

MEMORIALIZATION OF NON-RECOVERABLE  
REMAINS OF WORLD WAR II

THIS FILE HAS BEEN AUDITED FOR NON-RECOVERABILITY

NAME (Last, First, Middle)

HENRY WALTER G.

RANK

SGT

SERIAL NUMBER

34 230 967

ARM OF SERVICE

ARMY

DATE OF DEATH

24 DECEMBER 1945

AREA OF DEATH

BELGIUM

NAME OF AUDITOR

MANFIELD

DATE

15 JAN 1951

NAME OF REVIEWER

H.T. BLATCHLEY

DATE

15 JAN 1951

REMARKS



## NON-RECOVERABLE REMAINS REEXAMINATION OF RECORDS

AREA OF DEATH <b>Belgium</b>	CASE NUMBER
NAME (Last, First, Middle Initial) <b>Henry, Walter G.</b>	RANK <b>Sgt</b>
	SERIAL NUMBER <b>34 230 967</b>

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	
2. GEOGRAPHICAL CLUE INDEX FILE OF UNKNOWN RECOVERED FROM APPROPRIATE AREA, COMPARED WITH DECEDENT	
3. OTHER DOCUMENTS OR SOURCES	

REMARKS

RECOMMEND APPROVAL		APPROVED	DATE
NAME OF CASE ANALYST <i>T. Lunnis</i>	CASE REVIEWER, FINAL DETERMINATION SECTION	CHIEF, FINAL DETERMINATION SECTION <i>Mary A. Edwards</i> <b>MARY A. EDWARDS</b> 1st Lt. QMG	<b>JAN 31 1951</b>



**CONTROLLED CASE**

NAME	GRADE	SERIAL NO.
HENRY, WALTER G.	SGT	34 230 967

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<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> IDENTIFICATION BRANCH, MEMORIAL DIVISION	FLAGGED BY ( <i>Initials</i> )
	Capt Lay

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

NUMBER  
**14,002 (1)**

AREA OR ZONE(S)

**EUROPEAN**

NAME (Last, First, Middle Initial)

**HENRY, Walter G.**

RANK

**Sgt**

SERIAL NUMBER

**34 230 967**

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.

1. 293 FILE OF SUBJECT(S)	INITIALS OF ANALYST	(CROSS OUT THOSE NOT APPLICABLE)	INITIALS OF ANALYST
	<b>em</b>	2. <del>a. REPORT OF DEATH</del> b. FINDING OF DEATH c. STATUS REVIEW & DETERMINATION	<b>em</b>
3. A - Z FILE OF KNOWN INTERMENTS IN U.S. MILITARY CEMETERIES, ISOLATED LOCATIONS, AND SEA BURIALS	<b>em</b>	4. GEOGRAPHICAL CLUE INDEX FILE OF UNKNOWN RECOVERED FROM APPROPRIATE AREA	<b>em</b>
5. ALPHABETICAL INDEX OF "BELIEVED TO BE" AND TENTATIVELY IDENTIFIED UNKNOWN	<b>em</b>	6. ALPHABETICAL FILE OF FORMER UNKNOWN NOW IDENTIFIED	<b>em</b>
7. OTHER DOCUMENTS OR SOURCES			<b>em</b>

**Captured German Records**

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**

**San File**

**JUN 20 1950**

**Identification Branch**

NAME OF CASE ANALYST

**E. MULFORD / luj**

CASE TO BE FORWARDED TO

FOR CONSIDERATION OF NOTIFICATION TO INTERESTED PARTIES.

RECOMMEND APPROVAL

APPROVED

DATE

CASE REVIEWER, FINAL DETERMINATION SECTION

CHIEF, FINAL DETERMINATION SECTION

CHIEF, IDENTIFICATION BRANCH

**T.W. GUINER**

**ROBERT G. LAY, Capt QMC**

**THOMAS E. COX, Capt QMC**

**19 June 1950**



RECORD OF WORK - NOVEMBER 1950

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

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

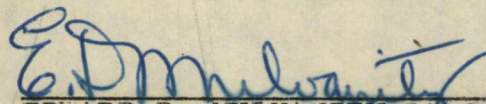
The Board convened pursuant to par 3, SO #31, Headquarters, American Graves Registration Command, APO 757, US Army, 28 March 1950, at Liege, Belgium on 18 MAY 1950. The purpose of the Board was to determine the non-recoverability status of certain casualties now under jurisdiction of this command.

The Board reviewed report of investigation, statements of witnesses and other papers, contained in the files of American Graves Registration Command, EA, pertaining to the case of the following named casualty/casualties, the remains of which have not been recovered. The case records and other data considered, are attached.

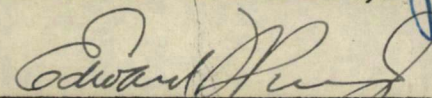
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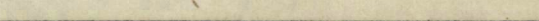
FINDINGS: The Board having carefully considered the evidence before it, finds the remains of said casualty/casualties are non-recoverable.

RECOMMENDATION: That the case concerning subject casualty/casualties be forwarded to the Office of The Quartermaster General for final approval.

