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REMAINS CONSIGNED TO:

FRANK M. MOHS, FUNERAL DIRECTOR 709 MAIN WEBSTER, SOUTH DAKOTA

REMAINS OF THE LATE T/5 DICK R. GRUBA, SN. 37032763

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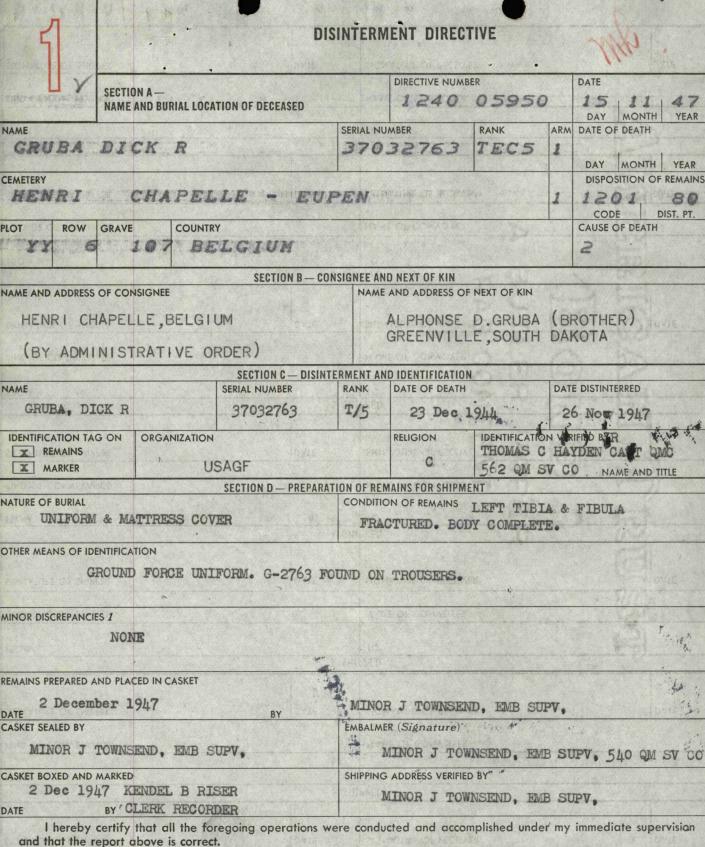
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WEBSTER, SOUTH DAKOTA

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ARE ENROUTE TO THE UNITED STATES

OUR RECORDS INDICATE YOU WISH REMAINS DELIVERED TO

FRANK M. MOHS, FUNERAL DIRECTOR, 709 MAIN, WEBSTER, SO. DAKOTA (F/B CREMVILLE, SOUTH DAKOTA)

PLEASE CONFIRM YOUR ORIGINAL INSTRUCTIONS OR SUBMIT NEW DELIVERY INSTRUCTIONS
WITHIN 48 HOURS BY TELEGRAM COLLECT TO CHICAGO QUARTERMASTER DEPOT AGRD 1819 WEST
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- 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 in 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 BOX "B"

- 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.
- 4. No interment expense allowance is authorized since interment is made ultimately in a national or post cemetery.

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QUEST FOR DISPOSITION OF REMAI.

BUDGET BUREAU NO. 49-R277.

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

T/5 Dick R. Gruba, 37 032 763 Plot YY, Row 6, Grave 107 United States Military Cemetery Henri-Chapelle, Belgium 11 March 1949

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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.

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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 I of this form.

