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*Trans ltr #4626*

**SUBJECT: Certificates of Unidentifiability of Remains  
Transmittal Letter #4626**

Dept of the Army, OQMG, Washington 25, D. C., 6 January 1950

**TO: CG, AGRC, European Area, APO 58, c/o PM, New York, New York**

1. Reference is made to basic communication.
2. This Office approves the classification of the Unknowns listed therein as Unidentifiable.

**FOR THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL:**

Incls w/d

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

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UNRECORDED X-15

(HIMES) FRANCE

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OSMC ST. AVOLD, FRANCE  
Plot A, Row 23, Grave 50  
Date Reburied: 4 Jun 49

### DISINTERMENT DIRECTIVE

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SECTION A  
NAME  
E  
KIND OF  
SIG. NAME  
OFFICE-

H TACKETT  
QMC  
TION OF DECEASED

DIRECTIVE NUMBER  
**3547 00035**

DATE  
**15 08 48**  
DAY MONTH YEAR

SERIAL NUMBER  
**UNKNOWNX-000015**

GRADE  
ARM  
**Q**

RACE  
RELIGION  
**0 6**

PLOT ROW GRAVE  
**P 12 292**

DISPOSITION OF REMAINS  
**3503 80**  
CODE DIST. CTR.

### SECTION B — CONSIGNEE AND NEXT OF KIN

CONSIGNEE

NAME AND ADDRESS OF NEXT OF KIN

(BY ADMINISTRATIVE DECISION)

ST. AVOLD, FRANCE

### SECTION C — DISINTERMENT AND IDENTIFICATION

NAME	SERIAL NUMBER	GRADE	DATE OF DEATH	DATE DISTINTERRED

IDENTIFICATION TAG ON  
 REMAINS  
 MARKER

ORGANIZATION  
**UNKNOWN**

RELIGION

IDENTIFICATION VERIFIED BY  
NAME AND TITLE

### SECTION D — PREPARATION OF REMAINS FOR SHIPMENT

NATURE OF BURIAL	CONDITION OF REMAINS

OTHER MEANS OF IDENTIFICATION

**SEE ATTACHED WORK SHEET**

MINOR DISCREPANCIES (Prepare Discrepancy Report QMC Form 1194a for major discrepancies.)

**CONSIGNEE CORR. (HQ. AGRC)**

REMAINS PREPARED AND PLACED IN CASKET

DATE BY  
CASKET SEALED BY  
**OLIVER E MODIN, Embalmer**

EMBALMER (Signature)  
*Oliver E Modin*  
**OLIVER E MODIN**

CASKET BOXED AND MARKED  
DATE **17 Nov 48** BY **OLIVER E MODIN**

verified by *Dewey R Bell*  
**DEWEY R BELL, 1st Lt Cav**

I hereby certify that all the foregoing operations were conducted and accomplished under my immediate supervision and that the report above is correct.

*Dewey R Bell*  
**DEWEY R BELL, 1st Lt Cav, 7857 AGRC ZONE 3 Hq**

SIGNATURE OF AGRS INSPECTOR

REMARKS AND SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS

FILE  
RECORDS ANNOTATED  
DATE **APR 13 1949**  
NAME *Shuford*  
R & B BR.

# DISINTERMENT DIRECTIVE

SECTION A — NAME AND BURIAL LOCATION OF DECEASED				DIRECTIVE NUMBER		DATE DAY   MONTH   YEAR	
NAME <p style="text-align: center;">UNKNOWN</p>				SERIAL NUMBER <p style="text-align: center;">X-000015</p>		ARM <p style="text-align: center;">Q</p>	
CEMETERY						DATE OF DEATH DAY   MONTH   YEAR	
PLOT <p style="text-align: center;">P 12 292</p>				COUNTRY <p style="text-align: center;">LIMEY FRANCE</p>		DISPOSITION OF REMAINS CODE   DIST. PT.	
						CAUSE OF DEATH	

**SECTION B — CONSIGNEE AND NEXT OF KIN**

NAME AND ADDRESS OF CONSIGNEE	NAME AND ADDRESS OF NEXT OF KIN

**SECTION C — DISINTERMENT AND IDENTIFICATION**

NAME <p style="text-align: center;">UNKNOWN X-000015</p>		SERIAL NUMBER		RANK		DATE OF DEATH <p style="text-align: center;">Est: 1-20 Nov 1944</p>		DATE DISTINTERRED <p style="text-align: center;">21 May 1948</p>	
IDENTIFICATION TAG ON <input type="checkbox"/> REMAINS <input type="checkbox"/> MARKER		ORGANIZATION		RELIGION <p style="text-align: center;">Unk</p>		IDENTIFICATION VERIFIED BY  NAME AND TITLE			

