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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)

GADSEY JAMES E

RANK

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SERIAL NUMBER

34191625

ARM OF SERVICE

ARMY

DATE OF DEATH

16 DEC 44

AREA OF DEATH

GERMANY

NAME OF AUDITOR

MC MORRIS

DATE

14 DEC 50

NAME OF REVIEWER

KINKEAD

DATE

14 DEC 50

REMARKS

NON-RECOVERABLE REMAINS REEXAMINATION OF RECORDS

AREA OF DEATH Germany		CASE NUMBER
NAME (Last, First, Middle Initial) GADSEY, James E.	RANK T/Sgt.	SERIAL NUMBER 34 191 625
IN THE COURSE OF THIS REEXAMINATION IT HAS BEEN DETERMINED THAT THE CIRCUMSTANCES OF DEATH WERE SUCH THAT: (Check appropriate box)		
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		INITIALS OF ANALYST
1. 293 FILE OF DECEDENT		<i>Mna</i>
2. GEOGRAPHICAL CLUE INDEX FILE OF UNKNOWNNS RECOVERED FROM APPROPRIATE AREA, COMPARED WITH DECEDENT		<i>Mna</i>
3. OTHER DOCUMENTS OR SOURCES		
REMARKS		
<p>Identification data for the above decedent has been compared with QMC Forms 1914 for all Unresolved World War II Unknowns recovered from area from which subject decedent was last seen with negative results.</p>		
RECOMMEND APPROVAL		APPROVED
NAME OF CASE ANALYST	CASE REVIEWER, FINAL DETERMINATION SECTION	CHIEF, FINAL DETERMINATION SECTION
<i>Mildred A. Anderson</i>	<i>B E Newbaker</i>	<i>Mary A. Edwards</i>
		MARY A. EDWARDS 1st Lt., QMC
		DATE JAN 31 1951



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

GROP 293.9

13 September 1951

SUBJECT: Status

293 Gadsey, James E. 34191625 dry

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

1. Reference is made to letter, your Office, file QMGMT 293, Gadsey, James E., 34 191 625, Subject: Identification of World War II Deceased, dated 14 April 1950, and 1st Indorsement, this headquarters, dated 23 May 1950 with inclosures, copies of which are enclosed.

2. It is requested that this headquarters be advised of status of communication and whether approved Non-Recoverable Findings are still applicable.

FOR THE COMMANDING OFFICER:

Clyde W. Steinsiek
CLYDE W. STEINSIEK
Major, OMC
Operations Branch

- 4 Incls
- 1. Ltr, dtd 14 April 50
- 2. Ltr, dtd 10 May 50
- 3. Ltr, dtd 16 May 50
- 4. 1st Ind, dtd 23 May 50

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MEMORANDUM
FOR THE DIRECTOR
SUBJECT: [Illegible]

13 September 1951

GROUP 233

SUBJECT: [Illegible]

TO: The Administrator
Washington, D.C.
ATTENTION: Special Division

1. Reference is made to letter, your office, 11th Sept 1951, dated 11 Sept 1951, and the fact that the Bureau has been advised of the results of the investigation of the [Illegible] case.

2. It is requested that this Bureau be advised of the results of the investigation and whether approved non-removable findings are still applicable.

FOR THE CONTROLLING OFFICER:

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

QMGMT 293
Gadsey, James E.
34191625

14 April 1950

SUBJECT: Identification of World War II Deceased

TO: Commanding Officer
7887 Graves Registration Detachment
APO 757, c/o Postmaster
New York, New York

1. Reference is made to Findings of Non-Recoverability for T/Sgt James E. Gadsey, 34191625, who was reported killed in action on 16 Dec-1944 in the vicinity of Habkirchen, Germany.

2. In view of the Congressional interest in this case and of the letter, dated 3 March 1945, from Chaplain A. C. Walker, 134th Infantry, to the family (copy attached), additional information is required. From the coincidence of the following events, it appears that the remains of T/Sgt Gadsey may have been recovered:

a. Inventory of Personal Effects, dated 1 March 1945 and signed by Capt. Albert B. Osborne, 134th Infantry (photostatic copy attached).

b. Letter, dated 3 March 1945, from the Chaplain.

c. AGO notification to the family on 9 March 1945 advising of the change in status from MIA to KIA.

3. Capt. Albert B. Osborne is now employed by the State Department, which reports his present address as Trial Attorney, Berlin Sector, HICOG, Berlin, Germany. In order to expedite this matter, it is requested, therefore, that your headquarters contact Mr. Osborne to obtain the following information:

a. What was the general procedure in his organization for handling effects of men reported either MIA or KIA in December 1944?

b. Were effects found on remains forwarded with report of recovery and burial to the organization by recovery troops?

QMGMT 293

Gadsey, James E.

34191625

SUBJECT: Identification of World War II Deceased

14 April 1950

c. In his opinion, from what sources were the effects listed on the inventory obtained ?

d. Does he have any recollection of what organizations made recoveries in the area where T/Sgt Gadsey was killed ?

4. It is requested that the information obtained from Mr. Osborne be forwarded at the earliest practicable date.

5. This Office is continuing the investigation and, in the event any additional pertinent information is obtained, it will be forwarded immediately.

FOR THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL:

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1. Cy ltr from Chaplain
2. Photostatic cy
Inventory Form

s/t/ THOMAS E. COX
Capt, QMC
Memorial Division

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

10 May 1950

Mr. Albert B. Osborne
Trial Attorney
Berlin Sector, HICOG
APO 742, US Army

Dear Mr. Osborne,

The Commanding Officer has instructed me to contact you relative to an inquiry received from the OQMG concerning T/Sgt James E. Gadsey, 34 191 625, KIA 16 December 44 Co. I 134th Infantry Regt, whose personal effects were receipted for, by you, on 21 March 1945.

As an aid to the recovery of subject decedents remains the OQMG has requested that the following questions be submitted to you for possible answers:

What was the general procedure in your organization for handling effects of men reported either MIA or KIA in December 1944 ?

Were effects, found on remains, forwarded with report of recovery and burial to the organization by recovery troops?

In your opinion from what source were the effects listed on the inventory obtained ?

Do you have any recollection of what organization made recoveries in the area where T/Sgt Gadsey was killed ?

In view of Department of the Army and Congressional interest in this case an early reply to this headquarters would be very much appreciated.

Sincerely yours,

s/t/ JAMES C. MacFARLAND
Major, QMC
Registration Division

OFFICE OF THE UNITED STATES HIGH COMMISSIONER FOR GERMANY
Berlin Element
2nd Judicial District
Office of the District Attorney

16 May 1950

Headquarters
7887 Graves Registration Detachment
Registration Division
APO 757 (Liege) US Army
Attn.: James C. MacFARLAND
Major, QMC

Dear Major,

In reply to your letter of 10 May 1950 the following information is furnished.

The general procedure in the 134th Inf. Regt. for handling effects for men reported either MIA or KIA in December 1944 was as follows:

The medical aid men or the recovery troops of Regt. S-4 removed the personal effects from the body. These were placed in a small bag and sent to my Detachment which was at that time in Nancy, France. There the duffle bag or foot locker belonging to the soldier concerned was inspected and all Government Property removed. The remaining personal effects were then carefully inventoried and boxed, tied securely and forwarded to the Division Quartermaster for transfer to the rear.

At this time I have no recollection as to what organization made recoveries in the area where T/Sgt Gadsey was killed, however, it would be safe to presume that it was some member of the 314th Inf. 35th Division.

Please feel at liberty to write or call me if I can be of any further aid or assistance in this matter.

Sincerely yours,

s/t/ Albert B. OSBORNE
Assistant District Attorney
District Attorney's Office
2nd Judicial District
US Sector of Berlin
APO P.M. N.Y.

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Basic ltr, DA, OQMG, QMCHMT 293, Gadsey, James E. 34 191 625, Subject:
Identification of World War II Deceased, dated 14 April 1950

GRRE 293.9 (IB)

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Hq, 7887 Graves Registration Detachment, Registration Division, APO 757,
(Liege) US Army, 23 May 1950

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

1. Reference is made to paragraph 3, basic communication.
2. Forwarded herewith for your information and guidance is a copy of letter, this headquarters, addressed to Mr. Osborne, dated 10 May 1950, and his subsequent reply.
3. Further action withheld pending instructions from your Office.

FOR THE COMMANDING OFFICER:

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3. Cy ltr dtd
10 May 50
4. Cy ltr fr
Mr Osborne
dtd 16 Mar 50

s/t/ JAMES C. MacFARLAND
Major, QMC
Registration Division

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OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL OF THE ARMY

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1 NO.	2 FROM—	3 TO—	4 DATE	5 MESSAGE
1	Ident Sec Ident Br Mem Div	Non-Recov. Sec Ident Br Mem Div	20 Sep 1951	<p><u>293 GADSEY, JAMES E., 34191625</u> <i>dy</i></p> <p>1. Inclosed letter from the Overseas Command dated 13 September 1951 concerning T/Sgt Gadsey is forwarded for reply, inasmuch as similiar correspondence was in file at the time of determination of Non-Recoverability by your Section (Ref. IRS comment #1 dated 18 Jan 51, Tab A).</p> <p><i>ml</i> <i>ms</i></p> <p>5 Incls: 1-293 file (Gadsey) 2-Ltr dtd 13 Sep 51 3-Ltr dtd 14 Apr 50 4-Ltr dtd 10 May 50 5-Ltr dtd 16 May 50 6-1st Ind dtd 23 May 50</p> <p><i>NEFF</i> 52462</p>

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CAPTAIN MARK A. EDWARDS

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20315

OFFICE

TO THE COMMANDER, THE ARMY

DA 51282

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1	Fin Det Section Ident Br Mem Div	Corres Sec Repat Br Mem Div	18 Jan 1951		293 File - GADSEY, James E., T/Sgt, 34 191 625 1. Reference is made to IRS, on file, dated 12 October 1950 from Ident. Sec. 2. In view of information contained therein, this non-recoverability status, therefore, it is requested that appropriate letter be dispatched to the NOK, and upon completion of your action, file be returned to this Section. <i>Wasson</i> WASSON 73472 1 Incl 293 file Gadsey
2	Chief Corr Sec Repat Br Mem Div	Chief Liaison Office Mem Div IN TURN Fin Det Section Ident Br Mem Div	29 Jan 1951		1. In view of Congressional interest in the case of Technical Sergeant James E. Gadsey, killed in action in the European area, inclosed herewith are two copies of letter to his mother to be dispatched this date. 2. Returned as requested in comment number #1 paragraph #2. ODENWALDER 56553 WARDLE 55641 1 Incl 293 file w/cys ltr
3	Liaison Office Mem Div	Fin Det Section Ident Br Mem Div	30 Jan 51		QMGL 293, Gadsey, James E. T/Sgt. 34 191 625 1. Rep. Priest has been furnished copy of NOK letter dated 29 January 51, addressed to the parents. No further Congressional action necessary at this time. Rep. Priest's Office has been advised by phone (1/29/51). Copy of letter also withdrawn for Liaison Office files. <i>R. Holloway</i> R. HOLLOWAY 71088

THIS FORM WILL REMAIN PART OF THE OFFICIAL FILE

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OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL OF THE ARMY
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FORM 100-1
REV. 1-1-51

1. In view of information obtained therein, this case is being resolved in a non-recoverability status, therefore, it is requested that appropriate letter be prepared to the HQ, and upon completion of your action, this be returned to this Section.

2. Reference is made to HQ on file, dated 12 Oct-1950 from Ident. Sec. over 1950 from Ident. Sec.

3. In view of Congressional interest in the case of Technical Sergeant James W. Gagey, killed in action in the European area, inclosed herewith are two copies of letter to his mother to be dispatched this date.

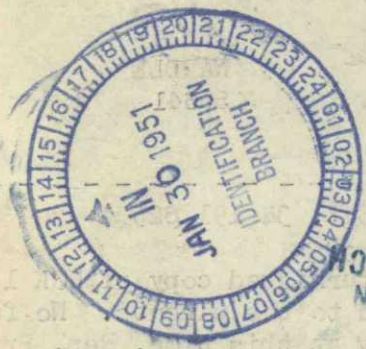
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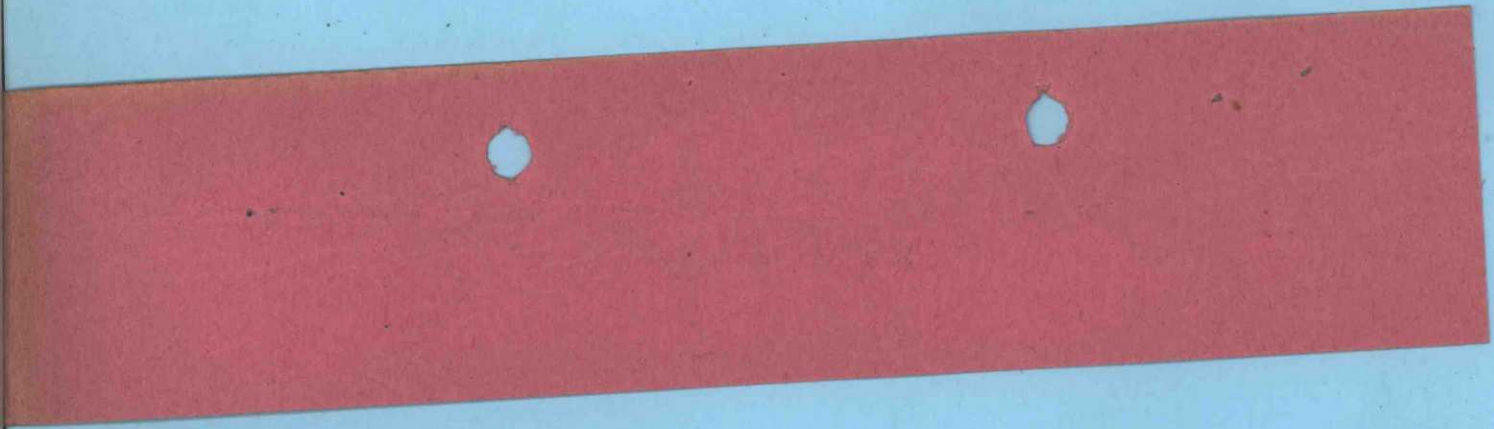
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CMGMP 293
Gadsey, James E.
SN 34 191 625

29 January 1951

Mr. and Mrs. Edward W. Gadsey
3503 Sanford Avenue
Nashville, Tennessee

Dear Mr. and Mrs. Gadsey:

This Office desires that you be furnished the results of an investigation in an endeavor to recover and/or identify the remains of your son, the late Technical Sergeant James E. Gadsey. In order that you may be completely informed of the facts on record in this Office, the following is submitted.

Records of the Department of the Army reveal that Sergeant Gadsey was assigned to Company I, 134th Infantry, at the time of his death on 16 December 1944. In the course of an engagement with the enemy north of the town of Habkirchen, Germany, Company I was assigned the task of clearing the enemy from the woodland in which they were entrenched. The action started early in the morning and Company I encountered heavy mortar and artillery fire. It was during this attack that your son was instantly killed by mortar fire. Company I was forced to withdraw from the woodland without recovering all the remains of their dead.

The area in which this engagement took place was occupied by the enemy and held by them for an indefinite period. It is not known what disposition they made of your son's remains and a check of captured enemy records fails to reveal any entry for your son. It can be assumed that they buried the remains without properly marking the grave site.

The investigation initiated by the American Graves Registration Service included an intensive search of the entire area north and north-east of the town of Habkirchen. Local officials and civilians in the immediate vicinity were interrogated to obtain information on isolated burials. In addition, the remains of all unknowns recovered by the American Graves Registration Service for the general area of Habkirchen were examined to determine if an association could be established between any of these unknowns and your son. The results of this investigation were negative.

The letter from the Regimental Chaplain advising you that your son was given a Christian burial in a military cemetery in Lorraine, France,

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Gadsey, James E.
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29 January 1951

was an item considered during the investigation. This Office communicated with the Chaplain who advised that he could not remember by name all of the men killed in action and the disposition of their remains; nevertheless, his letter to you was based on information which he deemed reliable. In this connection, it is understandable how the reports received in battle areas can so often be misinterpreted. It is very possible the Chaplain may have been given a list of casualties and told they were being removed to a United States Military Cemetery; however, while the list of casualties may have been correct, not all the bodies of these men were recovered.

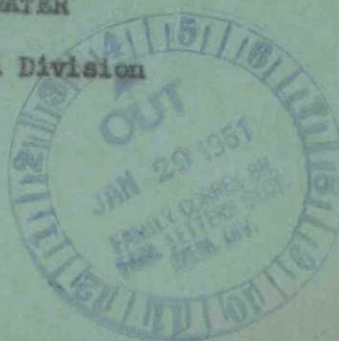
This Office also communicated with a number of former officers and men of your son's Company and Regiment in order to obtain additional information. The details of the battle in which your son lost his life were readily recalled by these individuals; however, no specific information concerning Sergeant Gadsey's remains could be obtained.

It is with deep regret that your Government finds it necessary to inform you that further search and investigation have failed to reveal the whereabouts of your son's remains. Since all efforts to recover and/or identify his remains have failed, it has been necessary to declare that his remains are not recoverable.

Realizing the extent of your great loss, it is with reluctance that you are sent the information that there is no grave at which to pay homage. May the knowledge of your son's honorable service to his country be a source of sustaining comfort to you.

Sincerely yours,

JAMES B. CLEAWATER
Colonel, QMC
Chief, Memorial Division



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QMGMF 293 Gadsey, James E., 34 191 625 T/Sgt.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward W. Gadsey
3503 Sanford Avenue
Nashville, Tennessee

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Superior IRs to Liaison Office

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REQUEST FOR INFORMATION

TO: <i>PENTAGON LIAISON SECTION, MEMORIAL DIVISION</i>		DATE 16 October 1950	
FROM (Branch and Section) Identification Branch Final Determination Section	REQUESTED BY <i>AC</i> Cauffman	TEL. EXT. 73472	ROOM NO. 1501 - B
NAME OF DECEDENT (Last, First, Middle Initial) <i>243</i> GADSEY, James E.	RANK T/Sgt	SERIAL NUMBER 34 191 625 ✓	

INFORMATION REQUIRED

The decedents 201 file be screened for additional dental information and Emergency Medical Tag (Form 52).

INFORMATION FURNISHED

Attached herewith a TWX pertaining to James E. Gadsey, 34 191 625.



Handwritten notes:
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28 Oct 50
AC Cauffman
Hall
James E. Gadsey
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PENTAGON LIAISON SECTION OFFICER (Signature)

Donald A. Penner
Capt & me

REQUEST FOR INFORMATION

DATE 10 October 1950		PENTAGON LIAISON SECTION, MEMORIAL DIVISION	
ROOM NO. 1501 - B	TEL. EXT. 12172	REQUESTED BY Caulfield	FROM (Branch and Section) Identification Branch Signal Identification Section
SERIAL NUMBER 34 181 638		RANK 1/828	NAME OF SUBJECT (Last, First, Middle Initial) GASKY, James E.

The records of the file be reviewed for additional contact information and emergency medical tag (form 23).

INFORMATION FURNISHED

Attached herewith a TWX pertaining to James E. Gasky, 34 181 638.



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PENTAGON LIAISON OFFICER (Signature)
G. C. [Signature]

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FORM 100-10
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FROM QMGHT WITH R QMGHT 293 JAMES E GADSEY 34191625 IDENTIFIED DEAD

14 APR 50

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cc: Adm Sec
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Mr. Holden
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MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

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OMGMF 293
Gadsey, James E.
SN 34 191 625

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6 September 1950

Mrs. Ruby E. Gadsey
3503 Sanford Avenue
Nashville, Tennessee

Dear Mrs. Gadsey:

This will acknowledge receipt of a communication dated 29 August 1950 from Dr. John D. Payne concerning your son, the late Technical Sergeant James E. Gadsey.

The information which he furnished regarding your son's dental work is greatly appreciated. This information will be utilized in the investigation now in progress in an effort to locate and identify the remains of your son.

Upon receipt of a pertinent report, you will be advised with a minimum of delay.

Sincerely yours,

JAMES B. CLEARWATER
Colonel, OMC
Chief, Memorial Division



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4	Fin Det Section Ident Br Mem Div	Ident Sec Ident Br Mem Div	22 Sep 50	<p>293 - Gadsey, James E., T/Sgt, 34191625 <i>[Signature]</i></p> <p>1. Reference is made to the statement made by Dr. John P. Payne which is penned on the lower margin of the letter from this office to Mrs. Gadsey, 25 August 1950.</p> <p>2. Information is requested as to whether or not the remains of T/Sgt Gadsey can be identified based on this new information.</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>Payne</i> LAY 73472</p> <p>2 Incls n/c</p>
5	Ident. Sec. Ident. Br. CQNG.	Fin. Det. Section Ident. Br. Mem. Div.	12 Oct. 1950	<p>GADSEY, James E. T/Sgt. 34191625</p> <p>1. Utilizing the civilian dental information, an extensive investigation has been conducted with negative results. A careful check was made of all the Reports of Burial on file for Unknown deceased buried in France, but no association could be made with subject decedent.</p> <p>2. In view of the foregoing, the 293 file is forwarded for any action deemed necessary by your Section.</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>[Signature]</i> MET 52462</p> <p>2 Incls: n/c</p> <p><i>Noted VAD Hauptmann Final Determination Ident. Br.</i></p> <p><i>Wan file 19 Oct 50 Hauptmann Ident. Br. Mem Div</i></p>

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1	Chief Repat Br Cor Sec Mem Div	Chief Ident Br Mem Div	1 Sept 50	<p>1. Attached hereto for your information is reply from the Civilian Dentist of T/Sgt James E. Gadsey indicating work performed by him on the deceased.</p> <p>2. A reply has not been made to this communication.</p> <p>1 Incl 293 file w/letter</p> <p style="text-align: right;">3 ZFC 55641</p> <p style="text-align: right;">JENKINS 55641</p>
2	Fin Det Section Ident Br Mem Div	Corres Sec Repat Br Mem Div	5 Sept 50	<p>1. It is suggested that a reply be made to Mrs Gadsey thanking her for the information she has furnished and informing her that she will be notified at a later date of the results of investigation being made.</p> <p>2. Request the file be returned to this office for additional study.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">1 Incl n/c</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Lay LAY 73472</p>
3	Cong Data Unit Corres Sec	Fin Det Section ID Branch	6 Sep 50	<p style="text-align: right;">Gadsey, James E., 34191625</p> <p>1. Letter of acknowledgement has been dispatched.</p> <p>2. File returned in accordance with preceding comment.</p> <p>2 Incls Added 1 Incl 2. CC ltr to NOK</p> <p style="text-align: right;">3 ZFC 54428</p> <p style="text-align: right;">JENKINS 55641</p>

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NO.

1. Attached hereto for your information
is reply from the Civilian Section of the
Army indicating work performed on this
subject.

1 Sep 50

Chief
Quartermaster
Gen Sec

Chief
Quartermaster
Gen Sec

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1. It is suggested that a reply be made to
the Deputy Quartermaster for the information she has
furnished and informing her that she will be notified
at a later date of the results of investigation being
conducted.

3 Sept 50

Chief
Quartermaster
Gen Sec

Chief
Quartermaster
Gen Sec

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1. Letter of acknowledgment has been dispatched.
2. File returned in accordance with preceding
comment.

6 Sep 50

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Quartermaster
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OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON 25, D. C.

IN REPLY REFER TO QMGMF 293

Gadsey, James E.
SN 34 191 625

25 August 1950

Mrs. Ruby C. Gadsey
3503 Sanford Avenue
Nashville, Tennessee

Dear Mrs. Gadsey:

An investigation is still in progress in an effort to locate and/or identify the remains of your son, the late Technical Sergeant James E. Gadsey.

Inasmuch as Department of the Army records do not always indicate dental work accomplished for a serviceman prior to his entry into the military service, it is requested that you secure from your civilian dentist, and forward to this office, a copy of any dental charts retained by him indicating work he may have performed for your son. Such charts may prove of assistance in our investigation.

Your cooperation in this matter will be greatly appreciated and there is inclosed, for your convenience in replying, a self-addressed envelope which requires no postage.

Sincerely yours,

JAMES B. CLEARWATER
Colonel, QMC
Chief, Memorial Division

1 Incl
Franked envelope

Aug. 29, 1950.

Col. Clearwater;

In 1928 I extracted the two upper cuspids for James. Army numbers teeth six (6) and eleven (11) would be missing. No other work done by me at any later date. Hoping this is what you want for it should be positive identification.

Very truly yours,

John D. Payne, D.D.S.
11016-Bennie Dillon Bldg.
Nashville 3, Tennessee.

Letter acknowledged
6 Sept 50. B. H. Jenkins (as per)

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



IN REPLY REFER TO
GASNEY, James E.
SN 34 191 625

25 August 1950

Mrs. Ruby C. Gasney
3803 Sanford Avenue
Nashville, Tennessee

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Sincerely yours,

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M & R BR

MEMORIAL DIVISION
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Col. Clearwater; in 1928 I extracted six (6) and eleven (11) later date. Hoping this is what you want for REPAIRING RECORDS BRANCH. No further copies. At numbers teeth. Very truly yours,

James E. Gasney, Sr.
1101 - 12th Avenue
Nashville, Tennessee

CHART

upper
wings
6 & 11

NAME Gadsey, James E. TSgt.
34191625 CO I, 134th Inf

35th Inf
Inventory

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L-3 X _____ capt albert B
L-4 _____ Osborne -
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Ht.: 5' 8 1/2" ; wt. 125

Hair: Brown

Shoe size: 7 1/2

Age: 25 yrs. 7 mos

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shortly after crossing Blue R.