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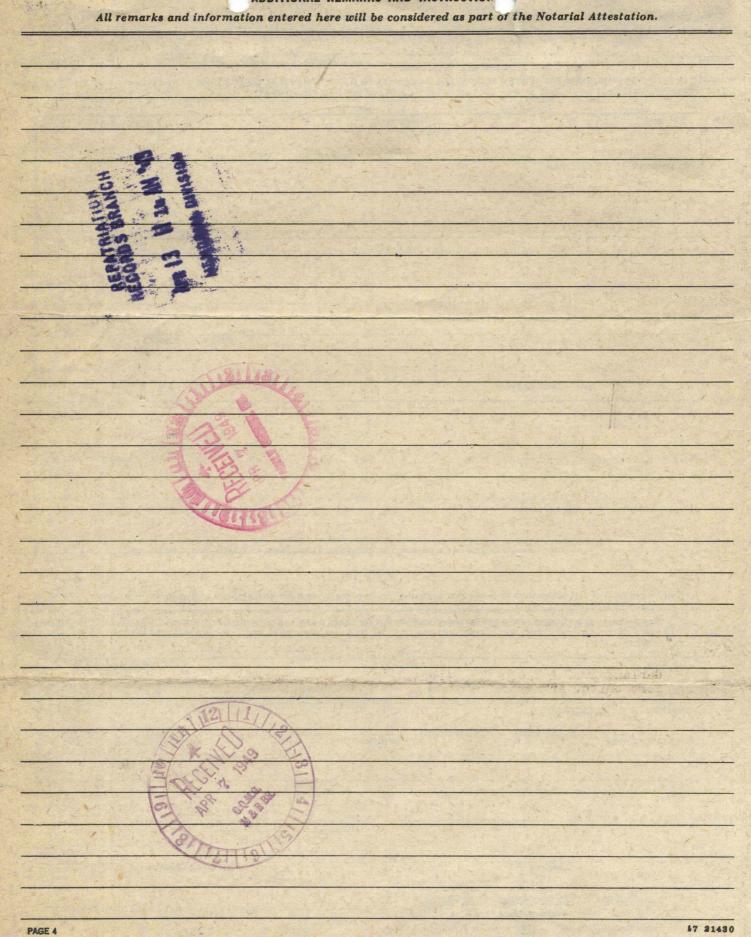
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Gruba, Dick R., 37 032 763
Plot YY, Row 6, Grave 107
USMC Henri-Chapelle, Belgium

11 March 1949

Mr. Alphonse D. Gruba

Grenville, South Dakota

Dear Mr. Gruba:

A letter written in your behalf by Mr. E. H. Riddle, Day County Veterans' Service, Webster, South Dakota, regarding the remains of your brother, the late Technician Fifth Grade Dick R. Gruba, has come to my attention.

The records of this office disclose that the remains of your brother were interred in the United States Military Cemetery Henri-Chapelle, Belgium, Plot YY, Row 6, Grave 107. These remains have now been casketed and are being held pending disposition instructions from the next of kin, either for return to the United States or for permanent burial in an overseas cemetery.

There are inclosed informational pamphlets regarding the Return of World War II Dead Program, including a Disposition Form on which you may indicate your desires in this matter. Upon receipt of the completed form, you may be assured that the Department of the Army will attempt to comply with your instructions as indicated thereon.

In order that this office may take immediate action toward the final disposition of the remains of your brother, it is urged that you complete the inclosed form, "Request for Disposition of Remains", and mail it to this office, without delay, in the inclosed self-addressed envelope which requires no postage.

May I extend my sincere sympathy in your great loss

Sincerely yours,

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JAMES F. SMITH Major, QMC

Memorial Division

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A letter written in your behalf by Mr. E. H. Riddle, Day County Veterans' Service, Webster, S. Daketa regarding the remains of your brether, the late T/5 Dick R. Gruba, has come to my attention.

The records of this office disclose that the remains of your brother were interred in the USMC Henri-Chapelle, Belgium, Plet YY, Rew 6. Grave 107. These remains have new been casketed and are being held pending disposition instructions from the next of kin, either for return to the U.S. or for permanent burial in an overseas cemetery.

There are inclosed informational pamphlets regarding the Return of WW II Dead Program, including a Disposition Form on which you may indicate your desires in this matter. Upon receipt of the completed form, you may be assured that the Dept. of the Army will attempt to comply with your instructions as indicated thereon.

In order that this office may take immediate action toward the final disposition of the remains of your brother, it is urged that you complete the inclosed form, "Request for Disposition of Remains", and mail it to this effice, without delay, in the inclosed self-addressed en velope which requires no postage.

