

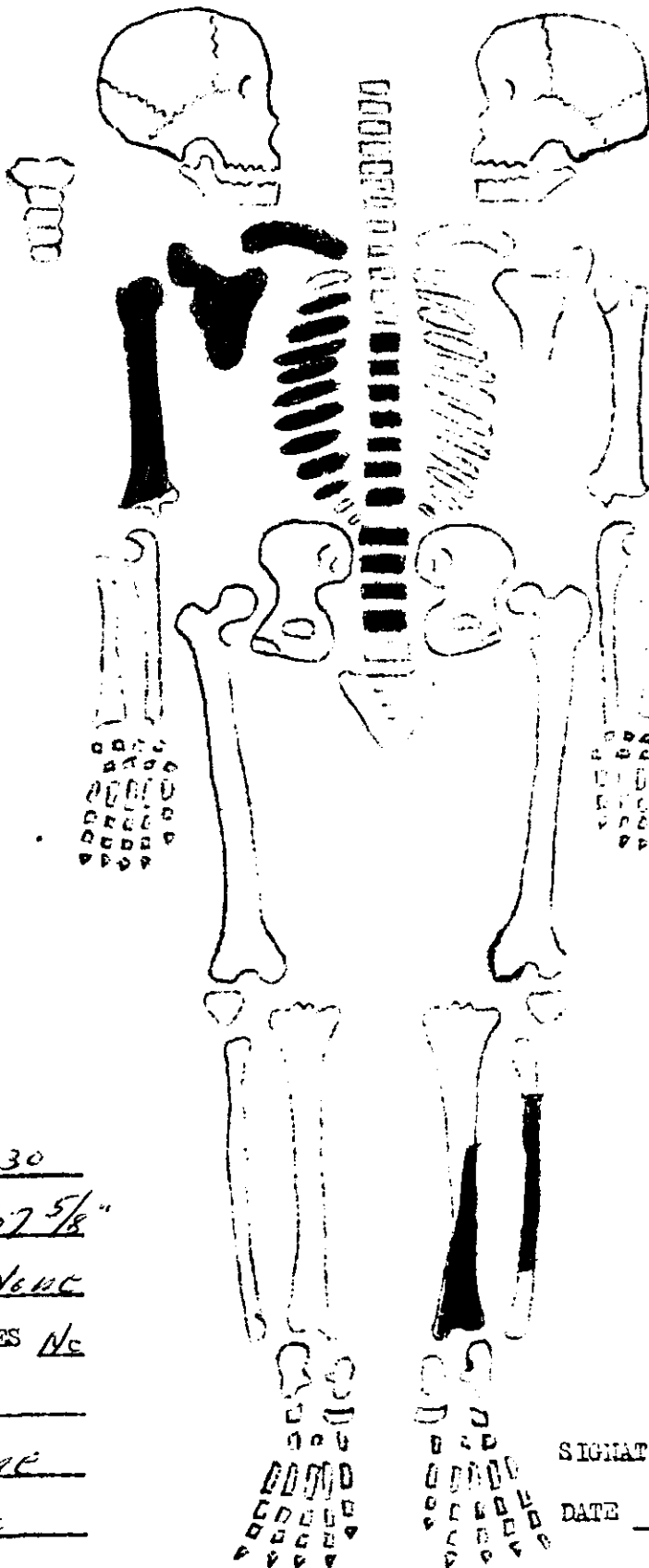


S K E L E T A L   C H A R T

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CIL 5082

Previously  
X-9252  
Frankfort Mass.



HUMERUS \_\_\_\_\_ cm

ULNA \_\_\_\_\_ cm

RADIUS \_\_\_\_\_ cm

FEMUR \_\_\_\_\_ cm

TIBIA \_\_\_\_\_ cm

FIBULA \_\_\_\_\_ cm

EST. AGE 24-30

EST. HEIGHT 167 5/8"

COLOR HAIR NONE

HEALED FRACTURES None

MEAT None

BURNED None

EST. WEIGHT 125-150

Race U.T.D

SIGNATURE W. J. [Signature]

DATE 20 Dec 55

ROUTINE  
ROUTINE  
OQND DA WASH DC

I DA

DA 330163 IS AT  
(14 Jul 55)

CINCASATFOR HICIDELBERG/ANT

Pass to CO 7770 USAREM QM Mort Svc from QMST Your Ltr

3 Nov 55, Subject: Ident WWII Deceased, Transmittal Ltr 6586, MTS  
293.9 and My DA 330163 dated 14 Jul 55

Info contained in my radio erroneous. Since 4 ident deceased  
besides Bernard L. Wolfe 541804 were cas aboard LCI (L) 91, M  
Findings being cancelled by this Office. Best designate Unknown  
X-9252 Frankfurt Mausoleum GIL, receive and advise nr any also req  
rtn dental rec for Wolfe

293 - ...

