

# INDIVIDUAL DECEASED PERSONNEL FILE

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TO: Mr. E S Priest RFD, Trimble, Tenn

(20 March 1945)

The authorized inscription for a Government headstone of the general type (furnished for all decedents except those who served only during the Civil and Spanish-American Wars) includes: (1) The State from which the veteran came; (2) religious emblem in a small circle above the inscription on the face of the headstone; and (3) the dates of birth and death.

In order that the appropriate information, as desired by the next of kin, may be shown on the headstone for the decedent whose name is listed below, it is requested that you fill in the proper spaces indicated below the data called for, and RETURN THIS FORM PROMPTLY TO THE

Supt.,

Memphis National Cemetery 3569 Jackson Ave.,

Superintendent of Cemetery or Commanding Officer of Post

If this form is not returned to the Superintendent within fifteen (15) days from date of mailing, the headstone will be ordered with the data as to religious emblem, State and date of birth inscribed thereon as shown in the official records, and NO CHANGE WILL BE MADE AT A LATER DATE AT GOVERNMENT EXPENSE.

To be filled in by Superintendent or Commanding Officer
Name of Veteran GRADY P PRIEST - 34192098
Rank, etcT/5
Grave or lot No Gr. 5672; Section - H
Date of death 5 Nov 1944
Date buried 14 Nov 1947
To be filled in by Next of Kin
State desired Jannessee
Religious emblem desired He was an Ordained Reacher of The assembly of God (Latin Cross for Christian Faith, Star of David for Hebrew Faith)
Date of birth March 1, 1914
Address of kin Trimble, Tennessee
Signature Mrs. Dora Priest Date Nov. 19, 1947
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MEMPHIS GENERAL DEPOT, MEMPHIS. TENNESSEE

ROUTINE 12 NOVEMBER 1947

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REMAINS CONSIGNED TO:

NEMPHIS NATIONAL CEMETERY

MEMPHIS, TENNESSEE

REMAINS OF THE LATE TECHNICIAN FIFTH GRADE GRADY P PRIEST ASN 34192098 WILL BE DELIVERED TO YOU BY MOTOR FOURTEEN NOVEMBER AT APPROXIMATELY ELEVEN THIRTY AM BY THIS DEPOT ACCOMPANIED BY ESCORT STAFF SERGEANT WILLIAM A BONHAM. REQUEST YOU MAKE ARRANGEMENTS TO ACCEPT REMAINS UPON DELIVERY.

CAPTAIN, QMC

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cc: Capt Wardlow Decedent File National Cometery File CHARLES M OURSEALDER CAPTAIN, GAC

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\*NOTE.—Page 4 is part of the notarial attestation.

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T/5 Grady P. Priest, 34 192 098
Plot Q, Row 1, Grave 2,
United States Military Cemetery
Henri-Chapelle, Belgium

24 April 1947

Mr. Edward S. Priest Rural Free Delivery #1 Trimble, Tennessee

Dear Mr. Priest:

Reference is made to the inclosed form "Request for Disposition of Remains" signed by you. This form is being returned to you for correction of those parts circled in red.

In making the necessary changes please do not erase any of the information already on the form but draw a line through the incorrect information and enter the correction just above.

Your promptness in returning the corrected form will avoid further delay.

Sincerely,

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RICHARD B. COOMBS Major, CMC Memorial Division

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3 March 1947

Mr. Edward S. Priest Rural Free Delivery #1 Trimble, Tennessee

Dear Mr. Priest:

The people of the United States, through the Congress have authorized the disinterment and final burial of the heroic dead of World War II. The Quartermaster General of the Army has been entrusted with this sacred responsibility to the honored dead. The records of the War Department indicate that you may be the nearest relative of the above-named deceased, who gave his life in the service of his country.

