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MEMORIALIZATION OF NON-RECOVERABLE  
REMAINS OF WORLD WAR II

THIS FILE HAS BEEN AUDITED FOR NON-RECOVERABILITY

NAME (Last, First, Middle)

HART ROBERT S

RANK

CPL

SERIAL NUMBER

32315093

ARM OF SERVICE

ARMY

DATE OF DEATH

19 OCT 44

AREA OF DEATH

HOLLAND

NAME OF AUDITOR

WIMBERLY

DATE

25 JULY 51

NAME OF REVIEWER

DATE

25 JULY 51

REMARKS

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

QVGMU 293  
Hart, Robert S.  
SN 32 315 093

19 June 1951

SUBJECT: Nonrecoverable Remains

TO: Commanding Officer  
7827 Graves Registration Detachment  
APO 757, c/o Postmaster  
New York, New York

1. Reference is made to Findings of Nonrecoverability, your Headquarters, dated 6 February 1951, and to Narrative of Investigation conducted in the area of Vreeswijk, Holland in August 1950 for the purpose of recovering the remains of Cpl Robert S. Hart, 32 315 093.

2. The Narrative of Investigation referred to above indicates that the remains formerly buried in the community cemetery of Durne in grave #174 might have been those of an American. This unknown remains was disinterred by the British, and evacuated to the British Military Cemetery at Mierlo. It is requested that this Office be advised whether the recommendation of the investigator was followed to the extent that the British were contacted with reference to the matter.

3. Nonrecoverable action is being suspended awaiting a report from your Headquarters.

FOR THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL:

BENJAMIN B. KING  
Lt Col Q&C  
Memorial Division

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cc: NRS Reading File  
Adm Unit, Id Br  
Adm Unit, Id Br  
(Suspense)  
VAT/cwt



**NON-RECOVERABLE REMAINS REEXAMINATION OF RECORDS**

AREA OF DEATH Deurne, Vrelswijk, Holland	CASE NUMBER 16805 (1)
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NAME (Last, First, Middle Initial) Hart, Robert S.	RANK Cpl	SERIAL NUMBER 32 315 093
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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:

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

REMARKS

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20 JUL 1951  
*[Signature]*  
 Identification Branch

RECOMMEND APPROVAL	APPROVED	DATE
NAME OF CASE ANALYST <i>E. Miller</i>	CASE REVIEWER, FINAL DETERMINATION SECTION <i>[Signature]</i> <b>Mary A. Edwards</b> 1st Lt. OMC	<b>JUL 20 1951</b>

<b>NON-RECOVERABLE CASE RECORD OF REVIEW AND APPROVAL</b>	CASE NUMBER 16805 (1)
	AREA OR ZONE(S)  EUROPEAN

NAME (Last, First, Middle Initial) Hart, Robert S.	RANK Cpl	SERIAL NUMBER 32 315 093
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THE ATTACHED PROCEEDINGS OF THE FIELD BOARD OF REVIEW HAVE BEEN REVIEWED AND THE FINDINGS OF NON-RECOVERABILITY OF THE REMAINS OF THE FOLLOWING INDIVIDUAL(S) ARE APPROVED. (Corrections in name, rank, and/or serial number have been effected when appropriate.)

Individual Case

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

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

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

None

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NAME OF CASE ANALYST Vincent A. Thomas VINCENT A. THOMAS/meh	CASE TO BE FORWARDED TO FOR CONSIDERATION OF NOTIFICATION TO INTERESTED PARTIES.
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RECOMMEND APPROVAL		APPROVED		DATE
CASE REVIEWER, FINAL DETERMINATION SECTION W.A. WOLF	CHIEF, FINAL DETERMINATION SECTION MARY A. EDWARDS, 1/AV/CMC	CHIEF, IDENTIFICATION BRANCH THOMAS E. COX, Capt CMC		20 July 1951

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

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Proceedings of Board Of Review appointed in accordance with Letter AGAO-S 203.9 (27 Mar 1947) D-M, War Dept, TAGO, 9 April 1947.

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1. The Board convened pursuant to Para 2, SO No. 8 Headquarters 7887 Graves Registration Detachment, APO 757, US Army, 19 January 1951 at Liege, Belgium on 6 February 1951.