HCM

HFA

GRA

Lee/72947/meh

5  
Dec 55

QOPI 293

WOLFE, Bernard L., 541 804

Mary Alice Clements, Supervisor, #1  
72947 1 1

WALTER F. SCARLEAS  
Colonel, GPO  
Memorial Division

Handwritten notes and signatures in the bottom right corner.

5 December 1955

MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD - (Lee, Extension: 72947)

1. Board Proceedings recommending identification of Slc Bernard L. Wolfe, 541 804, USCGR, were received in this Office 10 November 1955. The remains which were extremely fragmentary, were recovered from inside of LCI (L) 91 on Omaha Beach, Normandy, France. No teeth were recovered.

2. Board Proceedings were based on information furnished by this Office that Slc Wolfe was the only casualty aboard LCI (L) 91, and favorable comparison of physical characteristics.

3. Further investigation has disclosed that this information was erroneous and that there were actually five (5) casualties, including Slc Wolfe, aboard LCI (L) 91. The other four (4) deceased have been identified, three (3) by ID tags and one (1) by fingerprints.

4. In view of the very fragmentary nature of the remains designated Unknown X-9252, this case was discussed by Mrs. Lee with Captain Albera, and it was agreed that the available evidence is insufficient to support the identification.

5. Radio is being dispatched to the Field advising them that the Board Proceedings have been cancelled, recommending that the Unknown be designated CIL remains and requesting that this Office be advised the number assigned. The Field has further been requested to return the dental records previously forwarded them.

Lee  
LEE  
72947

*Concur*  
*RR Albera*  
*Ant dmm*

*Office Memorandum* • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Office of the Quartermaster General, DATE: 22 November 1955  
Department of the Army, Memorial Division, Resolution Section

FROM : Chief, Survivors Benefits Section, Special Services Division, U. S.  
Coast Guard, Washington 25, D. C.

SUBJECT: Casualties in the sinking of the LCI(L) 91

The following men were casualties in the sinking of the LCI(L) 91

ATTERBERRY, James E. (205-957) GM1c, USCG  
FRITZ, Leslie (521-636) Sea. 1c, USCGR  
JOHNSON, Ernest (590-851) Sea. 1c, USCGR  
WILCZAK, Stanley (231-174) RM3c, USCG  
WOLFE, Bernard L. (541-804) Sea. 1c, USCGR

*M. J. Mayer*

M. J. MAYER  
Chief, Survivors Benefits Section

HEADQUARTERS  
USAREUR QM MORTUARY SERVICE DETACHMENT, 7770TH ARMY UNIT  
APO 757 NEW YORK, NEW YORK

MTS 293.9 GR

3 November 1955

SUBJECT: Identification of World War II Deceased  
Transmittal Letter #6586

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

1. Forwarded herewith for your review is one (1) Corrected Report of Burial including confirmatory Board Findings for the following decedent:

<u>NAME</u>	<u>RANK</u>	<u>SN</u>
WOLFE, Bernard L.	SLC	541-804

2. This report represents case previously transmitted as Unknown X-9252 Frankfurt Mausoleum, which has now been identified by this headquarters.

3. It is recommended that the above identification be approved by your Office and this headquarters advised accordingly.

1 Incl:  
Corr Rpt of Burial  
w/Bd Fdgs for:  
SLC Wolfe

*For Donald Higgins, Capt. QMC*  
S. GIBBS  
Maj QMC  
Commanding

RECEIVED

HEADQUARTERS  
 USAREUR QM MORTUARY SERVICE DETACHMENT, 7770TH ARMY  
 APO 757, NEW YORK, N. Y.