**SECTION D — PREPARATION OF REMAINS FOR SHIPMENT**

NATURE OF BURIAL <p style="text-align: center;"><del>BOX</del> MATTRESS COVER</p>	CONDITION OF REMAINS <p style="text-align: center;">DISARTICULATED, LEFT RADIUS MISSING.</p>
OTHER MEANS OF IDENTIFICATION <p style="text-align: center;">EMBOSSED PLATE FOUND ON MARKER. REPORT OF BURIAL FOUND WITH REMAINS.</p>	
MINOR DISCREPANCIES / <p style="text-align: center;">NONE</p>	

REMAINS PREPARED AND PLACED IN <del>BOX</del> transfer box		<i>Anthony J. Martin</i>
DATE 25 May 1948	BY ANTHONY J MARTIN, EMBALMER.	
ASKET SEALED BY <p style="text-align: center;">Elijah H. Fields      Embalmer</p>	EMBALMER (Signature) <i>Elijah H. Fields</i> <p style="text-align: center;">Elijah H. Fields</p>	
ASKET BOXED AND MARKED DATE 17 June 48 BY Elijah H. Fields	SEPPING ADDRESS VERIFIED BY All markings, plates & tags verified by: <i>D.H. Tackett</i> <p style="text-align: center;">Donald H. Tackett, 1st Lt QMC</p>	

I hereby certify that all the foregoing operations were conducted and accomplished under my immediate supervision and that the report above is correct.

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*James J. Connolly Jr.*  
**JAMES J. CONNOLLY JR / CAPT GE DET "A" AGRC**  
SIGNATURE OF GRS INSPECTOR

MP

*Prepare Discrepancy Report QMC Form 1194a for major discrepancies.*

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FROM HQ AGRC PARIS FRANCE

MSG NO AGRC 3829

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ACTION GMC

MC IN NO 50978

WAR V DAPA NR 24/02 WD PP

FROM: HQ AGRC APO 58

TO: OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL WASHINGTON 25, DC  
GRNC

REF NR AGRC THREE EIGHT TWO NINE

REURAD WCL 25624 PD DISINTERMENT AND REPROCESSING OF UNKNOWN REMAINS  
FERRED TO IN YOUR RADIO HAS BEEN DELAYED DUE TO NECESSITY OF ASSIGNING  
ALL AVAILABLE TECHNICAL PERSONNEL TO REPATRIATION ACTIVITIES PD  
PROMP ACTION WILL BE TAKEN TO COMPLY AS SOON AS PERSONNEL BECOME  
AVAILABLE PD END AGRRE PECKHAM

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COACMC PARIS FRANCE

PRIORITE  
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FROM CACMC

WCL25624

RE: URGENT IMMEDIATE REINTEGRATION AND REPOSSESSING OF UNKNOWN XRAY DASH ONE  
FIVE CMA XRAY DASH FIVE FOUR CMA XRAY DASH SIX ZERO AND XRAY DASH EIGHT ZERO  
UNITED STATES MILITARY CEMETERY LIBRY FRANCE AND UNKNOWN XRAY DASH FIVE SIX CMA  
XRAY DASH SEVEN FOUR AND XRAY DASH ELEVEN SEVEN UNITED STATES MILITARY CEMETERY  
ANDILLY FRANCE PD CHECK LISTS AND TOOTH CHARTS TO BE FORWARDED VIA AIR MAIL  
PRIORITY PD CONGRESSIONAL INQUIRY

FOR THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL

293 WML: 7-15  
Francis  
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OSAGE 293  
(GOLL, JULIEN D. 0-1325886)

1200  
29 SEPT 47

O. J. MURRAY, MAJOR, CSC  
MEMORIAL DIVISION

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

RRE 293

14 December 1949  
 (Date)

CERTIFICATE OF UNIDENTIFIABILITY OF REMAINS

1. The records pertaining to Unknown <sup>43</sup>X- 15, Plot P, Row 12, Grave 292, USMC LIMBY, France, have been reviewed and it is the opinion of the Board of Review, this headquarters, that sufficient evidence is not available to establish the identity of the deceased concerned, therefore, these remains should be classified as unidentifiable.