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OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON 25, D. C.,
OFFICIAL BUSINESS

**Attn:
Memorial Division**

**Office of The Quartermaster General
Department of the Army
Washington 25, D. C.**



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QMGMF 293

Gadsey, James E.
SN 34 191 625

25 August 1950

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Nashville, Tennessee

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Sincerely yours,



JAMES B. CLEARWATER
Colonel, QMC
Chief, Memorial Division

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4	Cong Data Unit	Ident Br. CONG	25 Aug 50	<p style="text-align: right;"><i>JJB</i> Gadsey, James E. 34191625 <i>JJB</i></p> <p>1. In accordance with preceding comment, letter has been dispatched to mother of subject decedent requesting dental information.</p> <p>2. File returned as requested.</p> <p>3 Incls Added 1 Incl 3. CC ltr</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><i>ZIEG</i> 54428</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><i>JENKINS</i> 55641</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>Noted</i></p> <p style="text-align: right;"><i>LACauffman</i> 13472</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><i>MAN</i> <i>File</i> <i>24 Aug 50</i> <i>Final Det</i> <i>Del</i> <i>Mem Dur</i></p>



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NO

Mr. Gabe, James R. Wilson

25 Nov 31

Ident. Br. (G-1)

Ident. Br. Unit

1. In accordance with preceding consent, latter has been dispatched to mother of subject deceased requesting dental information.

2. File returned as requested.

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1	Ident Sec Ident Br Mem Div	Liaison Office Mem Div	7 Aug 50	<p>293 - GADSEY, James E. T/Sgt. 34191625</p> <p>1. Reference is made to paragraph 6, Comment #1, dated 12 July 1950, this Office.</p> <p>2. Inasmuch as a reply has not been received from Mr. Pinkard to date, a follow-up letter (copy attached) has been dispatched to him.</p> <p>3. In view of the foregoing, it is not necessary that the 293 File be returned to the Ident. Section at this time.</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><i>Neff</i> COX 74059</p> <p style="text-align: right;">NEFF 52462</p> <p>2 Incls 1. Cy follow-up ltr dtd 8 Aug 50 2. 293 File (GADSEY)</p>
2	LiaisonOff	IdBrMemDiv	8/23/50	<p>NO reply having come in from Leon Pinkard (it is noted that the communications to him were addressed to Roanoke, Alabama, on both occasions, although the name of the community is ROANOKE), this Office reached him telephonically through Mr. Fred Clardy, veterans service officer, Dept. of Veterans Affairs, State of Alabama, Roanoke, Alabama. Pinkard stated that he was in hospital at the time Sgt. Gadsey was killed and has NO knowledge whatever of the circumstances of his death or what was done with the body. He could suggest NO one who would have such knowledge.</p> <p>Incl. n/c</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><i>Hinman</i> Hinman—52321</p>
3	Fin Det Section Ident Br Mem Div	Corres Sec Repat Br Mem Div	24 Aug 50	<p>1. Request Mrs. Ruby C. Gadsey, 3503 Sanford Ave., Nashville, Tennessee, be contacted to obtain, if possible, civilian dental data for T/Sgt James E. Gadsey, 34191625.</p> <p>2. Request file be returned to this office upon completion of your action.</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><i>Ray</i> LAX 73472</p>

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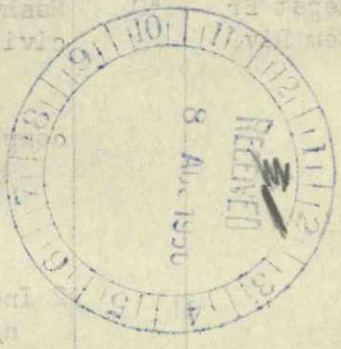
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1. Request Mrs. Ruby C. Gadeby, 2303 Sanford Ave., Nashville, Tennessee, be contacted to obtain, if possible, civilian dental records of James E. Gadeby, M131825.

2. Request the Ident. Section of the Liaison Office upon

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QMENT 293
GADSEY, James E.
T/Sgt., 34191625

8 August 1950

Mr. Leon Pinkard
Roanoke, Alabama

Dear Mr. Pinkard:

The inclosed copy of our letter addressed to you on 12 July 1950 is forwarded for your convenience, since no reply has been received.

Inasmuch as any information you may furnish will be of value to the investigation, your prompt cooperation will be appreciated.

Sincerely yours,

- 2 Incls
- 1. Cy ltr dtd 12 Jul 50
- 2. Envelope

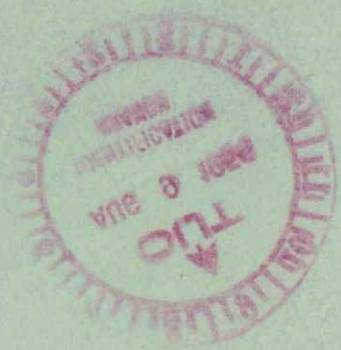
THOMAS E. COX
Capt QMC
Memorial Division

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D. Landes

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8 August 1950

Mr. J. Edgar Hoover
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington, D.C.

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Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington, D.C.

Dear Mr. Hoover:

The enclosed copy of our letter addressed to you on 13 July 1950 is forwarded for your convenience, since no reply has been received. Inasmuch as any information you may furnish will be of value to the investigation, your prompt cooperation will be appreciated.

Sincerely yours,

THOMAS E. GUN
Copy
Special Division

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1. Copy for and 13 Jul 50
2. Envelope

Copy furnished: Adm Sec
Mr. [unclear]
D. L. [unclear]



[Handwritten initials]

QHHT 293

12 July 1950

GADSEY, James E.
ASN 34191625

Mr. Leon Pinkard
Reeseboro, Alabama

Dear Mr. Pinkard:

This Office is conducting an investigation in an attempt to recover and identify the remains of T/Sgt. James E. Gadsby, 34191625, who was reported killed in action on 16 December 1944, in the vicinity of Habkirchen, Germany.

Records show that you were a member of Company "F", 134th Infantry with T/Sgt. Gadsby. It is believed, therefore, that you may be able to furnish information relative to the following, which will be of assistance in this investigation.

a. What were the circumstances surrounding the death of T/Sgt. Gadsby?

b. Did you see the remains of T/Sgt. Gadsby? If so, where? Please describe the location in as much detail as possible. What was the condition of the remains, such as shattered, complete, burned, etc?

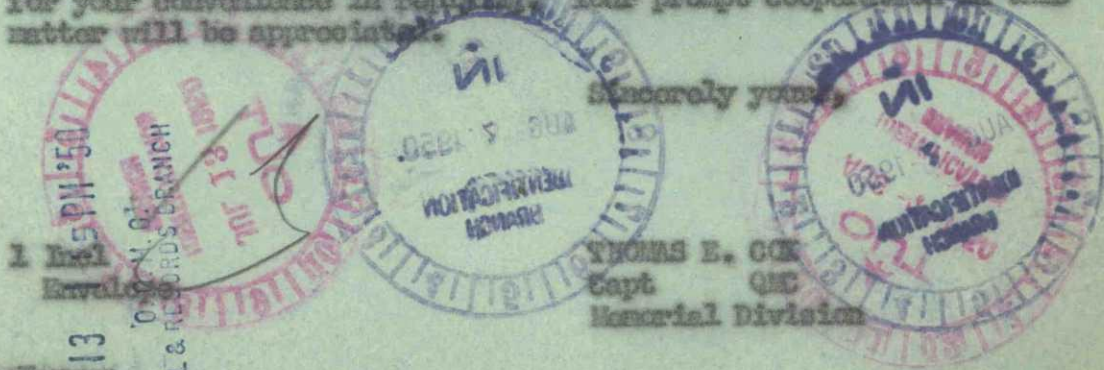
c. Do you have any knowledge concerning the disposition of the remains?

d. Can you furnish the names and addresses of any other persons who might have additional information regarding the death and burial of T/Sgt. Gadsby?

A self-addressed envelope, which requires no postage, is inclosed for your convenience in replying. Your prompt cooperation in this matter will be appreciated.

Sincerely yours,

THOMAS E. COCKE
Capt
Memorial Division



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DLandes

Cy for: Adm Sec

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20 July 1950

20 July 1950

[Handwritten signature]

Mr. Tolson
Mr. Boardman
Mr. Nichols

This letter is regarding an investigation in an attempt to
locate and identify the remains of Major James H. Doherty, MIA,
who was reported killed in action on 10 December 1944 in the vicinity
of the town of ...

Reports have been received from a source of ...
that the remains of Major Doherty were located in ...
to further information regarding the ...
existence of this ...

It is requested that you advise the ...
of the ...

It is requested that you advise the ...
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A self-addressed envelope ...
for your information ...



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2	Liaison Office Mem Div	M & R Br Adm Div	13 July 1950	<p>QMGL 293, Gadsey, James E., T/Sgt. 34191625</p> <p>1. File.</p> <p>2. Comment 1 noted. No action necessary at this time. No Liaison Office suspense dated 14 Aug 1950.</p> <p>1 Incl n/c</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><i>R. Holloway</i> R. HOLLOWAY 53708</p>

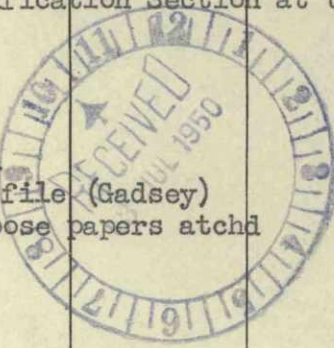

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1	Ident Sec Ident Br Mem Div Cong	Liaison Office THRU Final Det Secy	12 Jul 1950	<p>293 GADSEY, James E. T/Sgt. 34191625</p> <p>1. Reference is made to Comment 3, dated 20 June 1950, this Office.</p> <p>2. Replies (letters attached) have been received from Mr. Koons and Mr. Reischel. Major Huston replied telephonically (a resume of the conversation is attached).</p> <p>3. Based upon information furnished by Major Huston, it would seem coincidental that the following events occurred within a short time:</p> <p>a. Inventory of Personal Effects, dated 1 March 1945 and signed by Capt. Albert B. Osborne, 134th Infantry.</p> <p>b. Letter, dated 3 March 1945, from the Chaplain.</p> <p>c. AGO notification to the family on 9 March 1945 advising of the change of status from MIA to KIA.</p> <p>4. Inasmuch as Mr. Koons suggested that a Leon Pinkard be contacted, a letter (copy attached) has been dispatched to him in a final attempt to obtain additional information relative to the death and burial of subject decedent.</p> <p>5. There are no Reports of Burial of Unknowns on file in this Office that can be associated with T/Sgt. Gadsey.</p> <p>6. Until a reply is received from Mr. Pinkard, no further action can be taken by this Office; therefore, it is not necessary that the 293 file be returned to the Identification Section at this time.</p>
ecw	1 Incl 293 file (Gadsey) w/loose papers atchd			<p>COX 74059 <i>neff</i></p> <p>NEFF 2462</p>

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200 DASHLEY, James H. (copy)

15 Jul 1950

Quartermaster
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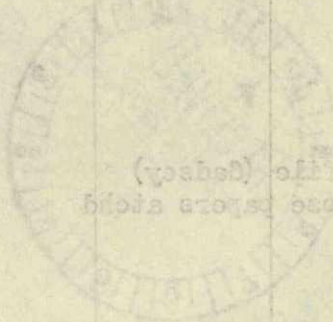
Headquarters
Army
Washington
D.C.

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1. Reference is made to Comment 2, dated 28 June 1950, attached.
2. Replies (letters attached) have been received from Mr. Moore and Mr. Ketchum. Major Ketchum replied telephonically (a record of the conversation is attached).
3. Based upon information furnished by Major Ketchum, it would seem coincidental that the following events occurred within a short time:

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- a. Inventory of Personal Effects, dated 1 March 1945 and signed by Capt. Albert B. Deane, 13th Infantry.
- b. Letter, dated 3 March 1945, from the Captain.
- c. AGO notification to the family on 3 March 1945 advising of the change of status from MIA to KIA.
- d. Inasmuch as Mr. Moore suggested that he had been contacted by a letter (copy attached) has been dispatched to him in a final attempt to obtain additional information relative to the death and burial of subject Deane.
- e. There are no reports of burial of Deane on file in this Office that can be associated with 13th Infantry.
- f. While a reply is received from Mr. Ketchum, no further action can be taken by this Office; therefore, it is recommended that the 200 DASHLEY be returned to the Quartermaster General of the Army.



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SMA

1 Incl
200 DASHLEY (copy)
whose papers attached

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TELEPHONE INFORMATION RECORD

DATE

7/11/50

TELEPHONE NUMBER AND BRANCH CALLED

AGO Liaison - 73090

NAME OF PERSON PLACING CALL

Warweg

CASE UNDER INVESTIGATION (X or Case Number)

Gadsey Case

CEMETERY

INFORMATION REQUIRED

Current mailing address of: Leon Pinkard ^{Co I.} 134th Inf 35th Div

DATE CALLED BACK

PERSON GIVING INFORMATION

INFORMATION RECEIVED

address as of 2/18/46
Roanoke, Alabama

On 3 July 1950, Major James E. Huston (Ext. 54846) called this Office and asked to give a telephonic report in reply to our letter dated 20 June 1950. His replies to our inquiries were as follows:

1. 16 December 1944 the 3rd Bn, 134th Regt attacked approximately 0800 hours through a series of woods, the action beginning in the early morning about 1500 yards NE of Habkirchen, continuing through a small woods to the north, called Hoch Woods, east to Bannholz Woods (approximate coords 585-606), then Rheinheimwald (a large woods at approximately 588-619). Heavy artillery was encountered at that point and probably T/Sgt. Gadsey was killed there.

2. The Battalion withdrew 17 December 1944 and ~~were~~ never returned to the area. They were replaced by 137th Infantry.

3. Major Huston was not familiar with the work of evacuation of remains. The officer in charge of that operation was Lt. Eldephonse C. Reischel, now in Glidden, Wisconsin.

4. The area was retaken by the Germans on 20 December 1944 and held by them for an indefinite length of time, possibly until February or March 1945.

5. Lt. Hunt, temporarily company commander, was killed by artillery approximately six o'clock in the evening of 16 December 1944.

6. Major Huston stated that in March 1945, prior to crossing the Rhine, the 134th had several days in a rest area, in which time trucks brought the equipment from the area in Nancy, France to Alsp (near Bracht), 12 Km south of Venlo, Holland. This statement was confirmed by the regimental commander, Lt. Col. Alford C. Boatsman (now in National Guard Bureau) in conversation with Major Huston. Inasmuch as an order had been issued that excessive equipment was not to be carried across the Rhine, it is Major Huston's opinion that it was at that time the equipment from the "duffel bag" area was sorted and personal effects forwarded to the Effects Depot.

The above statement was read to Major Huston by phone, and he states that the facts are true, according to his knowledge and belief.

5 July 1950
Date

Dora E. Landes
Dora E. Landes
Congressional Unit
Identification Section
Memorial Division

7/2/50 16

Dear Sir.

In reference to your letter concerning the death of T/PSgt James E. Gadsey 34191625.

I don't know too much about Sgt Gadsey's death. I was told that he was killed by shellfire during an artillery barrage. I did not see the body or know of its burial. I know of one fellow who may be able to give you more information than I can. I don't know his address, however, I will give you his name, Leon Pinkard.

I am very sorry I can't give you more information to help you complete your investigation.

Sincerely,
Walter R. Roons

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June 24 1950
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Dept. of the Army
off. of the S.M.G.
Washington 25, D.C.

Dear Sir:

In reply to your letter of June 20, 1950
referring to O.M.G. M.I. 293; Gadsey, James E.
A.S.M. 34191625.

As I recall the action around the area
of Habkirchen, Germany on about Dec. 16, 1944. I believe
co I was to have crossed the river at about 0600
on the left of the bridge crossing into Habkirchen
in assault boats. The crossing was surprised and
received mortar fire. Due to swift water some
boats were capsized and men with heavy
packs and equipment were swept down stream
and down.

None of those men were ever found
by any of my unit that I know of. Also
due to heavy action my group of men
who helped me in removing bodies from the
battle areas nor myself were ever able
to go forward beyond Habkirchen itself.

Before we could do so we were ordered to withdraw on the night of Dec. 22nd 1944 and be ready to instruct to move north into the buldge.

Any bodies we ever picked up of an American soldier I personally checked their dog tags and send the number to Regt. Hq. 134 Inf several times a week.

If after the Germans were driven back over that area after the buldge was over no bodies had been picked up then the Germans had removed them.

If to throw any more light on the question is necessary I can give you more details on the action of those dates unless you can find it in the Unit Journals of 313W 134 Inf or 134 Inf itself

Yours Truly
Eldo Reischel

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

IN REPLY REFER TO
QMGAT 293
GADSEY, James E.
ASN 34191625

20 June 1950

Mr. Eldephans C. Reischel
103 Franklin Street
Glidden, Wisconsin

Dear Mr. Reischel:

This Office is conducting an investigation in an attempt to recover and identify the remains of T/Sgt James E. Gadsey, 34191625, Company I, 134th Infantry, who was reported killed in action on 16 December 1944 in the woods north of Habkirchen, Germany.

A letter, dated 3 March 1945, from Chaplain A. C. Walker, 134th Infantry, informed Mrs. Gadsey that her son was buried in a military cemetery in Lorraine, France. On 9 March 1945 the status of T/Sgt Gadsey was changed from missing in action to killed in action.

Records show that you were a Graves Registration Officer, Headquarters Company, Third Battalion, 134th Infantry. It is believed, therefore, that you may be able to furnish information relative to the following, which will be of assistance in this investigation:

1. Were any remains recovered from the woods north of Habkirchen during the period of 16 December through 24 December 1944? If so, where were the remains buried?
2. After your organization left the area, were reports of recoveries received prior to March 1945?

Your prompt cooperation will be greatly appreciated as the information may prove to be of material assistance in locating the remains of T/Sgt Gadsey.

Sincerely yours,

Robert G. Lay
ROBERT G. LAY
Capt QMC
Memorial Division

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IN REPLY REFER TO
QUART 233

GADSEY, James E.
ASN 34191337

20 June 1950

Mr. Stephens C. Reischer
103 Franklin Street
Glidden, Wisconsin

Dear Mr. Reischer:

This Office is conducting an investigation in an attempt to recover and identify the remains of T/Sgt James E. Gadsey, ASN 34191337, Company I, 134th Infantry, who was reported killed in action on 16 December 1944 in the woods north of Habkirchen, Germany.

A letter, dated 3 March 1945, from Captain A. G. Walker, 134th Infantry, informed Mrs. Gadsey that her son was buried in a military cemetery in Lorraine, France. On 9 March 1945 the status of T/Sgt Gadsey was changed from missing in action to killed in action.

Records show that you were a Graves Registration Officer, Headquarters Company, Third Battalion, 134th Infantry. It is believed, therefore, that you may be able to furnish information relative to the following, which will be of assistance in this investigation:

1. Were any remains recovered from the woods north of Habkirchen during the period of 16 December through 24 December 1944? If so, where were the remains buried?

2. After your organization left the area, were reports of re-covers received prior to March 1945?

Your prompt cooperation will be greatly appreciated as the information may prove to be of material assistance in locating the remains of T/Sgt Gadsey.

Sincerely yours,



ROBERT G. L...
Capt
Memorial Division

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NON-RECOVERABLE CASE
RECORD OF REVIEW AND APPROVAL

CASE NUMBER 12771 (1)

AREA OR ZONE(S)
European

NAME (Last, First, Middle Initial)

GADSEY, James E.

RANK

T/Sgt

SERIAL NUMBER

34 191 625

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.)

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) <i>ABK</i>	2. a. REPORT OF DEATH DEATH RECORDING OR DEATH STATUS REVIEW & DETERMINATION	<i>ABK</i>
3. A - Z FILE OF KNOWN INTERMENTS IN U.S. MILITARY CEMETERIES, ISOLATED LOCATIONS, AND SEA BURIALS <i>ABK</i>	4. GEOGRAPHICAL CLUE INDEX FILE OF UNKNOWN RECOVERED FROM APPROPRIATE AREA	<i>ABK</i>
5. ALPHABETICAL INDEX OF "BELIEVED TO BE" AND TENTATIVELY IDENTIFIED UNKNOWN <i>ABK</i>	6. ALPHABETICAL FILE OF FORMER UNKNOWN NOW IDENTIFIED	<i>ABK</i>
7. OTHER DOCUMENTS OR SOURCES		
a. Narrative of Field Investigation 6 September 1947		<i>ABK</i>

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:

See Attached Statement of Investigation

JUN 26 1950

Identification Branch

NAME OF CASE ANALYST

A. Kennedy
A. Kennedy/cwt

CASE TO BE FORWARDED TO Repatriation Branch, Correspondence Sec.
FOR CONSIDERATION OF NOTIFICATION TO INTERESTED PARTIES.

RECOMMEND APPROVAL

CASE REVIEWER, FINAL DETERMINATION SECTION

W. A. Wolf

W. A. WOLF

CHIEF, FINAL DETERMINATION SECTION

W. R. DeWeese

W. R. DeWEESE, 1st Lt OMC

APPROVED

CHIEF, IDENTIFICATION BRANCH

Thomas E. Cox
by THOMAS E. COX Capt OMC

DATE

14 Mar 50

GADSEY, James E.

STATEMENT OF INVESTIGATION

7 March 1950

1. This case pertains to the non-recoverability of the remains of T/Sgt James E. Gadsey, 34 191 625, Company "I", 134th Infantry Regiment, who was reported killed in action 16 December 1944 near Habkirchen, Germany.
2. Available information indicates that T/Sgt Gadsey was killed by mortar fire while engaged in action against the enemy. It was reported that the deceased was buried in a Military Cemetery in Lorraine, France. However, after a thorough investigation the AGRS state that no association was possible with unknowns recovered from United States Military Cemeteries in this area.
3. All possible sources of information have been investigated but no information has been found to indicate that the remains of the decedent have been recovered or buried.
4. Efforts have been made by this office, and also by the field board to associate subject deceased with remains recovered from the pertinent area, but with negative results.

A. Kennedy
A. Kennedy
Analyst

12 Jan 50

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HEADQUARTERS
 AMERICAN GRAVES REGISTRATION COMMAND
 EUROPEAN AREA
 APO 58 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 No. 124, Headquarters American Graves Registration Command, APO 58, U.S. Army, 2 November 1949, at the Astoria Hotel, Paris, France, 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 witnesses and other papers, contained in the files of American Graves Registration Command, 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.

CASE No. 1	NAME	GRADE	ASN
	GADSEY, James E.	T/Sgt	34191625

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.

HAROLD P. HENRY, Col. QMC

EDWARD D. MULVANITY, Lt. Col. QMC

CHARLES REYNOLDS, Maj. T.C.

GERALD SWARTHOUT SR. Maj. C.E.

JACK C. HAYES, Capt. QMC

EDWARD F. PRICE JR. Capt. QMC

LEODORE GOUDREAU CWO USA

FRANK CEBER CWO USA

FREDERICKS S. DAVID 1st Lt. Cav

HEADQUARTERS
 AMERICAN GRAVES REGISTRATION COMMAND
 EUROPEAN AREA
 APO 58 U S ARMY

SPECIAL ORDERS
 NUMBER 16

3 February 1949

1. The fol named off having been asgd 7887 Hq Gp AGRC APO 58 Paris France per par 1 SO 14 7855 AGRC Zone #1 Hq APO 58 Liege Belgium are placed on dy w/Registration Division.

CAPT	STANLEY C.	TYRRELL	01304296	Inf
1ST LT	EDWARD E.	STOUT	01594512	CE
1ST LT	ERNEST J.	OGLESBY	0449004	Cav

2. The Board of Review for the Identification of Unknown Dead aptd per par 9 SO 6 this hq 14 Jan 48 is dissolved.

3. The Board of Review for cases of non-recoverability of remains (European Area) aptd per par 4 SO 33 this hq 22 Mar 48 as amended by par 1 SO 154 hq 3 Nov 48 and par 2 SO 165 this hq 7 Dec 48 is dissolved.

4. The Board of Review for Major Discrepancy Cases aptd per par 6 SO 146 this hq 22 Oct 48 is dissolved.

5. PAC ltr WD AGAO-S 293.9 9 Apr 47 Subj: Establishment of Boards of Review for Identification of Unknown Dead Overseas, the fol off this hq are aptd a Board of Review for the purpose of reviewing case records pertaining to the identification of deceased and determination of non-recoverability of remains (European Area):

CAPT	JACK C.	HAYES	01577297	QMC
CAPT	STANLEY C.	TYRRELL	01304296	Inf
CAPT	EDWARD F.	PRICE, Jr.	01588236	QMC
1ST LT	EDWARD E.	STOUT	01594512	CE
1ST LT	ERNEST J.	OGLESBY	0449004	Cav

6. The fol off this hq are aptd a Board of Review for Major Discrepancy Cases to function pursuant to par 3 Operations Instructions 84 this hq 29 July 47:

CAPT	JACK C.	HAYES	01577297	QMC
CAPT	STANLEY C.	TYRRELL	01304296	Inf
CAPT	EDWARD F.	PRICE, Jr.	01588236	QMC
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HEADQUARTERS
AMERICAN GRAVES REGISTRATION COMMAND
EUROPEAN AREA

APO 58 US ARMY

RAG 300.4

22 Mar 48

SPECIAL ORDERS

NUMBER 33

1. Under the provisions of AR 615-368, 14 May 47 and AR 420-5, the following Board of officers is appointed to meet at Liege, Belgium, or at such other place as the president may designate at the call of the president thereof, for the purpose of considering whether such EM as may be brought before it should be discharged prior to the expiration of their term of service. Proceedings of the Board will be in conformity with AR 420-5. Findings and recommendations will be forwarded to the Commanding General, and entered on ED AGO Form 37.

LT COL	PARK W. BAILEY	0242216	INF
MAJ	DAVID MINS, JR	0228758	FA
MAJ	JOHN W. LONG	0333779	INF
CAPT	THOMAS C. HAYDEN	01584337	QMC
1ST LT	ALVIN C. BECK	01646841	INF
1ST LT	ROBERT VANINA	01786119	MC

2. Par 3 and 4, SO 6, this hq, 14 Jan 48 pertaining to appointment of Boards of Review for identification of Unknown Dead (European Area), are rescinded.