May I extend my sincere sympathy in your great loss.

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> E. H. Riddle County Veterans' Office

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1709 WASHINGTON AVE., ST. LOUIS 3, MO.

June 9, 1948

Memorial Division Department of the Army Office of the Quartermaster General Washington 25, D.C.

Re: RR Br: QMGMR 293 GRUBA, Dick R. Tec. 5 37 032 763

Plot YY, Row 6, Grave 107 U. S. Military Cemetery Henri-Chapelle, Belgium

Gentlemen:

This is an interim report in connection with your request of February 16 regarding disposition of the remains of Dick R. Gruba.

Our chapter Home Service worker reports contact is being made with the serviceman's brother regarding completion of Form 345. We expect to have advice of action taken within a very short time.

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We will write you again as soon as we have further information.

Sincerely yours.

(Miss) Janet Neel

Director, Home Service

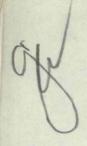
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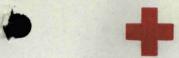
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Plot YY, Row 6, Grave 107 United States Military Cemetery Henri-Chapelle, Belgium

My dear Sir:

In accordance with your request of February 16 regarding the above named deceased serviceman our chapter covering Grenville, South Dakota has attempted to contact Mr. Alphonse Gruba. We are advixed that Mr. Gruba works on a farm some distance from the chapter office. Up until the present time roads have been impassable due to heavy snows and it has not been possible for the chapter worker to reach Mr. Gruba. We are advised that contact will be made with him soon and that we may expect to have a report of action taken.

Very truly yours,

Re:

(Miss) Janet Neel

Director, Home Service

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

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16 February 1948

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Miss Janet Weal, Home Service Director Midwestern Area, American Red Cross 1709 Washington Avenue Saint Louis 3, Missouri

Dear Miss Weal:

The Next of Kin of the above captioned deceased

brother (relationship)

Mr. Alphonse D. Gruba, Grenville, South Dakota

(address) has failed to return a Form 345 indicating disposition instructions for the remains.

It is respectfully requested that the attached own Form 345 be properly accomplished by the Next of Kin and legal documents obtained through assistance of your representative if appropriate, be furnished this office. In the event you are unable to secure disposition instructions from the Mext of Kin, it is further requested that a statement of the action taken by your representative be furnished this office for use as a basis for final disposition of remains of the decedent.

It is recommended that in contact with the Next of Kin mentioned above, they first be queried as to whether or not they have submitted the appropriate form, as it may have been mailed to this office since receipt by you of this request.

Sincerely yours,

JOHN O. HYATT Colonel, QC Memorial Division T/5 Dick R. Gruba, 37 032 763 Plot YY, Row 6, Grave 107, United States Military Cemetery Henri-Chapelle, Belgium 25 July 1947

Mr. Alphonse D. Gruba

Greenville, South Dakota

Dear Mr. Gruba:

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.

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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? This prompt return will avoid unnecessary delays.

Sincerely,

THOMAS B. LARKIN Major General The Quartermaster General

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T/5 Dick R. Gruba, 37 032 763 Flot YY, Row 6, Grave 107, United States Military Cemetery Henri-Chapelle, Belgium

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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 I of this form.

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Address Reply To
THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
Attention: Memorial Division

9 April 1947

Mr. Anton J. Lehmen Post Adjutant Legion Post #267 Grenville, South Dakota

Dear Mr. Lehsan:

Your letter dated 22 March 1947, concerning deceased American military personnel has been received in this office.

The official reports of burial disclose that the remains of the late Technician Fifth Grade Dick R. Gruba were interred in plot YY, row 6, grave 107, in the United States Military Cemetery Henri-Chapelle, Belgium; and those of the late Private Edmund H. Kurkowski, were interred in grave 75%, in the United States Armed Forces Cemetery Leyte #1, located just outside the town of Falo, approximately eight miles south of Tacloban, Leyte Island, Philippine Islands.

