIGNATURE of NOK
 7. () Obtain NOTARIZATION
 8. () Advise NOK that NATIONAL CEMETERY SELECTED IS CLOSED and request that another choice be made
- B. Action to Case Resolution Unit, FCA
9. () Secure DOCUMENTS (Remarriage), (Birth), (Death), (Other _____)
 10. () Reply to REMARKS on IRF
 11. () SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS: _____

12. () Inform Party Listed Below of Action Taken by This Office

Name	RELATIONSHIP
Address	
City	State

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Dup-M&R for 293 File

Acceptance Clerk's Name: _____ Date: _____

FILE
APR 5 1948

PK
T/5 Vivian L. Ward, 38 090 157
Plot A, Row 7, Grave 129,
United States Military Cemetery
St. Andre, France

22 August 1947

Mrs. Elsie Ward
Route #5, Box 417
Austin, Texas

Dear Mrs. Ward:

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

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QMR 293
Ward, Vivian L.
A.S.N. 38 090 157

1 May 1947

Mr. Rodney L. Ward
1001 Mission Street
San Antonio, Texas

Dear Mr. Ward:

Inclosed herewith is a picture of the United States Military Cemetery St. Andre, France, in which your father, the late Technician Fifth Grade Vivian L. Ward, 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.

Sincerely yours,

G. A. HOBAN
Brigadier General, GSC
Chief, Memorial Division

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WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON 25, D. C.

IN REPLY REFER TO QMGM 293

Ward, Vivian L.
A.S.N. 38 090 157

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1 May 1947

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Chief, Memorial Division

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QMGMM 293 Ward, Vivian L. 1st Ind AE/mb/205/304

38 090 157

Army Finance Center, Office of the Chief of Finance, St. Louis 20, Mo.

Handwritten initials and number:
4-30-47

JUL 23 1947

TO: The Quartermaster General, Washington 25, D. C.

Army Finance Center records indicate the following recipients of arrears of pay and death gratuity pay for the above decedent:

ARREARS OF PAY

DEATH GRATUITY PAY

Payment not made

Payment not made

FOR THE COMMANDING OFFICER, AFC:

S. H. Smith
S. H. SMITH
Lt Col, FD
Finance Officer

Handwritten note:
File
9-11-47
B.E.

30 APR 1947

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON 25, D. C.

In Reply Refer To
QMGM 293
Ward, Vivian L.
SN 38 090 157

SUBJECT: Address of Legal Next of Kin of Deceased Veteran

TO: Army Finance Center, OCF
Correspondence Section
Special Settlement Accounts Division
Pay Settlements Branch
Building 205
St. Louis 20, Missouri

1. Records on file in this office indicate that **Mr. Elsie Ward, mother, residing at 1001 Mission St., San Antonio, Texas,** is the legal next of kin of:

NAME: **Ward, Vivian L.**
RANK: **Technician Fifth Grade**
SERIAL NO: **38 090 157**

2. It is requested that this office be furnished the latest address and relationship of the legal next of kin, and any other relatives of the deceased veteran mentioned above.

3. In case the next of kin is not as indicated above, request copies of such documentary evidence as may have been submitted to your office to establish this relationship.

FOR THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL:

Martin G. Riley
MARTIN G. RILEY
Major, QMC
Memorial Division

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON 25, D. C.

B. O #10
30 APR 1947
Record copy

In Reply Refer To: QMGMR 293
Ward, Vivian L.
SN 38 090 157

Date of Birth 7 Nov 1918

SUBJECT: Request for information re next of kin of above named deceased serviceman of World War II.

XC 3741017
5-5-47
S.L.B

TO : Director, Dependents and Beneficiaries Claims Service
Veterans Administration
Washington 25, D. C.

For use in determination of final disposition of remains of the above identified deceased serviceman, it is requested that appropriate information be entered on the lower portion of this letter and that one copy of the completed letter be returned to this office.

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Martin G. Riley
MARTIN G. RILEY
Major, QMC
Memorial Division

Date
Veteran's Name Vivian L. Ward
XC 3741017

Information in the VA case file indicates that the deceased serviceman was survived by the relatives listed below.

NOTE - A. Identify two persons in the following order of preference:

- 1. Widow
- 2. Male children over 21 years
- 3. Female children over 21 years
- 4. Father
- 5. Mother
- 6. Brothers over 21 years
- 7. Sisters over 21 years
- 8. Other relatives

B. If parent is listed, state whether natural, step-, adoptive or foster parent.

C. If no information is available concerning any surviving relatives, state "None".

Relationship : Name : Address

"WIDOW" :
(If none, state "None" : None :

Has she remarried? _____ If so, is proof of remarriage on file? _____

Mother ✓: Elvie S. Ward Rt 5, Box 417, Austin Texas
Father ✓: Horace Ward - "Armed Services"

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DIRECTOR,
CLAIMS SERVICE
(Address) S. P. Koken

WAR DEPARTMENT
 OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
 WASHINGTON 25, D. C.