2. Report of Reprocessing of remains was forwarded to the Office of The Quartermaster General by Transmittal Letter No. 2704, dated 22-3-48.

3. Remarks:

*5/2 Lt # 4626, ltd 19 Dec 49*

See Case History attached.

Received JAN 3 1950 OCMG  
 Not identifiable from  
 information presently  
 available

Case reviewed by undersigned Members of the Board of Review:

Col. H. P. HENRY, O-12589 JMC

*E. D. Mulvanity*  
 Lt. Col. E. D. MULVANITY, O-359598 JMC

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*Leodore Goudreau*  
 Capt. Jack C. HAYES, O-1577297 JMC

CWO Leodore GOUDREAU, W-2113434, USA

*Incl # 1*

CASE HISTORY

UNKNOWN NO. X-15

U.S. MILITARY CEMETERY

Limey, France

(Location)

X-15 was recovered from the Moselle river at the Franck Canal at Metz, (Moselle) France. Death is estimated as between 1st and 20th of September 1944. The place of death is undetermined. It is believed that the remains floated down the Moselle river and is a casualty from the heavy fighting that took place in and around the city of Metz in September 1944.

A thorough check of all the casualties lost in the area at the time including all river casualties, has been made with negative results.

For the above reasons: UNIDENTIFIABLE.

M.H.KAMONS.



# IDENTIFICATION CHECK LIST

(To be completely filled out and attached to each copy  
of Report of Interment WD QMC Form 1042)

**I-15**

**IL.O. # 563,  
dtd 30 Oct. 47**

Unknown X - 15  
Cemetery Lincy, France  
Plot P Row 12 Grave 292

**Date reprocessed:**

1. ~~Arrived at cemetery~~ 10 February 1948  
(Hour) (Date)

2. Place of death \_\_\_\_\_  
(Name of closest town) (Coordinates and letter Prefix, maps)  
\_\_\_\_\_  
(Sheet, scale and serials used)

3. Remains ~~recovered~~ or disinterred by ~~IX~~ and reprocessed by IS, Mobile Team # 1, 1st Zone  
(Name and organization)

4. Evacuated to Cemetery by \_\_\_\_\_  
(Name and organization)

5. Description of clothing and equipment: (if clothes do not fit, obtain size from body measurements):

Item	Clothing Markings	Sizes	Indicate unusual markings color, wear, tear, repairs, etc.
* Headgear	<u>None</u>		
	(Type)		
Raincoat		<u>None</u>	
Overcoat		<u>None</u>	
Jacket, Field		<u>None</u>	
Jacket, Combat		<u>None</u>	
Mackinaw		<u>None</u>	
Sweater		<u>None</u>	
Jacket, HBT		<u>None</u>	
* Shirt, Wool OD		<u>None</u>	
Undershirt, Wool		<u>None</u>	
Undershirt, Cotton		<u>None</u>	
Trousers, HBT		<u>None</u>	
* Trousers, Wool OD		<u>None</u>	

Belt, web ..... None

Drawers, wool ..... None

Drawers, cotton ..... None

Leggings, wool ..... None

Socks, cotton ..... None

\* Shoes ..... None (type)

Overshoes ..... None

Web Equipment ..... None (type)

(Other item) ..... None

(Other item) ..... None

\* If body is nude, sizes of these items should be computed by measuring the remains

Chevrons or  
Insignia ..... None  
(Type & location; shirt, jacket, coat, helmet)

Shoulder Patch ..... None

Does clothing indicate that deceased was a member of the Air, Ground or Naval Force? UTD

6. Description of Remains: R-Humerus - 32.9 R-Radius - 24.7 R-Ulna - 26.3  
 R-Femur - 43.5 R-Tibia - 39.1 R-Fibula - 37.6

Age UTD Height <sup>EST</sup> 5-6 1/2" Weight UTD Description of wounds UTD

Bandages or dressings None Scars UTD  
(Length, width, location)

UTD Tattoos  
(Number, location -- illustrate on separate page)

Outstanding moles, warts or birthmarks UTD  
(Yes-no; description, location)

Sunburn or tan, other than hand and face UTD

Complexion UTD  
(Light, medium, dark, clear, pimples, pocks, freckles)

Build UTD  
(Large, fat, thin, muscular)

Hair None  
(Color, length, quantity, curly, wavy, straight, whorls, or definite parting)

Hair UTD  
(Baldness, widows peak, distinctive cutting or other characteristics)