3. PAC ltr WD 9 Apr 47, Subj "Establishment of Boards for identification of Unknown Dead", the fol off, this hq, are aptd a Board of Review for identification of Unknown Dead (European Area):

LT COL	PATRICK W. GUINEY	019066	QMC
MAJ	GEORGE M VER HULST	40650035	USAF
MAJ	MARSHALL J. BLACKMON	0277013	INF
CAPT	JACK C. HAYES	01577297	QMC
1ST LT	JOSEPH McCLUSKEY	01338110	INF

4. PAC ltr WD 9 Apr 47, Subj: "Establishment of Boards for identification of Unknown Dead", the fol off, this hq, are aptd a Board of Review for non-recoverability of remains (European Area):

LT COL	EDWARD D MULVANTY	0359598	QMC
MAJ	GROSENVOR W. FISH	042932	QMC
MAJ	FRANCIS P. SWEENEY	034485	INF
CAPT	OWEN F. McCANN	01595680	INF
1ST LT	GEORGE L. FREEMAN	0159551	QMC

5. VOCCG 6 Jan 48 auth CAPT GORDON L. ALDERMAN 0479536 CHC to tvl fr Second Zone, AGRC, APO 58, Carentan, France, to First Zone, AGRC, APO 58, Liege, Belgium, by TPA are confirmed, the exigencies of the service having been such as to prevent the issuance of orders in advance.

AUTH: Sec I, Cir 157, Hq USFET, 23 Oct 46 & Cir 28, Hq EUCOM, 9 May 47.

BY COMMAND OF BRIGADIER GENERAL PECKHAM:

CARL W. RAGUSE
Colonel, QMC
Chief of Staff

OFFICIAL:

/s/t/ FRANK FRANCIS
Major, - AGD
Asst Adj Gen

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A CERTIFIED TRUE COPY:



WILLIAM R. DEWEESE
1st Lt. QMC

HEADQUARTERS
AMERICAN GRAVES REGISTRATION COMMAND
EUROPEAN AREA
APO 58 U S ARMY

RRE 293.9 (IB)

SUBJECT: Non-Recoverable Remains

TO: Non-Recoverable Board AGRC

1. It is recommended that the board take action on the following case:

NAME: GADSEY, James E., T/Sgt, 34 191 625

ORGANIZATION: Co "I" 134th Infantry

DATE OF DEATH: 16 Dec 1944

PLACE OF DEATH: Vic. of Habkirchen, Germany

SYNOPSIS OF CASE: The above mentioned unresolved casualty was a member of a company which was engaged in an attempt to clear the enemy from woods north of Habkirchen, Germany, on 16 Dec. 1944. Information available indicates that subject casualty was killed by mortar fire and that Company was forced to withdraw from the area and that the remains of Sgt Gadsey were not evacuated by American troops. A Field Investigation was conducted in the appropriate area in Sept. 1947 with negative results. No association could be made with unknown remains recovered from this area. It is logical to conclude that T/Sgt Gadsey was killed in action on 16 Dec 1944 in the vicinity of Habkirchen, Germany and that his remains were disposed of by the enemy in a manner which precludes recovery. The fact that Field Investigation was negative and that there are no unknowns on record that may be associated with subject casualty would tend to substantiate this conclusion; It is therefore recommended that this case be deemed Non-Recoverable.

Reference is made to: OQMG Form 371; Report of Field Investigation, dtd 6 Sept. 1947 with attached statements; Operational Instructions #79, dtd 14 July 1947.

2. All attached supporting documents are copied from records in file headquarters American Graves Registration Command.

3. Every effort has been made to correlate this case with records in this headquarters pertaining to unknown deceased interred in U S Military Cemeteries and reported isolated burials. The results are negative.

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

C. W. Steinsiek
C. W. STEINSIEK
Captain, QMC

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DATA ON REMAINS NOT YET RECOVERED OR IDENTIFIED

NAME (Last, First, Middle Initial) GADSEY, JAMES E.		GRADE T/Sgt	PRESENT SERIAL NUMBER 34 191 625
ORGANIZATION Co. I, 134th Infantry		RACE white	CREED Protestant
DATE OF DEATH/MIA 16 Dec 44	CAUSE OF DEATH KILLED IN ACTION	PLACE OF DEATH OR PLACE LAST SEEN IF MIA GERMANY	
DATE OF FOD			
HEIGHT 5' 8-1/2"	WEIGHT 125	COLOR EYES Blue	SHOE SIZE 7-1/2

DENTAL CHART 9 Feb 42

UPPER RIGHT 8 7 6 5 4 3 2 1	UPPER LEFT 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8
LOWER RIGHT 16 15 14 13 12 11 10 9	LOWER LEFT 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16

X=Extracted

O=Carious

1=Carious Non-Restorable

FRACTURES AND/OR BREAKS NONE	TATTOOS AND/OR BIRTHMARK
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ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

AGE: 25

Killed in Germany after outfit crossed the Blies River - per ltr dtd 10 June 47

N A R R A T I V E

On investigation at REINHEIM (wQ-6059), Germany.

6 September 1947

Having first obtained permission from the French Military Government to make this investigation, I contacted the Burgermeister of REINHEIM, Mr. JOSEF LEMBERT, who made the following statement:

From 9 to 24 December 1944 approximately twenty to twenty-five (20 - 25) American soldiers were killed in action in the vicinity of REINHEIM and the remains were evacuated by American troops on 16 March 1945. (See attached statement Exhibit "D").

I then proceeded to BEBELSHEIM where I contacted the former Burgermeister, Mr. JOSEF OCHS, who stated that four (4) American soldiers were killed in combat whose remains were disinterred and evacuated in 1945. No certificates were left behind by the disinterring team. (See attached statement Exhibit "A").

I later contacted Mr. GUNTER SCHNEIDER who discovered the remains of seven (7) American soldiers in May or June 1945.

Mr. SCHNEIDER stated that three (3) of the bodies were removed by the Americans a few days later. The remaining four (4) deceased were removed by members of a guard company that was stationed at BEBELSHEIM at that time. (See attached statement Exhibit "B"). Finally I contacted the present Burgermeister, Mr. ARNOLD LAND, who stated that the remains of one (1) American soldier were discovered in April 1946. The identification tag bore the name CHARLES J. FISCHER, ASN 32551898. The remains were disinterred on 20 May 1946 by an American disinterring team. The notice of disinterment was signed by Sgt ANTHONY V. BAGALINE, ASN 36910788, 6814 Hq, QM. GR. Co. (See attached statement Exhibit "C").

I, then proceeded to WALSHEIM where I contacted the present Burgermeister, Mr. HEINRICH NAGEL, (see Exhibit "G"), who gave me a list of fifteen (15) American soldiers killed in action in this area. (See attached copy Exhibit "L"). Four (4) of them were buried in the cemetery, the other eleven (11) bodies in the vicinity of WALSHEIM. About their removal by Americans and French see Exhibit "H, L and M". No notices of disinterment were left.

I, then contacted the Burgermeister and the priest of GERSHEIM. (See Exhibit "E" and "F"). The Burgermeister stated that altogether sixteen (16) American soldiers buried there they were disinterred at this town in 1945.

Contrary to that I found that there were only eight (8) bodies buried in the cemetery of GERSHEIM. The remaining eight (8) deceased belonging to the fifteen (15) listed deceased soldiers on Exhibit "L" were also buried in the area of WALSHEIM which formerly had belonged to the community of GERSHEIM. This might be the explanation for the mistake of the Burgermeister of GERSHEIM who reported sixteen (16) bodies buried in his cemetery instead of eight (8).

The priest of this town also confirmed that only eight (8) bodies were found and removed in the area of GERSHEIM. I think he is the best informed man in this matter, for he was present as a witness at this town without interruption since the beginning of the combats in December 1944.

An unknown American disinterring team evacuated all the remains in June or July 1945.

I, then contacted the Burgermeister of NIEDERGAILBACH, Mr. EDMUND WILBERT, who stated that the body of one (1) American soldier was discovered in the garden of NIKOLAUS ANNA, in January 1945 and buried there and that he was disinterred, identified, and evacuated in May 1945. (See attached statement Exhibit "I").

I, subsequently contacted Mr. NIKOLAUS ANNA who stated that he evacuated his home in December 1944 and did not return until the following year 1945.

Mr. ANNA learned on his return that there was a grave of an American in his garden. (See attached statement Exhibit "J").

I later contacted Mr. ALBRECHT GROS who buried this deceased American soldier in the garden of Mr. ANNA. (See attached statement Exhibit "K").

NOTE: The name of REICHEIM must be misspelled since I could not locate any town of this name. REINHEIM is the town I visited where I obtained the information, contained in this narrative.

JAMES E. ROBBINS
Pvt 45030189
164th QM.BN.AGRC

S T A T E M E N T

from JOSEF O C H S II, born 24 February 1894 in BEBELSHEIM
Kreis ST. INGEERT/Saar

residing at BEBELSHEIM, Kreis ST. INGBERT, Saar Region, Erbhof.

I herewith state to the best of my knowledge:

I was Burgermeister of the community of BEBELSHEIM from 1 April 1945 to 30 April 1946. Around the end of May or the beginning of June 1945, several American bodies were found per chance by the two village inhabitants GUENTER SCHNEIDER and EDWIN WACHALL in the BLIESMENGER Forest (between BEBELSHEIM and BLIESMENGEN). Both of them reported their findings to Americans quartered in their house who belonged to a unit guarding the gasoline pipelines located here. After a few days, an American Team arrived to recover the bodies and evacuated a total of four (4) bodies. On my orders appr. ten men and a vehicle from our village were sent to the resp. spot to aid in the recovery of the bodies. I did not receive any certificate pertaining to the recovery and evacuation.

BEBELSHEIM, 5 September 1947

/s/ OCHS JOSEF

I certify that this is a true translation
to the best of my ability

A TRUE COPY:

/s/t/ Karl Wild

/ s/t/

PAUL H. MUELLER
Major Cavalry
Operations Officer
164th QM. BN.

Exhibit "A"

S T A T E M E N T

from GUNTER SCHNEIDER, born on 15 July 1928 in BEBELSHEIM,
KREIS ST. INGBERT/ Saar Region,
residing at BEBELSHEIM, Kreis ST. INGBERT, Saar Region,
Hauptstr. 166.

I herewith state to the best of my knowledge:

Appr. end of May, beginning of June 1945, while taking a walk through the BLIESMENGER Forest, I discovered the bodies of seven (7) American soldiers killed in action, on the edge of a road. Next day I showed the location to my comrade EDWIN WACHALL and in addition reported it to the Americans billeted in our house. After some days, several Americans and I rode in a jeep to the resp. spot in the woods. We found that, meanwhile, all bodies had been interred by unknown people.

Appr. one week later a special team arrived to disinter and evacuate the remains with the aid of several village inhabitants. However, we found only four (4) of the erstwhile present seven (7) bodies left; the other three (3) bodies having been probably evacuated in the meantime.

I cannot remember anymore the designation of the unit. As far as I can recollect it was a team guarding the gasoline-lines.

BEBELSHEIM, 5 September 1947

/s/ SCHNEIDER GUNTER

I certify that this is a true translation
to the best of my ability

A TRUE COPY:

Karl Wild

/s/t/

PAUL H. MUELLER
Major Cavalry
Operations Officer
164th QM. BN.

Exhibit "B"

S T A T E M E N T

of Burgermeister ARNOLD LANG, born on 19 November 1906
in BEBELSHEIM, Kreis St. INGEBERT, Saar.
residing at BEBELSHEIM, Kreis St. INGEBERT, Saar, Haupt-
str. 72b.
In office as Burgermeister since 3 October 1946.

I herewith state to the best of my know-
ledge:

About the beginning of April 1946 the
remains of an American soldier with an identification
tag have been found in NEURIEDER Forest, area BEBELS-
HEIM by the local inhabitant WILHELM HARTZ (meanwhile
deceased). The discovery was reported to the former
Burgermeister PAUL GROH. Several weeks later an American
disinterring team arrived here and evacuated the remains
with the identification tag.

Based on the certificate left behind
which still is in the Burgermeister's office, the body
was that of the American soldier (rank unknown):

CHARLES J. FISCHER, ASN. 32 551 898.

The paper was signed on 20 May 1946 by
Sgt ANTHONY V. BAGALINE, ASN. 36910788 6814 Hq. Q.

As far as I know, no American bodies
have been found within my district since that time.

BEBELSHEIM, 5 September 1947

/s/ LANG

I certify that this is a true translation
to the best of my ability.

A TRUE COPY:

s/t/ Karl W i l d

/s/t/ PAUL H. MUELLER
Major Cavalry
Operations Officer
164th QM. BN.

EXHIBIT "C"

S T A T E M E N T

I, JOSEF LEMBERT, Burgermeister of REINHEIM since 4 October 1946 state the following to the best of my knowledge and belief:

During the time from 9 to 24 December 1944 violent fighting took place between American and German troops in the vicinity of our village. As far as I know the Americans had approximately 20 to 25 men killed in action.

After a temporary withdrawal they occupied the locality a second time on 16 March 1945 and evacuated their deceased to St AVOLD, LOTHRINGEN.

A further discovery was made a year later in the timber forest of RHEINHEIM by forest ranger MUELLER and was reported to the Burgermeister of GERSHEIM. Several days later an American search team including a doctor arrived to identify the deceased. However, I do not know whether identification was possible; after a few days this body was likewise evacuated to St AVOLD by a disinterring team.

If any records or certificates exist on this, they should be found at the Burgermeister's office in GERSHEIM.

As far as I know no further American bodies were found in my administrative district since that time.

The Burgermeister of the community of RHEINHEIM.

/s/ LEMBERT

I certify that this is a true translation to the best of my ability

A TRUE COPY:

/s/t/ Karl W i l d

s/t/ PAUL H. MUELLER
Major Cavalry
Operations Officer
164th QM. BN.

EXHIBIT "D"

164 QM. Bn. AGRC. FFC.
APO 403 - U.S. Army
K A R L S R U H E - Germany
American Zone

S T A T E M E N T

During the visit of an officer of the American Army at the Burgermeister's Office in GERSHEIM/Saar in order to investigate and establish the identity of American soldiers killed in action I have learned the following by interrogating the grave-digger WEIBEL from GERSHEIM:

No identification tags were found on the deceased American soldiers. Identity could no longer be established due to advanced decomposition.

WEIBEL was particularly questioned on a deceased American soldier by the name of BIANK EUGENE who had been described to me by the officer in detail. However, WEIBEL could not state anything definite which might have concerned the afore-mentioned deceased.

Sixteen (16) soldiers killed in action were disinterred by WEIBEL under an American Command.

This concludes WEIBEL's statement from GERSHEIM.

The Burgermeister in GERSHEIM
as local police authority

The Burgermeister

/s/ SCHEYER

I certify that this is a true translation
to the best of my ability

/s/t/ Karl Wild

A TRUE COPY:

/s/t/

PAUL H. MUELLER
Major Cavalry
Operations Officer
164th QM. BN.

EXHIBIT "E"

S T A T E M E N T

I, JOSEF SCHINDLER, pastor in GERSHEIM since 5 June 1938 state the following to the best of my knowledge and belief:

From 7 December 1944 to 15 March 1945 violent fighting between German and American troops took place in the vicinity of our village. Shortly before Christmas 1944 the Americans withdrew again from this region and left behind eight (8) soldiers killed in action close to our village. On 16 March 1945 the Americans occupied GERSHEIM for a second time. In the meantime, these bodies had been found by German soldiers and inhabitants of the village. Seven (7) of the deceased were buried in the local cemetery while the last body was temporarily interred by German soldiers in the forest on the spot where it had been found.

After this region had been declared a part of the French Zone of Occupation meanwhile, an American team arrived in June or July 1945, disinterred all the bodies and evacuated them. The identification tags (approximately 7 or 8) and personal effects found on the deceased I handed over to the Chief of an American technical unit which had been stationed here after the combat troops had left in order to repair the destroyed railroad track SAARGEMUEND-BLIESKASTEL.

I have reported the fact to the members of the disinterring team that I turned in all identification tags and personal effects to the Commander of the technical unit at that time as the only unit left still here.

As far as I know, no further American soldiers have been found and buried in this district since that time.

/s/ J. SCHINDLER

Pastor of GERSHEIM

I certify that this is a true translation
to the best of my ability

A TRUE COPY:

Karl Wild

/s/t/ PAUL H. MUELLER
Major Cavalry
Operations Officer
164th QM. BN.

EXHIBIT "F"

S T A T E M E N T

I, HEINRICH NAGEL, Burgermeister of WALSHEIM since 1 October 1947 state the following to the best of my knowledge and belief:

During a period from 8 to 24 December 1944 violent fighting between American and German troops took place in this region. Subsequently the Americans withdrew across the border to French soil. Shortly before the American Forces arrived, the greater part of the population of this village had been evacuated. When I returned again to our village in February 1945 after the withdrawal of the Americans, four (4) American soldiers had been buried meanwhile in our cemetery; however, by whom is not known to me.

Further bodies or graves resp. were found by village inhabitants in the vicinity of the village in the course of the following time.

Further details of this affair are not known to me except those contained in the attached list.

Of data in writing, only one (1) certificate on the four (4) deceased disinterred and evacuated on 13 September 1946? (notice of disinterment gives date as 13 February 1946) by an American team was handed to the community.

As far as I know, no further American bodies were found or buried in my administrative district since that time.

Community of WALSHEIM (BLIES)

/s/ HEINRICH NAGEL

I certify that this is a true translation to the best of my ability

A TRUE COPY:

/s/t/ Karl Wild

/s/t

PAUL H. MUELLER
Major Cavalry
Operations Officer
164th QM. BN.

EXHIBIT "G"

S T A T E M E N T

I, HEINRICH THOMANN, locksmith, state the following to the best of my knowledge and belief:

In summer 1945 I was sent to the cemetery by order of the Burgermeister to aid an American team in opening four (4) graves of American soldiers. The bodies were already decomposed, however, their clothing was still recognizable. Altogether only two (2) identification tags and some personal effects were found. After the disinterment was completed the remains were evacuated to LUXEMBURG on a truck, as I was told later.

When, how and where the four (4) soldiers were killed, when and by whom they were buried during the evacuation of the village inhabitants, is not known to me.

/s/ HEINRICH THOMANN

I certify that this is a true translation to the best of my ability

/s/ Karl Wild

A TRUE COPY:

/s/ PAUL H. MUELLER
Major Cavalry
Operations Officer
164th QM. BM.

EXHIBIT "H"

S T A T E M E N T

I, EDMUND WILBERT, Burgermeister since 1 October 1946 state the following to the best of my knowledge and belief:

In January 1945, one (1) deceased American soldier was found in the garden of Mr. NIKOLAUS ANNA who apparently had been killed in action during fighting in December 1944. His remains were buried on the same spot by Mr. ALBRECHT GROS.

In May 1945 an American team arrived and opened the grave. One (1) identification tag was found as far as I recall. The body was evacuated to LUXEMBURG as I was told.

No notice of disinterment was handed to the community.

As far as I know, no further American bodies were found in the vicinity of NIEDERGAILBACH since that time.

Community of NIEDERGAILBACH

/s/ WILBERT

I certify that this a true translation
to the best of my ability

A TRUE COPY:

/s/ Karl Wild

EXHIBIT "I"

/s/ PAUL H. MUELLER
Major Cavalry
Operations Officer
164th QM. BN.

S T A T E M E N T

I, NIKOLAUS ANNA, community servant of NIEDERGAILBACH state the following to the best of my knowledge and belief:

When I returned from evacuation at the end of January 1945, I learned from the son ALBRECHT of neighbor GROS that he had buried one (1) American soldier in my garden a short while ago who had been lying there for some time.

Around the end of April or beginning of May, just when I happened to be absent, an American Team arrived and had the grave opened. The body was already badly decomposed as I learned later. Nothing is known to me of the finding of an identification tag.

As far as I know no American deceased soldiers have been found here since that time.

/s/ NIKOLAUS ANNA III.

I certify that this is a true translation
to the best of my ability

A TRUE COPY:

/s/ Karl Wild

/s/ PAUL H. MUELLER
Major Cavalry
Operations Officer
164th QM. BN.

EXHIBIT "J"

S T A T E M E N T

I, ALBRECHT GROS, state the following to the best of my knowledge and belief:

In January 1945, I, myself together with two (2) other men from the village have buried the body of the American soldier who had been lying in the garden of the community servant NIKOLAUS ANNA.

During the disinterment in May 1945 I observed that the Americans found the identification tag and took it along. Name, rank and unit of the deceased as well as the designation of the disinterring team are not known to me.

/s/ ALBRECHT GROS

I certify that this is a true translation to the best of my ability

/s/ Karl Wild

A TRUE COPY:

/s/

PAUL H. MUELLER
Major Cavalry
Operations Officer
164th QM. BN.

EXHIBIT "K"

L I S T

of American deceased soldiers found in and evacuated from the district of WALSHEIM

place where found	number	exhumed (found)	evacuated	by
cemetery	four (4) soldiers	MAUS, HEINRICH THOMANN, HEINRICH WELKER, ADOLF MUELLER, JOSEF	1945	Americans
hunting lodge	four (4) soldiers	Americans	summer 1945	Americans
monastery wood	one (1) soldier	found	October 1945	French
" "	one (1) Captain one (1) soldier	found	September 1945	French
" "	four (4) soldiers	MOSCHEL, RICHARD	January 1946	Americans

Dist. - 606. G. R. Co.

This is a copy of the original list made on 10 June located at the office of the Burgermeister at WALSHEIM.

Certified a true copy:

WALSHEIM, 6 September 1947

The Burgermeister:

/s/ NAGEL

I certify that this is a true translation to the best of my ability

A TRUE COPY :

/s/ Anita W i l l k e

/s/

PAUL H. MUELLER
Major Cavalry
Operations Officer
164th QM. BN.

EXHIBIT "L"

NOTICE OF DISINTERMENT

(True copy)

This date 13 February 1946 four (4) Americans were evacuated from this town cemetery of WALSHEIM, by 606 QM. G. R. Co., HOMBURG, Germany.

/s/ Pvt. HARRY McCLURE
ASN. 33978423

EXHIBIT "M"

Operational Instructions #79

(S: 14 Aug 47)
14 July 1947

Special Investigation.

War Department inquiry has been received on T/Sgt James E. Gadsey, 34191625, 134th Infantry Regiment, 35th Division (KIA 16 December 1944).

Historical Records show the above unit at the following location from 15 December 1944 to 17 December 1944:

Nieder Gailbach	(Q-65)
Reicheim	(Q-65)
Gersheim	(Q-66)
Walsheim	(Q-66)
Bebelsheim	(Q-56)

All the above towns are in the vicinity of the Blies River where casualty is reported to have occurred.

A special investigation will be conducted and a report of findings forwarded this headquarters with the least practicable delay.

NOTE: Records FFC were checked for unknowns recovered from area for possible association with this case but none could be found, however in a small woods just out of Blies Mengen (Q-65) K-50 bodies were found of members of the 134 and 137th Inf.Regt. which belong to the 35th Inf.Div. but none of these that are on record could be tied in with T/Sgt Gadsey.

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AIRMAIL

QUART 293
Gadsey, James E.
34191625

14 April 1950

MS-
SUBJECT: Identification of World War II Deceased

THRU: Commanding General
Marianas-Bonins Command
Far East, APO 246, c/o Postmaster
San Francisco, California

X 201
TO: Major Raymond J. Anderson, O-256211
Marianas-Bonins Command
Far East, APO 246, c/o Postmaster
San Francisco, California

1. This Office is conducting an investigation in an attempt to locate and identify the remains of T/Sgt. James E. Gadsey, 34191625, Company I, 134th Infantry, who was reported killed in action on 16 December 1944 in the vicinity of Habkirchen, Germany.
2. Records show that you were Personnel Officer for the 134th Infantry. It is believed, therefore, that you may be able to furnish information concerning the death and burial of T/Sgt. Gadsey. An examination of the records pertaining to T/Sgt. Gadsey reveals the following:
 - a. A letter, dated 3 March 1945, from Chaplain A. C. Walker, 134th Infantry, advised the mother of T/Sgt. Gadsey that her son "was given a Christian burial in a Military Cemetery in Lorraine, France".
 - b. On 9 March 1945 the status of T/Sgt. Gadsey was changed from missing in action to killed in action.
 - c. The only source of information concerning the circumstances of his death appears to be a letter, dated 30 April 1945 and signed by 1st Lt. Arthur H. Oets, Acting Personnel Officer, 134th Infantry, which informed Mrs. Gadsey that her son was killed by fragments of mortar fire while clearing a wooded area in the vicinity of Habkirchen.

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QUART 293

14 April 1950

Gadsey, James E.

34191625

SUBJECT: Identification of World War II Deceased

3. It is requested, therefore, that you advise this office in regard to: (a) the basis for the chaplain's letter and the change in status; (b) the source of the information and (c) the approximate date reports of recoveries from the area were first received.

FOR THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL:

cc: Admin Sec
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THOMAS E. COX
Capt QMC
Memorial Division

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Lester, James H.
DIRECTOR

RECORDS: Identification of World War II Personnel

It is requested, therefore, that you advise this Office in regard to: (a) the date for the captioned letter and see change in heading; (b) the source of the information and (c) the approximate date reports of recoveries from the area were first received.

FOR THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL:

John

THOMAS M. GUN
SAC
Records Division

cc: Admin Sec
Ident/Int
Lester H. Tolson



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QUEST 293

Gadsey, James E.

34191625 *MB*

14 April 1950

SUBJECT: Identification of World War II Deceased

TO: Commanding officer
7887 Graves Registration Detachment
APO 757, c/o Postmaster
New York, New York

1. Reference is made to Findings of Non-Recoverability for Y/Sgt. James E. Gadsey, 34191625, who was reported killed in action on 16 December 1944 in the vicinity of Habbkirchen, Germany.