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30 APR 1947

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 Major, QMC
 Memorial Division

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 Veteran's Name _____

XC _____

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WIDOW	:	:
(If none, state "None")	:	:
Has she remarried?	If so, is proof of remarriage on file?	
:	:	:
:	:	:
:	:	:

DIRECTOR,
 CLAIMS SERVICE
 (Address)

APR 30 11 20 AM '47
 MEMORIAL DIVISION
 REGISTRATION AND RECORDS BRANCH

80 APR 1947

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON 25, D. C.

In Reply Refer To
QMGM 293
Ward, Vivian L.
SER 38 090 157

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SUBJECT: Address of Legal Next of Kin of Deceased Veteran

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Correspondence Section
Special Settlement Accounts Division
Pay Settlements Branch
Building 205
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FOR THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL:

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MARTIN G. RELEY
Major, QMC
Memorial Division

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MEMORIAL DIVISION
REGISTRATION AND RECORDS BRANCH

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AIR MAIL

QMGMR 314.6
Graves Registration
(European, U.S. Misc.)

25 APR 1947

SUBJECT: Burial Records

TO: Commanding Officer
American Graves Registration Command
European Area
APO 887, c/o Postmaster
New York, New York

1. Request the burial reports and grave markers for the following decedents, interred in the United States Military Cemetery St. Andre, France, be changed to read as underscored:

<u>NAME</u>	<u>RANK/ GRADE</u>	<u>SERIAL NO.</u>	<u>ORGAN.</u>	<u>PLOT</u>	<u>ROW</u>	<u>GRAVE</u>	<u>DATE OF DEATH</u>
<u>Howington, Hartwell</u>	<u>R.</u>	<u>1st Lt</u>	<u>0 800 356</u>	-	G	3	56
297 <u>Ward, Vivian L.</u>	<u>T/5</u>	<u>38 090 157</u>	<u>Hq</u> <u>38 Arm'd</u> <u>Inf Bn</u> <u>7 Arm'd</u> <u>Div</u>	A	7	129	<u>21 AUG 44</u>

2. The records of this office have been reverified with the records of The Adjutant General, War Department, and have been found to be correct as indicated above.

FOR THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL:

MARTIN G. RILEY
Major, QMC
Memorial Division

AIR MAIL

REPORT OF BURIAL
IF DECEASED IS UNIDENTIFIED

244 43810
25 Aug 1944

Ward, Vivian L (Last Name, First, Initial)
HP 38 ARMO INF BN (Unit)
St. Andre Combat Area (Place of Death)
24 Aug 44 (Date of Death)
0920 hrs 25 Aug 44 (Time and Date of Burial)
St. Andre (Name of Cemetery)
129 (Grave Number) **7** (Row Number)
Shrapnel (Cause of Death)
270 506 (Name or Coordinates of Location)
Stake (Type of Marker)

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

If No Identification Tags
 How were remains identified?
Paper Bank

What means of identification were buried with the body?
Ident. tag.

To determine Right or Left use Deceased's Right and Left.
 Who is buried on:
 Deceased's Right: **Voldo, Angelo M 32818249** (Grave No. **130**)
 Deceased's Left: **Knapp, R.B. 0-379729** (Grave No. **128**)



Emergency Addressee _____ Name _____
 Address _____
 Religion _____

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

Mil. Insignia , shoulder and collar

Signature of Officer or other person reporting burial
E. H. HOSFORD
 Verified by G.R.S. Officer
E. H. HOSFORD
 1ST LT CMC
AUG 17 1945

SFOYE 293
Ward, Vivian L.

25 February 1946

Mrs. Elsie Ward
Route #5, Box 417
Austin, Texas

Dear Mrs. Ward:

The War Department is most desirous that you be furnished the burial location of your son, the late Technician Fifth Grade Vivian L. Ward, A.S.N. 38 090 157.

The records of this office disclose that his remains are interred in the U. S. Military Cemetery, St. Andre-De-Lure, France, plot A, row 7, grave 129.

This cemetery is located approximately fifteen miles southeast of Evreux and fifteen miles northeast of Dreux, both in France, and is under the constant care and supervision of United States military personnel.

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

Sincerely yours,

T. B. LASKIN
Major General
The Quartermaster General

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WAR DEPARTMENT
THE ADJUTANT GENERAL'S OFFICE

WASHINGTON 25, D. C.