Sideburns UTD Mustache UTD Beard or UTD  
(Color, setting, shape) (Color, size, shape) (Length, heavy)

Goatee ..... **UTD** ..... **2-15**  
 (Light, color, extent)

Eyes ..... **UTD** ..... Eyebrows ..... **UTD** .....  
 (Color, setting, shape) (Color, bushiness, extent across nose)

Nose ..... **UTD** ..... Ears ..... **UTD** .....  
 (Size, shape, straight) (Size, set close to or far from head)

Mouth ..... **UTD** ..... Lips ..... **UTD** .....  
 (Large, medium, small) (Small, large, full)

Teeth ..... **See tooth chart** .....  
 (White, size, unevenness, spacing, noticeable crowns, fillings, extracts)

Chin ..... **UTD** .....  
 (Prominent, receding, pointed, dimples, double)

Jaw ..... **UTD** ..... Circumference of head in inches ..... **20 3/4"** .....  
 (Large, small, normal) (Hat band)

Neck ..... **UTD** ..... Larynx ..... **UTD** .....  
 (Size, length, short, normal, wrinkled) (Prominent, normal)

Shoulders ..... **UTD** ..... Arms ..... **UTD** .....  
 (Broad, straight, small, rounded) (Length, muscular, color, extent and quantity of hair)

Hands ..... **UTD** .....  
 Fingers ..... **UTD** .....  
 (Short, thick, long, slender, size of knuckles, missing fingers or joints)

..... **UTD** .....  
 (Unusual characteristics of fingernails)

Chest ..... **UTD** .....  
 (Size of nipples, color, quantity and extent of hair, large, small, normal)

Waist ..... **UTD** .....  
 (Size of navel, appendectomy, amount, quantity, and color of hair)

Back ..... **UTD** ..... Circumcision ..... **UTD** ..... Pubic Hair ..... **None** .....  
 (Quantity and extent of hair) (Yes-no) (Color)

Hernioplasty ..... **UTD** .....  
 (Yes-no; location)

Legs ..... **UTD** .....  
 (Inseam, muscular, knock-kneed, bowed, normal, quantity, color and extent of hair)

Feet ..... **UTD** ..... Toes ..... **UTD** .....  
 (Size, corns, callouses, flat) (Slender, straight, crooked, overlap)

Evidence of healed fractures ..... **None** .....  
 (Nose, arms, legs, etc.)

NOTE: Use attached charts "A" and "B" to indicate parts not received.

7. Have finger prints been placed on Report of Interment? no  
(Yes-no)

If not, explain Advance stage decomposition

8. Has tooth chart been prepared? Yes If not, explain \_\_\_\_\_  
(Yes-no)

9. Remarks Remains were received in an advanced stage of decomposition, in fragments of mattress cover. Teeth found in a proper anatomical position with Body. Burial report present, No GRS tag. No clothing present EST Height - 5-6 1/2" EST Weight Processed remains ~~known~~ 40 lbs.

I certify that I have personally viewed the remains of subject deceased and all resulting information has been recorded to the best of my knowledge.

*Woodrow W. Wolf*

WOODROW WOLF

(Officer's Name)

CAPT. OIC

Rank

Service

OPERATIONS OFFICER

(Organization)

# SKELETAL CHART

1-15

(BLACK OUT PARTS OF BODY NOT RECEIVED AT CEMETERY)

(20 3/4")

