



# INDIVIDUAL DECEASED PERSONNEL FILE

RE: RAINBOW, EARL L.

NOTE: BE SURE TO ENCLOSE THIS DOCUMENT (OR A COPY) IF YOU WRITE TO US AGAIN ON THIS SUBJECT. OUR ADDRESS IS:  
 COMMANDER, U.S. TOTAL ARMY PERSONNEL COMMAND, ATTN: TAPC-PED-F, ALEXANDRIA, VIRGINIA 22331-0482

ENCLOSED, AS REQUESTED, IS A COMPLETE COPY OF \_\_\_\_\_ INDIVIDUAL  
 DECEASED PERSONNEL FILE. THIS IS ALL THE INFORMATION WE HAVE.

\_\_\_\_ ENCLOSED, AS REQUESTED, IS/ARE THE DOCUMENT(S) YOU SEEK ON THE ABOVE  
 INDIVIDUAL(S) FROM HIS/THEIR INDIVIDUAL DECEASED PERSONNEL FILE(S).

\_\_\_\_ ENCLOSED ARE TWO COPIES OF THE REPORT OF DEATH. THIS WAS THE ONLY  
 DOCUMENT ISSUED AS PROOF OF DEATH FOR A SERVICEMEMBER DURING WORLD WAR II AND THE  
 KOREAN WAR. THE DOCUMENTS BEAR THE RAISED SEAL OF THIS COMMAND ATTESTING TO THEIR  
 AUTHENTICITY.

\_\_\_\_ REPEATED ATTEMPTS TO OBTAIN INDIVIDUAL DECEASED PERSONNEL FILE(S) FOR THE OTHER  
 INDIVIDUALS FROM THE WASHINGTON NATIONAL RECORDS CENTER WERE UNSUCCESSFUL;  
 THEREFORE, WE ARE UNABLE TO PROVIDE THE INFORMATION YOU REQUESTED.

\_\_\_\_ WE HAVE AN ALPHABETICAL LISTING OF AMERICAN SOLDIERS WHO DIED OVERSEAS DURING  
 WORLD WAR II. THE INDIVIDUAL(S) ABOVE ARE NOT LISTED. IF HE/THEY SURVIVED THE WAR  
 AND WAS/ WERE DISCHARGED, RETIRED, OR DIED IN THIS COUNTRY, WE WOULD NOT KNOW  
 HIS/THEIR STATUS.

\_\_\_\_ INFORMATION CONCERNING AWARDS AND DECORATIONS MAY BE AVAILABLE FROM THE COMMANDER,  
 U.S. ARMY RESERVE PERSONNEL CENTER, ATTN: AARP-PAS-A, 9700 PAGE BOULEVARD,  
 ST. LOUIS, MISSOURI 63132-5200. PLEASE ADDRESS YOUR REQUEST TO THAT OFFICIAL.

THE FOLLOWING AGENCIES MIGHT HAVE INFORMATION ON SERVICE RECORDS AND MEDICAL  
 RECORDS. THE PRIVACY ACT MAY PREVENT THEM FROM RELEASING ANY INFORMATION.

NATIONAL PERSONNEL RECORDS CENTER  
 9700 PAGE BOULEVARD  
 ST. LOUIS, MISSOURI 63132-5200

\_\_\_\_ DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY  
 BUREAU OF MEDICINE & SURGERY (332)  
 OFFICE OF DECEDENT AFFAIRS  
 23D & E STREETS, NORTHWEST  
 WASHINGTON, DC 20372-5120

DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS  
 810 VERMONT AVENUE, NORTHWEST  
 WASHINGTON, DC 20420

\_\_\_\_ INFORMATION ABOUT ACTIVITIES OF UNITS OR AIRCRAFT LOST IN COMBAT MAY BE OBTAINED  
 BY WRITING TO:

\_\_\_\_ U.S. AIR FORCE HISTORIAN  
 HQ USAF/CHOR  
 BOLLING AFB  
 WASHINGTON, DC 20332-6098

\_\_\_\_ AIR FORCE HISTORICAL RESEARCH AGENCY  
 MAXWELL AFB, ALABAMA 36112-6677

\_\_\_\_ COMMENTS: WE HAVE RECEIVED YOUR REQUEST(S), AND WE HAVE ORDERED THE FILE(S) FROM  
 OUR ARCHIVES. YOU MAY EXPECT AN ANSWER ON OR ABOUT MAY 1996. OUR REDUCED  
 STAFFING, AND INCREASE IN WORKLOAD, MAKE IT IMPOSSIBLE TO ANSWER YOUR REQUEST  
 SOONER. FUTURE REQUESTS FOR FILES SHOULD BE LIMITED TO NO MORE THAN FIVE SOLDIERS  
 PER REQUEST, PER MONTH. THANK YOU FOR YOUR PATIENCE.

\_\_\_\_ ITEMS OF PERSONAL INFORMATION PERTAINING TO PERSONS OTHER THAN THE DECEASED HAVE BEEN  
 REDACTED FROM THE MATERIAL PROVIDED IN ORDER TO PROTECT THEIR PRIVACY.

CASE MANAGER: \_\_\_\_\_

*free*  
 GISELA M. COURDUFF  
 Master Sergeant, USA

October 25, 1994

John F. Manning  
Assistant Chief  
Mortuary Affairs & Casualty Support Division  
Department of Army  
Alexandria, Va 22331-0482

Dear Sir:

I am seeking complete military service records of 2nd. Lt. Earl Lee Rainbow ( 0526982) who was killed on November 2, 1944 during the Battle of the Bulge in Holland.

I know that he was with the <sup>7th</sup> Armored Infantry Division at the time of his death.

Your assistance in the furnishing me with copies of his complete military records whould be greatly appreciated.

Should there be any expense please advise and I will return money for your expenses immediately.

I am the niece of Lt. Rainbow and desire this information for family records.

Thank you in advance for your assistance in this matter,

*Edna Rainbow Hackler*  
(Mrs) Edna Rainbow Hackler  
P.O. Box 1085  
Kingston, Oklahoma 73439

Mr. Manning I am particulary interested in how my uncles death happened and where was he fataly wounded.

# RECEIPT OF REMAINS NY-006-R

DISTRIBUTION CENTER

FORT WORTH QUARTERMASTER DEPOT, FORT WORTH, TEXAS

ROUTINE

REMAINS CONSIGNED TO: BEN V. HUNTER FUNERAL DIRECTOR

2127 SOUTH HARVEY

OKLAHOMA CITY, OKLAHOMA

REMAINS OF LATE SECOND LIEUTENANT EARL L RAINEOW SERIAL NUMBER

0-526982 BEING SHIPPED TO YOU ACCOMPANIED BY MILITARY ESCORT  
ON TRAIN NUMBER SIX SANTA FE RAILROAD LEAVING FORT WORTH EIGHT

A M MAY 18 AND DUE TO ARRIVE OKLAHOMA CITY STATION

TWELVE FIFTY P M RAILROAD TIME MAY 18 . REQUEST

YOU MAKE ARRANGEMENTS TO ACCEPT REMAINS AT STATION UPON ARRIVAL

AND THAT YOU IMMEDIATELY PASS THIS INFORMATION ON TO NEXT OF

KIN.

DUANE H. HALLETT

1ST LT USAF

MAY 14 1948

I, THE UNDERSIGNED, DO HEREBY ACKNOWLEDGE RECEIPT OF THE REMAINS OF THE ABOVE NAMED DECEASED

THIS 18 DAY OF May, 19 48

William J. Probst

WITNESS (Escort)

1st Lt

Ben V. Hunter

CONSIGNEE

RECEIVED  
MAY 19 1948  
REPT. DIVISION  
RECORDS BRANCH  
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NY-006-R DISINTERMENT DIRECTIVE

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SECTION A - NAME AND BURIAL LOCATION OF DECEASED				DIRECTIVE NUMBER 1240 12516		DATE 15 11 47 DAY MONTH YEAR	
NAME RAINBOW EARL L				SERIAL NUMBER 0-526982		RANK 2 LT	
CEMETERY HENRI CHAPELLE - EUPEN				ARM 1		DATE OF DEATH DAY MONTH YEAR 1 8400 10 CODE DIST. PT.	
PLOT S		ROW GRAVE 6 113		COUNTRY BELGIUM		CAUSE OF DEATH 1	

SECTION B - CONSIGNEE AND NEXT OF KIN

NAME AND ADDRESS OF CONSIGNEE BEN V. HUNTER (FUNERAL DIRECTOR) 2427 SOUTH HARVEY OKLAHOMA CITY, OKLAHOMA		NAME AND ADDRESS OF NEXT OF KIN MAUDE V. RAINBOW (MOTHER) 329 SOUTHEAST 22ND STREET OKLAHOMA CITY, OKLAHOMA	
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SECTION C - DISINTERMENT AND IDENTIFICATION

NAME RAINBOW EARL L		SERIAL NUMBER 0-526982		RANK 2 LT		DATE OF DEATH 2 NOV 1944		DATE DISTINTERRED 30 OCT 1947	
IDENTIFICATION TAG ON <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> REMAINS <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> MARKER		ORGANIZATION USAGF		RELIGION P		IDENTIFICATION VERIFIED BY WALTER POINSKI, 1ST LT. 562 QM SV CO. NAME AND TITLE IN			

SECTION D - PREPARATION OF REMAINS FOR SHIPMENT

NATURE OF BURIAL MATTRESS COVER AND UNIFORM		CONDITION OF REMAINS UPPER EXTREMITIES AND LEFT FOOT DIS- ARTICULATED. SKULL FRACTURED.	
OTHER MEANS OF IDENTIFICATION NO CONFLICTING EVIDENCE.			

MINOR DISCREPANCIES 1

NONE FOUND.

REMAINS PREPARED AND PLACED IN CASKET

DATE 31 OCT 1947 BY ELIJAH H FIELDS, IDENT TECH.

CASKET SEALED BY ELIJAH H FIELDS, IDENT TECH.	EMBALMER (Signature) ELIJAH H FIELDS, IDENT TECH. POS. PROVISIONAL.
CASKET BOXED AND MARKED DATE 31 OCT 47 BY FRANCIS H BENSON CLERK RECORDER	SHIPPING ADDRESS VERIFIED BY ELIJAH H FIELDS, IDENT TECH.

I hereby certify that all the foregoing operations were conducted and accomplished under my immediate supervision and that the report above is correct.

RAYMOND G JOHNSON, 1ST LT INF.  
SIGNATURE OF GRS INSPECTOR

1 Prepare Discrepancy Report QMC Form 1194a for major discrepancies.

FORT WORTH QUARTERMASTER DEPOT, FORT WORTH, TEXAS

MAUD V. RAINBOW

329 SOUTH EAST 22ND STREET

OKLAHOMA CITY, OKLAHOMA

REFERENCE YOUR TELEGRAM REMAINS OF THE LATE LT EARL L RAINBOW TENTATIVELY  
SCHEDULED TO DEPART THIS DEPOT 17 MAY.