  
EDWARD D. MULVANITY, Lt Col, QMC

  
JAMES C. MacFARLAND, Major, QMC

  
EDWARD F. PRICE, JR., Capt, QMC

  
GAYLORD E. LUTZ, 1st Lt, QMC

LEODORE GODDREAU, CWO, USA



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

SPECIAL ORDER )  
:  
NUMBER 31 )

28 March 1950

E X T R A C T

3. PAC Ltr WD AGO-S 293.9, 9 Apr 47, Subj: "Establishment of Boards of Review for Identification of Unknown Dead Overseas", and par 118 b, SR 820-110-5 DA, 3 Mar 49, a Board of O's as following is 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,	QMC.,	0 359 598,	President
MAJOR JAMES C. MacFARLAND,	QMC.,	0 1 576 321	
CAPT EDWARD F. PRICE, Jr.,	QMC.,	0 1 588 236	
1ST LT GAYLORD E. LUTZ,	QMC.,	0 1 595 665	
CWO LEODORE GOUDREAU,	USA.,	W 2 113 434	

BY ORDER OF COLONEL BALLARD:

s/t/WILLIAM J. WOOD  
CAPT., FA,  
ADJUTANT

OFFICIAL:

s/t/ WILLIAM J. WOOD  
CAPT., FA  
Adjutant

A TRUE COPY:

*Robert G. Lay*  
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ROBERT G. LAY  
Capt QMC



Belgium 9814

HEADQUARTERS  
7837 GRAVES REGISTRATION DETACHMENT  
REGISTRATION DIVISION  
APO 757 (Liege) US ARMY

GRRE 293.9 (IB)

SUBJECT: Non-Recoverable Remains

TO: The Non-Recoverable Board, AGRC

1. It is recommended that the Board take action on the following case:

NAME: HENRY, Walter G. Sgt 34 230 967

ORGANIZATION: Btry "C" 440th Armd F.A. Bn.

DATE OF DEATH: 23 December 1944

PLACE OF DEATH: Vic-of-Salm Chateau, Belgium

SYNOPSIS: The above mentioned subject casualty was the crew chief of a tank M-7 which was hit by enemy mortar fire, and burned in the vicinity of Salm Chateau, Belgium on 23 December 1944. Information contained in the Review and Determination of Status Report indicated that subject casualty was killed when his tank was hit by a mortar shell, caught fire and burned. Statement of eyewitness stated that Sgt. Henry evacuated the burning tank, but was not seen after the ensuing action. It was impossible to reach the burning tank as the intense enemy machine gun and mortar fire covering the entire area, as well as the additional fire from the exploding ammunition which the M-7 carried. It was impossible to return to the area. No attempts were made to evacuate casualties due to the tactical position of the enemy. A Field Investigation was conducted in the appropriate area on 20 August 1947 with negative results. All unknown American deceased recovered from this area relevant to this case have been checked with negative results. It is logical to conclude that Sgt Walter G. Henry was killed by enemy action when he evacuated



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his burning tank in the vicinity of Salm Chateau, Belgium on 23 December 1944. That his remains were disposed of by the enemy in a manner and unknown location that precludes recovery. The fact that the Field Investigation was negative. Also the fact that all attempts to associate the remains of unknown American deceased recovered from the area meet with negative results would tend to substantiate this conclusion. It is, therefore recommended that this case be deemed Non-Recoverable.

Reference is made to: OQMG Form 371; Review and Determination of Status Report dtd 24 Dec. 1945; On file in the Office of the Quartermaster General, Washington, D.C.

Reference is made to: Report of Field Investigation dtd 20 August 1947.

2. All attached supporting documents are copied from records on file at the Hq, American Graves Registration Detachment.

3. Every effort has been made to correlate this case with records in this Hq pertaining to Unknown deceased interred in US Military Cemeteries and reported isolated burials. The results are negative.

4. It is recommended that the remains, based upon the above information and research, be declared non-recoverable.

C.W. Steinsiek  
C.W. STEINSIEK TCo  
Capt, QMC



20 August 1947

N A R R A T T I V E

A very extensive and intensive investigation was conducted in the Vielsalm - Salmchateau area in order to locate remains of Sgt. Walter G. Henry. The following persons were contacted:

Mr. Albert Jeunejean, Communal Secretary at Vielsalm-Salmchateau, who declared that there are no Americans buried in the territory of the community of Vielsalm-Salmchateau.

Sgt. Andree Ambroise, at Rencheux, Chief of the demining service in Vielsalm-Salmchateau and the territory surrounding these two towns, declared that all the corpses his service has found, had been reported to the American Graves Service which had taken away the reported bodies. For about one year now the Demining Service has not found any more bodies during its investigations in the Vielsalm-Salmchateau area.

Fernand Desire Kesch, sergeant at the Gendarmerie Nationale at Vielsalm-Salmchateau, declared that he had assisted the American Graves Service in the search of the American deceased, that since the Americans left Vielsalm-Salmchateau, he had often searched for and asked information about American deceased, but had never found or ever heard rumors of any American Remains on the territory of Vielsalm-Salmchateau, Arbre-Fontaine, Petit Thier and Grand-Halleux.

Sgt Fernand Kesch and this investigator interrogated all the forest-guards living in and around Vielsalm-Salmchateau, viz. H. Jacquet, Albert Rondeux, C. Gerardy, Joseph Pilot, Al Bomboir. All these forest-guards state that very positively there are no more American (surface) burials on the territory they are responsible for.

/s/t/ HENDRICK VEIGH  
US WD Civilian  
Investigator



AIRMAIL

QMGMS 293  
Henry, Walter G.  
SN-34230967

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SUBJECT: Request for Information

Dept of the Army, OQMG, Washington 25, D. C., 21 April 1950

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

Submitted herewith are photostat copies of Status Review and  
Determination Report No. 4973 dated 24 December 1945 and After Action  
Report for the 440th Armored Field Artillery Battalion for 22 December  
1945 which include all information relative to the circumstances of  
death of Sgt. Walter G. Henry, 34230967.

