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CQM 293 I (14 Jan 53) 1st Ind
SUBJECT: Record of GIL Remains

Headquarters, U. S. Army, Europe, Quartermaster Division, APO 403,
c/o Postmaster, New York, New York, 19 Jan 53

TO: The Quartermaster General, Department of the Army, Washington 25, DC

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HEADQUARTERS
7770 USAREUR QM MORTUARY SERVICE DETACHMENT
APO 757 US ARMY

MIS 293.9 GR

14 January 1953

SUBJECT: Record of CIL Remains

THRU: Chief, Quartermaster Division, USAREUR
APO 403, US Army
ATTN: Field Service Branch

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

1. The remains SR 721 have been redesignated CIL 5035 in compliance with 2nd Indorsement your Office, dated 22 December 1952, to basic communication this detachment, file MIS 293.9 GR, Subject: Partial Remains, dated 12 November 1952.

2. Appropriate Record of CIL Remains, skeletal chart and tooth chart are forwarded herewith for your information.

FOR THE COMMANDING OFFICER:

1 Incl:
Record of CIL Remains
w/assoc skeletal and
tooth chart

Wesley A. Neep
WESLEY A. NEEP
US DAC
Graves Registration Branch

EX-107
File

2 Feb 53
H. Martin
Identification Branch

RECORD OF OIL REMAINS

CIL Number 5035 USMC Griesheim/Main Mausoleum

Additional (CIL) remains disinterred from Plot Row Grave

Remains removed from:

Same Grave: Name SR 721 ASN (Entire Case)

Grave on Left: Name ASN

Grave on Right: Name ASN

Grave in adjoining Row:

At Head: Name ASN

At Foot: Name ASN

Brief description of Remains: (Attached skeletal chart if warranted)

Five (5) fragments of skull; left portion of mandible; 3rd cervical vertebra;
sternal tip of left clavicle; distal 2/3 right humerus; two (2) fragments of
left humerus; right radius; metacarpal and 2nd row phalange of 1st finger
left hand; fragment shaft of left tibia.

Disposition of Remains: (Storage Place)

Casketed in above ground storage per OI 55 and 2nd Ind, OOMG, dtd 22 Dec 52
to basic communication thisHq, file MTS 293.9 GR, Subj: Partial Remains,
dtd 12 Nov 52.

Wesley A. Neep
(Signature)

WESLEY A. NEEP
US DAC GS
Lab. Ident.

13 January 1953

File # 7-6795
A. J. Neep
Identification Branch

SKELETAL CHART

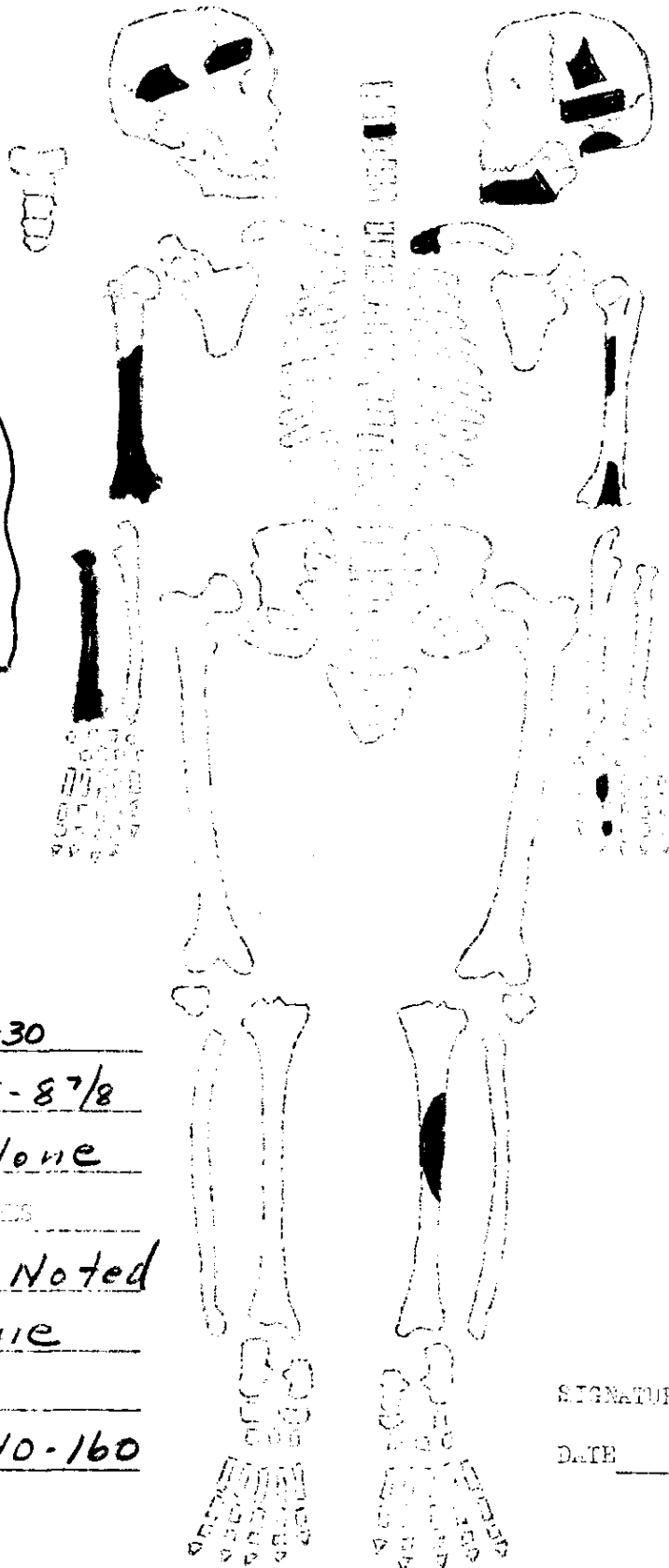
(BLACK OUT PARTS OF BODY PRESENT)

C 1 L 5035

Prev. SR 721

NOTE:

