

293 PALETTA, JOSEPH F.

PVT. ( 32-797-719) EUROPEAN AREA ( N.Y. )

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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)

PALETTA JOSEPH F

RANK

SERIAL NUMBER

PVT

32797179

ARM OF SERVICE

ARMY

DATE OF DEATH

AREA OF DEATH

10 OCT 44

FRANCE

NAME OF AUDITOR

DATE

M. COX

11 APR 51

NAME OF REVIEWER

DATE

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REMARKS

**CONTROLLED CASE**

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PALETTA, Joseph F.		Pvt	32 797 179
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VA DISTRICT OFFICE #2  
346 BROADWAY  
NEW YORK NEW YORK

FROM WARDLE REPATRIATION BRANCH REFERENCE PVT JOSEPH F PALETTA XC 3811797. ADVISE  
BY COLLECT TELEGRAM CURRENT ADDRESS OF WIDOW AND HER MARITAL STATUS AND CURRENT  
ADDRESS OF PARENTS

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OFFICE 533  
DIVISION OF INVESTIGATION

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR  
J. C. [Signature]

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MEM LOBK, MEM LOBK  
MR BUCHANAN  
AT MEMORIAL OFFICE 533

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QMGMF 293  
Paletta, Joseph F.  
SN 32 797 719

26 March 1951

Mr. and Mrs. Vincent Paletta  
Apartment 21  
507 West 175th Street  
New York, New York

Dear Mr. and Mrs. Paletta:

Several years have elapsed since the cessation of hostilities of World War II, which cost the life of your son, the late Private Joseph F. Paletta.

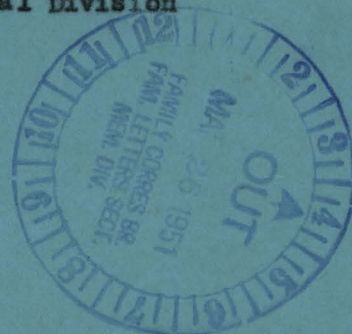
It is with deep regret that your Government finds it necessary to inform you that further search and investigation have failed to reveal the whereabouts of your son's remains. Since all efforts to recover and/or identify his remains have failed, it has been necessary to declare that his remains are not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

ep/lis  
cc: DPRB  
mailed direct



MAR 26 5 13 PM '51  
Q. O. M. G.  
MAIL ROOM

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### CORRESPONDENCE ACTION SHEET

PREVIOUS BURIAL LOCATION (Cemetery and Country)	PLOT	ROW	GRAVE
PRESENT BURIAL LOCATION (Cemetery and Country)	PLOT	ROW	GRAVE

ADDRESSEE MR. and Vincent Palotta MISS MRS.	ADDRESS (Street, City, State) Apartment 21 507 West 175 <sup>th</sup> street New York, New York
RELATIONSHIP Parents	

PARAGRAPHS (Sequence)	ADDITIONAL DATA — MODIFICATIONS
110 A	
110 B	
110 C	
	cc: DPRB

NAME OF DECEDENT (Last, First, Middle)  
Palotta, Joseph F.

GRADE  
Rt

SERIAL NUMBER  
32 797 719

ANALYST INITIALS AND DATE LS 21 March 51	TYPIST INITIALS	REVIEWER INITIALS AND DATE
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FM DIRECTOR CLAIMS SERVICE VETERANS ADMINISTRATION DISTRICT OFFICE  
NEWYORK NY

TO OQMG MEMORIAL DIV WASHDC

VETS GRNC

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ATTN WARDLE/ URTEL 201845Z PVT JOSEPH F PALETTA XC 3811797 ADDRESS  
OF REMARRIED WIDOW AUDREY PALETTA HONOHAN IS 1815 UNIVERSITY AVE BRONX  
NEWYORK PD PARENTS MARY AND VINCENT PALETTA RESIDED IN 1945 AT  
507 W 175TH ST NEWYORK NY PD

CFN 201845Z F XC 3811797 1815 1945 507 W 175TH

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*Repat.*

## REQUEST FOR INFORMATION

TO: <i>PENTAGON LIAISON SECTION, MEMORIAL DIVISION</i>		DATE 19 March 1951	
FROM ( <i>Branch and Section</i> ) Repat Br., Corres. Section	REQUESTED BY E. Puthorosky	TEL. EXT. 54428	ROOM NO. 2519-B
NAME OF DECEDENT ( <i>Last, First, Middle Initial</i> ) Paletta, Joseph F.	RANK Pvt	SERIAL NUMBER 32 797 719	

## INFORMATION REQUIRED

Current address and marital status of widow

## INFORMATION FURNISHED

by phone - Miss Hughes - QM Liaison

XC - 3 811 797

DO - # 2

No info. in folder

PENTAGON LIAISON SECTION OFFICER (*Signature*)

5 March 45 - ltr. fr. mother requesting burial info.  
22 May 45 - OQMG Reply - no B/R  
APRIL 48 - ltr. fr. mother requesting burial info  
13 April 48 - OQMG Reply - no info

Short ltr

called  
on 15  
March  
1945

Marital status of Widow

15 March  
57

45

NON-RECOVERABLE REMAINS REEXAMINATION RECORDS

AREA OF DEATH European, vicinity of Ajoncourt, France		CASE NUMBER 15163
NAME (Last, First, Middle Initial) 293 Paletta, Joseph F.	RANK Pvt	SERIAL NUMBER 32 797 719

IN THE COURSE OF THIS REEXAMINATION IT HAS BEEN DETERMINED THAT THE CIRCUMSTANCES OF DEATH WERE SUCH THAT: (Check appropriate box)

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

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

REMARKS

NAN FILE  
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 MAR 13 1951  
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 IDENTIFICATION BRANCH

RECOMMEND APPROVAL		APPROVED	DATE
NAME OF CASE ANALYST E. Miller	CASE REVIEWER, FINAL DETERMINATION SECTION	CHIEF, FINAL DETERMINATION SECTION MARY A. EDWARDS 1st Lt., QMC	MAR 13 1951

**NON-RECOVERABLE CASE  
RECORD OF REVIEW AND APPROVAL**

CASE NUMBER 15163 (1)

AREA OR ZONE(S)  
European

NAME (Last, First, Middle Initial)  
Paletta, Joseph F.

