

23 OSWALD, RANDOLPH E. 37323731 PFC. EUROPEA AREA ARMORED FORCE ( N.D.) 45mc



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TO: **REVIEW**

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## NON-RECOVERABLE REMAINS REEXAMINATION OF RECORDS

AREA OF DEATH <b>Holland</b>		CASE NUMBER
NAME (Last, First, Middle Initial) <b>OSWALD, Randolph E.</b>	RANK <b>Pfc.</b>	SERIAL NUMBER <b>373 23 731</b>
IN THE COURSE OF THIS REEXAMINATION IT HAS BEEN DETERMINED THAT THE CIRCUMSTANCES OF DEATH WERE SUCH THAT: (Check appropriate box)		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> THE REMAINS OF THE DECEDENT COULD NOT HAVE BEEN RECOVERED <input type="checkbox"/> 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:		
1. 293 FILE OF DECEDENT		INITIALS OF ANALYST
2. GEOGRAPHICAL CLUE INDEX FILE OF UNKNOWNNS RECOVERED FROM APPROPRIATE AREA, COMPARED WITH DECEDENT		
3. OTHER DOCUMENTS OR SOURCES		
REMARKS		
RECOMMEND APPROVAL		APPROVED
NAME OF CASE ANALYST <i>Cyprus</i>	CASE REVIEWER, FINAL DETERMINATION SECTION	CHIEF, FINAL DETERMINATION SECTION <i>Mary A. Edwards</i> <b>MARY A. EDWARDS</b> <b>1st Lt., QMC</b>
		DATE <b>MAR 1 6 1951</b>

MEMORIALIZATION OF NON-RECOVERABLE  
REMAINS OF WORLD WAR II

THIS FILE HAS BEEN AUDITED FOR NON-RECOVERABILITY

NAME (Last, First, Middle)

OSWALD, RANDOLPH E

RANK

PFC

SERIAL NUMBER

3732 3731

ARM OF SERVICE

ARMY

DATE OF DEATH

29 OCT 1944

AREA OF DEATH

HOLLAND

NAME OF AUDITOR

MAPLES

DATE

9 MAR 51

NAME OF REVIEWER

JARMAN

DATE

9 MAR 51

REMARKS

**CONTROLLED CASE**

NAME Oswald, Randolph E.		GRADE PFC	SERIAL NO. 37 323 731
DO NOT TAKE ANY ACTION ON THIS CASE OR RELEASE INFORMATION FROM THIS FILE WITHOUT THE CONCURRENCE OF:			
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> LIAISON OFFICE, MEMORIAL DIVISION		FLAGGED BY ( <i>Initials</i> )	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> IDENTIFICATION BRANCH, MEMORIAL DIVISION		FLAGGED BY ( <i>Initials</i> ) <del>Lt De Weese</del>	
UNKNOWN X -	NON-RECOVERABLE CASE NO. <del>5128</del>	A-Z CARD FLAGGED BY	333 CARD FLAGGED BY

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NON-RECOVERABLE CASE RECORD OF REVIEW AND APPROVAL		CASE NUMBER 5128 (1)	AREA OR ZONE(S) European
NAME (Last, First, Middle Initial) Oswald, Randolph E.	RANK Pfc.	SERIAL NUMBER 37 323 731	
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) DECEASED	INITIALS OF ANALYST HFL	4. ALPHABETICAL INDEX OF "BELIEVED TO BE" AND TENTATIVELY IDENTIFIED UNKNOWNNS	INITIALS OF ANALYST HFL
(CROSS OUT THOSE NOT APPLICABLE) 2. a. REPORT OF DEATH b. <del>FINDING OF DEATH</del> c. <del>STATUS REVIEW &amp; DETERMINATION</del>	HFL	5. ALPHABETICAL FILE OF FORMER UNKNOWNNS NOW IDENTIFIED	HFL
3. A - Z FILE OF KNOWN INTERMENTS IN U.S. MILITARY CEMETERIES, ISOLATED LOCATIONS, AND SEA BURIALS	HFL	6. OTHER DOCUMENTS OR SOURCES OF INFORMATION ENUMERATED BELOW	HFL
a. Geographical Clue Index file of unknownns from pertinent area.			
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			
NAME OF CASE ANALYST H. F. LEARY		CASE TO BE FORWARDED TO _____ FOR CONSIDERATION OF NOTIFICATION TO INTERESTED PARTIES.	
RECOMMEND APPROVAL	APPROVED	DATE	
CASE REVIEWER, FINAL DETERMINATION SECTION A. J. CRATEN	CHIEF, FINAL DETERMINATION SECTION W.R. DeWEESE, 1st Lt QMC	CHIEF, IDENTIFICATION BRANCH by G.W. ROGERS, Capt QMC	18 May 1949