2. In view of the Congressional interest in this case and of the letter, dated 3 March 1945, from Chaplain A. C. Walker, 134th Infantry, to the family (copy attached), additional information is required. From the coincidence of the following events, it appears that the remains of Y/Sgt. Gadsey may have been recovered:

a. Inventory of Personal Effects, dated 1 March 1945 and signed by Capt. Albert B. Osborne, 134th Infantry, (photostatic copy attached)

b. Letter, dated 3 March 1945, from the Chaplain

c. AGO notification to the family on 9 March 1945 advising of the change in status from MIA to KIA

3. Capt. Albert B. Osborne is now employed by the State Department, which reports his present address as Trial Attorney, Berlin Sector, HICOG, Berlin, Germany. In order to expedite this matter, it is requested, therefore, that your headquarters contact Mr. Osborne to obtain the following information:

a. What was the general procedure in his organization for handling effects of men reported either MIA or KIA in December 1944?

b. Were effects found on remains forwarded with report of recovery and burial to the organization by recovery troops?

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31191625

14 April 1950

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c. In his opinion, from what source were the effects listed on the inventory obtained?

d. Does he have any recollection of what organizations made recoveries in the area where T/Sgt. Gadsey was killed?

It is requested that the information obtained from Mr. Osborne be forwarded at the earliest practicable date.

5. This office is continuing the investigation and, in the event any additional pertinent information is obtained, it will be forwarded immediately.

FOR THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL:

- 2 Incls
- 1 - Cy ltr from Chaplain
- 2 - Photostatic cy Inventory Form

THOMAS E. COX
Capt QMS
Memorial Division

cc: Admin Sec
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1. In his report, from that source were the effects listed on the inventory attached.
2. There has been any modification of that information made subsequent to the date when T-101, Casey was killed.
3. It is requested that the information obtained from Mr. [Name] be furnished to the office of the [Name] as indicated.
4. This office is continuing the investigation and in the event any additional pertinent information is obtained, it will be forwarded immediately.

FOR THE DIRECTOR'S OFFICE:

Special Agent
[Name]
[Address]

1 - [Name]
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SPQYG 293 Gadsey, James F. 3/19/62

SEE 2nd W/Ind dtd 9 March fr OQMG to AGO
3rd W/Ind dtd 23 March fr AGO To OQMG
4th W/Ind dtd 4 April fr OQMG to ETA, APO 887

RE: Information regarding recovery of remains

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QMONT 293
GADSEY, James E.
ASN 34191625

20 June 1950

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Mr. James A. Huston
Building 11, Apartment 5
Ross Ade Drive
West Lafayette, Indiana

Dear Mr. Huston:

This Office is conducting an investigation in an attempt to recover and identify the remains of T/Sgt James E. Gadsy, 34 191 625, Company I, 134th Infantry, who was killed in action on 16 December 1944 in the vicinity of Habkirchen, Germany.

Information available in this Office shows that on 16 December Company I was engaged in an operation to clear woods north of Habkirchen and that T/Sgt Gadsy was killed by fragments of mortar fire during the action. Inasmuch as you were reported to be Intelligence Officer for the 134th Infantry, it is believed that you may be able to furnish additional information regarding the following:

1. Can you recall the location of Company I during this action, such as the sector of woods held or the distance from Habkirchen?
2. When was the Company withdrawn from the area and what organization replaced it?
3. Was it possible to evacuate the bodies of the men killed?
4. Was the area retaken by the enemy and for how long?
5. Can you give any additional details of the fighting on 16 December?

Your prompt cooperation will be greatly appreciated as this information may prove to be of material assistance in locating the remains of T/Sgt Gadsy.

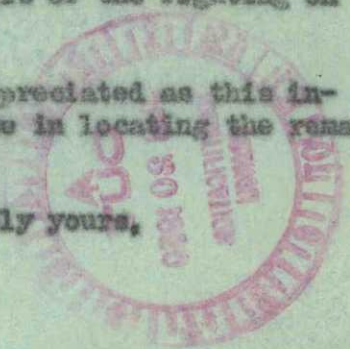
Sincerely yours,

ROBERT G. LAY
Capt Q43
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20 June 1950

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ADM DIVISION

Mr. James A. ...
Building 11, ...
Room 400 Drive
West Lafayette, Indiana

Dear Mr. ...

This Office is conducting an investigation in an attempt to ...
cover and identify the remains of ...
Company, ... who was killed in action on ...
1944 in the vicinity of ...

Information available in this Office shows that on ...
Company I was engaged in an operation in ...
and that ... was killed by ...
the ... as you were reported to be ...
for the ... it is believed that you may be able to furnish
additional information regarding the ...

1. Can you recall the location of Company I during the
action, such as the sector of woods held or the distance from ...
2. When was the Company withdrawn from the area and what
organization replaced it?
3. Was it possible to examine the bodies of the men killed?
4. Was the area returned to the enemy and for how long?
5. Can you give any additional details of the fighting on
the ...?

Your prompt cooperation will be greatly appreciated as this
information may prove to be of ...
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QUINT 293

15 June 1950

GADSEY, James E.
ASN 34191625

Mr. Walter R. Koons
630 Forest Court
Scranton 10, Pennsylvania

Dear Mr. Koons:

This Office is conducting an investigation in an attempt to recover and identify the remains of T/Sgt. James E. Gadsy, 34191625, who was reported killed in action on 16 December 1944 in the vicinity of Habkirchen, Germany.

Records show that you were a member of Company "F", 134th Infantry with T/Sgt. Gadsy. It is believed, therefore, that you may be able to furnish information relative to the following, which will be of assistance in this investigation:

a. What were the circumstances surrounding the death of T/Sgt. Gadsy?

b. Did you see the remains of T/Sgt. Gadsy? If so, where? Please describe the location in as much detail as possible. What was the condition of the remains, such as shattered, complete, burned, etc?

c. Do you have any knowledge concerning the disposition of the remains?

d. Can you furnish the names and addresses of any other persons who might have additional information regarding the death and burial of T/Sgt. Gadsy?

A self-addressed envelope, which requires no postage, is inclosed for your convenience in replying. Your prompt cooperation in this matter will be appreciated.

Sincerely yours,

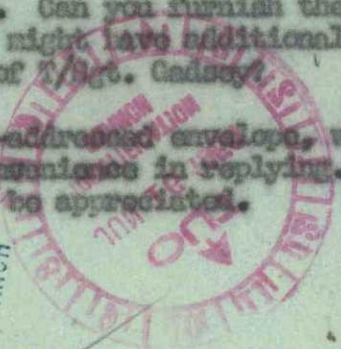
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Mr. Tolson, Room 5650
U.S. Department of Justice

Mr. Tolson, Room 5650
U.S. Department of Justice
Washington 25, D.C.

Dear Mr. Tolson:

This office is conducting an investigation in an attempt to
ascertain the identity of the person or persons who
are reported to have been in contact with the victim
of the above-captioned murder.

Records show that you were a member of the "T. J. Ryan
Club" in the city of New York, New York, during the
period of the above-captioned murder. It is believed
that you may be able to furnish information relative to
the activities of this individual.

1. What were the circumstances surrounding the death of
the victim?

2. Did you see the victim of the above-captioned murder
at any time during the period in which the murder
was committed? If so, where, when, and with whom?

3. Do you have any knowledge concerning the disposition
of the remains?

4. Can you furnish the name and address of any other
person who might have had contact with the victim
during the period of the above-captioned murder?

A copy of this letter is being furnished to the
New York office for their information and for
their report on this matter.

Sincerely yours,

THOMAS E. CONN
Special Agent in Charge



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By furnished: A.M. Bee

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QMGMT 293
GADSEY, James E.
ASN 34191625

20 June 1950

Mr. Eldephans C. Reischel
103 Franklin Street
Glidden, Wisconsin

Dear Mr. Reischel:

This Office is conducting an investigation in an attempt to recover and identify the remains of T/Sgt James E. Gadsey, 34191625, Company I, 134th Infantry, who was reported killed in action on 16 December 1944 in the woods north of Habkirchen, Germany.

A letter, dated 3 March 1945, from Chaplain A. C. Walker, 134th Infantry, informed Mrs. Gadsey that her son was buried in a military cemetery in Lorraine, France. On 9 March 1945 the status of T/Sgt Gadsey was changed from missing in action to killed in action.

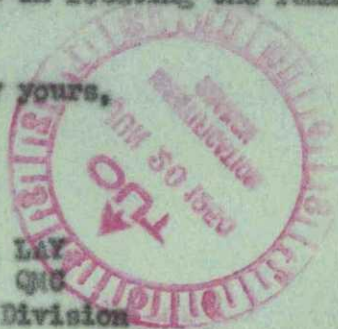
Records show that you were a Graves Registration Officer, Headquarters Company, Third Battalion, 134th Infantry. It is believed, therefore, that you may be able to furnish information relative to the following, which will be of assistance in this investigation:

1. Were any remains recovered from the woods north of Habkirchen during the period of 16 December through 24 December 1944? If so, where were the remains buried?
2. After your organization left the area, were reports of recoveries received prior to March 1945?

Your prompt cooperation will be greatly appreciated as the information may prove to be of material assistance in locating the remains of T/Sgt Gadsey.

Sincerely yours,

ROBERT G. LAY
Capt CMC
Memorial Division



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20 June 1950

Mr. James E. ...
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Mr. ...
...

Dear Mr. ...

This Office is conducting an investigation in an effort to recover and identify the remains of ...

A letter, dated 8 March 1948, from ...

Records show that you were a ...

1. Have any remains recovered from the ...

2. After your organization left the area, ...

Your prompt cooperation will be greatly appreciated as the ...



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Respectfully,
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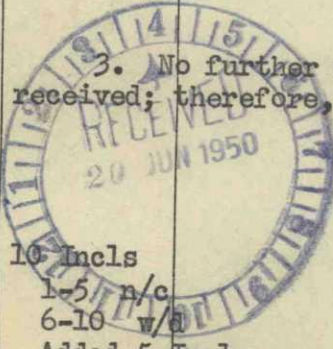
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3	Ident Sec Ident Br Mem Div Cong	Liaison Office Mem Div	20 June 1950	<p>293 GADSEY, James E. T/Sgt. 34191625</p> <p>1. Reference is made to comment #2, dated 14 April 1950.</p> <p>2. Copies of letters to Mr. Koons, Mr. Reischel and Mr. Huston are forwarded for your information. Also attached are replies by 1st indorsement from Major Anderson and from the field, inclosing a copy of a letter from Mr. Osborne. The cemetery located north of Toul, France is Andilly. All the Reports of Burial for Unknowns in that cemetery have been checked for possible association with T/Sgt. Gadsey with negative results.</p> <p>3. No further action can be taken in Identification Branch until replies are received; therefore, return of the 293 file is not required at this time.</p> <p>10 Incls 1-5 n/c 6-10 w/s Added 5 Incls 11- Cy ltr to Mr Koons 12- Cy ltr to Mr Reischel 13- Cy ltr to Mr Huston 14- 1st Ind fr Maj Anderson 15- 1st Ind fr Fld w/cy ltr fr Mr Osborne</p> <p style="text-align: right;">LAY <i>neff</i> NEFF 74059 2462</p>
4	Liaison Office Mem Div	M&R. Br Adm Div	22 Jun 1950	<p>QMGM 293 Gadsey, James E., T/Sgt 34191625</p> <p>1. File.</p> <p>2. No action necessary this Office until replies are received to letters dispatched on 20 June 1950.</p> <p>3. Note Liaison Office Suspense Slip dated 24 July 1950.</p> <p>10 Incls n/c</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><i>R. Holloway</i> R. HOLLOWAY 53708</p>



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3	Ident Sec Ident Br Ident Div Ident Div Ident Div	Ident Sec Ident Br Ident Div	20 June 1950	<p>1. Reference is made to comment 2, dated 14 April 1950.</p> <p>2. Copies of letters to Mr. Brown, Mr. Robinson, and Mr. Hunter are forwarded for your information. Also attached are copies of the information provided by the Bureau and from the field, including a copy of a letter from Mr. Robinson. The same are being placed in the file for Mr. Hunter. All the reports of burial for unknowns in that category have been checked for possible association with Mr. Brown, Mr. Robinson, Mr. Hunter, and Mr. Hunter are forwarded for your information. Also attached are copies of the information provided by the Bureau and from the field, including a copy of a letter from Mr. Robinson. The same are being placed in the file for Mr. Hunter. All the reports of burial for unknowns in that category have been checked for possible association with Mr. Brown, Mr. Robinson, Mr. Hunter, and Mr. Hunter.</p>



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2	(Continued) Chief Id Sec Id Br Mem Div Cong	Repat Br Mem Div Captain Vogl		<p>by Capt. Albert B. Osborne, which is identical to the form in T/Sgt. Gadsey's file. (X-117 cannot be associated with T/Sgt. Gadsey).</p> <p>4. From the above, it appears that there was no connection between forwarding of effects by the 134th Infantry and the recovery of remains and that effects found on the remains were forwarded directly to the Effects QM and not to the parent organization.</p> <p>5. It is noted that the 293 file of Pfc. Dominic Picco contains a more recent report of investigation in the area than the report in T/Sgt. Gadsey's file.</p> <p>6. Further action cannot be taken in Identification Branch until replies are received; therefore, return of the 293 files is not required at this time.</p>

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 Mem Div
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- 10 Incls
 1 - Cy ltr to Maj Anderson
 2 - Cy ltr to Field
 3 - List of Addresses
 4 - Morning Reports
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 Gadsey
 Spano
 Hunt
 Picco
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2	Chief Id Sec Id Br Mem Div Cong	Repat Br Mem Div Captain Vogl	14 Apr 1950	<p>293 - Gadsey, James E. 34191625</p> <p>1. Reference is made to Comment #1.</p> <p>2. Attached hereto is a list of the names and present addresses of individuals who might have additional information concerning the death of T/Sgt. Gadsey. These names were obtained from Mr. Walker, former Chaplain, 134th Infantry, during a personal interview in this office and from the Morning Reports, Co. I, 134th Infantry. This list is forwarded in order that telephone contacts may be made. A letter has been dispatched to Major Anderson who is stationed overseas. - (Copy attached). Also attached is a copy of a letter to the Field requesting that information be obtained from Mr. Albert B. Osborne, former Captain 134th Infantry now employed in Berlin, Germany.</p> <p>3. An examination of the 293 files of the men shown on Morning Reports, Co. I, 134th Inf. as MIA during the period 16 through 19 December 1944 reveals the following information pertaining to the recovery of remains and disposition of personal effects:</p> <p>a. Burial Report for Pfc. Vincent Spano, 42025908, KIA 16 Dec 44 in vicinity of Habkirchen, Germany, shows that the remains were interred in USMC Bensheim, Germany on 13 April 1945. (Date of recovery is not shown). Personal effects were forwarded to Effects QM, by Hqs., 46th QM G R Co.</p> <p>b. Burial Report for 2/Lt. Joseph L. Hunt, 0-549431, KIA 16 Dec 44 at Reinheim, Germany, shows that the remains were recovered by 606th QM G R Co. from Reinheim cemetery and reinterred in USMC St. Avold, France 9 February 1946. (Report of Investigation in file of Pfc. Picco indicates recoveries made 17 January 1946.) Inventory of Personal Effects dated 15 February 1945 and signed by Capt. Albert B. Osborne, is identical to the form in T/Sgt. Gadsey's file and lists effects obviously not found on the remains. 293 file also contains an Inventory Form, dated 6 February 1946, listing effects found on the remains. A letter from the parents of Lt. Hunt refers to information "from an Army chaplain that burial was in Lorraine, France".</p> <p>c. Burial Reports for Pfc. Dominic Picco, 36773277, Pvt. Howard R. Day, 35836983 and Unknown X-117 (Hamm) show, in each instance, that the remains were recovered from Reinheim, Germany by 3047th QM GR Co., and reinterred in USMC Hamm, Luxembourg on 4 May 1945. Personal effects found on the remains were forwarded to Effects Hqs., 62nd Base Depot. In the 293 file of Pfc. Picco is an Inventory of Personal Effects form, dated 7 March 1945 and signed</p>

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1.	Ident Sec Ident Br Mem Div	QM Liaison Officer Attn: Major Sekowski	30 Mar 50	<p>1. Request the present addresses of the following individuals:</p> <p>Capt. Raymond G. Anderson Personnel Officer, 134th Infantry Regt.</p> <p>1st Lt. Eldephans C. Reischel GRS Officer, 3rd Bn., Hq. Co.</p> <p>Captain James A. Huston Intelligence Officer, 134th Infantry</p> <p>NEFF 2462</p> <p>Holden 6817</p>
2	QM-Fent. Liaison, Adm. Br., Mem. Div.	Ident. Sec. Ident. Br., Mem. Div. Holden	7 Apr 50	<p>Inclosed herewith information as requested above.</p> <p><i>B. J. J.</i> SEKOWSKI X-6679</p> <p><i>E. M. D.</i> DYER X-73090</p>

Anderson, Raymond J., Major, O-256211
Present address: Headquarters, Marianas-Bonins Command,
Far East, APO #246, c/o Postmaster,
San Francisco, California

Reischel, Eldephans C., 1st Lt., O-1306147
Present address: 103 Franklin Street,
Glidden, Wisconsin

Huston, James A., Major, O-374281
Present address: Building 11, Apartment 5,
Ross Ade Drive,
West Lafayette, Indiana

Present address of Walter R. Koons, 32914272, Co. I, 134th Inf., (EUS)
is: (per telephone report from QM Liaison)

630 Forest Court
Scranton 10, Pa.

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Anderson, Raymond J., Major, O-328211
Present address: Headquarters, Marine-Battalion Command,
Far East, APO 4348, c/o Postmaster,
San Francisco, California

Raischel, Nicholas G., 1st Lt., O-1302147
Present address: 103 Franklin Street,
Glidden, Wisconsin

Hinton, James A., Major, O-374281
Present address: Building 11, Apartment 5,
Rose Ada Drive,
West Lafayette, Indiana

Present address of Walter R. Koona, 22814275, Co. 1, 1st Airborne Div. (ASLT)
is: (per telephone report from HQ Liaison)

330 Forest Court
Brentwood 10, Pa.

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SUBJECT

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TO

Chief
QM Liaison
Room 1D684, The Pentagon
Washington 25, DC
ATTN: Maj Sekowski

FROM

Chief
Photo Process Sec, AGO
Bldg 123
St Louis 20, Mo

DATE

31 Mar 50

COMMENT NO. 1

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1. Reference your Message 40, 29 Mar 50.
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Gadsey, James E	34 191 625 - unresolved
✓ Hunt, Joseph L	0 549 431
✓ Day, Howard R	35 836 983
Picco, Dominic	36 773 277

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 Chief, Photo Process Section, RAC

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PENTAGON LIAISON
MEM. DIV.

29 MAR 1950

Subject: GADSEY JAMES E T/Sgt 34191625

From Col. Finnan

To Miss Landes: Here is the first report from
St. Louis on the effort to obtain from or-
ID BR ganization records information on the
recovery of the remains and effects of this
men. Major Sekowsky is now trying to get
the names of others of Company I, 134th Infantry
Regiment who were reported KIA or MIA at about
this same time.

3/29/50 — Finnan - 2321

FOR MAJ SEKOWSKI QM LN 1D684 PENT URMSG 46 23 MAR ON JAMES E GADSEY
34191625 ORGN RECORD OF 134 INF REGT AND 35 INF DIV ARE INCOMPLETE
~~AND~~ BASIS OF KIA AND RECORD OF BURIAL NOT FOUND BATTLE CASUALTY
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IN LORRAINE FRANCE AT WHICH A PROTESTANT CHAPLAIN PRESIDED

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1	LiaisonOff Id Br Attn LtDeWeese	Id Br Attn LtDeWeese		GADSEY JAMES E T/Sgt 34191625
<p>This CONGRESSIONAL case is returned to your Branch for review in accordance with understanding reached with Lt. DeWeese of your Branch on 21 March 50. The file was reviewed with Lt. DeWeese at that time, and certain circumstances were noted which appeared to warrant further consultation with the field. It was also noted that the finding of non-recoverability had taken NO account of the recovery of effects which undoubtedly were found on the remains, of the statements by the chaplain and the acting personnel officer of the regiment regarding circumstances of death and recovery and burial of the remains, and of the statements by a fellow-soldier, Marvin W. Wenthe.</p>				
<p>Examination of papers in the file (at least some of which apparently were never brought to the knowledge of the field nor did they receive serious consideration in the non-recoverability procedure) show that the following incidents were coincidental:</p>				
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> (1) Chaplain's letter to family telling of recovery and burial of remains. (2) AGO telegram to family telling of change from MIA to KIA. (3) Recovery of effects and their forwarding to Effects Depot by an officer of the 134th Infantry. (4) Return of United States troops to the area in which Gadsey was killed and from which they had been withdrawn. (5) Recovery of American remains in the area in which Gadsey was killed. 				
<p>This Office located the Chaplain who wrote the letter to the family. He is the Rev. Alexander C. Wallace, Jr., Amissville, Virginia, tel. Amissville 2612. On 22 Mar 50, he was located in Richmond, Virginia, whither he had gone on church matters and where he expected to remain for two weeks. He could not recall the individual letter, but he could recall the circumstances under which letters were written by him at that time (March 1945). His outfit had been pulled back from Germany in December 1944 at about the time Gadsey was killed and had been rushed up to help in the battle around Bastogne. Later, reports were received of recoveries and burials in the area in which Gadsey and others had been killed. His letter to Gadsey's family would have been written only on the basis of official information that the remains had been <u>recovered and buried</u>. He believes that the "military cemetery in Lorraine" to which his letter makes reference is the one at St. Avold, although some killed in earlier engagements (prior to the crossing into Germany, where Gadsey was killed) were buried in Andilly and Limey. The Chaplain said that there might be some information in his retained papers (which he would not have access to for at least another two weeks), but that he could say definitely the letter was based on concrete information as to recovery and burial. He will call back after he has had a chance to go over his papers.</p>				
<p>Also on 22 Mar 50, this Office spoke with Captain (then 1st Lt) Arthur N. Getz, O-4, 74781, whose given address was 1301 Judson Avenue, Evanston, Ill (tel., Greenleaf 5-2806), but who is now with the Hawkeye Produce Co., Chariton, Iowa (tel., Chariton 7). Capt. Getz, as then acting personnel officer of the 134th Inf., signed the letter of 30 April 50 in reply to Mrs. Gadsey, the mother. Captain Getz stated that the information furnished Mrs. Gadsey was based on official reports and not on personal knowledge. He stated that the remains had NOT been recovered in 1945 by the 134th Infantry, which was fighting in another locality and that the report about Gadsey must have been received</p>				

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1	Liaison Officer Army Liaison		2/1/52	<p>This COMMISSIONERIAL case is returned to your branch for review in accordance with understanding reached with Lt. Gadsby on 21 March 50. The file was reviewed with Lt. Gadsby at that time, and certain circumstances were noted which appeared to warrant further consultation with the field. It was also noted that the finding of non-recoverability had taken no account of the recovery of effects which undoubtedly were found on the remains, of the statements by the chaplain and the acting personnel officer of the regiment regarding circumstances of death and recovery and burial of the remains, and of the statements by a fellow-soldier, Marvin A. Wenzel.</p> <p>Examination of papers in the file (at least some of which apparently were never brought to the knowledge of the field nor did they receive serious consideration in the non-recoverability procedure) show that the following incidents were coincidental:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> (1) Chaplain's letter to family telling of recovery and burial of remains. (2) APO telegram to family telling of change from MIA to KIA. (3) Recovery of effects and their forwarding to effects depot by an officer of the 13th Infantry. (4) Return of United States troops to the area in which Gadsby was killed and from which they had been withdrawn. (5) Recovery of American remains in the area in which Gadsby was killed. <p>This Office located the Chaplain who wrote the letter to the family. He is the Rev. Alexander C. Wallace, Jr., Leesville, Virginia, tel. Leesville 2015. On 22 Mar 50, he was located in Richmond, Virginia, where he had gone on church matters and where he expected to remain for two weeks. He could not recall the individual letter, but he could recall the circumstances under which letters were written by him at that time (March 1950). His outfit had been pulled back from Germany in December 1949, about the time Gadsby was killed and had been rushed up to help in the battle around Bastogne. Later, reports were received of recoveries and burials in the area in which Gadsby and others had been killed. His letter to Gadsby's family would have been written only on the basis of information that the remains had been recovered and buried. He believes that "military recovery in Germany" to which his letter makes reference is the one at St. Volp, where Gadsby was killed in earlier engagements (prior to the crossing into Germany where Gadsby was killed) were buried in mud and lime. The Chaplain said that the information in his retained papers (which he would not have access to for several weeks), but that he could say definitely the letter was based on information as to recovery and burial. He will call back after he has had a chance to review his papers.</p> <p>Also on 22 Mar 50, Lt. Gadsby spoke with Captain (then 1st Lt.) Arthur W. Gatz, 0-47481, whose given address was 1301 Jackson Avenue, Evanston, Ill (tel. Greenleaf 5-3800), but who is now with the Hawkeye Propane Co., Garrison, Iowa (tel. Garrison 7). Capt. Gatz, as then acting personnel officer of the 13th Inf., signed the letter of 30 April 50 in reply to Mrs. Gadsby, the mother. Captain Gatz stated that the information furnished Mrs. Gadsby was based on official reports and not on personal knowledge. He stated that the remains had not been recovered in 1945 by the 13th Infantry, which was fighting in another locality, and that the report about Gadsby must have been received from another source.</p>



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				<p>from AGRS or other personnel which reentered the area in which Gadsey had been killed and recovered the remains.</p> <p>On 23 March 50, this Office spoke with Marvin W. Wenthe, Sylvan Grove, Kansas, (RFD #1—no telephone, but can be reached by the postmaster, who sends out for him). Wenthe stated that he had been a squad leader in Gadsey's platoon at the time of the latter's death. "A shell hit where the Sergeant was, and we all knew he was dead," was Wenthe's story. Wenthe did not see the body, and soon after the incident the outfit was pulled back into France, and just before Christmas Wenthe was sent to the hospital. He never rejoined the 134th Inf. His letter to the family was in response to their advertisement in the Army Times a year and a half or more ago. He knows of nobody in the platoon who could give more information than he has. If he thinks of anything else, he will telephone this Office — he says.</p> <p>The officer whose signature is on the effects inventory dated 21 March 45 was located as Captain Albert B. Osborne, 3314 North 53rd Street, Omaha, Nebraska (tel., Pleasant 6110). At this address, it was stated that Captain Osborne now is employed in the Department of State as a prosecutor in Berlin, Germany. The Department of State reports his present address as Trial Attorney, Berlin Section, HICOG, Berlin, Germany. It seems quite possible that, while not recalling the individual case, Captain Osborne may remember the general circumstances under which effects were handled in March 1945, particularly the effects of men killed in December 1944. It seems quite possible that the Gadsey effects were recovered early in 1945 when the recovery of the body led to the Chaplain's letter and the change in status from MIA to KIA and that they were forwarded to the Effects Depot by the unit, which had received them from the recovery troops who at the same time forwarded the report of recovery and burial "in a military cemetery in Lorraine."</p> <p>Pentagon Liaison (major Sekowski—6679) is checking organization records in St. Louis to ascertain the source of the information on which the unit (134th Infantry) based its Morning Report change of status from MIA to KIA and also the source of the effects forwarded by Captain Osborne, then an officer of the 134th Infantry. The Inventory of Effects, dated 21 March 45 and signed by Captain Osborne, is on a form which states in the lower lefthand corner, "Reproduced by 134th Infantry."</p> <p>RECOMMEND that this entire case be thoroughly re-studied, that a further effort be made to ascertain what became of the remains recovered in the area of Gadsey's death at the time his status was changed and his effects were forwarded, and that, if examination of material available in this Division does not develop satisfactorily, the case be referred to the field WITH FULL INFORMATION ATTACHED for further investigation. It is noted that the dental chart for Gadsey is worthless unless we assume that all his teeth were perfect. It is possible that dental information is obtainable from the family.</p> <p>The correspondence in the file indicates that the parents are eager for results and, particularly in the light of the information furnished them by the Chaplain, are unlikely to accept inadequately documented findings of non-recoverability. Representative PRIEST of Tennessee, the Congressional interest, is not the type to ignore a superficial finding.</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><i>Hinman</i> Hinman—2321</p>

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7th Army (44 Div) followed in after the
134th Inf Regt left.

