



# INDIVIDUAL DECEASED PERSONNEL FILE

**WIRTZ, MATTHEW  
O-1287638  
FRANCE JPAC INCIDENT 206**

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<del>NAME</del> WIRTZ, MATTHEW	GRADE 1st Lt	SERIAL NO. 01 287 638
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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)

WIRTZ, MATTHEW

RANK

1LT

SERIAL NUMBER

01 287 638

ARM OF SERVICE

ARMY

DATE OF DEATH

10 SEP. 44

AREA OF DEATH

FRANCE

NAME OF AUDITOR

GRAVES

DATE

17 MAY 51

NAME OF REVIEWER

Simon

DATE

21 MAY 51

REMARKS

**NON-RECOVERABLE REMAINS REEXAMINATION RECORDS**

AREA OF DEATH European, vicinity of Moselle, France		CASE NUMBER 15205
NAME (Last, First, Middle Initial) <i>M. Wirtz, Matthew</i>	RANK 1st Lt	SERIAL NUMBER 0-1 287 638

*~~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	<i>E.H.</i>
2. GEOGRAPHICAL CLUE INDEX FILE OF UNKNOWN RECOVERED FROM APPROPRIATE AREA, COMPARED WITH DECEDENT	<i>E.H.</i>
3. OTHER DOCUMENTS OR SOURCES	

REMARKS

**MAN FILE**

**MAR 13 1951**

*J. Miller*

**Identification Branch**

RECOMMEND APPROVAL		APPROVED	DATE
NAME OF CASE ANALYST <i>E. Miller</i>	CASE REVIEWER, FINAL DETERMINATION SECTION	CHIEF, FINAL DETERMINATION SECTION <i>Joseph ...</i>	

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

CASE NUMBER 15205 (1)

AREA OR ZONE(S)  
European

NAME (Last, First, Middle Initial)  
Wirtz, Matthew

RANK  
1st Lt

SERIAL NUMBER  
O-1 287 638

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.

1. 293 FILE OF SUBJECT(S)	INITIALS OF ANALYST	(CROSS OUT THOSE NOT APPLICABLE) 2. a. REPORT OF DEATH b. FINDING OF DEATH <del>c. STATUS REVIEW DETERMINATION</del>	INITIALS OF ANALYST
	VAF		VAF
3. A - Z FILE OF KNOWN INTERMENTS IN U.S. MILITARY CEMETERIES, ISOLATED LOCATIONS, AND SEA BURIALS	VAF	4. GEOGRAPHICAL CLUE INDEX FILE OF UNKNOWN RECOVERED FROM APPROPRIATE AREA	
5. ALPHABETICAL INDEX OF "BELIEVED TO BE" AND TENTATIVELY IDENTIFIED UNKNOWN	VAF	6. ALPHABETICAL FILE OF FORMER UNKNOWN NOW IDENTIFIED	VAF
7. OTHER DOCUMENTS OR SOURCES	None		

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:

MIA on 10 September 1944 in the vicinity of Moselle, France

  
**MAR 13 1951**

NAME OF CASE ANALYST  
*Vincent A. Thomas*  
Vincent A. Thomas/cwt

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

RECOMMEND APPROVAL		APPROVED	DATE
CASE REVIEWER, FINAL DETERMINATION SECTION <i>W. A. Wolf</i> W. A. WOLF	CHIEF, FINAL DETERMINATION SECTION <i>Mary A. Edwards</i> MARY A. EDWARDS, 1/Lt QMC	CHIEF, IDENTIFICATION BRANCH <i>John M. Neff</i> JOHN M. NEFF, Capt QMC	<b>MAR 12 1951</b>

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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.

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

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





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>
Addabbo, 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.	L/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 E.	Pfc	31 301 636	1 Jan 45
Hayslett, Clinton F.	T/5	15 056 320	24 Nov 44
Hill, Edgar	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, Ervan N.	Pfc	35 896 040	10 Nov 44
Johnson, Rodgers E.	Pvt	34 875 393	18 Sep 44
Keeley, 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

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, Pennie (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	34 573 603	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.

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

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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.

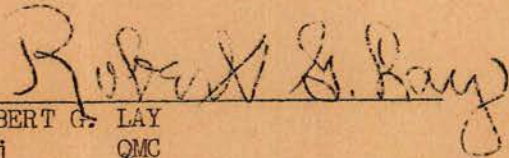
Reference is also made to: Report of Field Investigation, dated 10 July 1950: Attached.

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  
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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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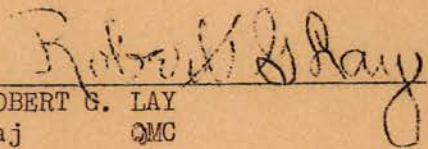
BY ORDER OF COLONEL AMLONG:

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

OFFICIAL:

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

A TRUE COPY:

  
ROBERT S. LAY  
Maj QMC

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AG 704 Dead (18 May 50)

WLN/10662a/gvg/10272

18 May 50

MEMORANDUM TO: Officer in Charge, Casualty Section,  
Personnel Actions Branch, AGO

SUBJECT: Report of Death

1. The following named persons, Infantry, members of Company F, 11th Infantry Regiment were reported missing in action, not in flying or jump pay status, in France on 10 September 1944 by ETO Shipment Numbers 201 and 206, and presumed dead as of 11 September 1945 under the provisions of Section 5, Missing Persons Act (SR&D No. 4042).

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Standridge, Wendell F. Pvt 35927044 MB

2. Filed in the Casualty Section file and AG 201 file of First Lieutenant Matthew Wirtz are duplicate Missing Reports, dated 23 September 1944, signed by Captain K.C. Doty, Personnel Officer 11th Infantry. These reports reveal that Lieutenant Wirtz departed Dornot, France on 8 September 1944 on a mission to establish a bridgehead across the Moselle River. The intended destination was Fort Saint Blaise. Lieutenant Wirtz was last known to be in the Moselle River on the night of 10 September 1944 under the following circumstances as described in the reports:

"Brief Resume of Circumstances Surrounding Disappearance:

When ordered to withdraw from the bridgehead, it was necessary for some personnel to swim across the Moselle River to the West Bank.

"Statements of Witnesses, If any: 1st Lt Wirtz was heard by Sgt M.Wm Smith to call for help when he (Lt Wirtz) had swum about half way across the river. Due to extreme darkness, it was impossible to judge Lt Wirtz's exact position when he called for help."

a. Filed in the Casualty Section file of Private Standridge is a Missing report dated 23 September 1944, signed by Captain K. C. Doty, Personnel Officer 11th Infantry. The report is substantially the same as the Missing Report on Lieutenant Wirtz, the other subject person. The report shows that Private Standridge departed Dornot, France on 8 September 1944 with Company F, 11th Infantry to establish a bridgehead across the Moselle River and the intended destination was Fort Saint Blaise, France. The report further shows that Private Standridge

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was last seen entering the Moselle River on the night of 10 September 1944 when Company F was ordered to withdraw from the bridgehead. The following "Remarks" appear on the report:

"A search of the area around the river was made the following day but Pvt. Standridge could not be found. A check was also made with the Aid station and they had no record of having evacuated Pvt. Standridge."

3. The captured German documents contain no information relative to the subject persons, nor do the files of the Memorial Division, Office of the Quartermaster General contain any burial information, at the present, on them.