NAB  
File

MAY 24 1949

Identification Branch

5128

21 FEB 1949

HEADQUARTERS  
AMERICAN GRAVES REGISTRATION COMMAND  
EUROPEAN AREA  
APO 58 U S ARMY

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

The board convened pursuant to par 4, SO No.33, Headquarters American Graves Registration Command, APO 58, U S Army, 22 March 1948, at the Astoria Hotel, Paris, France on 21 FEB 1949. The purpose of the board was to determine the non-recoverability status of certain casualties now under the 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.

CASE NO. 12	NAME	ASN	GRADE
	OSWALD, Randolph B.	37323731	Pfc.

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.

\_\_\_\_\_  
JACK C. HAYES, Capt, QMC

*Stanley C. Tyrrell*  
\_\_\_\_\_  
STANLEY C. TYRRELL, Capt, Inf

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EDWARD F. PRICE, Jr., Capt, QMC

*Edward E. Stout*  
\_\_\_\_\_  
EDWARD E. STOUT, 1st, CE

*Ernest J. Oglesby*  
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ERNEST J. OGLESBY, 1st, Cav



HEADQUARTERS  
 AMERICAN GRAVES REGISTRATION COMMAND  
 EUROPEAN AREA  
 APO 58 U S ARMY

SPECIAL ORDERS  
 NUMBER 16

3 February 1949

1. The fol named off having been asgd 7887 Hq Gp AGRC APO 58 Paris France per par 1 SO 14 7855 AGRC Zone #1 Hq APO 58 Liege Belgium are placed on dy w/Registration Division.

CAPT	STANLEY C.	TYRRELL	01304296	Inf
1ST LT	EDWARD E.	STOUT	01594512	CE
1ST LT	ERNEST J.	OGLESBY	0449004	Cav

2. The Board of Review for the Identification of Unknown Dead aptd per par 9 SO 6 this hq 14 Jan 48 is dissolved.

3. The Board of Review for cases of non-recoverability of remains (European Area) aptd per par 4 SO 33 this hq 22 Mar 48 as amended by par 1 SO 154 hq 3 Nov 48 and par 2 SO 165 this hq 7 Dec 48 is dissolved.

4. The Board of Review for Major Discrepancy Cases aptd per par 6 SO 146 this hq 22 Oct 48 is dissolved.

5. PAC ltr WD AGAO-S 293.9 9 Apr 47 Subj: Establishment of Boards of Review for Identification of Unknown Dead Overseas, the fol off this hq are aptd a Board of Review for the purpose of reviewing case records pertaining to the identification of deceased and determination of non-recoverability of remains (European Area):

CAPT	JACK C.	HAYES	01577297	QMC
CAPT	STANLEY C.	TYRRELL	01304296	Inf
CAPT	EDWARD F.	PRICE, Jr.	01588236	QMC
1ST LT	EDWARD E.	STOUT	01594512	CE
1ST LT	ERNEST J.	OGLESBY	0449004	Cav

6. The fol off this hq are aptd a Board of Review for Major Discrepancy Cases to function pursuant to par 3 Operations Instructions 84 this hq 29 July 47:

CAPT	JACK C.	HAYES	01577297	QMC
CAPT	STANLEY C.	TYRRELL	01304296	Inf
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7. Par 5 SO 10 this hq 24 Jan 49 pertaining to an audit of the AGRC Officer Club (Paris Area) is amended to add "PAC Weekly Dir No. 34 Hq EUCOM 1948 as amended by Sec 14 Weekly Dir 46 Hq EUCOM 1948 this audit will also effect the change of custodian of the club."