[SR S Officer 3d Bn, Sq. Co.
1st Lt. Eddephans C. Reischel]

[Intelligence officer]

Captain James A. Huston
Bldg 11, Apt 5, Ross-Ade Drive
West Lafayette, Indiana

Names rec'd

27 March

Chaplain Walker(?)
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1	Final Det Sec Id Br Mem Div	Pentagon Liaison ATTN: Major Sekowski	24 Jan 1950	<p>RE: CASE NO. 12771</p> <p>1. The 293 file of T/Sgt. James E. Gadsey, 34 191 625, Company "I", 134th Infantry Regiment, contains a Form 371 which states that the decedent was buried in a Military Cemetery, Lorraine, France.</p> <p>2. It is requested that this office be advised if there is information in your files to substantiate this statement.</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>DeWeese</i> DeWEESE 73472</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>Kennedy</i> Kennedy 75926</p>
2	QM-Pent Liaison Admin Br Mem Div	Final Det Sec Id Br Mem Div	3 Mar 1950	<p>Inclosed is all the information available, which was obtained from DPRB 201 File; AGO Casualty Files and Army Ground Forces Historical Files, pertaining to the death and burial of T/Sgt James E. Gadsey, 34,191,625.</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>Sekowski</i> SEKOWSKI (msa) 6679</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>Dyer</i> DYER (msa) 73090</p>

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1. The 223 file of 1st Lt. James H. Gadsby, Company "I", 1st Infantry Regiment, contains a form 371 which states that the decedent was buried in a Military Cemetery, Orleans, France.

2. It is requested that this office be advised if there is information in your files to substantiate this statement.

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Enclosed in all the information that this office has obtained from the files of the Department of Defense, including the Army General Order regarding the death and burial of 1st Lt. James H. Gadsby, 223-223.

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NAME: GADSEY, JAMES E. ASN: 34191625 RANK: T/Sgt.

PHYSICAL AT TIME OF INDUCTION: DATE 5 MARCH 1942

RACE: White

RELIGION: BAPTIST

BORN: 17 MAY 1919

PLACE: Antioch, TENN.

WEIGHT: 125

HEIGHT: 5 ft. 8 1/2 in

EYES: BLUE

HAIR: BROWN

COMPLEXION: Ruddy

SHOE SIZE: 7 1/2

FRactures AND/OR BRUISES;
NONE

TATTOOS AND/OR BRUISES;
NONE

FORM 79'S - NONE

DENTAL 9 FEB 1942

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Upper

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Lower

16 15 14 13 12 11 10 9 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16

NO DEFECTS SHOWN

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ORGANIZATION:

Co. "I" 134th Infantry - Regt

KIA. 16 DEC 1944 - vic of HARKIRCHEN, GERMANY
while clearing a wooded area.
Killed by fragments from mortar fire.

BURIED IN MILITARY CEMETERY IN LORRAINE
Auth: LTR dtd 3 MAR 45 fr Chap. A.C. WALKER to Mrs. Ruby C. GADSEY, FRANCIS

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 MAR 3 1950
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TELEGRAM

OFFICIAL BUSINESS—GOVERNMENT RATES

AG 201 GADSEY JAMES E /T/SGT 8 MAR 45 SPXPC-N ETO 065 9 MARCH 1945
ASN 34 191 625 SON

MRS RUBY C GADSEY
2622 NOLENSVILLE ROAD
NASHVILLE TENNESSEE

I AM DEEPLY DISTRESSED TO INFORM YOU CORRECTED REPORT JUST RECEIVED STATES YOUR SON TECHNICAL SERGEANT JAMES E GADSEY WHO WAS PREVIOUSLY REPORTED MISSING IN ACTION WAS KILLED IN ACTION ON SIXTEEN DECEMBER IN GERMANY PERIOD THE SECRETARY OF WAR ASKS THAT I EXPRESS HIS DEEP SYMPATHY IN YOUR LOSS AND HIS REGRET THAT UNAVOIDABLE CIRCUMSTANCES MADE NECESSARY THE UNUSUAL LAPSE OF TIME IN REPORTING YOUR SONS DEATH TO YOU CONFIRMING LETTER FOLLOWS

*ELI S. FOWLER
Capt., A.G.D.*

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THE ADJUTANT GENERAL
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OUT
 PENTAGON WASHINGTON
 MAR 8 1950
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WAR DEPARTMENT
THE ADJUTANT GENERAL'S OFFICE
WASHINGTON 25, D. C.

REPORT OF DEATH

DATE 24 Mar. 45 vdr

FULL NAME <u>Gadsey James E.</u>		ARMY SERIAL NUMBER <u>34 191 625</u>	GRADE <u>T Sg.</u>
HOME ADDRESS <u>Nashville Tennessee</u>		ARM OR SERVICE <u>Infantry</u>	DATE OF BIRTH <u>17 May 19</u>
PLACE OF DEATH <u>European Area</u>	CAUSE OF DEATH <u>Killed in action</u>		DATE OF DEATH <u>16 Dec. 44</u>
STATION OF DECEASED <u>European Area</u>	DATE OF ENTRY ON CURRENT ACTIVE SERVICE <u>5 Mar. 42</u>	LENGTH OF SERVICE FOR PAY PURPOSES YEARS MONTHS DAYS	

EMERGENCY ADDRESSEE (NAME, RELATIONSHIP & ADDRESS)
Mrs. Ruby C. Gadsey (Mother) 2622 Nolensville Road Nashville Tennessee

BENEFICIARY (NAME, RELATIONSHIP & ADDRESS)
Mrs. Ruby C. Gadsey (Mother) Same as above
Mr. Edward Wekly Gadsey (Father) Same as above

INVESTIGATION MADE		IN LINE OF DUTY		OWN MISCONDUCT		WAS DECEASED ON DUTY STATUS		AUTHORIZED ABSENCE		IN FLYING PAY STATUS		OTHER PAY STATUS (SPECIFY BELOW)	
YES	NO	YES	NO	YES	NO	YES	NO	YES	NO	YES	NO	YES	NO
												X	* X

ADDITIONAL DATA AND/OR STATEMENT

* Combat Infantryman (BATTLE NON-BATTLE)
(Source and date of order will be furnished when received)

The individual named in this report of death is held by the War Dept. to have been in a missing in action status from 16 Dec. 44 until such absence was terminated on 9 Mar. 45, when evidence considered sufficient to establish the fact of death was received by the Secretary of War from a Commander in the European Area.

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		A. G. 201 FILE

BY ORDER OF THE SECRETARY OF WAR.

Ch. S. ...

ADJUTANT GENERAL

OUT
PENTAGON LIAISON
MAR 3 1950
MEM. DIV. OQMG

HEADQUARTERS 134TH INFANTRY REGIMENT
Office of the Chaplain
APO 35, % Postmaster, New York, N. Y.

3 March 1945

Mrs. Ruby C. Gadsey
2622 Nolensville Rad.
Nashville, Tennessee

Dear Mrs. Gadsey,

I am writing with the hope that some further information will be of solace to you in this time of sorrow. We well know the pain which must have accompanied the announcement that your son, Technical Sergeant James E. Gadsey, 34191625, was Killed in Action in Germany on 16 December 1944.

James was a Platoon Sergeant in company "I", and at the time he was killed the company was in an attack which involved the crossing of a Stream. He was given a Christian burial in a Military Cemetery in Lorraine, France, at which a Protestant Chaplain presided.

Words cannot meet the need in this situation, but will you accept my sincere condolences. You must be proud of the memory of your son, for he was an able and courageous soldier. His memory shall remain as a tribute to the supreme sacrifice which he made.

Sincerely,

A. C. WALKER
Chaplain, U. S. A.

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HEADQUARTERS 134TH INFANTRY REGIMENT
Office of the Chaplain
APO 35, Postmaster, New York, N. Y.

3 March 1945

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2622 Nolensville Rd.
Nashville, Tennessee

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Chaplain, U. S. A.

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MAR 3 1950
MEM. DIV. OQMG

HEADQUARTERS 134TH INFANTRY REGIMENT
APO 35, % Postmaster, New York, N. Y.

30 April 1945

Mrs. Ruby C. Gadsey
2622 Nolensville Rd.
Nashville, Tennessee

Dear Mrs. Gadsey,

Your letter addressed to the chaplain requesting information concerning Technical Sergeant James E. Gadsey, 34191625, has been forwarded to this office. We shall attempt to answer your questions insofar as possible.

James was a Platoon Sergeant in company "I", and as you know, he was killed in action on 16 December 1944. At that time his unit was a part of General Patton's Third Army which was driving across Lorraine into Germany. The company was clearing a wooded area in the vicinity of Habkirchen, Germany when James was struck and killed by fragments from mortar fire. This action occurred shortly after the company had helped force a crossing of the Blies river.

It is our earnest hope that the above information will be of help to you in this time of sorrow. May I take this opportunity to express the sympathy of the commanding officer.

Very truly yours,

ARTHUR N. GETZ
1st Lt., 134th Infantry
Actg. Personnel Officer

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HEADQUARTERS 134TH INFANTRY REGIMENT
APO 25, Postmaster, New York, N. Y.

30 April 1945

Mrs. Ruby C. Gabrey
2622 Nolensville Rd.
Nashville, Tennessee

Dear Mrs. Gabrey:

Your letter addressed to the captain requesting information concerning Technical Sergeant James R. Gabrey, 3419125, has been forwarded to this office. We shall attempt to answer your questions insofar as possible.

James was a Platoon Sergeant in company "I", and as you know, he was killed in action on 16 December 1944. At that time his unit was a part of General Patton's Third Army which was driving across Lorraine into Germany. The company was clearing a wooded area in the vicinity of Habskirchen, Germany when James was struck and killed by fragments from mortar fire. This action occurred shortly after the company had helped force a crossing of the Rhine river.

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Very truly yours,

ACTING PERSONNEL OFFICER
1st Lt., 134th Infantry
134th Infantry

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MAR 3 1950
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Ref. Gadsey, James E., T/Sgt., 34,191,625, KIA, 16 Dec 44
Co "I", 134th Inf Regt

AFTER ACTION REPORT

134TH INFANTRY REGIMENT

December 15 - 18: On 15 December 44, the 1st Bn, reorganized as Regimental reserve at HABKIRCHEN, while the 3rd Bn. moved to woods to support the 2nd Bn. which continued through BANNHOLZ WOODS, encountering heavy artillery, mortar fire and dug-in enemy positions. During this operation, the main enemy opposition encountered was from elements of the 17th SS Division (reinforced). On 16 December 44, the 2nd Bn was attached to the 137th Infantry Regiment for continuation of the operation to clear BANNHOLZ WOODS, in coordination with 3rd Bn., still under Regimental control. The Regimental CP displaced to FOLPERSVILLER. The 161st FA Bn. displaced to positions in HABKIRCHEN and was the first of the Division Artillery in position in Germany. On 17 December, the 3d Bn was relieved by the 1st Bn., 137th Infantry, and assembled in the vicinity of FOLPERSVILLER. A definitely needed training program was established at the Regimental train area for replacements. On 18 December 44, the 2nd Bn(attached to the 137th Infantry) was relieved by the 1st Bn., 134th Infantry, and assembled in the vicinity of HABKIRCHEN for protection of the bridge in that location. The 2nd Bn. was relieved of attachment to the 137th Infantry, and the 1st Bn attached to the 137th Infantry.

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Ref. Gadsby, James E., T/Sgt., 3rd, 191, 625, KIA, 16 Dec 44
Co "I", 134th Inf Regt

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293 - Gadsey, James E. 34191625

1. Reference is made to Comment #1.

2. Attached hereto is a list of the names and present addresses of individuals who might have additional information concerning the death of T/Sgt. Gadsey. These names were obtained from Mr. Walker, former Chaplain, 134th Infantry, during a personal interview in this office and from the Morning Reports, Co. I, 134th Infantry. This list is forwarded in order that telephone contacts may be made. A letter has been dispatched

to Major Anderson who is stationed overseas. (Copy attached). Also attached is a copy of a letter to the Field requesting that information be obtained from Mr. Albert B. Osborne, former Captain 134th Infantry now employed in Berlin, Germany.

3. An examination of the 293 files of the men shown on Morning Reports, Co. I, 134th Inf. as MIA during the period 16 through 19 December 1944 reveals the following information pertaining to the recovery of remains and disposition of personal effects:

a. Burial Report for Pfc. Vincent Spano, 42025908, KIA 16 Dec 44 in vicinity of Habkirchen, Germany, shows that the remains were interred in USMC Bensheim, Germany on 13 April 1945. (Date of recovery is not shown). Personal effects were forwarded to Effects QM, by Hqs., 46th QM G R Co.

b. Burial Report for 2/Lt. Joseph L. Hunt, O-549431, KIA 16 Dec 44 at Reinheim, Germany, shows that the remains were recovered by 606th QM G R Co. from Reinheim cemetery and reinterred in USMC St. Avold, France 9 February 1946. (Report of Investigation in file of Pfc. Picco indicates recoveries made 17 January 1946.) Inventory of Personal Effects dated 15 February 1945 and signed by Capt. Albert B. Osborne, is identical to the form in T/Sgt. Gadsey's file and lists effects obviously not found on the remains. 293 file also contains an Inventory Form, dated 6 February 1946, listing effects found on the remains. A letter from the parents of Lt. Hunt refers to information "from an Army chaplain that burial was in Lorraine, France".

c. Burial Reports for Pfc. Dominic Picco, 36773277, Pvt. Howard R. Day, 35836983 and Unknown X-117 (Hamm) show, in each instance, that the remains were recovered from Reinheim, Germany by 3047th QM GR Co., and reinterred in USMC Hamm, Luxembourg on 4 May 1945. Personal effects found on the remains were forwarded to Effects Hqs., 62nd Base Depot. In the 293 file of Pfc. Picco is an Inventory of Personal Effects form, dated 7 March 1945 and signed

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by Capt. Albert B. Osborne, which is identical to the form in T/Sgt. Gadsby's file.

4. From the above, it appears that there was no connection between forwarding of effects by the 134th Infantry and the recovery of remains and that effects found on the remains were forwarded directly to the Effects QM and not to the parent organization.

5. It is noted that the 293 file of Pfc. Dominic Picco contains a more recent report of investigation in the area than the report in T/Sgt. Gadsby's file.

6. Further action cannot be taken in Identification Branch until replies are received; therefore, return of the 293 files is not required at this time.

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1 - Cy ltr to Maj Anderson 74059

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2 - Cy ltr to Field

3 - List of Addresses

4 - Morning Reports

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QMGMT 293

14 April 1950

Gadsey, James E.
34191625

SUBJECT: Identification of World War II Deceased

3. It is requested, therefore, that you advise this Office in regard to: (a) the basis for the chaplain's letter and the change in status; (b) the source of the information and (c) the approximate date reports of recoveries from the area were first received.

FOR THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL:

Thomas E. Cox
THOMAS E. COX
Capt QMC
Memorial Division

QMGMT 293

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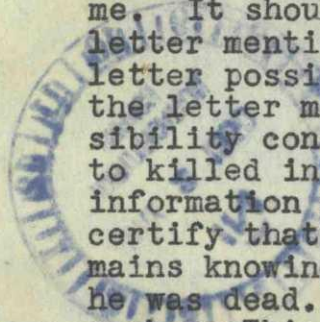
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Major Raymond J. Anderson, O-256211, Marianas-Bonins Command, APO 246, c/o Postmaster, San Francisco, California, 24 Apr 50

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

1. At this late date without benefit of files and records, any comments that I will make will be based on procedures only.

2. From the information contained in paragraph 2a, and b, as well as c, I would say that the reason that the Battle Casualty Report was changed from "missing in action", to "killed in action" was due to the receipt of a burial report, although the date of the Chaplain's letter and the date of the change rather puzzles me. It should have been the same or reversed. The date of the letter mentioned in paragraph 2c, appears to be in reply to a letter possibly received from the mother after she had received the letter mentioned in paragraph 2a. There is one other possibility concerning the change in status from missing in action to killed in action and that was the compilation of sufficient information and/or affidavits from persons who were able to certify that they personally had viewed and examined the remains knowing them to have been the person in question and that he was dead. Or information received from higher headquarters such as Third Army, or later the Ninth Army which established beyond a doubt the fact that the man was dead and buried...



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QMGMT 293

24 April 1950

Gadsey, James E.

34191625

SUBJECT: Identification of World War II Deceased

3. From the information you indicate in paragraph 2a, that the soldier was buried in the military cemetery in Lorraine, France, would indicate to me that it was based on a burial report received from the cemetery. Generally speaking, the letters of the Chaplains were all written by my Section and they were constructed from the official documents, augmented by additional information received from the Chaplains as well as other individuals who were in the immediate vicinity or present at the time of death, in order that authentic and correct information would be included in the letter, then submitted to the Chaplains for signature.

4. Battle casualties reported and the letters of condolence as well as letters of information were so important and rigidly controlled that they were checked and cross-checked for absolute accuracy within my own Section and the letters were processed through the Battle Casualty Section of Division, Corps, and Army, where further checks were made to determine the correctness of the status that it is hard to believe that there was an error in this instance.

5. As I recall, the cemetery that was being used at the time of this incident for burial of our dead, was the cemetery North of Toul, France. I do not recall the name of the cemetery. To give an approximate date when the reports of recovery were first received is rather difficult. When our Regimental team which collected the bodies and turned them over to Grave Registration we would generally get the report the next day, followed up with a burial report within a few days. There were cases in which the report of recovery were received four or five months after the individual had been dropped as missing in action which appears to have occurred in this case.

6. As I previously stated, there was no crime to carrying a man missing in action when there was no information on him or there was insufficient information on him to justify a change, but it was a very serious crime to report an individual killed in action without concrete evidence or burial report to prove this fact. I only had one case where a man was reported killed in action which was from a burial report but prior to our report reaching Corps Headquarters it was determined that he was still alive and that the burial report was in error and the report recalled. The identification was based on name and serial numbers in leggings which had been borrowed.

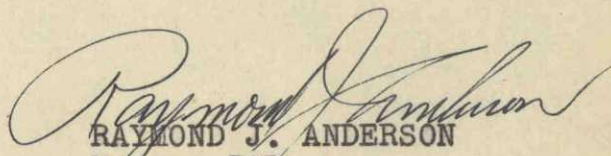
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Gadsey, James E.
34191625

24 April 1950

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7. As there was so much stress made on the correctness of a killed in action report, with all the various checks and re-checks, I feel that there was no doubt in this case but that the man was missing in action which was later changed to killed in action on receipt of a burial report which indicated that such person had been buried in a cemetery in Lorraine.

8. I do not recall the name of the Commanding Officer of "I" Company during the time in question. However, I believe if you will call Lt Col Alfred Boatsman of National Guard Bureau in the Pentagon, or Major General Butler B. Miltonberger, who I understand is also back on active duty at the Pentagon heading a board pertaining to the Air and Ground Sections of the National Guard Bureau, they may be able to give the information of who was the CO, and he might have some information on the case. At the time in question General Miltonberger was the Regimental Commander and Colonel Boatsman was the Executive Officer.


RAYMOND J. ANDERSON
Major, IGD

24 April 1950

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Dabney, James E.

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RAYMOND J. ANDERSON
Major, IGD



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

IN REPLY REFER TO QMGMT 293
Gadsey, James E.
34191625

14 April 1950

SUBJECT: Identification of World War II Deceased

THRU: Commanding General
Marianas-Bonins Command
Far East, APO 246, c/o Postmaster
San Francisco, California

TO: Major Raymond J. Anderson, O-256211
Marianas-Bonins Command
Far East, APO 246, c/o Postmaster
San Francisco, California

1. This Office is conducting an investigation in an attempt to locate and identify the remains of T/Sgt. James E. Gadsey, 34191625, Company I, 134th Infantry, who was reported killed in action on 16 December 1944 in the vicinity of Habkirchen, Germany.

2. Records show that you were Personnel Officer for the 134th Infantry. It is believed, therefore, that you may be able to furnish information concerning the death and burial of T/Sgt. Gadsey. An examination of the records pertaining to T/Sgt. Gadsey reveals the following:

a. A letter, dated 3 March 1945, from Chaplain A. C. Walker, 134th Infantry, advised the mother of T/Sgt. Gadsey that her son "was given a Christian burial in a Military Cemetery in Lorraine, France".

b. On 9 March 1945 the status of T/Sgt. Gadsey was changed from missing in action to killed in action.

c. The only source of information concerning the circumstances of his death appears to be a letter, dated 30 April 1945 and signed by 1st Lt. Arthur N. Getz, Acting Personnel Officer, 134th Infantry, which informed Mrs. Gadsey that her son was killed by fragments of mortar fire while clearing a wooded area in the vicinity of Habkirchen.

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Basic ltr, DA, OQMG, QMGMT 293/Gadsey, James E., 34 191 625,
Subject: Identification of World War II Deceased, dated 14
April 1950

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Hq, 7887 Graves Registration Detachment, Registration Division,
APO 757 (Liege) US Army, 23 May 1950

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

1. Reference is made to paragraph 3, basic communication.
2. Forwarded herewith for your information and guidance is a copy of letter, this headquarters, addressed to Mr. Osborne, dated 10 May 1950, and his subsequent reply.
3. Further action withheld pending instructions from your office.

FOR THE COMMANDING OFFICER:

James C. MacFarland
 JAMES C. MacFARLAND
 Major QMC
 Registration Division

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- 4. Cy ltr fr
Mr Osborne
dtd 16 Mar 50



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(100-50/222)

Basic Reg. Div. (M) 100-50/222
Subject: Identification of World War II Prisoner
April 1950

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FOR THE COMMANDING OFFICER:

James H. MacArthur
James H. MacArthur
Major
Registration Division

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

IN REPLY REFER TO QMGMT 293

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34191625

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14 April 1950

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SUBJECT: Identification of World War II Deceased

TO: Commanding Officer
7887 Graves Registration Detachment
APO 757, c/o Postmaster
New York, New York

1. Reference is made to Findings of Non-Recoverability for T/Sgt. James E. Gadsey, 34191625, who was reported killed in action on 16 December 1944 in the vicinity of Habkirchen, Germany.

2. In view of the Congressional interest in this case and of the letter, dated 3 March 1945, from Chaplain A. C. Walker, 134th Infantry, to the family (copy attached), additional information is required. From the coincidence of the following events, it appears that the remains of T/Sgt. Gadsey may have been recovered:

a. Inventory of Personal Effects, dated 1 March 1945 and signed by Capt. Albert B. Osborne, 134th Infantry, (photostatic copy attached)

b. Letter, dated 3 March 1945, from the Chaplain

c. AGO notification to the family on 9 March 1945 advising of the change in status from MIA to KIA

3. Capt. Albert B. Osborne is now employed by the State Department, which reports his present address as Trial Attorney, Berlin Sector, HICOG, Berlin, Germany. In order to expedite this matter, it is requested, therefore, that your headquarters contact Mr. Osborne to obtain the following information:

a. What was the general procedure in his organization for handling effects of men reported either MIA or KIA in December 1944?

b. Were effects found on remains forwarded with report of recovery and burial to the organization by recovery troops?

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14 April 1950

Gadsey, James E.

34191625

SUBJECT: Identification of World War II Deceased

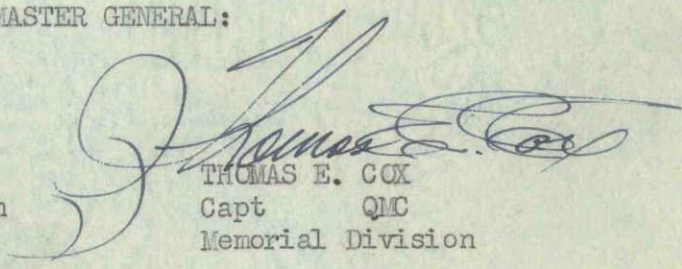
c. In his opinion, from what source were the effects listed on the inventory obtained?

d. Does he have any recollection of what organizations made recoveries in the area where T/Sgt. Gadsey was killed?