BERNARD L. WOLFE

S1C

543

(Name)

(Rank)

previously buried as Unknown X-9252, USMC Frankfurt Maus  
 Identification is approved in accordance with letter, WD AG  
 SUBJECT: Establishment of Boards of Review for Identification  
 Dead Overseas, dated 9 April 1947, and par 11Sb, SR-830-110-  
 3 March 1949, by the following members of the Board of Review  
 by par 9, SO 33, Headquarters, USAREUR QM Mortuary Service I  
 7770 Army Unit, dated 19 May 1958

*S. Gibbs*  
 Major S. GIBBS, O-1584255 QMC  
 (President)

*Joe R. Callahan*  
 Captain JOE R. CALLAHAN  
 O-2

*Donald J. Egan*  
 Captain DONALD J. EGAN  
 O-985062 QMC

1st Lt WILLIAM E. IC  
 O-2

*R. J. Albuca*  
*Asst Dir*  
*Dec 5/58*

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- Emerge
- Pay Box
- Signed

REMARKS:  
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 Verville sur  
 American type  
 570-797, USCG

# DENTAL COMPARISON CHART

UNKNOWN	NAME
x-4502 <i>Gregory, Dominick</i>	<i>U. ... 541-204 ...</i>
R-8	R-8 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <sup>(2)</sup> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
R-7	R-7 <input type="checkbox"/>
R-6	R-6 <input type="checkbox"/>
R-5	R-5 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
R-4	R-4 <input type="checkbox"/>
R-3	R-3 <input type="checkbox"/>
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L-16	L-16 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

ESTIMATED HEIGHT <i>5' 7 7/8"</i>	HEIGHT <i>5' 7"</i>
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ESTIMATED WEIGHT <i>135-150</i>	WEIGHT <i>130</i>
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ESTIMATED AGE <i>24-30</i>	AGE <i>22</i>
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HAIR <i>NF</i>	HAIR <i>Black</i>
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<p>REMARKS <i>3.11.1951 Feb 30 ...</i></p> <p><i>Condition of remains</i></p> <p><i>ID Tag (1) ... 570797</i></p> <p><i>USCG-R</i></p> <p><i>Equipment: One (1) US rifle caliber;</i></p> <p><i>One (1) US mass kit; one (1) US</i></p> <p><i>cartridge.</i></p> <p><i>Recovered from the after section</i></p> <p><i>at ...</i></p> <p><i>230 yds out from marking 15 3/4</i></p> <p><i>to seaward of "Coral Beach"</i></p>	<p>(1) ...</p> <p>(2) ...</p> <p>(3) ...</p> <p>(1) ...</p>
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QMGMT 293  
Unknown L-9252,  
Frankfurt Mausoleum

17 August 1955

SUBJECT: Additional Information

THRU: Commander-in-Chief  
United States Army, Europe  
APO 403, New York, New York

TO: Commanding Officer  
7770 USAREUR QM Mortuary Service Detachment  
APO 757, New York, New York

1. Reference is made to your letter dated 25 July 1955, Subject: Report of Burial, Transmittal Letter #6576.

2. Inclosed herewith is Form 371, together with photostatic copies of all available dental and medical records, for S1c Bernard L. Wolfe, 511804, USGR. It is requested that these papers be returned as part of any Board Proceedings submitted by your headquarters.

FOR THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL:

1 Incl  
Form 371 (in dup)  
w/attachments

J. C. MacFARLAND  
Lt Colonel, QMC  
Memorial Division

HCM

RFA

Lee/msh  
Clements

## DATA ON REMAINS NOT YET RECOVERED OR IDENTIFIED

NAME (Last, First, Middle Initial) WOLFE, Bernard Lazarus		GRADE Slc- USCGR	PRESENT SERIAL NUMBER 541-804
ORGANIZATION USCGR * served aboard the LCI(L) #91		RACE White	CREED Not available
DATE OF DEATH/MIA MIA		PLACE OF DEATH OR PLACE LAST SEEN IF MIA	
DATE OF FOD			
HEIGHT 5'7-3/4"	WEIGHT 123#	COLOR EYES Brown	COLOR HAIR Black
		SHOE SIZE not available	

/h/ DENTAL CHART See dental charts attached

UPPER RIGHT 8 7 6 5 4 3 2 1	UPPER LEFT 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8
LOWER RIGHT 16 15 14 13 12 11 10 9	LOWER LEFT 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16
X = Extracted                      O = Carious                      I = Carious Non-Restorable	

FRACTURES AND/OR BREAKS	TATTOOS AND/OR BIRTHMARK

## ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Marks: ANT: VSLUA POST: NONE

Date of B, 29 May 21

WOLFE was officially reported missing in action in the invasion of Normandy on 6 June 1944. Carried in a missing status until 7 June 1945 when he was removed from the missing rolls and the date of death presumed to be 7 June 1945. Was serving aboard the LCI(L) 91 at the time of his death.