4. The fourth indorsement, dated 18 April 1945, from Headquarters 11th Infantry Regiment, in reply to a letter from this office, relative to Technical Sergeant James S. Smith, 6,985,951, Company G, 11th Infantry, who was on the same mission as the subject persons, gives the width of the river as 100 yards, depth 10 feet and swiftness of current 15 to 20 miles per hour (file reference AG 201 Smith, James S. 6985951, 23 Mar 45)

5. The subject persons were members of Company F, 11th Infantry Regiment which departed Dornot, France on 8 September 1944 to establish a bridgehead across the Moselle River on the east bank, about three quarters of a mile east of Dornot, France. The 11th Infantry was under constant enemy artillery and small arms fire and their positions becoming untenable they were ordered to withdraw to the west bank of the Moselle River, under cover of darkness, on the night of 10 September 1944. The records indicate that some of the men had to swim the river due to a scarcity of boats. The river at this point was 100 yards wide with a current running 15 to 20 miles per hour. Lieutenant Wirtz was seen to enter the river and swim about half way across when he was heard to call for help. Private Standridge was seen to enter the river to swim to the west bank. Due to the extreme darkness the subject soldiers were not seen after entering the river. When the organization was mustered on the morning of 11 September 1944 the subject persons were missing and search for them was futile. The captured German records contain no information of Lieutenant Wirtz or Private Standridge. Nothing has been seen or heard of them since. Considering the above facts and the lapse of time it is reasonable to believe that they died in their attempt to swim the river.

6. It is recommended, therefore, that pursuant to the provisions of Section 9, Missing Persons Act, the foregoing information be accepted as an official report of death stating that the personnel named in paragraph one, above, Infantry,



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were killed in action, not in flying or jump pay status, on 10 September 1944 while attempting to swim the Moselle River near Dornot, France. Official report of death will include the following statement:

"Finding of Death has been issued previously under Section 5, Public Law 490, 7 March 1942, as amended, showing presumed date of death as 11 September 1945. This 'Report of Death' is issued in accordance with Section 9 of said Act and its effect on prior payments and settlements is as provided in Section 9."

This memorandum will be routed to Operating Unit for notification and processing.

Station of deceased and place of death: ETO

*Walter L. Nallis*  
Walter L. Nallis  
Investigator

CONCUR:

*J. J. Collins*  
Maj AG 10

*for*  
N. B. STARR  
Captain, AGD  
Asst. OIC, Det. & Rev. Unit  
Casualty Section, AGO

APPROVED. Recommended action will be taken.

BY ORDER OF THE SECRETARY OF THE ARMY:

*Sylvio L. Bousquin*  
SYLVIO L. BOUSQUIN  
Lt. Colonel, AGD  
OIC, Casualty Section  
Personnel Actions Branch, AGO

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OQMG, Mem. Div.  
AG 201 file

Source material obtained as a result of this investigation is filed in the AG 201 file of the first name listed in par. 1, unless otherwise indicated.

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PASS TO MEMORIAL DIV

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REQUEST THIS OFFICE BE FURNISHED ALL LATEST AVAILABLE DENTAL INFORMATION

FOR CLN SECOND LT HOWARD L JR SMITH CMA ZERO DASH EIGHT EIGHT

SEVEN FIVE SIX FOUR CLN FIRST LT JAMES O WARENSKJOLD CMA ZERO DASH

SIX SIX NINE NINE THREE SIX CLN SECOND LT JULIEN D GOELL CMA ZERO

ONE THREE TWO FIVE EIGHT EIGHT SIX CMA FIRST LT PD MATTHEW WIRZ

CMA ZERO DASH ONE TWO EIGHT SEVEN SIX THREE EIGHT CLN FIRST LT

WILLIAM H ARMOLD CMA ZERO DASH FOUR FIVE FOUR FOUR SIX SEVEN CMA

SECOND LT LEWIS S DILLELO CMA ZERO DASH ONE THREE TWO SIX ZERO FOUR

SIX FIRST LT PD STEPHEN T LOVRY CMA ZERO DASH FOUR ONE TWO FIVE FOUR FIVE

CLN FIRST T OMAS J GULLISON CMA ZERO DASH ONE THREE ONE EIGHT SEVEN

SIX FIVE CMA FIRST LT RAYFORD M SAXON CMA ZERO DASH ONE TWO NINE

EIGHT SEVEN FIVE ONE CLN FIRST LT JOHNNY R HILLYARD CMA ZERO DASH

FOUR FIVE ZERO TWO FOUR SIX CLN FIRST LT JAMES E WRIGHT CMA ZERO DASH

FOUR ZERO TWO SEVEN SIX SIX PD END AGRC PECKHAM

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File

*18-549*  
G. W. ROGERS  
Capt., QMC

Identification Branch

AIRMAIL

QJMS 293  
GMS (European)

*Adl*

21 May 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 5561 dated 15 April 1949.
2. Inclosed herewith are information copies of OJMS Form 371, with all available dental forms, pertaining to the following decedents:

Arnold, William M.	1st Lt.	0 454 467
Cullison, Thomas J.	1st Lt.	01 318 765
Dilollo, Lewis S.	2nd Lt.	01 326 216
Gosll, Julien D.	2nd Lt.	01 325 386
Hillyard, Johnny R.	1st Lt.	0 450 216
Lowry, Stephen T.	1st Lt.	0 412 515
Saxon, Rayford E.	1st Lt.	01 296 751
Smith, Howard L. Jr.	2nd Lt.	0 387 514
Warrenkold, James O.	1st Lt.	0 609 936
<del>Kirts, Matthew</del>	<del>1st Lt.</del>	<del>01 287 632</del>
Wright, James E.	1st Lt.	0 402 766

FOR THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL:

11 Incls  
 Incls 1-2 Info cys OJMS Form 371  
 Incls 3-11 Info cys OJMS Form 371  
 w/dental forms atchd

T. H. WITZ  
 Lt. Colonel, AGC  
 Memorial Division

X 293  
 WITZ,  
 Matthew  
 01287638

AIRMAIL

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\*REPORT OF DENTAL SURVEY

UPPER TEETH

8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
X						X	X								

LOWER TEETH

16	15	14	13	12	11	10	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1
X															

CLASS: 1

Occlusion: Poor; Calculus: Slight, Medium, Heavy

Periodontoclasia: No, 77.5

Dental foci suspected: Yes  No

Other conditions: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: February 29, 1944

Capt C.W. Sawyer  
Dental Corps, U. S. A.

\*Restorable carious teeth by O  
Nonrestorable carious teeth by /  
Missing natural teeth by X

Teeth replaced by denture (horizontal line)

X	X	X	X
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Teeth replaced by fixed bridge (oval to include abutments)

O	
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REGISTER OF DENTAL PATIENTS AT

0-1287638 43

(1) SURNAMES: Wirtz  
 (2) CHRISTIAN NAME: Matthew (NMI)  
 (3) RANK: 2nd Lt  
 (4) COMPANY: F  
 (5) REGIMENT OR STAFF CORPS: 11th Inf  
 (6) AGE, YEARS: 25  
 (7) RACE: W  
 (8) NATIVITY: Dugoslavia  
 (9) SERVICE, YEARS: 6 1/2

(10) DISEASE OR INJURY WITH LOCATION, COMPLICATIONS, SEQUELAE.	(11) DATES AND NATURE OF TREATMENT AND OPERATIONS	(12) RESULTS AND REMARKS
R. Adm.	Exam	OK-1, 2
CARIES L-17 M S		
L-2 M S		
Pulpitis L-8	TE (1) ANES 24	C.W.S.
CARIES L-6 DO A	3/22	L II-III
UPPER 3 TOOTH	PARTIAL R-1-2, -4, 7/17	L III-IV
Transferred to demobilized		12 Mch. 46

O.P. Lobben  
Dental Corps, U. S. A.