It is requested that the information obtained from Mr. Osborne be forwarded at the earliest practicable date.

5. This Office is continuing the investigation and, in the event any additional pertinent information is obtained, it will be forwarded immediately.

FOR THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL:



THOMAS E. COX
Capt QMC
Memorial Division

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Gadsby, James E.
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SUBJECT: Identification of World War II Personnel

- c. In his opinion, from what source were the effects listed on the inventory obtained?
- d. Does he have any recollection of what organizations made recoveries in the area where T/Sgt. Gadsby was killed?
- e. It is requested that the information obtained from Mr. Gadsby be forwarded at the earliest practicable date.
- f. This Office is continuing the investigation and, in the event any additional pertinent information is obtained, it will be forwarded immediately.

FOR THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL:

[Handwritten signature]
 THOMAS E. COX
 Capt
 Memorial Division

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 1 - by Mr. from Chaplain
 2 - Photostatic of
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HEADQUARTERS
7887 GRAVES REGISTRATION DETACHMENT
REGISTRATION DIVISION
APO 757 (Liege) US ARMY

10 May 1950

Mr. Albert B. Osborne
Trial Attorney
Berlin Sector, HICOG
APO 742, US Army

Dear Mr. Osborne,

The Commanding Officer has instructed me to contact you relative to an inquiry received from the OQMG concerning T/Sgt James E. GADSEY 34 191 625, KIA 16 December 1944 Co.I, 134th Infantry Regt, whose personal effects were received for, by you, on 21 March 1945.

As an aid to the recovery of subject decedent's remains the OQMG has requested that the following questions be submitted to you for possible answers,

What was the general procedure in your organization for handling effects of men reported either MIA or KIA in December 1944?

Were effects, found on remains, forwarded with report of recovery and burial to the organization by recovery troops?

In your opinion from what source were the effects listed on the inventory obtained?

Do you have any recollection of what organization made recoveries in the area where T/Sgt Gadsey was killed?

In view of Department of the Army and Congressional interest in this case an early reply to this headquarters would be very much appreciated.

Sincerely yours,

JAMES C. MacFARLAND
Major QMC
Registration Division

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Berlin Element
2nd Judicial District
Office of the District Attorney

16 May 1950

Headquarters
7887 Graves Registration Detachment
Registration Division
APO 757 (Liege) US Army
Attn.: James C. MacFARLAND
Major, QMC

Dear Major,

In reply to your letter of 10 May 1950 the following information is furnished.

The general procedure in the 134th Inf. Rgt. for handling effects for men reported either MIA or KIA in December 1944 was as follows:

The medical aid men or the recovery troops of Regt. S-4 removed the personal effects from the body. These were placed in a small bag and sent to my Detachment which was at that time located in Nancy, France. There the duffle bag or foot locker belonging to the soldier concerned was inspected and all Government Property removed. The remaining personal effects were then carefully inventoried and boxed, tied securely and forwarded to the Division Quartermaster for transfer to the rear.

At this time I have no recollection as to what organization made recoveries in the area where T/Sgt. GADSEY was killed, however, it would be safe to presume that it was some member of the 134th Inf. 35th Division.

Please feel at liberty to write or call me if I can be of any further aid or assistance in this matter.

Sincerely yours,

Albert B. OSBORNE
Assistant District Attorney
District Attorney's Office
2nd Judicial District
US Sector of Berlin
APO 742, US Army
c/o P.M. N.Y.

Encl #4

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1 NO.	2 FROM—	3 TO—	4 DATE	5 MESSAGE
1	Ident Sec Ident Br Mem Div	Corr Sec Repat Br Mem Div	5 Dec 1949	<p>293 GADSEY, James E. 34191625</p> <p>1. Reference is made to radio AGRC 7167, dated 1 Dec 49, indicating that Field investigation for the recovery of remains was negative and that case will be submitted as Non-Recoverable.</p> <p>2. Further action by this Section is not required.</p> <p>ds</p> <p>2 Incls 1- Rad AGRC 7167 2- 293 file (Gadsey)</p> <p>METZ 74059 <i>Barry</i> BARRY 2462</p>
2	Repat Br Corres Sec Cong Data Mem Div	Liaison Office	5 Dec 1949	<p>1. Preceding comment and radiogram are forwarded for your information.</p> <p>2. Request file be returned to Mail & Records for suspense.</p> <p>2 Incls. n/c</p> <p><i>Jenkins</i> KERSCHER 5641</p>
3	Liaison Office Mem Div	M & R Br, Admin Div	6 Dec 1949	<p>1. Noted.</p> <p>2. No Liaison office action required at this time.</p> <p>3. Forwarded for suspense as indicated in attached Cong Data Unit, Rep Br, suspense slip (3 Jan 1950) and Liaison office suspense slip (5 Jan 1950) or upon receipt of incoming correspondence whichever is soonest. Liaison office to be advised of all developments.</p> <p>3 Incls 1 & 2 n/c Added 1 incl 3. Suspense Slip 5 Jan 1950</p> <p>LS SAWYER 3708</p>

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1	Ident Sec Ident Sec Ident Sec	Ident Sec Ident Sec Ident Sec	2 Dec 1949	1. Reference is made to radio RMC 1187, dated Dec 49, indicating that this investigation for the recovery of remains was negative and that case will be submitted as non-recoverable. 2. Further action by this section is not required.
2	Ident Sec Ident Sec Ident Sec	Ident Sec Ident Sec Ident Sec	2 Dec 1949	1. Proceeding comment and testimony are forwarded for your information. 2. Request this be returned to field records for suspense.
3	Ident Sec Ident Sec Ident Sec	Ident Sec Ident Sec Ident Sec	2 Dec 1949	1. Forwarded for suspense as indicated in attached case file, HQ, at suspense slip (S Jan 1950) via liaison office suspense slip (S Jan 1950) of your receipt. Incoming correspondence whenever it occurs, please be advised of all developments.



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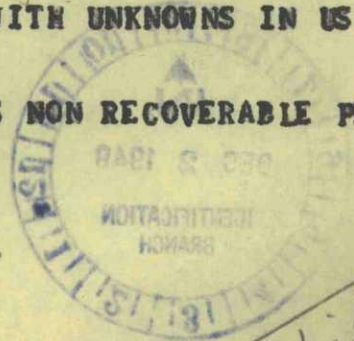
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QMHT 293
CADSEY, James E.
ASN 34191625 *248-*

17 November 1949

SUBJECT: Identification of World War II Deceased

TO: Commanding General
American Graves Registration Command
European Area
APO 58, c/o Postmaster
New York, New York

1. Reference is made to 1st Indorsement this Office, dated 31 May 1949, file QMGMS 293 GRS (European), Subject: Identification of Unknown Deceased.

2. In view of a Congressional inquiry, it is requested that this Office be advised of the current status of the case of T/Sgt. James E. Cadsey, 34191625.

FOR THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL:

T. H. METZ
Lt. Colonel, QMC
Memorial Division

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SUBJECT: Identification of World War II Deceased

TO: Commanding General,
American Graves Registration Command,
European Area
APO 38, c/o Postmaster
New York, New York

1. Reference is made to last memorandum this office, dated 31 May 1948, EIC 48025 293 (European), Subject: Identification of Unknown Deceased.

2. In view of a Congressional inquiry, it is requested that this office be advised of the current status of the case of World War II Deceased, 3419122.

FOR THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL:

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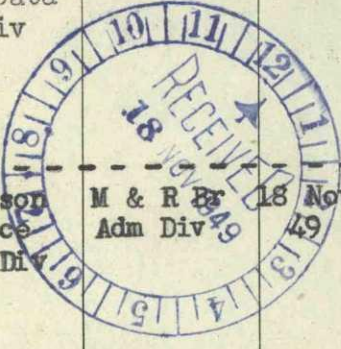
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1	Liaison Office Mem Div	Ident Br Mem Div	15 Nov 1949	QMGML/293 Gadsey, James E. 34 191 625 Forwarded with request for status of case. LS 1 Incl SAWYER 293 file (Gadsey) 3708
2	Ident Sec Ident Br Mem Div Cong	Corr Sec Repat Br Mem Div Cong	17 Nov 1949	293 GADSEY, James E. 34191625 1. Reference is made to Comment #1, dated 15 Nov 49. To date, no Unknown has been associated with T/Sgt. Gadsey. 2. Letter, dated 17 Nov 49 (copy attached), has been forwarded to the Field requesting current status of investigation. 3. Further action cannot be taken by this Branch until a report of investigation is received. METZ 74059 <i>Barry</i> BARRY 2462
3	Repat Br Corres Sec Cong Data Mem Div	Liaison Office	18 Nov 1949	Preceding comment is forwarded for your information. 2 Incls. n/c <i>J. E. KERSCHER</i> KERSCHER 5641
4	Liaison Office Mem Div	M & R Br Adm Div	18 Nov 1949	293 Gadsey, James E., 34 191 625 Noted. No Liaison Office action necessary at this time. Case to be suspended as indicated on attached Suspense Slip (15 Dec 49 or upon receipt of incoming corr.) LS 2 Incls. n/x SAWYER 3708



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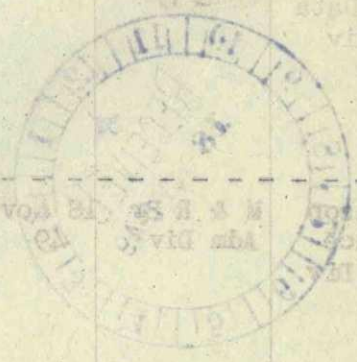
2. Letter dated 17 Nov 43 (copy attached), has been forwarded to the field requesting current status of investigation.

3. Further action cannot be taken by this branch report of investigation is received.

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QCMT 293
CADSEY, James E.
ASN 34191625

17 November 1949

SUBJECT: Identification of World War II Deceased

TO: Commanding General
American Graves Registration Command
European Area
APO 58, c/o Postmaster
New York, New York

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2. In view of a Congressional inquiry, it is requested that this Office be advised of the current status of the case of T/Sgt. James E. Cadsey, 34191625.

FOR THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL:

T. H. MEYER
Lt. Colonel, QMC
Memorial Division

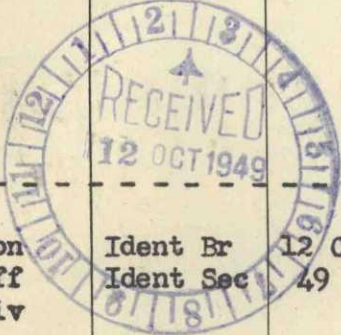
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1	Ident Sec Ident Br Mem Div Cong	Liaison Office ATTN: Col. Hinman	11 Oct 1949	<i>JG</i> Gadsey, James E. 34191625 <i>248</i> Forwarded for your information inasmuch as file does not indicate that Liaison Office has been advised of the action reflected by correspondence in file after June 1947. 1 Incl METZ BARRY 293 file (Gadsey) 74059 2462
2	Liaison Off Mem Div	Ident Br Ident Sec	12 Oct 49	QMGL 293 - Gadsey, James E., T/Sgt, 34191625 1. Noted. 2. No Liaison Office action necessary at this time. Request 293 file be returned upon receipt of pertinent information, or on 14 Nov 49, whichever's soonest - as indicated on attached suspense slip. 1 Incl SAWYER n/c 3708
3	Ident Sec Ident Br Mem Div Cong	Corr Sec Repat Br Mem Div Cong	13 Oct 49	293 Gadsey, James E. 34191625 1. Reference is made to comment #2, dated 12 Oct 1949. 2. Further action cannot be taken by this Branch until a report of investigation is received. 1 Incl- n/c METZ BARRY 74059 2462



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 SUBJECT: Identification of Unknown Deceased

Dept. of the Army, OQMG, Washington 25, D. C., 31 May 1949

TO: Commanding General, American Graves Registration Command,
 European Area, APO 58, c/o Postmaster, New York, New York

1. Inclosed herewith are photostat copies of Forms 79 covering all available dental information in this Office pertaining to the following:

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Passechnik, Paul	33 139 699
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Rodriguez, Refugio R.	38 104 013
Schwarz, Eugene A.	37 326 860

2. Information copies of OQMG Forms 371 are inclosed for the following, for whom no Forms 79 are available:

Bradley, Roy B. Jr.	39 706 049
Hickey, Weldon J.	38 094 760
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FOR THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL:

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T. H. METZ
 Lt. Colonel, QMC
 Memorial Division



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SUBJECT: Identification of Unknown Deceased
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TO: Commanding General, American Graves Registration Command,
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- 37 326 860 Schneider, Eugene A.
- 38 104 013 Bourdier, Rene R.
- 34 191 622 Gabey, James E.
- 33 139 699 Pasocnik, Paul

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- 35 775 865 Lawson, Frank B.
- 38 094 760 Hickey, Nelson J.
- 39 706 049 Bradley, Roy B. Jr.

FOR THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL:

T. H. METZ
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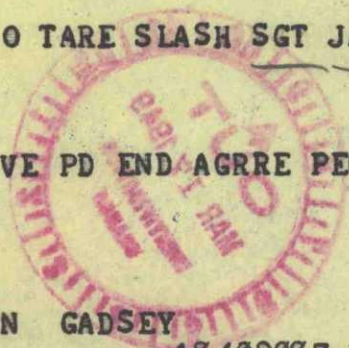
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QMGMS 293
Gadsey, James E.
SN 34 191 625

16 March 1949

SUBJECT: Additional Information

TO: Commanding General
American Graves Registration Command
European Area
APO 58, c/o Postmaster
New York, New York

1. Reference is made to your radio AGRC 1139 dated 18 February 1949.
2. Attached hereto is OQMG Form 371 in duplicate covering all available information in this Office pertaining to T/Sgt. James E. Gadsey, 34191625.

FOR THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL:

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T. H. METZ
Lt. Colonel, QMG
Memorial Division

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SUBJECT: Additional information

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Commanding General
American Graves Registration Command
European Area
APO SF, c/o Postmaster
New York, New York

- 1. Reference is made to your teletype dated 18 February 1949.
- 2. Attached hereto is GMR Form 371 in duplicate covering all available information in this Office pertaining to Capt. James H. Cadey, missing.

FOR THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL

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E. W. W. T. S.
Colonel, GRC
Postal Division

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NAME (Last, First, Middle Initial)		GRADE	PRESENT SERIAL NUMBER	
GADSEY, JAMES E.		PT/SGT.	34191625	
ORGANIZATION	RACE	CREED	FORMER SERIAL NUMBER (If Applicable)	
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DATE OF DEATH/MIA	CAUSE OF DEATH	PLACE OF DEATH OR PLACE LAST SEEN IF MIA		
16-DEC-44	K.I.A.	NR.		
DATE OF FOD		HABKIRCHEN, GERM.		
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 G. W. Rogers
 Capt., QMC
 Identification Branch

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DATA ON REMAINS NOT YET RECOVERED OR IDENTIFIED *1727*

NAME (Last, First, Middle Initial) <i>23 GADSEY, JAMES E.</i>		GRADE <i>T/SGT.</i>	PRESENT SERIAL NUMBER <i>34191675</i>
ORGANIZATION <i>Co I 134th INF REGT</i>		RACE <i>W</i>	CREED <i>P</i>
DATE OF DEATH/MIA <i>16 DEC 44</i>	CAUSE OF DEATH <i>KIA</i>	PLACE OF DEATH OR PLACE LAST SEEN IF MIA <i>NEAR HABKIRCHEN, GER.</i>	
DATE OF FOD			
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ADDITIONAL INFORMATION
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 MAR 15 1949
 G. W. ROGERS
 Capt., QMC
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DATA ON REMAINS NOT YET RECOVERED OR IDENTIFIED

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Pentagon Liaison
 24 FEB 1949
 MEM. DIV. QMNS



DATE FORWARDED TO FIELD

DDMG FORM 371

QMGMF 293
Gadsey, James E.
SN 34 191 625

21 February 1949

Mrs. Ruby C. Gadsey
3503 Sandford Avenue
Nashville, Tennessee

Dear Mrs. Gadsey:

A letter to the Adjutant General written in your behalf by Sergeant James D. Hefner, 1707 Ashwood Avenue, Nashville, Tennessee, regarding the remains of your son, the late Technical Sergeant James E. Gadsey, has been referred to this office for reply.

With deep regret I must inform you that no information has been received in this office indicating that the remains of your son have been recovered.

A continuous and intensive search is being made of the area in which he died, and it is my sincere hope that it will be possible to recover and rebury the remains of your son in an established Military cemetery. Meanwhile, please rest assured that when a report is received I will inform you immediately.

Please be assured of my continued sympathy in your great loss.

Sincerely yours,

JAMES F. SMITH
Major, QMG
Memorial Division



bc: Sgt. James D. Hefner

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bc

CORRESPONDENCE ACTION SHEET

PREVIOUS BURIAL LOCATION (Cemetery and Country)	PLOT	ROW	GRAVE
PRESENT BURIAL LOCATION (Cemetery and Country)	PLOT	ROW	GRAVE
ADDRESSEE MR. MISS MRS.	ADDRESS (Street, City, State)		
Mrs. Ruby C. Gadsey	3503 Sandford Avenue Nashville, Tennessee		
RELATIONSHIP	Mother		

NAME OF DECEDENT (Last, First, Middle)

Gadsey, James E

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GRADE

Tec/Sgt

SERIAL NUMBER

34 191 625

ANALYST INITIALS AND DATE	TYPIST INITIALS	REVIEWER INITIALS AND DATE
MB 18 Feb 49		

MEMORIAL DIVISION
FAMILY CORRESPONDENCE BRANCH

DATE 3 Feb 49

TO: Identification Branch

FROM: Family Letters Section

SUBJECT: Case Name Gadsby, James 34191635

Request situation paragraph, and cemetery if appropriate, applicable to this case.

No Burial Information.

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*Findings of non-recoverability
have not been received*

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IDENTIFICATION BRANCH
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MEMORIAL DIVISION

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21 January 1949

SUBJECT: Return of World War II Dead

TO: The Adjutant General
Washington 25
D. C.

1. I am requesting information in behalf of Mrs. Ruby C. Gadsey, Nashville, Tennessee, in regard to the return of her son's remains from a military cemetery in Lorraine, France.
2. In the years 1945 and 1946, Mrs. Gadsey requested information of this type but was informed that her son's grave had not been located at that time. With the extensive Grave Registration activities in Europe in the past years, perhaps her son's grave has been located.
3. The following information is all that is known of the Enlisted Man's death: Technical Sergeant James E. Gadsey, 34 191 625, Company "I", 134th Infantry, APO 35, was killed in action in Germany on 16 December 1944 and was buried in a military cemetery in Lorraine, France.
4. Request all application forms necessary for the return of Sergeant Gadsey's remains to his mother be sent to me for completion by her. Mrs. Gadsey will be grateful for any additional information you may give pertaining to her son.

James D. Hefner
JAMES D. HEFNER
Sergeant, ER 34 912 538

1707 Ashwood Ave
Nashville, Tennessee



21 January 1949

SUBJECT: Return of World War II Dead

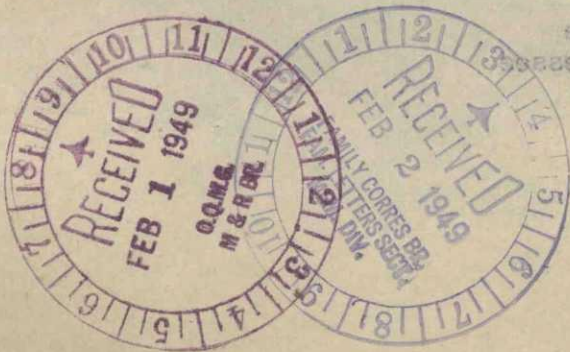
TO: The Adjutant General
Washington 25
D. C.

1. I am requesting information in regard to Mrs. Gadsby, Nashville, Tennessee, in regard to the return of her son's remains from a military cemetery in Lorraine, France.
2. In the years 1915 and 1916, Mrs. Gadsby requested information of this type but was informed that her son's grave had not been located at that time. With the extensive grave registration activities in Europe in the past years, perhaps her son's grave has been located.
3. The following information is all that is known of the buried man's death: Technical Sergeant James F. Gadsby, 3d 191 625, Company "I", 13th Infantry, 4th Div. was killed in action in Germany on 16 December 1914 and was buried in a military cemetery in Lorraine, France.
4. Request all application forms necessary for the return of Sergeant Gadsby's remains to his mother be sent to me for completion by her. Mrs. Gadsby will be grateful for any additional information you may give pertaining to her son.

James D. Humber

JAMES D. HUMBER
Sergeant, BN 312 238

1707 Ashwood Ave
Nashville, Tennessee



IDENTIFICATION SECTION
MEMORIAL DIVISION

IDENTIFICATION DATA

LAST NAME - FIRST NAME - MIDDLE INITIAL <i>Gadsey - James E.</i>			ARMY SERIAL NUMBER <i>34191625</i>		GRADE <i>T/Sgt.</i>
HEIGHT <i>5' 8 1/2"</i>	WEIGHT <i>125"</i>	COLOR EYES <i>BLUE</i>	COLOR HAIR <i>BROWN</i>	SHOE SIZE <i>7 1/2</i>	DATE OF DEATH <i>16 Dec 44</i>
LAST ORGANIZATION TO WHICH ATTACHED OR ASSIGNED (Give complete designation) <i>Co I 134th INF.</i>					
PLACE OF DEATH OR PLACE LAST SEEN IF MIA <i>Germany</i>					
LIST ALL CAMPS IN WHICH STATIONED IN U.S. PRIOR TO SERVICE OVERSEAS, WITH INCLUSIVE DATES AT EACH.					

STATION	DATES
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<i>Cp Walters, Texas</i>	<i>Mar. 42 to July 42</i>
<i>Cp Rucker, Ala.</i>	<i>July 42 to Sep. 43</i>

FROM: W.D. AGO CLINICAL RECORDS BRANCH
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34 June 1947)

RRE 293.9 (IB)

1st Ind

Hq American Graves Registration Command, European Area, APO 58,
US Army, 21 October 1947

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

1. Inclosed herewith all documents pertaining to negative
report received from the field on investigation conducted for
the recovery of the remains of the above individual.

2. Forwarded for your information.

FOR THE COMMANDING GENERAL:

Incl: w/d
added a/s

1. Narrative dtd 6 September 1947
2. Exhibits A thru K.

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

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IMMEDIATE ACTION

AIR MAIL



IN REPLY
REFER TO QMGMR 293
Gadsey, James E.
SN 34 191 625

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

23 June 1947

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

TO: Commanding General
American Graves Registration Command
European Area
APO 58, c/o Postmaster
New York, New York

1. There is attached hereto OQMG 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>
Gadsey, James E.	Technical Sergeant	34 191 625

2. It is requested that information on the above deceased be furnished this office in accordance with provisions of Letter, The Adjutant General's Office, file AGAO-S 293.9 (27 Mar 47) D-M, Subject: Establishment of Boards of Review for Identification of Unknown Dead Overseas, dated 9 April 1947.

3. A Congressional inquiry has been received.

FOR THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL:

1 Incl
Form 371 (5 copies)

Martin G. Riley
MARTIN G. RILEY
Major, QMG
Memorial Division

AIR MAIL

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IMMEDIATE ACTION

IMMEDIATE ACTION

WAR DEPARTMENT

20 JUN 1947
General James E. ...

23 June 1947

SUBJECT: Additional information that may lead to the recovery and identification of remains for yet accounted for.

Commanding General
American Forces Expeditionary Command
Darmstadt Area
APO 58, c/o Postmaster
New York, New York

1. There is attached hereto OMM Form 273 (covering all available information in the Office of the Quartermaster General and in addition to any previous information furnished by this office to your headquarters) for the following deceased individuals:

NAME	GRADE	STATUS
General, James E.	Technical Sergeant	20 JUN 1947

2. It is requested that information on the above deceased be furnished this office in accordance with provisions of letter, The Adjutant General's Office, File 100-2-293.9 (21 Jun 47) 4-4, Subject: Fatalities - name of board of review for identification of remains for deceased, dated 2 April 1947.

3. A Congressional inquiry has been received.

FOR THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL:

IN
7040
8 JUN 1947

1 Incl
Form 273 (2 copies)

MAIL & RECORDS BRANCH
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AIR MAIL

IMMEDIATE ACTION

N A R R A T I V E

On investigation at REINHEIM (wQ-6059), Germany.

6 September 1947

Having first obtained permission from the French Military Government to make this investigation, I contacted the Burgermeister of REINHEIM, Mr. JOSEF LEMBERT, who made the following statement:

From 9 to 24 December 1944 approximately twenty to twenty-five (20 - 25) American soldiers were killed in action in the vicinity of REINHEIM and the remains were evacuated by American troops on 16 March 1945. (See attached statement Exhibit "D").

I then proceeded to BEBELSHEIM where I contacted the former Burgermeister, Mr. JOSEF OCHS, who stated that four (4) American soldiers were killed in combat whose remains were disinterred and evacuated in 1945. No certificates were left behind by the disinterring team. (See attached statement Exhibit "A").

I later contacted Mr. GUNTER SCHNEIDER who discovered the remains of seven (7) American soldiers in May or June 1945.

Mr. SCHNEIDER stated that three (3) of the bodies were removed by the Americans a few days later. The remaining four (4) deceased were removed by members of a guard company that was stationed at BEBELSHEIM at that time. (See attached statement Exhibit "B"). Finally I contacted the present Burgermeister, Mr. ARNOLD LANG, who stated that the remains of one (1) American soldier were discovered in April 1946. The identification tag bore the name CHARLES J. FISCHER, ASN 32551898. The remains were disinterred on 20 May 1946 by an American disinterring team. The notice of disinterment was signed by Sgt. ANTHONY V. BAGALINE, ASN 36910788, 6814 Hq. QM. GR. Co. (See attached statement Exhibit "C").