BLACKED
OUT
PORTIONS
ARE
PRESENT



HUMERUS _____ cm

ULNA _____ cm

R/T FIBULA 25.2 cm

FEMUR _____ cm

TIBIA _____ cm

FIBULA _____ cm

EST. AGE 25-30

EST. HEIGHT 5-8 7/8

COLOR HAIR None

HEALED FRACTURES _____

None Noted

FLESH None

BURNED No

EST. WEIGHT 140-160

SIGNATURE W.A. Hoops

DATE 13 January 53

Proc. SR 721

012 5035

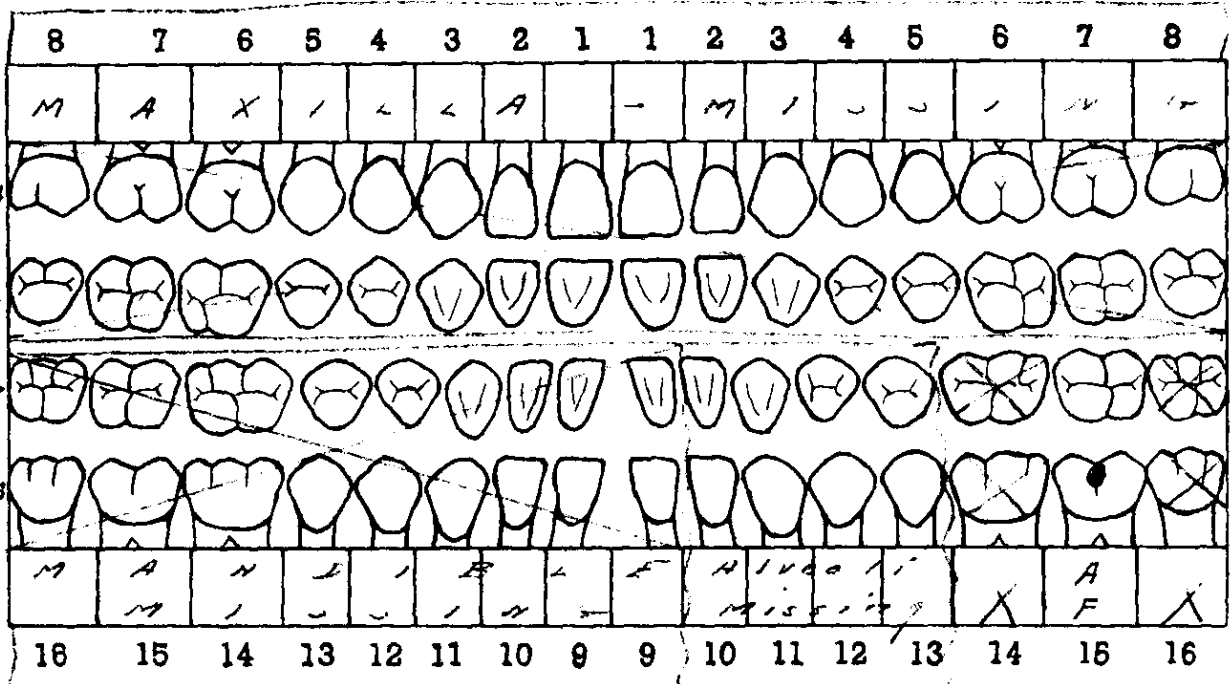
TOOTH CHART

13 January 53
Date

Last Name	First	Initial	Grade	Serial No.
Unit			Organisation	
Place of Death		Date of Death	Cause of Death	

Right

Left



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.

Size - Average
Color - Dull ivory

[Handwritten Signature]

Signature of Officer or other person who prepared Tooth Chart

Verified by G. R. C. Officer

OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL OF THE ARMY

INTRAOFFICE REFERENCE SHEET

DUE, HOUR AND DATE _____

1 NO.	2 FROM—	3 TO—	4 DATE	5 MESSAGE
1	EFFECTS SEC REGIS BR MEN DIV	M&R BR ADM DIV <i>Attn Mrs Cook</i>	20 AUG 1954	<p><u>SUBJECT:</u> Identification Bracelet</p> <p>1. It is requested that the attached envelope containing an identification bracelet be retained with the case file for Unknown CII-5034, Greisheim, Main/ Mausoleum (formerly Unknown X-70035) until the case is resolved.</p> <p>2. When this case is finally identified, the file and bracelet are to be forwarded to Memorial Division for further action in connection with the disposition of the bracelet. It is requested that the approval of the Chief, Memorial Division, be secured before the reference bracelet is detached from this file.</p> <p>FOR THE CHIEF, MEMORIAL DIVISION:</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><i>Provost</i> PROVOST 53821</p> <p>1 Attachment: ID Bracelet & Corres</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><i>23 Aug 1954</i></p>

RJP/R

243
Case 287,411, WW II
WISNER, William O., 2nd Lt.
O 708 778 (15 Dec 52)

5th Ind

Mrs. Loschke/bj

ARMY EFFECTS AGENCY, 601 Hardesty Ave, Kansas City 24, Missouri, 18 Aug 54

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

Identification bracelet is returned herewith, in accordance with instructions in preceding indorsement, and pertinent case file has been closed.

1 Incl
Identification bracelet

AMIT J. PRICE
Captain, QMC
Effects Quartermaster



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ORDER 293, ~~WISNER, WILLIAM G., 2/24~~ /th Ind
SN G-708 778
SUBJECT: Record of OIL Remains

Department of the Army, GCSB, Washington 25, D. C., 10 August 1954

TO: Commanding Officer, Army Effects Agency, 601 Hardisty Avenue,
Kansas City 24, Missouri

The identification bracket engraved "William G. Wisner, SN G-708 778", will be designated OIL P/24, ~~Christophy/24in~~ (summary ~~Wisner I-70015~~, ~~AMS~~ ~~Wisner Christophy/24in~~ (MS) Summary, SN 721) and forwarded to this office for further disposition. The effects case file at your Agency will be closed.

BY ORDER OF MAJOR GENERAL HASTINGS:

1 Ind
W/S

R. J. THOMAS
Lt. Colonel, GCSB
Memorial Division

RJP

RJP/R

M&R: The 293 file is in Effects Sec, Regis Br, Mem Div

100 2 35 PM '54
O. G. H. G.
MAIL & REPLY BRANCH



per memo to R 8/23/54

AIR MAIL

REGISTERED MAIL

MGMO 293, Wisner, William O., 2/Lt 4th Ind
SN O-708 778
SUBJECT: Record of CIL Remains

Department of the Army, OAG, Washington 25, D. C., 10 August 1954

TO: Commanding Officer, Army Effects Agency, 601 Hardesty Avenue,
Kansas City 24, Missouri

The identification bracelet engraved "William O. Wisner, SN O-708 778", will be designated CIL #5034, Griesheim/Main (formerly Unknown X-70035, AGMS Mausoleum Griesheim/Main (HEED) Germany, S&R 721) and forwarded to this Office for further disposition. The effects case file at your Agency will be closed.