WWII

REQUEST FOR INFORMATION

TO: PENTAGON LIAISON SECTION, MEMORIAL DIVISION		DATE 5/21/55	
FROM (Branch and Section) 6 for	REQUESTED BY	TEL. EXT.	ROOM NO.
NAME OF DECEDENT (Last, First, Middle Initial) Wm. B. ...	RANK 1st Lt.	SERIAL NUMBER 541-301	

INFORMATION REQUIRED

Payment records for Form 371 on date  
 11/16/44 to 11/16/45, Branch  
 ...

INFORMATION FURNISHED

30/55 ...

PENTAGON LIAISON SECTION OFFICER (Signature)

OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL OF THE ARMY

**INTRAOFFICE REFERENCE SHEET**

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

1 NO.	2 FROM-	3 TO-	4 DATE	5 MESSAGE						
1	Resol Sec Regis Br Mem Div	Files Sec Regis Br Mem Div	4 Aug 55	<p>SUBJECT: NEW CASES</p> <p>Attached Reports of Burial for the following Unknowns forwarded for any action deemed necessary and returned to Resolution Section.</p> <p><u>FRANKFURT MAUSOLEUM, FRANKFURT/MAIN, GERMANY</u></p> <table border="0"> <tr> <td>X-9252</td> <td>Grave 254</td> </tr> <tr> <td>X-9253</td> <td>Grave 255</td> </tr> <tr> <td>X-9254</td> <td>Grave 256</td> </tr> </table> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>Clements</i> CLEMENTS</p> <p>3 Incls a/s</p>	X-9252	Grave 254	X-9253	Grave 255	X-9254	Grave 256
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2	Files Sec Regis Br8 Mem Div	Resol Sec Regis Br Mem Div	4 Aug 55	<p>Necessary action taken. Files returned as requested in comment #1.</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>Whittingham</i> WHITTINGHAM</p>						

HEADQUARTERS  
USAREUR QM MORTUARY SERVICE DETACHMENT, 7770TH ARMY UNIT  
APO 757 NEW YORK, NEW YORK

MTS 293.9 GR

25 July 1955

SUBJECT: Report of Burial  
Transmittal Letter # 6576

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

1. Forwarded herewith is Report of Burial together with associated case papers pertaining to the following remains:

<u>UNKNOWN NO</u>	<u>CEMETERY</u>	<u>GRAVE</u>
X-9252	Frankfurt Mausoleum	254

2. Reference is made to radio message DA 330163, dated 14 July 1955. Records on file this headquarters contain no reference to Bernard L Wolfe, 541804, USCGR.

3. It is requested that physical data and other pertinent casualty information of Bernard L Wolfe be forwarded to this headquarters for comparison with unknown remains cited above.

*S. Gibbs*

1 Incl  
Rpt of Burial  
w/allied papers  
X-9252

S. GIBBS  
Maj MC  
Commanding

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Commanding



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14 July 1955

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OQMG DEPTAR WASH DC  
CGUSAHEUR QM MORTUARY SVC DET  
7770 ARUNIT USARHOSP FRANKFURT GERMANY

Routine

LA 330163

From QMGMO Ur Msg dtd 29 June 55

Douglas R. Beckett, 570797 USCGR is not repeat not WWII casualty. Only other casualty from vessel LCI (L) #10 is Bernard L. Wolfe, 542804 USCGR, who was determined non-recoverable.