FOR THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL:

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1. SP&D #4973
2. After Action Report

THOMAS E. COX  
Capt QMC  
Memorial Division

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE  
 FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION  
 WASHINGTON, D. C. 20535

TO: SAC, NEW YORK  
 FROM: SAC, NEW YORK  
 SUBJECT: [Illegible]

Reference is made to the report of SA [Illegible] dated [Illegible] at New York, New York, and the report of SA [Illegible] dated [Illegible] at New York, New York, both of which are being furnished to you for information.

Very truly yours,  
 [Illegible Signature]

FOR THE DIRECTOR

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S. [Illegible]  
 [Illegible Title]  
 [Illegible Address]

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JUN 15 1950  
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 DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE



(Belgium 9814)

HEADQUARTERS  
AMERICAN GRAVES REGISTRATION COMMAND  
EUROPEAN AREA  
APO 757 U S ARMY

GRRE 293.9 (IB)

29 March 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 Sg<sup>t</sup> <sup>293</sup> Walter  
G. HENRY, 34 230 967.

2. It is requested that all available data contained in records  
your office, including Status Review and Determination Report, 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





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AG 201 Henry, Walter G.  
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20 April 1950

MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD:

SUBJECT: Review of Circumstances Surrounding the Disappearance  
of Sgt Walter G. Henry.

1. ETO Casualty Shipment No. 005 reported that Sgt Walter G. Henry, 34230967, FA, Battery C, 440th Armored Field Artillery Battalion, was missing in action in Belgium on 23 December 1944. Under the provisions of Section 5, Missing Persons Act, a Finding of Death was issued for Sergeant Henry, setting the presumed date of his death as 24 December 1945 (SR&D No. 4973).

2. Missing Report, dated 27 December 1944, submitted for Sergeant Henry, states that he was with his battery in position near Salmchateau, Belgium (50°16'N - 5°54'E) when they were forced to withdraw. During the withdrawal the M7 tank in which he was riding received a direct hit and went up in smoke and flames. It is stated that search was not conducted as the battery was unable to get back into the area.

3. On 21 March 1945 an inquiry was sent to the Commanding General, USFETO, requesting information regarding the crew of the tank (See AG 201 Guadagno, Joseph). The following statements were supplied by the 15th indorsement to this correspondence:

Statement by 1st Lt John C. Hipson, 01173644, dated 10 April 1945:

"I am Executive Officer of Battery 'C', 440th Armored F.A. Battalion and on the 23 December 1944 I was in a concealed position a few yards from the M-7 in which Pvt. Guadagno, 32696139 was riding when the vehicle was caught by mortar and small arms fire from German troops on a nearby ridge. The M-7 was hit directly by a large mortar. At the time of the shelling Pvt. Guadagno and another member of the crew, Pvt. Amrhine, were crouched below the armor to avoid the small arms fire directed at them. Sgt. Henry, the crew chief, was in the turret and is believed to have escaped serious injury from the mortar fragments. Whether or not he was able to evade capture during the melee is doubtful. Pvt. Still and Pvt. Favello were outside the vehicle attempting to release the brake on the trailer and both were along side of the M-7 using it for protection from machine gun fire when the mortar struck. Pvt Still was snaking up over the side of the M-7 when the mortar hit and is believed to have been killed instantaneously when the side of the M-7 was hit as the round landed almost in the exact spot where he was attempting to enter the vehicle.

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Pvt. Favello escaped to a nearby ditch. Pvt. Osborne who has been LWA and evacuated recently stated that he saw Sgt. Henry on the ground apparently unhurt after the hit. At present Pvt. Osborne's location is unknown as he was evacuated.

"Pvt. Diconcilio, another member of the tank is hospitalized as indicated in paragraph 1, 4th indorsement. Tec 5 Dispenziere, the M-7 driver is believed to be somewhere in the United States. \*\*\* It is known that Tec 5 Dispenziere has information regarding this case that would prove valuable, as he has indicated such in letters to his friends in the battery. He remarked in one of these letters that he would explain it all when he got to the United States and was able to send a letter that would pass the censorship regulations. Such letter has not been received to date. Tec 5 Dispenziere was the last man to leave the vehicle after it was hit."

Statement by 1st Lt. John C. Hipson, dated 14 April 1945:

"I further state that on the 23 December 1944 when the M-7 of Battery C, 440th Armored Field Artillery was hit by an enemy mortar shell, it was impossible to reach the vehicle and check on the damage. There was intense enemy machine gun and mortar fire covering our entire area as well as the additional fire from the exploding ammunition which the M-7 carried. The battery had been given march order and most of the vehicles had left the position. This particular M-7 was one of the last vehicles in the order of march. To have stopped another vehicle to aid the M-7 which had been knocked out would probably have resulted in the loss of another vehicle and crew. At the time the entire battalion was in danger of complete encirclement so it was imperative that the battery move out rapidly.

"When the tank was hit by the mortar shell it caught fire instantaneously and within five minutes its load of ammunition was exploding. When I left the area the chassis, and engine were burning fiercely. It was impossible to return to the area to investigate the damages incurred as the position was overrun and held by the enemy. When it was possible to return to the area, Capt. Lee J. Farrell the battery commander, made an investigation but could not ascertain the extent of damages due to the fact that the ground was covered by three feet of snow."



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Statement by M Sgt Walter Rader, 36313558, dated 10 April 1945:

"On the 23 of December 1944 I was in my tank recovery vehicle approximately fifty yards from the M-7 of which Pvt Joseph Guadagno, 32 696 139, Battery C, 440th Armored FA Battalion, was a crew member. Enemy small arms and mortar fire was falling in our immediate vicinity. Due to increasing pressure by the enemy 'C' battery displaced and as Pvt Guadagno's tank moved out it was hit by what appeared to me to be a mortar shell. The shell fell directly into the tank. As the shell hit I saw one of the crew members jump from the tank while one of the two who were at the rear of the trailer made off later to be picked up by a passing vehicle. When I left the area flames were shooting from the vehicle."

