

CONTROLLED CASE

NAME WEBER, Ross W.	GRADE Pfc	SERIAL NO. 16 017 602
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DO NOT TAKE ANY ACTION ON THIS CASE OR RELEASE INFORMATION FROM THIS FILE WITHOUT THE CONCURRENCE OF:

<input type="checkbox"/> LIAISON OFFICE, MEMORIAL DIVISION	FLAGGED BY (Initials)
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<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> IDENTIFICATION BRANCH, MEMORIAL DIVISION	FLAGGED BY (Initials) Lt de Weese
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UNKNOWN X -	NON-RECOVERABLE CASE NO. 13862	A-Z CARD FLAGGED BY	333 CARD FLAGGED BY
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NON-RECOVERABLE REMAINS REEXAMINATION OF RECORDS

AREA OF DEATH France		CASE NUMBER
NAME (Last, First, Middle Initial) Weber, Ross W	RANK Pfc	SERIAL NUMBER 16 017 602

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:

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

Request Dental *Brook*

REMARKS

NAT
File
Mary A. Edwards
Capt
QMG
Qualification Branch

RECOMMEND APPROVAL		APPROVED	DATE
NAME OF CASE ANALYST	CASE REVIEWER, FINAL DETERMINATION SECTION	CHIEF, FINAL DETERMINATION SECTION	

MEMORIALIZATION OF NON-RECOVERABLE
REMAINS OF WORLD WAR II

THIS FILE HAS BEEN AUDITED FOR NON-RECOVERABILITY

NAME (LAST, FIRST, MIDDLE)

WEBER ROSE W

RANK

PFC

SERIAL NUMBER

16017602

ARM OF SERVICE

ARMY

DATE OF DEATH

8 OCT 45

AREA OF DEATH

FRANCE

NAME OF AUDITOR

SPIRD

DATE

4 MAY 51

NAME OF REVIEWER

C. L. BLATCHLEY

DATE

MAY 3 1951

REMARKS

REQUEST FOR INFORMATION

TO: PENTAGON LIAISON SECTION, MEMORIAL DIVISION		DATE 22 May 51	
FROM (Branch and Section) Ident Br Nonrec Sec	REQUESTED BY Brooke <i>MB</i>	TEL. EXT. 73940	ROOM NO. 1523-B
NAME OF DECEDENT (Last, First, Middle Initial) Weber, Ross W.	RANK Pfc	SERIAL NUMBER 16 017 602	

INFORMATION REQUIRED

All available dental information

INFORMATION FURNISHED
Completed form attached.

PENTAGON LIAISON SECTION OFFICER (*Signature*) *R* *(E.M. 51)*

293 FILE

DATA ON REMAINS NOT YET RECOVERED OR IDENTIFIED

NAME (Last, First, Middle Initial)

Weber, Ross W.

GRADE

Pfc

PRESENT SERIAL NUMBER

16 017 602

ORGANIZATION

RACE

CREED

FORMER SERIAL NUMBER (If applicable)

DATE OF DEATH/MIA

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

✓ 12 Dec 48

UPPER RIGHT ✓

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UPPER LEFT ✓

1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8

LOWER RIGHT ✓

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X = Extracted

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FRACTURES AND/OR BREAKS

TATTOOS AND/OR BIRTHMARK

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

1 Form loaned QM S
1 June 48

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

CASE NUMBER

13,862 (3)

AREA OR ZONE(S)

EUROPEAN

NAME (Last, First, Middle Initial)

293 WEBER, Ross W.

RANK

Pfc.

SERIAL NUMBER

16 017 602

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.)

**PIHERA, Joseph J.
LEANO, Joseph A.
WEBER, Ross W.**

**S/Sgt.
T/S
Pfc.**

**15 013 922
32 936 045
16 017 602**

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.

