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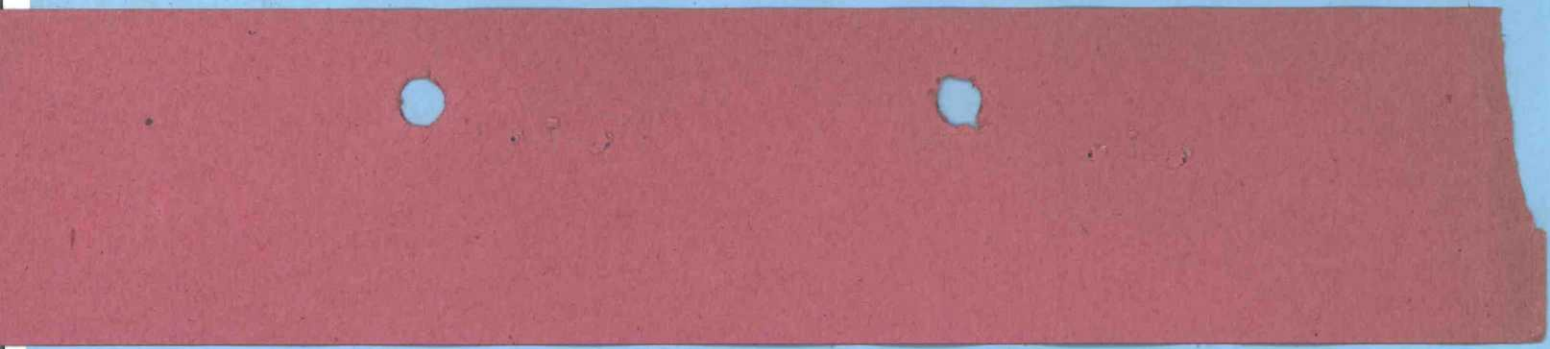
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MEMORIALIZATION OF NON-RECOVERABLE
REMAINS OF WORLD WAR II

THIS FILE HAS BEEN AUDITED FOR NON-RECOVERABILITY

NAME (Last, First, Middle)

BRYAN HOMER H

RANK

S G T

SERIAL NUMBER

34192364

ARM OF SERVICE

ARMY

DATE OF DEATH

9 SEP 44

AREA OF DEATH

FRANCE

NAME OF AUDITOR

KINKEAD

DATE

28 FEB 51

NAME OF REVIEWER

M. COX

DATE

28 FEB 51

REMARKS

CONTROLLED CASE

NAME BRYAN, Homer H.	GRADE Sgt	SERIAL NO. 34 192 364
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**NON-RECOVERABLE CASE
RECORD OF REVIEW AND APPROVAL**

CASE NUMBER
15039 (1)

AREA OR ZONE(S)
EUROPEAN

NAME (Last, First, Middle Initial)
Bryan, Homer H.

RANK
Sgt

SERIAL NUMBER
34 192 364

THE ATTACHED PROCEEDINGS OF THE FIELD BOARD OF REVIEW HAVE BEEN REVIEWED AND THE FINDINGS OF NON-RECOVERABILITY OF THE REMAINS OF THE FOLLOWING INDIVIDUAL(S) ARE APPROVED. (Corrections in name, rank, and/or serial number have been effected when appropriate.)

Considered as an Individual Case

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

	INITIALS OF ANALYST	(CROSS OUT THOSE NOT APPLICABLE)	INITIALS OF ANALYST
1. 293 FILE OF SUBJECT(S)	VAT	2. a. REPORT OF DEATH b. FINDING OF DEATH c. STATUS REVIEW & DETERMINATION	VAT
3. A - Z FILE OF KNOWN INTERMENTS IN U.S. MILITARY CEMETERIES, ISOLATED LOCATIONS, AND SEA BURIALS	VAT	4. GEOGRAPHICAL CLUE INDEX FILE OF UNKNOWNNS RECOVERED FROM APPROPRIATE AREA	
5. ALPHABETICAL INDEX OF "BELIEVED TO BE" AND TENTATIVELY IDENTIFIED UNKNOWNNS	VAT	6. ALPHABETICAL FILE OF FORMER UNKNOWNNS NOW IDENTIFIED	VAT
7. OTHER DOCUMENTS OR SOURCES None			

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

KIA on 9 September 1944 in the vicinity of Malancourt, France.

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NAME OF CASE ANALYST
Vincent A. Thomas
VINCENT A. THOMAS/meh

CASE TO BE FORWARDED TO _____
FOR CONSIDERATION OF NOTIFICATION TO INTERESTED PARTIES.