Form 79—MEDICAL DEPARTMENT, U. S. A.  
(Revised Feb. 24, 1941)  
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# REGISTER OF DENTAL PATIENTS AT

Station Hospital, Dental Clinic

(1) SURNAME	(2) CHRISTIAN NAME	(3) RANK	(4) COMPANY	(5) REGIMENT OR STAFF CORPS	(6) AGE, YEARS	(7) RACE	(8) NATIVITY	(9) SERVICE YEARS	(10) DISEASE OR INJURY WITH LOCATION, COMPLICATIONS, SEQUELAE, ETC.	(11) DATES AND NATURE OF TREATMENTS AND OPERATIONS	(12) RESULTS AND REMARKS
Wirtz	Matthew	Sgt.	B	131 Inf	23	W	Yokoslovaki	4		Examination OCS 12	A.J.S.

Dental Corps, U. S. A.

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# \*REPORT OF DENTAL SURVEY

UPPER TEETH

Right	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Left	X	0	X	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	X	X	X	0

LOWER TEETH

Right	16	15	14	13	12	11	10	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1
Left	X	0	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X

CLASS I

Occlusion: Calculus: Slight, Medium, Heavy

Periodontoclasia: None

Dental foci suspected: Yes No

Other conditions: Normal

Date 2-12, 1942

A. J. Smith  
Dental Corps, U. S. A.

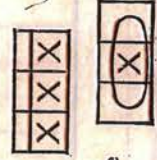
\* Restorable carious teeth by O

Non-restorable carious teeth by /

Missing natural teeth by X

Teeth replaced by denture (horizontal line)

Teeth replaced by fixed bridge (oval to include abutments)



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REGISTER OF DENTAL PATIENTS AT

Dental Clinic # 1

(1) SURNAME (2) CHRISTIAN NAME

Wirtz Mathew

(3) RANK (4) COMPANY (5) REGIMENT OR STAFF CORPS

Sgt. B 131 Inf.

(6) AGE, YEARS (7) RACE (8) NATIVITY (9) SERVICE, YEARS

22 Jujoslavia 9/12

(10) DISEASE OR INJURY WITH LOCATION, COMPLICATIONS, SEQUELAE, ETC.	(11) DATES AND NATURE OF TREATMENTS AND OPERATIONS	(12) RESULTS AND REMARKS
Per. Abs. R-4 ✓	T.E. AnesIn 12/17	W.J.T. Cl. I
Per. Abs. L-15	T.E. AnesCn 17	W.J.T. Cl. II
Per. Abs. R-7	T.E. AnesIn 2/13/42	J.H.O. N.C.
Caries R-2-m	O 20	J.H.O.
Caries R-1-d	O 20	J.H.O.
Caries R-1-f	S 20	J.H.O. N.C.
Caries R-15-o	A 27	J.H.O.
Caries R-6-d	A 27	J.H.O.
Caries L-6-m	A 27	J.H.O.
Caries L-7-o	A 27	J.H.O. N.C.
Caries L-2-d	S 28	J.H.O.
Caries L-2-m	S 28	J.H.O. N.C.
Caries L-4-mo	A 3/7/42	J.H.O. N.C.

Dental Corps, U. S. A.

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Date: 19

Report of Dental Survey

UPPER TEETH



LOWER TEETH



CLASS -----  
 O Tooth crowned / Missing tooth  
 O/O Fixed bridge / Partial denture  
 Occlusion ----- Periodontoclasia  
 \*Caries -----  
 Calculus: Slight, Medium, Heavy.  
 Dental foci suspected: Yes No  
 Other conditions -----

Dental Officer.

3-10567

\*Indicate by tooth number.

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DATA ON REMAINS NOT YET RECORDED OR IDENTIFIED FRANCE

NAME (Last, First, Middle Initial)

Wirtz, Matthew (NMI)

GRADE

1 LT

PRESENT SERIAL NUMBER

0-1287638

ORGANIZATION

Co. F. 11th INF

RACE

white

CREED

R. CATHOLIC

FORMER SERIAL NUMBER (If applicable)

20607348

DATE OF DEATH/MIA

DATE OF FOD

CAUSE OF DEATH

PLACE OF DEATH OR PLACE LAST SEEN IF MIA

10 SEPT 44  
11 SEPT 45

DEFD

MOSELLE RIVER FRANCE

HEIGHT

71

WEIGHT

150

COLOR EYES

BROWN

COLOR HAIR

BROWN

SHOE SIZE

NOT OF RECORD

APPOINTED INDUCTION DENTAL CHART DATE 14 JULY 42 24-2-44

UPPER RIGHT

8 X 7 X 6<sup>d</sup> 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=Cariou

1=Cariou Non-Restorable

FRACTURES AND/OR BREAKS

NONE

TATTOOS AND/OR BIRTHMARK

NONE

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

D/B/28/DEC/1918

ATTACHED 3 FORM 79



**IDENTIFICATION SECTION  
MEMORIAL DIVISION**

**IDENTIFICATION DATA**

LAST NAME - FIRST NAME - MIDDLE INITIAL <i>Wirtz Matthew</i>			ARMY SERIAL NUMBER <i>20607348 01287638</i>		GRADE <i>1st Lt.</i>
HEIGHT <i>5ft 10in</i>	WEIGHT <i>140 lbs</i>	COLOR EYES <i>Brown</i>	COLOR HAIR <i>Brown</i>	SHOE SIZE <i>11 1/2</i>	DATE OF DEATH <i>11 Sept. 45</i>
LAST ORGANIZATION TO WHICH ATTACHED OR ASSIGNED (Give complete designation) <i>Co. F. 11th Inf</i>					

PLACE OF DEATH OR PLACE LAST SEEN IF MIA  
*MIA in France. Purpose at time <sup>was to</sup> establish bridgehead across the Moselle River*

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

STATION	DATES
<i>Ft. Benning, Ga.</i>	<i>14 July 42</i>
<i>Camp Robinson, Ark.</i>	<i>6 Aug. 42</i>

FROM: WD, AGO CLINICAL RECORDS BRANCH  
NO RECORDS ON FILE

FRACTURES AND/OR BREAKS	TATTOOS AND/OR BIRTH MARKS
<i>None shown.</i>	

**DENTAL CHART**

*12 Feb. 42*

<i>X</i> 7 6 5 <i>X</i> 3 (2) (1)	1 (2) 3 4 <i>X</i> 6 <i>X</i> 8
UPPER RIGHT	UPPER LEFT
<i>X</i> 14 <i>X</i> 13 12 11 10 9	9 10 11 12 13 <i>X</i> 15 <i>X</i> 16
LOWER RIGHT	LOWER LEFT

X - EXTRACTED      0 - CARIOUS      / - CARIOUS NON-RESTORABLE



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DATA ON REMAINS NOT YET COVERED OR IDENTIFIED

NAME (Last, First, Middle Initial)

Wirtz, Matthew

GRADE

PRESENT SERIAL NUMBER

WIRTZ MATTHEW

L-17

0-187638

ORGANIZATION

RACE

CREED

FORMER SERIAL NUMBER (If applicable)

CO. F, 11th INF

WHITE

CATHOLIC

20607348

DATE OF DEATH/MIA

CAUSE OF DEATH

PLACE OF DEATH OR PLACE LAST SEEN IF MIA

DATE OF FOD

F.O.D.