The enclosed pamphlets, "Disposition of World War II Armed Forces Dead," and "American Cemeteries," explain the disposition, options and services made available to you by your Government. If you are the next of kin according to the line of kinship as set forth in the enclosed pamphlet, "Disposition of World War II Armed Forces Dead," you are invited to express your wishes as to the disposition of the remains of the deceased by completing Part I of the enclosed form "Request for Disposition of Remains." Should you desire to relinquish your rights to the next in line of kinship, please complete Part II of the enclosed form. If you are not the next of kin, please complete Part III of the enclosed form.

If you should elect Option 2, it is advised that no funeral arrangements or other personal arrangements be made until you are further notified by this office.

Will you please complete the enclosed form, "Request for Disposition of Remains" and mail in the enclosed self-addressed envelope, which requires no postage, within 30 days after its receipt by you? Its prompt return will avoid unmecessary delays.

Sincerely,

Enclosures

1. Pamphlet (Options)

2. Disposition Form

3. Envelope

4. Pamphlet (Cometeries)

THOMAS B. LARKIN Major General

The Quartermaster General

QMGMR 293 Priest, Grady P. A.S.N. 34 192 098

15 Jamary 1947

Mr. Edward S. Priest Rural Free Delivery #1 Trimble, Tennessee

Dear Mr. Priest:

Inclosed herewith is a picture of the United States Military Cemetery Henri-Chapelle, Belgium, in which your son, the late Technician Fifth Grade Grady P. Priest, is buried.

It is my sincere hope that you may gain some solace from this view of the surroundings in which your loved one rests. As you can see, this is a place of simple dignity, nest and well cared for. Here, assured of continuous care, now rest the remains of a few of those heroic dead who fell together in the service of our country.

This cemetery will be maintained as a temporary resting place until, in accordance with the wishes of the next of kin, all remains are either placed in permanent American cemeteries oversess or returned to the Homeland for final burial.

FOR THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL:

Sincerely yours,

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G. A. HOREAN Brigadier General, QMC Assistant

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Priest, Grady P.

193 Priest, Grady & 11 June 1946

Mr. Edward S. Priest Rural Free Delivery #1 Trimble, Tennessee

Dear Mr. Priest:

The War Department is most desirous that you be furnished information regarding the burial location of your son, the late Technician Fifth Grade Grady P. Priest, A.S.N. 34 192 098.

The records of this office disclose that his remains are interred in the U.S. Military Cemetery, Henri-Chapelle, Belgium, plot Q, row 1, grave 2.

This cemetery is located approximately seven miles southwest of Aachen, Germany, five miles northwest of Eupen and eight miles east of Liege, both in Belgium, and is under the constant care and supervision of United States military personnel.

The War Department has now been authorized to comply, at Government expense, with your feasible wishes regarding final interment, here or abroad, of the remains of your loved one. At a later date, this office will, without any action on your part provide you with full information and solicit your detailed desires.

Please accept my sincere sympathy in your great loss.

Sincerely yours,

T. B. LARKIN
Major General
The Quartermaster General

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WASHINGTON 25, D. C.

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Mr. Edward S. Priest R. D. # 1 Trimble, Tommessee

Dear Mr. Priest:

The Army Effects Bureau has received from overseas some personal effects of your son, Technician Fifth Grade Grady P. Priest.

I am inclosing a check for \$3.21, representing funds which belonged to him. The remainder of the property is 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,

C. B. QUINN 2nd Lt., QMC Chief, Files Branch

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IN REPLY REFER TO 304582

Mr. Edward S. Priest Rural Free Delivery #1 Trimble, Tennessee

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Dear Mr. Priest:

The Army Effects Bureau has received from overseas some personal property of your son, Technician Fifth Grade . Grady P. Trimble, consisting of one paybook, a billfold, two pencils, a Testament, some photos, papers, and souvenir money.

To make proper disposition of this property, it is necessary that we have certain information regarding your son's family. I would like to know whether he was married and, if so, the name and address of his widow.

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

I regret to advise that all of your son's effects blease sent were received here in a damaged condition, apparently by moisture. Please say whether you want these items sent you, there or in the event you are determined the appropriate recipient.

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

Sincerely yours,

HARRY NIETIEC Primine

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