RIGHT

LEFT

Humerus...32.9.....cm

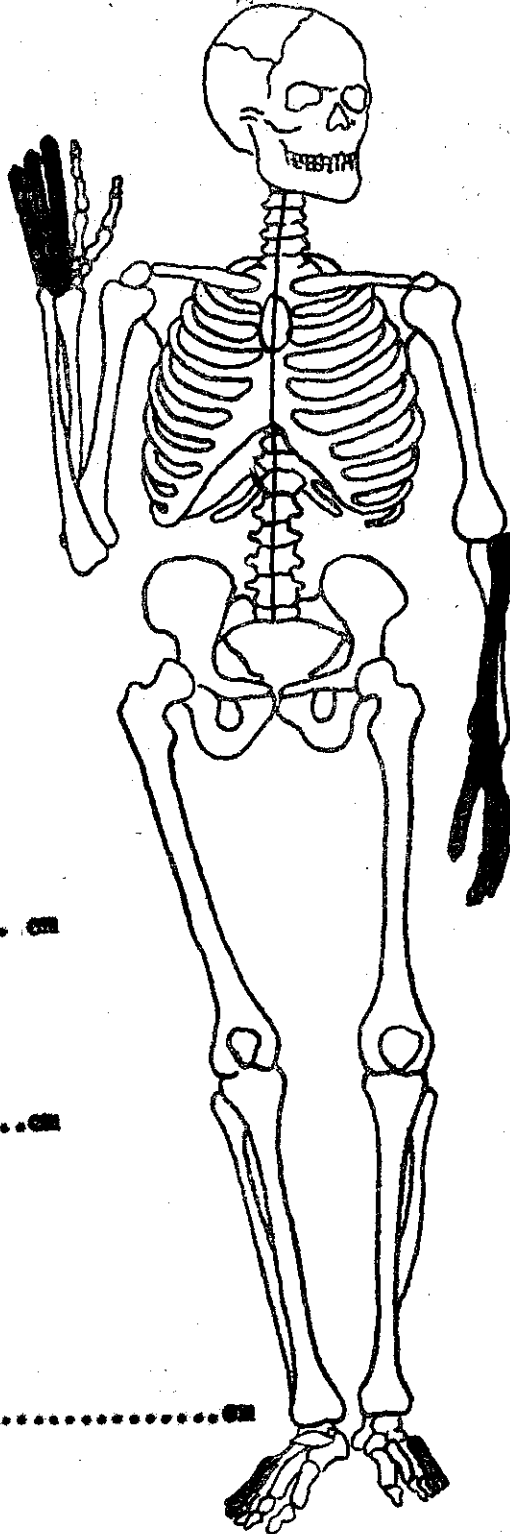
Radius...24.7.....cm

Ulna...26.3.....cm

Femur...43.5.....cm

Tibia...37.1.....cm

Fibula...37.6.....cm



EST - Height 56 1/2"

CHART "A"

# TOOTH CHART

10 February 1948

Date

Unk X-15

Unk

Unk

Last Name

First

Initial

Grade

Serial No.