RANK  
Pvt

SERIAL NUMBER  
32 797 719

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)	ASK	2. a. REPORT OF DEATH <del>REPORTING OF DEATH</del> <del>STATUS REVIEW &amp; DETERMINATION</del>	ASK
3. A - Z FILE OF KNOWN INTERMENTS IN U.S. MILITARY CEMETERIES, ISOLATED LOCATIONS, AND SEA BURIALS	ASK	4. GEOGRAPHICAL CLUE INDEX FILE OF UNKNOWN RECOVERED FROM APPROPRIATE AREA	ASK
5. ALPHABETICAL INDEX OF "BELIEVED TO BE" AND TENTATIVELY IDENTIFIED UNKNOWN	ASK	6. ALPHABETICAL FILE OF FORMER UNKNOWN NOW IDENTIFIED	ASK
7. OTHER DOCUMENTS OR SOURCES	None		ASK

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:

NAN  
FILE

MAR 13 1951

Killed in action 10 October 1944 in the vicinity of Ajoncourt, France

IDENTIFICATION BRANCH

NAME OF CASE ANALYST  
A. Kennedy/cwt

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

RECOMMEND APPROVAL		APPROVED	DATE
CASE REVIEWER, FINAL DETERMINATION SECTION W. A. WOLF	CHIEF, FINAL DETERMINATION SECTION MARY A. EDWARDS, 1/Lt QMC	CHIEF, IDENTIFICATION BRANCH THOMAS E. COX, Capt QMC	MAR 12 1951

15163

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

EDWARD D. MULVANI, Lt. Col. 0-359598, QMC	s/ James C. MacFarland JAMES C. MacFARLAND, Major, 0-1576321 QMC
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s/ George Gunderman, Jr. GEORGE GUNDERMAN, JR Major, 0-1289071	CLYDE W. STEINSTEK, Capt, 0-1040311, QMC
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LEWIS A. McAMIS, Capt, 0-1543042, MSC/QMC	JOHN M. NEFF, Capt. 0-1055924, QMC
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s/ Allan L. Lawson, ALLAN L. LAWSON, Capt, 0-1288075, QMC	ROBERT W. GANSEL, 1/Lt, 0-1599085, QMC
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JOHN A. BOUTIN, 2/Lt 0-947298, QMC	
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A TRUE COPY:

*Robert G. Lay*

ROBERT G. LAY
Maj QMC

Morici, Louis A.	Pvt	32 796 502	10 Oct 44
Nash, Willie G.	Pvt	34 899 335	8 Sep 44
Nemiccola, Anthony (NMI)	Pvt	32 637 746	10 Oct 44
Paletta, Joseph F.	Pvt	32 797 179	10 Oct 44
Paschall, Quillione R.	Pfc	34 979 034	8 Jan 45
Pfeiffer, Albert J.	Pfc	32 750 453	8 Nov 44
Pollard, Oscar	Pfc	35 681 500	10 Oct 44
Ponsone, John (NMI)	Pfc	34 192 303	10 Sep 44
Pruitt, Orval B.	Pvt	38 440 765	24 Nov 44
Pulkas, Walter W.	Pvt	36 456 254	1 Jan 45
Richter, Herbert R.	Pvt	20 229 636	13 Dec 44
Risoli, Samuel G.	S/Sgt	32 112 032	10 Sep 44
Roelfs, Harm A.	Pvt	36 058 741	25 Sep 44
Rosa, Dominio T.	Pvt	31 440 318	26 Sep 44
Ruffolo, Jennie (NMI)	Pvt	36 214 242	10 Sep 44
Santos, John C.	Cpl	19 133 953	21 Dec 44
Schlamp, Raymond U.	Pfc	36 227 835	11 Sep 44
Schue, George E.	Pfc	33 843 335	17 Nov 44
Shenk, Charles W.	S/Sgt	33 154 539	20 Sep 44
Siple, Clayton L.	Pfc	36 168 398	13 Jan 45
Skaar, Robert L.	Pvt	36 845 252	10 Mar 45
Slankard, Evan (NMI)	T/4	37 010 778	18 Sep 44
Slinkard, Von O.	Pfc	37 607 293	28 Dec 44
Smith, Albert A.	Pvt	6 277 121	16 Oct 44
Smith, Ira L.	Sgt	37 213 150	18 Nov 44
Smith, James S.	T/Sgt	6 985 951	11 Sep 44
Smith, Paul A.	Pvt	34 827 976	10 Oct 44
Smolinski, Leo E.	Pfc	32 796 578	10 Oct 44
Spear, Harold H.	T/Sgt	36 103 576	10 Sep 44
Standridge, Wendell F.	Pvt	35 927 044	10 Sep 44
Sullivan, John P.	Pfc	32 847 571	5 Sep 44
Taylor, Joseph W.	Pfc	34 573 608	21 Sep 44
Tew, Charles R.	Pvt	34 912 164	12 Nov 44
Thornton, Robert L.	S/Sgt	34 573 833	1 Jan 45
Tommassone, Edward E.	Pfc	36 643 937	8 Sep 44
Underwood, Wilburn T.	Pfc	34 269 379	10 Sep 44
Valdez, Joe M.	T/5	18 119 800	16 Sep 44
Wells, Thomas H.	Maj	0 392 480	19 Sep 44
Wenzel, Peter H.	T/5	32 747 445	10 Oct 44
West, Robert D.	S/Sgt	6 345 808	18 Sep 44
Wilkins, Joe J.	Pvt	19 018 654	12 Nov 44
Williams, Evan (NMI)	S/Sgt	6 393 665	19 Sep 44
Williams, Gomer (NMI)	Pvt	33 113 760	10 Sep 44
Williams, James L.	Pfc	36 568 028	10 Sep 44
Willis, Robert W.	Pfc	37 357 968	19 Dec 44
Wirtz, Matthew (NMI)	1/Lt	01 287 638	10 Sep 44
Wright, James E.	1/Lt	0 402 766	10 Sep 44
Young, John F.	Pfc	37 516 472	10 Mar 45
Zahradnik, Henry E.	Pfc	32 605 630	10 Oct 44
Zalac, Michael J., Jr.	Sgt	36 813 035	10 Sep 44

The Roster Received from Field Board is filed in 293 File of  
ADDABBO, Joseph J., Pvt, 32 847 803.