RECOMMEND APPROVAL	APPROVED	DATE
CASE REVIEWER, FINAL DETERMINATION SECTION <i>W.A. Wolf</i> W.A. WOLF	CHIEF, FINAL DETERMINATION SECTION <i>Mary A. Edwards</i> MARY A. EDWARDS, 1/Lt QMC	CHIEF, IDENTIFICATION BRANCH <i>John E. Cox</i> THOMAS E. COX, Capt QMC
		20 Feb 51

NON-RECOVERABLE REMAINS REEXAMINATION OF RECORDS

AREA OF DEATH Vicinity of Malancourt, France	CASE NUMBER 15309
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NAME (Last, First, Middle Initial) Bryan, Homer H.	RANK Sgt	SERIAL NUMBER 34 192 364
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IN THE COURSE OF THIS REEXAMINATION IT HAS BEEN DETERMINED THAT THE CIRCUMSTANCES OF DEATH WERE SUCH THAT: (Check appropriate box)

- THE REMAINS OF THE DECEDENT COULD NOT HAVE BEEN RECOVERED
- THE REMAINS OF THE DECEDENT COULD HAVE BEEN RECOVERED. HOWEVER, AFTER REVIEW OF THE FOLLOWING IT HAS BEEN DETERMINED THAT EVIDENCE DOES NOT EXIST TO CONTRADICT A FINDING OF NON-RECOVERABILITY:

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

REMARKS

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Identification Branch

RECOMMEND APPROVAL

NAME OF CASE ANALYST	CASE REVIEWER, FINAL DETERMINATION SECTION	CHIEF, FINAL DETERMINATION SECTION	DATE
<i>E. Miller</i>		<i>[Signature]</i>	

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GROP 293.9

SUBJECT: Non-Recoverable

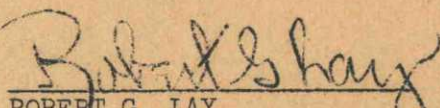
absence of specific information concerning their deaths, the failure of Field Investigations to provide evidence, and the lack of association with recovered unknowns would tend to substantiate these conclusions. It is recommended that the remains of the individuals listed on these Board Proceedings be considered Non-Recoverable under the provisions of paragraph 3b, Letter, Office of The Quartermaster General, file QMGMP 293, Subject: Processing Board Findings of Non-Recoverability Return of World War II Dead Program, dated 25 March 1949.

Reference is made to: OQMG Forms 371; After Action Reports, and Casualty Clearance Plan concerning each decedent; Reports of Field Investigations previously forwarded to the Office of The Quartermaster General, pertaining to resolved casualties who were killed in action in the department of Meurthe-et-Mosell, France; On file in The Office of The Quartermaster General, Washington, D. C.

2. It is recommended that the remains, based upon the above information and research, be declared non-recoverable.

s/ C. W. Steinsiek
t/ C. W. STEINSIEK
Captain QMC

A TRUE COPY:


ROBERT G. LAY
Maj QMC

15039

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

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

The Board convened pursuant to par 4, SO 139, headquarters, 788 Graves Registration Detachment, APO 757, US Army, 15 November 1950, at Liege, Belgium on . The purpose of the Board was to determine the non-recoverability status of certain casualties now under jurisdiction of this command.

The Board reviewed report of investigation, statements of witness and other papers, contained in the files of 7887 Graves Registration Detachment, EA, pertaining to the case of the following named casualty/casualties, the remains of which have not been recovered. The case records and other data considered, are attached.

<u>CASE #</u>	<u>NAME</u>	<u>GRADE</u>	<u>ASN</u>
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SEE ATTACHED ROSTER

FINDINGS: The Board having carefully considered the evidence before it, finds the remains of said casualty/casualties are non-recoverable.

RECOMMENDATION: That the case concerning subject casualty/casualties be forwarded to the Office of The Quartermaster General for final approval.

<u>EDWARD D. MULVANY, Lt.Col. 0-359598, QMC</u>	<u>s/James C. MacFarland JAMES C. MacFARLAND, Major, 0-1576321, QMC</u>
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<u>s/ George Gunderman, Jr. GEORGE GUNDERMAN, JR Major, 0-1289071, QMC</u>	<u>CLYDE W. STEINSIEK, Capt. 0-1040311, QMC</u>
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<u>LEWIS A. McAMIS, Capt 0-1543042, MSC/QMC</u>	<u>JOHN M. NEFF, Capt. 0-1055924, QMC</u>
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<u>ALLAN L. LAWSON, Capt. 0-1288075, QMC</u>	<u>ROBERT W. GANSEL, 1/Lt, 0-1599085, QMC</u>
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<u>s/ John A. Boutin JOHN A. BOUTIN, 2/Lt 0-947298, QMC</u>	<u>A TRUE COPY:</u>
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Robert G. Lay

<u>ROBERT G. LAY</u>	
Maj	QMC

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

GROP 293.9

SUBJECT: Non-Recoverable

TO: Non-Recoverable Board, AGRC

1. It is recommended that the Board take action on the following cases:

NAMES: See attached roster

ORGANIZATION: See OQMG Forms 371

DATE OF DEATH: See attached roster

PLACE OF DEATH: See OQMG Forms 371

SYNOPSIS: The casualties listed on attached roster are reported by official records as Missing in Action or Killed in Action during ground operations in the department of Meurthe-et-Moselle, France, from the period 7 September through 3 December 1944. Extensive area searches as well as individual investigations have to date failed to furnish information as to the ultimate disposition of their remains. Efforts to effect association with unidentified recoveries from the area, now interred in U.S. Military Cemeteries, have also proven negative. The lack of specific information regarding the death or burial, limited search in most instances to general localities, however, documents on file in this Office and Office of The Quartermaster General substantiate the fact that numerous investigations covering the entire department of Meurthe-et-Moselle, have been conducted in the course of search operations for all losses, both recovered and unrecovered. The terrain of the Meurthe-et-Moselle department, consists of farm, pasture and forest land which has been under constant use since the cessation of hostilities, thus the possibility of undiscovered graves is remote. It can therefore only be concluded that the remains of the deceased in question were reduced by battle action to a state which precludes recovery or identification, with the exception of two men listed on attached roster who were known to have drowned and their remains never recovered. The