BY COMMAND OF MAJOR GENERAL HASTINGS:

1 Incl:
W/d

Raymond Provost
for R. J. THOMAS Maj QMC
Lt. Colonel, MC
Memorial Division

Case 287,411, WW II
WISNER, William O., 2nd Lt.
O 708 778 (15 Dec 52)

5th Ind

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1 Incl
Identification bracelet

Armit J. Price
ARMIT J. PRICE
Captain, QMC
Effects Quartermaster

AIR MAIL

REGISTERED MAIL

QQM 293 I (15 Dec 52) 1st Ind
SUBJECT: Record of CIL Remains (Open Grave Report)

Headquarters, U. S. Army, Europe, Quartermaster Division, APO 403,
c/o Postmaster, New York, New York, 23 Dec 52

TO: The Quartermaster General, Department of the Army, Washington 25, DC

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2 Incl
n/c

QMCMO 293, Wisner, William O., 2/Lt 2d Ind
SN O-708 778

Department of the Army, OCMG, Washington 25, D. C., 9 January 1953

TO: Army Effects Agency, 601 Hardesty Avenue, Kansas City 1, Missouri

1. Inclosed herewith is an identification bracelet which belonged to the late 2/Lt. William O. Wisner, SN O-708 778, whose remains have been declared nonrecoverable. Lt. Wisner was the pilot and sole occupant of a P-38, A/C #43-28379 which crashed approximately five (5) miles N. E. of Bolzano, Italy, on 20 October 1944.

2. Due to the nature of this case, it is requested that the identification bracelet be held by you without disposition until further notice from this Office.

BY COMMAND OF MAJOR GENERAL HORKAN:

1 Incl:
Id Bracelet
(Incls #1)
(listed in basic W/d)

W. E. Campbell
W. E. CAMPBELL
Lt. Colonel, OMC
Memorial Division

REGISTERED MAIL

FR 1 A 2 b 2

Case 287,411 WW II

3d Ind

WISNER, William O., 2nd Lt.

Mrs. Loschke/bj

O 708 778 (15 Dec 52)

SUBJECT: Record of CIL Remains (Open Grave Report)

ACTION

ARMY EFFECTS AGENCY, 601 Hardesty Ave, Kansas City 24, Missouri, 30 Jul 54

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

1. In view of the lapse of time since instructions in preceding indorsement were furnished, request advice as to whether Lt Wisner's identification bracelet should be retained in a suspended status or whether it may be released to his next of kin.

2. If the property may be released, request the inclosed copy of Form 129 be completed and returned to this Agency so that sufficient information will be of record to enable appropriate disposition.

1 Incl
W/d 1 incl
Added 1 incl
3. Form 129 (in dup)

Amit J. Price
AMIT J. PRICE
Captain, QMC
Effects Quartermaster

OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL OF THE ARMY
INTRAOFFICE REFERENCE SHEET

DUE, HOUR AND DATE _____

1 NO.	2 FROM—	3 TO—	4 DATE	5 MESSAGE
1	Chief Ident Br Mem Div	Chief Memorial Division <u>THRU</u> Colonel Sanders	25 Nov 1952	<p>SUBJECT: Identification of World War II Deceased</p> <p>DISCUSSION:</p> <p>1. Board findings have been received from the field, identifying Unknown X-70035, Griesheim/Main (Med. Zone) as the Only Recoverable Remains of 2/Lt. William C. Wisner, O-706778.</p> <p>2. Lt. Wisner was pilot and sole occupant of P-38, Serial #43-28379, which crashed approximately five (5) miles northeast of Bolzano, Italy, 20 October 1944 (Tab "A").</p> <p>3. Statement by Lt. Jack C. Anderson, a member of the formation indicates that fifteen (15) fighter planes were on an escort mission to a target at Regensburg, Germany, 20 October 1944. Three of the aircraft in the formation crashed near Bolzano (Tab "B"). Two of the planes, A/C P-38, Serial #43-28799, piloted by 2/Lt. Lowell S. Twedt and A/C P-38, Serial #43-28777, piloted by 1/Lt. Virgil C. Olson, collided, exploded and disintegrated into many pieces. Several seconds later, the aircraft piloted by Lt. Wisner crashed in the same area. It is believed that the crash was caused by falling debris from the other planes and not from a collision with the other planes (See Tabs "C", "D" & "E").</p> <p>4. Records of this Office reveal that (a) Lt. Wisner and Lt. Twedt were approved Nonrecoverable August 1949; (b) Lt. Olson was knocked out of his plane and parachuted. He was captured and later repatriated.</p> <p>5. The remains designated Unknown X-70035, consisting of two-thirds of the ulna, one piece of radius and one piece of the humerus, with an ID bracelet bearing name "William C. Wisner, O-706778" were recovered on a mountain near Sarentino, Italy (5-10 miles northeast of Bolzano) 9 July 1952 (Tab "F"). Narrative of Investigation dated 14 October 1952 (Tab "G") indicates that a thorough search of the crash site failed to reveal additional remains. The crash site was located in a rocky stream bed of a type known as a "Torrente". It is a rather small stream except where there is heavy rainfall or melting snow. It then becomes a channel to carry off this water, and has a current strong enough to carry away a crashed aircraft. It was the opinion of the Investigator that most of the aircraft and certainly the remains had been carried away by this stream. There were no plane markings found.</p> <p>6. According to anthropological findings (Tab "H"), the small amount of skeletal remains present made it impossible to make any definite association of this case with available information for 2/Lt. Wisner with the exception of estimated age (over 20 years) and weight (med. weight) which agree.</p> <p><u>RECOMMENDATION:</u></p> <p>In view of the fact that two fighter planes crashed in the same area on the same day, and both pilots have been declared Nonrecoverable, and because the condition of the remains</p>

OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL OF THE ARMY

INTRAOFFICE REFERENCE SHEET

DUE, HOUR AND DATE _____

1 NO.	2 FROM--	3 TO--	4 DATE	5 MESSAGE
Cont'd				
1	Chief Ident Br Mem Div	Chief Memorial Division	25 Nov 1952	
		<u>THRU</u>		
		Colonel Sanders		
<p>recovered precludes a positive association, it is recommended that Unknown X-70035, Griesheim Main (Med. Zone) be assigned a CIL designation and that the status of Lt. William C. Wisner remain Nonrecoverable.</p>				
6 Incl				
	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. MACR #9312 (Tab A) 2. Statement by Lt Anderson (Tab B) 3. Sketch (Tab C) 4. MACR 9313 (Tab D) 5. MACR 9314 (Tab E) 6. Dental Comparison Charts 			
3 -	293 Files fwd/u/sep/c (X-70035)(Wisner)(Tweed)			

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Harland
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Jacks
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File
1 Dec 1952
H. Manton
Identification Branch

HEADQUARTERS
7770 USAREUR QM MORTUARY SERVICE DETACHMENT
APO 757 US ARMY

MTS 293.9 GR

15 December 1952

SUBJECT: Record of CIL Remains
(Open Grave Report)

THRU: Chief, Quartermaster Division, USAREUR
APO 403, US Army
ATTN: Field Service Branch

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

1. Reference is made to letter, your Office, Subject: Identification of World War II Deceased, dated 1 December 1952, requesting that Unknown X-70035 Griesheim/Main (MED) Mausoleum be assigned CIL designation.

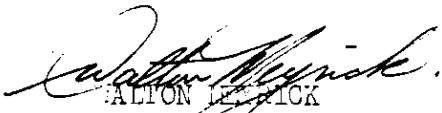
2. In compliance with your request subject Unknown remains has been redesignated CIL Remains 5034.