<b>MESSAGEFORM</b>		MESSAGE CENTER NO.	TRANSMITTING MEANS	CRYPTOGRAPH OR CLEAR TEXT				
CALLS  V	STA. SER. No.  NR	PRECEDENCE	TRANSMISSION INSTRUCTIONS  <b>DAY LETTER</b>	ORIGINATOR	DATE-TIME GROUP			
ACTION INFORMATION			EXEMPT	OPERATING SIGNALS	GROUP COUNT  GR			
SPACE ABOVE FOR SIGNAL CENTER ONLY								
FROM: (Originator) Ft. Worth Quartermaster Depot, Ft. Worth 1, Tex			SECURITY CLASSIFICATION					
ACTION TO: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• MAUDE V RAINBOW</li> <li>• 329 SOUTHEAST 22ND STREET</li> <li>• OKLAHOMA CITY OKLAHOMA</li> </ul> INFORMATION TO:  THIS HEADQUARTERS HAS BEEN ADVISED THAT THE REMAINS OF LATE <b>2 LT EARL L RAINBOW</b> ARE ENROUTE TO THE UNITED STATES. RECORDS OF THIS OFFICE INDICATE YOU WISH REMAINS DELIVERED TO <b>BEN V HUNTER</b> <b>FUNERAL DIRECTOR 2427 SOUTH HARVEY OKLAHOMA CITY OKLAHOMA</b> PLEASE INSTRUCT FUNERAL DIRECTOR TO ACCEPT REMAINS AT RAILROAD STATION UPON ARRIVAL. WE REGRET IT IS NOT POSSIBLE AT THIS TIME TO GIVE YOU A DEFINITE DELIVERY DATE HOWEVER THREE DAYS PRIOR TO SHIPMENT FROM THIS DEPOT YOUR FUNERAL DIRECTOR WILL BE NOTIFIED BY TELEGRAM OF RAIL ROUTING AND SCHEDULED TIME REMAINS WILL ARRIVE AT RAILROAD STATION. HE WILL BE REQUESTED TO PASS THIS INFORMATION TO YOU SO THAT YOU MAY MAKE FUNERAL ARRANGEMENTS. REMAINS WILL BE ACCOMPANIED BY MILITARY ESCORT. WITHIN 48 HOURS OF DATE OF THIS MESSAGE PLEASE CONFIRM BY TELEGRAM COLLECT TO FORT WORTH QUARTERMASTER DEPOT ABOVE DELIVERY INSTRUCTIONS OR SUBMIT NEW DELIVERY INSTRUCTIONS. PLEASE BE ADVISED THAT IT WILL NOT BE POSSIBLE TO COMPLY AT GOVERNMENT EXPENSE WITH ANY DESIRED CHANGES IN DELIVERY INSTRUCTIONS RECEIVED AFTER THE EXPIRATION OF THE 48 HOUR PERIOD. YOUR PROMPT COOPERATION WILL GREATLY ASSIST THIS OFFICE IN MAKING FINAL DELIVERY. IF YOU SHOULD DESIRE MILITARY HONORS AT			PRECEDENCE FOR					
			ACTION			INFORMATION		
			<input type="checkbox"/> ORIGINAL MESSAGE REFERS TO ANOTHER MESSAGE IDENTIFICATION CLASSIFICATION					
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# WESTERN UNION

JOSEPH L. EGAN  
PRESIDENT

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FIRST LT DUANE HALLETT AC=

AGR DISTRIBUTION CENTER FT WORTH QUARTERMASTER CORP DEPOT

FTW=

IF POSSIBLE PLEASE SEND INFORMATION AS TO DELAY OF REMAINS OF

SECOND LT EARL L RAINBOW AS HIS BODY ARRIVED IN NEW YORK FIRST

APRIL

MAUD V RAINBOW 329 SOUTH EAST 22.

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329 22..

17 May

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**THE FORT WORTH QUARTERMASTER DEPOT**

**1FTW**

**THIS IS TO CONFIRM DELIVER INSTRUCTIONS OF THE REMAINS OF  
SECOND LT EARL L RAINBOW THEY ARE TO BE DELIVERED TO BEN V  
HUNTER FUNERAL DIRECTOR 2427 SOUTH HARVEY OKLAHOMA CITY OKLA  
MAUD V RAINBOW**

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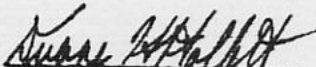
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A TRUE COPY:

  
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Distribution:

Major Cooley

Lt. William L. Norris

Alphabetical file

✓ 293 file

Liaison Officer, Escort Det.

3 June 1948

Mrs. Maud Rainbow and family  
329 SE 22nd Street  
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma

Dear Mrs. Rainbow and family:

I am in receipt of your telegram of May 27th in which you commended Lt. William L. Norris for the manner in which he carried out his duties as a military escort for one of our honored dead, 2nd Lt. Earl L. Rainbow.

The members of the Armed Forces who are chosen for this important mission are of the highest type and have demonstrated outstanding ability in the various services. However, this type of duty is entirely new and of an extremely delicate nature. Your letter of commendation and the many others we have received are indeed gratifying. They not only indicate that the undying debt owed to our valiant dead is recognized but that the personnel of our Armed Forces compare favorably with the finest in any type of organization in the nation.

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If this office can be of assistance to you in the future, do not hesitate to call upon us.

Sincerely yours,

EDWIN D. McCOY  
Colonel, Quartermaster Corps  
Commanding

DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY

~~WAR DEPARTMENT~~

~~GENERAL INVESTIGATIVE~~

~~OFFICE OF THE COMMANDING OFFICER~~

FORT WORTH QUARTERMASTER DEPOT

IN REPLY REFER TO:

QMDP AGR 201-Morris, William L. (0)

FORT WORTH, TEXAS.

3 June 1948

SUBJECT: Transmittal of Telegram of Commendation Re: 1st Lt. William L. Morris

TO: Commanding Officer  
5th FA Group  
Fort Sill, Oklahoma

1. Transmitted herewith is a telegram of commendation in the case of 1st Lt. William L. Morris for inclusion in his personnel file. Lt. Morris is on duty as an escort in the American Graves Registration Division, Fort Worth Quartermaster Depot but he is permanently assigned to Fort Sill where his records are kept.

2. Request acknowledgment of receipt.

FOR THE COMMANDING OFFICER:

1 Incl  
Telegram fr Mrs  
Rainbow dtd 27 May 48

LEWIS A. McAMIS  
1st Lt., QMC  
Assistant to Chief  
AGR Division

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INSPECTION CHECKLIST  
(FOR USE AT OVERSEAS PORT, U.S. PORT, AND DISTRIBUTION CENTER)

NAME RAINBOW, EARL L.		RANK 2 LT	SERIAL NUMBER 0-526982
SOURCE USMC HENRI CHAPELLE * EUPEN, BELGUIM		CONSIGNEE BEN V. HUNTER (FUNERAL DIRECTOR) 2427 SOUTH HARVEY OKLAHOMA CITY, OKLAHOMA	
SHIPPING CASE - General Appearance (Check ONLY Discrepancies)		CONDITION OF SHIPPING CASE (Check one) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> SATISFACTORY <input type="checkbox"/> UNSATISFACTORY	
FINISH (Exterior)		REMARKS	
FINISH (Interior)			
HANDLES			
HANDLE BOLTS			
STENCILING - NAMEPLATE			
HEALTH PERMIT MARKER			
HEALTH PERMIT NUMBER			
CASKET - General Appearance (Check ONLY Discrepancies)		CONDITION OF CASKET (Check one) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> SATISFACTORY <input type="checkbox"/> UNSATISFACTORY	
FINISH (Exterior)		REMARKS	
HANDLES AND FASTENINGS			
STENCILING - NAMEPLATE			
CAM LOCKS (Sealing)			
ODOR OR MOISTURE			
ROUTED THROUGH			
<input type="checkbox"/> MORTUARY OPERATING ROOM		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> REPAIR SHOP	
CONDITION OF REMAINS <input type="checkbox"/> SATISFACTORY <input type="checkbox"/> UNSATISFACTORY		CASKET REPAIRED <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO	
NECESSARY DISINFECTION (Explain)		CASKET EXCHANGED <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NO	
		SHIPPING CASE REPAIRED <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO	
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		REMARKS	
TIME	DATE	SIGNATURE OF MORTICIAN	SIGNATURE OF INSPECTOR
			<i>Stanley P. McCarty</i> STANLEY P. MCCARTY STOREKEEPER
REMARKS			
1300 4-22-45			

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DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY  
~~WAR DEPARTMENT~~  
~~SERVICES OF SUPPLY~~  
~~OFFICE OF THE COMMANDING OFFICER~~  
FORT WORTH QUARTERMASTER DEPOT

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Telegram fr Mrs  
Rainbow dtd 27 May 48

GNKDY 201-Norris, William L. (0) 1st Ind

REA/wjm

HEADQUARTERS, 5TH FIELD ARTILLERY GROUP, Ft Sill, Oklahoma, 8 June 1948.

TO: Commanding Officer, 1st FA Obsn Bn, Ft Sill, Oklahoma.

1 Incl  
n/c



R. E. A.





BASIC: Letter of commendation Re: 1st Lt William L Norris.

GNKDYF 201-Norris, William L. (O) 2d Ind

WMM/

HEADQUARTERS, FIRST FIELD ARTILLERY OBSERVATION BATTALION,  
Fort Sill, Oklahoma, 21 June 1948.

TO: Commanding Officer, 5th Field Artillery Group, Fort Sill,  
Oklahoma.

Receipt acknowledged.

FOR THE COMMANDING OFFICER:

1 Incl  
w/d

*William M Middleton*  
WILLIAM M MIDDLETON  
Captain FA  
Adjutant.

GNKDY 210-Norris, William L. (O) 3rd Ind

REA/rdh

HEADQUARTERS, 5TH FIELD ARTILLERY GROUP, Ft Sill, Oklahoma, 21 June 1948.

TO: Commanding General, The Artillery Center, Ft Sill, Oklahoma.

*R. E. A.*  
R. E. A.

GNKDOP-201-Norris, William L. (O) 4th Ind

BEMc/rr

HEADQUARTERS, THE ARTILLERY CENTER, Fort Sill, Oklahoma, 22 June 1948

TO: Commanding Officer, Fort Worth Quartermaster Depot, Fort Worth, Texas

*E. L. Mc.*  
E. L. Mc.

3 June 1943

Mrs. Maud Rainbow and family  
329 SE 22nd Street  
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma

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Colonel, Quartermaster Corps  
Commanding

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CERTIFICATE

(AR 30-1830)

1. FILL IN EITHER PART A OR PART B: NOT BOTH.
2. USE PART A WHEN INTERMENT IS IN A CIVILIAN OR PRIVATE CEMETERY.
3. USE PART B WHEN REMAINS ARE DELIVERED TO HOME OR OTHER PLACE PRIOR TO BURIAL NATIONAL OR POST CEMETERY.

PAID

J. W. FAULDS

Col., F. D.

F. O., U. S. A.

PART A - CIVILIAN OR PRIVATE CEMETERY

REQUEST FOR REIMBURSEMENT OF INTERMENT EXPENSES

(PLEASE READ EXPLANATION ON REVERSE SIDE BEFORE COMPLETING FORM)

JUN 1948

Fort Worth, Texas  
 COMPONENT  
 Station No. 477  
 Symbol No. 210-500  
 USA

A

NAME OF DECEDENT	GRADE	SERIAL NUMBER
293 RAINBOW, EARL L.	2 LT.	Q-526982

I certify that the sum of \$ 85 was paid by me from personal funds in connection with the interment of the remains of the above named decedent in the below named cemetery.

JUN 2 1948 B7M

INSERT NAME OF CEMETERY	CITY OR COUNTY	STATE
Sunny Lane Cemetery South East 29th Street	Oklahoma City	Oklahoma
INSTRUCTIONS TO PERSON SIGNING THIS FORM 1. Fill in as required and sign four copies. THIS FORM NOT TO BE SIGNED BY FUNERAL DIRECTOR. 2. Return four copies to:  DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY FORT WORTH QUARTERMASTER DEPOT FORT WORTH 1, TEXAS	SIGNATURE OF CLAIMANT	DATE
	Mrs Maudie Rainbow	21 May 1948
	ADDRESS OF CLAIMANT (City, Street or RFD, and State)	
	329 South East 22nd Street Oklahoma City, Oklahoma	
	RELATIONSHIP TO DECEDENT	
	Mother	

PART B - NATIONAL OR POST CEMETERY

REQUEST FOR REIMBURSEMENT OF TRANSPORTATION EXPENSES

(PLEASE READ EXPLANATION ON REVERSE SIDE BEFORE COMPLETING FORM)

B

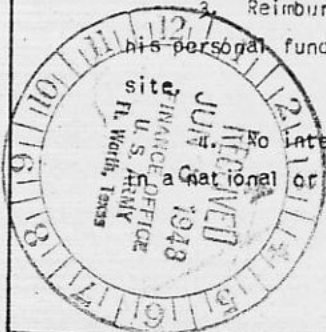
NAME OF DECEDENT	GRADE	SERIAL NUMBER	COMPONENT
I certify that the sum of \$ was paid by me from personal funds in connection with the transportation of the remains of the above named decedent from and to the following places:			
INSERT CITY OR TOWN (OR ADDRESS NOT IN A CITY OR TOWN) FROM WHICH REMAINS WERE SHIPPED	INSERT NAME AND LOCATION OF NATIONAL OR POST CEMETERY TO WHICH REMAINS WERE SHIPPED		
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	ADDRESS OF CLAIMANT (City, Street or RFD, and State)		
	RELATIONSHIP TO DECEDENT		

EXPLANATION OF PART A - CIVILIAN OR PRIVATE CEMETERY

1. When the remains are delivered for interment in a civilian or private cemetery, you are responsible for paying all interment expenses. In this connection, you are entitled to the allowance mentioned in paragraph 2 below.
2. An amount not to exceed \$75 is allowed by the government toward actual interment expenses when final interment of the remains is in a private or civilian cemetery. No allowance is authorized toward interment expenses when interment is in a national or post cemetery.
3. The \$75 maximum allowance by the government toward interment expenses includes but is not limited to the payment of one or more of the following items: hearse hire from the railroad station to your home, the funeral home, church, cemetery, or any other place designated by you; vault; church services; newspaper notices; transportation for friends and relatives to and from cemetery; and the services of a funeral director.
4. Reimbursement by the government is made only to the person who paid from his personal funds the expenses of or incident to interment to a private or civilian cemetery. Receipted bills are not required to accompany this form. Any expenses over and above the \$75 maximum must be borne by the person who incurred or paid the additional expenses.