Msg is DA IN 768836 (29 June 55)

5 Aug 55 Reg. Unit # 3 to get 377 info

Unclassified

(DA)

Mr. Kerscher  
QMGMO 293  
WWII Dead

54214

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WALTER P. SCOGGINS Colonel, QMC  
Memorial Division

CO 7770 AU FKFT GER

RR RUEPDA

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FM HQ USAREUR COM MORTUARY SVC DET 7770TH AU USA HOSP FRANKFURT GER

TO DA WASHDC

DA GRNC

BT

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SGD GIBBS PD FOR MEM DIV PD ROST IF DOUGLAS R BECKETT COM 570797

COM USCGR IS WWII CASUALTY PD IF NOT ~~MEM~~ COM ROST LISTING OF UNRESOLVEDD

FOR VESSEL COM INDIVIDUAL WAS ABOARD NORMANDY COM FRANCE LANDING PD

IDENT TAG FOR INDIVIDUAL AND PARTIAL REMAINS RECOVERED FROM SUNKEN

LANDING CRAFT

BT

CFN 570797

29/1208Z



AIR MAIL

*AK*

293 Unk, Frankfurt Maus, X-9252

QMCMT 293  
Unknown X-9252,  
Frankfurt Mausoleum

17 August 1955

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J. C. MacFARLAND  
Lt Colonel, QMC  
Memorial Division

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Lee/ash  
Clements

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AUG 18 11 04 AM '55  
MTC M&R BR



\*293 Wolfe, Bernard L  
541804

AIR MAIL

SR # 789

## IDENTIFICATION DATA

1. REMAINS OF UNKNOWN X-9252				2. DATE OF REPORT 30 June 1955	
3. NAME OF CEMETERY  Frankfurt Mausoleum	4. PLOT	5. ROW	6. GRAVE	7. DATE OF	
			254	DISINTERMENT	REINTERMENT

## PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION

8. ESTIMATED <del>WEIGHT</del> AGE 24 - 30	9. ESTIMATED HEIGHT 67 5/8"	10. COLOR OF HAIR None	11. RACE U.T.D.
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12. GIVE DESCRIPTION OF ANY OFFICIAL IDENTIFICATION FOUND WITH REMAINS

ID tag (See imprint)

13. GIVE DESCRIPTION OF TATTOOS OR SCARS ON BODY AND/OR SUCH INFORMATION OBTAINED FROM OTHER SOURCES

None

14. WAS BODY BURNED? <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NO	TO WHAT EXTENT?
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15. WAS BODY MANGLED? <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NO	TO WHAT EXTENT?
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16. DESCRIBE EVIDENCE OF HEALED FRACTURES AND BONE MALFORMATIONS

None


17. LIST EVERY ITEM OF CLOTHING, EQUIPMENT AND PERSONAL EFFECTS FOUND, SHOWING THE TYPE, COLOR, SIZE, MARKINGS, SERVICE, ETC. (If laundry marks are indistinct such notation should be made and specimen forwarded through channels for examination when facilities are not available in the area)