3. The applicable CIL Remains Form with skeletal chart is attached hereto and grave 37 is now declared open.

4. Also, attached hereto for appropriate disposition, identification bracelet for William C. Wisner. The status of 2nd Lt William O. Wisner, O-703778 will remain Non-Recoverable.

FOR THE COMMANDING OFFICER:

2 Incls:
1-Record of CIL Remains Form
2-Ident Bracelet (Wisner)


WALTON L. ERICK
US DAC
Graves Registration Branch

RECORD OF OIL REMAINS

OIL Number 5034 USMC Griesheim/Main Mausoleum (Med Zone)

Additional (OIL) remains disinterred from Plot Row Grave 37

Remains removed from:

Same Grave: Name X-70035 ASN (Complete Remains)

Grave on Left: Name ASN

Grave on Right: Name ASN

Grave in adjoining Row:

At Head: Name ASN

At Foot: Name ASN

Brief description of Remains: (Attached skeletal chart if warranted)

Distal 1/2 L/Humerus; proximal 1/2 L/Ulna and proximal 2/3 L/radius.

Disposition of Remains: (Storage Place)

Placed in above ground storage at Griesheim/Main Mausoleum per OI #55 and

Ltr., OQMG, file OQMG 293, Unknown X-70035 Griesheim/Main Maus (Med Zone),

Subj: "Identification of World War II Deceased", dtd 1 December 1952.

NOTE: One (1) ID Bracelet
for Lt. William O. Wisner
O-708 778 forwarded to
OQMG with this report.

Wesley A. Neep

(Signature)

WESLEY A. NEEP
US DAC GS-7

12 December 1952

Handwritten notes and signatures:
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1/12/52
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11/12/52

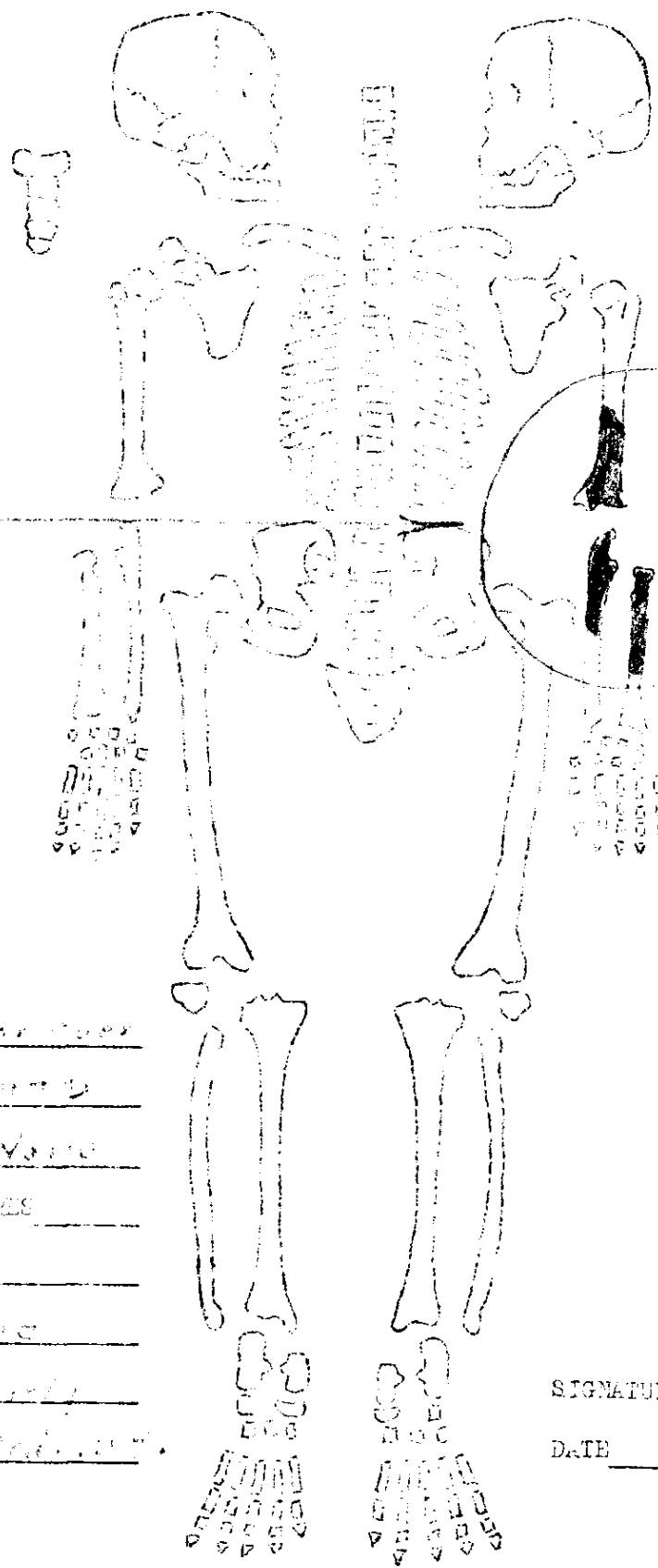
SKELETAL CHART

(BLACK OUT PARTS OF BODY ~~NOT~~ PRESENT)

CIL 5034

Previously
N-70035
Griesheim/M
(M.D. JANE)

NOTES
BLACKED
OUT
PORTIONS
ARE
PRESENT



HULIUSG _____ cm

ULNA _____ cm

RADIUS _____ cm

FEMUR _____ cm

TIBIA _____ cm

FIBULA _____ cm

EST. AGE 20 or 25

EST. HEIGHT _____

COLOR HAIR None

HAIRED CHARACTER _____

None

FLESH None

BURNED _____

EST. WEIGHT 150 lbs

SIGNATURE W. A. Hoop

DATE 12 Dec. 52

RISON CHART

NAME

TWEDT, Lowell S., 2/Lt, 0806552

R-8 dFA - oA

R-7

R-6 moA

R-5

R-4

R-3 ()

R-2 (X)

R-1 dIG - mS

L-1 mS

L-2 (X)

L-3

L-4 ()

L-5 (X)

L-6 (X)

L-7 oA

L-8 dA - foA - oS

R-16 oA

R-15

R-14 oA

R-13 doA

R-12

R-11

R-10

R-9

L-9

L-10

L-11

L-12

L-13 doA

L-14 doA

L-15 moA

L-16 oA

HEIGHT

6' $\frac{1}{2}$ "

WEIGHT

185

AGE

27 yrs 1 mos 2 dys

DOB - 28 Sep 17

DCD - 20 Oct 44

HAIR

Brown

Dental records dated
16 Aug-44 & 3-Apr 1944

Plane last sighted
46.30N - 11 20E

Nonrecoverable
Approved 24 Aug 1949

CORRECTED COPY

REPORT OF BURIAL

20 October 1952

GRAVE REGISTRATION FORM NO. 1 (Revised 1 Sept. 1943)

The only recoverable remains of: WISNER, William O.