EXPLANATION OF PART B - NATIONAL OR POST CEMETERY

1. When the remains are delivered to you at government expense prior to burial in a national or post cemetery, you are responsible for all additional expenses necessary to deliver the remains from that point to the national or post cemetery grave site. However, you may be entitled to an allowance for the cost of transporting the remains from your home to the national or post cemetery grave site subject to the conditions outlined in paragraph 2, below.
2. Reimbursement of transportation expenses is allowed only when the cost to the government to deliver the remains to you is LESS than what it would have cost the government to deliver the remains direct to the national or post cemetery of final interment. However, the amount which you may be allowed (the difference between cost of delivery to you and cost of delivery by the government direct to the national or post cemetery) may not exceed the amount actually expended by you to deliver the remains to the cemetery grave site. WHETHER OR NOT YOU WILL BE GRANTED AN ALLOWANCE IS DEPENDENT UPON AN AUDIT OF THIS REQUEST. IN ANY EVENT YOU WILL BE NOTIFIED OF ANY ALLOWANCE DUE YOU BY THE OFFICE TO WHICH THIS FORM IS SENT.
3. Reimbursement by the government will be made only to the person who paid from his personal funds for transporting the remains to the national or post cemetery grave site. No interment expense allowance is authorized since interment is made ultimately at a national or post cemetery.







## PART II - RELINQUISHMENT OF DISPOSITION AUTHORITY

If you are the next of kin and you desire to relinquish your disposition authority, please fill in PART II of this form.

I, THE \_\_\_\_\_, (PLEASE INSERT RELATIONSHIP) \_\_\_\_\_, AS THE NEXT OF KIN OF THE DECEASED NAMED IN PART I OF THIS FORM, DO HEREBY RELINQUISH MY RIGHTS TO DIRECT THE FINAL DISPOSITION OF THE REMAINS OF THE DECEASED. THE NEXT EXISTING PERSON IN THE ORDER OF ELIGIBILITY OF DECEDENT'S SURVIVORS IS:

LAST NAME	FIRST NAME	MIDDLE INITIAL
RELATIONSHIP TO THE DECEASED		
NUMBER AND STREET	CITY OR TOWN	STATE OR COUNTRY

WHOM I UNDERSTAND SHALL HAVE THE RIGHT TO DIRECT FINAL DISPOSITION OF THE REMAINS OF THE DECEASED.

	(DATE)
(SIGNATURE OF NEXT OF KIN)	(STREET AND NUMBER)
(NAME PRINTED OR TYPED)	(CITY AND STATE)

## PART III -

If you are NOT the next of kin authorized to direct the disposition of remains, please fill in PART III of this form.

THIS IS TO NOTIFY YOU THAT I AM NOT THE NEXT OF KIN AUTHORIZED TO DIRECT THE FINAL DISPOSITION OF THE REMAINS OF THE DECEASED NAMED ON PAGE 1 OF THIS FORM. THE FOLLOWING PERSON, TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE, IS THE NEXT OF KIN TO WHOM THIS FORM SHOULD BE DIRECTED.

LAST NAME	FIRST NAME	MIDDLE INITIAL
RELATIONSHIP TO THE DECEASED		
NUMBER AND STREET	CITY OR TOWN	STATE OR COUNTRY

	(DATE)
(SIGNATURE)	(STREET AND NUMBER)
(NAME PRINTED OR TYPED)	(CITY AND STATE)

ADDITIONAL REMARKS AND INSTRUCTIO

All remarks and information entered here will be considered as part of the Notarial Attestation.

I, Mrs. Maude V. Rainbow, as next of Kin to the deceased, due to the facts stated here and in previous correspondence with Major-General Larkin, through the death of my husband the late Earl Dee Rainbow, I attach a copy of his death certificate as proof of his death.



STATE BOARD OF HEALTH  
BUREAU OF VITAL STATISTICS

Oklahoma City, Oklahoma

29-3 Rainbow, Earl D. - 0-5-26982

I, Margaret F. Shackelford

State Registrar of Vital Statistics, do hereby certify the following to be a true

1. (Full Name) Earl Rainbow

on file in THE BUREAU OF VITAL STATISTICS of Oklahoma.

2. PLACE OF DEATH

County of Oklahoma

Registration District No. ....

File No. 55-60202

Township .....

Primary Registration District No. ....

Registered No. 71,565

Village .....

City Oklahoma City

No. Wesley Hospital

St. ....

Ward. ....

(If death occurred in a hospital or institution, give name instead of street and number.) (If non-resident give city, or town or state.)

Length of residence in city or town.....yrs. ....mos. ....days.

How long in U. S. ....

If of foreign birth.....

PERSONAL AND STATISTICAL PARTICULARS

3. Sex Male 4. Color or Race White 5. Single, married, widowed or divorced (write the word) Married

a. If married, widowed, or divorced husband of Maude Rainbow (or) wife of

b. Date of Birth (month, day, and year) July, 12, 1877

Age Years	Months	Days	If less than
<u>67</u>	<u>9</u>	<u>12</u>	1 day ..... hrs. or ..... min.

8. Trade, profession or particular kind of work done, as spinner, sawyer, bookkeeper, etc. Machinist

9. Industry or business in which work was done, as silk mill, saw mill, bank, etc. ....

10. Date deceased last worked at this occupation (month and year) .....

11. Total time (years spent in this occupation) .....

Birthplace (city or town) (state or country) Iowa

13. Name Leo Rainbow

14. Birthplace (city or town) (state or country) N.Y.

15. Maiden name. Margaret Goodman

16. Birthplace (city or town) (state or country) West Va.

17. Informant Maude Rainbow (address) 329 S.E. 22 nd.

BURIAL, CREMATION OR REMOVAL ce. Sunny Lane Date 6-26-45 19.....

UNDERTAKER Ben Hunter (Address) 2427 S. Harvey

FILED 6-26-45 19....., Registrar. Leo Menten

MEDICAL CERTIFICATE OF DEATH

21. DATE OF DEATH (month, day, and year) 19...  
June 24 1945

22. I hereby certify, that I attended deceased from....., 19..... to....., 19.....

I last saw him alive on 6-24-45, 19..... death is said to have occurred on the date stated above, at 10:30 P.M.  
The principal cause of death and related causes of importance were as follows:

Respiratory failure following surgery.

Date of onset

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Diabetes Mellitus

Other contributory causes of importance

Name of operation..... Date of.....

What test confirmed diagnosis?..... Was there an autopsy?.....

23. If death was due to external causes (violence) fill in also the following:

Accident, suicide, or homicide?..... Date of injury..... 19.....

Where did injury occur? (Specify city or town, county, and state)

Specify whether injury occurred in industry, in home or in public place: .....

Manner of injury .....

Nature of injury .....

24. Was disease or injury in any way related to occupation of deceased?..... If so, specify.....

Signed Robert P. Dennis M. D.

Address Oklahoma City

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto subscribed my name and caused the official seal to be affixed, at Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, this 21st day of August in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and 47

Margaret F. Shackelford State Registrar.

293 RAINBOW, EARL D. - 0-5-26982

FILE  
29 SEP 1947

QMGMT 293  
Rainbow, Earl L.  
SN 0 526 982

26 August 1947

Mrs. Maude V. Rainbow  
329 Southeast 22nd Street  
Oklahoma City 9, Oklahoma

Dear Mrs. Rainbow:

Your letter pertaining to the remains of your son, the late Second Lieutenant Earl L. Rainbow, has come to my attention.

It is the opinion of this office that the certificate of death issued by the Registrar for the State of Oklahoma is sufficient evidence to establish the fact that the decedent's father is dead.

Your prompt cooperation in completing and returning the Disposition Form to us will avoid further unnecessary delay and will be greatly appreciated.

Sincerely yours,

RICHARD B. COOMBS  
Major, QMC  
Memorial Division

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MEMORIAL DIVISION  
DEPARTMENT OF RECORDS BRANCH

CORRESPONDENCE ACTION SHEET

Mr. Miss. Addressee: Mrs. Maude V. Rainbow Relationship Mother  
 State 329 Southeast 22<sup>nd</sup> Street  
 City, State Oklahoma City 9, Oklahoma '47 Date letter

Cemetery Temporary: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Permanent: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Plot Row Gr Cem. Name or No. City Country

PARAGRAPHS (sequence)

-- ADDITIONAL -- DATA -- MODIFICATIONS --

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It is the opinion of this office that the certificate of death issued by the Registrar for the State of Oklahoma is sufficient evidence to establish the fact that the decedent's father is dead.

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Modifications

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Decedent: Rainbow  
 Last Earl  
 First J  
 Initial J  
 Rank 2/17  
 ASN 0 5-26 96

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 Brown*

Mrs. Maude V. Rainbow,  
329 South-east 22nd St.,  
Oklahoma City 9, Okla.

8/9/47

Reference Burial of-  
~~2nd Lt. Earl L. Rainbow O 526 982~~  
~~Plot S. Row 6, Grave 113~~  
United States Military Cemetery,  
Henri-Chapelle, Belgium.

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Attention: Major General Thomas B. Larkin:

Dear Sir:

May 20th, 1947, I wrote you in regards to the disposition of my son's body, 2nd Lt. Earl L. Rainbow O 526 982 explaining to you in full detail all business transactions concerning the bringing back my son's body, I ask you to get in touch with the office of Major Richard B. Coombs, as he has all the necessary information as I wrote him in April, 1947 in response to his letter of April 15, 1947, he has proof that I as Lt. Rainbow's mother should be next in line as nearest of kin.

In as much as the United States Government is now starting the removal of the bodies in the Henri-Chapelle Cemetery, I beg you to give this matter your immediate attention for as I stated in my previous letters that I am afraid that the delay that has been caused through your office will interfere or delay the bringing back my son's body.

I am expecting a reply soon to my correspondences with your office, if I don't hear soon I will have to take this matter up with the proper authorities, as I stated in my last letter to your office, I certainly want my son to rest with his father, as was his desire when he died.