Department of
Meurthe-et-Moselle
France

ROSTER TO ACCOMPANY NON-SPECIFIC BOARD
FINDINGS OF NON-RECOVERABILITY

To Accompany Proceedings of Board of Review

<u>NAME</u>	<u>RANK</u>	<u>SERIAL NO.</u>	<u>DATE KIA OR MIA</u>
Abel, Russell L.	S/Sgt	6 935 342	20 Sep 44
Bauknecht, Russell H.	Pvt	33 812 170	24 Oct 44
Bryan, Homer H.	Sgt	34 192 364	9 Sep 44
Burger, Melvin	Pfc	32 973 686	26 Oct 44
Chiodo, Ottovio D.	Pfc	33 699 192	14 Oct 44
Cruz, Tomas	S/Sgt	38 113 574	24 Oct 44
DeHaan, Harry R.	Pvt	39 218 447	9 Nov 44
Diamanti, Albert C.	Pvt	32 868 499	14 Sep 44
Farmer, LeRoy T.	Pvt	33 660 024	11 Sep 44
Gallagher, Cornelius J.	Pfc	33 586 443	15 Nov 44
Glazier, Bernard J.	Pvt	36 333 128	9 Sep 44
Gray, John P.	T/5	34 236 248	19 Sep 44
Hierz, Henry	Cpl	36 315 751	14 Sep 44
Harris, Gus E.	Pvt	33 577 467	13 Nov 44
Harris, Oren C.	Pvt	35 756 764	27 Sep 44
Horner, Robert B.	Pvt	35 760 587	18 Sep 44
Kellar, Herbert C.	T/5	36 589 323	4 Nov 44
Kjems, Henry R.	Sgt	39 175 674	24 Nov 44
Klinger, Randall	T/5	33 162 614	7 Sep 44
Lewis, Jack H.	Sgt	32 253 215	9 Sep 44
McGuire, Charles T.	Pfc	33 158 351	21 Sep 44
Morgan, Louie F.	Sgt	7 005 037	3 Dec 44
O'Connor, Edward J.	Pvt	12 057 133	7 Sep 44
O'Neal, William L.	Pvt	39 244 999	25 Sep 44
Pescik, Albin J.	Pvt	31 274 929	17 Nov 44
Piantoni, Michael E.	Pvt	39 620 659	18 Sep 44
Polifka, Peter	Pvt	33 172 569	9 Sep 44
Rich, Lawrence W.	Pfc	37 233 142	15 Nov 44
Scott, Andrew J.	Cpl	6 658 123	18 Sep 44
Wallace, Florian	Pfc	35 475 026	9 Sep 44
Wertz, Eldore W.	Cpl	36 231 899	30 Sep 44
Westcott, Godfrey C.	Pvt	31 337 874	21 Sep 44

The Roster received from Field Board is filed in
the 293 file of Abel, Russell L., S/Sgt.,
ASN 6 935 342.

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

15 November 1950

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

LT COL EDWARD D. MULVANITY, O 359 598, QMC., President
MAJOR JAMES C. MacFARLAND, O 1 576 321, QMC.,
MAJOR GEORGE GUNDERMAN, Jr., O 1 289 071, INF/QMC.,
CAPT CLYDE W. STEINSIEK, O 1 040 311, QMC.,
CAPT LEWIS A. McAMIS, O 1 543 042, MSG/QMC.,
CAPT JOHN M. NEFF, O 1 055 924, QMC.,
CAPT ALLAN L. LAWSON, O 1 288 075, QMC.,
1ST LT ROBERT W. GANSEL, O 1 599 085, QMC.,
2D LT JOHN A. BOUTIN, O 947 298, QMC.,

BY ORDER OF COLONEL AMLONG:

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

OFFICIAL:

s/t/ EDWARD F. PRICE, Jr.,
CAPT., QMC
Adjutant.