PLACE OF DEATH  
Moselle, France

ROSTER TO ACCOMPANY NON-SPECIFIC BOARD  
FINDINGS OF NONRECOVERABILITY  
TO ACCOMPANY PROCEEDINGS OF BOARD OF REVIEW

<u>NAME</u>	<u>RANK</u>	<u>SERIAL NO.</u>	<u>DATE KIA OR MIA</u>
Adabro, Joseph J.	Pvt	32 847 803	5 Sep 44
Bates, Charlie (NMI)	T/5	38 286 573	1 Jan 45
Battin, Harold A.	Pfc	37 364 691	15 Mar 45
Binder, Howard A.	Pvt	39 305 680	10 Oct 44
Black, James W.	Pfc	33 837 051	1 Jan 45
Bonds, Alfred B.	Pfc	42 012 457	8 Nov 44
Brazowski, Joseph (NMI)	Pfc	31 255 517	15 Mar 45
Bulin, Edward J.	Pvt	32 796 939	10 Oct 44
Bundrock, William J., Jr.	Pvt	39 622 035	10 Oct 44
Busby, Woodrow W.	Pvt	34 392 872	14 Nov 44
Castilone, Stephen J.	Pvt	42 091 109	22 Nov 44
Cerny, Jaro J.	Pfc	35 921 362	14 Oct 44
Clark, Charles E.	Pvt	32 783 174	10 Oct 44
Clement, Alfred J.	Pfc	36 227 750	8 Sep 44
Clement, Laurent H.	Sgt	37 542 237	12 Jan 45
Collino, Dominic P.	Pfc	35 835 516	2 Jan 45
Crawford, James W.	S/Sgt	34 254 893	8 Sep 44
Crews, Robert A.	Pfc	34 771 711	15 Oct 44
Cullison, Thomas J.	1/Lt	01 318 765	10 Sep 44
Deneen, Jerome C.	Pfc	36 227 925	8 Sep 44
Eaton, James A.	S/Sgt	32 855 293	12 Nov 44
Erardi, Joseph, Jr.	Pvt	32 254 567	15 Sep 44
Finlay, Robin L.	S/Sgt	37 071 020	17 Dec 44
Fisher, Syphes B.	Cpl	20 817 194	2 Jan 45
Fisher, Willard C.	Sgt	39 339 014	16 Sep 44
Fortuna, Andrew J.	Pfc	33 843 709	8 Feb 45
Foy, Lloyd (NMI)	Pvt	34 253 686	10 Sep 44
Gagnier, Camille (NMI)	Pfc	31 334 319	15 Mar 45
Garvey, Thomas F., II	Pfc	33 888 119	17 Feb 45
Gaulton, John H.	Cpl	32 796 280	10 Oct 44
Gebhards, Harry A.	Pfc	36 052 118	8 Sep 44
Goddard, Merrill J.	Pfc	14 140 023	14 Nov 44
Gopfert, Arthur C.	Pfc	31 468 492	14 Jan 45
Halloran, William F.	Pfc	32 257 356	9 Sep 44
Hamilton, Woodrow W.	Pfc	39 604 664	23 Nov 44
Harris, Ralph (NMI)	Pvt	36 024 001	11 Sep 44
Hatch, Stewart H.	Pfc	31 301 636	1 Jan 45
Hayslett, Clinton F.	T/5	15 056 320	24 Nov 44
Hill, Edgar W.	Pvt	31 269 360	8 Sep 44
Holl, Richard L.	Pfc	35 064 223	31 Dec 44
Hunt, Orville (NMI)	Pfc	16 006 889	9 Sep 44
Johnson, Ervin N.	Pfc	35 896 040	10 Nov 44
Johnson, Rodger E.	Pvt	34 875 393	18 Sep 44
Kesley, Thomas F.	Pfc	33 592 142	10 Nov 44
Kiger, Earl W.	Pfc	36 228 224	10 Sep 44
Knotts, Herbert C.	Pvt	42 082 759	10 Sep 44
Krepfia, Jerry J.	Cpl	32 796 241	10 Oct 44
Lalopa, Frank (NMI)	Pfc	32 736 269	9 Sep 44
Laskowski, Anthony A.	Pvt	33 844 226	10 Oct 44
Lloyd, Maurice E.	Pfc	36 774 991	1 Jan 45
Maguire, John O.	Pvt	31 302 999	20 Dec 44
Matuszak, Thaddeus S.	Sgt	36 214 574	11 Sep 44
Mizutowicz, Walter M.	Pvt	36 950 283	19 Sep 44



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

GROP 293.9

SUBJECT: Non Recoverable Remains

TO: Non Recoverable Board, AGRC

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

NAMES: See Attached Roster

ORGANIZATION: See 371 Forms

DATE OF DEATH: See 371 Forms

PLACE OF DEATH: See 371 Forms

SYNOPSIS: The casualties listed on attached roster are reported by official records as Missing in Action or Killed in Action during ground or air operations in the department of Moselle, France, from the period 5 September 1944 to 16 March 1945. Extensive area searches as well as individual investigation have to date failed to furnish information as to the ultimate disposition of their remains. Efforts to effect association with unidentified recoveries from the area, now interred in U.S. Military Cemeteries, have also proven negative. The lack of specific information regarding the death or burial, limited search in most instances to general localities, however, documents on file in this Office and Office of The Quartermaster General substantiate the fact that numerous investigations covering the entire department of Moselle have been conducted in the course of search operations for all losses, both recovered and unrecovered. The terrain of the Moselle department, for the most part, consists of farm, pasture and forested areas which has been under constant cultivation and supervision by farmers and forest guards, since the cessation of hostilities, thus the possibility of undiscovered graves is remote. It can therefore be concluded that the remains of the deceased in question were reduced by battle action to a state which precludes recovery or identification. The absence of specific information concerning their deaths, the failure of Field Investigations to provide

GROP 293.9

SUBJECT: Non Recoverable Remains

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

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

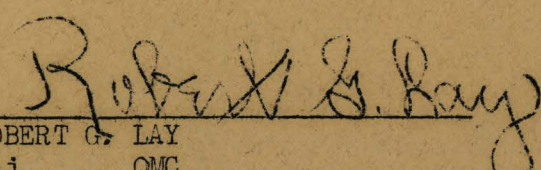
Reference is also made to: Report of Field Investigation, dated 10 July 1950: Attached.

2. All attached supporting documents are copied from records on file this headquarters.

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

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

A TRUE COPY:

  
ROBERT G. LAY  
Maj QMC

NOTE: The Report of Field Investigation, dated 10 July 50 referred to above, "Narrative of Investigation" is filed with 293 file of Addabbo, Joseph J., Pvt., 32 847 803. It substantiates general area search in the locality where the decedents are believed to have been lost.

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

15 November 1950

SPECIAL ORDERS )

NUMBER 139 )

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

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

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BY ORDER OF COLONEL AMLONG:

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

OFFICIAL:

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

A TRUE COPY:

*Robert S. Lay*  
ROBERT S. LAY  
Maj QMC

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293 FILE		<b>DATA ON REMAINS NOT YET RECORDED OR IDENTIFIED</b>		
NAME (Last, First, Middle Initial) <i>PALETTA, JOSEPH F.</i>		GRADE <i>Pvt.</i>	PRESENT SERIAL NUMBER <i>33 797 719</i>	
ORGANIZATION <i>CO "B" 10th ENGR. COMBAT Bn.</i>		RACE <i>WHITE</i>	CREED <i>CATHOLIC</i>	FORMER SERIAL NUMBER (If applicable)
DATE OF DEATH/MIA <i>10 OCT 44</i>	CAUSE OF DEATH <i>Missing, K.I.A.</i>		PLACE OF DEATH OR PLACE LAST SEEN IF MIA <i>FRANCE</i>	
DATE OF FOD <i>10 OCT 44</i>	HEIGHT <i>5' 7 3/4"</i>	WEIGHT <i>164</i>	COLOR EYES <i>BROWN</i>	COLOR HAIR <i>BROWN</i>
		SHOE SIZE <i>10 C</i>		
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293 FILE FRANCE  
**DATA ON REMAINS NOT YET RECORDED OR IDENTIFIED**

NAME (Last, First, Middle Initial) <b>MB PALETTA, JOSEPH F MB</b>		GRADE <b>PVT.</b>	PRESENT SERIAL NUMBER <b>32497179</b>
ORGANIZATION <b>Co. 'B'; 60TH ENGR. BN</b>		RACE <b>WHITE</b>	CREED <b>CATHOLIC</b>
DATE OF DEATH/MIA <b>10-OCT-44</b>	CAUSE OF DEATH <b>KIA.</b>	PLACE OF DEATH OR PLACE LAST SEEN IF MIA <b>AJONCOURT, FRANCE</b>	
DATE OF FOD			
HEIGHT <b>5'7 3/4"</b>	WEIGHT <b>164 lbs.</b>	COLOR EYES <b>BROWN</b>	COLOR HAIR <b>BROWN</b>
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**DENTAL CHART** **2-9-43**

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FRACTURES AND/OR BREAKS	TATTOOS AND/OR BIRTHMARK
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**FILE**

**MAY 27 1948**

**E. J. Sullivan, 1st Lt., QMG**

**IDENTIFICATION BRANCH**

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DATA ON REMAINS NOT YET RECORDED OR IDENTIFIED

NAME (Last, First, Middle Initial)		GRADE		PRESENT SERIAL NUMBER	
ORGANIZATION		RACE	CREED	FORMER SERIAL NUMBER (if applicable)	
DATE OF BIRTH	CAUSE OF DEATH	PLACE OF DEATH OR PLACE LAST SEEN IF MIA		DATE OF FOD	
HEIGHT	WEIGHT	COLOR EYES	COLOR HAIR	SHOE SIZE	

DENTAL CHART

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ADDITIONAL INFORMATION



**FILE**  
**MAY 27 1948**  
**E. J. Sullivan, Lt. Col.**  
**IDENTIFICATION BRANCH**

DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY  
Office of The Quartermaster General  
Washington 25, D. C.