2. Members present:

C. W. STEINSIEK, Capt, OMC  
ALLAN L. LAWSON, Capt, OMC  
JOHN A. BOUTIN, 2nd Lt, OMC

3. PURPOSE: To review and determine, from evidence presented, the non-recoverability of the remains of the deceased in question, lost in the geographical area as described below.

a. Map Sheet: (3/E-63) Deurne, Vrelswijk, Holland Case # 9425

b. Facts:

1. Cpl Robert S. HART, 32315093, a member of Company "C" 33rd Armored Engineer Battalion was reported on OCMG Form 371, as Killed in Action, on the 19 October 1944, in the vicinity of Vrelswijk, Holland.

4. FINDINGS:

a. After Action Report, 33rd Armored Engineer Battalion, reported: "On 18 and 19 October 1944, the first platoon of Company "C", 33rd Armored Engineer Battalion, performed outpost duty at Kuejel, Holland, and the second and third platoons moved to an assembly area at Vrelswijk, Holland, to establish an assault crossing with infantry at 707181L."

b. Records available this headquarters indicate that subject casualty was killed in Action near Someron, Holland. Field Investigation conducted on 27 July 1947, failed to locate the remains of subject casualty. There are no unknowns on record in this Headquarters as having been recovered from the above area.

c. Field Investigation conducted on 22 August 1950, failed to locate the remains. The fact was revealed the towns of Kuejel and

Non-Recoverable Board Proceedings (Cont'd)

Vrelswijk, which is mentioned in the After Action Report, 33rd Armored Engineer Battalion, could not be located, although a town called Vreeswijk was located. Investigation of the town hall records of Vrelswijk, Holland, revealed that all American deceased were removed and buried in the cemetery at Mierle, Holland.

d. Attempts to associate unknown remains of American deceased recovered from this area with subject casualty proved negative.

e. Reference is made to: OQMG Form 371; After Action Report, 33rd Arm. Engr. Bn.; On file in the Office of the Quartermaster General, Washington, D. C.

f. Reference is made to: Narrative Reports of Field Investigations, dated 27 July 1947 and 22 August 1950, w/statements; Attached.

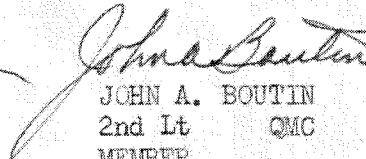
5. RECOMMENDATIONS: That the remains of the decedent herein considered be determined non-recoverable.



C. W. STEINSIEK  
Capt, QMC  
MEMBER



ALLAN L. LAWSON  
Capt QMC  
MEMBER



JOHN A. BOUTIN  
2nd Lt QMC  
MEMBER

Holland 9425

27 July 1947

N A R R A T I V E

This case pertains to Cpl Robert S Hart, 32315093, reported last seen near Someren, Holland. Cpl Hart was a member of Co. "C", 33rd Armd. Engr. Bn.

Investigations were conducted in Someren with negative results. The town-hall and four village cemeteries were contacted.

/s/t/ P. CHATELAIN  
US WD Civilian  
Investigator

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

22 August 1950

NARRATIVE OF INVESTIGATION

I. AUTHORITY

In compliance with the instructions contained in Investigation Directive # 383, dated 31 July 1950, an investigation was conducted in the vicinity of VREESWIJK, Holland, in an effort to recover the remains of Cpl Robert S. HART, 32 315 093, who is reported to have been killed in action in this vicinity.

II. FACTS AND CIRCUMSTANCES

Information contained in "After Action Report" of the 33rd Armd. Engr. Bn. indicates that on the 18th and 19th of October 1944, the first platoon of Company "C" performed outpost duty at KUEJEL, Holland and the second and third platoons moved to an assembly area at VREISWIJK, Holland, to establish an assault crossing with infantry at 707181. No information is given in regard to enemy action and no reference is made to the specific action in which Cpl Hart was killed and whether or not additional casualties were incurred in this action.