Statement by Pvt Louis Favelo, 39842361, dated 10 April 1945:

"On the 23 December 1944 I was in the same gun section with Pvt. Joseph Guadagno, 32696139. We had just gotten march order and some of the M-7's were pulling out of the area, when we were fired upon by German troops from a nearby ridge. All members of the crew were within the tank except Pvt. Still and myself. We were attempting to release the brake on our trailer when we came under heavy small arms fire. Pvt. Still and I ran along side the tank for cover and a large mortar shell hit the tank just as Pvt. Still was about to crawl into the tank. I ran to a nearby ditch for protection and afterwards made my way to the battalion CP where I was picked up by a staff member who took me to my battery's new area.

"To the best of my knowledge all members of the crew except Pvt. Still and myself were in the tank when the shell hit."

4. In response to an inquiry dated 9 August 1945, Tec 5 Benjamin C. Dispenziere, 32235041, furnished the following information concerning the loss of his tank and crew (See AG 201 Henry):

"On 23 December 1944 our tank was with 5 other tanks engaged in combat with the enemy. We received word that the Germans had broken through and were coming up on our right flank. We were ordered to pull out to get in better position. I was the last tank to start pulling out. There was snow on the ground which kept us from turning around quickly. Just as I was about half turned around, we were fired on with small arms. There were



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so many bullets flying that I couldn't shut the front shutter. We decided to try to escape with the tank but just then I saw a long barrel poked over the hill. It looked like an '88'. Just as we were picking up speed, we were hit in the side by this gun.

"The tank immediately stopped moving and I was knocked out for a few seconds. The tank was on fire and I turned around to see my buddies. The flames were so thick that I couldn't make any of them out. I heard Joe Guadagno yelling for me and I tried to get him out. I crawled over to the .50 cal. machine gun and sprayed the enemy foot troops who were coming up. Just then, another large shell hit the tank. I decided to abandon it and crawled out starting for the woods. I kept crawling until I was picked up by the Medics.

"I did not see any of the crew after we were hit except Pfc. Nicholas DiConcilio. He was running for the woods and got hit and fell. I did not see anyone else get out of the tank. As soon as I was out of the tank, I crawled away as fast as I could. I think that Sgt. Henry, Pvt. Amrhine, and Pvt. Guadagno must have been burned in the tank. Pvt. Guadagno was dead right after the first hit when I tried to get him out."

5. a. Burial Report for Private Floyd Amrhine, 35564416, shows that his remains were recovered from the tank with the remains of one other person. The place of death is shown as Provedroux, Belgium. (50°15'N-5°54'E). The cause of death is given as a direct hit by a high explosive shell and burns.

b. Burial Report for Private James W. Still, 34706786, shows that he died at Bovigny, Belgium. (50°13'N - 5°55'N) Cause of death is shown as shrapnel wounds of the head. The remains were identified by an identification tag. Date of death was estimated as 1 January 1945.

6. The information furnished by the preceding statements gives no definite proof of the death of Sergeant Henry, and he is reported to have been seen alive and apparently unhurt on the ground after the tank was hit



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and disabled. As the area was almost immediately taken over by the enemy, search was not possible until several days later when three feet of snow prevented a thorough search. The possibility is presented, therefore, that Sergeant Henry was captured and died later of unknown circumstances. A report of death under the provisions of Section 9 of the Missing Persons Act cannot be justified, then, until further information has been received.

LULU MAY LYBROOK  
Investigator

CONCUR:

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

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**INTRAOFFICE REFERENCE SHEET**

DUE, HOUR AND DATE \_\_\_\_\_

1 NO.	2 FROM—	3 TO—	4 DATE	5 MESSAGE
1.	Search Info. Section	QM Liaison  Ltr # 537	7 April 1950	Request SR&D Report and After Action report for: <i>WJH</i> HENRY, Walter G. Sgt 34 230 967  HOSPTEL 72000 <i>J</i>
2	QM-Pent Liaison Admin Br Mem Div	Search Info Section Mem Div	13 Apr 1950	Inclosed is S.R. & D. Report No. 4973 and After Action Report of 440th Armored Field Artillery Battalion pertaining to the death of Sergeant Walter G. Henry, 34,230,967, who was a member of Battery "C", 440th Armd F.A. Bn.  B. J. S. SEKOWSKI 6679  E. M. D. DYER 73090  MEM. DIV. QGMG APR 13 1950 OUT PENTAGON LIAISON FILE APR 19 1950 Ident. Lt. Col. 100 Branch



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AG 704 - Dead (24 Dec 45)  
S. R. & D. No. 4973

24 December 1945

MEMORANDUM FOR: Chief, Casualty Branch

SUBJECT: Review and Determination of Status  
Under the Missing Persons Act

I. - FACTS

1. The following named persons have been carried on War Department records as missing in action, not in flying pay status, in the European Area, since 23 December 1944, as reported by MTO Shipment Number as indicated:

NAME	ASN	GRADE	SHIPMENT NUMBER
Henry, Walter G.	34,230,967	Sergeant	005

3. In the Casualty File of Sergeant Henry is a "MISSING REPORT" dated 25 December 1944, signed by Captain Lee J. Farrell, which is quoted in pertinent part as follows:

"ORG Btry "C" 440th (A) FA Bn

"MISSION Supporting withdrawal

"LOCALITY LAST SEEN Salmchateau, Belgium

"DETAILED RESUME OF CIRCUMSTANCES SURROUNDING DISAPPEARANCE: Field Artillery Battery in position. When moving out of position we were attacked with sniper pistols and mortars. One got a direct hit in an M7 and it went up in smoke and flames. Later it was still burning when flown over by a Liaison plane. He was riding in the M7.