19 April 1948

In reply refer

to OMGCD 293  
Paletta, Joseph F., Pvt.  
SN 32 797 719

SUBJECT: Personal Effects of **the late Pvt. Joseph F. Paletta**

TO : Commanding Officer, Kansas City Quartermaster Depot  
601 Hardesty Avenue, Kansas City 1, Missouri  
ATTENTION: Effects Quartermaster

For necessary action. **Remains of Pvt. Paletta have not yet been recovered. 293 file makes no reference to personal effects.**

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O. D. M. G.  
MAIL & RECORDS BRANCH

BY COMMAND OF MAJOR GENERAL LARKIN:

1 Incl:  
Cy Undtd ltr fr  
Mary Paletta

GUY B. KEGLEY  
Major, QMC  
Field Service Division

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WAR DEPARTMENT  
MEMO ROUTING SLIP

1	NAME OR TITLE Dir., Memorial Division, OQMG	INITIALS	CIRCULATE
	ORGANIZATION AND LOCATION Room 2403, Tempo Bldg B	DATE	CONCURRENCE
2	Washington 25, D. C.		FILE
			INFORMATION
3			NECESSARY ACTION
			NOTE AND RETURN
4			SEE ME
			SIGNATURE

REMARKS

1. Forwarded for further reply regarding burial and personal effects of Private Joseph F. Paletta, 32 797 719, who was killed in action on 10 October 1944 in the European Area.

2. Letter has been acknowledged.

*Hurlock*

1 Inclosure  
Cpy ltr frm Mrs. Mary Paletta, in dupl.

**CLARK MARSHALL**  
**Major, A.G.Ds**

FROM NAME OR TITLE Tuggle, PAB, Correspondence Unit, Cas Sec.	DATE 31 Mar 48
ORGANIZATION AND LOCATION Family Relations, 1A686A, The Pentagon	TELEPHONE 72450



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507 West 175 Street  
N. Y. C., Apt. 21

Addressed to: The Adjutant General

Dear Sir:

I am writing to you in reference to my Son,  
293 Joseph F. Paletta.. .....My Son was married at  
the time he met with his death. His wife was the  
one who was notified of his death. She then remarried  
to someone else. She moved away and I like to know being  
his mother, where he was killed and what happened to his  
belonging and where he is buried.....

(EXTRACT)

/s/ Mary Paletta  
507 West 175 St.  
N.Y.C.



DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY  
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QMCMF 293  
Paletta, Joseph F.  
~~SN 32 797 719~~

13 April 1948

Mrs. Mary Paletta  
507 West 175th Street  
Apartment 21  
New York City, New York

Dear Mrs. Paletta:

Your letter addressed to The Adjutant General concerning your son, the late Private Joseph F. Paletta, has been referred to this office.

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.

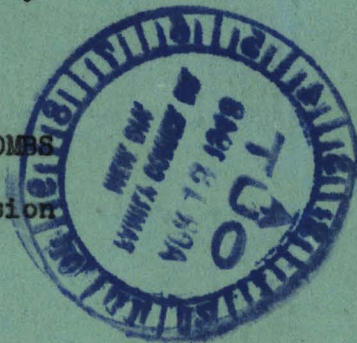
A continuous and intensive search is being made of the area in which he died, and it is my sincere hope that it will be possible to recover and rebury the remains of your son in an established Military cemetery. Meanwhile, please rest assured that when a report is received, I will inform you immediately.

Your inquiry concerning the personal effects of your son will be the subject of a further communication.

May I extend my sympathy to you in your great loss.

Sincerely yours,

RICHARD B. COOMBS  
Major, QMC  
Memorial Division



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MAIL & RECORDS BRANCH

*Handwritten initials*  
RBC

DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY  
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OMOM 293  
Palotta, Joseph F.  
OM 22 297 719

13 April 1948

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Apartment 21  
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Sincerely yours,



RICHARD B. COOPER  
Major, GIC  
Memorial Division

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CORRESPONDENCE ACTION SHEET

Mr.   
 Miss.   
 Addressee: Mrs. Mary Paletta mother   
 Relationship   
 State 507 West 175th Street   
 City, State Apartment 21 '47   
 Date letter   
 Cemetery New York City, New York   
 Temporary: \_\_\_\_\_   
 Permanent: \_\_\_\_\_   
 Plot Row Gr Cem. Name or No. City Country

Decedent:

Paletta Last   
Joseph First   
J. Initial   
Private Rank   
32 797 719 ASN

PARAGRAPHS (sequence)

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Modifications

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4 April 48

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Date 4-6-48

TO: Identification Section

Case Name Private Joseph F. Paletta, 32 797 719

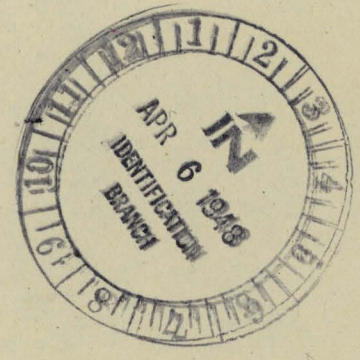
Request situation paragraph, and cemetery if appropriate, applicable to this case.

*There is no burial report on hand in this office to date, 4/6/48, which can be associated with Pvt Paletta.*

Tab A



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293 FILE		<b>DATA ON REMAINS NOT YET RECOVERED OR IDENTIFIED</b>			
NAME (Last, First, Middle Initial) <b>Paletta, Joseph F.</b>		GRADE <b>Pvt.</b>	PRESENT SERIAL NUMBER <b>32797729</b>		
ORGANIZATION <b>Co B. 10 ENGR Combat Bn.</b>		RACE <b>White</b>	CREED <b>Catholic</b>	FORMER SERIAL NUMBER (If applicable)	
DATE OF DEATH/MIA <b>10 Oct 44</b>	CAUSE OF DEATH <b>KIA</b>		PLACE OF DEATH OR PLACE LAST SEEN IF MIA <b>FRANCE</b>		
DATE OF FOD	HEIGHT <b>5 ft 7 3/4</b>	WEIGHT <b>164</b>	COLOR EYES <b>Brown</b>	COLOR HAIR <b>Brown</b>	SHOE SIZE <b>10 C.</b>
INDUCTION DENTAL CHART DATE <b>- 9 Feb 1943 -</b>					
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X = Extracted		O = Carious		1 = Carious Non-Restorable	
FRACTURES AND/OR BREAKS <b>None</b>			TATTOOS AND/OR BIRTHMARK <b>None</b>		
ADDITIONAL INFORMATION					