None

WESLEY A. NEEP: Ident Technician

E. BREITINGER: Prof of Anthropology

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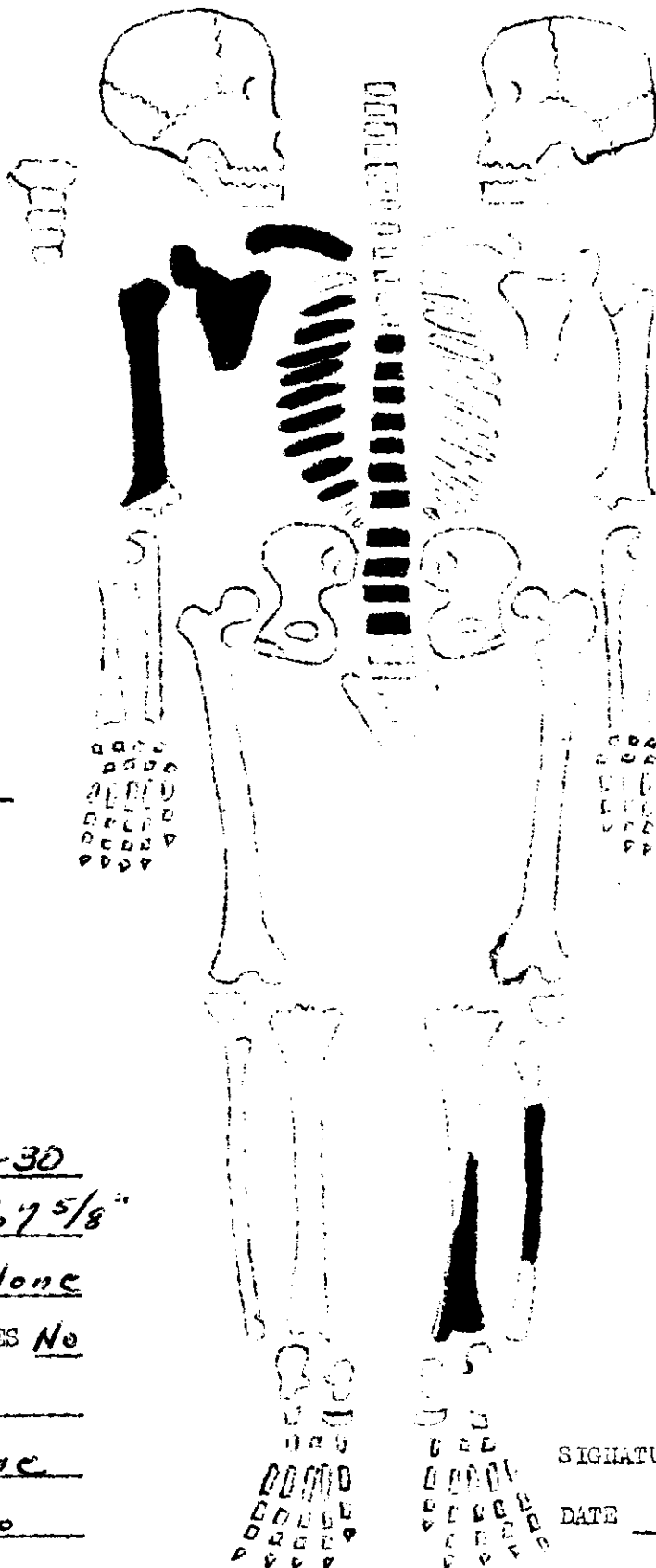
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SR 789

X-9252

Frankfort  
Mausoleum

Grave 254



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EST. AGE 24-30

EST. HEIGHT 67 5/8"

COLOR HAIR None

HEALED FRACTURES No

FLESH None

BURNED No

EST. WEIGHT 125-150

Race N.T.D.

SIGNATURE W.A. Hoepf

DATE 30 June 1955

1 ID Tag (BECKETT)

HEADQUARTERS  
USAREUR QM MORTUARY SERVICE DETACHMENT, 7770TH ARMY UNIT  
APO 757 US ARMY

30 June 1955

INVESTIGATION DIRECTIVE: 1230  
PROCESSING DIRECTIVE : 318  
REMAINS PROCESSED : SR # 789

IDENTIFICATION LABORATORY REPORT

1. Search and Recovery Case # 789 pertains to the recent accidentally recovered partial remains of a casualty near the after section of a sunken LCI type landing craft at "Omaha Beach" Verville sur Mer, (sheet 8/T-69) France. U.S. Ground Force equipment including a .30 Cal. M-1 rifle # 1390353, canteen, canteen cup and mess kit were recovered with this remains as well as one (1) ID tag for "DOUGLAS R. BECKETT 570797 USCGR".

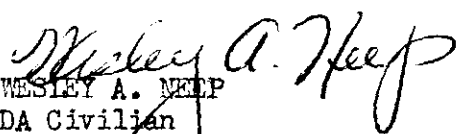
2. A tentative Unknown "X" number has been assigned this case as follows:


SR # 789 is now designated UNKNOWN X-9252  
Frankfurt Mausoleum  
Grave 254

3. At the time of processing this remains there is no record at hand concerning a casualty by the name of Douglas R. BECKETT. The physical characteristics are as shown below:

	<u>AGE</u>	<u>HEIGHT</u>	<u>WEIGHT</u>	<u>HAIR</u>	<u>SHOE</u>
X-9252	24 - 30	67 5/8"	125 - 150	None	None

4. No markings could be found on any of the equipment recovered with the exception of the rifle serial number # 1390353.

  
WESLEY A. NEEP  
DA Civilian  
Identification Technician

  
E. BREITINGER  
Professor, Institute of Anthropology  
University of Frankfurt  
Frankfurt/Main, Germany

HEADQUARTERS  
USAREUR QM MORTUARY SERVICE DETACHMENT, 7770TH ARMY UNIT  
APO 757 US ARMY

29 June 1955

NARRATIVE OF INVESTIGATION

I. AUTHORITY AND MATTERS INVESTIGATED:

In accordance with instructions outlined in Investigation Directive # 1230, this headquarters, dated 11 May 1955, an investigation was conducted at Omaha Beach near St. Laurent sur Mer (8/T-68) Calvados, France concerning the recovery of a partial remains from the wreckage of a landing craft.