REPORT OF DEATH

DATE 9 Nov 44

LMS/mlw/4624

FULL NAME 293- Ward, Vivian L.		ARMY SERIAL NUMBER 38 090 157	GRADE Tac/5										
HOME ADDRESS Austin, Texas		ARM OR SERVICE Inf.	DATE OF BIRTH 7 Nov 18										
PLACE OF DEATH European Area	CAUSE OF DEATH Killed in action		DATE OF DEATH 21 Aug 44										
STATION OF DECEASED European Area	DATE OF ENTRY ON CURRENT ACTIVE SERVICE 10 Feb 42	LENGTH OF SERVICE FOR PAY PURPOSES YEARS MONTHS DAYS											
EMERGENCY ADDRESSEE (NAME, RELATIONSHIP & ADDRESS) Mrs. Elsie Ward, mother; Rt 5, Box 417, Austin, Texas													
BENEFICIARY (NAME, RELATIONSHIP & ADDRESS) Rodney L. Ward, son; 1001 Mission St., San Antonio, Texas Mrs. Elsie Ward, mother; same as E. A. Miss Vera Ward, sister; same as mother's													
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

ADDITIONAL DATA AND/OR STATEMENT

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ADJUTANT GENERAL

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244,218

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

REPORT OF DEATH

DATE 9 Nov 44

FULL NAME <u>Ward, Vivian L.</u>		ARMY SERIAL NUMBER <u>38 090 157</u>		GRADE <u>Tec/5</u>	
HOME ADDRESS <u>Austin, Texas</u>		ARM OR SERVICE <u>Inf.</u>		DATE OF BIRTH <u>7 Nov 18</u>	
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ADJUTANT GENERAL

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-BATTLE CASUALTY REPORT

NAME				SERIAL NUMBER			GRADE		ARM OR SERVICE		REPORTING THEATRE	
WARD VIVIAN L				38090157			TECS		INF		ETO	
PLACE OF CASUALTY				DATE OF CASUALTY			FLYING OR JUMPING STAT		TYPE OF CASUALTY		SHIPMENT NUMBER	
FRANCE 9				DAY	MONTH	YEAR			MIA		197	
21				AUG	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

MR.-MRS.-MISS--FIRST NAME--MIDDLE INITIAL--LAST NAME			RELATIONSHIP			DATE NOTIFIED		
MRS. ELSIE WARD			MOTHER			27 SEPT 44 MA		
NO. AND NAME OF STREET--CITY--STATE								
ROUTE NUMBER FIVE BOX 417.						AUSTIN, TEXAS		

REMARKS:

CORRECTED COPY



ACTION BY PROCESSING AND VERIFICATION SECTION: REPORT VERIFIED _____ FORM 43 _____ AG 201 REQ _____

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. NOTIFIED

FORWARDED TO SPEC. IDEN. TELEGRAM WOUNDED LETTER CORES. S. R. & D. CERTIF. M. & M. NON-DEL.

REPORT NOT VERIFIED _____ NO FORM 43 _____ NO CAS. BR. FILE _____ CHECKED BY _____ REVIEWED BY _____

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

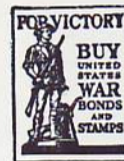
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		DAY	MO.	YR.		DAY	MO.	YR.			STATE	COUNTY													
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ARMY SERVICE FORCES
KANSAS CITY QUARTERMASTER DEPOT

601 HARDESTY AVENUE
KANSAS CITY 1, MISSOURI

IN REPLY REFER TO # 244218

CHG:FR:mg
May 22, 1945

Mrs. J. F. Duderstadt
Box #46
Mountain Home, Texas

Dear Mrs. Duderstadt:

This acknowledges your letter of May 3 regarding personal effects of Technician Fifth Grade Vivian L. Ward.

This property, consisting of miscellaneous insignia, is being forwarded to his son, Rodney L. Ward, in your care.

If, for some reason, it has not been received at the expiration of thirty days from this date, please notify me so that tracer may be instituted.

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

Yours very truly,

HARRY NIEMI
2nd Lt. Q.M.C.
Chief, Correspondence Branch

ARMY SERVICE FORCES
ARMY EFFECTS BUREAU

ORDER FOR SHIPMENT

SHIP TO:

Rodney L. Ward

Effects of:
Name T/5 Vivian L. Ward

c/o Mrs. J. F. Duderstadt

ASN 38090157

Box #46

Case No. 244218 D

Mountain Home, Texas

Wt.

DATE May 22, 1945
JRM:FR:mg

Barber

FOR: Effects Quartermaster

REMARKS:

 Inclose Bureau Check
 Acct. No.
 Amount
 Inclose "Valuables"
 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 Encl.