BY COMMAND OF BRIGADIER GENERAL PECKHAM:

OFFICIAL:

MARK AMEN  
Lt. Col, QGD  
Adjutant General

MARK AMEN  
Lt. Col, AGD  
Adjutant General

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WILLIAM R. De WEESE  
1st Lt., QMC

HEADQUARTERS  
AMERICAN GRAVES REGISTRATION COMMAND  
EUROPEAN AREA  
APO 58 U S ARMY

RRE 293. 9 (IB)

SUBJECT: Non-Recoverable Remains

TO: Non-Recoverable Board AGRC

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

NAME: OSWALD, Randolph E. Pfc 37323731

ORGANIZATION: Hq, Co., 17th Tank Bn

PLACE OF DEATH: Heittrak, Holland

DATE OF DEATH: 29 October 1944

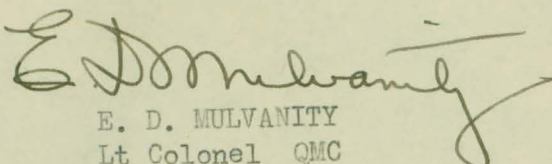
SYNOPSIS OF CASE: Records, this headquarters indicate that the above soldier was sitting near the end of brick building situated one mile north of Heittrak where enemy artillery fire struck the building at almost the exact spot where he was sitting. Two eye witnesses who were standing a few feet away from him testified to this fact. Platoon leader, Lt. George Fogg, searched through the building and surrounding area but could not find any trace of Pfc Oswald. Search continued until late at night however proved negative. It is believed that the body of this soldier was completely destroyed by enemy fire.

Reference is made to OQMG Form 371 for subject deceased

2. All attached supporting documents are copied from records in file headquarters American Graves Registration Command.

3. Every effort has been made to correlate this case with records in this headquarters pertaining to unknown deceased interred in U.S. 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.

  
E. D. MULVANITY  
Lt Colonel QMC

NO CASE

293 FILE		DATA ON REMAINS NOT YET RECOVERED OR IDENTIFIED				12581
NAME (Last, First, Middle Initial) OSWALD, Randolph E.			GRADE Pfc.		PRESENT SERIAL NUMBER 37 323 731	
ORGANIZATION Hq. Co., 17th Tank Bn - 7 AD			RACE White	CREED Protestant		FORMER SERIAL NUMBER (If applicable)
DATE OF DEATH/MIA 29 Oct 1944	CAUSE OF DEATH MIA Killed in Action		PLACE OF DEATH OR PLACE LAST SEEN IF MIA HEITRECK, Holland			
DATE OF FOD	HEIGHT 67 1/2	WEIGHT 156	COLOR EYES Brown		COLOR HAIR Dk Brown	SHOE SIZE 9 EE
DENTAL CHART 9 Nov 1942						
UPPER RIGHT 8 / 7 6X 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 13X 14 15 16X		
X = Extracted		O = Carious		1 = Carious Non-Restorable		
FRACTURES AND/OR BREAKS NOT OF RECORD				TATTOOS AND/OR BIRTHMARK		
ADDITIONAL INFORMATION						
ORIGINAL 12 Jan 49 IC / 7c-						

IDENTIFICATION SECTION  
MEMORIAL DIVISION

IDENTIFICATION DATA

LAST NAME - FIRST NAME - MIDDLE INITIAL <i>Oswald Randolph E</i>			ARMY SERIAL NUMBER <i>37323731</i>		GRADE <i>PFC</i>
HEIGHT <i>5' 7 1/2"</i>	WEIGHT <i>156 lbs</i>	COLOR EYES <i>Brown</i>	COLOR HAIR <i>dk. Brown</i>	SHOE SIZE <i>9EE</i>	DATE OF DEATH <i>29 Oct. 1944</i>