1. 293 FILE OF SUBJECT(S)	INITIALS OF ANALYST	(CROSS OUT THOSE NOT APPLICABLE)	INITIALS OF ANALYST
	<i>MW</i>	a. REPORT OF DEATH b. FINDING OF DEATH c. STATUS REVIEW & DETERMINATION	<i>MW</i>
3. A - Z FILE OF KNOWN INTERMENTS IN U.S. MILITARY CEMETERIES, ISOLATED LOCATIONS, AND SEA BURIALS	<i>MW</i>	4. GEOGRAPHICAL CLUE INDEX FILE OF UNKNOWN RECOVERED FROM APPROPRIATE AREA	<i>MW</i>
5. ALPHABETICAL INDEX OF "BELIEVED TO BE" AND TENTATIVELY IDENTIFIED UNKNOWN	<i>MW</i>	6. ALPHABETICAL FILE OF FORMER UNKNOWN NOW IDENTIFIED	<i>MW</i>
7. OTHER DOCUMENTS OR SOURCES a. Captured German Records.			<i>MW</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:

NONE

**SAI
FILE**

JUN 7 1950

C. Washburn
Identification Branch

NAME OF CASE ANALYST

M. Walton
M. WALTON / nih

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

RECOMMEND APPROVAL

APPROVED

DATE

CASE REVIEWER, FINAL DETERMINATION SECTION

A. J. Craten
A. J. CRATEN

CHIEF, FINAL DETERMINATION SECTION

Robert G. Lay
ROBERT G. LAY, Capt OMC

CHIEF, IDENTIFICATION BRANCH

Thomas E. Cox
THOMAS E. COX, Capt OMC

6 June 50

HEADQUARTERS
7887 GRAVES REGISTRATION DETACHMENT
REGISTRATION 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

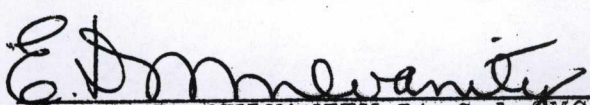
The Board convened pursuant to par 3, SO #31, Headquarters, American Graves Registration Command, APO 757, US Army, 28 March 1950, at Liege, Belgium on 27 APR. 1950. The purpose of the Board was to determine the non-recoverability status of certain casualties now under jurisdiction of this command.

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,

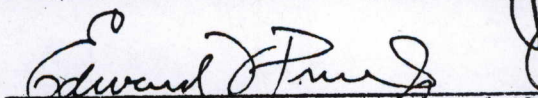
CASE No.	NAME	GRADE	ASN
5.	PIHERA, Joseph J.	S/Sgt	15 013 922
	LEANO, Joseph A.	T/S	32 936 045
	WEBER, Ross W.	Pfc	16 017 602


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. MULVANITY, Lt Col, QMC


JAMES C. MacFARLAND, Major, QMC


EDWARD F. PRICE, JR., Capt, QMC


GAYLORD E. LUTZ, 1st Lt, QMC

LEODORE GOUDREAU, CWO, USA

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

GRRE 293.9 (IB)

SUBJECT: Non-Recoverable Remains

TO: Non-Recoverable Board, AGRC

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

NAMES: Pihera, Joseph J.	S/Sgt	15013922
Leano, Joseph A.	T/5	32936045
Weber, Ross W.	Pfc	16017602

ORGANIZATION: Co, "B", 10th Infantry Regiment,
5th Infantry Division

DATE OF DEATH: 7 October, 1944.

PLACE OF DEATH: Vicinity of Fort Driant, Metz,
France.

SYNOPSIS: The above mentioned unresolved casualties were killed in action against the enemy when their company attacked Fort Driant, near Metz, France on 7 October 1944. "SR & D Report" in 201 file of 2nd Lt. Goell, Julian D. indicated that the subject casualties were members of CO. "B", 10th Infantry Regiment which was ordered to attack a section of Fort Driant on 7 October, 1944. The platoon was surrounded in a concrete shelter where they had assembled for re-organization, and were killed by enemy small arms and artillery fire. No attempts could be made to evacuate the remains of casualties incurred in this action due to the tactical position of the enemy. Field Investigations were conducted in the appropriate area, in May 1948, and January 1950 with negative results. The last investigation revealed that the entire area and all subterranean passages and pillboxes which comprise the fortifications have been thoroughly searched during demining operations carried out by the French military authorities, without disclosing addi-

GRRF 293.9 IIB)

SUBJECT: Non-Recoverable Remains

tional remains of American deceased. It is logical to conclude that S/Sgt. Joseph J. Pihera, T/5 Joseph A. Leano and PFC Ross W. Weber were killed in action in the vicinity of Fort Driant, Moselle, France on 7 October 1944 and that their remains were disposed of by the enemy in a manner which precludes recovery. The fact that Field Investigations were negative and the fact there are no unknowns on record that may be associated with the subject casualties would tend to substantiate this conclusion. It is therefore recommended that this case be deemed Non-Recoverable.