MOBILE RIVER, AL.

HEIGHT

WEIGHT

COLOR EYES

COLOR HAIR

SHOE SIZE

5'11"

150 lbs

BROWN

BROWN

10 REG.

DENTAL CHART

24-FEB-44

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

TATTOOS AND/OR BIRTHMARK

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION



Jill  
JUN 17 1946  
R. E. Sullivan  
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**WAR DEPARTMENT**  
THE ADJUTANT GENERAL'S OFFICE  
WASHINGTON 25, D. C.

4042

**FINDING OF DEATH OF MISSING PERSON**

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to be dead. He was officially reported as missing in action as of the 10th day of September 1944. For the purposes stated in said Act, death is presumed to have occurred on the 11th day of September, 1945.

BY ORDER OF THE SECRETARY OF WAR

*George F. Hebert*  
ADJUTANT GENERAL  
CHIEF, CASUALTY BRANCH

SUMMARY OF INFORMATION

AREA	FIGHTING STATUS	JUMP STATUS	LINE OF DUTY	OWN MIS-CONDUCT	ON DUTY STATUS	ABSENCE AUTH'D
European	No	No	Yes	No	Yes	
PREVIOUS REVIEWS						
None						
DATE OF BIRTH	HOME ADDRESS	DATE OF ENTRY ON CURRENT ACTIVE SERVICE	LENGTH OF SERVICE (AS OF PRESUMED DATE OF DEATH)			
28 Dec 1918	Chicago, Illinois	14 Jul 1942	YEARS	MONTH	DAYS	

\* EMERGENCY ADDRESSEE

NAME	RELATIONSHIP	ADDRESS
Mrs. Christell Wirtz	Wife	3080 North Elston Avenue Chicago 18, Illinois

\* BENEFICIARIES

NAME	RELATIONSHIP	ADDRESS
Mrs. Christell Wirtz	Wife	3080 North Elston Avenue Chicago, 18, Illinois
Lois Lynn Wirtz	Daughter	3080 North Elston Avenue
Robert Clay Chesheir Wirtz	Son	Chicago 18, Illinois

REMARKS

Distribution \_\_-56

\*Alternate beneficiary: Mrs. Mary Wirtz (Mother) 3642 North New England Ave, Chicago, Illinois

Circumstances of Disappearance: Officer failed to rejoin his company following its withdrawal from a bridgehead across the Moselle River in France.

18 SEP 1945  
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ASN as EM: 20,607,348

**SENSITIVE SURFACE - HANDLE EDGES ONLY**

**WAR DEPARTMENT**

THE ADJUTANT GENERAL'S OFFICE

WASHINGTON 25, D. C.

**FINAL REPORT**  
REPORT OF DEATH

No. 962 abk

DATE 26 June 1950

FULL NAME <b>WIRTZ, MATTHEW</b>		ARMY SERIAL NUMBER <b>01287638</b>		GRADE <b>1st Lt.</b>	
HOME ADDRESS <b>Chicago, Illinois</b>		ARM OR SERVICE <b>Infantry</b>		DATE OF BIRTH <b>28 Dec 1918</b>	
PLACE OF DEATH <b>France</b>		CAUSE OF DEATH <b>Killed in action</b>		DATE OF DEATH <b>10 Sept. 1944</b>	
STATION OF DECEASED <b>European Command</b>		DATE OF ENTRY ON CURRENT ACTIVE SERVICE <b>14 July 1942</b>		LENGTH OF SERVICE FOR PAY PURPOSES YEARS MONTHS DAYS	
EMERGENCY ADDRESSEE (Name, relationship, and address) <b>Mrs. Christell Wirtz, wife, 312 East Tennessee Street, Forrest City, Arkansas</b>					
BENEFICIARY (Name, relationship, and address) <b>Mrs. Christell Wirtz, wife, address same as above</b> <b>Lois L. Wirtz, daughter, same as above *</b>					
INVESTIGATION MADE YES NO		IN LINE OF DUTY YES NO		OWN MISCONDUCT YES NO	
				WAS DECEASED ON DUTY STATUS YES NO	
				AUTHORIZED ABSENCE YES NO	
				IN FLYING PAY STATUS YES NO <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
				OTHER PAY STATUS (Specify below) YES NO	
ADDITIONAL DATA AND/OR STATEMENT <b>ASN as EM: 20 607 348</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> BATTLE <input type="checkbox"/> NON-BATTLE					
<b>*Robert C. Chesheir Wirtz, son, address same as above</b> <b>Mrs. Mary Wirtz, mother, 3642 North New England Avenue, Chicago, Illinois</b>					
Finding of Death has been issued previously under Section 5, Public Law 490, 7 March 1942, as amended, showing presumed date of death as 11 September 1945. This "Report of Death" is issued in accordance with Section 9 of said Act and its effect on prior payments and settlements is as provided in Section 9.					

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**RECORDS ANNOTATED**

**DATE**

**NAME**

**Report. DR. MEM. DIV.**

BY ORDER OF THE SECRETARY OF THE ARMY

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*W. Stearns*  
ADJUTANT GENERAL

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

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ADJUTANT GENERAL  
CHIEF, CASUALTY BRANCH

SUMMARY OF INFORMATION

AREA <b>European</b>		FLYING STATUS No	JUMP STATUS No	LINE OF DUTY Yes	OWN MIS-CONDUCT No	ON DUTY STATUS Yes	ABSENCE AUTH'D
PREVIOUS REVIEWS <b>None</b>							
DATE OF BIRTH <b>28 Dec 1918</b>	HOME ADDRESS <b>Chicago, Illinois</b>	DATE OF ENTRY ON CURRENT ACTIVE SERVICE <b>14 Jul 1942</b>		LENGTH OF SERVICE (AS OF PRESUMED DATE OF DEATH)			
				YEARS	MONTH	DAYS	

\* EMERGENCY ADDRESSEE

NAME <b>Mrs. Christell Wirtz</b>	RELATIONSHIP <b>Wife</b>	ADDRESS <b>3080 North Elston Avenue Chicago 18, Illinois</b>
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\* BENEFICIARIES

NAME <b>Mrs. Christell Wirtz</b>	RELATIONSHIP <b>Wife</b>	ADDRESS <b>3080 North Elston Avenue Chicago, 18, Illinois</b>
NAME <b>Lois Lynn Wirtz</b>	RELATIONSHIP <b>Daughter</b>	ADDRESS <b>3080 North Elston Avenue</b>
<b>Robert Clay Chesheir Wirtz</b>	<b>Son</b>	<b>Chicago 18, Illinois</b>

REMARKS

Distribution \_\_ 56

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Circumstances of Disappearance: Officer failed to rejoin his company following its withdrawal from a bridgehead across the Moselle River in France.

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ASN as EM: 20,607,348

CASUALTY BRANCH  
The Adjutant General's Office  
Washington

and

250,990

19 October 1944.

MISSING

AGC 201

AGC 201 Wirts, Matthew  
(7 Oct 44) 01267628

MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD

SUBJECT: Change of Address of Emergency Addressee.

A communication has been received from Mrs. Christell Wirts,  
relative to her husband, First Lieutenant Matthew Wirts, who has been  
missing in action since 10 September in France.