II. FACTS AND CIRCUMSTANCES:

A report received by telephone from Mr. Gibbs in the Paris office of AEMC indicated that partial remains of a casualty had been recovered during extreme low tide from the wreckage of a landing craft by personnel of USMC St. Laurent, France.

III. FINDINGS:

The undersigned arrived at the St. Laurent cemetery on 13 June 1955 but learned that additional search would only be practicable during the next extreme low tides of 20, 21, and 22 June. Other investigations in the area were conducted during the interim and a first visit to the site of recovery was made the afternoon of 20 June 1955.

The undersigned accompanied by two (2) French workers from the cemetery proceeded to the recovery site with a GMC 2½ ton truck with winch. The site of recovery is located at the aft portion of what appears to be the hulk of an ICI. The lower portion is buried in the sand and mud and the previously exposed upper structure has been cut away by salvage crews. The exact length of the ship could not be determined as the aft section was recently exploded by a mine in an added attempt to recover more metal. The breadth (beam) of the ship is approximately twenty-three (23) feet (See sketch Exhibit "A").

The Italian concern which first cut away the exposed structure several years ago is no longer working in the area and could not be contacted for the purpose of identifying the craft.

On the afternoon of 20 June a great amount of sheet metal sections and bed frames were pulled away from the recovery site with the truck winch. The area where the recovery had been made was searched by digging and bailing out an area of approximately two (2) square meters. No additional skeletal portions were found at that time.

(Narrative of Investigation, dated 29 June 1955, ID # 1230, cont'd)

The next afternoon Mr. Dardós, cemetery superintendent at USMC St. Laurent, assisted the undersigned with the additional help of the two (2) French laborers. The same area was enlarged an additional two (2) square meters and although no skeletal parts were found an ID tag for "Douglas R. BECKETT 570797 USCGR" was recovered.

At 0430 hours the morning of 22 June 1955 the undersigned proceeded to enlarge the area of search still more but was handicapped by water seepage. All sand removed from the area was used to build a dam surrounding the site and the seepage was removed by bucket. Additional bed frames, supporting chains and miscellaneous piping and metal parts were removed but large sections of decking were encountered which prevented further search except in a limited area. Mr. Dardós and Mr. Wing arrived at 0545 hours accompanied by the two (2) French cemetery laborers and the search was continued until 0730 when the incoming tide made further search impossible. No additional skeletal portions were found but a British "half penny" coin was recovered in approximately the same location where the ID tag and originally recovered skeletal parts had been found. It was decided that no further search be made with the equipment available at that time.

The original searches performed by the cemetery personnel resulted in the finding of the following skeletal portions:

- A. Proximal 9/10 right humerus.
- B. One (1) right scapula.
- C. One (1) right clavicle.
- D. Nine (9) right ribs.
- E. Seven (7) thoracic vertebrae.
- F. Four (4) lumbar vertebrae.
- G. Distal 3/4 left tibia.
- H. Shaft of left fibula.

Equipment found in the same location during the initial recoveries included:

- A. One (1) US rifle caliber .30 M-1 Serial number # 1390353.
- B. One (1) US mess kit.
- C. One (1) US canteen with canteen cup and carrier.
- D. One (1) Metal snap fastener stamped "FAU FASTENER CO. PROV. R.I."

(Narrative of Investigation, dated 29 June 1955, ID # 1230, cont'd)

IV. CONCLUSIONS:

The skeletal portions and equipment listed above were packaged and designated SR Case # 789 and removed to the Central Identification Laboratory in Frankfurt/Main, Germany for further examination.