LAST ORGANIZATION TO WHICH ATTACHED OR ASSIGNED (Give complete designation)  
*Hq. Co. 17th TANK Bn., 7th AD.*

PLACE OF DEATH OR PLACE LAST SEEN IF MIA  
*Heitreck, Holland*

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

STATION	DATES
<i>St. Snelling, Minn.</i>	<i>Nov 21, 1942</i>
<i>Cp. Polk, La.</i>	<i>Nov. 23, 1942</i>
<i>St. Benning, Ga.</i>	<i>Sept 24, 1942</i>

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

FRACTURES AND/OR BREAKS <i>Appendectomy scar</i>	TATTOOS AND/OR BIRTH MARKS <i>dot of nevus</i>
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DENTAL CHART *Nov. 9, 1942*

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

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

293 FILE		<b>DATA ON REMAINS NOT YET RECOVERED OR IDENTIFIED</b>			
NAME (Last, First, Middle Initial) OSWALD RANDOLPH E			GRADE PFC	PRESENT SERIAL NUMBER 37323731	
ORGANIZATION HQ CO 17 TANK BN - 7 AD		RACE W	CREED PROT	FORMER SERIAL NUMBER (If applicable)	
DATE OF DEATH/MIA 29 OCT 44	CAUSE OF DEATH MIA		PLACE OF DEATH OR PLACE LAST SEEN IF MIA		
DATE OF FOD	KILLED IN ACTION		HEITRECK HULLAND		
HEIGHT 67 1/2	WEIGHT 156	COLOR EYES BROWN	COLOR HAIR DK BROWN	SHOE SIZE 9 EE	
<b>DENTAL CHART</b> 9 NOV 42					
UPPER RIGHT 8 7 6 X 5 4 3 2 1			UPPER LEFT 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 X		
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FRACTURES AND/OR BREAKS NOT			TATTOOS AND/OR BIRTHMARK OF RECORD		
ADDITIONAL INFORMATION					
<p><b>FILE</b></p> <p><b>JUN 1 1948</b></p> <p><b>E. J. Sullivan, 1st Lt., QMG</b></p> <p><b>IDENTIFICATION BRANCH</b></p>					

**WAR DEPARTMENT**  
**THE ADJUTANT GENERAL'S OFFICE**

WASHINGTON 25, D. C.

**REPORT OF DEATH**DATE 8 April 1945 DMB

FULL NAME <b>Oswald, Randolph E.</b>		ARMY SERIAL NUMBER <b>37 323 731</b>	GRADE <b>Pfc</b>	
HOME ADDRESS <b>Denhoff, North Dakota</b>		ARM OR SERVICE <b>Armored Force</b>	DATE OF BIRTH <b>30 Aug 20</b>	
PLACE OF DEATH <b>European Area</b>		CAUSE OF DEATH <b>Killed in action</b>		DATE OF DEATH <b>29 Oct 44</b>
STATION OF DECEASED <b>European Area</b>		DATE OF ENTRY ON CURRENT ACTIVE SERVICE <b>9 Nov 42</b>	LENGTH OF SERVICE FOR PAY PURPOSES	
			YEARS	MONTHS
				DAYS
EMERGENCY ADDRESSEE (NAME, RELATIONSHIP & ADDRESS) <b>Mrs. Ida Oswald (mother) Rt.2, Yankton, South Dakota</b>				
BENEFICIARY (NAME, RELATIONSHIP & ADDRESS) <b>Ida Oswald (mother) same as above</b> <b>Adam Oswald (father) <del>same as mother</del> 520 E. 4th St., Yankton, So. Dak.</b>				
INVESTIGATION MADE?		IN LINE OF DUTY		OWN MISCONDUCT
YES	NO	YES	NO	YES
				NO
		WAS DECEASED ON DUTY STATUS		AUTHORIZED ABSENCE
		YES	NO	YES
				NO
		IN FLYING PAY STATUS		OTHER PAY STATUS (SPECIFY BELOW)
		YES	NO	YES
			<b>X</b>	NO

## ADDITIONAL DATA AND/OR STATEMENT

 BATTLE     NON-BATTLE

The individual named in this report of death is held by the War Department to have been in a missing in action status from 29 Oct 44 until such absence was terminated on 19 Mar 45, when evidence considered sufficient to establish the fact of death was rec'd by the Secretary of War from the Commander in the European Area.