A TRUE COPY:

Robert S. Lay
ROBERT S. LAY
Maj QMC

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AG 704 Dead (27 Mar 50)

WLN/mmh/10662a/10270

27 March 1950

MEMORANDUM TO: Officer in Charge, Casualty Section,
Personnel Actions Branch, AGO

SUBJECT: Report of Death

1. The following persons, Infantry, members of Company C, 40th Tank Battalion were reported missing in action, not in flying or jump pay status, in France on 9 September 1944 by ETO Shipment Number 196 and presumed dead as of 10 September 1945 under the provisions of Section 5, Missing Persons Act (SR&D Case Number 4036):

293	Bryan, Homer H.	Sgt	34192364
	Lewis, Jack H.	Sgt	32253215
	Wallace, Florian	Pfc	35475026
	Glazier, Bernard J.	Pvt	36333128
	Polifka, Peter	Pvt	33172569

2. A Missing Report, dated 10 September 1944, filed in the AG 201 file of Sergeant Bryan contains the following information:

Mission: "To destroy enemy and gun emplacements."
 Point of Departure: "3 Miles S.W. Malancourt". Date: "9 Sep 1944."
 Intended Destination: "Mannville, France."
 Last Known Whereabouts: "Near Mannville, France."
 Circumstances Surrounding Disappearance: "In attacking, the tank in which the above man was riding, was hit by enemy fire and burned. He has not shown up or been reported by any Med Aid Station."

The report further shows that there were no eyewitnesses and search was not made as territory was in enemy hands.

a. Similar Missing Reports are filed in the AG 201 and Casualty Section files of the other four members of the subject tank crew.

b. A "Certificate" of search, dated 16 September 1944, signed by 1st Lt Hilton J. Dentser, Company C, 40th Tank Battalion, found in Sergeant Jack H. Lewis' Casualty Section file, certifies that information received from persons "in the vicinity where the above soldier was missing in action makes me believe his personal effects were destroyed by fire or captured by the enemy."

c. Copy of a letter, dated 23 April 1945, from Captain Robert M. Rutan, Chaplain, 40th Tank Battalion, to Mr. Jim Wallace, brother of Private First Class Florian Wallace, one of the subject persons, found in his Casualty Section file shows that:

* * *

"During the bitter fighting in the vicinity of Metz, France, your brother's tank was disabled while in action. Florian did not appear with the other members of his company and was listed as missing in action on the 9th of September, 1944."

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"We have endeavored to obtain information about our brother and others who are missing. ***"

3. The captured German records contain no information relative to the subject persons or their tank, nor do the files of the Memorial Division, Office of the Quartermaster General contain any burial information, at the present, on them.

4. The subject persons were members of the crew of a tank of Company C, 40th Tank Battalion, whose mission on 9 September 1944 was to destroy the enemy and their gun emplacements. While attacking the enemy near Mannville, France the tank was hit by enemy fire and burned. Subsequent searches in the vicinity where these men became missing failed to reveal any trace of them. The captured German records contain no information of any of the crew or the tank. Nothing has been seen or heard of them since. Considering the above facts and the lapse of time it is reasonable to believe that they were killed and their remains destroyed by the fire and explosions of ammunition in the tank.

5. It is recommended, therefore, that pursuant to the provisions of Section 9, Missing Persons Act, the foregoing information be accepted as an official report of death stating that the personnel named in paragraph one, above, Infantry, were killed in action, not in flying or jump pay status, on 9 September 1944 near Mannville, France. The official report of death will include the following statement:

"Finding of Death has been issued previously under Section 5, Public Law 490, 7 March 1942, as amended, showing presumed date of death as 10 September 1945. This 'Report of Death' is issued in accordance with Section 9 of said Act and its effect on prior payments and settlements is as provided in Section 9."

This memorandum will be routed to Operating Unit for notification and processing. Copy of letter to be sent to Det & Rev Unit (for OQMG)

Station and place of death: ETO

Walter L. Halls
Walter L. Halls
Investigator

CONCUR:

T. J. Collum
T. J. COLLUM
Major, AGD
OIC, Det. & Rev. Unit

APPROVED. Recommended action will be taken.

BY ORDER OF THE SECRETARY OF THE ARMY:

COPY FURNISHED:

OQMG, Mem. Div. (one copy for each individual named in par. 1)
AG 201 file of each individual named in par. 1.

Sylvio L. Bousquin
SYLVIO L. BOUSQUIN
Lt. Colonel, AGD
OIC, Casualty Section
PA Branch, AGO

Source material obtained as a result of this investigation is filed in the AG 201 file of Sgt Homer H. Bryan, 34192364, unless otherwise indicated.

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Bryan, Homer H.

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To Clinical Records Branch

For disposition

The records show medical treatment as follows:

Hospital	From	To	Register Number
Sta. Hosp. Camp Belk, La. F-6	13 Mar. 43	26 Mar. 43	33911

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 Clerk Date Branch

Identification Section
Memorial Division

Identification Data

Last Name	First	Initial	ASN	Grade	
BRYAN	HOMER	H	34,192,364	Sgt	
Height	Weight	Color Eyes	Color Hair	Shoe Size	Date of Death
5 ft. 6 in	146	Blue	D. Brown	6 1/2 D	10 Sept 1945
Last Organization to which attached or assigned (Give complete designation)					
Co "C" 40 th Tank Bn.					

Place of Death or place last seen if MIA
MIA while aboard a tank that was attacking Tank
hit by enemy fire & destroyed 3 miles S.W. Malancourt, France

List all camps in which stationed in U.S. prior to service overseas, including inclusive dates at each.