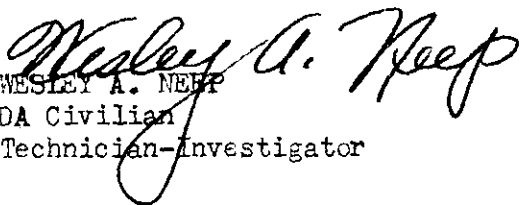
A further search of subject recovery site is only deemed practicable if suitable engineer equipment is available. It is suggested that qualified Engineer personnel survey the location to determine if a coffer dam could be constructed around the after portions of the sunken craft and a water suction pump be utilized to eliminate the problem of sand and water seepage. Cutting torches and heavy winch equipment is also deemed necessary to remove the metal which covers most of the search area.

V. RECOMMENDATIONS:

It is recommended that an attempt be made to determine if DOUGLAS R. BECKETT, 570 797, US Coast Guard Reserve is recorded as a casualty. It is further recommended that action be taken to identify the landing craft by association of the ID tag for DOUGLAS R. BECKETT with crew rosters of landing ships lost during the invasion at Omaha Beach. If the sunken craft can be identified then it is also recommended that an attempt be made to associate the recovered remains with a missing casualty from subject landing craft.

Recommendation is also made to send a letter of appreciation and possibly a monetary reward to Mr. ANGERS living at St. Laurent sur Mer, France who made the initial discovery of the skeletal remains and reported his findings to the cemetery personnel.

Such action on the part of this headquarters would spur interest and search activity of local citizens who spend considerable time "combing" the beach. Further, a letter of appreciation to Mr. Marcel Le FIEM living at Colville sur Mer, France is considered necessary in view of his valuable aid in the search and his finding of the ID tag for DOUGLAS R. BECKETT.

  
WESLEY A. NEEP  
DA Civilian  
Technician-Investigator

SR # 789  
recovered  
here

Bed Frames  
removed  
from recovery  
site

Aft section of ship  
ripped by mine explosion

Hulk of LCI  
with exposed portions  
cut away for salvage

23  
220 m

Sewer  
outlet

Damaged  
Dock

Hulk of  
concrete boat

Seawall with  
painted numbers

Omaha  
Beach  
Landmark

23 22 21 20 19 18 17 16 15 14 13 3 2 1

concrete road

← Verville  
s/Mer

St. Laurent  
s/Mer →

Marker showing  
original location  
of 1st US Military  
Cemetery

Store



Graves Registration  
Form No. 1  
(Revised 1 Sept. 1943)

# REPORT OF BURIAL

30 June 1955

TM 30-630 AND AR 30-1875

293 Unk - Frankfurt Mausoleum # 5082

Unknown X-9252 Unk Unk 5082  
Last Name First Initial Rank Serial No.

Unknown Unk  
Unit Organization

"Omaha Beach" Verville s/mer, France Unk Unk  
Place of Death Date of Death Cause of Death

1600 Hrs 30 Jun 55 Frankfurt Mausoleum Frankfurt/Main, Germany  
Time and Date of Burial Name of Cemetery Name of Coordinates of Location

254  
Grave Number Row Number Plot Number Type of Marker

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

If No Identification Tags  
How were remains identified?

What means of identification were buried with the body?

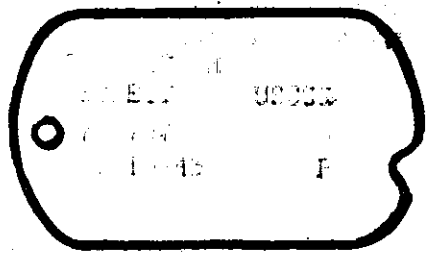
To determine Right or Left use **Deceased's** Right and Left.

Who is buried on :

Deceased's Right :	Name	Serial No.	Rank	Organization	Grave No.
Deceased's Left :	Name	Serial No.	Rank	Organization	Grave No.

Deceased's Right :	Name	Serial No.	Rank	Organization	Grave No.
Deceased's Left :	Name	Serial No.	Rank	Organization	Grave No.

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



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

Emergency Addressee..... Name

Address

Religion.....

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

Recovered as SR # 789 from the after section of an LCI type landing craft 220 yards out from marking 15 3/4 on seawall at "Omaha Beach" Verville s/mer (sheet 8/T-69), France.

*Joe R. Caldwell*  
Signature of Officer or other person reporting burial

JOE R. CALDWELL, Capt. QMC  
Verified by G.R.S. Officer

*Recovery made 8/27/56*