Date 20 October 1952
Serial No. 0-708 778

Last Name: Wisner, First: William, Initial: O.
Unit: 1st Ftr Gp, Address: 71st St, Sq

Vicinity: 5-10 miles NE of Bolzano, Italy
Place of Death: Griesheim (MED) Mausoleum, Frankfurt/Main, Germany
Date of Death: 20 October 1952
Cause of Death: Plane crash

Time and Date of Burial: 10 October 1952
Grave Number: 37
Type of Marker: Bracelet

Disposition of Identification: Buried with body Yes No Attached to Marker Yes No
If No Identification Tags: Forwarded to Army Effects Bureau

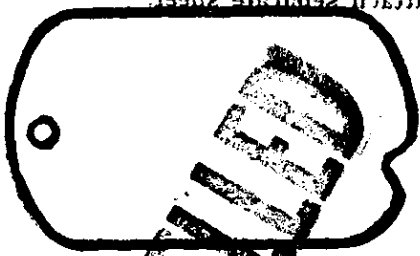
SEE ATTACHED SHEET FOR MEANS OF IDENTIFICATION

What means of identification were buried with the remains?

To determine Right or Left use Decedent's Right and Left.

Table with columns: Name, Serial No., Rank, Organization, Grave No. for Deceased's Right and Left.

If this is an isolated burial, make a sketch of the site and if possible, a sketch of the grave or other than officer reporting burial.



If printed identification tag is not available, fill in below:

Emergency Addressee: _____

Religion: PROTESTANT

List only Personal Effects Found on Body and disposition of same:

Previously designated Unknown X-70035
Griesheim (MED ZONE) Mausoleum
Grave 37

Originally recovered as SR 722 from the mountain near SARENTINO 5-10 miles NE of BOLZANO, Italy.

Signature of Officer or other person responsible: AMIT J. PRICE, 1st Lt. QMC

Verified by G. H. S. Officer

SEARCHED

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Handwritten notes: "Approved 28 Nov 52", "See Office file", "C. H. Price", "27", "1952", "See Office file", "11/27/52"

IDENTIFICATION CHECK LIST

DATE 20 October 1952

Unknown No. or other designation **X-70035** Cemetery **Griesheim/Main (MED) Mausoleum** Plot **How** **Grave** **37**

The only recoverable remains of:

Identified as **WILLIAM O. WISNER** 2/Lt **0-708 778**
1st Ftr Gp 71st Ftr Sq

ITEM	FAVORABLE	UNFAVORABLE	UNSURE
Date and place of death	X		
Cause of death	X		
Dental Chart			X
Color Hair			X
Estimated Height			X
Estimated Weight & AGE	X		
Scars, Fractures, etc.			X
Laundry Marks			X
Shoe Size			X
Type Clothing			X
Identification Tag Bracelet	X		
Personal Effects			X
Statement of Civilians			X
Enemy Records			X
Emergency Medical Tag			X
Pay Book (SI/OPF)			X
Signed Statement of Identity			X

CONFIDENTIAL

Remarks 2/Lt William O. WISNER, 0-708 778 was the pilot and sole occupant of P-38 A/C #43-28379 which crashed approximately five (5) miles N. E. of Bolzano, Italy on 20 October 1944. Unknown X-70035 was recovered from the crash site on the mountain near SARENTINO 5 to 10 miles N.E. of Bolzano, Italy. Torrential streams passing the area of crash site have washed away most of the plane wreckage and the remains. Identification media listed above plus anthropological findings prove the case Unknown X-70035 to be the only recoverable remains of 2/Lt William O. WISNER.

Wesley A. Neep
WESLEY A. NEEP
20 October 1952

HEADQUARTERS
7770 USAREUR QM MORTUARY SERVICE DETACHMENT
APO 757 US ARMY

THE ONLY RECOVERABLE REMAINS OF:

WILLIAM O. WISNER 2/Lt 0-708 778
(Name) (Rank) (ASN)

previously buried as Unknown X-70035, USMC Griesheim/Main (MED) Mausoleum
Identification is approved in accordance with Lett. WD AGAO S 293.9, Sub-
ject: Establishment of Boards of Review for Identification of Unknown Dead
Overseas, dated 7 April 1947, and par 118b, SR-830-110-1, DA, dated 3 March
1949, by the following members of the Board of Review, appointed by par. 6,
SO 209, Headquarters, Frankfurt Military Post, dated 12 September 1952.

407 years
Maj H. C. YOUNG, 0-319334, OMC
(President)

Capt ISADORE EISENSMITH, 0-1587230, OMC

Francis M. Simon
Capt FRANCIS M. SIMON, 0-1590310, OMC

Amity J. Price
1st Lt AMITY J. PRICE, 0-2011575, OMC

1st Lt THEODORE R. PETERSON, 0-1688748, OMC

APPROVED
See FRS, dated
25 Nov. 1952, Approving
OIT designation, (Chief
Mem Dev.) And 1 Dec
1952
this office
H. Martin

RAT
File
1 Dec 1952
H. Martin
Identification Branch

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APO 403, US Army
ATTN: Field Service Branch

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

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2. In compliance with your request subject Unknown remains has been redesignated CIL Remains 5034.

3. The applicable CIL Remains Form with skeletal chart is attached hereto and grave 37 is now declared open.

4. Also, attached hereto for appropriate disposition, identification bracelet for William O. Wisner. The status of 2nd Lt William O. Wisner, O-708778 will remain Non-Recoverable.

FOR THE COMMANDING OFFICER:

2 Incls:

1. Record of CIL Remains Form
2. Ident Bracelet (Wisner)

WALTON MEYRICK
US DAC
Graves Registration Branch

COPY

REGISTERED MAIL

CGM 293 I (15 Dec 52) 1st Ind
SUBJECT: Record of CIL Remains (Open Grave Report)

Headquarters, U. S. Army, Europe, Quartermaster Division, APO 403,
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TO: The Quartermaster General, Department of the Army, Washington 25, DC

2 Incl:
N/c

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CGMO 293, Wisner, William O., 2/Lt 2d Ind
SN O-708 778

Department of the Army, OAG, Washington 25, D. C., 9 January 1953

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BY COMMAND OF MAJOR GENERAL HOLMAN:

1 Incl:
Id Bracelet
(Incls #1)
(listed in basic W/d)

W. E. CAMPBELL
Lt. Colonel, SMC
Memorial Division

COFY

Case 287,411 WW II
WISNER, William O., 2nd Lt.
O 708 778 (15 Dec 52)

3d Ind

Mrs. Loschke/bj

SUBJECT: Record of CIL Remains (Open Grave Report)

ARMY EFFECTS AGENCY, 601 Hardesty Ave, Kansas City 24, Missouri, 30 Jul 54

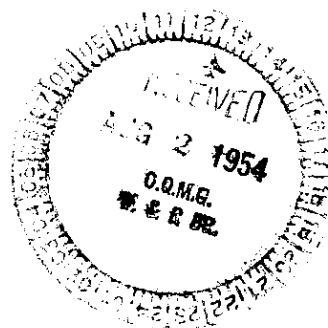
TO: The Quartermaster General, Washington 25, D. C.