III. FINDINGS

Search of the available maps of Holland failed to locate towns of KUEJEL and VRELSWIJK as listed. A town called VREESWIJK was located, however, approximately ten (10) kilometers south of the city of UTRECHT. A visit was accordingly made to this town and police and local officials were contacted. It was discovered that no American troops had ever operated in this area and there had been no enemy action (See Incl # 1) with the aid of a detailed map of Holland furnished by the police two small communities called KNESEL and VREEKWIJK were located near the town of DEURNE located ten (10) kilometers east of the city of HELMOND. This places the location in the vicinity of SOMEREN where a previous investigation was conducted but would indicate that the assault crossing referred to in "After Action Report" was to be made either across the ZUID-WILLIAMS-VAART canal or a small stream called ASTENSCHÉ-A which run parallel to each other through the city of HELMOWD.



Narrative of Investigation

22 August 1950

A visit was made to the town of DEURNE which is the community center for the village of VREEKWIJK. Records on file in the Burgomaster's office were examined with negative results. (See Incl # 2). It was discovered that all American and British deceased recovered in the vicinity had been taken to the cemetery at MIERLO. Examination of a roster of British deceased however disclosed an entry indicating that grave No. 174 in the local cemetery contained a remains listed as American found at LOON-L225. These remains were taken by the British for burial in the cemetery of NIERLO.

The village of KNEGSEL was next visited and it was found that this village comes under the community of ST OEDENRODE. A visit made to the town hall there in connect on with ID # 382, Case Holland 12152 had also resulted negatively. (See Incl # 3).

#### IV. CONCLUSION

The towns of KUEJEL and VRELSWIJK as indicated in ID # 383 and "After Action Report" could not be located. Town of similar name VREESWIJK and two villages called KNEGSEL and VREEKWIJK located near SOMEREN were investigated with negative results. Nothing could be found to prove conclusively that they were the locations given in this case. Records at DEURNE indicate that a remains formerly buried in grave # 174 in the community cemetery might possibly have been an American.

This remains was removed by the British to the British Military Cemetery at MIERLO.

#### V. RECOMMENDATION

That a further effort be made to locate the point indicated by coordinates 707181 in "After Action Report" of Co "C" # 33rd Armd. Engr. Bn.

That the British Imperial War Graves Commission be asked to furnish information in regard to the disposition of the remains formerly buried in grave 174 in the community cemetery at DEURNE which was removed by them to the Military Cemetery at MIERLO.

/s/ HAROLD E. WARNER  
DA Civ D-046899  
Investigator

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

19 January 1951

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2. PAC, Ltr., WD-AGO-S 293.9, dtd 9 Apr 47, Subject: "Establishment of Boards of Review for Identification of Unknown Dead Overseas", and par 118 b, SR 830-110-5, DA, dtd 3 Mar 49, a Board of O's as follows, is hereby apt to meet at the call of the President thereof, for the purpose of reviewing case records pertaining to the Identification of Deceased, Determination of non-recoverability of Remains and for the purpose of reviewing Major Discrepancy cases.

LT COL EDWARD D. MULVANY, O 359 598, QMC., President  
LT COL JAMES C. MacFARLAND, O 1 576 321, QMC.,  
MAJOR GEORGE CUNDERMAN, Jr., O 1 289 071 INF/QMC.,  
CAPT CLYDE W. STEINSIEK, O 1 040 511, QMC.,  
CAPT LEWIS A. McAMIS, O 1 543 042, MSC/QMC.,  
CAPT JOHN W. NEFF, O 1 055 924, QMC.,  
CAPT ALLAN L. LAMSON, O 1 288 075, QMC.,  
1ST LT ROBERT W. GANSEL, O 1 599 085, QMC.,  
2D LT JOHN A. BOUTIN, O 947 298, QMC.,

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BY ORDER OF COLONEL AMLONG:

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

OFFICIAL:

s/ Edward F. Price, Jr.  
t/ EDWARD F. PRICE, Jr.,  
CAPT., QMC,  
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A TRUE COPY:

MARY A. EDWARDS  
1st Lt QMC

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Subject: Nonrecoverable Remains, dated 19 June 1951

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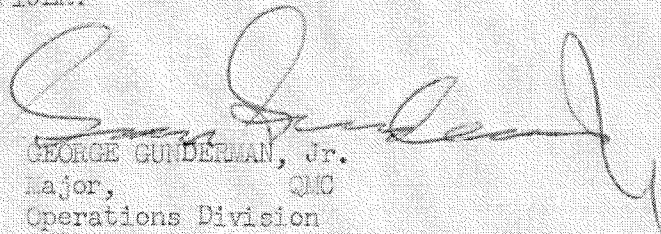
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(Liege), US Army, 27 June 1951