Unk  
Unit

Organization

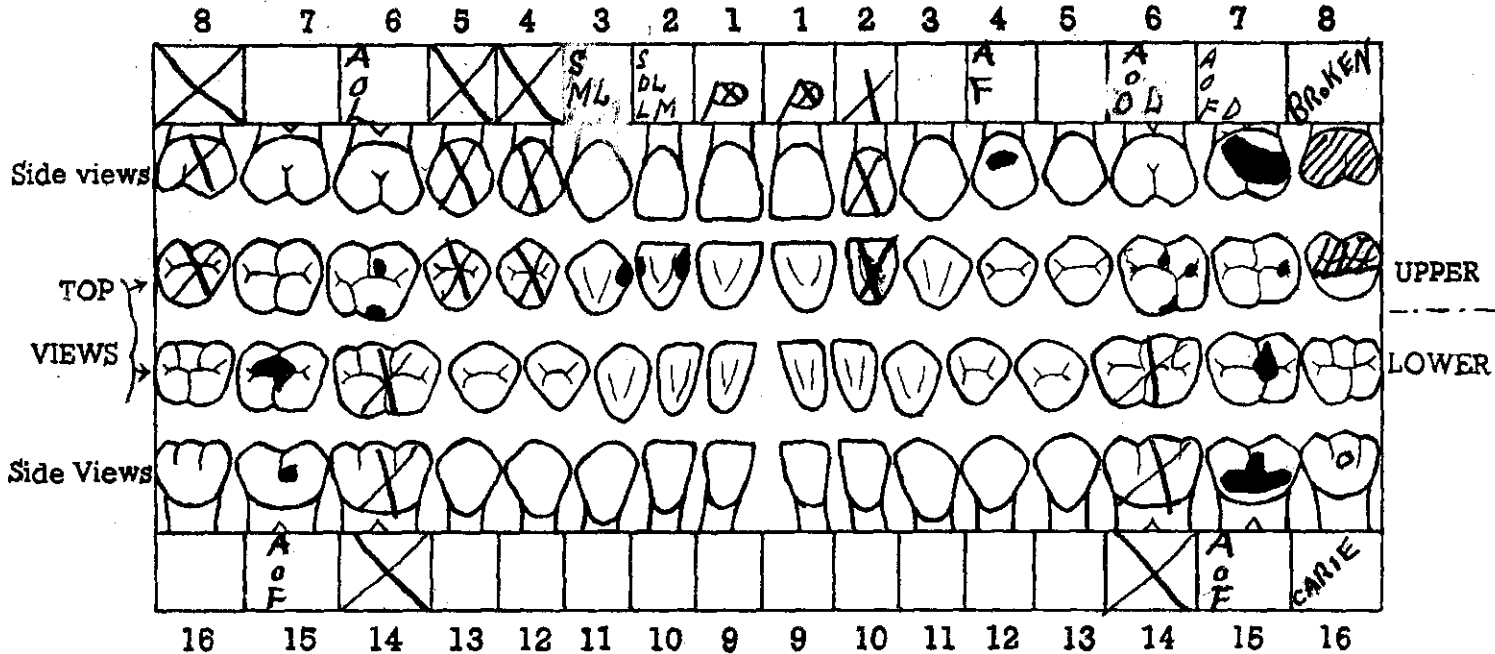
Place of Death

Date of Death

Cause of Death

Right

Left



*see Remarks*  
 This dental chart is very important and should be filled in with great care. There are 32 teeth to be accounted for, as shown by the numbers on the chart. Beginning at the middle line in both upper and lower jaws, the teeth are arranged symmetrically on either side and classed as incisors (cutting teeth), cuspids or canines (tearing teeth), bicuspids (chewing teeth), and molars (principal chewing teeth). An examination should be made and findings charted to cover the following basic conditions: Lost teeth, crowned teeth, bridge work, fillings, caries (cavities of decay), dentures (plates), and any deformity of jaws found. See reverse side for illustrations.

LARRY DE SHAW  
USDA CIV IS

/s/ Larry de Shaw

Signature of Officer or other person who prepared Tooth chart

WOODROW W. WOLF  
CAPT QMC OPER OFF

*Woodrow W. Wolf*

Verified by G. R. C. Officer

7-15 Leming

29 (Day) Nov (Month) 1948 (Year)

1. I, the undersigned, certify that these remains which I have personally viewed are those of:

Unknown  
(Name) (Rank) (Serial Number)  
(Organization)

2. I base my identification on personal acquaintance of the deceased, covering a period of None months, (years).

3. Remarks: Body picked up at nets in  
canal near Bismarck (street).  
Body evidently floated down from  
some other section of Masalle River.  
This is only information available.

Signed Frank E. Lawson  
Rank Cpl  
Serial Number 15064253  
Organization Hq 31st Div (A)

RECEIVED

**REPORT OF BURIAL**

**RESTRICTED**  
2 Dec 1944

TM 10-530 AND AR 30-1815

UNKNOWN X-15      UNKNOWN

Last Name      First      Initial      Rank

Moselle River at      Unit Metz, France      Organization

Franck Canal near Bismakstn Street      Estimated 1-20 Sept 44

Place of Death      Date of Death      U.S. Military Cemetery      Cause of Death

1600      2 Dec 44      Limey, France

Time and Date of Burial      Name of Cemetery      Name of      Coordinates of Location

292      12      Cross

Grave Number      Row Number      Plot Number      Type of Marker

Disposition of Identification Tags: Buried with body Yes  No  Attached to Marker Yes  No

If No Identification Tags  
How were remains identified? No Identification tag  
See attached certificate and reverse side this sheet  
Body delivered to Cemetery 30 Nov 44 by Pfc E. Supnjowica, 3043rd QM GR Co  
attached to 3048 QM GR Co Collecting Point located at Pouilly, France near Metz.

What means of identification were buried with the body? GRS Form No 1 in sealed GRS bottle.

To determine Right or Left use Deceased's Right and Left

Who is buried on:

Deceased's Right:	GRAY	0-817927	2nd Lt.	Air Force	291
	Name	Serial No.	Rank	Organization	Grave No.
Deceased's Left:	RUCKER	35610245	Pfc	Unknown	293
	Name	Serial No.	Rank	Organization	Grave No.

Signature or Name, Rank and if possible Organization of person furnishing above Data when other than officer reporting burial.

No identification tags  
If print of identification tag is not affixed fill in below:

Emergency Address: UNKNOWN X-15      Name

Address

Religion: Unknown

List only Personal Effects Found on Body and disposition of same:  
No personal effects.

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Signature of Officer or other person reporting burial:  
Verified by G.R.S. Officer

**RESTRICTED**

JAMES T. PASSMAN  
Capt      OMC  
Commanding 609th QM Gr Reg Co.