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DATE FORWARDED TO FIELD



ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

FRACTURES AND/OR BREAKS

TATTOOS AND/OR BIRTHMARKS

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1 = Scarred Not Existing

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CAUSE OF DEATH

PLACE OF DEATH OR PLACE LAST SEEN IF MIA

ORGANIZATION

RACE

CREED

NUMBER (If appropriate) FORMER SERVICE

NAME (Last, First, Middle Initial)

GRADE

NUMBER PRESENT SERVICE

DATA ON REMAINS NOT YET RECOVERED OR IDENTIFIED

PALLETTA     Joseph F     32797179

Last Name                      First Name

To Clinical Records Branch

For disposition

The records show medical treatment as follows:

Hospital	From	To	Register Number
STA Hosp Cp SAN LUIS OBISPO CALIF	3/8/43	3/17/43	21700
STA Hosp Cp. RUCKER ALA.	5/23/43	5/28/43	19456 B-32

Jeeman     9/21/46     DPRB

Clerk                      Date                      Branch

IDENTIFICATION SECTION  
MEMORIAL DIVISION

IDENTIFICATION DATA

LAST NAME - FIRST NAME - MIDDLE INITIAL <i>PALETTA Joseph F</i>			ARMY SERIAL NUMBER <i>32797179</i>		GRADE <i>PUT</i>
HEIGHT <i>5' 7 3/4"</i>	WEIGHT <i>164</i>	COLOR EYES <i>BRO</i>	COLOR HAIR <i>BRO</i>	SHOE SIZE <i>10 1/2 C</i>	DATE OF DEATH <i>10/10/44</i>

LAST ORGANIZATION TO WHICH ATTACHED OR ASSIGNED (Give complete designation)  
*Co B 60th ENGR BN*

PLACE OF DEATH OR PLACE LAST SEEN IF MIA  
*Ajoncourt FRANCE*

LIST ALL CAMPS IN WHICH STATIONED IN U.S. PRIOR TO SERVICE OVERSEAS, WITH INCLUSIVE DATES AT EACH.

STATION	DATES
<i>CA. SAN Luis CALIF.</i>	<i>2-19-43</i>
<p>FROM: W.D. AGO CLINICAL RECORDS BRANCH NO RECORDS ON FILE</p>	

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IDENTIFICATION DATA
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IDENTIFICATION SECTION

SPX 701 Paletta, Joseph F.  
(5 Sep 45) PC-0

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War Department, HQs., AGO., Washington 25, D. C., 25 September 1945.

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

Private Joseph F. Paletta, 32797719, was held by the War Department to have been in a missing in action status from 10 October 1944 until such absence was terminated on 13 January 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.

BY COMMAND OF GENERAL SOMERVELL:

*L. E. Hutchinson*  
Adjutant General.



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*Paletta*

*Family Relations*  
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GR REG SERV COMD., HQ USFET, APO 887, U.S. ARMY, 13 July 1945.

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

This office has never received a Report of Burial for Pvt. Joseph F. Paletta, ASN 32797719 and, so far as is known, his remains have not been recovered.

*293*

For the Chief, Graves Registration Service Command:

*Remains not recovered*



*Philip J. Wolf*  
PHILIP J. WOLF,  
Captain, QMG,  
Assistant.

SPQYG 293 Paletta, Joseph F., Pvt. S.N. 32,797,719 2nd Ind.

ASF OQMG Washington, D. C. 5 September 1945

TO: The Adjutant General, Washington, D. C.

1. It is requested that this office be furnished a detailed report of the circumstances upon which the death of Pvt. Joseph F. Paletta was based.

FOR THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL:

*Arthur L. Warren*  
ARTHUR L. WARREN  
Colonel, QMG  
Assistant

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

IN REPLY REFER TO SPQYG 293

**Paletta, Joseph F.**  
S.N. 32 797 719

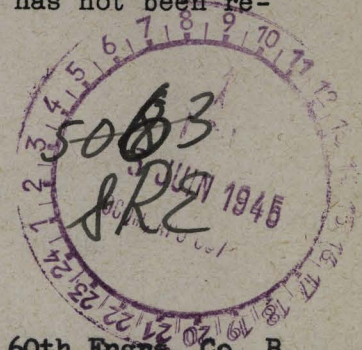
22 May 1945

SUBJECT: Report of Interment.

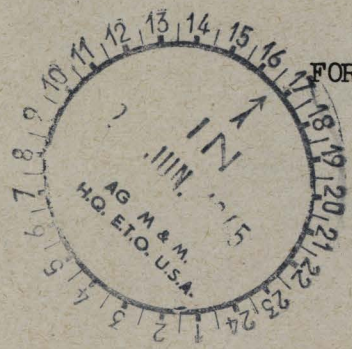
TO : Commanding General, Comzone  
European Theater of Operations  
APO 887, % Postmaster  
New York, New York  
FOR: The Chief Quartermaster

1. Information is desired as to whether or not the remains of the decedent named below have been recovered and interred, as to date a report covering the disposition of these remains has not been received in this office.

NAME: Paletta, Joseph F.  
SERIAL NUMBER: 32 797 719  
DATE OF DEATH: 10 October 1944  
PLACE OF DEATH: France



REMARKS: Private Paletta was attached to the 60th Engrs, Co. B, (2) Bn. He was reported to have been Missing in Action from 10 October 1944 until such absence was terminated on 13 January 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.



FOR THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL:

*Mayo A. Darling*  
MAYO A. DARLING  
Lt Colonel, QMC  
Assistant

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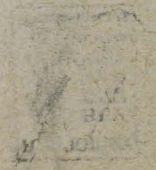
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SPQYG 293 Paletta, Joseph F., Pvt. S.N. 32,797,719 <sup>2</sup> 2nd Ind. <sub>1st.</sub>

ASF OQMG Washington, D. C. 5 September 1945

TO: The Adjutant General, Washington, D. C.

1. It is requested that this office be furnished a detailed report of the circumstances upon which the death of Pvt. Joseph F. Paletta was based.

FOR THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL:

ARTHUR L. WARREN  
Colonel, QMG  
Assistant

*Disposition from  
K.C. 7-8.*

*No lat. ind. received by HQ R. etc  
9-11-45*



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

IN REPLY REFER TO SPQYG 293  
Paletta, Joseph F.  
S.N. 32 797 719

22 May 1945

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European Theater of Operations  
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New York, New York  
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FOR THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL:

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MEMORIAL DIVISION  
MAYO A. DARLING  
Lt Colonel, QMC  
Assistant

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SPQYG 293

Paletta, Joseph F.  
S.N. 32 797 719

22 May 1945

Mrs. Mary Paletta  
507 West 175th Street  
New York City, New York

Dear Mrs. Paletta:

Acknowledgment is made of your letter of recent date relative to the disposition of the remains of your son, the late Private Joseph F. Paletta.

I regret to inform you that information pertaining to the burial of the remains of your son has not been received in this office. However, an effort is being made to obtain a report of interment and upon receipt of such information you will be advised.