Yours truly,

*Mrs. Maude V. Rainbow*

Mrs. Maude V. Rainbow

OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL OF THE ARMY  
**INTEROFFICE REFERENCE SHEET**

DUE, HOUR AND DATE

*3639*

1 No.	2 FROM-	3 TO-	4 DATE	5 MESSAGE
1	R & R Corres Section	The Office of the General Counsel	15 May 47	<p><i>293 - Rainbow, Earl L.</i> <i>0-526-982</i></p> <p>Forwarded for decision as to the adequacy of the document.</p> <p>1 Incl: <i>3585</i> 293, Rainbow, Earl L ASN. 0-526 982</p> <p><i>Kerscher</i> GRIFFITH 4428</p>
2	Office of the General Counsel	MEM DIV Plans & Policy Br Legis & Pub Sec	<p><i>27 MAY 1947</i></p> <p>27 May 1947</p>	<p>QMGEG 293 Rainbow, Earl L. - Legal Next of Kin</p> <p>1. It is the opinion of this office that the statement by the decedent's widow on OQMG Form 345 is sufficient evidence to establish the fact that she has remarried and that, to the best of her knowledge, the decedent's mother is his next of kin. It is further the opinion of this office that the attached certificate of death issued by the Registrar for the State of Oklahoma is sufficient evidence to establish the fact that the decedent's father is dead.</p> <p>2. Recommend, therefore, that the letter of inquiry be addressed to the decedent's mother, Maude Viola Rainbow.</p> <p>1 Incl n/c</p> <p><i>J. Drape</i> COMPTON</p>
3	Plans & Policy Legis & Pub Sec.	R & R Corres Section	27 May 1947	<p>QMGM 293 (Rainbow, Earl L.)</p> <p>Noted.</p> <p>1 Incl: n/c</p> <p><i>Stamm</i> SCOTT 74692</p> <p><i>NAT file</i> <i>13 June</i> <i>Ed</i> <i>one</i></p>

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Mrs. Maude V. Rainbow,  
329 South east 22nd St.,  
Oklahoma City 9, Okla.

May 20th 1947

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Reference Burial Of  
2nd Lt. Earl L. Rainbow, O 526 982  
Plot 8, Row 6, Grave 113,  
United States Military Cemetery  
Henri-Chapelle, Belgium

Attention : Major General Thomas B. Larkin

Dear Sir:

Please be advised in answer to the letter of May 7th 1947 and the forms to be filled out, sent to my late husband, Earl Dee Rainbow, concerning the final disposition of my son's body 2nd Lt. Earl L. Rainbow O 526 982, I have previously written to Major Richard B. Coombs advising him, also sending to him the death certificate of my husband and all necessary information concerning his death and without doubt you now hve the marriage certificate showing the remarriage of Lt. Rainbow's widow, Dorothy Lee Rainbow, and in the above stated facts I feel that I, as the mother, should be authorized as next-of-kin.

If you will confer with Major Richard B. Coombs you will have all necessary papers showing the above facts. I do wish that your office would get this matter straightened up, as I have done all I can through correspondence to your office and as all of this is distressing me very much for I fear through all this delay it might delay having my son's body brought back here for it's final resting place with his father, as his father requested before his death.

Please give this letter your immediate attention, advising me whether you want me to fill out the papers sent to my husband or wait until you send me further forms and information.

Yours truly,

*Mrs Maude V. Rainbow*

Maude V. Rainbow

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE  
BUREAU OF THE CENSUS  
STANDARD CERTIFICATE OF DEATH  
State of Oklahoma  
State File No. 71565  
Registrar's No. 71565

1 PLACE OF DEATH: OKLAHOMA  
(a) County OKLAHOMA CITY,  
(b) City or town OKLAHOMA CITY,  
(c) Name of hospital or institution: Wesley Hospital  
(d) Length of stay: In hospital or institution (Specify whether years, months or days)

3(a) FULL NAME Earl Dee Rainbow  
3 (b) If veteran, name war No.  
3 (c) Social Security No.

4. Sex M | 5. Color or race W | 6(a) Single, widowed, married, divorced Married  
6 (b) Name of husband or wife Maud Rainbow | 6(c) Age of husband or wife, if alive  
7. Birth date of deceased July 12 1877 (Month) (Day) (Year)

8. AGE: 67 Years 9 Months 12 Days If less than one day hr. min.

9. Birthplace Iowa (City, town, or country) (State or foreign country)  
10. Usual occupation Machinist

11. Industry or business George Rainbow  
12 Name New York (City, town, or country) (State or foreign country)  
13. Birthplace Margaret Goodman (City, town, or country) (State or foreign country)

14. Maiden name Maud Rainbow (City, town, or country) (State or foreign country)  
15. Birthplace W.Va. (City, town, or country) (State or foreign country)

16. (a) Informant's own signature Maud Rainbow  
(b) Address 329 S.E. 22  
17 (a) Burial (b) Date thereof 6-27-45 (Month) (Day) (Year)  
(c) Place; burial or cremation Sunny Lane (State) (City or town) (County) (State) (Date received local registrar)

18. (a) Signature of funeral director HUNTER FUNERAL HOME  
(b) Address 2427 S. Harvey Center (City or town) (County) (State) (Date received local registrar)

19 (a) 6-25-45 (b) S. Harvey Center (City or town) (County) (State) (Date received local registrar)

2. USUAL RESIDENCE OF DECEASED:  
(a) State Okla. (b) County Okla.  
(c) City or town Okla. City  
(d) Street No. 329 S.E. 22 (If rural five location)  
(e) Citizen of foreign country? NO Yes or No

MEDICAL CERTIFICATION  
20. Date of death: Month June day 24 year 1945 hour minute  
21. I hereby certify that I attended the deceased from 19 to 19 that I last saw h alive on and that death occurred on the date and hour stated above. Uremia  
Immediate cause of death Uremia

Due to  
Due to  
Due to  
Other conditions (include pregnancy within 3 months of death)  
Major findings:  
Of operations  
Of autopsy

22. If death was due to external causes, fill in the following:  
(a) Accident, suicide, or homicide (specify)  
(b) Date of occurrence  
(c) Where did injury occur?  
(d) Did injury occur in or about home, on farm, in industrial place, in public place?  
While at work? HOME

23. Signature U.T. Brewer (M.D. or other)  
Address 6-25-45 Date signed

JB

2nd Lt. Earl L. Rainbow, O 526 982  
Plot S, Row 6, Grave 113,  
United States Military Cemetery  
Henri-Chapelle, Belgium

7 May 1947

Mr. Earl D. Rainbow  
329 South East 22nd Street  
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma

Dear Mr. Rainbow:

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 unnecessary delays.

Sincerely,

THOMAS B. LARKIN  
Major General  
The Quartermaster General

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NEW IOI

Date 26 April 1947

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A. S. N.  
IOI to be sent to:

Rank 2nd Lt. Name EARL L. RAINBOW

Cemetery Henry - Chapelle, Bel.

Plot 8. Row 6 Grave 113

Mr.  
Mrs.  
Miss

Name EARL D. RAINBOW

Street 329 S.E. 32nd STREET

City OKLAHOMA CITY

State OKLA

Henry  
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QMGMR 293  
Rainbow, Earl L.  
SN O 526 982

Address Reply To  
THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
Attention: Memorial Division

15 April 1947

Mrs. Maude V. Rainbow  
329 Southeast 22nd Street  
Oklahoma City 9, Oklahoma

Dear Mrs. Rainbow:

We thank you kindly for your letter concerning your son, the late Second Lieutenant Earl L. Rainbow.

The Secretary of War, pursuant to the authority given him in Section 4, Public Law 383, 79th Congress, has established an order of priority among next of kin in which their desires concerning the disposition of a decedent's remains will be honored.

Under the established order of priority, the widow, unless she has remarried, would be accorded the right to direct disposition. In order that our records may reflect the widow's remarriage, it is requested that the interested parties furnish us with a properly authenticated copy or transcript of the marriage record or register, showing the remarriage of the widow. Upon receipt of the above certificate, the right to determine the final resting place of your son's remains will rest with the father.

I regret to inform you that, at the present time, it is not possible, to give you the exact date the remains of your loved one will be returned. However, tentative plans indicate that the remains buried in the US Military Cemetery Henri-Chapelle, Belgium, will be returned to the United States during the latter part of 1947.

Please be assured that everything is being done to speed the return, reverently and in a dignified manner, of those who made the supreme sacrifice.

If we can assist you further, please feel free to contact us at your convenience.

Sincerely yours,

RICHARD B. COOMBS  
Major, QMC  
Memorial Division

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MEMORIAL DIVISION  
REGISTRATION AND RECORDS BRANCH



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CORRESPONDENCE ACTION WORK SHEET

Send Letter to MRS. MAUDE V. RAINBOW *Wife*  
329 SOUTHEAST 22nd ST, Relationship  
 ADDRESS OKLAHOMA CITY 9, OKLA.

Army Serial Number 0526 982 Rank 2nd LT

OPENING PARAGRAPH: (62-1) 62-2 62-3 62-4

BURIAL INFORMATION: 6 6A 7 8 9 10 10A 11 12 12A 13 13A  
 14 14A 14B 15 16 17 20 21 22 22B

Temp. Cem.  
 Perm. Cem.

	Plot	Row	Grave	Name of Cem.		City and Country						
RETURN OF REMAINS:			<del>78</del> 79	81	82	<i>later part of 1947</i>						
OTHER PARAGRAPHS	23	24	26	27	28	29	30	35	36	40	41	42
	43	51	53	54	55	56	57	58	58A	60	61	63A
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INDORSEMENTS: To AG (47 71) To Ch of Chap (48 71)  
 To Other Agencies: (71)

PERSONAL EFFECTS: 50 64

SUSPEND \_\_\_\_\_ days

Copy of letter to AGO and Identification Section\*

TEMPORARY CHANGE OF ADDRESS \* \* PERMANENT CHANGE OF ADDRESS  
 BUCK SLIP TO RECORDS SECTION  
 COPY TO ADJUTANT GENERAL

Dates of Letters for which Copies are Necessary to AAF:

OTHER:

CLOSING PARAGRAPH: 62-5 Regret Delay \*

Letter to be Dated *J* Analyst Typist Reviewer

\* Note: Circle paragraph numbers and/or starred phrases that are applicable.

NAME OF DECEASED  
 LAST NAME  
 FIRST NAME  
 MIDDLE INITIAL

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 14 Apr 47  
 J. J. [unclear]*

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March 18, 1947

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

REF: QMGYG 293  
Rainbow, Earl L.  
SN O-526 982

Dear Sir:

This acknowledges your communication of October 8, 1946, advising me of the burial place of my son mentioned above in Plot S, Row 6, Grave 113, in the United States Military Cemetery Henri-Chapelle near Liege, Belgium.

Since my deceased son's wife has remarried and has informed me that there is now on record with the Veterans Administration a certified copy of her marriage, it is requested that I, the veteran's mother, be considered his next of kin for purposes of correspondence and information.

Acting in the capacity of next of kin after the remarriage of my deceased son's wife, I request that his body be returned from its resting place now to the Hunter Funeral Home in Oklahoma City where they have my instructions for its disposition in our family burial plot here in Oklahoma City.

I have received information that there is a bulletin now in effect that as soon as the casket industry can provide caskets the veterans now interned in Henri-Chapelle will be returned beginning the month of August.

If my information is incorrect, I would appreciate being advised.

Since there were no other dependents of the veteran than his widow and myself, his mother, and since the widow has remarried, I very respectfully request that the action indicated above be taken as soon as possible.

Sincerely, *Maude V. Rainbow*

(Mrs.) Maude V. Rainbow  
329 Southeast 22nd Street  
Oklahoma City 9, Oklahoma



Subscribed and sworn to before me  
this 18 day of *March* 1947.

*[Signature]*  
NOTARY PUBLIC

My commission expires: *Oct. 1, 1950*

*Rec'd 24 March 47  
at 11:30 am 24 March*

# REQUEST FOR DISPOSITION OF REMAINS

GRADE OF DECEASED, NAME, ARMY SERIAL NUMBER AND REPORTED PLACE OF BURIAL

DATE:

293

**2nd. Lt. Earl L. Rainbow, O 526 982**  
**Plot B, Row 6, Grave 113,**  
**United States Military Cemetery**  
**Henri-Chapelle, Belgium**

**3 March 1947**

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**DO NOT WRITE ABOVE THIS LINE**

**NOTE.**—The next of kin should familiarize himself with the contents of the pamphlet, "Disposition of World War II Armed Forces Dead," before filling out this form. When the proper part of this form is filled out and properly signed by the next of kin, it should be returned to the OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL, MEMORIAL DIVISION, WAR DEPARTMENT, WASHINGTON 25, D. C., in the self-addressed postage-free envelope provided for this purpose.

If you are the next of kin or authorized representative of next of kin and desire to direct the disposition of the remains, please fill in PART of this form.

## PART I

I, \_\_\_\_\_ (PLEASE PRINT OR TYPE NAME OF NEXT OF KIN) (Please indicate relationship to the deceased by placing an "X" in the proper box.)