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

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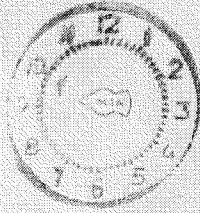
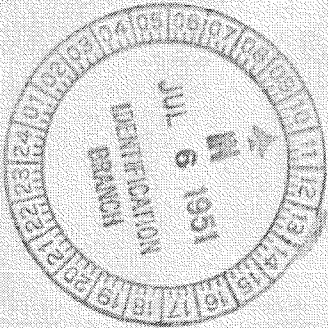
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Major, QMG  
Operations Division

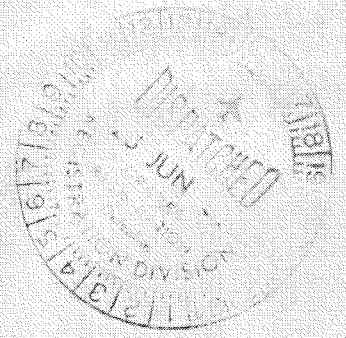
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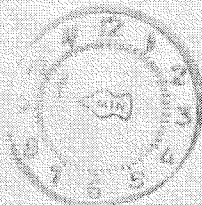
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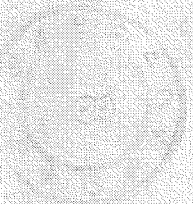
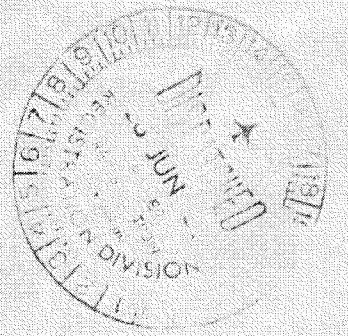
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HEADQUARTERS  
7887 GRAVES REGISTRATION DETACHMENT  
REGISTRATION DIVISION  
APO 757 (Liege) US ARMY

GRRE 293.9 (IB)

12 April 1950

SUBJECT: Request for Information

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

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1. Reference is made to OCM Form 371 pertaining to  
Cpl. Robert S. HART, 32 315 093, KIA 19 October 1944.

2. It is requested that all available data contained  
in records your office, including Status Review and Deter-  
mination Report and After Action Report, be forwarded this  
headquarters as a possible aid in resolving this case.

3. Further action withheld pending receipt of addition-  
al information.

FOR THE COMMANDING OFFICER:

JAMES C. MacFARLAND  
Major OMC  
Registration Division



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

19 June 1951

QICMU 293  
Hart, Robert S.  
SN 32 315 093

SUBJECT: Nonrecoverable Remains

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FOR THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL:

  
BENJAMIN E. KING  
Lt Col QIC  
Memorial Division

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MAIL & TELEGRAPH SERVICE



From: Flight Lieutenant H.P. Masse, M.B.E.,  
Royal Air Force Liaison Officer,  
Hq American Graves Registration Command,  
(European Area),  
Avenue de la Croix Rouge,  
Bressoux, Liege, Belgium.

To: Imperial War Graves Commission,      Copy to: I.W.G.C., Brussels  
Woburn House,  
Woburn Green,  
High Wycombe, Bucks. England.

Ref: AGRC/Gen/Air.

Date: 28th September, 1950.

MIERLO BRITISH MILITARY CEMETERY - HOLLAND.

According to information in the possession of A.G.R.C., a casualty originally buried in Grave No. 174 in Deurne Cemetery, Holland, may well be a missing U.S. Service man. The remains are stated to have been transferred to MIERLO British Military Cemetery, Holland.

2. A perusal of the list in my possession does not give any lead to such a concentration as these are not recorded. Could you please check the Concentration reports in your possession and, if the casualty is not identified as British, please authorise a joint exhumation with permission to remove the body if identified as a U.S. casualty.

3. If, on the other hand, you have no record of the concentration, I will suggest that A.G.R.C. make a further search in the cemetery.

/s/t/ (H.P. MASSE) FLT/LT  
R.A.F.L.O., A.G.R.C.  
BRESSOUX, LIEGE, BELG.