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

N.K.
Shipping Clerk

SHEET 1 OF 1 SHEETS	ARMY EFFECTS BUREAU INVENTORY		DECEASED
BOX NUMBER 7	ORIGINAL NUMBER OF PACKAGES 1		MISSING
TALLY NUMBER 7061	INVENTORY DATE 30 MAR 1945	CASE NUMBER 244,218	P.O.W.
EFFECTS OF Vivian L. Ward	RANK Unknown		ABANDONED
A.S.N. 38090157	ORGANIZATION UNKNOWN		

PACKAGE DESCRIPTION: #1. *[Handwritten]*

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. INSTONIA ←	KIT, TOILET
HEADWEAR	MISC. ITEMS	KIT, WRITING
JACKETS	PEN, FOUNTAIN	PAPERS AND MISC.
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	TOBACCO	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)

File off

REMARKS: *restored*
No Information

ATTACHMENTS: FORM #54 FORM #100
G. R. Label
Inventories

C.A.T. None	WEIGHT	GI REMOVED
		SHORTAGE ON REVERSE
WAREHOUSE SPACE 14X-3	STORED BY <i>N.K.</i>	IDENT. TAGS REMOVED
		DATE SHIPPED
INVENTORIED BY <i>Smart</i>	CHECKED BY	SHORTAGE
PACKED BY		#43 OR ADDITIONAL
		FIRM REMOVED

INVENTORY OF EFFECTS

Ward, Vivian L. 58090187

(Last name)(First)(Initial) (ASN)

Late a Unknown

(Grade) (Orgn or arm or service)

who died on the 24 day of Aug. 19

Mil. Insignia, Shoulder and co.

I certify that the effects of Class I and those of Class II have been delivered to the ~~Effects Depot~~ and that all funds ~~have been delivered to the Finance Office~~.

RAYMOND L. DENNIS
1st Lt., OMC

SUBJECT: Report of transactions in disposing of the effects of
Vivian L. Ward ✓, 38090157 ✓ late a
(Name of deceased) (Army Serial Number)
Technician 5th Grade, Infantry who died
(Grade) (Organization, Army or Service)
on the 21 day of Aug, 1944, at European Area.

TC : 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., KQM 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 _____, none, 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 17 May 1945, pursuant to Special Orders 228, Headquarters KQM Depot, dated 25 September 1943, the application or affidavit of Mrs. J. F. Duderstadt 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, Rodney L. Ward, c/o Mrs. J. F. Duderstadt of (Name of person found entitled)

Box #46, Mountain Home State of
(Number, Street or Avenue) (City, Town or Village)
Texas, is the Son 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 R. MURPHY, Colonel, U.S.A.

(Name, Rank, Organization)

SUMMARY COURT MARTIAL

Mt Home, Idaho
May 3, 1945

Rev 5-16-45

Dear Mr. Niemiec:

Inclosed letter was forwarded to me by Mrs. Elsie Thard.

I wish to advise you that the minor child of her son, Vivian L. Thard, is in my custody.

He, the minor child, Radney L. Thard, has been receiving all government moneys through me.

I have been appointed guardian of above named child. There are no legal adoption papers as he only lives with me as permitted by his mother and father some years ago.

I am related to the child as aunt.

If I can be of any assistance to you, you may reach me at Box 46, Mountain Home,

Sufas.

Yours truly

Mrs. J. F. (Nesanne) Duderstadt



ARMY SERVICE FORCES
KANSAS CITY QUARTERMASTER DEPOT
ARMY EFFECTS BUREAU

601 HARDESTY AVENUE
KANSAS CITY 1, MISSOURI

(S-5-28-45)

JRM:FR:vf

April 28, 1945

IN REPLY REFER TO 244218

Mrs. Elsie Ward
Route #5, Box 417
Austin, Texas

J. C. W.

Dear Mrs. Ward:

The Army Effects Bureau has received from overseas some miscellaneous insignia of your son, Technician Fifth Grade Vivian L. Ward.

To make proper disposition of this property, it is necessary that we have certain information regarding your son's family. Information of record at this Bureau indicates that Corporal Ward is survived by a son. It will be appreciated if you will furnish us the name and address of his legal guardian.

If your son left a Will which has been probated, please furnish the original or a certified copy of the Letters Testamentary. Any papers submitted will be returned to you as soon as possible.

Please mail your reply in the inclosed self-addressed envelope which needs no postage, as this will accelerate delivery of the property.

Yours very truly,

Harry Niemiec

HARRY NIEMIEC
2nd Lt. Q.M.C.
Chief, Correspondence Branch

1 Incl--Envelope