

C O N F I D E N T I A L

MISSING REPORT

NAME Coleman, William B ASN 34303721 GRADE Pfc ARM OR SERVICE Inf
ORGN Company "F" 134th Infantry APO 35 DATE REPORTED MIA 1 Nov 44

MISSION Defence - M.C.L.

POINT OF DEPARTURE — DATE 1 Nov. 1944

INTENDED DESTINATION —

LAST KNOWN WHEREABOUTS Near destroyed Enemy Tank in Fort de Genecy, France

BRIEF RESUME OF CIRCUMSTANCES SURROUNDING DISAPPEARANCE:

Coleman and two other men of this organization left their fox holes in the front lines without permission and went scouting back through the rear area for reasons that are not known. Coleman never returned.

STATEMENTS OF WITNESSES, IF ANY:

Pvt. Layner who accompanied Coleman along with Pvt. Jones says that Coleman was blown to small bits by a booby trapped Enemy mine that he was prying on. Both Layner and Jones were severely wounded.

REMARKS:

A thorough search of the area was made for ~~for~~ Coleman on his dog tag but no part of him could be found. I am certain that he is dead but both witnesses are hospitalized at this time. Pvt. Layner said before treatment that he saw Coleman prying on the mine and that there was an explosion after which both he and Jones were wounded and Coleman was completely destroyed.

DATE OF REPORT 19 Nov. 1944 Michael E. Clough
(Signature of preparing officer)
Capt. Co F 134th Inf

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NAME Coleman, William B ASN 34303721 GRADE Pfc ARM OR SERVICE Inf
ORGN Company "F" 154th Infantry APO 35 DATE REPORTED MIA 1 Nov 44

MISSION Defense - M.L.R.

POINT OF DEPARTURE - DATE 1 Nov 1944

INTENDED DESTINATION -

LAST KNOWN WHEREABOUTS Was destroyed Enemy tank in Forest de Henney France

BRIEF RESUME OF CIRCUMSTANCES SURROUNDING DISAPPEARANCE:
Coleman and two other men of this organization left their fox holes in the front line without permission and went scouting back through the rear area for reasons that are not known. Coleman never returned.

STATEMENTS OF WITNESSES, IF ANY:
Pvt. Laynor who accompanied Coleman along with Pvt. Jones says that Coleman was blown to small bits by a battery dropped enemy tank mine that he was prying on. Both Laynor and Jones were severely wounded.

REMARKS:
A. thorough search of the area was made for Coleman and his dog tags but no part of him could be found. I am certain that he is dead but both witnesses are hospitalized at this time. Pvt Laynor said before evacuated that saw Coleman prying on the mine. and that there was an explosion after which both he and Jones were wounded and Coleman was completely destroyed.

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(Signature of preparing officer)