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C O P Y

IMPERIAL WAR GRAVES COMMISSION

Woodburn House, Woodburn Green

High Wycombe, Bucks

4 Dec 1950

Ref SWD/IS/273

Sir,

I am directed to refer to your letter (AGHC Gen/Air) of 28 Sept 50, and to say that no records of a removal from grave # 174, Deurne Cemetery, by a unit of the British Army Graves Service has been traced.

I am to add that it has not proved possible to trace the removal of any unidentified casualties from Deurne.

I am, Sir

Your obedient Servant

for Secretary

Flt/Lt H.P. Masse, M.B.E.  
Liege, Belgium.

*J.P.M.*

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Mr. Kamons - Holland 9425

ENCLOSURE (if any)

DISPOSITION FORM

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FILE NO.

SUBJECT: Remains from grave # 174 - Deurne

TO: Chief, Cas Cl Br FROM: Flt/Lt H. P. Masse DATE: 8 Dec 50 COMMENT NO. 1  
Liaison Officer

Herewith IWGC letter dtd 4 Dec 1950, Ref SMD/IS/273.

From this reply it would appear that your information concerning the removal of the remains from grave # 174 at Deurne is unfounded and it is suggested that if you have no record of the removal by AGRC that the body may still be in situ.

/s/t/ H.P. MASSE, Flt. Lt.  
R.A.F.L.O., AGRC, EA

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

NARRATIVE OF INVESTIGATION

I. AUTHORITY:

In compliance with instruction contained in I.D. #606 dated 11 January 1951, an investigation was conducted in the vicinity of DEURNE (3/E-63) Holland, in an effort to recover the remains of Cpl Robert S. HART, 32 315 093.

II. FACTS & CIRCUMSTANCES:

The above listed decedent was a member of Co. "C" 33 rd Armored Engineer Bn, and was reported killed in action on 19 October 1944 in Holland. A previous investigation was negative, however, it was revealed that an American remains was supposedly interred in the Deurne communal Cemetery, and had been removed by British Authorities. An inquiry to the I.W.G.C. failed to reveal a disinterment of Grave #174.

III. FINDINGS:

A visit was made to the town hall of Deurne, which is also the town hall for the surrounding district. A search of the records revealed that a # 174 does exist. Questioning of the town officials revealed that the # 174 does not refer to a grave number, but is a number in a numerical sequence. Immediately after the cessation of hostilities in that area, the officials sent out forms to all inhabitants of the district asking them to record any isolated graves of which they had knowledge. As these forms were returned to Deurne they were assigned a number by the town hall in Deurne. One set of records shows that # 174 was an unknown American buried at # L 225, Loon, Holland. L 225 refers to the house number in the community of Loon. Another set of records showed that numbers 172 through 175 were unknown Germans buried at L 225 Loon. A visit was made to L 225 Loon, Holland. It was revealed that the former owner had died, but a neighbor who lived there in 1944 was contacted. He stated that to the best of his knowledge there were four unknown Germans interred in the yard at L. 225, Loon, Holland. The Town Hall at Deurne has furnished a certificate stating that their records show that no American graves exist in their district, and that #174 refers to their own numerical sequence, and not to a grave.

IV. CONCLUSIONS:

From the evidence presented above, it is concluded that:

Narrative of Investigation (Cont'd)

- a) Grave # 174 never existed in the communal cemetery in Deurne.
- b) That the remains buried in the yard of L. 225, Loon were German.
- c) The remains of Cpl HART are not buried in the district of Deurne.

V. RECOMMENDATIONS:

It is recommended that the remains of Cpl. Robert S. Hart, ASN 32 315 093 be declared non-recoverable.

s/THEODORE R. PETERSON  
2nd Lt, QMC



AIR MAIL

FORM 253

1st Ind

Hart, Robert S.

US 32215093

Request for Information

Dept. of the Army, GOMG, Washington 25, D. C., 24 May 1950

To: Commanding Officer, 7587 Cannon Registration Detachment,  
APO 757, c/o Postmaster, New York, New York

Submitted herewith is a copy of the After Action Report for the  
3rd Armored Engineer Battalion, which is all of the information avail-  
able surrounding the death of Cpl. Robert S. Hart, US 32215093.