"REMARKS: Unable to get back to that area".

a. The following statements concerning Sergeant Henry are quoted in pertinent part:

(1) Statement of First Lieutenant John C. Hipson, dated 10 April 1945.

"I am Executive Officer of Battery "C", 440th Armored F.A. Battalion and on the 23 December 1944 I was in a concealed position a few yards from the M-7 in which \* \* \* was riding when the vehicle was caught by mortar and small arms fire from German troops on a nearby ridge. The M-7 was directly by a large marta. \* \* \* Sgt Henry, the crew chief, was in the turret and is believed to have escaped serious injury from the mortar fragments. Whether or not he was able to evade capture during the melee is doubtful.

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\* \* \*Pvt. Osborne who has been LWA and evacuated recently stated that he saw Sgt Henry on the ground apparently unhurt after the hit."

(2) Statement of First Lieutenant John C. Hipson, dated 14 April 1945.

"I further state that on the 23 December 1944 when the M-7 of Battery C, 440th Armored Field Artillery Battalion was hit by an enemy mortar shell it was impossible to reach the vehicle and check on the damage. There was intense enemy machine gun and mortar fire covering our entire area as well as the additional fire from the exploding ammunition which the M-7 carried.\* \* \*

"When the tank was hit by the mortar shell it caught fire instantaneously and within five minutes its load of ammunition was exploding. When I left the area the chasis, and engine were burning fiercely. \* \* \* when it was possible to return to the area, Capt Lee J. Farrell the battery commander, made an investigation but could not ascertain the extent of damages due to the fact that the ground was covered by three feet of snow".

(3) Statement of Private James H. Osborne, dated 1 May 1945.

"As I came out of the tank I saw Sgt Henry jump off the tank in front and I did not see him after that but I am sure that he did jump off the tank."

II. - CONCLUSIONS

2. Sergeant Henry became missing in action 23 December 1944, when the tank, of which he was the crew chief, was hit by mortar and small arms fire from German troops during a combat mission in the vicinity of SALMCHATEAU, Belgium. The tank caught fire instantaneously and within five minutes its ammunition was exploding. Sergeant Henry was seen to leave the tank but was not seen following the ensuing action.

24. In view of the foregoing facts and circumstances, together with the fact that no report has been received in the War Department during the twelve months which have elapsed since the inception of the subject persons' missing in action status indicating that they are alive, it is concluded that they may not "reasonably be presumed to be living" within the meaning of Section 5 of the Missing Person Act.

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III. - RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that findings of death be made under the provisions of Section 5 of the Missing Persons Act, in the case of the persons named in Part I, paragraph 1, above, and that these findings show the presumed date of death, in each case, to be 24 December 1945.

Captain, AGD

Investigator

APPROVED:

CONCURRED IN:

GEORGE T. HERRBERT  
Colonel, AGD  
Chief, Cavalry Branch

JOHN T. BURNS  
Lt Colonel, AGD  
Officer in Charge  
Status Review and  
Determination Section

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APR 19 1950  
ATTENTION BRANCH

OUT  
PENTAGON LIAISON  
APR 13 1950  
MEM. DIV. OQMG



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Ref. Henry, Walter G., 34,230,967, Sgt, MIA 23 Dec 44  
Btry C 440th Armored F.A. Bn

AFTER ACTION REPORT

440TH ARMORED F. A. BN

On the 22nd of December 44, to better secure our positions we withdrew by infiltration to Salmchateau. As always one battery registered and continued firing while the other two displaced. We fired 41 missions expending 1054 rounds in support of TF Jones. The Boche weather continues and observation is poor. At 0400 hours on the morning of 23 December 44 the CP guards and outpost #1 reported that enemy paratroops were landing near our positions. All men were immediately alerted but it was not possible to determine whether paratroops had landed or supplies were being dumped to the enemy. Chutes were definitely seen, however. We fired 487 rounds this date. Observation continues to be poor. This date the 7th Armored Division began a withdrawal, as our flanks had given away and we were almost completely encircled with only one road remaining open. The 440th was used as covering protection. By 1400 the division had cleared and we began to withdraw to Goronno. The firing batteries were sent ahead singly, Jerry had the escape route zeroed in and fired interdicting fire continuously. A direct hit was scored on a C Btry M-7 destroying it and causing 6 casualties, four missing in action and two evacuated. We began firing immediately after getting into position at Goronno. We learned soon after that our forward observers together with Task Force Jones needed help desperately. Although Lt. Schwartz's transmitter was out he managed to conduct fire by a series of taps and clicks for range and deflection changes.

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U.S. Army, 4th Infantry Division, 2d Brigade, 1st Battalion, 3d Squadron  
1st Cavalry Division, A. I. P.

REPORT

13 APR 1950

On the 13th of December 1949, the 1st Battalion, 3d Squadron, 1st Cavalry Division, A. I. P., was alerted to move to the area of the 1st Cavalry Division, A. I. P., and to be prepared to move to the area of the 1st Cavalry Division, A. I. P., at any time. The 1st Battalion, 3d Squadron, 1st Cavalry Division, A. I. P., was alerted to move to the area of the 1st Cavalry Division, A. I. P., and to be prepared to move to the area of the 1st Cavalry Division, A. I. P., at any time. The 1st Battalion, 3d Squadron, 1st Cavalry Division, A. I. P., was alerted to move to the area of the 1st Cavalry Division, A. I. P., and to be prepared to move to the area of the 1st Cavalry Division, A. I. P., at any time.