You may be assured that a notation has been made on the official records of this office that it is your desire to have the remains of your son returned to this country for final interment, if possible, after the war.

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

FOR THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL:

Sincerely yours,

MAYO A. DARLING  
Lt Colonel, QMC  
Assistant

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*MAY 22 2 10 PM '45*  
QMC  
MAILS & RECORDS BRANCH

*CCP*

March 5, 1945

To Whom It May Concern

Recently I was notified that my son  
 Lt. Joseph Paletta A.S.N.  
 # 32497719 was killed in  
 action in France since  
 Oct 10th. I would like  
 to know if its possible,  
 where my son is buried,  
 and if after the war I  
 can have his body sent  
 home to the United States.  
 At the time of his death  
 he was with the 60th Regt.  
 Co B(2) Sv. A.P.O 35 7/2 PM. N.Y.C.

Thanking you, and  
 hoping to hear in reference  
 to this matter.

Sincerely  
 Mrs. Mary Paletta

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

REPORT OF DEATH

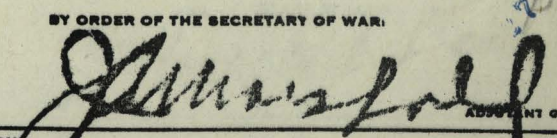
DATE 17 January 1945

FULL NAME <b>Paletta, Joseph F.</b>		ARMY SERIAL NUMBER <b>32 797 719</b>	GRADE <b>bsp 4632</b> <b>Pvt.</b>
HOME ADDRESS <b>New York, New York</b>		ARM OR SERVICE <b>Corps of Engineers</b>	DATE OF BIRTH <b>4 Apr 23</b>
PLACE OF DEATH <b>European Area</b>	CAUSE OF DEATH <b>Killed in action</b>		DATE OF DEATH <b>10 Oct 44</b>
STATION OF DECEASED <b>European Area</b>		DATE OF ENTRY ON CURRENT ACTIVE SERVICE <b>9 Feb 43</b>	LENGTH OF SERVICE FOR PAY PURPOSES YEARS MONTHS DAYS
EMERGENCY ADDRESSEE (NAME, RELATIONSHIP & ADDRESS) <b>Mrs. Audrey F. Paletta, wife, 2702 Heath Avenue, New York, New York</b>			
BENEFICIARY (NAME, RELATIONSHIP & ADDRESS) <b>Audrey F. Paletta, wife, same as above</b> <b>Mary Paletta, mother, Apartment 21, 507 W. 175th Street, New York, New York</b> <b>Vincent Paletta, father, same as above</b>			
INVESTIGATION MADE?		IN LINE OF DUTY	OWN MISCONDUCT
YES	NO	YES	NO
WAS DECEASED ON DUTY STATUS		AUTHORIZED ABSENCE	IN FLYING PAY STATUS
YES	NO	YES	NO
OTHER PAY STATUS (SPECIFY BELOW)		YES	
NO		X	

ADDITIONAL DATA AND/OR STATEMENT

BATTLE     NON-BATTLE

The individual named in this report of death is held by the War Department to have been in a missing in action status from 10 October 1944 until such absence was terminated on 13 January 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.

BY ORDER OF THE SECRETARY OF WAR:  
  
 ADJUTANT GENERAL

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

REPORT OF DEATH

DATE 17 January 1945

FULL NAME <b>Paletta, Joseph F.</b>		ARMY SERIAL NUMBER <b>32 797 719</b>	GRADE <b>bsp 4632 Pvt.</b>										
HOME ADDRESS <b>New York, New York</b>		ARM OR SERVICE <b>Corps of Engineers</b>	DATE OF BIRTH <b>4 Apr 23</b>										
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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

BATTLE  NON-BATTLE

The individual named in this report of death is held by the War Department to have been in a missing in action status from 10 October 1944 until such absence was terminated on 13 January 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.



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2. O. G. M. G.	O. F. D.	ARMY EFFECTS BUREAU CASUALTY BRANCH FILE
G. A. O.	VET. ADMIN.	A. G. 201 FILE

BY ORDER OF THE SECRETARY OF WAR:

*[Signature]*  
ADJUTANT GENERAL

276313

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

BATTLE CASUALTY REPORT

NAME <b>PALETTA JOSEPH F</b>		SERIAL NUMBER <b>32797179</b>		GRADE <b>PVT</b>	ARM OR SERVICE <b>CE</b>	REPORTING THEATRE <b>ETO</b>
PLACE OF CASUALTY <b>FRANCE 9</b>		DATE OF CASUALTY DAY MONTH YEAR <b>10 OCT 44</b>		FLYING OR JUMPING STAT	TYPE OF CASUALTY <b>MIA</b>	SHIPMENT NUMBER <b>220</b>

NAME AND ADDRESS OF EMERGENCY ADDRESSEE

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

MR., MRS., MISS—FIRST NAME—MIDDLE INITIAL—LAST NAME <b>MRS. AUDREY F PALETTA</b>	RELATIONSHIP <b>WIFE</b>	DATE NOTIFIED <b>26 OCT. 44</b>
NO. AND NAME OF STREET—CITY—STATE <b>2702 HEATH AVENUE NEW YORK NEW YORK</b>		

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 \_\_\_\_\_ REVIEWED BY \_\_\_\_\_

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

ACCT. AREA	CASUALTY STATUS	ORIGINAL CAS. DATE			MESSAGE NO.	LATEST CAS. DATE			REFERENCE AREA	CREW POS.	RESIDENCE		COMP	RACE											
		DAY	MO.	YR.		DAY	MO.	YR.			STATE	COUNTY													
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*ind*  
HOC/LL/st  
18 May 1948

Mrs. Mary Paletta  
507 West 175th Street, Apt 21  
New York, New York

Dear Mrs. Paletta:

This acknowledges your recent letter concerning the personal effects of your son, Private Joseph F. Paletta.

Regrettably, because of existing instructions an itemized list of your son's property can be furnished only upon the request of the legal recipient, who in this case is your daughter-in-law, Mrs. Audrey F. Paletta. From information which accompanied these effects, it appears they were left by Private Paletta in the unit area of his last overseas organization.

Your desire to receive your son's belongings is most understandable, and I wish to advise that the action of this Bureau in forwarding the effects to his widow does not, of itself, vest title in the recipient. Such property is forwarded for distribution according to the laws of the state of your son's legal residence. However, any further action in this regard would rest solely with the widow.

I regret my inability to be of more assistance to you.

Sincerely yours,

*ll*

H. O. CALDWELL  
Effects Quartermaster

FEDERAL BUSINESS ASSOCIATION COMMITTEES

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507 W. 175 St.  
New York, N. Y.  
April 3, 1948

My Dear Sir:

I have received your most speedy reply concerning my inquiry to the Assistant General in reference to my son Priv. Joseph F. Paletta.