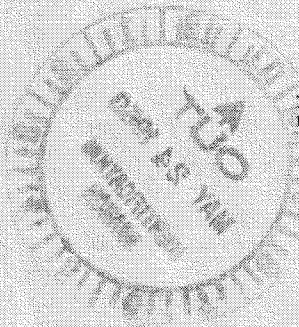
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Memorial Division

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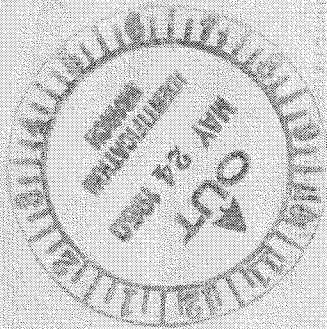


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1 NO.	2 FROM--	3 TO--	4 DATE	5 MESSAGE
1	Search Info Sec Ident Br Mem Div  HOSPIL	OQMG Liaison Pentagon Major Sekowski	24 Apr 1950	Request all available information surrounding the disappearance of:  Hart, Robert S. 32315093  Ref. Ltr #578  <i>H</i> HOSPIL 72000
2	QM-Pent Liaison Admin Br Mem Div	Search Info Sec Ident Br Mem Div	18 May 1950	Inclosed herewith all the information available, which was obtained from DPRB 201 Files; AGO Casualty Files and Army Ground Forces Historical Files, pertain- ing to the death of Corporal Robert S. Hart, 32,315,093, of Company "C", 33rd Armored Engineer Battalion.  <i>E.J.A.</i> SEKOWSKI 6679  <i>E.M.D.</i> DYER 73090  FILE MAY 23 1950 Identification Branch

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NAME: HART, Robert S. ASN: 98315 093 RANK: CPL.

PHYSICAL AT TIME OF INDUCTION: DATE 14 APRIL 1942

RACE: WHITE

RELIGION: Protestant

FRANCHISES AND/OR SCARS: NONE

BORN: 10 DEC 1914

PLACE: Philipsport, N.Y.

WEIGHT: 127

TATTOOS AND/OR BIRTH MARKS: NONE

HEIGHT: 5ft. 4in.

EYES: BLUE

HAIR: BROWN

FORM 99'S: NONE

COMPLEXION: BENNETTE

SHOE SIZE: 7 D

DENTAL 14 APRIL 1942

	<u>Right</u>								<u>Left</u>							
Upper	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Lower	16	15	14	13	12	11	10	9	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16

*OK*

Teeth: Indicate restorable carious teeth by circling; nonrestorable carious teeth by /; missing natural teeth by X.

ORGANIZATION: Co. "C" 33<sup>rd</sup> Arm'd Engr Bn.

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

## REPORT OF DEATH

DATE 9 Aug 45 mw

FULL NAME <b>Hart Robert S</b>				ARMY SERIAL NUMBER <b>32 315 093</b>				GRADE <b>Cpl.</b>					
HOME ADDRESS <b>Simmittville, New, York</b>				ARM OF SERVICE <b>Corps Engineers</b>				DATE OF BIRTH <b>10 Dec 14</b>					
PLACE OF DEATH <b>European Area</b>				CAUSE OF DEATH <b>Killed in action</b>				DATE OF DEATH <b>19 Oct 44</b>					
STATION OF DECEASED <b>European Area</b>				DATE OF ENTRY ON CURRENT ACTIVE SERVICE <b>14 Apr <del>43</del> 42</b>				LENGTH OF SERVICE FOR PAY PURPOSES					
								YEARS		MONTHS		DAYS	
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Ref. Hart, Robert S., Cpl, 32,315,063, KIA 19 Oct 1944  
Co "C", 33rd Armd Engineer Bn

AFTER ACTION REPORT

33RD ARMORED ENGINEER BATTALION

On 18 and 19th October 1944 the first platoon of Company "C", 33rd Armd Engineer Battalion, performed outpost duty at Liejel, Holland, and the second and third platoons moved to an assembly area at Vrelswijk, Holland to establish an assault crossing with infantry at 707181.