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1st Cavalry Division, A. I. P.

OUT  
PENTAGON LIAISON  
APR 13 1950  
MEM. DIV. OQMG



AIRMAIL

QMMS 293  
Henry, Walter G.  
SN 34 230 967

27 July 1949

SUBJECT: Additional Information

TO: Commanding General  
American Graves Registration Command  
European Area  
APO 58, c/o Postmaster  
New York, New York

1. Reference is made to your radio AGRC 4407 dated 30 June 1949.
2. Forwarded herewith is photostat copy of Form 79 covering all available dental information for Sgt. Walter G. Henry, 34230967.

FOR THE ACTING THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL:

1 Incl  
Photo cy Form 79

T. H. METZ  
Lt. Colonel, QMC  
Memorial Division

HDR/rvs

*Handwritten signature*

GWR

NJS



AIRMAIL



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STAFF MESSAGE CENTER  
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TO OQMG WASHDC

GRAVES GRNC

FROM HQ AGRC Paris

MSG NO AGRC 4407

D. T. G. 291330Z

ACTION QMC

MC IN NO 55835

293 Henry  
REF AGRC FOUR FOUR ZERO SEVEN

Walter G

PASS TO MEMORIAL DIVISION

34230967

REQUEST THIS OFFICE BE FURNISHED ALL AVAILABLE DENTAL INFORMATION FOR

293  
SGT WALTER G HENRY CMA THREE FOUR TWO THREE ZERO NINE SIX SEVEN PD END

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CFN HENRY  
29/1348Z JUNE

SEARCH INFO  
JUN 30 1949

*mem*

AGRC PARIS  
JUN 29 1949

File

G. W. ROGERS  
Capt., QMC  
Identification Branch  
RECORD ATTACHED



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O.C.M. SECTION  
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TO AGRC Paris

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TO OCMG WASHDC

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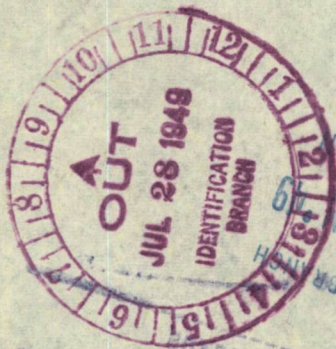
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ADMINISTRATIVE BRANCH

JUN 30 9 15 AM '49  
MEMORIAL DIVISION  
ADMINISTRATIVE BRANCH



RECORD DIVISION  
Ident. Section Branch  
G. W. ROOPE  
Capt. CMC



IDENTIFICATION SECTION  
MEMORIAL DIVISION

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IDENTIFICATION DATA

LAST NAME - FIRST NAME - MIDDLE INITIAL <i>Henry Walter G.</i>			ARMY SERIAL NUMBER <i>34230967</i>		GRADE <i>Sgt.</i>
HEIGHT <i>5ft. 8in.</i>	WEIGHT <i>147 lbs.</i>	COLOR EYES <i>Gray</i>	COLOR HAIR <i>Black</i>	SHOE SIZE <i>9D</i>	DATE OF DEATH <i>24 Dec '45</i>

LAST ORGANIZATION TO WHICH ATTACHED OR ASSIGNED (Give complete designation)  
*Btry. C, 440<sup>th</sup> Armd. FA Bn.*

PLACE OF DEATH OR PLACE LAST SEEN IF MIA *Crew Chief of tank hit by mortar & small arms fire from enemy troops in the vicinity of salm Chateau, Belgium.*

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

STATION	DATES
<i>Camp Beauregard, La.</i>	<i>2-'42</i>
<i>Camp Polk, La.</i>	<i>2-'42</i>

FROM: MED. AGO CLINICAL RECORDS BRANCH  
NO RECORDS IN FILE

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

*7 Jan. '42*

8 7 6 5 4 3 2 1	1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8
UPPER RIGHT	UPPER LEFT
16 15 14 13 12 11 10 9	9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16
LOWER RIGHT	LOWER LEFT

*Chester B. Carr*

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



IDENTIFICATION SECTION  
RECORDS DIVISION  
IDENTIFICATION DATA

RECEIVED  
SEP 29 1946  
RECORDS BRANCH  
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OUT  
JUL 25 1949  
IDENTIFICATION  
BRANCH



Henry  
Last Name

Wall G.  
First Name

To Clinical Records Branch

For disposition

The records show medical treatment as follows:

Hospital - From To Register Number

Sta. Hosp. Ft. Benning, Ga. 30 Dec. '43 14 Jan. '44

Chester B.           
Clerk Date Branch



## DATA ON REMAINS NOT YET RECOVERED OR IDENTIFIED

NAME (Last, First, Middle Initial) <b>HENRY WALTER G</b>		GRADE <b>SGT</b>	PRESENT SERIAL NUMBER <b>34230967</b>
ORGANIZATION <b>BTRY "C" 440<sup>TH</sup> ARMD. F.A.BN</b>	RACE <b>W</b>	CREED <b>PROT</b>	FORMER SERIAL NUMBER (If applicable)
DATE OF DEATH/MIA <b>23 DEC 44</b>	CAUSE OF DEATH <b>MISSING</b>	PLACE OF DEATH OR PLACE LAST SEEN IF MIA <b>VIC. OF SALM CHATEAU, BELGIUM</b>	
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1 2 3 4 5 6 7 X

LOWER RIGHT

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X = Extracted

O = Carious

1 = Carious Non-Restorable

FRACTURES AND/OR BREAKS

TATTOOS AND/OR BIRTHMARK

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

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JUN 2 1948

E. J. Sullivan, 1st Lt., QMG  
IDENTIFICATION BRANCH

FILE

MAY 31 1948

E. J. Sullivan, 1st Lt., QMG  
IDENTIFICATION BRANCH

J.O.P.