REQUESTING THAT THE RECORDS OF THIS OFFICE BE AMENDED AS FOLLOWS:

FROM

TO

Mrs. Christell Wirts, wife,  
713 West 2nd Street,  
Little Rock, Arkansas.

Mrs. Christell Wirts, wife,  
2080 North Elston Avenue,  
Chicago 10, Illinois.

Ralph C. Moor  
Major, A.G.O.

Adjutant General.

Copies Furnished:

Director, Office of Dependency Benefits  
Director, Bureau of Public Relations  
Natl. Hqs., American Red Cross  
Effects Quartermaster, Kansas City, Mo.  
~~C. G., Army Air Forces (If Air Corps Personnel)~~  
Cas. Pay Rec. Bureau, FD  
Gravelly Point, Bldg., T-7  
AG 201 file



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

BATTLE CASUALTY REPORT

NAME		SERIAL NUMBER	GRADE	ARM OR SERVICE	REPORTING THEATRE
WIRTZ MATTHEW		01287638	1 LT	INF	ETO
PLACE OF CASUALTY		DATE OF CASUALTY		FLYING OR JUMPING STAT	TYPE OF CASUALTY
FRANCE 9		DAY	MONTH	YEAR	SHIPMENT NUMBER
		10	SEP	44	MIA 201

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
MRS CHRISTELL WIRTZ	WIFE	2 OCT. 44.
NO. AND NAME OF STREET—CITY—STATE		
713 WEST 2ND STREET LITTLE ROCK, ARKANSAS.		

REMARKS:

CORRECTED COPY



NOTIFICATION BY PROCESSING AND VERIFICATION SECTION: REPORT VERIFIED \_\_\_\_\_ FORM 48 \_\_\_\_\_ AS 201 REG \_\_\_\_\_

BRANCH FILE ATTACHED \_\_\_\_\_ OR CHARGED TO \_\_\_\_\_ DATE \_\_\_\_\_

PREVIOUSLY REPORTED NO \_\_\_\_\_ YES \_\_\_\_\_ (AS INDICATED BELOW):

NO.	MESSAGE NO.	TYPE	DATE AND AREA	E. A. NOTIFIED

FORWARDED TO →

<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
NO. IDEL.	TELEGRAM	WOUNDED	LETTER	CORRES.	E. R. & D.	CERTIF.	M. & M.	ROE-DEL.

REPORT NOT VERIFIED \_\_\_\_\_ NO FORM 48 \_\_\_\_\_ 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	ORGW. POS.	RESIDENCE				COMP	PAGE									
		DAY	MO.	YR.		DAY	NO.	YR.			STATE	COUNTY													
34	35	36	37	38	39	40	41	42	43	44	45	46	47	48	49	50	51	52	53	54	55	56	57	58	59

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ARMY SERVICE FORCES  
KANSAS CITY QUARTERMASTER DEPOT  
ARMY EFFECTS BUREAU  
601 Hardesty Avenue  
Kansas City 1, Missouri

*file  
by*

RTB:LD:ew  
November 23, 1945

In Reply Refer To: 615435

Subject: Lt. Matthew Wirtz

(Mrs.) Miss Christell Wirtz  
3642 N. New England Avenue  
Chicago, Illinois

(proper address)  
3080 N. Elstow Ave

Dear Miss Wirtz:

Personal property which was lost or abandoned by the above named during a change of station, and which was recently received at this Bureau, is being forwarded to you for safekeeping pending the return of the owner.

When delivery has been made, please acknowledge receipt by signing one copy of this letter in the space provided below, returning that copy to this Bureau. For your convenience, there is inclosed an addressed envelope which requires no postage.

Please be assured that this letter is in no way a casualty message. Its sole purpose is to place the property in your custody for safekeeping.

Your cooperation in signing this letter and returning it promptly will be appreciated.

Yours very truly,

*R. T. Brown*  
R. T. BROWN  
1st Lt., QMC  
Chief, Adm. Division

Incl--  
Envelope

I agree to safely keep and store the above-mentioned personal property and to deliver it to the owner or to the Army Effects Bureau, Kansas City, Missouri, upon request. My relation to Lieutenant Wirtz is Widow.

(Mrs.) Christell Wirtz  
(Signature of Bailee)

12-6-45  
(Date)

615435

AMOUNT OF CHECK	NOTE DISCREPANCY IN	INCLOSE VALUABLES	RECIPIENT FROM
ACCOUNT NUMBER	NAME	SHIP VALUABLES	CASUALTY REPORT
	SERIAL NUMBER	VALUABLES SHIPPED BY (clerk)	INVENTORY
	RANK		FORM 20
<p>Miss Christell Wirtz</p> <p>3642 N. New England Avenue</p> <p>Chicago, Illinois</p> <p>Lt. Matthew Wirtz</p> <p>O-1287638</p> <p>615435 A</p> <p><i>file</i></p>			LETTER
			NO. & TYPE OF CONTAINER
			ENVELOPE
			CARTONS
			PACKAGE
			FOOT LOCKER
			SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS
			REMOVE GI
			SHIP BLOODSTAINED
			SHIP DAMAGED
REMOVE BL'DSTAINED			
REMOVE DAMAGED			
FILMS REMOVED			
DIARY REMOVED			
L. Dinwiddie:ew		SUMMARY COURT DATA	DATE ACTION TAKEN
DATE OF FINDING	APPLICANT		11-23-45
REMARKS			MAIL REVIEWER (initials)
		SHIPPED	
		FRANKED	
		EXPRESS	
		FREIGHT	
		DATE SHIPPED	
		NOV 28 1945	
		SHIPPING CLERK	
		AR	
ROUTING			
ACCOUNTING BRANCH			
1 WAREHOUSE			
2 FILE			
ORDER FOR ACTION			

EFF QM FORM 14  
10 OCT 1945



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

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
CAMERAS	CLOTH, WASH	PIPES
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

<b>CONTAINERS ADDRESSED TO</b>	<b>INFORMATION</b>
<i>none</i>	<i>Christell Wirtz 3642 N. New England Ave Chicago Ill</i>
<b>NAME AND STATUS VARIATIONS</b>	<b>CROSS REFERENCE</b>
<i>Juv. shows Matthew Wirtz</i>	<i>for file 11/1/68</i>

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

TALLY NO. <i>4083</i>	ORIG. NO. OF PKGS.	EXAMINING DATE <i>2-NOV-45</i>	BOX NO.	SHEET _____ OF _____ SHEETS
NAME <i>MATTHEW WIRTZ</i>			A. S. N. <i>0-1287638</i>	
ORGANIZATION			RANK <i>1st</i>	CASE NO.
WAREHOUSE SPACE <i>1868</i>	EXAMINED BY <i>BH Smith</i>	DIARY REMOVED <b>615435</b>		
	PACKED BY <i>Boak</i>	PHOTO FILM REMOVED		
	INSPECTED BY <i>[Signature]</i>	MOTION PICTURE FILM REMOVED		
PACKAGE DESCRIPTION <i>#1 PKG</i>	WEIGHT	<b>SHIPPED</b>		
	STORED BY <i>[Signature]</i>	DATE <i>NOV 28 1945</i>	BY WHOM <i>[Signature]</i>	

ADDITIONAL REMARKS

REMOVALS (other than G.I.)