I, then proceeded to WALSHEIM where I contacted the present Burgermeister, Mr. HEINRICH NAGEL, (see Exhibit "G"), who gave me a list of fifteen (15) American soldiers killed in action in this area. (See attached copy Exhibit "L"). Four (4) of them were buried in the cemetery, the other eleven (11) bodies in the vicinity of WALSHEIM. About their removal by Americans and French see Exhibit "H, L and M". More notices of disinterment were not left.

I, then contacted the Burgermeister and the priest of GERSHEIM. (See Exhibit "E" and "F"). The Burgermeister stated that altogether sixteen (16) American soldiers buried there were disinterred at this town in 1945.

Contrary to that I found that there were only eight (8) bodies buried in the cemetery of GERSHEIM. The remaining eight (8) deceased belonging to the fifteen (15) listed deceased soldiers on Exhibit "L" were also buried in the area of WALSHEIM which formerly had belonged to the community of GERSHEIM. This might be the explanation for the mistake of the Burgermeister of GERSHEIM who reported sixteen (16) bodies buried in his cemetery instead of eight (8).

The priest of this town also confirmed that only eight (8) bodies were found and removed in the area of GERSHEIM. I think he is the best informed man in this matter, for he was present as a witness at this town without interruption since the beginning of the combats in December 1944.

An unknown American disinterring team evacuated all the remains in June or July 1945.

I, then contacted the Burgermeister of NIEDERGAILBACH, Mr. EDMUND WILBERT, who stated that the body of one (1) American soldier was discovered in the garden of NIKOLAUS ANNA, in January 1945 and buried there and that he was disinterred, identified, and evacuated in May 1945. (See attached statement Exhibit "I").

I, subsequently contacted Mr. NIKOLAUS ANNA who stated that he evacuated his home in December 1944 and did not return until the following year 1945.

Mr. ANNA learned on his return that there was a grave of an American in his garden. (See attached statement Exhibit "J").

I later contacted Mr. ALBRECHT GROS who buried this deceased American soldier in the garden of Mr. ANNA. (See attached statement Exhibit "K").

NOTE: The name of REICHEIM must be misspelled since I could not locate any town of this name. REINHEIM is the town I visited where I obtained the information, contained in this narrative.

/s/ JAMES E. ROBBINS

Pvt. 45030189
164th QM.BN.AGRC

S T A T E M E N T

from JOSEF OCHS II, born 24 February 1894 in BEBELSHEIM,
Kreis ST. INGBERT/Saar
residing at BEBELSHEIM, Kreis ST. INGBERT, Saar Region, Erbhof.

I herewith state to the best of my knowledge:

I was Burgermeister of the community of BEBELSHEIM from 1 April 1945 to 30 April 1946. Around the end of May or the beginning of June 1945, several American bodies were found per chance by the two village inhabitants GUENTER SCHNEIDER and EDWIN WACHALL in the BLIESMENGER Forest (between BEBELSHEIM and BLIESMENGEN). Both of them reported their findings to Americans quartered in their house who belonged to a unit guarding the gasoline pipelines located here. After a few days, an American Team arrived to recover the bodies and evacuated a total of four (4) bodies. On my orders appr. ten men and a vehicle from our village were sent to the resp. spot to aid in the recovery of the bodies. I did not receive any certificate pertaining to the recovery and evacuation.

BEBELSHEIM, 5 September 1947

/s/ OCHS JOSEF

I certify that this is a true translation
to the best of my ability

Wild
Karl Wild

A TRUE COPY:

PAUL H. MUELLER
Major Cavalry
Operations Officer
164th QM. BN.

Exhibit "A"

S T A T E M E N T

from GUNTER SCHNEIDER, born on 15 July 1928 in BEBELSHEIM,
Kreis ST. INGBERT/ Saar Region,
residing at BEBELSHEIM, Kreis ST. INGBERT, Saar Region,
Hauptstr. 166.

I herewith state to the best of my knowledge:

Appr. end of May, beginning of June 1945, while taking a walk through the BLIESMENGER Forest, I discovered the bodies of seven (7) American soldiers killed in action, on the edge of a road. Next day I showed the location to my comrade EDWIN WACHALL and in addition reported it to the Americans billeted in our house. After some days, several Americans and I rode in a jeep to the resp. spot in the woods. We found that, meanwhile, all bodies had been interred by unknown people.

Appr. one week later a special team arrived to disinter and evacuate the remains with the aid of several village inhabitants. However, we found only four (4) of the erstwhile present seven (7) bodies left; the other three (3) bodies having been probably evacuated in the meantime.

I cannot remember anymore the designation of the unit. As far as I can recollect it was a team guarding the gasoline-lines.

BEBELSHEIM, 5 September 1947

/s/ SCHNEIDER GUNTER

I certify that this is a true translation
to the best of my ability

Wild

Karl W i l d

A TRUE COPY:

PAUL H. MUELLER
Major Cavalry
Operations Officer
164th QM. BN.

S T A T E M E N T

of Burgermeister ARNOLD LANG, born on 19 November 1906 in BEBELSHEIM, Kreis St. INGBERT, Saar, residing at BEBELSHEIM, Kreis St. INGBERT, Saar, Hauptstr. 72b. In office as Burgermeister since 3 October 1946.

I herewith state to the best of my knowledge:

About the beginning of April 1946 the remains of an American soldier with an identification tag have been found in NEURIEDER Forest, area BEBELSHEIM by the local inhabitant WILHELM HARTZ (meanwhile deceased). The discovery was reported to the former Burgermeister PAUL GROH. Several weeks later an American disinterring team arrived here and evacuated the remains with the identification tag.

Based on the certificate left behind which still is in the Burgermeister's office, the body was that of the American soldier (rank unknown):

CHARLES J. FISCHER, ASN. 32 551 898.

The paper was signed on 20 May 1946 by Sgt. ANTHONY V. BAGALINE, ASN. 36910788 6814 Hq. Q. M. G. R. Co.

As far as I know, no American bodies have been found within my district since that time.

BEBELSHEIM, 5 September 1947

/s/ LANG

I certify that this is a true translation to the best of my ability

A TRUE COPY:

Proved
Karl Wild

PAUL H. MUELLER
Major Cavalry
Operations Officer
164th QM. BN.

EXHIBIT "C"

REINHEIM, 5 September 1947

S T A T E M E N T

I, JOSEF LEMBERT, Burgermeister of REINHEIM since 4 October 1946 state the following to the best of my knowledge and belief:

During the time from 9 to 24 December 1944 violent fighting took place between American and German troops in the vicinity of our village. As far as I know the Americans had approximately 20 to 25 men killed in action.

After a temporary withdrawal they occupied the locality a second time on 16 March 1945 and evacuated their deceased to St. AVOLD, LOTHRINGEN.

A further discovery was made a year later in the timber forest of RHEINHEIM by forest ranger MUELLER and was reported to the Burgermeister of GERSHEIM. Several days later an American search team including a doctor arrived to identify the deceased. However, I do not know whether identification was possible; after a few days this body was likewise evacuated to St. AVOLD by a disinterring team.

If any records or certificates exist on this, they should be found at the Burgermeister's office in GERSHEIM.

As far as I know no further American bodies were found in my administrative district since that time.

The Burgermeister of the community of REINHEIM.

/s/ LEMBERT

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to the best of my ability

A TRUE COPY:

Karl Wild

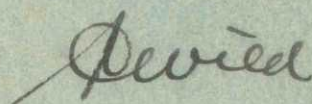


EXHIBIT "D"

PAUL H. MUELLER
Major Cavalry
Operations Officer
164th QM. BN.

GERSHEIM, 24 July 1947

164 Q M. Bn. AGRC. FFC.
APO 403 - U.S. Army

K A R L S R U H E - Germany
American Zone

S T A T E M E N T

During the visit of an officer of the American Army at the Burgermeister's Office in GERSHEIM/Saar in order to investigate and establish the identity of American soldiers killed in action I have learned the following by interrogating the grave-digger WEIBEL from GERSHEIM:

No identification tags were found on the deceased American soldiers. Identify could no longer be established due to advanced decomposition.

WEIBEL was particularly questioned on a deceased American soldier by the name of BIANK EUGENE who had been described to me by the officer in detail. However, WEIBEL could not state anything definite which might have concerned the afore-mentioned deceased.

Sixteen (16) soldiers killed in action were disinterred by WEIBEL under an American Command.

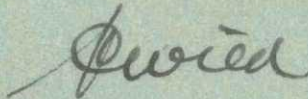
This concludes WEIBEL's statement from GERSHEIM.

The Burgermeister in GERSHEIM
as local police authority

The Burgermeister

/s/ SCHEYER

I certify that this is a true translation
to the best of my ability



Karl Wild

A TRUE COPY:

PAUL H. MUELLER
Major Cavalry
Operations Officer
164th QM. BN.

Exhibit "E"

GERSHEIM, 6 September 1947

S T A T E M E N T

I, JOSEF SCHINDLER, pastor in GERSHEIM since 5 June 1938 state the following to the best of my knowledge and belief:

From 7 December 1944 to 15 March 1945 violent fighting between German and American troops took place in the vicinity of our village. Shortly before Christmas 1944 the Americans withdrew again from this region and left behind eight (8) soldiers killed in action close to our village. On 16 March 1945 the Americans occupied GERSHEIM for a second time. In the meantime, these bodies had been found by German soldiers and inhabitants of the village. Seven (7) of the deceased were buried in the local cemetery while the last body was temporarily interred by German soldiers in the forest on the spot where it had been found.

After this region had been declared a part of the French Zone of Occupation meanwhile, an American team arrived in June or July 1945, disinterred all the bodies and evacuated them. The identification tags (approximately 7 or 8) and personal effects found on the deceased I handed over to the Chief of an American technical unit which had been stationed here after the combat troops had left in order to repair the destroyed railroad track SAARGE-MUEND-BLIESKASTEL.

I have reported the fact to the members of the disintering team that I turned in all identification tags and personal effects to the Commander of the technical unit at that time as the only unit left still here.

As far as I know, no further American soldiers have been found and buried in this district since that time.

/s/ J. SCHINDLER

Pastor of GERSHEIM.

I certify that this is a true translation to the best of my ability

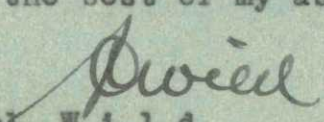

Karl Wild

EXHIBIT "F"

A TRUE COPY:

PAUL H. MUELLER
Major Cavalry
Operations Officer
164th QM. BN.

WALSHEIM, 6 September 1947

S T A T E M E N T

I, HEINRICH NAGEL, Burgermeister of WALSHEIM since 1 October 1947 state the following to the best of my knowledge and belief:

During a period from 8 to 24 December 1944 violent fighting between American and German troops took place in this region. Subsequently the Americans withdrew across the border to French soil. Shortly before the American Forces arrived, the greater part of the population of this village had been evacuated. When I returned again to our village in February 1945 after the withdrawal of the Americans, four (4) American soldiers had been buried meanwhile in our cemetery; however, by whom is not known to me.

Further bodies or graves resp. were found by village inhabitants in the vicinity of the village in the course of the following time.

Further details of this affair are not known to me except those contained in the attached list.

Of data in writing, only one(1) certificate on the four (4) deceased disinterred and evacuated on 13 September 1946? (notice of disinterment gives date as 13 February 1946) by an American team was handed to the community.

As far as I know, no further American bodies were found or buried in my administrative district since that time.

Community of WALSHEIM (ELIES)

/s/ HEINRICH NAGEL

I certify that this is a true translation
to the best of my ability

A TRUE COPY:

Wild
Karl Wild

PAUL H. MUELLER
Major Cavalry
Operations Officer
164th QM. BN.

EXHIBIT "G"

WALSHEIM, 6 September 1947

S T A T E M E N T

I, HEINRICH THOMANN, locksmith, state the following to the best of my knowledge and belief:

In summer 1945 I was sent to the cemetery by order of the Burgermeister to aid an American team in opening four (4) graves of American soldiers. The bodies were already decomposed, however, their clothing was still recognizable. Altogether only two (2) identifications tags and some personal effects were found. After the disinterment was completed the remains were evacuated to LUXEMBURG on a truck, as I was told later.

When, how and where the four (4) soldiers were killed, when and by whom they were buried during the evacuation of the village inhabitants, is not known to me.

/s/ HEINRICH THOMANN

I certify that this is a true translation
to the best of my ability

Wild

Karl W i l d

A TRUE COPY:

PAUL H. MUELLER
Major Cavalry
Operations Officer
164th QM. BN.

EXHIBIT "H"

NIEDERGAILBACH, 6 September 1947

S T A T E M E N T

I, EDMUND WILBERT, Burgermeister since 1 October 1946 state the following to the best of my knowledge and belief:

In January 1945, one (1) deceased American soldier was found in the garden of Mr. NIKOLAUS ANNA who apparently had been killed in action during fighting in December 1944. His remains were buried on the same spot by Mr. ALBRECHT GROS.

In May 1945 an American team arrived and opened the grave. One (1) identification tag was found as far as I recall. The body was evacuated to LUXEMBURG as I was told.

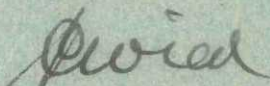
No notice of disinterment was handed to the community.

As far as I know, no further American bodies were found in the vicinity of NIEDERGAILBACH since that time.

Community of NIEDERGAILBACH

/s/ WILBERT

I certify that this is a true translation
to the best of my ability



Karl Wild

A TRUE COPY:

PAUL H. MUELLER
Major Cavalry
Operations Officer
164th QM. BN.

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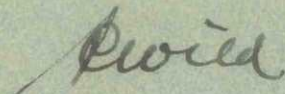
I, ALBRECHT GROS, state the following to the best of my knowledge and belief:

In January 1945, I, myself together with two (2) other men from the village have buried the body of the American soldier who had been lying in the garden of the community servant NIKOLAUS ANNA.

During the disinterment in May 1945 I observed that the Americans found the identification tag and took it along. Name, rank and unit of the deceased as well as the designation of the disinterring team are not known to me.

/s/ ALBRECHT GROS

I certify that this is a true translation to the best of my ability


Karl W i l d

A TRUE COPY:

PAUL H. MUELLER
Major Cavalry
Operations Officer
164th QM. BN.

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TO : THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL, WASHINGTON 25 D.C.

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T/ SGT JAMES E. GADSEY, 34191625. INVESTIGATION NEGATIVE TO DATE.

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FROM: AMERICAN GRAVES REGISTRATION COMMAND APO 58

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TO: AGWAR

REF NR 1901 GRNC

UNCLASSIFIED PD REFERENCE WCL-27557, 20 June 47, TECHNICAL SERGEANT ~~XXXXXXXX~~

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QMG FORM 638
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OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL OF THE ARMY
INTEROFFICE REFERENCE SHEET

DUE, HOUR AND DATE _____

1 NO.	2 FROM-	3 TO-	4 DATE	5 MESSAGE
1	Mem Div Liaison Branch	Mem Div R R Branch Cong Unit	21 June 47	<p>293 Gadsey, James E.</p> <p>Forwarded for present status of case and radiogram to field if necessary. Return to Liaison Branch in order that an appropriate reply may be made to Rep. Priest.</p> <p><i>[Signature]</i> JOHNSON 3708</p>
2	Mem Div R & R Branch Cong Unit	Mem Div Liaison Branch Cong Unit	24/6/47	<p>1. Reference is made to attached copy of radio and 371 letter dispatched to the field. In addition a letter to the NOK was prepared and dispatched, (copy attached)</p> <p>2. Request that upon completion of action by your branch, file be returned for suspense pending incoming answer radio.</p> <p><i>[Signature]</i> BAUKNIGHT 71955</p> <p><i>[Signature]</i> AME MGR</p>
3	Chief, Mem Div	I The QMG II M & R	27 June 1947	<p>I. For signature and dispatch.</p> <p>II. 1. Correspondence mentioned in Comment #2 detached for Liaison Branch files. 2. Request that after dispatch of letter, file be returned to R & R Br for suspense.</p> <p><i>[Signature]</i> HORKAN 5289</p> <p><i>[Handwritten: File & mail Lyles & c. b.]</i></p>

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Gadsey, James E.
34 191 625

27 June 1947

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Honorable J. Percy Priest
House of Representatives

Dear Mr. Priest:

I have your letter of 10 June 1947 regarding the burial location of the late Technical Sergeant James E. Gadsey.

As indicated in our letter to Mrs. Gadsey on 25 June 1947, a copy of which is inclosed, I have had a radiogram sent to the overseas theater requesting that a special investigation be conducted in the vicinity of the Blies River and the nearby cemetery in Lorraine, France. When any additional information is received, you and the next of kin will be notified immediately.

I appreciate your interest in this matter.

Sincerely yours,

T. B. LARKIN
Major General
The Quartermaster General

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Gadsby, James H.
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27 June 1947

Honorable J. Percy Priest
House of Representatives

Dear Mr. Priest:

I have your letter of 10 June 1947 regarding the burial location of the late Technical Sergeant James H. Gadsby.

As indicated in our letter to Mrs. Gadsby on 22 June 1947, a copy of which is inclosed, I have had a technician sent to the area near the river requesting that a special investigation be conducted in the vicinity of the Blue River and the nearby cemetery in Lawrence, Kansas. When any additional information is received, you and the next of kin will be notified immediately.

I appreciate your interest in this matter.

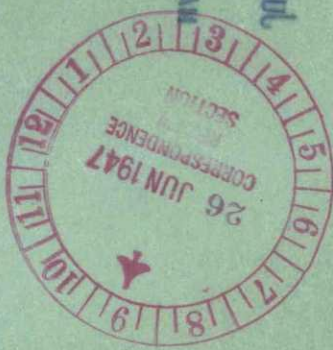
Sincerely yours,

T. B. WALKER
Major General
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J. PERCY PRIEST
SIXTH DISTRICT
TENNESSEE

COMMITTEE:
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HOME ADDRESS:
NASHVILLE, TENN.

Congress of the United States
House of Representatives
Washington, D. C.

June 10, 1947

Maj. Gen. Thomas B. Larkin
The Quartermaster General
Office of The Quartermaster General
War Department
Washington, D. C.

My dear General Larkin:

I am writing to you concerning the possible location of the grave of the late Technical Sergeant James E. Gadsey, 34 191 625.

Mrs. Ruby Gadsey, 3503 Sandford Avenue, Nashville, Tennessee, mother of the deceased soldier, was informed on April 27, 1946 by letter from your office, SPQYG 293, that the remains of James E. Gadsey had not been located but personnel in the field were making an investigation. This mother is very anxious to know if her son's grave has been located.

A fellow soldier wrote Mrs. Gadsey stating that her son was killed just inside Germany after their outfit crossed the Blies river. The soldier's name is Marvin W. Wenthe whose address is Sylvan Grove, Kansas.

I will appreciate a full determination of all available information concerning the remains of young Gadsey in order that I may send such information on to his mother at this time.

With best wishes, I am

Sincerely yours,

J. Percy Priest

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June 15, 1947

Mr. General Markin
The Quartermaster General
Office of The Quartermaster General
War Department
Washington, D. C.

I am writing to you concerning the possible location
of the grave of the late Technical Sergeant James E.
Gadsey, 34 191 822.

Mrs. Ruby Gadsey, 3503 Gannett Avenue, Nashville,
Tennessee, mother of the deceased soldier, was informed
on April 27, 1946 by letter from your office, SP4YC 232,
that the remains of James E. Gadsey had not been located
but personnel in the field were making an investigation.
This mother is very anxious to know if her son's grave
has been located.

A fellow soldier wrote Mrs. Gadsey stating that her
son was killed just inside Germany after their unit
crossed the Rhine river. The soldier's name is
W. Wente whose address is Sylvan Grove, Kansas.

I will appreciate a full determination of all available
information concerning the location of Gadsey in
order that I may send such information to his mother
as this time.

With best wishes, I am



QMOMR 293
Gadsey, James E.
SN 34 191 625

Address Reply To
THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
Attention: Memorial Division

25 June 1947

Mrs. Ruby Gadsey
3503 Sandford Avenue
Nashville, Tennessee

Dear Mrs. Gadsey:

An inquiry has been received in this office from the Honorable J. Percy Priest, concerning your son, the late Technical Sergeant James E. Gadsey.

Although searching operations have been conducted in the area where your son was reported killed, burial information pertaining to him has not been received at the present time. In an effort to locate the remains of your loved one, a radiogram has been dispatched to the American Graves Registration Service in the European Area, requesting that a special investigation be conducted in the vicinity of the Elies River and the nearby cemeteries in Lorraine, France, and that the results of this investigation, together with all other pertinent information, be forwarded to this office.

You may be assured that no effort is being spared in the attempt to locate the remains of your loved one, and such effort will continue until every possible resource has been exhausted. When a report of interment is received for your son, you will be further advised.

May I again extend my sincere sympathy in your great loss.

Sincerely yours,

R. M. BAUKNIGHT
Lt. Colonel, USA
Memorial Division



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QMGMR 293
Gadsey, James E.
SN 34 191 625

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23 June 1947

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

TO: Commanding General
American Graves Registration Command
European Area
APO 58, c/o Postmaster
New York, New York

1. There is attached hereto OQMG 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>
Gadsey, James E.	Technical Sergeant	34 191 625

2. It is requested that information on the above deceased be furnished this office in accordance with provisions of Letter, The Adjutant General's Office, file AGAO-S 293.9 (27 Mar 47) D-M, Subject: Establishment of Boards of Review for Identification of Unknown Dead Overseas, dated 9 April 1947.

3. A Congressional inquiry has been received.

FOR THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL:

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Major, QMG
Memorial Division

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NAME (Last, First, Middle Initial)		GRADE	PRESENT SERIAL NUMBER	
GAGNEY, JAMES E.		7/SGT	36 131 605	
ORGANIZATION	RACE	CREED	FORMER SERIAL NUMBER (If applicable)	
Co. 1, 131st Infantry	White	Protestant		
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TO : AGWAR

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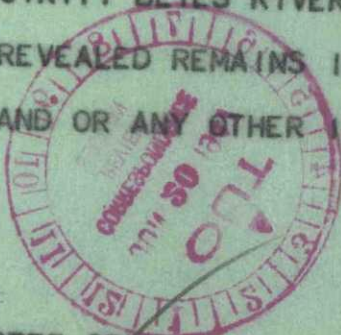
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world make it impossible at this time, to estimate when these forms will be mailed. Responses to them will be acted upon with a minimum of delay.

Please be assured that your feelings in this matter are fully appreciated.

FOR THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL:

Sincerely yours,

JAMES L. FRENN
Major, QMC
Assistant

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QMHG 293
Gadsey, James E.
SN 34 191 625

Address Reply To
THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
Attention: Memorial Division

7 August 1946

Mrs. Ruby Gadsey
3503 Sanford Avenue
Nashville, Tennessee

Dear Mrs Gadsey:

Your letter concerning your son, the late Technical Sergeant James E. Gadsey, has been received in this office.

It is regretted that no further information has been received in this office other than that furnished you in our letter dated 27 April 1946. You may be assured that upon receipt of information you will be promptly advised.

The War Department has now been authorized to remove, at Government expense, to the final resting place designated by the next of kin, the remains of those American citizens who died while serving overseas with our armed forces during this war.

When the necessary preliminaries have been completed, a letter with an information pamphlet and a "Request for Disposition" form attached will be sent to the next of kin of those American dead. The "Request for Disposition" form, when properly filled out, will constitute the formal expression of the next of kin's detailed desires. Since letters to next of kin will be dispatched automatically and according to the records here, communications with this office regarding this subject will not be necessary.

As you probably know, the supply of steel for the manufacture of caskets, is at present uncertain. Without this essential item, the movement of remains cannot properly be initiated. This fact and the necessity for complete coordination of movement in many parts of the

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3503 Sanford Avenue,
Nashville, Tennessee.

26 June 1946.

The Quartermaster General,
Washington 25, D. C.

Attn: Memorial Division.

Gentlemen:

293
My son, JAMES E. GADSEY, T/Sgt, 34 191 625, died 16 December 1944 while a member of Co "I", 134th Infantry Regt, 35th Infantry Division, APO 35, c/o PM, New York, N. Y. I have been informed that he was buried in Lorraine, France, name of cemetery unknown.

Request that his body be returned to the United States for burial. Funeral Director to officiate: Coleman C. Hessey Funeral Director, 2014 West End Avenue, Nashville, Tennessee.

Yours very truly,

Mrs Ruby Gadsey

Mrs. Ruby Gadsey (Mother).



*NO B.R. 46
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MRS. R. GADSEY*

3503 Bedford Avenue,
Nashville, Tennessee.

26 June 1946.

The Quartermaster General,
Washington 25, D. C.

Attn: Memorial Division.

Gentlemen:

My son, JAMES E. GADSDY, T/5, 3A 101 682, died 16 December 1943 while a member of Co "E", 128th Infantry Reg., 35th Infantry Division, APO 35, c/o HM, New York, N. Y. I have been informed that he was buried in Gournay, France, name of cemetery unknown.

Request that his body be returned to the United States for burial. General Director to officiate: Colonel G. Healey, Funeral Director, 3014 West End Avenue, Nashville, Tennessee.

Yours very truly,

Mrs. Ruby Gadsdy (Mother).



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3503 Sanford Avenue,
Nashville, Tennessee.

26 June 1946.

The Quartermaster General,
Washington 25, D. C.

Attn: Memorial Division.

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My son, JAMES E. GADSEY, T/Sgt, 34 191 625, died 16 December 1944 while a member of Co "F", 134th Infantry Regt, 35th Infantry Division, APO 35, c/o PM, New York, N. Y. - I have been informed that he was buried in Lorraine, France, name of cemetery unknown.

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Yours very truly,

Mrs Ruby Gadsey

Mrs. Ruby Gadsey (Mother).