- |                                 |                                  |  |   |
|---------------------------------|----------------------------------|--|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> WIDOW  | <input type="checkbox"/> WIDOWER | <input type="checkbox"/> SON OVER 21 YEARS OLD     | <input type="checkbox"/> DAUGHTER OVER 21 YEARS OLD |
| <input type="checkbox"/> FATHER | <input type="checkbox"/> MOTHER  | <input type="checkbox"/> BROTHER OVER 21 YEARS OLD | <input type="checkbox"/> SISTER OVER 21 YEARS OLD   |

RELATIONSHIP OTHER THAN ABOVE (Specify) \_\_\_\_\_

HAVING FAMILIARIZED MYSELF WITH THE OPTIONS WHICH HAVE BEEN MADE AVAILABLE TO ME WITH RESPECT TO THE FINAL RESTING PLACE OF THE DECEASED DESIGNATED ABOVE, NOW DO DECLARE THAT IT IS MY DESIRE THAT THE REMAINS: (Please place an "X" in the box opposite the option you have selected.)

- 1. BE INTERRED IN A PERMANENT AMERICAN MILITARY CEMETERY OVERSEAS.
- 2. BE RETURNED TO THE UNITED STATES OR ANY POSSESSION OR TERRITORY THEREOF FOR INTERMENT BY NEXT OF KIN IN A PRIVATE CEMETERY

(NAME AND LOCATION OF CEMETERY)

- 3. BE RETURNED TO \_\_\_\_\_ (FOREIGN COUNTRY) THE HOMELAND OF THE DECEASED OR NEXT OF KIN, FOR INTERMENT BY NEXT OF KIN IN A PRIVATE CEMETERY LOCATED AT \_\_\_\_\_ (LOCATION OF CEMETERY SELECTED)

- 4. BE RETURNED TO THE UNITED STATES FOR FINAL INTERMENT IN A NATIONAL CEMETERY LOCATED AT \_\_\_\_\_ (LOCATION OF NATIONAL CEMETERY SELECTED)

(Please indicate if your own religious services at a location other than the selected national cemetery are desired by placing an "X" in the proper box)

YES       NO

THE NAME OF THE DECEASED, THE SERIAL NUMBER AND GRADE ARE CORRECT EXCEPT FOR THE FOLLOWING CHANGES: (If no corrections are necessary, indicate this fact by inserting the word "NONE" in the space below.)

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26 Apr 47  
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**PART II — RELINQUISHMENT OF DISPOSITION AUTHORITY**

If you are the next of kin and you desire to relinquish your disposition authority, please fill in PART II of this form.

I, THE \_\_\_\_\_ (PLEASE INSERT RELATIONSHIP) \_\_\_\_\_ AS THE NEXT OF KIN OF THE DECEASED NAMED IN PART I OF THIS FORM, DO HEREBY RELINQUISH MY RIGHTS TO DIRECT THE FINAL DISPOSITION OF THE REMAINS OF THE DECEASED. THE NEXT EXISTING PERSON IN THE ORDER OF ELIGIBILITY OF DECEDENT'S SURVIVORS IS:

LAST NAME	FIRST NAME	MIDDLE INITIAL
RELATIONSHIP TO THE DECEASED		
NUMBER AND STREET	CITY OR TOWN	STATE OR COUNTRY

WHOM I UNDERSTAND SHALL HAVE THE RIGHT TO DIRECT FINAL DISPOSITION OF THE REMAINS OF THE DECEASED.

(SIGNATURE OF NEXT OF KIN)	(DATE)
(NAME PRINTED OR TYPED)	(STREET AND NUMBER)
	(CITY AND STATE)

**PART III**

If you are NOT the next of kin authorized to direct the disposition of remains, please fill in PART III of this form.

THIS IS TO NOTIFY YOU THAT I AM NOT THE NEXT OF KIN AUTHORIZED TO DIRECT THE FINAL DISPOSITION OF THE REMAINS OF THE DECEASED NAMED ON PAGE 1 OF THIS FORM. THE FOLLOWING PERSON, TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE, IS THE NEXT OF KIN TO WHOM THIS FORM SHOULD BE DIRECTED.

LAST NAME <i>Rainbow</i>	FIRST NAME <i>Mrs. E.D.</i>	MIDDLE INITIAL
RELATIONSHIP TO THE DECEASED		
NUMBER AND STREET <i>329 S. E. 22 St</i>	CITY OR TOWN <i>Oklahoma City</i>	STATE OR COUNTRY <i>Okl.</i>

*Dorothy L. Rainbow Shelton* (SIGNATURE) March - 21 - 194 (DATE)  
330 Pawnee (STREET AND NUMBER)  
*Dorothy L. Rainbow Shelton* (NAME PRINTED OR TYPED) Henderson, Ky. (CITY AND STATE)

**PART I (Continued)**

If on Page 1 of this form you have selected Option Number 2 or 3, or Option Number 4 with your funeral ceremonies desired at a location other than the selected national cemetery, complete one of these sections.

I, AS THE NEXT OF KIN, DO FURTHER DECLARE THAT I DESIRE THE REMAINS TO BE SENT TO THE FOLLOWING PERSON WHO HAS AGREED TO RECEIVE THEM:

LAST NAME	FIRST NAME	MIDDLE INITIAL
NUMBER AND STREET	CITY OR TOWN	COUNTY OR PROVINCE
STATE OR TERRITORY OF U. S. A., OR COUNTRY	TELEGRAPH ADDRESS	TELEPHONE No.
EXPRESS OFFICE (Nearest railroad passenger station)		

OR  
I, AS THE NEXT OF KIN, DO FURTHER DECLARE THAT I DESIRE THE REMAINS TO BE SENT TO THE FOLLOWING FUNERAL DIRECTOR WHO HAS AGREED TO RECEIVE THEM:

FULL NAME OF FUNERAL DIRECTOR			
NUMBER AND STREET	CITY OR TOWN	COUNTY OR PROVINCE	STATE OR TERRITORY OF U. S. A., OR COUNTRY
EXPRESS OFFICE (Nearest railroad passenger station)	TELEGRAPH ADDRESS	TELEPHONE No.	

IN CASE OF EMERGENCY THE NAME AND ADDRESS OF THE PERSON NEXT IN LINE OF KINSHIP AFTER ME, AS SET FORTH IN THE PAMPHLET, "DISPOSITION OF WORLD WAR II ARMED FORCES DEAD," IS:

LAST NAME	FIRST NAME	MIDDLE INITIAL	RELATIONSHIP TO DECEASED
NUMBER AND STREET	CITY OR TOWN	COUNTY OR PROVINCE	STATE OR TERRITORY OF U. S. A., OR COUNTRY

REMARKS OR ADDITIONAL INSTRUCTIONS (For additional space use page 4.)\*

AS EXPLAINED IN THE PAMPHLET, "DISPOSITION OF WORLD WAR II ARMED FORCES DEAD," I AM THE NEXT OF KIN AND THE INDIVIDUAL AUTHORIZED TO DIRECT THE DISPOSITION OF THE SAID REMAINS.

I, the undersigned, DO SOLEMNLY SWEAR (OR AFFIRM) that the statements made by me in the foregoing document are full and true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

\_\_\_\_\_  
(SIGNATURE OF NEXT OF KIN)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(STREET AND NUMBER)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(NAME PRINTED OR TYPED)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(CITY AND STATE)

Subscribed and duly sworn to before me according to law by the above-named applicant this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_,

19\_\_\_\_, at city (or town) of \_\_\_\_\_, county of \_\_\_\_\_, and State (or Territory or

District) of \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
(SIGNATURE OF OFFICER AUTHORIZED TO ADMINISTER OATHS)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(OFFICIAL TITLE)

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





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2nd Lt. Earl L. Rainbow, O 526 982  
Plot B, Row 6, Grave 113,  
United States Military Cemetery  
Henri-Chapelle, Belgium

3 March 1947

Mrs. Dorothy L. Rainbow  
329 Southeast 22nd Street  
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma

Dear Mrs. Rainbow:

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 unnecessary delays.

Sincerely,

THOMAS B. LARKIN  
Major General  
The Quartermaster General

5\* Enclosures

1. Pamphlet (Options)
2. Disposition Form
3. Envelope
4. Pamphlet (Cemeteries)

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Rainbow, Earl L.  
A.S.N. 05 269 82

16 January 1947

Mrs. Dorothy L. Rainbow  
329 South East 22nd Street  
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma

Dear Mrs. Rainbow:

Inclosed herewith is a picture of the United States Military Cemetery Henri-Chapelle, Belgium, in which your husband, the late Second Lieutenant Earl L. Rainbow, 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, neat 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 overseas or returned to the Homeland for final burial.

FOR THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL:

Sincerely yours,

G. A. MURKIN  
Brigadier General, QMG  
Assistant

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QMGYG 293  
Rainbow, Earl L.  
SN 0-526 982

Address Reply To  
THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
Attention: Memorial Division

8 October 1946

Mrs. E. D. Rainbow  
329 Southeast 22nd Street  
Oklahoma City 9, Oklahoma

Dear Mrs. Rainbow:

Your letter concerning your son, the late Second Lieutenant Earl L. Rainbow, has been received in this office.

The official Report of Burial discloses that the remains of your son were interred in Plot 8, Row 6, Grave 113, in the US Military Cemetery Henri-Chapelle, located eighteen miles northeast of Liege, Belgium.

Since you state in your letter that your son's widow has remarried, it is requested that you forward to this office, at your convenience, a certified copy of her marriage certificate, in order that the records may be properly amended to show the person authorized to determine the final disposition of his remains.

Please accept my sincere sympathy in the loss of your son.

FOR THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL:

Sincerely yours,

THOMAS F. LEWIN  
Captain, QMC  
Assistant *scw*

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RECORDS BRANCH

Oklahoma City, Oklahoma

~~July 28~~, 1946

Sept. 21.

Quartermaster General  
War Department  
Washington 25, D. C.

Dear Sir:

Mrs. Dorothy Lee Rainbow, widow of my late son, <sup>293</sup> Lt. Earl Lee Rainbow, has married Mr. Arch Shelton, Jr. of Henderson, Kentucky and I desire that any future correspondence relative to my son be addressed to me.

I would also like to make a request that his body be returned to Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, whenever this program is started by our Government. Please forward me the necessary blanks for this request.

Respectfully

Mrs. E. D. Rainbow  
329 SE 22nd  
Oklahoma City 9, Oklahoma

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Rainbow, Earl L.

13 June 1946

Mrs. Dorothy L. Rainbow  
329 South East 22nd Street  
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma

Dear Mrs. Rainbow:

The War Department is most desirous that you be furnished information regarding the burial location of your husband, the late Second Lieutenant Earl L. Rainbow, A.S.N. O-526 982.

The records of this office disclose that his remains are interred in the U. S. Military Cemetery, Henri-Chapelle, Belgium, plot 8, row 6, grave 113.

This cemetery is located approximately seven miles southwest of Aachen, Germany, five miles northwest of Xupen 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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**REPORT OF BURIAL**

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November 1944

Date

Rainbow Earl L 2nd Lt 0-526982

Co. B 38th Armd Inf. Bn. 7TH ARMD. DIV. J.g.

Holland 2 November 1944 KIA Shrap Back

5 November 1944 Henri Chapelle #1 705352

113 6 S Cross

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

If No Identification Tags  
How were remains identified?

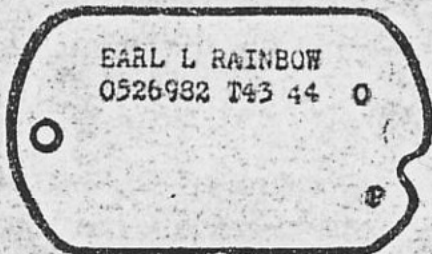
What means of identification were buried with the body?