DAMAGES (List type of damage-extent)

SHORTAGES

1 prayer Book

U. S. GOV'T CHECK SHORT

NUMBER

DATE

SYMBOL

AMOUNT

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

*R.H. Smith*  
INVENTORY CLERK

SUPERVISOR

G. I. REMOVED

NAME WIRTZ, MATTHEW LE -----

BAY	PALLET	BOX	TALLY
			4083

TYPE OF PKG.	WHSE. SPACE	INVENTORIED
PEB		

Def. QM Form 43

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SUBJECT: Inventory of Personal Effects of:

21 September 1945

Wirtz (Last Name) Kathy (First Name) MI (MI) 1st Lt. (Rank) O-1287638 (ASN)

TO: Effects Quartermaster, Communications Zone, APO San Francisco US Army, San Francisco, MO.

The above named individual of Company "B", 11th Infantry,  
(Unit) (Organization)  
was reported MIA about 10 September 1944 1945  
(KIA, MIA, HOSPITALIZED)

Designated beneficiary if information readily accessible Christell Wirtz,  
3612 North New England Ave., Chicago, Illinois

INVENTORY OF EFFECTS

1- Prayer Book. ①

Money in the amount of none has been turned into \_\_\_\_\_  
(Name of Finance Officer)

Form WDFD 38 enclosed.

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Names and addresses of any banks in which accounts may be carried)

I certify that the above items constituted all of the effects, secured by me,  
of the above named individual and that they will be forwarded to the Effects Dept  
by \_\_\_\_\_ on 15 Sept 1945.

Name D. T. Overton *cts*

Rank & ASN D.T. OVERTON  
1st Lt., O-1325411  
Organization 11th Inf.

Any additional pertinent information:

RESTRICTED

ARMY SERVICE FORCES  
KANSAS CITY QUARTERMASTER DEPOT  
ARMY EFFECTS BUREAU  
601 Hardesty Avenue  
Kansas City 1, Missouri

(8-11-4-45)  
RTB:HL:fb  
August 27, 1945

In Reply Refer To: 250990

Mrs. Christell Wirtz  
3080 North Elston Avenue  
Chicago 18, Illinois

*file up*

Dear Mrs. Wirtz:

The Army Effects Bureau has received and is forwarding to you the following additional property of your husband, **First Lieutenant Matthew Wirtz:**

**One carton and contents.**

As previously indicated, my action in forwarding such effects does not, of itself, vest title in you. The property is transmitted in order that you may safely keep it on behalf of the owner, pending change in his status.

When delivery has been made, I shall appreciate your acknowledging receipt by signing one copy of this letter in the space provided below, and returning it to this Bureau.

For your convenience, there is inclosed an addressed envelope which needs no postage.

**Yours very truly,**

**P. L. KOOB  
1st Lt., QMC  
Officer-in-Charge  
SF Branch**

Incl-- 1  
Envelope

Receipt acknowledged:

*Mrs. Christell Wirtz*  
(Signature of Bailee)

*9-4-45*  
(Date)

250990

ARMY SERVICE FORCES  
KANSAS CITY QUARTERMASTER DEPOT  
ARMY EFFECTS BUREAU  
601 Eardesty Avenue  
Kansas City 1, Missouri

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEE:

The property mentioned in the attached letter is being sent to you at Government expense. You should not have to pay any transportation or delivery charges. If, for some reason, such charges are collected from you, please secure a receipt for the money paid and promptly inform the Army Effects Bureau, at the above address, of the transaction, inclosing the receipt. This Bureau will then assist in securing any refund which possibly may be due you.

Each package of personal effects, carefully checked and packed, leaves the Army Effects Bureau in good shipping order. Should it be damaged or broken upon receipt, and you believe that some of the articles were lost or damaged in transit from the Bureau, you should make claim direct to the post office, express company, or other delivering agency. In addition, please write the Army Effects Bureau promptly, listing the items received and those you think may have been lost or damaged in transit from the Bureau. While under existing Army Regulations this Bureau cannot file a claim on your behalf, we will assist you in any way possible.

ARMY EFFECTS BUREAU

ARMY SERVICE FORCES  
ARMY EFFECTS BUREAU

ORDER FOR SHIPMENT

SHIP TO:

Mrs. Christell Wirtz

Effects of:

3080 North Elston Avenue

Name

1st Lt. Matthew Wirtz

Chicago 18, Illinois

ASK

0-1287638

Case No.

250990 M

Wt.

DATE 27 August 1945

RTB:HLrb

*Larson*

Effects Quartermaster

REMARKS:

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Inclose Bureau Check  
Acct. No. \_\_\_\_\_  
Amount \_\_\_\_\_  
Inclose "Valuables" item  
Ship "Valuable" item(s)

Remove C. I.

Note discrepancy in Name \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Films removed  
Diary removed  
Laundry removed

ROUTING:

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Accounting Branch  
1 Warehouse Division  
2 Files Branch, Adm. Div.

REMARKS:

Franked ~~FRANKED~~ SEP 1 1945  
Est. Exp. Chgs. \_\_\_\_\_  
Est. Frt. Chgs. \_\_\_\_\_  
No. of packages \_\_\_\_\_