It is regretted that there is no information available in this office pertaining to the late Earnest Block, and the late Sylvester Schemanski.

Sincerely yours,

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RICHARD B. COOMBS Major, QMC Memorial Division



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Legion Post No. 267 Grenville, So. Dak. March 22, 1947

Quartermaster General Washington, D. C.

Dear Sirs:

Would you please advice me where about are the following dead persons, which were killed in action or otherwise. The following I have reference to are from our locality Earnest Block, Waubayle, So. Dak., Edmund Kurkowski, Waubayle, So. Dak., Sylvester Schemanski, Grenville, So. Dak. Dick Gruba, Grenville, So. Dak.

If you have any knowledge of the aboute dead oersons please let me know at once.

Anton Q. Lemmin

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. Anton. J. Lehman. Post Adjatant

2/5 Dick R. Gruba, 37 032 763 Plot II, Row 6, Grave 107, United States Military Gemetery Henri-Chapelle, Belgium

4 March 1947

Mrs. Clara Gruba 1748 North Wood Street Chicago, Illinois

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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.

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QMGMR 293 Gruba, Dick R. A.S.N. 37 032 763 22 January 1947 Mrs. Clara Gruba 1748 North Wood Street Chicago, Illinois Dear Mrs. Gruba: Inclosed herewith is a picture of the United States Military Cemetery Henri-Chapelle, Belgium, in which your husband, the late Technician Fifth Grade Dick R. Gruba, 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, 1 Incl G. A. HORKAN Photograph Brigadier General, QMC Assistant

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To: Gommanding Officer
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New York, New York

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FOR THE QUARTERSASTER DESIRRALS

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Mrs. Clara Gruba 1748 North Wood Street Chicago, Illinois

Dear Mrs. Grul 1: "

The War Department is most desirous that you be furnished the burial location of your husband, the late Technician 5th Grade Dick R. Gruba.

The records of this office disclose that he is interred in the U. S. Military Cemetery, Henri Chapelle, Belgium, plot YY, row 6, grave 107.

This cemetery is located approximately 7 miles southwest of Aachen, Germany, and is under the constant care and supervision of United States military personnel.

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

Sincerely yours,

E. B. GREGORY Lieutenant General The Quartermaster General

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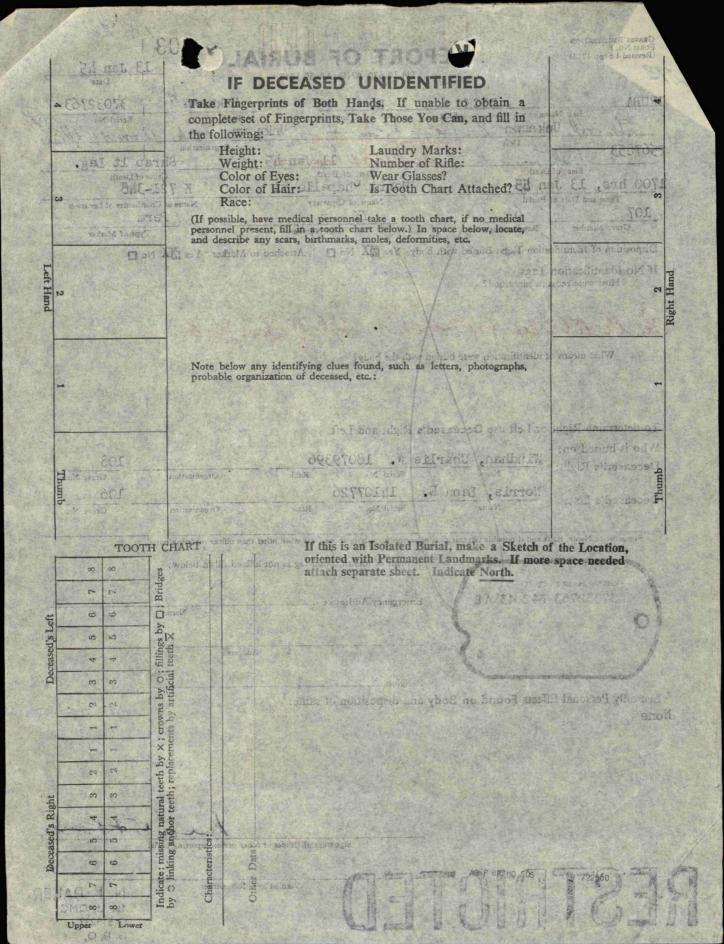
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THE ADJUTANT GENERAL'S OFFICE

WASHINGTON 25, D. C.