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

Who is buried on:				
Deceased's Right:	<u>Kearns</u>	<u>33433275</u>	<u>Pvt</u>	<u>114</u>
	Name	Serial No.	Rank	Grave No.
Deceased's Left:	<u>Wells</u>	<u>34254392</u>	<u>Pfc</u>	<u>112</u>
	Name	Serial No.	Rank	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 P

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

1 ring on left hand impossible to remove

HARRY DUBROV, 1st Lt. QMC

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(initials)

# IF DECEASED UNIDENTIFIED

Take Fingerprints of Both Hands. If unable to obtain a complete set of Fingerprints, Take Those You Can, and fill in the following:

- Height: \_\_\_\_\_
- Weight: \_\_\_\_\_
- Color of Eyes: \_\_\_\_\_
- Color of Hair: \_\_\_\_\_
- Race: \_\_\_\_\_
- Laundry Marks: \_\_\_\_\_
- Number of Rifle: \_\_\_\_\_
- Wear Glasses? \_\_\_\_\_
- Is Tooth Chart Attached? \_\_\_\_\_

(If possible, have medical personnel take a tooth chart, if no medical personnel present, fill in a tooth chart below.) In space below, locate, and describe any scars, birthmarks, moles, deformities, etc.

Note below any identifying clues found, such as letters, photographs, probable organization of deceased, etc.:

Left Hand

2

1

Thumb

Right Hand

2

1

Thumb

## TOOTH CHART

		Deceased's Left							
		8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1
Upper	8								
Lower	8								

Indicate: missing natural teeth by X; crowns by O; fillings by □; Bridges by ⊙; linking anchor teeth; replacements by artificial teeth X

Characteristics: \_\_\_\_\_

Other Data: \_\_\_\_\_

If this is an Isolated Burial, make a Sketch of the Location, oriented with Permanent Landmarks. If more space needed attach separate sheet. Indicate North.





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

REPORT OF DEATH

DATE 27 November 1944

eg/4632

FULL NAME <u>Rainbow, Earl L.</u>		ARMY SERIAL NUMBER <u>0526982</u>		GRADE <u>2nd Lt.</u>	
HOME ADDRESS <u>Oklahoma City, Oklahoma</u>		ARM OR SERVICE <u>Infantry</u>		DATE OF BIRTH <u>25 May 21</u>	
PLACE OF DEATH <u>European Area</u>		CAUSE OF DEATH <u>Killed in action</u>		DATE OF DEATH <u>2 Nov 44</u>	
STATION OF DECEASED <u>European Area</u>		DATE OF ENTRY ON CURRENT ACTIVE SERVICE <u>17 Sep 43</u>		LENGTH OF SERVICE FOR PAY PURPOSES	
				YEARS	MONTHS
					DAYS
EMERGENCY ADDRESSEE (NAME, RELATIONSHIP & ADDRESS)  <u>Mrs. Dorothy L. Rainbow, wife, 329 S.E.22nd St., Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.</u>					
BENEFICIARY (NAME, RELATIONSHIP & ADDRESS) <u>Dorothy L. Rainbow, wife, same as above.</u> <u>Mrs. Maude Viola Rainbow, mother, same as above</u> <u>Mr. Earl D. Rainbow, father, same as above.</u>					
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	NO
			X		

ADDITIONAL DATA AND/OR STATEMENT

The individual named in this report of death is held by the War Department to have been in a missing in action status from 2 Nov 44 until such absence was terminated on 22 Nov 44, when evidence considered sufficient to establish the fact of death was received by the Secretary of War from the Commanding General in the European Area.

**FILE**

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BY ORDER OF THE SECRETARY OF WAR

*WAB*  
*[Signature]*  
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**WAR DEPARTMENT**  
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				YES	NO
				AUTHORIZED ABSENCE	
				YES	NO
				IN FLYING PAY STATUS	
				YES	NO
					X
				OTHER PAY STATUS (SPECIFY BELOW)	
				YES	NO

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ADJUTANT GENERAL

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

**-BATTLE CASUALTY REPORT**

NAME			SERIAL NUMBER			GRADE		ARM OR SERVICE		REPORTING THEATRE			
RAINBOW EARL L			0-526982			2 LT		INF		ETO			
PLACE OF CASUALTY				DATE OF CASUALTY			FLYING OR JUMPING STAT		TYPE OF CASUALTY		SHIPMENT NUMBER		
HOLLAND9				02	NOV		4			MIA		245	

NAME AND ADDRESS OF EMERGENCY ADDRESSEE

THE INDIVIDUAL NAMED ABOVE DESIGNATED THE FOLLOWING PERSON AS THE ONE TO BE NOTIFIED IN CASE OF EMERGENCY, AND THE OFFICIAL TELEGRAPHIC AND LETTER NOTIFICATIONS WILL BE SENT TO THIS PERSON. THE RELATIONSHIP, IF ANY, IS SHOWN BELOW. IT SHOULD BE NOTED THAT THIS PERSON IS NOT NECESSARILY THE NEXT-OF-KIN OR RELATIVE DESIGNATED TO BE PAID SIX MONTHS' PAY GRATUITY IN CASE OF DEATH

MR.-MRS.-MISS—FIRST NAME—MIDDLE INITIAL—LAST NAME			RELATIONSHIP			DATE NOTIFIED		
MRS DORSEY L RAINBOW			WIFE			16 NOV 1944 MP		
NO. AND NAME OF STREET—CITY—STATE								
229 SOUTHEAST 22ND STREET			OKLAHOMA CITY			OKLAHOMA		

REMARKS:

CORRECTED COPY



ACTION BY PROCESSING AND VERIFICATION SECTION: REPORT VERIFIED  FORM 43  AG 201 REQ \_\_\_\_\_

CASUALTY BRANCH FILE ATTACHED \_\_\_\_\_ OR CHARGED TO \_\_\_\_\_ DATE \_\_\_\_\_

PREVIOUSLY REPORTED NO  YES \_\_\_\_\_ (AS INDICATED BELOW):

FILE NO.	MESSAGE NO.	TYPE	DATE AND AREA	E. A. NOTIFIED

FORWARDED TO  SPEC. IDEN.  TELEGRAM  WOUNDED  LETTER  CORRES.  S. R. & D.  CERTIF.  M. & M.  NON-DEL.

REPORT NOT VERIFIED \_\_\_\_\_ NO FORM 43 \_\_\_\_\_ NO CAS. BR. FILE  CHECKED BY Woods/Wood REVIEWED BY \_\_\_\_\_

THIS SPACE FOR USE OF MACHINE RECORDS BRANCH, A.G.O.

ACCT. AREA	CASUALTY STATUS	ORIGINAL CAS. DATE			MESSAGE NO.	LATEST CAS. DATE			REFERENCE AREA	CPFB POS.	RESIDENCE		COMP	RACE											
		DAY	MO.	YR.		DAY	MO.	YR.			STATE	COUNTY													
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ARMY SERVICE FORCES  
 KANSAS CITY QUARTERMASTER DEPOT  
 601 HARDESTY AVENUE  
 KANSAS CITY 1, MISSOURI

8-10 Oct 45  
 CEJ:MFC:vd  
 10 September 1945

IN REPLY REFER TO SPCOK 552.02  
B/L WW-2972822

Railway Express Agency, Inc.  
 2413 Broadway  
 Kansas City 8, Missouri

ATTN: Mr. Wilson

Gentlemen:

Confirming telephone conversation between Mr. Wilson of your office and Miss Damer, this depot, 7 September 1945, it is requested that shipment of one (1) footlocker personal effects, weight 75 lbs., consigned to Mrs. Dorothy L. Rainbow, 329 Southeast 22nd Street, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, 3 August 1945 on Government Bill of Lading WW-2972822, REA Receipt No. 4344, be diverted to the same consignee at 50 South Alvasia Street, Henderson, Kentucky.

Original Bill of Lading is inclosed in brown envelope attached to package. Consignee will be requested to return the document to this depot for diversion notation.

Confirmation is requested when shipment has been delivered.

Yours very truly,

*[Signature]*  
 G. E. JOHNSTON  
 Captain, TC  
 Transportation Officer

cc: Mrs. Dorothy L. Rainbow  
 50 South Alvasia Street, Henderson, Kentucky

Original Government Bill of Lading is inclosed in brown envelope attached to shipment. When package is delivered, please sign consignee's certificate of delivery at bottom of page and return to this depot. Diversion notation will be placed thereon to enable carrier to collect additional charges. It will then be turned over to carrier for payment. A self-addressed envelope, which requires no postage, is inclosed for your convenience in returning this bill of lading to us.

*[Handwritten notes]*  
 file  
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cc: Effects Bureau, Case No. 295268

Sir: 0-326982

50 S. Alusia  
Henderson, Ky.

Army Service Forces  
Kansas City, Gr. Quarter Dept.  
Army Effects Bureau  
601 Hardisty Av.  
Kansas City, Mo.

295,268  
CA

Dear Sir:

Would you please  
see that my address from  
329 S.E. 22<sup>nd</sup> St. Okla City, Okla.  
be changed to 50 S Alusia  
Henderson, Ky. I have written  
since before but still my  
mail is being sent to the  
old add.

Sincerely  
Mrs. Dorothy L. Raines

file  
2-28

295, 2687 Henderson Tg.  
Wed. July 23. 45

Army Effects Bureau  
Kansas City Quartermaster Depot.  
Kansas City, Missouri

Dear Sirs:

I would like to change  
my address from 329 S. E.  
22 St Okla City, Okla, to - 50 South  
Alvasia St. Henderson Tg.

Thank you  
Mrs Dorothy Reinhard

file  
of 7-27-45

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RTB:RW:sj  
July 11, 1945

Mrs. Dorothy L. Rainbow  
329 S. E. 22nd Street  
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma

Dear Mrs. Rainbow:

The Army Effects Bureau has received from overseas some more property of your husband, Second Lieutenant Earl L. Rainbow.

This property, contained in one footlocker, is being sent you for distribution. If, for some reason, it has not been received within the next thirty days, this Bureau should be informed so that tracer may be instituted.

Yours very truly,

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

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ARMY SERVICE FORCES  
KANSAS CITY QUARTERMASTER DEPOT  
ARMY EFFECTS BUREAU  
601 Hardesty Avenue  
Kansas City 1, Missouri

In Reply Refer To: \_\_\_\_\_

The Army Effects Bureau has received some personal effects belonging to your

This property is being forwarded to you in and should reach you in the near future.

My action in transmitting the property does not, of itself, vest title in you. The items are forwarded in order that you may act as gratuitous bailee in caring for them pending the return of the owner, who has been reported missing in action. In the event he later is reported a casualty, and I sincerely hope he never is, it will be necessary that the property be turned over to the person or persons legally entitled to receive it.

When delivery has been made, I shall appreciate your acknowledging receipt by signing one copy of this letter in the space provided below, and returning it to this Bureau. For your convenience, there is inclosed an addressed envelope which needs no postage.

I regret the circumstances prompting this letter, and wish to express my hope for the safe return of your

Incl--  
Envelope

Receipt acknowledged:

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Signature of Bailee)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Date)



ARMY SERVICE FORGES  
ARMY EFFECTS BUREAU

ORDER FOR SHIPMENT

Mrs. Dorothy L. Rainbow

SHIP TO:

329 S. F. 22nd Street

Effects of:

2nd Lt. Earl L. Rainbow

Oklahoma City, Oklahoma

Name

0-526982

ASN

Case No.

295268 D

Wt.

DATE 11 July 1945

*R. Weinberg*

FOR: Effects Quartermaster

REMARKS: RTB:RW:sj

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

Warehouse Division

Files Branch, Adm. Div.

*1-Footlocker 75<sup>#</sup>*

REMARKS:

**AUG 2 1945**

Franked \_\_\_\_\_

Est. Exp. Chgs. \_\_\_\_\_

Est. Frt. Chgs. \_\_\_\_\_

No. of Packages 1

*ZER*  
Shipping Clerk

PACKAGE DESCRIPTION

ARMY EFFECTS BUREAU INVENTORY

DECEASED  
MISSING  
P.O.W.  
ABANDONED

295268

TALLY NO. 2330

DATE 29 June

ORG. NO. 1

BOX NO.