SPQYG 293
Gadsey, James E.
SN 34 191 625

27 April 1946

Address Reply To
THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
Attention: Memorial Division

Mrs. Ruby Gadsey
3503 Sandford Avenue
Nashville, Tennessee

Dear Mrs. Gadsey:

Your letter concerning your son, the late Technical Sergeant James E. Gadsey, has been received in this office.

I regret that I must inform you that information concerning the burial of the remains of your son has not yet been received in this office. However, our Graves Registration Forces in the field are making a complete and thorough search of all areas over which our men fought. All available information such as enemy reports of death and burial, either captured or transmitted through the International Red Cross, results of interrogation of returned Prisoners, statements made by natives of the localities being searched, and reports submitted by Commanding Officers and fellow soldiers who were in the vicinity at the time of the fatality, are being used to implement their efforts. It is contemplated that all remains so recovered will be interred in established American Military Cemeteries pending the initiation of the Program of Repatriation. I sincerely hope that this intensive search will result in the discovery and the identification of your son's remains. Please be assured that when information is received that this is accomplished and his remains have been properly interred, you will be informed without delay.

FOR THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL:

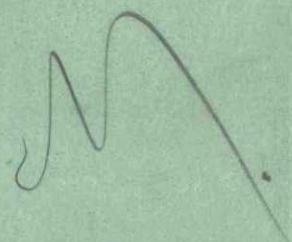
Sincerely yours,

WILLIAM E. REID
1st Lieut., QMC
Assistant

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Nashville Tenn
April 9, 1946

Grave Registration Service
Sirs.

Have you any
record of my son ²⁹³ 1st Sgt James E ^{3419 1st 25}
Gadsby who is killed in Germany
in Dec. 11, 1944. The no of his
grave or where he was buried
I do want to know. I was first
informed he was buried in Lorraine
France. later there was no record
if you have any please let me
know. I'll surely appreciate it.

Mrs Ruby Gadsby
3503 Sandford Ave Nashville

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SUBJECT: Reports of Interment.

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HQRS, AMERICAN GRAVES REGISTRATION COMMAND, EUROPEAN THEATER AREA, APO 887, U.S. ARMY, 20 February 1946.

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

1. This Headquarters has received no Reports of Interment for the following deceased, nor any records of isolated burials.

2. The only records concerning subjects deceased are A.G. Casualty Cards indicating:

S/Sgt. Abraham M. BLACKMAN, A.S.N. 32057116, KIA 25 July 1944

Pvt. Donald J. BAILL, A.S.N. 31408777, KIA 23 November 1944

X293 T/Sgt. ~~W~~ James E. GADSEY, A.S.N. 34191625, KIA 16 December 1944

Pfc. Basil M. COOK, A.S.N. 35777225, KIA 25 November 1944

Pvt. Irwin C. RAINY, A.S.N. 32545280, KIA 13 January 1945

2nd Lt. Leon W. REINHOLD, A.S.N. O-546719, KIA 17 December 1944

2nd Lt. I.O. HOLLOWAY, JR., A.S.N. O-1317633, KIA 17 December 1944

T/Sgt. Frederick T. WOLF, A.S.N. 36233230, KIA 14 May 1943

Pfc. Lester W. KINDER, A.S.N. 37268639, KIA 25 December 1944

Pvt. Ralph J. SPINOSE, A.S.N. 33587727, KIA 9 June 1944

Pvt. Clark M. HARMON, A.S.N. 33862001, KIA 5 October 1944

Pfc. Howard G. KRAPP, A.S.N. 33481964, KIA 8 November 1944

Cpl. Jarvis E. OFNER, A.S.N. 39256539, PDD 7 December 1945

1st Lt. Charles L. DIXON, A.S.N. O-1305216, PDD 20 December 1944

3. It is desired that all information available your office on evidence and exact location of death be forwarded this Headquarters so that investigation might be conducted.

FOR THE COMMANDING GENERAL:

DON B. MOHLER,
MAJOR, Q.M.C.,
Actg. Asst. Adj. Gen.

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Gadsey, James E.
S.N. 34 191 625

Address Reply To
THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
Attn: Memorial Division

17 January 1946

Mrs. Ruby Gadsey
2622 Nolensville Road
Nashville, Tennessee

Dear Mrs. Gadsey:

Your letter to the Theater Graves Registration Service overseas concerning your son, the late Technical Sergeant James E. Gadsey, has been referred to this office.

Upon checking our files it has been found that all the available information concerning the return of the remains of our military personnel was given to you in a letter from this office dated 18 October 1945.

It is regretted that the information concerning the burial of the remains of your son has not yet been received in this office. An inquiry is being made and you are assured that as soon as a report is received, you will be advised.

FOR THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL:

Sincerely yours,

JAMES L. PRENN
Major, QMC
Assistant

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ARMY SERVICE FORCES
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON 25, D. C.

SPQYG 293

Gadsey, James E.
S.N. 34 191 625

17 January 1946

SUBJECT: Report of Burial

TO: Commanding General, American Graves Registration Service
European Theater Area
APO 887, Versailles, France
c/o Postmaster, New York, New York

1. Request that a Report of Burial, if completed, or other currently available information be furnished concerning the following named decedent for whom no report is on hand in this office:

NAME: Gadsey, James E. DATE OF DEATH: 16 Dec 44
RANK: Technical Sergeant PLACE OF DEATH: European Area
SERIAL NO.: 34 191 625

2. The following information has been received in this office which may aid in the location and recovery of his remains:

The individual named in this report of death is held by the War Department to have been in a missing in action status from 16 December 1944 until such absence was terminated on 9 March 1945, when evidence considered sufficient to establish the fact of death was received by the Secretary of War from a Commander in the European Area.

Sergeant Gadsey, 34 191 625, was killed in action in Germany. This information was received in a letter from the mother.

3. If no Report of Burial is on hand, it is requested that this office be furnished the approximate time during which the particular area where his remains are believed to be located will be searched.

FOR THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL:

JAMES L. PRENN
Major, QMG
Assistant

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SPQYG 293
Gadsey, James E. *en*
S.N. 34 191 625

12 December 1945

Address Reply To
THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
Attention: Memorial Division

Mrs. Ruby Gadsey
2622 Nolensville Road
Nashville, Tennessee

Dear Mrs. Gadsey:

Your letter concerning your son, has been received in this office.

It is regretted that information about your son is not available at this time. When this information is received a reply to your letter will be forwarded without delay.

FOR THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL:

Sincerely yours,

JAMES L. PRENN
Major, QMG
Assistant

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MAIL & RECORDS BRANCH

MEMORIAL DIVISION
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Answer Original Letter

Nashville Tenn

Sept 20, 1945

Theater. Grave Registration Service

Sirs.

My Son
34191625
~~34141925~~

~~Sgt. James E. Gadsby~~

~~Co. D. 134 Inf was killed in
Germany on 14. day of Dec. and~~

I have never received the no
of his grave or where he was
buried. If you can give me
any information on that I would
appreciate as I do want his body
brought back to me.

Thanks

Mrs Ruby Gadsby
2422 Nolensville Rd
Nashville Tenn.



SUSPEND SLIP

It is requested that the attached file be returned to:

NAME *Mr. Taylor*

DIVISION *News* BRANCH *3*

SECTION *Co* ROOM NO. & BLDG. *1118*

RETURNED HEREWITH ~~18 Nov 45~~
DATE INITIALS

If further suspense is necessary, please indicate below

RESUSPEND TO ~~30 Nov 45~~ *11/10*

RESUSPEND TO *10 January 1946* *11/10*

RESUSPEND TO

If no further suspense is necessary, please check here and initial.

HEADQUARTERS ARMY SERVICE FORCES
MEMO ROUTING SLIP

TO THE FOLLOWING IN ORDER INDICATED:

	NAME OR TITLE	ORGANIZATION	BUILDING AND ROOM	INITIALS
1	EFFECTS QUARTERMASTER	ARMY EFFECTS BUREAU	KANSAS CITY 1, MISSOURI	DATE
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For necessary action.

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2- Incl.

Cy ltr dtd 18 Oct 45

Cy ltr dtd 17 Sept 45

Orig. fwd. to K. C. by this office, C1B

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FROM:	NAME	ORGANIZATION	BUILDING AND ROOM	DATE
	MEMORIAL DIVISION, PLANNING & REGISTRATION BRANCH, TEMPO "C" WASHINGTON 25, D. C.			18 Oct 45
				TELEPHONE

W. D., A. G. O. Form 0115
1 October 1944

This Form supersedes W. D., A. G. O. Form 0115, 23 March 1944,
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SPQYG 293
Gadsey, James E.
S.N. 34 191 625 ^{ew}

18 October 1945

Mrs. Rubie Gadsey
2622 Nolensville Road
Nashville 11, Tennessee

Dear Mrs. Gadsey:

Acknowledgment is made of your letter requesting information concerning your son, the late Technical Sergeant James E. Gadsey.

It is regretted to have to advise you that up to the present time, information pertaining to the burial of the remains of your son has not been received in this office. An inquiry will be made to ascertain information regarding the remains of all our deceased military personnel where burial information has not been received. Upon completion of this inquiry, you will be advised as to the results.

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

FOR THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL:

Sincerely yours,

JAMES L. PRENN
Major, QMC
Assistant

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MEMORIAL DIVISION
OCT 18 1945

Sept 17 1945
Nashville Tenn

Army Service Force.

Sirs.

My son was killed
in Germany the 14 day of Dec.
and I have never received any
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how to go about getting it back.
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no of his grave and cemetery.
and just what to do about getting
his body back.

Thanks.

Mrs Rubie Gadsby
2422 Nolensville Rd
Nashville 11 Tenn

MEMORIAL DIVISION
GRAVES REGISTRATION SECTION
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REGISTER OF DENTAL PATIENTS AT

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Gadsey, James E. (34191725)

(3) RANK (4) COMPANY (5) REGIMENT OR STAFF CORPS
Pvt. A 5th Tng. Bn.

(6) AGE, YEARS (7) RACE (8) NATIVITY (9) SERVICE, YEARS
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(10) DISEASE OR INJURY WITH LOCATION, OPERATIONS, SEQUELAE, ETC.	(11) DATES AND NATURE OF TREATMENTS AND OPERATIONS	(12) RESULTS AND REMARKS
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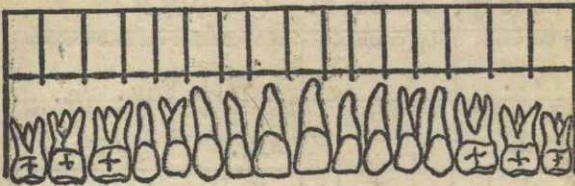
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*REPORT OF DENTAL SURVEY

UPPER TEETH

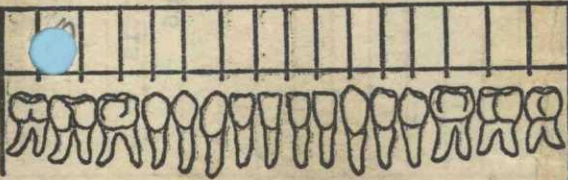
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Dental foci suspected: Yes No

Other conditions O.H.

gingivitis

Date 3-25, 1942

J.S.M.

Dental Corps, U. S. A.

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Nonrestorable carious teeth by /
Missing natural teeth by X

Teeth replaced by denture (horizontal line)

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

REPORT OF DEATH

DATE 24 Mar. 45 vdr

FULL NAME Gadsey James E.		ARMY SERIAL NUMBER 34 191 625	GRADE T Sg.										
HOME ADDRESS Nashville Tennessee		ARM OR SERVICE Infantry	DATE OF BIRTH 17 May 19										
PLACE OF DEATH European Area	CAUSE OF DEATH Killed in action		DATE OF DEATH 16 Dec. 44										
STATION OF DECEASED European Area	DATE OF ENTRY ON CURRENT ACTIVE SERVICE 5 Mar. 42	LENGTH OF SERVICE FOR PAY PURPOSES YEARS MONTHS DAYS											
EMERGENCY ADDRESSEE (NAME, RELATIONSHIP & ADDRESS) Mrs. Ruby C. Gadsey (Mother) 2622 Nolensville Road Nashville Tennessee													
BENEFICIARY (NAME, RELATIONSHIP & ADDRESS) Mrs. Ruby C. Gadsey (Mother) Same as above Mr. Edward Wekly Gadsey (Father) Same as above													
INVESTIGATION MADE?		IN LINE OF DUTY		OWN MISCONDUCT		WAS DECEASED ON DUTY STATUS		AUTHORIZED ABSENCE		IN FLYING PAY STATUS		OTHER PAY STATUS (SPECIFY BELOW)	
YES	NO	YES	NO	YES	NO	YES	NO	YES	NO	YES	NO	YES	NO
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ADDITIONAL DATA AND/OR STATEMENT

* Combat Infantryman (BATTLE NON-BATTLE)
 (Source and date of order will be furnished when received)

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		A. G. 201 FILE

BY ORDER OF THE SECRETARY OF WAR.

[Signature]

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ADJUTANT GENERAL

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THE ADJUTANT GENERAL'S OFFICE
WASHINGTON 25. D. C.

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—BATTLE CASUALTY REPORT

NAME			SERIAL NUMBER			GRADE		ARM OR SERVICE		REPORTING THEATRE	
GADSEY JAMES E			34191625			T SG		INF		ETO	
PLACE OF CASUALTY			DATE OF CASUALTY			FLYING OR JUMPING STAT		TYPE OF CASUALTY		SHIPMENT NUMBER	
GERMANY9			DAY	MONTH	YEAR	V		MIA		292	

NAME AND ADDRESS OF EMERGENCY ADDRESSEE

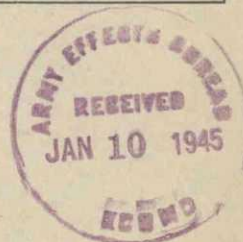
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MR.-MRS.-MISS-FIRST NAME-MIDDLE INITIAL-LAST NAME			RELATIONSHIP			DATE NOTIFIED		
MRS RUBY C GADSEY			MOTHER			4 JAN 45 olg		

NO. AND NAME OF STREET-CITY-STATE
2622 NOLENSVILLE ROAD NASHVILLE TENNESSEE

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 *[Signature]* REVIEWED BY *[Signature]*

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

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1	EFFECTS QUARTERMASTER ARMY EFFECTS BUREAU			
2	KANSAS CITY 1, MISSOURI			
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For necessary action.

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Cy ltr dtd 18 Oct 45
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FROM:	NAME	ORGANIZATION	BUILDING AND ROOM	DATE
	MEMORIAL DIVISION, PLANNING & REGISTRATION BRANCH, TEMPO "C" WASHINGTON 25, D. C.			18 Oct 45
				TELEPHONE

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SPQIG 293
Gadsey, James E.
S.N. 34 191 625

18 October 1945

INQUIRY CLERK

Mrs. Rubie Gadsey
2622 Nolensville Road
Nashville 11, Tennessee

Dear Mrs. Gadsey:

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FOR THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL:

Sincerely yours,

JAMES L. PRENN
Major, QMC
Assistant

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SP203
Gadsby, James E.
S. H. 21 1st St

10 October 1915

TECHNICAL
Mrs. Julia Gadsby
2022 Nolensville Road
Nashville 11, Tennessee

Dear Mrs. Gadsby:

Acknowledgment is made of your letter requesting information concerning your son, the late Technical Sergeant James E. Gadsby.

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FOR THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL:

Sincerely yours,

JAMES I. PENN
Major, GPO
Assistant

Stamp: CITY, MO. OCT 21 1915

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September 17, 1945

Army Service Force

Sirs:

My son was killed in Germany the 16 day of Dec in Germany and I never have received any of his personal belongings or ~~know of where~~ no of his grave or what cemetery he was buried. I do want his body brought back and dont know how to go about getting it back and please let me know the no of his grave and cemetery and just what to about getting his body back.

Thanks

Mrs. Rubie Gadsey
2622 Nolensville Road
Nashville 11, Tennessee

September 17, 1945

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Thanks

Mrs. Rubie Gadsby
2022 Nolensville Road
Nashville 11, Tennessee

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NASHVILLE, TENN.
OCT 22 1945

Summary Court-Martial
ARMY SERVICE FORCES
KANSAS CITY QUARTERMASTER DEPOT
601 Hardesty Avenue
Kansas City 1, Missouri

Case No. 339616
JRM: BH: oc
Date 23 October 1945

SUBJECT: Report of transactions in disposing of the effects of

James E. Gadsey, 34191625 late a
(Name of deceased) (Army Serial Number)
Technical Sergeant, Infantry who died
(Grade) (Organization, Army or Service)
on the 16 day of December, 19 44, at European Area

TO : The Adjutant General, War Department 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:

a. No legal representative or widow of decedent being present at decedents 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. none.)

c. Decedent owed undisputed local creditors the sum of \$ none, which has been paid by the Summary Court-Martial from funds of decedent. (See inclosed receipt none, Incl none)

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 October 1945, pursuant to Special Orders 228, Headquarters, KCQM Depot, dated 25 September 1943, the application or affidavit of

Mrs. Ruby C. Gadsey 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,

Edward Wekly Gadsey
(Name of person found entitled)
2622 Nolensville Road, Nashville State of
(Number, Street or Avenue) (City, Town or Village)
Tennessee, is the Father of the
(Relationship or Capacity)
receive his or her effects.

337.616 *mb*

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BOOKS	BRUSHES	PEN, FOUNTAIN
BRACELET, IDENT.	CASE	PHOTOS
CAMERAS	CLOTH, WASH	PIPES
CLOTHING	COATS	RINGS
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RIBBONS, DECORATION	GLASSES	SOCKS, PR.
SHORT SNORTER	GLOVES, PR.	STATIONERY
SOUVENIR MONEY	HANDKERCHIEFS	TIES
SOUVENIRS	HEADWEAR	TOBACCO
TESTAMENTS	JACKETS	TOILET ARTICLES
TOWELS & WASHCLOTHS	KITS	TOWELS
U. S. MONEY (AMOUNT)	KNIVES	TROUSERS, PR.
WATCH	LETTERS	TRUNKS, PR.
WINGS	LIGHTERS	UNDERWEAR

CONTAINERS ADDRESSED TO

Ruby C. Gadsey
2622 Nolensville Rd.
Nashville Tenn

INFORMATION

Ruby C. Gadsey
2622 Nolensville Rd.
Nashville Tenn

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		REMITTER OR DRAWER	

TALLY NO. ORIG. NO. OF PKGS. EXAMINING DATE *15 Oct 45* BOX #

NAME *JAMES E*

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SHORTAGES

U. S. GOV'T CHECK SHOR.

NUMBER
DATE
SYMBOL
AMOUNT

I certify that the above items were not in the containers inventoried by me.

INVENTORY CLERK

SUPERVISOR

G. I. REMOVED

REVERSE SIDE

NAME GADSEY, JAMES E T SGT 1625

BAY	PALLET	BOX	TALLY
11	4	8	3414

TYPE OF PKG.	WHSE. SPACE	INVENTORIED
PKG		

ARMY SERVICE FORCES
ARMY EFFECTS BUREAU

ORDER FOR SHIPMENT

SHIP TO: Edward Wekly Gadsey
2622 Nolensville Road
Nashville, Tennessee

Effects of:
Name T/Sgt. James E. Gadsey

ASN 34191625

Case No. 339616

Wt.

DATE October 23, 1945

RTB: BH: oc

FOR: 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.

REMARKS

SHIP DAMAGED ITEM

Franked _____
Est. Exp. Chgs. _____
Est. Frt. Chgs. _____
No. of package _____

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Shipping Clerk

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~~RESTRICTED~~
INVENTORY FORM

Classification changed
to Restricted per
AR 30-1815
Jm off
30 Mar 1950

1 March 1945
(Date)

SUBJECT: Inventory of Personal Effects of Gadsey
(Last Name)

James E T/3rd 34121625
(First Name) (MI) (Rank) (ASN)

TO: Effects Quartermaster, Communication Zone, APO# 817, US Army.

The above named individual of Company I 154th Infantry
(Unit) (Organization)
was reported Missing in Action about 16 December 1944.
(Status)

Designated Beneficiary if information readily accessible

Ruby C. Gadsey (Mother), 2622 Nolensville Road, Nashville, Tenn.

INVENTORY OF EFFECTS

- 1-Wallet ✓
- 1-Pipe ✓
- 1-Wrist Watch, Lunex ✓
- French Currency, ~~12~~ 100 Francs, value, Two Dollars, Souvenir ✓
- Misc Photographs
- 1-Diary ✓

Money in the amount of None has been turned in to _____
(Name Of _____
Form WDED 30 inclos

(Name of officer and symbol number)

(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 Truck on 21 Mar 1945 194
(Mail, Truck etc.)

Dist:

- 1 copy Unit CO for SR
- 1 copy to Effects QM
Communications Zone
- 1 copy in Container with Effects
- 1 copy retained

Name Walter B Osborn
Rank & ASN Private, G-3697
Organization 154th Inf

Any additional pertinent information:

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339616 ✓

RTB:BN:cc
October 23, 1945

Mr. Edward Wekly Gadsey ✓
2622 Nolensville Road ✓
Nashville, Tennessee ✓

Dear Mr. Gadsey:

The Army Effects Bureau has received from overseas some personal effects of your son, Technical Sergeant James E. Gadsey.

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 decedent's legal residence.

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

Yours very truly,

HARRY NIEMIEC
2nd Lt., QMC
Chief, Correspondence Branch

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RTB:MSL:gs
October 8, 1945

Mrs. Ruby C. Gadsey ✓
2622 Nolensville Road ✓
Nashville, Tennessee ✓

Dear Mrs. Gadsey:

Your inquiry directed to the Quartermaster General has been referred to the Army Effects Bureau for reply in connection with the personal effects of your son, Technical Sergeant James E. Gadsey. ✓

I am sorry to report that the Army Effects Bureau has not yet received any of his property. It is reasonable to assume, however, that his belongings ultimately will reach here, as all War Department agencies have instructions to forward the personal effects of military personnel to this Bureau for disposition. ✓
Transportation delays generally are encountered in delivery of effects, and considerable time should be allowed for the return of property from overseas.

Promptly upon receipt here of any of your son's belongings, disposal action will be taken. ✓

Yours very truly,

HARRY NIEMIEC
2nd Lt., QMC
Chief, Correspondence Branch

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HEADQUARTERS, ARMY SERVICE FORCES

MEMO ROUTING SLIP

TO THE FOLLOWING IN ORDER INDICATED:

	NAME OR TITLE	ORGANIZATION	BUILDING AND ROOM	INITIALS
1	EFFECTS QUARTERMASTER	ARMY EFFECTS BUREAU		DATE
2				
3				

For necessary action.

Pierce
PIERCE J

2Incl.

cpy ltr dtd 17 September 1945

cc ltr e/d

FROM:	NAME	ORGANIZATION	BUILDING AND ROOM	DATE
	MEMORIAL DIVISION, PLANNING & REGISTRATION BRANCH, TEMPO "C" WASHINGTON 25, D. C.			3 Oct 1945
				TELEPHONE
				mh

W. D., A. G. O. Form 0115
1 October 1944This Form supersedes W. D., A. G. O. Form 0115, 23 March 1944,
which may be used until existing stocks are exhausted.

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INQUIRY CLERK

Sept 17, 1945

Nashville, Tenn.

Army Service Force

Sirs:

My son was killed in Germany the 16 day of Dec. and I have never received any of his personal belongings or no. of his grave or what cemetery he was buried. I do want his body brought back and don't know how to go about getting it back. and please let me know the no. of his grave and cemetery. and just what to do about getting his body back.

Thanks.

Mrs. Rubie Gadsey

2622 Nolensville Rd

Nashville 11 Tenn

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THOMAS GLENN

COPY

Sept 17, 1945

Nashville, Tenn.

Army Service Force

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Thanks.

Mrs. Imbie Gagey

3823 Jefferson Rd

Nashville 11 Tenn

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
CITY NO. 5460
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SPQYG 295
Gadsey, James E.
S.N. 34191625

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INQUIRY CLERK

3 October 1945

Mrs. Rabie Gadsey
2622 Nolensville Road
Nashville 11, Tennessee

Dear Mrs. Gadsey:

Receipt is acknowledged of your letter requesting information concerning your son, the late Technical Sergeant James E. Gadsey.

It is regretted to have to advise you that up to the present time, information pertaining to the burial of the remains of your son has not been received in this office. An inquiry is being made to ascertain information regarding the remains of all our deceased military personnel where burial information has not been received. Upon completion of this inquiry, you will be advised as to the results.

It is anticipated by the War Department that Congress will authorize the return of the bodies of those who have died overseas in the Service of their Country to a final resting place as selected by the next of kin. Upon receipt of such authority, the War Department through this office, will furnish full information to the proper of kin and solicit their desires.

In view of the fact that the Army Effects Bureau, Kansas Quartermaster Depot, Kansas City 1, Missouri, has been designated to receive and ship the personal effects of our military personnel who die outside the United States, a copy of your letter has been forwarded to that office for a direct reply to you.

This office wishes to extend its deepest sympathy to you and your son.

FOR THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL:

Sincerely yours

M. V. TURNER
Colonel, QMC
Assistant

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1 October 1953

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Mr. J. Edgar Hoover
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Hoover:

I am pleased to hear of your interest in the information concerning your son, the late Technical Sergeant James E. Gandy.

It is regretted we have no advice for you at the present time, information pertaining to the status of the remains of your son has not been received in this office. An inquiry is being made to ascertain information regarding the location of all our deceased military personnel whose burial information has not been received. Your cooperation in this inquiry, you will be advised as the results are received.

It is anticipated by the War Department that Congress will authorize the return of the bodies of those who have died overseas in the service of their country to a final resting place as requested by the next of kin. Upon receipt of such authority, the War Department through this office, will furnish full information to the proper authorities and advise their status.

In view of the fact that the Army Medical Service, Kansas City, Missouri, has been advised of our military personnel who have died overseas, a copy of your letter has been forwarded to that office for a direct reply to you.

This office wishes to express its appreciation for your interest in the remains of your son.

FOR THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL

Sincerely yours,

W. V. TUNNEY
Colonel, GPO
Assistant

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