**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 Sergeant Walter G. Henry, Army Serial Number 34,230,967, Field Artillery, 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

293 Henry, Walter G. *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)			
27 Jun 1920	Bogalusa, Louisiana	7 Feb 1942	YEARS	MONTH	DAYS	
			Over	three	years	

EMERGENCY ADDRESSEE

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REMARKS

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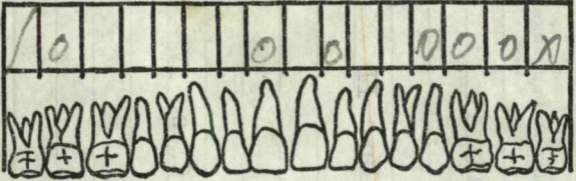
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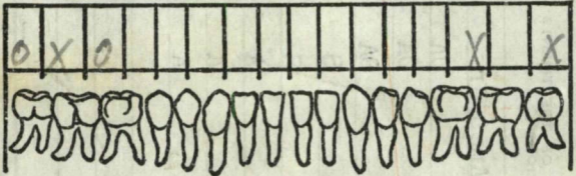


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Dental foci suspected: Yes No

Other conditions .....

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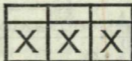
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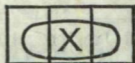
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Nonrestorable carious teeth by /  
Missing natural teeth by X

Teeth replaced by denture  
(horizontal line)



Teeth replaced by fixed bridge  
(oval to include abutments)





REGISTER OF DENTAL PATIENTS AT

Ft. Benning, Ga. ASN 34230967

(1) SURNAME

(2) CHRISTIAN NAME  
Henry Walter G.

(3) RANK (4) COMPANY (5) REGIMENT OR STAFF CORPS

Sgt C.Bat. 440th F. A. Bn.

(6) AGE YEARS (7) RACE (8) NATIVITY (9) SERVICE YEARS

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FOR MAJ SEKOWSKI QM LN URNR 29 12 JUL ON WALTER G HENRY 34230967

INDCTD RECORD DATED 7 FEB 42 SHOWS TEETH MISSING R 15 L 8 15 16

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**WAR DEPARTMENT**  
THE ADJUTANT GENERAL'S OFFICE  
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THE ADJUTANT GENERAL'S OFFICE  
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BATTLE CASUALTY REPORT

NAME			SERIAL NUMBER			GRADE		ARM OR SERVICE		REPORTING THEATRE	
HENRY WALTER G			34 230 967			SGT		FA		ETO	
PLACE OF CASUALTY			DATE OF CASUALTY			FLYING OR JUMPING STAT		TYPE OF CASUALTY		SHIPMENT NUMBER	
			DAY	MONTH	YEAR						
BELGIUM9			23	DEC	44			MIA		005	

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 ANDREY HENRY		WIFE		16 JAN 45 olg	

NO. AND NAME OF STREET-CITY-STATE

601 3RD STREET BOGALUSA LOUISIANA

REMARKS:  CORRECTED COPY

*Verified [Signature]*

JAN 26 1945

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
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FORWARDED TO  SPEC. IDEN.  TELEGRAM  WOUNDED  LETTER  CORRES.  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.

ACCT. AREA	CASUALTY STATUS	ORIGINAL CAS. DATE			MESSAGE NO.	LATEST CAS. DATE			REFERENCE AREA	CREW POS.	RESIDENCE		COMP	RACE											
		DAY	MO.	YR.		DAY	MO.	YR.			STATE	COUNTY													
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381235

CLR/HG/pw  
27 January 1947

Mrs. Audrey M. Rosenbach  
754 North Third Street  
Sterling, Colorado

Dear Mrs. Rosenbach:

This has reference to our letter of 19 November 1946, advising that tracer action was being taken by this Bureau in an effort to locate additional effects of your husband, Sergeant Walter G. Henry.

In response to that tracer, the Army Effects Bureau has received information indicating that no additional effects of your husband could be located. Realizing how much his possessions would mean to you, I regret that our efforts to locate them were unsuccessful.

I wish to assure you, however, that if any information concerning your husband's property should be received here unexpectedly, you will be notified promptly.

Yours very truly,

G. L. HUMFIELD  
1st Lt, QMC  
Asst Effects Quartermaster



WAR DEPARTMENT  
THE ADJUTANT GENERAL'S OFFICE  
RECORDS ADMINISTRATION CENTER  
4300 Goodfellow Boulevard  
St. Louis 20, Missouri

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COPY  
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AFB/ee

In reply refer to:

AGRS-AG 312

8 January 1947

SUBJECT: Transmittal of Correspondence

TO: Commanding Officer  
Army Effects Bureau  
Kansas City QM Depot  
601 Hardesty Avenue  
Kansas City 1, Mo.

A search of retained records of the organizations concerned does not reveal any information relative to personal effects of individuals named on attached correspondence.