SHEET 1

SHEETS

ORGANIZATION Co 13 38 ammd 374 37

NAME EARL L RAINBOW

A.S.N. 526952 RANK Lt

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Belt	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> BELT, MONEY (NO MONEY)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> KNIVES & WARECLOTHES	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> WINGS
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Cloth, Wash	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> CLOTHING	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> BRACELETS, IDREF.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> BAGS, GLOVES OR TROUSERS
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Coats	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> BRUSHES	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> CANTEENS	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> BILLFOLD, (NO MONEY)
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Footwear, Pr.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> GLASSES	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> LIGHTERS	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> CASE
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Gloves, Pr.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> KNIVES	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> MISCELLANEOUS	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> FOOTLOCKER
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Handkerchiefs	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> PEN, FOUNTAIN	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> PENCIL, MECHANICAL	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> KIT, SEW, YEL. OR WRITING
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Headwear	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> PIPES	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> RINGS	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> BOOKS
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Jackets	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> RINGS	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> TOBACCO	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> BOOKS, ADDRESS
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Overcoats	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> TOILET ARTICLES	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> VALISE	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> BOOKS, PILOT LOG
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Scarfs	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> UNDERWEAR		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> DIARY (REMOVED FOR DOR)
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Shirts			<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> FILMS
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Socks, Pr.			<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> LETTERS
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Ties			<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> PAPERS, PERSONAL
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Towels			<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> PHOTOS
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Trousers, Pr.			<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> SHOE SHINE ARTICLES
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Trunks, Pr.			<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> SHORT STORIES
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Underwear			<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> SOUVENIR
			<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> SOUVENIR MONEY
			<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> STATIONERY
			<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> TRAMPOLINE
			<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> U.S. MONEY (AMOUNT)

29-7-7

REMARKS Mrs Earl Rainbow Golden Pond Ky

ATTACHMENTS

FORM #58

FORM #100

LEA

WEIGHT	G.T. REMOVED
1-15	
	SHORTAGE OR REVERSE
	IDENT. TAGS REMOVED
	DIARY REMOVED
DATE SHIPPED	LOCKED STORAGE

WAREHOUSE SPACE

7-515

STORED BY

JFK

INVENTORIED BY

NAME RAINBOW, EARL L LT 6982

BAY	PALLET	BOX	TALLY
26	53		8330
TYPE OF PKG.		WHSE. SPACE	INVENTORIED

F.L

EP M Form 48

INITIALS AND NO.

NAME OF INITIAL TRANSPORTATION COMPANY **RAILWAY EXPRESS AGENCY, INC.** TRAFFIC CONTROL NOS.

TOP OF THIS CAR AT FOR

↑SIZE CAR IN FT. & INS.		↑MARKED CAPACITY OF CAR		↑DATE CAR	DATE B/L ISSUED
ORDERED	FURNISHED	ORDERED	FURNISHED	FURNISHED	<b>27 JULY 45</b>

RECEIVED BY THE TRANSPORTATION COMPANY NAMED ABOVE, SUBJECT TO CONDITIONS NAMED ON THE REVERSE HEREOF, THE PUBLIC PROPERTY HEREINAFTER DESCRIBED, IN APPARENT GOOD ORDER AND CONDITION (CONTENTS AND VALUE UNKNOWN), TO BE FORWARDED TO DESTINATION BY THE SAID COMPANY AND CONNECTING LINES, THERE TO BE DELIVERED IN LIKE GOOD ORDER AND CONDITION TO SAID CONSIGNEE.

FROM (SHIPPING POINT) **KANSAS CITY, MO.**  
FROM (FULL NAME OF SHIPPER) **ARMY EFFECTS BUREAU, KANSAS CITY OR DEPOT**

MARKS

CONSIGNEE  
**MRS. DOROTHY L. RAINBOW**  
**329 SOUTH 22ND STREET**

CHARGES TO BE BILLED TO (DEPARTMENT OR ESTABLISHMENT AND BUREAU OR SERVICE AND LOCATION)  
Finance Officer, U. S. Army, Washington, D. C.

DESTINATION  
**OKLAHOMA CITY, OKLAHOMA**

APPROPRIATION CHARGEABLE  
**609-925 P 470-03 A 215/63409 S 99-999**

A ROUTE JOURNEY ONLY WHEN SOME SUBSTANTIAL INTEREST OF THE GOVERNMENT IS SUBSERVED THEREBY  
**EXPRESS NO. 4344**

ISSUING OFFICE  
**KANSAS CITY OR DEPOT, K.C., MO.**

CARRIER'S DELIVERY SERVICE REQUESTED

NAME AND TITLE OF ISSUING OFFICER  
**G. H. JOHNSON, CAPT., T.O.** Transportation Officer

PICK-UP SERVICE AT ORIGIN **WAS NOT** BY THE GOVERNMENT OR ITS AGENT  
(Insert "WAS" or "WAS NOT")  
INITIALS OF SHIPPER'S AUTHORIZED AGENT OR EMPLOYEE

↑ FURNISH THIS INFORMATION IN CASE OF CARLOAD SHIPMENTS ONLY.  
\*SHOW ALSO CUBIC MEASUREMENTS FOR SHIPMENTS VIA OCEAN CARRIER IN CASES WHERE REQUIRED.

NO.	KIND	DESCRIPTION OF ARTICLES (USE CARRIERS' CLASSIFICATION OR TARIFF DESCRIPTION IF POSSIBLE, OTHERWISE A CLEAR NONTECHNICAL DESCRIPTION)	NUMBERS ON PACKAGES	WEIGHTS*
				ACTUAL
	<b>7/L</b>	<b>REG- MILITARY PERSONAL EFFECTS</b>	<b>205208</b>	<b>75</b>
<p>*RELEASED VALUATION AT LOWEST RATE* AUTHORITY FOR SHIPMENT A.V. #113 V. D. CIRCULAR #85, 16 MARCH 1945.</p>				

CERTIFICATE OF ISSUING OFFICER  
TRACT NO. OR CHASE ORDER NO. \_\_\_\_\_ DATED \_\_\_\_\_  
OTHER AUTHORITY FOR SHIPMENT \_\_\_\_\_  
B. POINT OF ORIGIN IN CONTRACT \_\_\_\_\_  
NATURE OF SHIPMENT \_\_\_\_\_  
ISSUING OFFICER **H.F. GIBSON, CMC, USA A.F.C.**

NAME OF TRANSPORTATION COMPANY  
**RAILWAY EXPRESS AGENCY, INC.**  
DATE OF RECEIPT OF SHIPMENT \_\_\_\_\_  
SIGNATURE OF AGENT \_\_\_\_\_ PER \_\_\_\_\_

MEMORANDUM COPY

Form 41 (Mrs. Dorothy L. Rainbow)



ARMY SERVICE FORCES  
KANSAS CITY QUARTERMASTER DEPOT

601 HARDESTY AVENUE  
KANSAS CITY 1, MISSOURI

IN REPLY REFER TO ~~295266~~

GHG:MB:mw  
June 23, 1945

Mrs. Dorothy L. Rainbow  
329 S. E. 22nd Street  
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma

Dear Mrs. Rainbow:

The Army Effects Bureau has received from overseas some more property of your husband, Second Lieutenant Earl L. Rainbow.

This property, contained in two cartons, is being sent you for distribution. If, for some reason, it has not been received within the next thirty days, this Bureau should be informed so that tracer may be instituted.

Yours very truly,

P. L. KOEB  
1st Lt. Q.M.C.  
Officer-in-Charge  
SJ Unit

*Handwritten scribbles*

*Handwritten mark*

ARMY SERVICE FORCES  
ARMY EFFECTS BUREAU

ORDER FOR SHIPMENT

Mrs. Dorothy L. Rainbow  
329 S. E. 22nd Street  
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma

SHIP TO:  
2nd Lt. Earl L. Rainbow

Effects of:  
Name O-526982  
ASN 295268 D  
Case No.  
Wt.

DATE 23 June 1945  
GHC:MS:mw

*A. O'Brien*  
FOR: Effects Quartermaster

REMARKS:

- |   |  |
|---|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Inclose Bureau Check     | <input type="checkbox"/> Remove G.I.               |
| Acct. No. _____                                   | <input type="checkbox"/> Note discrepancy in _____ |
| Amount _____                                      | <input type="checkbox"/> Films removed             |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Inclose "Valuables" item | <input type="checkbox"/> Diary removed             |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Ship "Valuables" item(s) | <input type="checkbox"/> Laundry removed           |

ROUTING:

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

*file*

#1 - 1 - carton }  
#2 - 1 - carton } JUN. 4-26-45

REMARKS:

Franked            JUN 26 1945  
 Est. Exp. Chgs.             
 Est. Frt. Chgs.             
 No. of packages           

*ZER*  
Shipping Clerk

295,268  
w

NAME E. A. L. Rainbow  
A.S.N. 0-521482 RANK 2<sup>nd</sup> LT.

P.O.W. ABANDONED  
TALLY NO. 7661  
INV. DATE 30 APR 45  
ORIG. NO. OF PGS. 1  
BOX NO.  
SHEET 1 OF 1 SHEETS  
ORGANIZATION Co. B 38<sup>th</sup> ARMD INF 13<sup>th</sup> A.I.

Belt	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<u>TOILET &amp; WASHCLOTHES</u>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<u>KNIVES</u>
<u>BELT MONEY (NO MONEY)</u>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<u>CLOTHING</u> ✓	<input type="checkbox"/>	<u>BAGS, CLOTH OR TRAVEL</u>
Cloth, Wash	<input type="checkbox"/>	<u>BRACKET IDENT.</u>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<u>BILLFOLD (NO MONEY)</u>
Coats	<input type="checkbox"/>	Brushes	<input type="checkbox"/>	Case
Footwear, Pr.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<u>CAMERAS</u>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Footlocker ✓
Gloves, Pr.	<input type="checkbox"/>	Glasses	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<u>KIT, REV. KIT, OR WRITING</u>
Handkerchiefs	<input type="checkbox"/>	knives	<input type="checkbox"/>	<u>BOOKS</u>
Headwear	<input type="checkbox"/>	Lighters	<input type="checkbox"/>	Books, Address
Jackets	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<u>MISC. INSIGNIA</u> ✓	<input type="checkbox"/>	Books, Pilot Log
Overcoats	<input type="checkbox"/>	Pen, Fountain	<input type="checkbox"/>	<u>DIARY (REMOVED FOR DOR)</u>
Scarfs	<input type="checkbox"/>	Pencil, Mechanical	<input type="checkbox"/>	<u>PIIMS</u>
SHIRTS	<input type="checkbox"/>	Pipes	<input type="checkbox"/>	Letters
Socks, Pr.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<u>RELIGIOUS ARTICLES</u>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Papers, Personal
Ties	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<u>RIBBONS, DECORATION</u> ✓	<input type="checkbox"/>	Photos
Towels	<input type="checkbox"/>	Rings	<input type="checkbox"/>	Shoe Shine Articles
Trousers, Pr.	<input type="checkbox"/>	Tobacco	<input type="checkbox"/>	<u>SHORT SHORTS</u>
Trunks, Pr.	<input type="checkbox"/>	Toilet Articles	<input type="checkbox"/>	<u>SOFTENERS</u>
Underwear	<input type="checkbox"/>	<u>WALCH</u>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<u>SOFTENER MONEY</u>
				Stationery
				<u>WASTEBASKETS</u>
				<u>U.S. MONEY (MONEY)</u>

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REMARKS Mrs Carl L. Rainbow wife ATTACHMENTS Inventory

Garden Pond, Ky.

FORM #54 FORM #100

LAUNDRY

C.A.T. none

WAREHOUSE SPACE 7-287 STORED BY THB

INVENTORIED BY F. St...

WEIGHT ZER G.I. REMOVED

JUN 28 1945

SHORTAGE ON REVERSE

IDENT. TAGS REMOVED

DIARY REMOVED

DATE SHIPPED

LOCKED STORAGE

LAUNDRY REMOVED

NAME RAINBOW, EARL L OJT 6902

BAY	PALLET	BOX	TALLY
	6		7661
TYPE OF PKG.		WHSE. SPACE	INVENTORIED

BOX

EE. QM Form 48



TALLY NO.

025 612 ✓

TALLY NO.