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G. A. O.	VET. ADMIN.	CASUALTY BRANCH FILE
		A. G. 201 FILE

BY ORDER OF THE SECRETARY OF WAR:

*[Signature]*

ADJUTANT GENERAL

Declassified in accordance with E.O. 13526

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**THE ADJUTANT GENERAL'S OFFICE**  
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YES	NO	YES	NO	YES	NO	YES	NO	YES	NO	YES	NO	YES	NO		
											X				

## ADDITIONAL DATA AND/OR STATEMENT

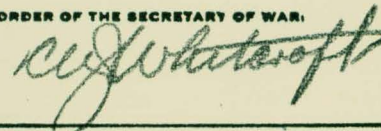
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ADJUTANT GEN

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

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**—BATTLE CASUALTY REPORT.**

NAME <i>OSWALD RANDOLPH E</i>	SERIAL NUMBER <i>37323731</i>	GRADE <i>PFC</i>	ARM OR SERVICE <i>INF</i>	REPORTING THEATRE <i>ETO</i>		
PLACE OF CASUALTY <i>HOLLAND9</i>	DATE OF CASUALTY			FLYING OR JUMPING STAT	TYPE OF CASUALTY	SHIPMENT NUMBER
	DAY <i>29</i>	MONTH <i>OCT</i>	YEAR <i>44</i>		<i>MIA</i>	<i>238</i>

**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 <i>MRS IDA OSWALD</i>	RELATIONSHIP <i>MOTHER</i>	DATE NOTIFIED <i>10 NOV 44 GJM</i>
NO. AND NAME OF STREET—CITY—STATE <i>520 EAST 4TH STREET YANKTON SOUTH DAKOTA</i>		

REMARKS:

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ACTION BY PROCESSING AND VERIFICATION SECTION: REPORT VERIFIED <input type="checkbox"/> FORM 43 <input type="checkbox"/> AG 201 REQ <input type="checkbox"/>				
CASUALTY BRANCH FILE ATTACHED <input type="checkbox"/> OR CHARGED TO <input type="checkbox"/> DATE <input type="checkbox"/>				
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				M. & M.
				NON-DEL.
REPORT NOT VERIFIED <input type="checkbox"/> NO FORM 43 <input type="checkbox"/> NO CAS. BR. FILE <input type="checkbox"/> CHECKED BY <input type="checkbox"/> REVIEWED BY <input type="checkbox"/>				

**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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NTB:AP:cms  
September 24, 1945

Dear Mr. Oswald:

This acknowledges your recent letter relative to the personal effects of your son, Private First Class Randolph E. Oswald.

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It is regretted that the items about which you inquire were not received here. All of his property received at this Bureau has been forwarded.

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So that you may better understand the difficulties encountered in the recovery of personal effects, I am inclosing an information circular on the subject.

47

I wish to assure you that in the event additional property is received at a later date, it will be forwarded promptly.

18

Sincerely yours,

1 Incl--  
Form 51

HARRY NIEMIEC  
2nd Lt., QMC  
Chief, Correspondence Branch

LH

Yankton. So Dak

Sep. 10. 1945

29,970 Hd

File  
Dear Sir

The Packag witch you  
send to me on acount of our  
Dear Son Randolph Oswald witch  
was killed over at Holland we  
Pecived the Package but there  
was no Wrist watch and no  
Pocket Book Included and I  
sure would like to have that  
as a remember ance as that's  
all I can get from him yet.  
yours very Truly, Please  
Find

Mr Adam Oswald  
Yankton.  
P.S. So. Dak.