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REQUEST THIS OFFICE BE FURNISHED ALL AVAILABLE DETAIL DENTAL  
 INFORMATION AND WILLIAM DOG AGO FORMS TWO TWO FOR TARE SLASH FIVE  
 MARTIAL J ROUSSEL CMA THREE ONE THREE ONE NINEFOUR EIGHT NINE SMCLN  
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 THREE SMCLN PFC MELVIN V ROSSON CMA THREE THREE TWO TWO NINE FIVE  
 SEVEN THREE SMCLN PFC MELVIN L HARRIS CMA THREE NINE SEVEN TWO FOUR  
 TWO THREE TWO SMCLN PVT WILLIAM F STEIN CMA ONE FIVE THREE FIVE NINE  
 ZERO ONE NINE SMCLN TARE SLASH FIVE SEYMOUR CRSHAN FOUR TWO ZERO  
 ZERO SIX FOUR ONE TWO SMCLN CPL JOHN W HURD CMA THREE NINE NINE ZERO  
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 Capt., QMC  
 Identification Branch



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COPIES 293  
GRS (European)

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 3197 dated 1 June 1949.
2. All available dental information on T/5 Seymour Orshan, 12006412 and Cpl. John W. Hurd, 39900006 was forwarded to your headquarters per letter this Office dated 7 June 1949, file JAMES 293, GRS (European), Subject: Additional Information.

3. Forms 79 are submitted for the following:

Hart, Robert S.	Cpl.	32 315 093
Lonio, Frank R.	Pvt.	32 674 064
Russler, Victor J.	T/4	37 272 250
Roussel, Marital J.	T/5	31 315 489

4. Dental chart at induction dated 15 January 1942 for Pfc. Melvin L. Harris, 39721232 shows teeth missing R-5, 10, L-16. Forms 79 not on file.

5. Dental chart at induction dated 4 November 1942 for Melvin V. Rosson, 33229573 shows no teeth missing, no teeth filled. Forms 79 not on file.

6. WD AGO Form 185 dated 1 June 1943 for William F. Stein, 15359019 shows teeth missing R-5, 10, L-8, 16. No Forms 79 on file.

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F. H. MITZ  
Lt. Colonel, USG  
Memorial Division

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IDENTIFICATION SECTION  
MEMORIAL DIVISION

IDENTIFICATION DATA

LAST NAME - FIRST NAME - MIDDLE INITIAL <i>Hart, Robert S</i>			ARMY SERIAL NUMBER <i>32315093</i>		GRADE <i>Col.</i>
HEIGHT <i>5 ft. 4 in</i>	WEIGHT <i>127</i>	COLOR EYES <i>Blue</i>	COLOR HAIR <i>Brown</i>	SHOE SIZE <i>7-D</i>	DATE OF DEATH <i>19 Oct 40</i>

LAST ORGANIZATION TO WHICH ATTACHED OR ASSIGNED (Give complete designation)  
*Co C, 33rd Armd Engr Bn*

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

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

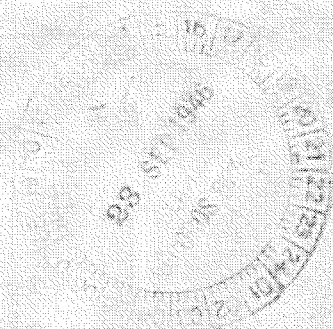
STATION	DATES
<i>Ft. Dix, N.J.</i>	<i>24 Apr 42 - 24 Apr 42</i>
<i>Ft. McClellan, Ala</i>	<i>24 Apr 42 - 19 June 42</i>
<p>F. S. M. W. AGO CLINICAL RECORDS BRANCH NO RECORDS ON FILE</p>	

FRACTURES AND/OR BREAKS	TATTOOS AND/OR BIRTH MARKS
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*none missing* DENTAL CHART *14 Apr 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
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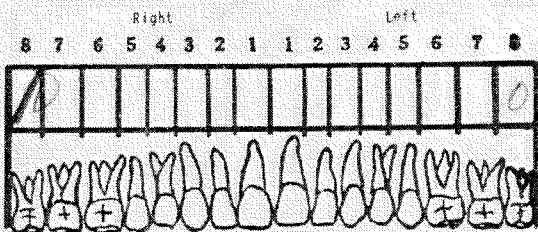




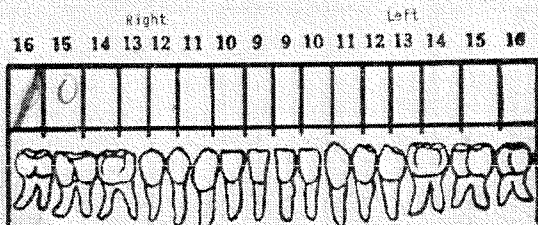
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UPPER TEETH



LOWER TEETH



CLASS I

Occlusion fair : Calculus: Slight, Medium, Heavy

Periodontoclasia no

Dental foci suspected: Yes No

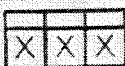
Other conditions

Date 5th April, 19 44

William S. Morris  
Dental Corps, U.S.A.