STATION	DATES
Ft. Ogle, Ga.	16 Mar '42
Camp Palk, La.	2 May '42
Ft. Knox, Ky.	26 Aug '42
Camp Palk, La	28 Sept '42

Fractures and/or Breaks

none

Tattoos and/or Birthmarks

none

DENTAL CHART 13 Feb. 1942

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X - Extracted

O - Carious

/ - Carious non-restorable

Indicate dentures, bridgework, etc., if shown



Bryan
Last Name

Harold H.
First Name

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To Clinical Records Branch

For disposition

The records show medical treatment as follows:

Hospital	From	To	Register Number
Sta Hong G. Coch La.	13 MAR 43	26 MAR 43	23911

DPRB

Clerk

Date

Branch

293 FILE		DATA ON REMAINS NOT YET RECOVERED OR IDENTIFIED		
NAME (Last, First, Middle Initial)		GRADE	PRESENT SERIAL NUMBER	
BRYAN, HOMER H.		SGT.	34192364	
ORGANIZATION	RACE	CREED	FORMER SERIAL NUMBER (If Applicable)	
CO. C. 40TH TANK BN. 7TH ARMD. DIV.	WHITE	PROTESTANT		
DATE OF DEATH/MIA	CAUSE OF DEATH	PLACE OF DEATH OR PLACE LAST SEEN IF MIA		
9 SEPT. 44	FINDING OF DEATH	MIA in vicinity of		
DATE OF FOD		MALANCOURT FRANCE		
10 SEPT. 45				
HEIGHT	WEIGHT	COLOR EYES	COLOR HAIR	SHOE SIZE
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DENTAL CHART 13 Feb 42				
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LOWER RIGHT		LOWER LEFT		
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X = Extracted O = Carious I = Carious Non-Restorable				
FRACTURES AND/OR BREAKS		TATTOOS AND/OR BIRTHMARK		
none		none		
ADDITIONAL INFORMATION Presumed Dead 10 sep 45. When tank in which he was a member was hit by enemy fire and burned in France. In vicinity of Malancourt, France. No other information found on file this branch.				
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(Basic; Ltr WD OQMG, QMGMR 293, Bryan, Homer H., 34 192 364, dated 7 April 1947)

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Hq American Graves Registration Command, European Area, APO 58 US Army
24 October 1947

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

1. Inclosed herewith copies of negative report received on investigation conducted for the recovery of the remains of Sergeant Homer H. Bryan, 34 192 364.

2. Forwarded for your information.

FOR THE COMMANDING GENERAL:

Walter E. Morrow
WALTER E. MORROW
Major, Infantry
Actg Asst Adj Gen

Incls:

1. Cy Ltr Hq Third Zone
dtd 19 Aug 47
2. Cy Ltr 539 QM Sv Co
dtd 19 Aug 47
3. Cies of 5 statements
(Lemoy, Ed. d'Hamonville,
Lucien Mathiot, D. Valet,
Lejaille)
4. Diary dtd 13 Aug 47
5. OQMG Form 371 with negative
report attached
6. Cy Ltr 4444 Sv Co Third Zone
dtd 10 June 47

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

In Reply Refer To
QMGR 293

7 APR 1947

Bryan, Homer H.
SN 34 192 364

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

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

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

<u>NAME</u>	<u>GRADE</u>	<u>SERIAL NO.</u>
Bryan, Homer, H.	Sgt.	34 192 364

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

FOR THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL:

1 Incl.
Form 371 (5 Cys)

Martin G. Riley, Major
J. B. COLSON
Colonel, QMC
Memorial Division

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HEADQUARTERS THIRD ZONE
531 QUARTERMASTER GROUP
AMERICAN GRAVES REGISTRATION COMMAND
EUROPEAN AREA
APO 58 (NANCY) US ARMY

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19 August 1947

SUBJECT: Investigation on Isolated Burial Case (Meurthe et Moselle).

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TO : Commanding General, American Graves Registration Command,
EA, APO 58, US Army.

1. Attention is invited to attached letter from the 539 QM Sv Co, dtd 19 Aug '47, five (5) statements and diary relative to investigation conducted on subject case.

2. Results of investigation were negative and a thorough search of records in this Headquarters fails to reveal any clue which might lead to the location of the remains of subject deceased.

FOR THE COMMANDING OFFICER:

LAWRENCE A. HAYES
Capt AGD
Adjutant

Incl: a/s

Tel : Nancy 8415
Ext 49

Case #623

(Meurthe et Moselle)

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539 QM SERVICE COMPANY (AC) THIRD ZONE
AMERICAN GRAVES REGISTRATION COMMAND
EUROPEAN AREA
APO 58 (Nancy) US ARMY

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19 August 1947

SUBJECT: Investigation of Case #9197 pertaining to Sgt Homer H Bryan, and four other Enlisted Men.

TO : Commanding Officer, Third Zone, AGRC, APO 58, US Army.

ATTN : Operations Officer.

1. After a complete investigation and search in the area of Manonville and Martincourt, no positive information was obtained regarding the five deceased enlisted men.