9-20-45  
nd

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

JRM:JFH:cc

Case No. 290970  
Date 9 August 1945

SUBJECT: Report of transaction in disposing of the effects of  
Randolph E. Oswald, 37323731 late a  
(Name of deceased) (Army Serial Number)  
PTC, Armored Force who died  
(Grade) (Organization, Army or Service)  
on the 29 day of Oct, 1944, at European Area

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

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

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

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

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

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

#### FINDING

Before a Summary Court-Martial which convened at Kansas City, Missouri, on 28 July 1945, pursuant to Special Orders 228, Headquarters KCM Depot, dated 25 September 1943, the application or affidavit of Adam Oswald 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, Adam Oswald of (Name of person found entitled)  
Route # 2, Yankton State of  
(Number, Street or Avenue) (City, Town or Village)  
South Dakota, is the father 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, QMC

(Name, Rank, Organization)  
SUMMARY COURT MARTIAL

290970

RTB:JFH:dje  
August 9, 1945

Mr. Adam Oswald  
Route #2  
Yankton, South Dakota

Dear Mr. Oswald:

The Army Effects Bureau has received from overseas some personal effects of your son, Private First Class Randolph E. Oswald.

These effects are being forwarded to you in one package.

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

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

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

Yours very truly,

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

AS

ARMY SERVICE FORCES  
ARMY EFFECTS BUREAU

ORDER FOR SHIPMENT

SHIP TO:

Mr. Adam Oswald

Pfc. Randolph E. Oswald

Route # 2

Yankton, South Dakota

Effects of:  
Name

37323731

ASN

290970 D

Case No.

Wt.

DATE 9 August 1945

RTB:JFH:cc

FOR: Effects Quartermaster

REMARKS:

         Inclose Bureau Check  
         Acct. No.           
         Amount           
         Inclose "Valuables" item  
         Ship "Valuables" item(s)

         Remove G.I.  
         Note discrepancy in           
         Films removed  
         Diary removed  
         Laundry removed

ROUTING:

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

REMARKS:

SHIP DAMAGED PROPERTY

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

FRANKED

AUG 14 1945

Shipping Clerk

*LE*

PACKAGE DESCRIPTION <b>#1 plug</b>	ARMY EFFECTS BUREAU INVENTORY	DECEASED MISSING <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
	290,970	P.O.W. ABANDONED TALLY NO. 9447
	CB	INV. DATE 12 July 45
NAME <b>Randolph E. Oswald</b>		ORIG. NO. OF PGS. 1
A.S.N. <b>3732 3731</b> RANK <b>SGT</b>		BOX NO. 23
		SHEET 1
		OF 1 SHEETS
		ORGANIZATION <b>Hq. Co 17th Inf. Bn.</b>

Belt	TOWELS & WASHCLOTHS	KNIVES
<u>BELT MONEY (NO MONEY)</u>	CLOTHING	BAIS, CLOTH OR TRAVEL
Cloth, wash	BRACELET IDENT.	BILLFOLD (NO MONEY)
Coats	Brushes	Case
Footwear, Pr.	CAMERAS	Footlocked
Gloves, Pr.	Glasses	KIT, SH, PIT, OR WRITING
Handkerchiefs	Knives	BOOKS
Headwear	Lighters	Books, address
Jackets	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> MISC.	Books, Pilot Log
Overcoats	Pen, Fountain	DIARY (REMOVED FOR DUTY)
Scarfs	Pencil, Mechanical	FILMS
Shirts	Pipes	Letters
Socks, Pr.	RELIGIOUS ARTICLES	Papers, Personal
Ties	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> RIBBONS, DECORATION	Photos
Towels	Rings	Shoe Shine Articles
Trousers, Pr.	Tobacco	SPORT SHORTER
Trunks, Pr.	Toilet Articles	SOUVENIRS
Underwear	WATCH	SOUVENIR MONEY
		Stationery
		TESTIMONIES
		U.S. MONEY (AMOUNT) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