Reference is made to: OCMG Forms 371. "S R & D Report" in 201 file of 2nd Lt. Goell, Julian D.. On file in the Office of The Quartermaster General, Washington D. C.

Reference is also made to: Report of Field Investigation, dated, 19 May 1948; Report of Field Investigation, dated, 25 January 1950: Attached.

2. All attached supporting documents are copied from records on file headquarters American Graves Registration Detachment.

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

4. It is recommended that the remains, based upon the above information research, be declared Non-Recoverable.

C.W. Steinsiek TCo
C.W. STEINSIEK
Captain QMC

D I A R Y

19 May 1948

Left Nancy 1400 -- Arrived Ars-sur-Moselle 1515 hrs.

Proceeded directly to the Town Hall where a statement was obtained declaring that since the last discovery of American remains in the territory of the commune, no others have been found. There was no information available concerning the soldiers Ross W. WEBER, Joseph A. LEANO and Joseph J. PIHERA.

At 1615 hrs a statement was received from Mr. Meunier Eugene, saying that to the best of his knowledge there were no longer any remains on the territory of the commune of Ars-sur-Moselle. He could give no information concerning the subject missing.

At 1700 hrs Mr. Wilhelm, Theophile, local policemen corroborated the above statement.

At 1730 hrs Contact was made with the chief-deminer, at Fort Driant, Mr. Marshal, who informed the investigator that all American remains found in the area of Fort Driant had already been removed by the American Military Authorities. As the demining operations have not been finished, he assured the investigator that in the event of a positive discovery, the information would be relayed to 3rd Zone Hqs.

Left Fort Driant 1800 - Arrived Nancy 1900 hrs.

Certified a true copy of
Mr. EPHRAIM's diary:

/s/t/ LOUIS A. BOCKSTAHLER
1st Lt INF
Asst Operations Officer

TOWN HALL OF MARIEULLES

S T A T E M E N T

The secretary of the town-hall of Marieulles and Vezon declare that to his knowledge there are not any more graves of American soldiers in the territory of the commune. The soldiers killed during the liberation combat in 1944 were removed by the American troops.

The only graves left at the present time are to my knowledge graves of German soldiers.

I cannot give any information concerning the soldiers Hunter Dudley and Currier Ellery.

Marieulles-Vezon

16 January, 1950

The Secretary

s/ illegible

Seal

Certified a true translation:

/s/t/:JEAN LAURAIN
Investigator

S T A T E M E N T

I, the undersigned WEIDLICH Marcel, civil service engineer division (Service of the Forts) declare that I visited to-day with the representative of the American Graves Registration, the following sections of Fort Driant:

Shelter V, completely cleared
Caserne S and subterranean going to
Caserne R to Battery P.

The greatest part of these sections was cleared, except for Caserne R which is completely collapsed and under which debris, remains of soldiers may be located. Part of the underground is also demolished and these debris may also contain remains of soldiers.

All other parts of the fort were also visited and no human remains were found.

The collapsed parts of the Fort will not be cleared and the soldiers who may be buried under the debris should be considered as non-recoverable.

In other words, all accessible places of Fort Driant were visited and searched by the demining services, whose work is completed, and also by the engineer section

Statement of Mr. WEIDLICH Marcel, Cont'd
which has the surveyance of the forts.

The place called "MEININGEN" is not part of
Fort Driant and may be the German name of MAGNY located
at approximately 10 Kms as the crow flies from Fort Driant.
IN German Magny is named MANNINGEN.

The territory located at the North of the Fort is
territory of Gravelotte.

s/ Weidlich

CERTIFIED A TRUE TRANSLATION

s/t/ Jean Laurain
Investigator
IB5

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

NARRATIVE OF INVESTIGATION

25 January 1950

I. Authority

Pursuant to Investigation Directives, dated 20 January 1950, received for cases Nos. Moselle 8797, 5812, 5078, 11768, 5864 and 5865, investigation was conducted at Fort Driant in an effort to recover any of the casualties carried under the above case numbers.

II. Facts and Circumstances

All of the above casualties are believed to have disappeared in or near Fort Driant during the assault which took place in the months of September and October 1944. Until recently the proper completion of the Fort Driant cases has been delayed by reason of the fact that the Fort had not been thoroughly demined.