2. The investigation revealed that no combat took place in Manonville or Martincourt, as the enemy had retreated prior to the arrival of American troops in the area. Individuals questioned stated that no Americans were ever buried in their community.

3. Inclosed are pertinent statements and the Investigator's Diary.

LOUIS A BOCKSTAHLER
1st Lt Inf
Commanding

6 Incls:

- 5 Statements
- 1 Investigator's Diary

Case #623

(Meurthe et Moselle)
9197

Manonville, 13 August 1947

STATEMENT

I, the undersigned LEMOY, Constant, Assistant to the Mayor of Manonville, certify that there have never been any American Soldiers wounded killed or buried in the territory of the commune of Manonville. I am unable to therefore give any information concerning:

Sgt Homer R Bryan 34192364
or the others
Sgt Jack H Lewis 32253215
Pvt Bernard J Glazier 36333128
Pvt Peter Polifka 33172569
Pfc Florian Wallace 35475026

Town Seal

The Assistant to the Mayor:

/s/ LEMOY

CERTIFIED A TRUE TRANSLATION:

George A. Geno
George A Geno
Gr 5 6186
Translator

Case #623

(Meurthe et Moselle)
9197

Manonville, 13 August 1947

CERTIFICATE

I the undersigned Edouard d'Hamonville, declare having been at Manonville during the departure of the last German troops and upon the arrival of the first Americans. I certify that the Germans left Manonville on Sunday, 13 September 1944, at about 3 AM, their orders having been given the night before by their General Staff at Dienlonard to withdraw to the other side of the Moselle (the right bank).

It was only the 4th of September when some American Jeeps guided by members of the Maquis passed through the village. The Maquis from the forest of Pavenelle held the banks of the Moselle in the region of Pont a Mousson, and it is probable that no combat took place between the American and Germans, between Manonville and Pont a Mousson. Some combat took place in the region of Rosiers and Sargerais where the Germans held a bridgehead on the Marbach side.

I am unable to give any information concerning:

Sgt Homer R Bryan	34192364
Sgt Jack H Lewis	32253215
Pvt Bernard J Glazier	36333128
Pvt Peter Polifka	33172569
Pfc Florian Wallace	35475026

/s/ Edouard d'Hamonville

CERTIFIED A TRUE TRANSLATION:

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Gr 5 6186
Translator

Case #623

(Meurthe et Moselle)
9197

Martincourt, 13 August 1947

Dept of Meurthe et Moselle
Section of Nancy
Area of Domevre-en-Haye
Town of MartincourtDECLARATION

The Mayor of the Commune of Martincourt residing at Manonville after the partial destruction of Martincourt declares that the morning of 4 September 1944 finding himself at Manonville he accompanied and guided to Martincourt the first elements of the American Army coming from the general direction of Commercy.

As far as he knows no engagement took place on the territory of the Commune of Martincourt between the American Army and the Germans.

An American ambulance was installed in a field of the Chateau of Pierrefort, alongside of a stream. Many wounded coming from the engagements on the banks of the Moselle were brought there and treated. No American soldiers was buried in the region of the Commune of Martincourt nor that of Manonville.

Therefore I can furnish no information concerning the American soldiers bearing the following names:

Sgt Homer R Bryan	54192364
Sgt Jack H Lewis	32253215
Pvt Bernard J Glazier	36333128
Pvt Peter Polifka	33172569
Pfc Florian Wallace	35475026

The Mayor:

/s/ Lucien Mathiot

Town Seal

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George A. Geno.
George A Geno
Gr 5 6186
Translator

Case #623

(Meurthe et Moselle)
9197

Martincourt, 13 August 1947

Dept of Meurthe et Moselle
Section of Nancy
Area of Domevre-en-Haye
Town of Martincourt

DECLARATION

I, the undersigned VALET, Denis, Municipal Counselor of the Commune of Martincourt declare that to my knowledge no engagement has taken place in the territory of the commune between the American Army and the Germans, therefore I am unable to give any special information concerning the American soldiers listed below:

Sgt Homer R Bryan	34192364
Sgt Jack H Lewis	32253215
Pvt Bernard J Glazier	36333128
Pvt Peter Polifka	33172569
Pfc Florian Wallace	35475026

Martincourt, 13 August 1947

/s/ D Valet

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George A Geno
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Gr 5 6186
Translator

Case #623

(Meurthe et Moselle)
9179

Manonville, 13 August 1947

STATEMENT

I, the undersigned state that to my knowledge there has never been any military engagement in the territory of Manonville consequently there have been no wounded killed or buried in the territory of the commune of Manonville. I am unable therefore to give any information concerning:

Sgt Homer R Bryan	34192364
Sgt Jack H Lewis	32253215
Pvt Bernard J Glazier	36333128
Pvt Peter Polifka	33172569
Pfc Florian Wallace	35475026

/s/ Lejaille

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Case #623

(Meurthe et Moselle)
9197

DIARY

13 August 1947

Sgt Homer H Bryan & four other EM.
in the vicinity of Manonville.