1. In view of the lapse of time since instructions in preceding indorsement were furnished, request advice as to whether Lt Wisner's identification bracelet should be retained in a suspended status or whether it may be released to his next of kin.

2. If the property may be released, request the inclosed copy of Form 129 be completed and returned to this Agency so that sufficient information will be of record to enable appropriate disposition.

1 Incl
W/d 1 incl
Added 1 incl
3. Form 129 (in dup)

AMIT J. PRICE
Captain, QMC
Effects Quartermaster



ARMY EFFECTS AGENCY
601 Hardesty Avenue
Kansas City 24, Missouri

Case 287,411 WW II
WISNER, William O., 2nd Lt.
O 708 778

Mrs. Loschke/bj
30 July 1954

SUBJECT: Information From Personal 293 Files

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

Request the following information be furnished the Army Effects Agency:

- a. Date and Place of Death _____
(Date) (Place)
- b. Next of Kin _____
(Name) (Relationship)
- c. Address of Next of Kin _____
- d. Previous Shipment _____
(Date) (To Whom)
- e. Was Summary Court Made? _____
(To Whom)
- f. Other _____
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- g. Does correspondence of record in your office indicate whether decedent was married?

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1st Lt QMC
Effects Quartermaster

1st Ind

Department of the Army, OQMG, Washington 25, D. C.

TO: Chief, Army Effects Agency, 601 Hardesty Avenue, Kansas City 24, Missouri

Requested information furnished in spaces provided.

INTRAOFFICE REFERENCE SHEET

DUE, HOUR AND DATE _____

1 NO.	2 FROM--	3 TO--	4 DATE	5 MESSAGE
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action taken by staff

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(X-70035 Griesheim/Main)

2 - ETO ltr dated 15 Dec 52

LEWIS

52462

UNITED STATES AIR FORCE
REGISTRATION

Foggia (Salsola) Italy 15 AF

1st Fighter 71st Fighter DETACHMENT

Foggia #3 (Salsola) Italy 334°

Regensburg, Germany H/Bomber Escort

Ceiling and visibility unlimited.

20 Oct 44 11:20

46°30'N, 11°20'E

Believed that wreckage from collision hit him

P-38J-15-10

43-28379

V-1710-91 & 89

A-03964

42-31593

.50 cal Browning M-2 - *

UL 609112 50 cal LL 608698 50 cal UR 612493 50 cal IR 608846 50 cal
120649 *Cannon 20MM Hispano M-2

X

NUMBER OF PASSENGERS 1 PASSENGERS 0 TOTAL One (1)

WISNER, William O.

2nd Lt

O-708778

KIA NON RECOVERABLE

ANDERSON, Jack C.

2nd Lt

O-821114

X

None

A

71st Fighter Squadron,
1st Fighter Group,
APO 520,
21 October 1944.

S T A T E M E N T

On the 20th of October, 1944, I was flying with a squadron of fifteen (15) airplanes on an escort mission to a target at Regensburg, Germany. The Red Flight I was in consisted of Lt Olson, flying number one position, Lt Wisner in number two, Capt Elliott, element leader was number three and I was flying number four.

We had penetrated as far as Bolzano, Italy, when we first encountered flak. Evasive action was taken, and no one was hit. We continued on around the east side of the town and more flak was encountered from the N/E of Bolzano. Lt Olson and Capt Elliott were hit almost simultaneously in the right engine. They both feathered their flak hit engines and continued flight on single-engine.

Lt Olson immediately started losing altitude and I throttled back to stay with the flight. A few seconds later, I heard someone call, "Go down, go down" on the radio. No flight designation was given in this exclamation so I started looking around to see what was happening.

Before I could determine the reason, Lt. Twedt, who was flying number four position in White Flight, came in from slightly low and from the left, and collided almost broadside with Lt Olson. The two aircraft exploded and disintegrated into many pieces. I pulled up sharply to avoid the accident.

Upon recovering from the pull-up, I looked back and saw several pieces falling in flames. One of the larger pieces, which I took to be the remains of Lt. Twedt's airplane, appeared to have the cockpit still intact. However, I did not see the man get out and use his parachute. I did not see the two aircraft hit the ground but I do not believe either pilot survived the accident.

Several seconds later, I discovered another airplane going down in a stable altitude, but with the right engine smoking and in flames. I flew closer and saw that the nose and right engine were badly smashed. I assumed that this was Lt Wisner's aircraft because the damage looked as though it had been caused by falling debris and not from actual collision with another airplane.

StatementCont.

The cockpit seemed undamaged, and still closed, so I called on the radio and told the pilot to bail out. I received no answer, and the plane then went into a steep dive, followed by a spin. I lost sight of the airplane very close to the ground and did not see it crash. I did not see a parachute come from the airplane.

I do not understand why Lt Twedt did not see Lt Olson's aircraft in time to avoid it, but there is a possibility that he was wounded by the flak and was unable to control his airplane.

Although there is a slight possibility that one or more of these pilots could have gotten clear of the wreckage and parachuted to safety unseen by me, it is my belief that this did not happen.

JACK C. ANDERSON,
O-821114,
2nd Lt., Air Corps.

UNIT REPORT
UNIT: 15th A.F.
OPERATION: 71st Fighter
LOCATION: Foggia (Salsola) Italy
DATE: 20 Oct 1944

1. OPERATIONAL DATA: Foggia (Salsola) Italy 15th A.F.
1st Fighter 71st Fighter
Foggia #3 (Salsola) Italy 334°
Regensburg, Germany H/Bomber Escort

Ceiling and visibility unlimited.