\*Restorable carious teeth by 0  
Nonrestorable carious teeth by /  
Missing natural teeth by X

Teeth replaced by denture  
(horizontal line)



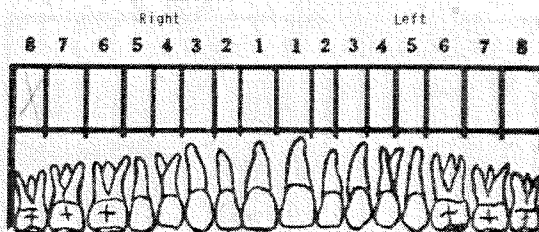
Teeth replaced by fixed bridge  
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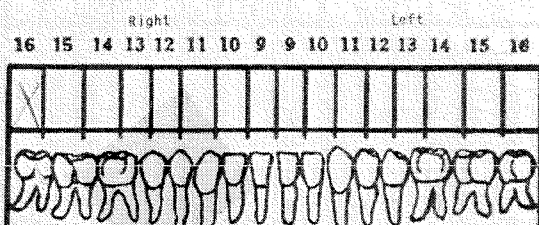
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UPPER TEETH



LOWER TEETH



CLASS IV

Occlusion normal : Calculus: Slight, Medium, Heavy

Periodontoclasia no

Dental foci suspected: Yes No

Other conditions

Date 9 June, 19 44

Richard S. Wichey  
Dental Corps, U.S.A.

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Nonrestorable carious teeth by /  
Missing natural teeth by X

Teeth replaced by denture  
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ON ROBERT S HART 32315093 DENTAL CHART AT INDCTM 14  
42 NO TEETH MISSING NO TEETH FILLED 2 FORMS 79 BEING SENT

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32315-093  
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WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON 25, D. C.

MAY 1947

In Reply Refer To  
OQMG 293  
**Hart, Robert S.**  
SN 32 315 093

SUBJECT: Additional Information That May Lead to the Recovery  
and Identification of Remains Not Yet Accounted For

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

1. There is attached hereto, in duplicate, OQMG Form 371  
(covering all available information in the Office of The Quartermaster  
General and is in addition to any previous information forwarded by  
this office to your headquarters) for the following deceased individual:

<u>NAME</u>	<u>GRADE</u>	<u>SERIAL NO.</u>
<b>Hart, Robert S.</b>	<b>Spl.</b>	<b>32 315 093</b>

2. It is requested that information on the above deceased be  
furnished this office in accordance with the provisions of radio, this  
headquarters, No. WOL 37087, dated 13 December 1946.

FOR THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL:

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Major, OQMG  
Memorial Division

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## DATA ON REMAINS NOT YET RECOVERED OR IDENTIFIED

NAME (Last, First, Middle Initial) <b>Hart, Robert S.</b>		GRADE <b>Spl.</b>	PRESENT SERIAL NUMBER <b>32 315 093</b>	
ORGANIZATION <b>Co. HQ 3rd Armd. Infr. Bn.</b>	RACE <b>White</b>	CREED <b>Prot.</b>	FORMER SERIAL NUMBER (If applicable)	
DATE OF DEATH <b>MIA</b> <b>19 Oct. 44</b>	CAUSE OF DEATH <b>MIA</b>	PLACE OF DEATH OR PLACE LAST SEEN IF MIA <b>European Area</b>		
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<b>DENTAL CHART</b> <span style="float: right;"><b>14 April 42</b></span>				
UPPER RIGHT  8 7 6 5 4 3 2 1		UPPER LEFT  1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8		
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X = Extracted		O = Carious		1 = Carious Non-Restorable
FRACTURES AND/OR BREAKS		TATTOOS AND/OR BIRTHMARK		
ADDITIONAL INFORMATION  <b>Age: 30</b> <b>MIA near Dinschen, Holland.</b>				

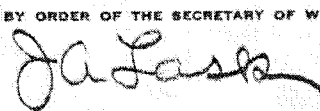


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