Depart Nancy 0830
Arrive 1000

Interview Secretary to Mayor, M Lemoy, who states that there have been no remains or isolated burials of any U. S. deceased discovered or reported in his community since last investigation on 29 May 1947, and adds that no American soldiers were killed or wounded in his territory, as there had never been any combat between the Americans and Germans. This was the unanimous opinion of those questioned in Manonville.

At Martincourt:

Interview the Mayor, and the Mayor's Secretary, and Mr & Mrs Mathiot, who state that no combat had taken place either in Manonville or Martincourt, as German military had retreated from the area before the arrival of U.S. troops, and that no American soldiers had been killed or buried in the territory of the commune. Could give no information regarding Sgt Bryan and the four other EM presumed killed in this area. Also interviewed M. Valet, of Martincourt, who could give me no information regarding subject deceased. As no other information was available we left area at 1630 hours and arrived Nancy 1730 hours.

A CERTIFIED TRUE COPY
of Mr Gill's diary

LOUIS A BOCKSTAHLER
1st Lt Inf

6 May 1947 (S: 20 June 47)

(Moselle)

293 FILE 469	DATA ON REMAINS NOT YET RECOVERED OR IDENTIFIED			9179 9179
NAME (Last, First, Middle Initial) Bryan, Homer H.		GRADE Sgt.	PRESENT SERIAL NUMBER 34 192 364	
ORGANIZATION Co. "C" 40th Tank Bn. 7th Armd. Div.		RACE White	CREED Protestant	FORMER SERIAL NUMBER (If applicable)
DATE OF DEATH/MIA 9 Sept 44	CAUSE OF DEATH Finding Of Death		PLACE OF DEATH OR PLACE LAST SEEN IF MIA Vicinity of Malancourt, France	
DATE OF FOD 10 Sept 45				
HEIGHT 65 3/4"	WEIGHT 146	COLOR EYES Blue	COLOR HAIR Brown	SHOE SIZE 6 1/2 D

DENTAL CHART 13 Feb 42

UPPER RIGHT				UPPER LEFT											
8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Bridge fixed R-ITOL-1 Serv.															
LOWER RIGHT				LOWER LEFT											
16	15	14	13	12	11	10	9	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16
X = Extracted				O = Carious				1 = Carious Non-Restorable							
FRACTURES AND/OR BREAKS								TATTOOS AND/OR BIRTHMARK							
None Shown								None Shown							

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Age: 32

Tank in which he was a member was hit by enemy fire and burned in France. In the vicinity of Malancourt, France. Vicinity given as 3 miles S.W. of Malancourt.

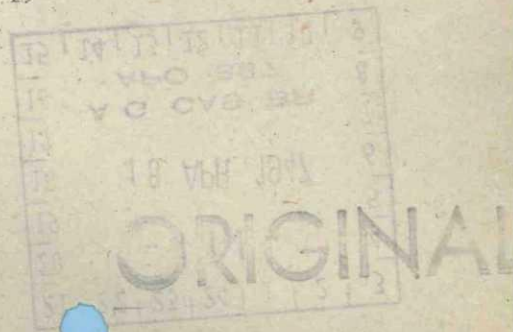
Operational Instructions #61.

Malancourt is located in the department of Moselle.

No Unknowns on record as having been recovered from the above location.

Area should be reinvestigated.

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DATA ON REMAINS NOT YET RECOVERED OR IDENTIFIED

HEADQUARTERS THIRD ZONE
 531 QUARTERMASTER GROUP
 AMERICAN GRAVES REGISTRATION COMMAND
 EUROPEAN THEATER AREA
 APO 58 (NANCY) US ARMY

GRW 12 June 1947

SUBJECT: Investigation of Isolated Burial Case (Moselle) 9179.

TO : Commanding General, American Graves Registration Command,
 ETA, APO 58, US Army.

1. Attention is invited to attached letter from the 4444 Sv Co dated 10 June '47, five (5) statements and diary relative to investigation conducted in an effort to locate the remains of Sgt Homer H. BRYAN, ASN 34192364.

2. Results of investigation were negative and a thorough search of cemetery records in this Headquarters fails to reveal any clue which might lead to the location of remains of subject deceased.

FOR THE COMMANDING OFFICER:

ELMER C. NORUM
 1st Lt INF
 Asst Adjutant

Incl: a/s

Tel Nancy 8415
 Ext 49

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Case # 469

(Moselle)
9179

4444 SERVICE COMPANY (AG) THIRD ZONE
AMERICAN GRAVES REGISTRATION COMMAND
EUROPEAN THEATER AREA
APO 58 (Nancy) US ARMY

10 June 1947.

SUBJECT: Investigation of Case 9179 regarding Sgt Homer H. BRYAN,
34 192 364.

TO : Commanding Officer, Third Zone, AGRC, ETA, APO 58, US Army.

ATTN : Operations Officer.

1. Complete search made of an area comprising the communes of Malancourt, Feves and St.Privat-la-Montagne failed to disclose the presence of any US tank which might still contain the remains of subject deceased.