*JK*  
Shipping Clerk

250990

ATTACHMENTS		EFFECTS INVENTORY		STATUS		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	INBOUND INVENTORY	<b>EFFECTS INVENTORY</b> <b>ARMY EFFECTS BUREAU</b>		<input type="checkbox"/>	DECEASED	
<input type="checkbox"/>	G. R. OR SUB GR LABEL			<input type="checkbox"/>	MISSING	
<input type="checkbox"/>	WILL OR POWER OF ATTY.			<input type="checkbox"/>	P. O. W.	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	TALLY IN FORM 43			<input type="checkbox"/>	ABANDONED	
<input type="checkbox"/>	BAGS, CLOTH OR TRAVEL	<input type="checkbox"/>	BELT	<input type="checkbox"/>	OVERCOATS	
<input type="checkbox"/>	BELT, MONEY (NO MONEY)	<input type="checkbox"/>	BOOKS, ADDRESS	<input type="checkbox"/>	PAPERS, PERSONAL	
<input type="checkbox"/>	BILFOLD (NO MONEY)	<input type="checkbox"/>	BOOKS, PILOT LOG	<input type="checkbox"/>	PENCIL, MECHANICAL	
<input type="checkbox"/>	BOOKS	<input type="checkbox"/>	BRUSHES	<input type="checkbox"/>	PEN, FOUNTAIN	
<input type="checkbox"/>	BRACELET, IDENT.	<input type="checkbox"/>	CASE	<input type="checkbox"/>	PHOTOS	
<input type="checkbox"/>	CAMERAS	<input type="checkbox"/>	CLOTH, WASH	<input type="checkbox"/>	PIPES	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	CLOTHING	<input type="checkbox"/>	COATS	<input type="checkbox"/>	RINGS	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	MISC. ARTICLES	<input type="checkbox"/>	FOOTLOCKER	<input type="checkbox"/>	SCARFS	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	RELIGIOUS ARTICLES	<input type="checkbox"/>	FOOTWEAR, PR.	<input type="checkbox"/>	SHIRTS	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	RIBBONS, DECORATION	<input type="checkbox"/>	GLASSES	<input type="checkbox"/>	SOCKS, PR.	
<input type="checkbox"/>	SHORT SNORTER	<input type="checkbox"/>	GLOVES, PR.	<input type="checkbox"/>	STATIONERY	
<input type="checkbox"/>	SOUVENIR MONEY	<input type="checkbox"/>	HANDKERCHIEFS	<input type="checkbox"/>	TIES	
<input type="checkbox"/>	SOUVENIRS	<input type="checkbox"/>	HEADWEAR	<input type="checkbox"/>	TOBACCO	
<input type="checkbox"/>	TESTAMENTS	<input type="checkbox"/>	JACKETS	<input type="checkbox"/>	TOILET ARTICLES	
<input type="checkbox"/>	TOWELS & WASHCLOTHS	<input type="checkbox"/>	KITS	<input type="checkbox"/>	TOWELS	
<input type="checkbox"/>	U. S. MONEY (AMOUNT)	<input type="checkbox"/>	KNIVES	<input type="checkbox"/>	TROUSERS, PR.	
<input type="checkbox"/>	WATCH	<input type="checkbox"/>	LETTERS	<input type="checkbox"/>	TRUNKS, PR.	
<input type="checkbox"/>	WINGS	<input type="checkbox"/>	LIGHTERS	<input type="checkbox"/>	UNDERWEAR	
CONTAINERS ADDRESSED TO			INFORMATION			
<i>none</i>			<i>Mrs. Christelle Wentz 3080 N. Elston Ave Chicago, Ill.</i>			
NAME AND STATUS VARIATIONS			CROSS REFERENCE			
<input type="checkbox"/>	CHECK	REC'D BY	<input type="checkbox"/>	NUMBER	<input type="checkbox"/>	BUREAU CHECK
<input type="checkbox"/>	MONEY ORDER		<input type="checkbox"/>	SYMBOL	<input type="checkbox"/>	TRANSMIT ORIGINAL
<input type="checkbox"/>	BOND		<input type="checkbox"/>	AMOUNT	<input type="checkbox"/>	ORIG. REG. MAIL
<input type="checkbox"/>	TRAV. CHECK		<input type="checkbox"/>	DATE	<input type="checkbox"/>	TO G. A. O.
<input type="checkbox"/>	FOREIGN CURRENCY		<input type="checkbox"/>	BANK OR PLACE OF ISSUE	<input type="checkbox"/>	MUTILATED
<input type="checkbox"/>	U. S. CURRENCY		<input type="checkbox"/>	PAYEE	<input type="checkbox"/>	TO ISSUING AGENCY
<input type="checkbox"/>			REMITTER OR DRAWER			
TALLY NO.	ORIG. NO. OF PKGS.	EXAMINING DATE	BOX NO.	SHEET	OF	SHEETS
<i>9491</i>	<i>1</i>	<i>18-Aug-45</i>		<i>1</i>	<i>1</i>	<i>1</i>
NAME	ORGANIZATION			A. S. N.	CASE NO.	
<i>MATTHEW WINTZ</i>	<i>11 Inf Regt</i>			<i>0-1287638</i>	<i>1/1</i>	
WAREHOUSE SPACE	EXAMINED BY	PACKED BY	INSPECTED BY	DIARY REMOVED	PHOTO FILM REMOVED	MOTION PICTURE FILM REMOVED
<i>1077 X</i>	<i>Healy</i>	<i>Specialist Johnson</i>	<i>Johnson</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
PACKAGE DESCRIPTION	WEIGHT	STORED BY	DATE	SHIPPED		
<i>#1 ctiv</i>	<i>384</i>	<i>JLB</i>	<i>CP 1945</i>	<i>N.A.</i>		



NAME WIRTZ, MATTHEW 7638

BAY	PALLET	BOX	TALLY
11	72		9491

TYPE OF PKG.	WHSE. SPACE	INVENTORIED
D. BAG Est. QTY		



OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER  
5700 11th Street

6 October 1944

Date

SUBJECT: Inventory of Personal Effects of:

WIRTS

MATTHEW

(M) <sup>1ST LT</sup>

O-128763B

(Last Name)

(First Name)

(MI)

(Rank)

(ASN)

TO: Effects Quartermaster, Communication Zone, APO 350 U.S. Army.

The above named individual of 11th Infantry Regiment  
(Unit)

Company "A"

was reported

Missing in action

(Organization)

at Camp Hill, MA,

about

10 September

1944

Hospitalized, etc.)

(Date)

Designated beneficiary if information readily accessible

Mrs Christell Wirts (wife) 3080 N. Elston Ave, Chicago, Illinois

INVENTORY OF EFFECTS

- 1 Combat Jacket
- 3 Khaki Shirts
- 1 Wool Knit Sweater
- 1 Wool Scarf
- 1 pr Trousers (greens)
- 2 pr Wool Knit socks
- 3 cotton Under-shirts
- 1 Cotton Drawers
- 2 Officers Field caps w/ 1 Bar
- 1 OD shirt (Off.)
- 1 Tan tie
- 2 pr Pins
- 1 pr Trousers (browns)
- 1 Blouse (Off.) w/ Insignia
- 3 Gold bars
- 1 Trench coat comp w/ Liner & Hood
- 1 pr civilian shoes
- 1 PTC ribbon
- 1 Serv Ribbon
- 1 Clothes brush
- 1 Photo folder w/ 2 photos
- 1 Safety razor

Money in the amount of None has been turned into

(Name of finance officer and symbol number) Form WDND 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, or the above named individual and that they were forwarded to the Effects Depot on October 1944.  
(Rail, Truck, etc.)

Name Andrew J. Heba  
ANDREW J. HEBA  
Rank & ASN 1st Lt, Inf C-411259  
Organization Serv Co, 11th Inf

Any additional pertinent information:

ARMY SERVICE FORCES  
KANSAS CITY QUARTERMASTER DEPOT  
ARMY EFFECTS BUREAU  
601 Hardesty Avenue  
Kansas City 1, Missouri

(8-9-13-45)  
GHG:RW:mjw  
July 6, 1945

In Reply Refer To: 250990

Mrs. Christell Wirtz  
3080 North Elston Avenue  
Chicago 18, Illinois

Dear Mrs. Wirtz:

The Army Effects Bureau is forwarding to you the following personal property, recently received here, belonging to your husband, **First Lieutenant Matthew Wirtz:**

**1 footlocker and contents**

My action in transmitting the property does not, of itself, vest title in you. The items are forwarded in order that you may act as gratuitous bailee in caring for them pending the return of the owner, who has been reported missing in action. In the event he later is reported a casualty, and I sincerely hope he never is, it will be necessary that the property be turned over to the person or persons legally entitled to receive it.

When delivery has been made, I shall appreciate your acknowledging receipt by signing one copy of this letter in the space provided below, and returning it to this Bureau. For your convenience, there is inclosed an addressed envelope which needs no postage.

I regret the circumstances prompting this letter, and wish to express my hope for the safe return of your husband.

Yours very truly,

P. L. KOCH  
1st Lt., QMC  
Officer-in-Charge  
SJ Unit

Incl--  
Envelope

Receipt acknowledged:

Mrs. Christell Wirtz  
(Signature of Bailee)

July 24, 1945  
(Date)

ARMY SERVICE FORCES  
ARMY EFFECTS BUREAU

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ORDER FOR SHIPMENT

Mrs. Christell Wirtz

SHIP TO:

3080 North Elston Avenue

Chicago 18, Illinois

Effects of: 1st Lt. Matthew Wirtz  
Name  
0-1287638  
ASN  
250990 M  
Case No.  
Wt.