Of course you know I cannot tell you in words how much I appreciate your indulgence, but I must admit there is still a doubt in my mind as to whether my son is deceased as is claimed or just missing in action. However I shall never stop trying to locate him. As your letter stated

(over)

In a broken hearted matter  
who only wants proof that  
her son really is dead.  
Would you kindly send me  
an itemized list of all  
the personal effects be-  
longing to my son that  
you sent to his wife?  
All I received or saw of  
any of his effects was  
the Purple Heart bestowed  
on my son, and I know in  
my heart if I saw his  
other personal effects or  
was sure your office had  
sent them but I would then,  
& only then give up my  
3 year search for my son.  
Thanking you again &  
God Bless you,  
10221) Mrs. M. Palotta

my daughter in law Audrey  
Patette received his personal  
effects on October 16, 1945.  
Well Mr. Caldwell, I have  
never seen any one of them,  
and I know that once I do  
my mind will be acclimated  
to fact, that he is no longer  
living. I've tried to get  
in touch with my son's  
wife, Audrey, but was  
told she had moved. She  
evidently does not want  
to be bothered with me  
as she has since remarried.  
I shall ask one more favor  
of you Mr. Caldwell, &  
perhaps you will bear  
with me once again and  
remember you're doing this

P. S.

His serial number was 276 313

*[Faint, illegible cursive handwriting covering the majority of the page]*





ST. PAUL, MINN.  
APR 29 1948

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*Don aid*

HOC/EM/fes  
29 April 1948

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Mrs. Mary Paletta  
507 West 175th Street, Apt. 21  
New York City, New York

Dear Mrs. Paletta:

Your inquiry to The Adjutant General has been referred to the Army Effects Bureau for reply in connection with the personal effects of your son, Private Joseph F. Paletta.

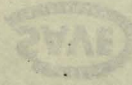
Under the 112th Article of War, by which this Bureau is governed in making disposal of personal effects of deceased military personnel, the widow, Mrs. Audrey F. Paletta, is the person entitled to receive his effects for distribution even though she has remarried. Therefore, all of his property received here was forwarded to Mrs. Audrey F. Paletta, at 2702 Heath Avenue, New York, New York, on 16 October 1945.

Due to the lapse of time since Private Paletta was reported a casualty, it is doubtful if any more of his personal effects will be recovered.

I wish to express my sincere regret of the circumstances prompting this correspondence.

Sincerely yours,

H. O. CALDWELL  
Effects Quartermaster





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

IN REPLY REFER TO \_\_\_\_\_

The Army Effects Bureau has received some personal property belonging to which he lost or was obliged to abandon during a change of station.

Please confirm your address, and shipment of the property will be made to you promptly at Government expense.

You are assured that this letter is not a casualty message. Its sole purpose is to expedite shipment and delivery of the property now in our custody.

Your reply may be made at the foot of this letter, if desired, and mailed in the inclosed self-addressed envelope which needs no postage.

Sincerely yours,

M. E. MOHR  
 Major, QMC  
 Effects Quartermaster

1 Incl  
 Envelope

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DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY  
Office of The Quartermaster General  
Washington 25, D. C.

19 April 1948

In reply refer

to OMGOD 293

Paletta, Joseph F., Pvt.  
SN 32 797 719

SUBJECT: Personal Effects of the late Pvt. Joseph F. Paletta

TO : Commanding Officer, Kansas City Quartermaster Depot  
601 Hardesty Avenue, Kansas City 1, Missouri  
ATTENTION: Effects Quartermaster

For necessary action. Remains of Pvt. Paletta have not  
yet been recovered. 293 file makes no reference to personal  
effects.

BY COMMAND OF MAJOR GENERAL LARKIN:

1. Incl:  
Cy Umdtd ltr fr  
Mary Paletta

*Guy B. Kegley*  
GUY B. KEGLEY  
Major, QMC  
Field Service Division

*bm  
4-23-48*

APR 19 9 49 AM '40  
D. Q. M. G.  
MAIL & RECORDS BRANCH

APR 21 1940  
KANSAS CITY, MO.  
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION  
U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

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APR 21 1940  
U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE  
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

507 West 175 Street  
N. Y. C., Apt. 21

Addressed to: The Adjutant General

Dear Sir:

I am writing to you in reference to my Son,  
Joseph F. Paletta.. . . . . My Son was married at  
the time he met with his death. His wife was the  
one who was notified of his death. She then remarried  
to someone else. She moved away and I like to know being  
his mother, where he was killed and what happened to his  
belonging and where he is buried.....

(EXTRACT)

/s/ Mary Paletta  
507 West 175 St.  
N.Y.C.



*Paletta*



U.S. DEPT. OF JUSTICE  
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION  
KANSAS CITY, MO.

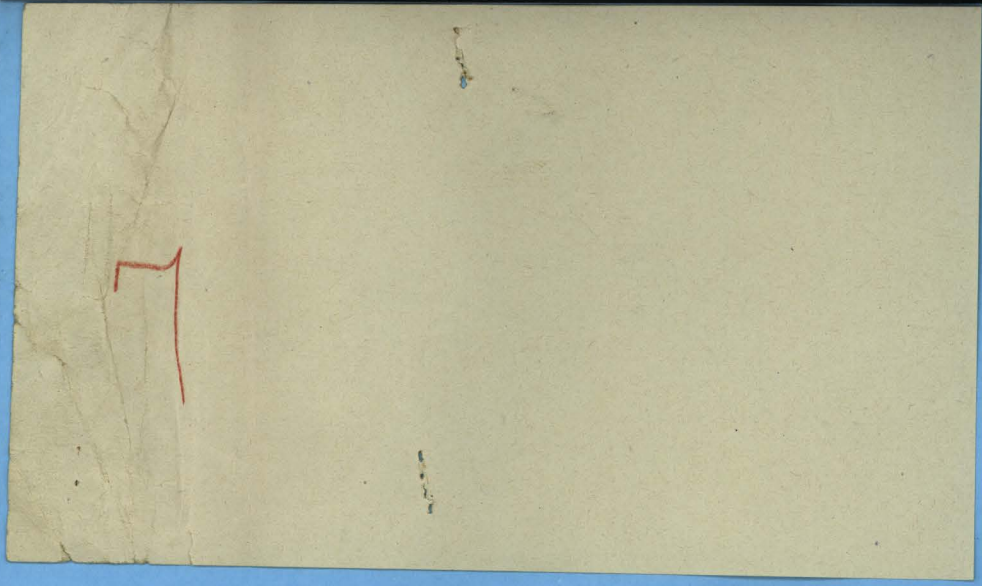
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.....belonging and where he is buried  
his mother, where he was killed and what happened to his  
to someone else. She never saw him and I like to know being  
belonging and where he is buried. She then remarked  
the time he met with his death. His wife was the  
to believe she was not.....attorney. She never  
I am writing to you in reference to my son

Very truly,  
Your mother

Lawrence J. ...

U.S. DEPT. OF JUSTICE  
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION  
KANSAS CITY, MO.



RTB:AC:meg  
October 10, 1945

276313

Mrs. Audrey F. Paletta  
2702 Heath Avenue  
New York, New York

Dear Mrs. Paletta:

The Army Effects Bureau has received from overseas some personal effects of your husband, Private Joseph F. Paletta.

These effects are being forwarded to you in one package.