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Mrs. Clara Gruba 1748 North Wood Street Chicago, Illinois

Dear Mrs. Gruba:

The Army Effects Bureau has received some additional property of your husband, Technician Fifth Grade Dick R. Graba.

These effects, contained in one carton, are being forwarded to you. If delivery is not made within thirty days from this date, please notify me so that tracer action may be instituted.

As previously indicated, personal property is transmitted by this Bureau for distribution according to the laws of the state of the soldier's legal residence.

Sincerely yours,

P. L. KOOB lst Lt., QMC Officer in Charge SJ Branch

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ORDER FOR SHIPMENT

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Effects of:

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Mrs. Clara Gruba

Chicago, Illinois

1748 North Wood Street

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

IN REPLY REFER TO375372

JRM: WA: fg May 14, 1945

Mrs. Clara Gruba 1748 Worth Wood Street Chicago, Illinois

Dear Mrs. Gruba:

The Army Effects Bureau has received from overseas some personal effects of your husband, Technician Fifth Grade Dick R. Gruba.

These effects are being forwarded to you in one package.

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

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

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

Yours very truly.

P. L. KOOB

2nd Lt. Q.M.C.

Officer-in-Charge

SJ Unit

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RMY SERVIOR POLCES ARMY EFFECTS BUREAU

ORDER FOR SHIPMENT

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QM Form 14 (26 Dec 44)

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Summary Court-Martial AR W SERVICE FORCES KANSAS CITY QUARTER MASTER DEPOT 601 Hardesty Avenue Kansas City 1, Missouri

	JEM: WA: fg
	Case Nc. 375372
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ST BJECT:	Report of transaction in disposing of the effects of	
	Dick R. Gruba	
	(Name of deceased) (Army Serial Number)	
	Technician Fifth Grade , Cavalry who died	
	(Grade) (Organization, Army or Service)	
	on the 23 day of December, 1944, at European Area	
то :	The Adjutant General, War Department, Mashington 25, D.C.	
1. Complying with A.W. 112, a Summary Court-Martial, convened at Kansas City Mo. Pursuant to S.O., 228 Hq., KCQM Depot, dated 25 September 1943, for the purpose of disposing of the effects of the above-named soldier, or person subject to military law, reports that:		
decedents Court-Mar	a. No legal representative or widow of decedent being present at camp or quarters, effects of decedent were forwarded to this Summary tial.	
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which has inclosed	c. Decedent owed undisputed local creditors the sum of bone been paid by the Summary Court-Martial from funds of decedent (See receipt, Incl)	
d. Disposition of decedent's effects (less money paid creditors, if any) has been made by the Summary Court-Martial by transmit al through the Ourter-master Corps, at Government expense to person found entitled (See Sum any Court-Martial FINDING below).		
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Before a Summary Court-Vartial which convened at Kansas City, Missouri, on		
7 May	1945 , pursuant to Special Orders 228, Headquarters	
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ceased soldier, or person subject to military law, now in the possession of the		
United St	ates, with other relevant evidence, was duly considered;	
Whereu	pon, this Summary Court-Martial finds that, under the provisions of	
A.W. 112,	Mrs. Clara Gruba	
(Name of person found entitled)		
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above-named decedent and appears to be entitled to receive his or har effects.

(Signature of Summary Court Officer)

JOHN R. MURPHY, Colonel, Q.M.C.
(Name, Rank, Organization)
SUMMARY COURT MARTIAL