7661 ✓

20 APR 48 ✓

EARL L. RAINBOW  
O-526 982 ✓

Iltn ✓

DRY CLEANING		do not use	LAUNDRY		do not use
✓	SHIRTS, WOOL			SHIRTS, CRESS, COTTON	
	TRUSERS, WOOL			HANDKERCHIEFS	
✓	COAT, SERVICE, WOOL			TRUSERS, COTTON	
	JACKET, FIELD			TIE, COTTON	
	OVERCOAT, LONG			UNDERSHIRTS, COTTON	✓
	OVERCOAT, SHORT, WOOL			DRAWERS, COTT N	✓
	CAP, GARRISON, WOOL			SWEATSHIRTS, COTTON OR WOOL	✓
	CAP, GARRISON, W/LEATHER COTTON			SHAWLS, WOOL	
	CAP, SERVICE WOOL			SOCKS, COTTON, PA	
	CAP, SERVICE, W/LEATHER COTTON			SOCKS, WOOL, PP.	
	TIES, WOOL			PAJAMA TOPS	
	GLOVES, LEATHER OR WOOL			PAJAMA BOTTOMS	
	SCARFS			FATIGUES, TOPS, COTTON	
	SWEATERS			FATIGUES, TROUSERS, COTTON	
	TRUNKS, SWIM			CAP, FATIGUE, COTTON	
				BELT, COTTON	
				TOWEL	
				CLUTH, WOOL	
				CAP, GARRISON, "NO LEATHER" COTTON	
				CAP, SERVICE, "NO LEATHER", COTTON	
				GLOVES, COTTON	
				LEGGINGS	
				SUPPORTERS, ATHLETIC	
				SCARFS	
				TRUNKS, GYM	
				BAGS, BARRACKS	

ZER

WEIGHT

BUN 28 1948

WAREHOUSE SPACE

818

STORAGE

BC

INVENTORIED BY

Palmer

DATE SHIPPED

PACKED BY

CHECKED BY

RESTRICTED

5 NOVEMBER 1944  
Date

SUBJECT: Inventory of Personal Effects of:

RAINBOW EARL L SWALT 0-526982  
(Last Name) (First Name) (MI) (Rank) (ASN)

TD: Effects Quartermaster, Communication Zone, APO \_\_\_\_\_  
US Army

The above named individual of Co 'B'  
(Unit)

38 ARMD INF BN was reported KIA  
(Organization) (Status-Killed, MIA,

Hospitalized, etc.) about 2 NOVEMBER 1944  
(Date)

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

INVENTORY OF EFFECTS

3-PR FATIGUES	BELT-WEB WAIST - 1
6-UNDERSHIRT COTTON	CAP (OFF) - 1
3-DRAWERS-COTTON	KIT TOILET - 1
3-TIES COTTON	UNDERSHIRT WOOL - 2
1-SLIPPERS <del>COTTON</del> HOUSE	DRAWER - WOOL - 3
1-PR. SHOES WORK	GLASSES - PR - 1
1-FIELD JACKET	SHOES-COMBAT (GD) PR - 1
1-BLOUSE-OFF	CHEEK-BOOT - 1
1-SHIRT-GREEN	TROUSERS O.D. - PR - 1
10-HAND KERCHIEFS	O.D. SHIRT - 1

RESTRICTED

RESTRICTED

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

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Name of finance officer and symbol number) Form WDFD 38

enclosed.

1

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 \_\_\_\_\_ on \_\_\_\_\_ (Rail, Truck, etc.)

\_\_\_\_\_ 194\_\_\_\_\_.

Name John W. Higgins  
Rank & ASN 1st Lt 01311300  
Organization Co "B" 38 ARMD INF-BN.

Any additional pertinent information:

(Date)

(Signature of Ballee)

Receipt acknowledged:

Incl--  
Envelope

The Army Effects Bureau has received and is forwarding to you a few additional items of personal effects belonging to your

When you have received the package, please receipt for these articles by signing one copy of this letter in the space provided below, and return that copy to this Bureau.

For your convenience, there is inclosed an addressed envelope which needs no postage.

In Reply Refer To

ARMY SERVICE FORCES  
 KANSAS CITY QUARTERMASTER DEPOT  
 ARMY EFFECTS BUREAU  
 601 Hardesty Avenue  
 Kansas City 1, Missouri

295268

GHG:MH:bo  
June 18, 1945

Mrs. Dorothy L. Rainbow  
329 S. E. 22nd Street  
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma

Dear Mrs. Rainbow:

The Army Effects Bureau has received some additional property of your husband, Second Lieutenant Earl L. Rainbow, consisting of funds in the amount of \$1.27. A check for this sum is inclosed.

The transmittal of funds by this Bureau does not, of itself, vest title in the recipient. Such property is forwarded for distribution according to the laws of the state of decedent's legal residence.

Extending every sympathy, I am

Sincerely yours,

C. B. QUINN  
2nd Lt. Q.M.C.  
Chief, Files Branch

1 Incl--  
Check

ARMY SERVICE FORCES  
ARMY EFFECTS BUREAU

ORDER FOR SHIPMENT

SHIP TO: Mrs. Dorothy L. Rainbow  
329 S. E. 22nd Street  
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma

Effects of:  
Name 2nd Lt. Earl L. Rainbow  
ASN 0-526982  
Case No. 295268 D

DATE 18 June 1945  
GHG:MH:bo

*Margaret Hill*  
Effects Quartermaster

REMARKS:  
 Inclose Bureau Check  
Acct. No. 102101  
Amount \$1.27 *Incl*  
 Inclose "Valuables" item  
 Ship "Valuables" item(s)

Weigh G.I.  
 No discrepancy  
 Items removed  
 Dirty removed  
 Laundry removed

ROUTING:  
1 Accounting Branch *lv*  
Warehouse Division  
2 Files Branch, Adm. Div.

86288 dg

102101  
295268

June 22

45

Dorothy L. Rainbow

1.27

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REMARKS:

Fratched \_\_\_\_\_  
Est. Exp. Chgs. \_\_\_\_\_  
Est. Int. Chgs. \_\_\_\_\_  
No. of packages \_\_\_\_\_

Shipping Clerk

ARMY EFFECTS BUREAU  
INVENTORY

CASE NO. 295,268  
*m*

TYPED BY Dorman

DATE 5-1-45

STATUS Deceased

NAME Rainbow, Earl L. ✓

A.S.N. 0-526982 ✓

RANK 2nd Lt. ✓

ORGANIZATION Unk

AMOUNT \$1.27 PAID-Check No. 862888 ACCOUNT NO. 102101 *901*

LIST NO. F-169

REMARKS

A C C O U N T I N G   I N V E N T O R Y

*Apr 12  
6*



ARMY SERVICE FORCES  
KANSAS CITY QUARTERMASTER DEPOT  
601 HARDESTY AVENUE  
KANSAS CITY 1, MISSOURI

IN REPLY REFER TO 295268

GHC:MH:jm  
May 26, 1945

Mrs. Dorothy L. Rainbow  
329 S.E. 22nd Street  
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma

Dear Mrs. Rainbow:

The Army Effects Bureau has received from overseas some property of your husband, Second Lieutenant Earl L. Rainbow.

This property, consisting of a few small items, is being sent you.

If, for some reason, it has not been received at the expiration of thirty days from this date, please notify us so that tracer may be instituted.

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

Yours very truly,

P. L. KOEB  
2nd Lt. Q.M.C.  
Officer-in-Charge  
SJ Unit

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ARMY SERVICE FORCES  
ARMY EFFECTS BUREAU

ORDER FOR SHIPMENT

SHIP TO:

Mrs. Dorothy L. Rainbow  
329 S. E. 22nd Street  
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma

Effects of:  
Name 2nd Lt. Earl L. Rainbow  
ASN 0-526982  
Case No. 295268 D  
It.

DATE 23 May 1945  
GHG:MH:vm

*Tony Spirakis*  
FCR: 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.

*file out*

*1 pkg*

REMARKS:

FRANKED JUN 2 1945  
Franked           
Est. Exp. Chgs.           
Est. Frt. Chgs.           
No. of packages 1

*N.K.*  
Shipping Clerk

NAME RAINBOW, E.L. 6982

BAY	PALLET	BOX	TALLY
	3	16	7713
TYPE OF PKG.		WHSE. SPACE	INVENTORIED
		PDB	

EF. QM Form 48

295,268  
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EARL L RAINBOW  
ASN 0-526982 5/24/45

APPROVED  
TALLY NO. 7713  
DATE 12 MAY 45  
ORG. NO. OF PAGES 1  
BOX NO. 16  
SHEET 1 OF SHEETS  
ORGANIZATION 38. and out

BELT	KEYS & WATCHES	TRINKETS
BELT, MONEY (NO MONEY)	CLOTHING	BAGS, CLOTH OR TRAVEL
CLOTH, WASH	BRACELET IDENT.	BILLFOLD, (NO MONEY) <i>etc</i>
COATS	BRUSHES	CASE
FOOTWEAR, PR.	CAMERAS	FOOTLOCKER
GLOVES, PR.	GLASSES	KIT, SEW, TLT, OR WRITING
HANDKERCHIEFS	KNIVES	BOOKS
HEADWEAR	LIGHTERS	BOOKS, ADDRESS
JACKETS	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <i>Missing</i>	BOOKS, PILOT LOG
OVERCOATS	PEN, FOUNTAIN	DIARY (REMOVED FOR DUR)
SCARFS	PENCIL, MECHANICAL	FILMS
SHIRTS	PIPES	LETTERS
SOCKS, PR.	RELIGIOUS ARTICLES	PAPERS, PERSONAL
TIES	RIBBONS, DECORATION	PHOTOS
TOWELS	RINGS	SHOE SHINE ARTICLES
TROUSERS, PR.	TOBACCO	SHORT SHORTER
TRUNKS, PP.	TOILET ARTICLES	SOUVENIRS
UNDERWEAR	WATCH	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> SOUVENIR MONEY
		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> STATIONERY
		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> TESTAMENTS
		U.S. MONEY (AMOUNT)

REMARKS *Wife*  
*Mrs Dorothy Le Rainbow*  
*329. South East 2nd St*  
*Oklahoma City Okla.*

ATTACHMENTS  
*1 Sub B.P. label*

C.F.T. *none*

W-REHOUSE SPACE *2112*

INVENTORIED BY *Wactera*

PICKED BY

WEIGHT

U.I. REMOVED

SHORT, GE OR REVERSE

IDENT. TAGS REMOVED

DIARY REMOVED

DATE SHIPPED *2 1945*

LOCKED STORAGE

LAUNDRY REMOVED

SHORTAGES

6 Milling 3 pencil

U.S. GOVT. CHECK SHORT

NUMBER

DATE

6 Nov 44

SYMBOL

212-196

AMOUNT

Verify that the above listed items were not in the containers inventoried by me:

Watters

INVENTORY CLERK

~~Watters~~

SUPERVISOR

G.I. REMOVED

INVENTORY OF EFFECTS

The following listed effects  
were found on 2/Lt  
(Rank)

Rainbow, Earl L O-526982

(Name) (ASN)

Co B

38 Armd Inf 11-2-44

(Orgn) (Date Died)

Buried at Henri Chapelle #1

and effects forwarded to  
Effects QM.

New Testament

Wallet w/photos

Lighter

Pencil

4 Officers Insignia

17 Souv Coins

6 Shillings 3 Pence

6 Nov 1944

RAY GRAHAM

Major FD

SN 212-196

*Harry Dubrov*  
HARRY DUBROV, 1ST LT, QMC

RAINBOW, EARL L  
O-526982

601 Hardisty Avenue  
Kansas City 1, Missouri

Date 23 May 1945

SUBJECT: Report of transaction in disposing of the effects of

Carl L. Raines 0-26332 1st  
(Name of decedent) (Army Serial Number)  
Second Lieutenant Infantry  
(Grade) (Organization, Army or Service)

on the 2 day of November, 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 Hdq. WCM Det, 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 unliquidated 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 22 May 1945, pursuant to Special Orders 228, Headquarters WCM Det, dated 25 September 1943, the application or affidavit of Mrs. Dorothy L. Raines 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, Mrs. Dorothy L. Raines of 320 S.W. 22nd Street State of Kellogg City is the widow of the above-named decedent and appears to be entitled to receive his or her effects.

(Signature of Summary Court Officer)

JOHN R. MURPHY, Colonel, G.S.C.