DATE 6 July 1945

*R. W. Wirtz*  
FOR: Effects Quartermaster

REMARKS: GHG:RW:mjw  
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.

*1-ft. locker sent p.p.*

JUL 17 1945

REMARKS:

FRANKED  
Franked \_\_\_\_\_  
Est. Exp. Chgs. \_\_\_\_\_  
Est. Frt. Chgs. \_\_\_\_\_  
No. of packages 1

*EAM*  
Shipping Clerk

JUL 3 1945

PACKAGE DESCRIPTION <b>#1 Ft Locker</b>	ARMY EFFECTS BUREAU INVENTORY	DECEASED <input type="checkbox"/>
		MISSING <input type="checkbox"/>
		P.O.W. <input type="checkbox"/>
		ABANDONED <input type="checkbox"/>
		TALLY NO. <b>833</b>
		INV. DATE <b>28 June 45</b>
		ORIG. NO. OF PGS. <b>1</b>
		BOX NO. <b>-</b>
		SHEET <b>1</b> OF <b>1</b> SHEETS
		ORGANIZATION <b>11th Inf.</b>

NAME **Matt Wirtz**  
 A.S.N. **0-1287638** RANK **2nd Lt**

**CP 250,990**  
**HC**

Belt	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	TOWELS & WASHCLOTHS	<input type="checkbox"/>	WINGS	<input type="checkbox"/>
<del>BELT MONEY (NO MONEY)</del>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	CLOTHING	<input type="checkbox"/>	BAGS, CLOTH OR TRAVEL	<input type="checkbox"/>
Cloth, wash	<input type="checkbox"/>	BRACELET IDENT.	<input type="checkbox"/>	BILLFOLD, (NO MONEY)	<input type="checkbox"/>
Coats	<input type="checkbox"/>	Brushes	<input type="checkbox"/>	Case	<input type="checkbox"/>
Footwear, Pr.	<input type="checkbox"/>	COMBS	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Footlockers	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Gloves, Pr.	<input type="checkbox"/>	Glasses	<input type="checkbox"/>	<del>KIT, SEW, TLE, OR WRITING</del>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Handkerchiefs	<input type="checkbox"/>	Knives	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	BOOKS	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Headwear	<input type="checkbox"/>	Lighters	<input type="checkbox"/>	Books, Address	<input type="checkbox"/>
Jackets	<input type="checkbox"/>	MISC.	<input type="checkbox"/>	Books, Pilot Log	<input type="checkbox"/>
Overcoats	<input type="checkbox"/>	Pen, Fountain	<input type="checkbox"/>	DIARY (REMOVED FOR DOR)	<input type="checkbox"/>
Scarfs	<input type="checkbox"/>	Pencil, Mechanical	<input type="checkbox"/>	FILMS	<input type="checkbox"/>
Shirts	<input type="checkbox"/>	Pipes	<input type="checkbox"/>	Letters	<input type="checkbox"/>
Socks, Pr.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	RELIQIOUS ARTICLES	<input type="checkbox"/>	Papers, Personal	<input type="checkbox"/>
Ties	<input type="checkbox"/>	RIBBONS, DECORATION	<input type="checkbox"/>	Photos	<input type="checkbox"/>
Towels	<input type="checkbox"/>	Rings	<input type="checkbox"/>	Shoe Shine Articles	<input type="checkbox"/>
Trousers, Pr.	<input type="checkbox"/>	Tobacco	<input type="checkbox"/>	<del>SHORT SHORTS?</del>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Trunks, Pr.	<input type="checkbox"/>	Toilet Articles	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	SOUVENIRS	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Underwear	<input type="checkbox"/>	WATCH	<input type="checkbox"/>	SOUVENIR MONEY	<input type="checkbox"/>
				Stationery	<input type="checkbox"/>
				TESTIMENTS	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
				U.S. MONEY (AMOUNT)	<input type="checkbox"/>

REMARKS <b>Christell L. Wirtz 713 West 5th St Little Rock, Ark. Found on letters: Mrs. Matthew Wirtz 3080 N. E. 1st Chicago, Ill.</b>	ATTACHMENTS <b>(note - Information taken from note in effects)</b>	FORM #54 <b>1 Inbound Inventory</b>	FORM #100
C.A.T. <b>1 row 1</b>	<b>EAM</b>	WEIGHT <b>1-70</b>	G.I. REMOVED <input type="checkbox"/>
WAREHOUSE SPACE <b>7-379</b>	STORED BY <b>JBC</b>	DATE SHIPPED <b>JUL 17 1945</b>	SHORTAGE ON REVERSE <input type="checkbox"/>
INVENTORIED BY <b>affairs table</b>	CHECKED BY <b>Hill, &amp; Hill</b>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> YES OR ADDITIONAL	IDENT. TAGS REMOVED <input type="checkbox"/>
			DIARY REMOVED <input type="checkbox"/>
			LOCKED STORAGE <input type="checkbox"/>
			LAUNDRY REMOVED <input type="checkbox"/>
			FILM REMOVED <input type="checkbox"/>

NAME WIRTZ, MATT LT 7638

BAY	PALLET	BOX	TALLY
32	5		8330
TYPE OF PKG.	WHSE. SPACE	INVENTORIED	
F.L.			

L. QM Form 48

INVENTORY OF FOOTLOCKER  
Case No 4

- 1 Field Jacket
- 2 Suits Fatigues
- 1 Leggings
- 1 Pr Pinks
- Soap
- Razor Blades
- Field Manuals
- 1 Shirt, cotton
- Handkerchiefs
- 1 Muffler
- 1 Towel
- 1 Cotton Undershirt
- Insignas
- Gloves
- 1 Blouse

I certify that the items of government issue listed on this inventory and indicated by an asterisk are my personal property and are authorized for their shipment by competent authority.

*Douglas C. Hargrave*  
DOUGLAS C. HARGRAVE  
Capt. Infantry



RESTRICTED

250,990

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SUBJECT: Inventory of Personal Effects of:

14 September 1945

<u>Wirtz,</u>	<u>Mathew</u>	<u>NMI</u>	<u>1st. Lt.</u>	<u>0-1287638</u>
(Last Name)	(First Name)	(MI)	(Rank)	(ASN)

TO: Effects Quartermaster, ~~Communications Zone, APO~~ ~~XXXXXXXX~~ US Army, Kan City, MO.

The above named individual of Company "F", 11th. Infantry.  
 (Unit) (Organization)  
 was reported MIA about 10 September 1944 1945  
 (KIA, MIA, HOSPITALIZED)

Designated beneficiary if information readily accessible Christell Wirtz,  
3642 North New England Ave., Chicago, Illinois.

INVENTORY OF EFFECTS

1- Prayer Book.

Money in the amount of none has been turned into \_\_\_\_\_  
(Name of Finance Officer)

Form WDED 38 enclosed.

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Names and addresses of any banks in which accounts may be carried)

I certify that the above items constituted all of the effects, secured by me,  
of the above named individual and that they will be forwarded to the Effects Dept  
by \_\_\_\_\_ on 15 Sept 1945.

Name D. T. Overton

Rank & ASN D. T. OVERTON  
1st. Lt., 0-1325411

Organization 11th. Inf.

Any additional pertinent information:

RESTRICTED

Handwritten text at the top of the page, including the number "17274" and several lines of illegible text.

SEP. 17. 1945 - 19  
CAMP GREEN, MISSOURI

KANSAS CITY, MO.  
SEP 20 1945