BY ORDER OF THE SECRETARY OF WAR:

/s/ A. Walker  
/t/ Adjutant General

7 Incls

1. Ltr dtd 4 Dec 46 re Joseph P. Birtinen, 37545382
2. Ltr dtd 12 Dec 46 re Gale L. Folger, 16090873
3. Ltr dtd 10 Dec 46 re Jerry B. Scruggs, Jr, 34710082
4. Ltr dtd 17 Dec 46 re Leandro Luna, 17091406
5. Ltr dtd 6 Dec 46 re Theodore Robbins, 39142921
6. Ltr dtd 4 Dec 46 re Stanley Schachne, 32816314
7. Ltr dtd 10 Dec 46 re Walter G. Henry, 34230967

*Original in case # 264229*





KANSAS CITY QUARTERMASTER DEPOT  
 ARMY EFFECTS BUREAU  
 601 HARDESTY AVENUE  
 KANSAS CITY 1, MISSOURI

S-30 Dec 46  
 CLR/BW/pw  
 10 December 1946

IN REPLY REFER TO QMDKG 381235

SUBJECT: Disposal of Personal Property

TO: The Adjutant General  
 Organization Records Branch  
 Building 102  
 St. Louis 20, Missouri

1. The Army Effects Bureau has received inquiry regarding the personal effects of Walter G. Henry, 34230967, Sgt., deceased, formerly a member of Btry. C, 440th Field Artillery Battalion, 7th Armored Div., APO 257, c/o Postmaster, New York, New York.

2. Request that records of this organization be checked for any information pertaining to the personal effects of above-named decedent, and this Bureau advised of result of search.

FOR THE COMMANDING OFFICER:

C. L. RUMFIELD  
 1st Lt, QMC  
 Asst Effects Quartermaster

*Incl #7*



St. Louis, Colorado 26  
754 North Third Street  
December 3, 1946

Army Effects Bureau  
Kansas City Quartermaster Depot  
601 Hardisty Avenue  
Kansas City, 1, Missouri

Gentlemen:

This is in reply to your letter of 19  
November 1946 and refers to your file  
number 381235. As per your request,  
Sgt. Henry's last complete mailing ad-  
dress is as follows:

Sgt. Walter S. Henry, 34, 230, 967  
Btry. C, 440<sup>th</sup> Field Artillery Battalion  
7<sup>th</sup> Armored Division  
A. P. O. 257  
Co Postmaster  
New York, New York.

I sincerely hope this information  
will help in the location of his  
personal effects, and that you  
will feel free to call on me for  
any additional information that  
may be needed.

Please accept my congratulations and  
appreciation for the promptness with  
which you've handled my request.

Sincerely yours,  
(Mrs.) Audrey M. Rosenback

file  
for  
12-9



381235

S-9 Dec 16  
CLR/DH/dmb  
19 November 1946

Mrs. Audrey M. Rosenbach  
754 North Third Street  
Sterling, Colorado

Dear Mrs. Rosenbach:

This refers to your letter of 4 November 1946, requesting information concerning the personal effects of your husband, Sergeant Walter G. Henry.

I regret to advise that no property of your husband has been received at the Army Effects Bureau, to date. However, if you will furnish this Bureau with his last complete mailing address, tracer action will be instituted in an effort to locate his personal effects.

You may be assured you will be promptly notified the results of such action. For your convenience, in replying, there is inclosed an addressed envelope which needs no postage.

Sincerely yours,

1 Incl  
Envelope

C. L. RUMFIELD  
1st Lt. QMC  
Asst. Effects Quartermaster



REPLY

ST:vg  
18 November 1946

TO: Correspondence Branch - Army Effects Bureau

- No record of any effects.
- No record of missing items.
- (\*) Inventory received from:

\_\_\_\_\_ (Dated) \_\_\_\_\_ (Signed by)  
 Effects shipped to:

Parcel \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_ Baggage List \_\_\_\_\_ Sheet \_\_\_\_\_  
 Parcel \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_ Baggage List \_\_\_\_\_ Sheet \_\_\_\_\_

Funds: \$ \_\_\_\_\_ Transmitted on List F- \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Remarks:

1. ETA records fail to reveal receipt of property belonging to Sgt. Henry, or any information pertaining thereto.
2. It is recommended that search be made of the organization records to determine if any property was recovered in the unit area. No inventory has been received from the organization to which he was assigned.
3. It is also recommended that burial records of the Memorial Division be checked to ascertain if any personal property was found with the remains.

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 SYDNEY TINKLER

ETA Records Branch

(\*) This information need not be given on inventories covering property already received at AEB.



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ARMY EFFECTS BUREAU

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Case No. 381235

REQUEST

TO: European Theater Records Branch - Army Effects Bureau

Request examination of ETA records and report concerning missing,  
or allegedly missing, personal effects of:

<u>Henry</u> (Last Name)	<u>Walter</u> (First Name)	<u>G.</u> (MI)	<u>34230967</u> (ASN)	<u>Sgt.</u> (Rank)
<u>Field Artillery</u> (Organization)	<u>Deceased, 24 December 1945.</u> (Status)			<u>Place of burial unknown.</u>

Bureau records do not indicate that any property of subject has been received here.

Property received at AEB is listed on following overseas inventories:

Allegedly missing items, not received here, consist of:

Personal effects.

Remarks:

N. WHIPPLE  
Chief Clerk  
Correspondence Branch



St. Louis, Colorado 16  
754 North Third Street  
November 4, 1946

Army Effects Bureau  
Kansas City, Missouri

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Gentlemen: 381235

I have been informed that, by writing to you, I may be able to obtain some of the personal effects of my late former husband, Walter S. Henry, 34, 230, 967.

Sgt. Henry was reported "missing in action" in Belgium on December 23, 1944. Since that time I have received none of my husband's personal effects; nor any word that such effects have been received by your office.

Would you please be so kind as to check your files to ascertain if these things

No Property



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have reached your office?  
If so, would you please forward them to me at the above address?

I shall be most appreciative of any consideration accorded this request, and shall be glad to furnish any additional information needed to identify Sgt. Henry's personal effects.

Sincerely yours,  
(Mrs.) Audrey M. Rosenbach  
(Formerly) Mrs. Audrey M. Henry