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

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

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

Sincerely yours,

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P. L. KOEB  
1st Lt., QMG  
Officer-in-Charge  
SJ Branch  
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ARMY SERVICE FORCES  
ARMY EFFECTS BUREAU

ORDER FOR SHIPMENT

**Mrs. Audrey F. Paletta**

SHIP TO:

**2702 Heath Avenue**

**Pvt. Joseph F. Paletta**

**New York, New York**

Effects of:  
Name

**32797719**

ASN

**276313 D**

Case No.

Wt.

DATE 10 October 1945

RTB:AC:meg

*Betty Chamberger*

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 PROPERTY ✓

Franked ✓  
Est. Exp. Chgs.                       
Est. Frt. Chgs.                       
No. of packages                     

OCT 16 1945

*[Signature]*  
Shipping Clerk

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ATTACHMENTS		<b>EFFECTS INVENTORY</b> <b>ARMY EFFECTS BUREAU</b>	STATUS	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	INBOUND INVENTORY		DECEASED	
	G. R. OR SUB GR LABEL		MISSING	
	WILL OR POWER OF ATTY.		P. O. W.	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	TALLY IN FORM 43		ABANDONED	
		UNKNOWN		

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	BAGS, CLOTH OR TRAVEL		BELT		OVERCOATS	
	BELT, MONEY (NO MONEY)		BOOKS, ADDRESS		PAPERS, PERSONAL	
	BILLFOLD (NO MONEY)		BOOKS, PILOT LOG		PENCIL, MECHANICAL	
	BOOKS		BRUSHES		PEN, FOUNTAIN	
	BRACELET, IDENT.		CASE		PHOTOS	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	CAMERAS		CLOTH, WASH		PIPES	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	CLOTHING		COATS		RINGS	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	MISC. ARTICLES		FOOTLOCKER		SCARFS	
	RELIGIOUS ARTICLES		FOOTWEAR, PR.		SHIRTS	
	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	

DAMAGED

<p>CONTAINERS ADDRESSED TO</p> <p><i>Mrs. Audrey Paletta</i> <i>2702 Heath ave.,</i> <i>Bronx, n.y.</i></p>	<p>INFORMATION</p> <p><i>Bene: (Relationship unknown)</i> <i>Mrs. Audrey Paletta</i> <i>2702 Heath ave.,</i> <i>Bronx, n.y.</i></p>
<p>NAME AND STATUS VARIATIONS</p>	<p>CROSS REFERENCE</p>

CHECK	REC'D BY	NUMBER	BUREAU CHECK
MONEY ORDER		SYMBOL	TRANSMIT ORIGINAL
BOND		AMOUNT	ORIG. REG. MAIL
TRAV. CHECK		DATE	TO G. A. O.
FOREIGN CURRENCY		BANK OR PLACE OF ISSUE	MUTILATED
U. S. CURRENCY		PAYEE	TO ISSUING AGENCY
		REMITTER OR DRAWER	

TALLY NO.	ORIG. NO. OF PKGS.	EXAMINING DATE <i>28-Sept-45</i>	BOX NO.	SHEET _____ OF _____ SHEETS
NAME <i>Joseph F. Paletta</i>		A. S. N. <i>32797719</i>		
ORGANIZATION		RANK <i>put</i>	CASE NO.	
WAREHOUSE SPACE <i>1129</i>	EXAMINED BY <i>M Smith</i>		DIARY REMOVED	
PACKAGE DESCRIPTION <i>#1 pkg</i>	WEIGHT	PACKED BY <i>[Signature]</i>	PHOTO FILM REMOVED	
		INSPECTED BY <i>[Signature]</i>	MOTION PICTURE FILM REMOVED	
		STORED BY <i>[Signature]</i>	SHIPPED	
		DATE <i>OCT 16 1945</i>	BY WHOM <i>[Signature]</i>	

ADDITIONAL REMARKS

REMOVALS (other than G.I.)

DAMAGES (List type of damage-extent)

1 pencil w/ metal parts rusty  
 1 saw. plate is cracked, one  
 small piece is shipped off &  
 missing.

SHORTAGES

U. S. GOV'T CHECK SHORT

NUMBER

DATE

SYMBOL

AMOUNT

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

INVENTORY CLERK

SUPERVISOR

G. I. REMOVED

NAME PALETTA, JOSEPH F. PV 7719

BAY	PALLET	BOX	TALLY
50	36		2750
TYPE OF PKG.	WHSE. SPACE	INVENTORIED	
CTN			

Eff. QM Form 43

CONFIDENTIAL  
INVENTORY FORM

SUBJECT: Inventory of Personal Effects of: PALETTA (Date) 12 5 1944  
PALETTA (Last Name) JOSEPH (First Name)

(MI) (Rank) (ASN)  
TO: Effects Quartermaster, Communication Zone, APO # 35, US Army.

The above named individual of 60th Engr. (C) Bn. (Unit) 60th Engr. (C) Bn. (Organization)  
was reported MIA (Status) about 1944.

Designated Beneficiary if information readily accessible None

INVENTORY OF EFFECTS

- 1. CAP, OVERCOAT ✓
- 1. SHIRT ✓
- 1. TROUSERS ✓
- 1. PANTS ✓
- 2. MEDICAL KIT ✓
- 1. MEDICAL KIT ✓
- 1. MEDICAL KIT ✓
- 1. MEDICAL KIT ✓
- 20. MEDICAL KIT ✓
- 3. MEDICAL KIT ✓

Money in the amount of \_\_\_\_\_ has been turned into \_\_\_\_\_ (Name of Finance Officer and symbol number) Form WDFD 38 enclosed.

(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 14 Oct 1944.  
(Mail, Truck, etc.)

Name Raymond Smith  
Rank & ASN Capt. C.E. 0-1103936  
Organization 60th Engr. (C) Bn.

Any additional pertinent information:

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

JRM:AC:mog

Case No. 276919

Date 10 October 1945

SUBJECT: Report of transaction in disposing of the effects of

Joseph F. Paletta

32797719

late a

(Name of deceased)

(Army Serial Number)

Private

Corps of Engineers

who died

(Grade)

(Organization, Army or Service)

on the 10 day of October, 1944, at European Area

TO : The Adjutant General, War Department, Washington 25, D.C.

1. Complying with A.W. 112, a Summary Court-Martial, convened at Kansas City Mo. Pursuant to S.O., 228 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. \_\_\_\_\_.)

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 \_\_\_\_\_, Incl. \_\_\_\_\_)

d. Disposition of decedent's effects (less money paid creditors, if any) has been made by the Summary Court-Martial by transmittal through the Quartermaster Corps, at Government expense to person found entitled (See Summary Court-Martial FINDING below)

FINDING

Before a Summary Court-Martial which convened at Kansas City, Missouri, on 9 October 1945, pursuant to Special Orders 228, Headquarters

KCQM Depot, dated 25 September 1943, the application or affidavit of Mrs. Audrey F. Paletta 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; this Summary Court-Martial.

Whereupon, this Summary Court-Martial finds that, under the provisions of

A.W. 112, Mrs. Audrey F. Paletta of 2702 Heath Avenue New York State of New York (Number, Street or Avenue) (City, Town or Village) is the Widow of the

above-named decedent and appears to be entitled to receive his or her effects.

(Signature of Summary Court Officer)

JOHN R. MURPHY, Colonel, Q.M.C.

(Name, Rank, Organization)

SUMMARY COURT-MARTIAL