2. As far as all individuals interviewed could remember, the evacuation of US deceased was taken care of by the 375 Inf. Rgt. for several months following the cessation of hostilities. Afterwards only one American was removed to St. Avold from the territory of Feves in August 1946.

3. Your attention is invited to inclosed statements and copy of investigator's diary.

LOUIS A. BOCKSTAHLER
1st Lt. Inf.
Commanding

Incls: 5 statements
1 diary.

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

In Reply Refer To
QMGR 293

7 APR 1947

Bryan, Homer H.
SN 34 192 364

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

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

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

<u>NAME</u>	<u>GRADE</u>	<u>SERIAL NO.</u>
Bryan, Homer, H.	Sgt.	34 192 364

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

FOR THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL:

1 Encl.
Form 371 (5 Cys)

J. B. COLSON
Colonel, SMC
Memorial Division

APR 7 11 06 AM '47
MAIL & RECORDS BRANCH

APR 7 10 21 AM '47
RECORDS BRANCH

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ADDITIONAL INFORMATION Age: 32 Tank in which he was a member was hit by enemy fire and burned in France. In the vicinity of Malencourt, France. Vicinity given as 3 miles S.W. of Malencourt.				

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WASHINGTON 25, D. C.

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1 Incl.
Form 371 (5 Cys)

J. B. COLSON
Colonel, QMG
Memorial Division

*Information
Letter*

Form prescribed by
Comptroller General, U.S.
7 October 1944

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

4036

FINDING OF DEATH OF MISSING PERSON

Pursuant to the provisions of Section 5 of the Act of 7 March 1942 (Public Law 490 77th Cong.) as amended, upon direction and delegation by The Secretary of War, The Chief, Casualty Branch, The Adjutant General's Office, finds Sergeant Homer H. Bryan, Army Serial Number 34,192,364, Armored Force,

to be dead. He was officially reported as missing in action as of the 9th day of September 1944. For the purposes stated in said Act, death is presumed to have occurred on the 10th day of September, 1945.

BY ORDER OF THE SECRETARY OF WAR

George F. Herbert

ADJUTANT GENERAL
CHIEF, CASUALTY BRANCH

SUMMARY OF INFORMATION

AREA	WAR STATUS	JUMP STATUS	LIRE OF DUTY	OWN MIS-CONDUCT	ON DUTY STATUS	ABSENCE AUTH'D
European	No	No	Yes	No	Yes	
PREVIOUS REVIEWS						
None						
DATE OF BIRTH	HOME ADDRESS	DATE OF ENTRY ON CURRENT ACTIVE SERVICE	LENGTH OF SERVICE (AS OF PRESUMED DATE OF DEATH)			
26 Oct 1912	Eads, Tennessee	11 Mar 1942	YEARS	MONTH	DAYS	
			Over	three	years	

EMERGENCY ADDRESSEE

NAME	RELATIONSHIP	ADDRESS
Mrs. V. P. Bryan	Mother	General Delivery Eads, Tennessee

BENEFICIARIES

NAME	RELATIONSHIP	ADDRESS
Mrs. Vivian Pearl Bryan	Mother	General Delivery Eads, Tennessee
NAME	RELATIONSHIP	ADDRESS
Mr. Willie B. Bryan	Father	General Delivery Eads, Tennessee

REMARKS

Distribution 56

Circumstances of disappearance: The subject person was aboard a tank that was hit by enemy fire and burned while attacking in France.

Yell
12 SEP 1945

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FINAL REPORT

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

REPORT OF DEATH No. 197

DATE 31 March 1950 sfb

FULL NAME <i>Bryan, Homer H.</i>		ARMY SERIAL NUMBER 34 192 364		GRADE Sgt.									
HOME ADDRESS Eads, Tennessee		ARM OR SERVICE Armored Force		DATE OF BIRTH 26 Oct 1912									
PLACE OF DEATH European Area		CAUSE OF DEATH Killed in action		DATE OF DEATH Sept 44									
STATION OF DECEASED European Area		DATE OF ENTRY ON CURRENT ACTIVE SERVICE 11 Mar 42		LENGTH OF SERVICE FOR PAY PURPOSES YEARS MONTHS DAYS Over 3 yrs.									
EMERGENCY ADDRESSEE (Name, relationship, and address) Mrs. V. P. Bryan, mother, General Delivery, Eads, Tenn.													
BENEFICIARY (Name, relationship, and address) Mrs. Vivian P. Bryan, mother, same as above Mr. Willie B. Bryan, father, same as above													
INVESTIGATION MADE		IN LINE OF DUTY		OWN MISCONDUCT									
YES	NO	YES	NO	YES	NO								
WAS DECEASED ON DUTY STATUS		AUTHORIZED ABSENCE		IN FLYING PAY STATUS									
YES	NO	YES	NO	YES	NO								
OTHER PAY STATUS (Specify below)													
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<p align="right"> <i>File</i> <i>12 Apr 50</i> <i>Co. Bridges</i> </p> <p align="center">BY ORDER OF THE SECRETARY OF THE ARMY XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX</p> <p align="right"> <i>W. Stear</i> ADJUTANT GENERAL </p>													