III. Findings

A visit was first made to Major Rodier attached to the Arsenal of the French 6th Region at Metz. Major Rodier had supervised the demining activities of the military territory in the 6th Region. He informed the investigator that the demining had been completed and that the superintendance of Fort Driant had been relegated to the French Army Engineers.

Then proceeded to the headquarters of the Engineers (Genie) where contact was made with Mr Weidlich, Marcel who is responsible for the surveyance and maintenance of the Forts in the Metz area. The above conducted the investigator on a search tour of all the subterranean passages and pillboxes which could be visited. Particular attention was paid to Shelter V now completely cleared, Caserne S and the underground passage going to Caserne R and Battery P (see map attached). It was in this section that the unit led by Lt Goell was trapped and where the greatest amount of casualties were inflicted. The greatest part of this section has been cleared of debris and rubble, save for Caserne

Narrative of Investigation

25 January 1950

R, which was exploded during the combat and under which there may be American remains. Part of the subterranean is also destroyed and the same possibility exists. It is considered impossible to remove the enormous blocks of cement of the collapsed pillbox (R) without reexploding them. The fort has been completely searched twice before. Once by the deminers and once by Mr Weidlich and his crew who searched the underground passages in order to take inventory of all materiel, which has since been sold to individual buyers.

According to Mr Weidlich the fort will remain abandoned and the heavy rubble will not be cleared.

Reference is made to case number 5078 Moselle (Vitcusky) in which is noted the fact that the Germans had marked on an effects card for Vitcusky "Meiningen in Jan. 1945". A list of "Lieu dit" in German was referred to at the Town Hall of Ars-sur-Moselle and no Meiningen was located. There was a reference to "Menningen" which was the German appellation for the town of Magny. A check of burial records at the Town Hall of Magny indicated that no American graves were known to exist in the territory of the commune.

IV. CONCLUSION:

The area of Fort Driant above and underground has been thoroughly searched at three different occasions. The only possible places where remains may still exist would be under the "Concrete Barracks" R and the subterranean passage leading to it.

In the undersigned's opinion, (the reference to Meiningen in Case 5078 Moselle) it is believed that there was a personal effects or Graves Registration Depot (German) at Meiningen, Germany (M51/H82). The card made out for the personal effects of Vitcusky was probably marked there.

V. RECOMMENDATION:

That all of the cases mentioned in paragraph I be worked as Non-Recoverable.

/s/t/ HOWARD E. EPHRAIM
Hqs AGRC Reg Div

AIRMAIL

OMMS 293
GRS European *Adair* 1st Ind
~~SUBJECT: Request for Information~~

Dept of the Army, OQMG, Washington 25, D. C., 27 October 1949

TO: Commanding General, American Graves Registration Command, European Area, APO 88, c/o Postmaster, New York, New York

Submitted herewith are copies of all available dental information available for the following:

Crawford, James W.	S/Sgt	34254893
Hurt, Orville	Pfc	16006889
Mash, Willie G.	Pvt	34899335
Pihara, Joseph J.	S/Sgt	15013922
<i>X 293</i> Weber, Ross H.	Pfc	16017602
Buffalo, Dennis	Pvt	36214242
Lesno, Joseph A.	T/5	32936045
Loback, Casimir P.	Pfc	36228207
McGregor, C. R.	Pfc	34147889
Pescik, Albin J.	Pvt	31274929
Van Dorn, James E.	Pfc	37503303
Van Horn, James B., Jr.	2/Lt	01303253
Vitousky, Charles F.	Pvt	53606102
Underwood, Wilburn	Pfc	34269372
Didallo, Lewis S.	2/Lt	01328046

FOR THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL:

15 Duels

1-5. Photo cys Forms 79

6-14. Cys dental info

15. Photo cy TNG

T. H. METZ

Lt Colonel, QMG

Memorial Division

AIRMAIL

Surname (2) First name
Rank (4) Co (5) Reg or Staff Corps
Age, years (7) Race
Nativity (9) Service, years

Robert Ross
Private
25
M
2 1/2

(10) Disease or injury with location, complications sequelae, etc.	(11) Dates and Nature of Treatments & operations.	(12) Result & Remarks.
Parasomnias 2-16	CMTT 1943	

Diagnosis

Classification

DENTAL DIAGNOSIS

- _____ Abscess, parietal.
- _____ Abscess, Periapical. (P)
- _____ Calculus.
- _____ Caries.
- _____ Denture Defective.
- _____ Filling Defective.
- _____ Gingivitis.
- _____ Mandible edentulous.
- _____ Maxilla edentulous.
- _____ Periodontoclasia (PDC)
- _____ Pulpitis.
- _____ Stomatitis Vincent's.
- _____ Tooth erupting.
- _____ Tooth impacted.
- _____ Tooth pulpless.