\*1 Harmonica  10.14

DAMAGED

REMARKS: <b>No information Rechecked</b>	ATTACHMENTS	FORM #54	FORM #100
* Damaged		Inventary <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
C.A.T. none	STORED BY <b>LC</b>	WEIGHT	G.I. REMOVED
WAREHOUSE SPACE <b>1088</b>	INVENTORIED BY <b>Beams</b>	DATE SHIPPED <b>Aug 14 1945</b>	SHORTAGE ON REVERSE
PACKED BY <b>Perry</b>	CHECKED BY <b>mc</b>	#13 OR ADDITIONAL	IDENT. TAGS REMOVED
			DIARY REMOVED
			LOCKED STORAGE
			LAUNDRY REMOVED
			FILM REMOVED



NAME OSWALD, RENDOLPH PFC 3731

BAY

PALLET

BOX-

TALLY

12

23

9447

TYPE OF PKG.

WHSE. SPACE

INVENTORIED

PKG

R E S T R I C T E D30 Oct 1944  
Date

SUBJECT: Inventory of Personal Effects of:

OSWALD      RANDOLPH      E.      P.F.C.      3732.3731  
 (Last Name)      (First Name)      (MI)      (Rank)      (ASN)

TO: Effects Quartermaster, Communication Zone, APO 887  
 US Army

The above named individual of Hq. Co. 17TH TANK BN  
 (Unit)

7TH AD. was reported MIA.  
 (Organization)      (Status-Killed, MIA,

Hospitalized, etc.) about 29 Oct 44 1944  
 (Date)

Designated Beneficiary if information readily accessible \_\_\_\_\_

INVENTORY OF EFFECTS

- 1- HARMONICA ✓
- 1- PK. OF PHOTOGRAPHS ✓
- 2- PHOTOGRAPHS (5X7) ✓
- 14- AMERICAN PENNIES ✓
- 3- U.S. BUTTONS ✓
- 2- TANK BUTTONS ✓
- 1- OVERSEAS RIBBON ✓
- 2 METALS (WEAPONS) ✓

R E S T R I C T E D

R E S T R I C T E D

Money in the amount of \_\_\_\_\_ has been turned into

Form WDFD 38

(Name of finance officer and symbol number)

enclosed.

Names and addresses of any Banks in which accounts may be

carried:

I certify that the above items constitute all of the effects, secured by me, of the above named individual and that they were forwarded to the Effects Depot by truck on (Rail, Truck, etc.)

31 Oct 1944.

Name Lawrence E Ahearn  
Rank & ASN Capt 01012627  
Organization Hq Co 17th Lk Bn

Any additional pertinent information:

R E S T R I C T E D

TGT/was

290970  
mf

CASUALTY BRANCH  
The Adjutant General's Office  
Washington

MISSING

~~AG 201~~

AGPC-G 201 Oswald, Randolph E.  
(12 Dec 44) 37323731

28 December 1944

MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD

SUBJECT: Change of Address of Emergency Addressee.

A communication has been received from ~~Mrs. Ida Oswald, mother,~~  
~~relative to her son, Private First Class Randolph E. Oswald, 37323731,~~  
~~who has been missing in action in Holland since 29 October 1944,~~  
requesting that the records of this office be amended as follows:

FROM

TO

Mrs. Ida Oswald, mother,  
520 East 4th Street,  
Yankton, South Dakota.

Mrs. Ida Oswald, mother,  
Route #2,  
Yankton, South Dakota.



Copies Furnished:

Adjutant General.

Director, Bureau of Public Relations  
Effects Quartermaster, Kansas City, Mo.  
~~C. G. Army Air Forces (If Air Corps Personnel)~~  
Cas. Pay Rec. Bureau, FD  
Gravelly Point, Bldg., T-7.  
AG 201 file

Samuel J. Colson  
Major, A. G. B.