2. TIME: 20 Oct 1944 11:20
COORDINATES: 46°30'N, 11°20'E

3. AIRCRAFT: P-38J-15-LO 43-28799
V-1710-91 & 89 43-94305
A-050771
Machine guns .50 cal Browning M-2
Cannon 20MM Hispanb M-2
Cannon 1179150

4. WEAPONS: Machine guns .50 cal Browning M-2
Cannon 20MM Hispanb M-2
Cannon 1179150

5. NUMBER OF PERSONNEL: One (1)

NAME	RANK	SERIAL	STATUS
TWEDT, Lowell S.	2nd Lt	0-806552	NON RECOVERABLE

6. IDENTIFY PERSONNEL WHO WOULD BE HELD TO HAVE LIVED AND CHECK APPROPRIATE BOXES FOR NAME:

NAME	RANK	SERIAL	STATUS
ANDERSON, Jack C.	2nd Lt	0-821114	X

7. IF THERE ARE ANY OTHER PERSONS WHO WOULD BE HELD TO HAVE LIVED AND CHECK APPROPRIATE BOXES FOR NAME: None

8. OTHER DATA: NONE

UNIT DEPARTMENT
ARMY AIR FORCE
WASHINGTON

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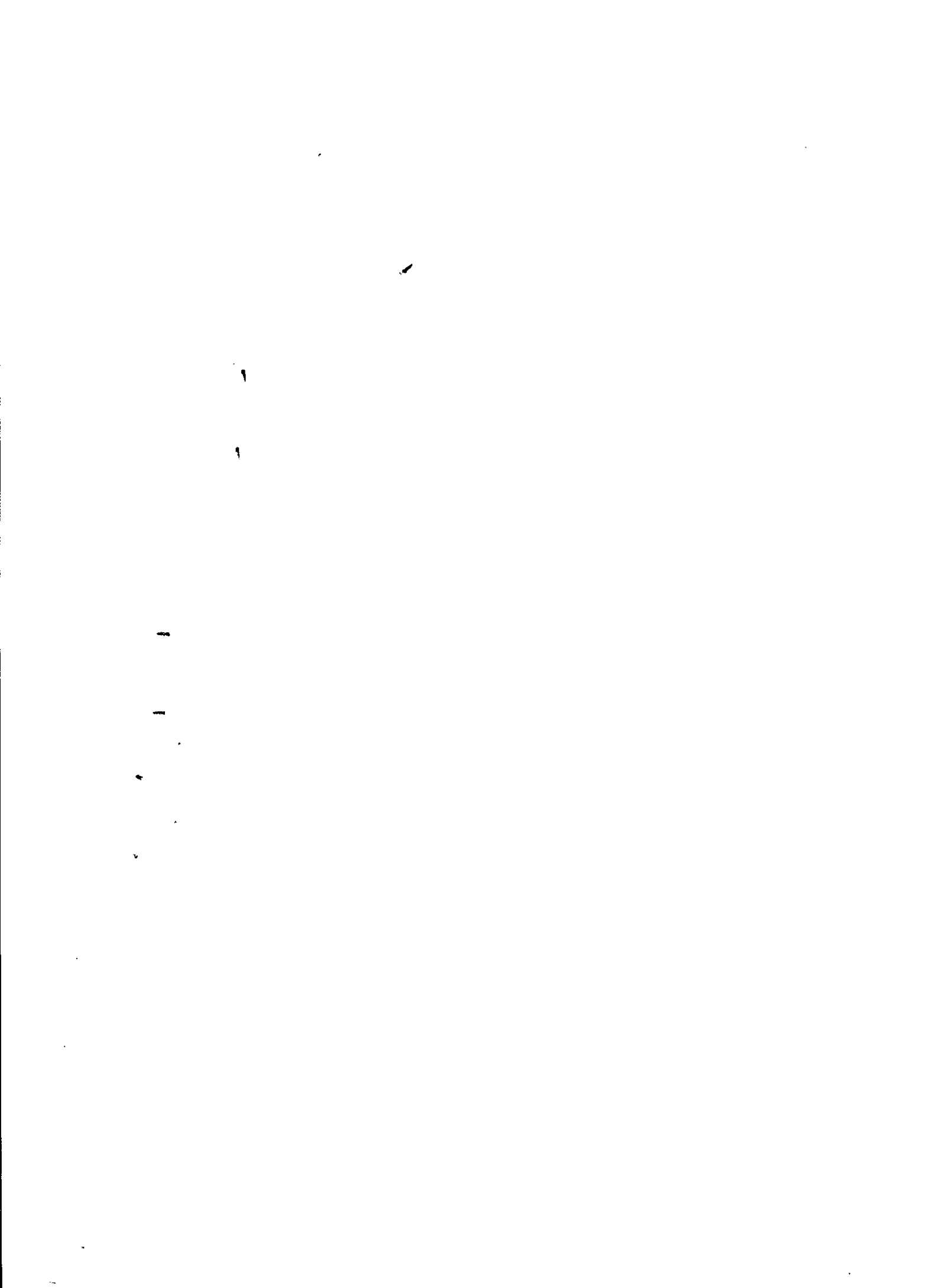
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SR 722

IDENTIFICATION DATA

1. REMAINS OF UNKNOWN X-70035 Reinterred 11/1/52				2. DATE OF REPORT 14 October 1952	
3. NAME OF CEMETERY Griesheim/Main (MED ZONE) Mausoleum		4. PLOT	5. ROW	6. GRAVE 37	7. DATE OF DISINTERMENT REINTERMENT

PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION

8. ESTIMATED SEXUAL AGE 20 or over	9. ESTIMATED HEIGHT UTD	10. COLOR OF HAIR None found	11. RACE UTD
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12. GIVE DESCRIPTION OF ANY OFFICIAL IDENTIFICATION FOUND WITH REMAINS

**One (1) ID Bracelet for "Lt. William O. Wisner"
O - 708778"**

(To be forwarded to the
Army Effects Depot)

13. GIVE DESCRIPTION OF TATTOOS OR SCARS ON BODY AND/OR SUCH INFORMATION OBTAINED FROM OTHER SOURCES

None

14. WAS BODY BURNED? <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO	TO WHAT EXTENT? Proximal L/humerus at break and distal L/ulna & radius at break.
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15. WAS BODY MANGLED? <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO	TO WHAT EXTENT? See attached skeletal chart
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16. DESCRIBE EVIDENCE OF HEALED FRACTURES AND BONE MALFORMATIONS

None noted

17. LIST EVERY ITEM OF CLOTHING, EQUIPMENT AND PERSONAL EFFECTS FOUND, SHOWING THE TYPE, COLOR, SIZE, MARKINGS, SERVICE, ETC. (If laundry marks are indistinct such notation should be made and specimen forwarded through channels for examination when facilities are not available in the area)

None

Technician : W. A. Neep

Anthropologist : Prof. E. Breitinger

HEADQUARTERS
7770 USAREUR QM MORTUARY SERVICE DETACHMENT
APO 757 US ARMY

17 October 1952

IDENTIFICATION LABORATORY REPORT

INVESTIGATION DIRECTIVE : 986
PROCESSING DIRECTIVE : 193
SEARCH AND RECOVERY CASE : 722

1. Partial remains received as SR Case 722 were recently recovered from a mountain near SARENTINO, Italy along with an ID bracelet for Lt. WILLIAM O. WISNER, O-708 778. There was evidence of a plane crash but the area lies in the path of a torrential stream which has washed most of the plane wreckage and skeletal remains away. Evidence indicates this plane was the P-38 #43-2837 which crashed 20 October 1944 about five (5) miles NE of BOLANZO, Italy with Lt. WISNER the sole occupant and casualty. The crash site from where this remains was recovered is in this immediate area.