TREATMENT RECOMMENDATION

- _____ Acute infections.
- _____ Extractions.
- _____ Teeth treated.
- _____ Fillings or inlays.
- _____ Prophylaxis.
- _____ Prosthetic replacement

_____ No treatment recommen

_____ Clearance.

REMARKS:

AG 704 DEAD (2 May 49)

AOB/mat/1B739b/6907

2 May 1949

MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD

SUBJECT: Review of Circumstances Surrounding the Disappearance of Personnel Presumed Dead.

1. The following-named enlisted personnel were reported missing in action in France, since 7 October 1944, by Casualty Shipment No. 223, ETO, and were presumed dead as of 8 October 1945, under the provisions of Section 5, Missing Persons Act: (AG 704 Dead (8 October 1945) SR&D No. 4305)

S Sgt.	Joseph J. Pihera	15 013 922	Infantry
Pfc	Ross W. Weber	16 017 602	Infantry

2. A "Missing Report", dated 24 November 1944, filed in Casualty file of both enlisted men, named above, shows as follows:

"Pinned down with artillery fire and machine gun fire and cut off at Pill Box V Fort Driant.

"Patrol sent out at 2230 hours. 7 October 1944 to Pill Box V. Contacted the enemy and had to withdraw back to S Group Fortified Driant."

FILE

MAY 9 1949

G. W. Rogers
Capt., QMC
Identification Branch

Fort Driant is located on the Moselle River about 5 miles southwest of Metz in eastern France. The C.N.I. weekly, 11 October 1944, states that we held two corners of the upper part of the fort despite enemy counterattacks and artillery fire. The network of underground passages enabled the Germans to take our troops from the rear.

4. In view of the meager information of record in the Department of the Army, at this time, it does not warrant the issuance of official reports of death under the provisions of Section 9, Missing Persons Act.

A. L. O'Brien
A. L. O'BRIEN
Investigator

CONCUR:

T. J. Collum
T. J. COLLUM
Major, AGD
OIC, Determination Unit
Casualty Section
Personnel Actions Branch, AGO

COPY FURNISHED: Central files, AG 201 and QMGM file of each individual named in par.1.

Source material obtained as a result of this investigation is filed in the AG 201 file of S Sgt. Joseph J. Pihera, 15013922, unless otherwise indicated.

293 FILE

DATA ON REMAINS NOT YET RECOVERED OR IDENTIFIED

FRANCE

NAME (Last, First, Middle Initial) Weber, Ross, W.		GRADE PFC	PRESENT SERIAL NUMBER 16017602
ORGANIZATION Co. B 10 Inf. INF	RACE White	CREED Baptist	FORMER SERIAL NUMBER (If applicable)
DATE OF DEATH/MIA 7 Oct 44	CAUSE OF DEATH DED	PLACE OF DEATH OR PLACE LAST SEEN IF MIA FORT DRIANT NEAR METZ FRANCE	
DATE OF FOD 8 Oct 45			
HEIGHT 69 1/2	WEIGHT 160	COLOR EYES Blue	COLOR HAIR Brown
		SHOE SIZE 9E	

DENTAL CHART DATE **12 Dec 40**

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

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

1 form 79 atchd.

293 FILE

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NAME (Last, First, Middle Initial)

GRADE

PRESENT SERIAL NUMBER

WEBER, Russ W.

PFC

16 017602

ORGANIZATION

RACE

CREED

FORMER SERIAL NUMBER (If applicable)

CO "B"
10th INF.

WHITE PROTESTANT

DATE OF DEATH/MIA

CAUSE OF DEATH

PLACE OF DEATH OR PLACE LAST SEEN IF MIA

7 OCT '44

DATE OF FOD

F.L.D.

FORT DRIANT
NEAR METZ, FRANCE

HEIGHT

WEIGHT

COLOR EYES

COLOR HAIR

SHOE SIZE

5'9 1/2"

160

BLUE

BROWN 9E

DENTAL CHART 12 DEC '40

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FRACTURES AND/OR BREAKS

TATTOOS AND/OR BIRTHMARK

NONE

NONE

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

FILE

JUN 15 1948

E. J. Sullivan, Lt. Col., QMC
IDENTIFICATION BRANCH

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

4305

FINDING OF DEATH OF MISSING PERSON

Pursuant to the provisions of Section 5 of the Act of 7 March 1942 (Public Law 490 77th Cong.) as amended, upon direction and delegation by The Secretary of War, The Chief, Casualty Branch, The Adjutant General's Office, finds Private First Class Ross W. Weber, Army Serial Number 16,017,602, Infantry, to be dead. He was officially reported as missing in action as of the 7th day of October 1944. For the purposes stated in said Act, death is presumed to have occurred on the 8th day of October, 1945.

BY ORDER OF THE SECRETARY OF WAR

George F. Hebert

ADJUTANT GENERAL
CHIEF, CASUALTY BRANCH

SUMMARY OF INFORMATION

AREA European		FLYING STATUS No	JUMP STATUS No	LINE OF DUTY Yes	OWN MIS-CONDUCT No	ON DUTY STATUS Yes	ABSENCE AUTH'D
PREVIOUS REVIEWS None							
DATE OF BIRTH 15 Jul 1917	HOME ADDRESS Pontiac, Illinois	DATE OF ENTRY ON CURRENT ACTIVE SERVICE 12 Dec 1940		LENGTH OF SERVICE (AS OF PRESUMED DATE OF DEATH)			
		YEARS	MONTH	DAYS			
		Over	three	years			

EMERGENCY ADDRESSEE

NAME Mr. Walter C. Weber	RELATIONSHIP Father	ADDRESS Route #2 Pontiac, Illinois
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BENEFICIARIES

NAME Walter Weber	RELATIONSHIP Father	ADDRESS Route #2 Pontiac, Illinois
NAME Glenn E. Weber	RELATIONSHIP Brother	ADDRESS Route #2 Pontiac, Illinois

REMARKS

Distribution 56

Soldier awarded Combat Infantryman Badge per authority G.O. #6, Headquarters, 10th Infantry, dated 16 August 1944.

Circumstances of disappearance: Soldier was a member of a unit which was surrounded and cut off at Fort Driant near Metz, France.

H. H. H.
10-11-45
JMB

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

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CHIEF, CASUALTY BRANCH

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		YEARS Over	MONTH three	DAYS years			

EMERGENCY ADDRESSEE

NAME Mr. Walter C. Weber	RELATIONSHIP Father	ADDRESS Route #2 Pontiac, Illinois
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BENEFICIARIES

NAME Walter Weber	RELATIONSHIP Father	ADDRESS Route #2 Pontiac, Illinois
NAME Glenn E. Weber	RELATIONSHIP Brother	ADDRESS Route #2 Pontiac, Illinois

REMARKS

Distribution 56

Soldier awarded Combat Infantryman Badge per authority G.O. #6, Headquarters, 10th Infantry, dated 16 August 1944.

Circumstances of disappearance: Soldier was a member of a unit which was surrounded and cut off at Fort Driant near Metz, France.

WAR DEPARTMENT
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
WEBER ROSS W		16017602			PFC	INF	ETO
PLACE OF CASUALTY		DATE OF CASUALTY			FLYING OR JUMPING STAT	TYPE OF CASUALTY	SHIPMENT NUMBER
FRANCE 9		DAY	MONTH	YEAR	V	MIA	223

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 TELEGRAPHIC 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	RELATIONSHIP	DATE NOTIFIED
MR WALTER C WEBER	FATHER	27 OCT 44 GJM
NO. AND NAME OF STREET—CITY—STATE		
ROUTE NUMBER TWO PONTIAC ILLINOIS		

REMARKS:

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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 Sanon 260744 REVIEWED BY _____

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December 26, 1945

Dear Mr. Weber:

The Army Effects Bureau has received from overseas some personal effects of your son, Private First Class Ross W. Weber.

These effects are being forwarded to you in one carton.

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 son.

Yours very truly,

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

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12/26

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