2. Pending official identification of this case as the only recoverable remains of 2/Lt WISNER this case has been assigned a temporary Unknown "X" number as follows:

SR 722 is now designated UNKNOWN X-70035 Griesheim/Main (MED ZONE)
Mausoleum - Grave 37

3. The small amount of skeletal remains present makes it impossible to make any definite association of this case with available information for 2/Lt WISNER with the exception that estimated age and weight are in agreement.

4. CAUSE OF DEATH: Shattered condition of the skeletal remains indicates that death was caused by explosion or crash of airplane.

Wesley A. Neep
WESLEY A. NEEP
US DAC GS-7
Laboratory Identification Technician

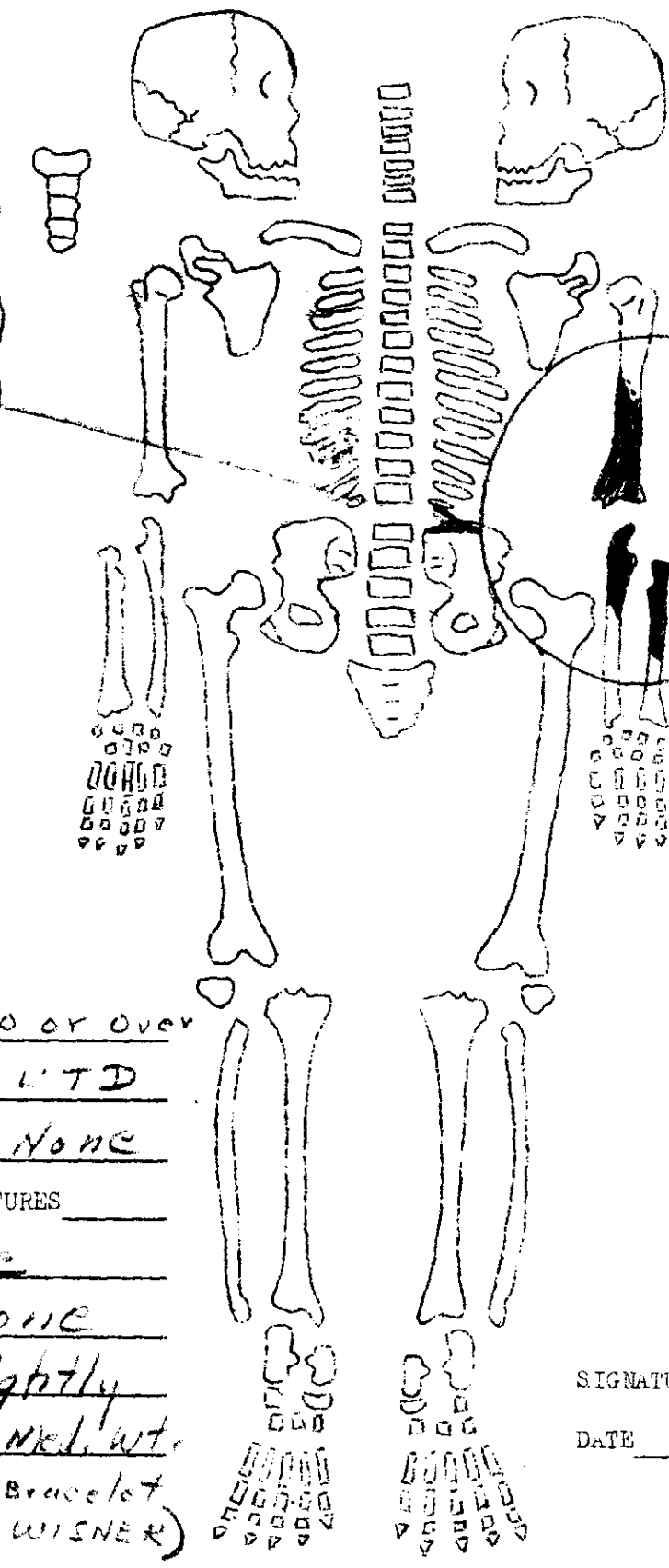
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Professor, Institute of Anthropology
University of Frankfurt
Frankfurt/Main, Germany

S K E L E T A L C H A R T
 (BLACK OUT PARTS OF BODY PRESENT)

SR 722

X-70035
 Griesheim/M
 (MED ZONE)
 Grave 37

NOTE:
 BLACKED
 OUT
 PORTIONS
 ARE
 PRESENT



HUMERUS _____ cm

ULNA _____ cm

RADIUS _____ cm

FEMUR _____ cm

TIBIA _____ cm

FIBULA _____ cm

EST. AGE 20 or over

EST. HEIGHT 1.7 D

COLOR HAIR None

HEALED FRACTURES _____

None

FLESH None

BURNED slightly

EST. WEIGHT Med. wt.

SIGNATURE W. A. [Signature]

DATE 8 Oct. 52

one (1) ID Bracelet
 (Lt Wm. O. WISNER)

HEADQUARTERS
7770 USAREUR QM MORTUARY SERVICE DETACHMENT
APO 757 US ARMY

14 October 1952

NARRATIVE OF INVESTIGATION

I. AUTHORITY:

In accordance with the instructions contained in ID # 986, dated 7 August 1952, a visit was made to SARENTINO (Sheet 5/A 9887), Italy to recover the remains of 2/Lt WILLIAM O. WISNER, O-708778.

II. FACTS AND CIRCUMSTANCES:

Records indicate that 2/Lt WISNER was the pilot of P-38 A/C #43-2837 which was last seen in a spin 5 miles northeast of BOLZANO, Italy. Subject casualty was reported KIA 20 October 1944. A letter from the Italian Ministry of Foreign Affairs, dated 26 July 1952, stated that human bones and an ID bracelet bearing the name WILLIAM O. WISNER, O-708778 had been found near SARENTINO, Italy.

III. FINDINGS:

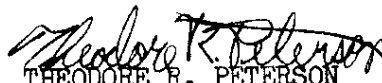
A visit was made to the Carabinieri at SARENTINO, Italy. A small box containing the remains and the ID bracelet for WISNER were received from the police. The crash site, located on a mountain near SARENTINO was then visited. A thorough search of the crash site failed to reveal additional remains. The crash site is located in a rocky stream bed of a type known as a "Torrente". It is, in other words, a rather small stream except when there is a heavy rainfall or melting snow. It then becomes a channel to carry off this water, and has a very strong current, which is quite capable of carrying away a crashed aircraft. Practically all of the wreckage has disappeared, either taken away by scrap hunters, or washed away by the stream. It is the opinion of this investigator that most of the aircraft and certainly the remains have been carried away by this stream. These remains were assigned SR # 722.

IV. CONCLUSION:

It is concluded from the above that the remains recovered are the only recoverable remains of 2/Lt WILLIAM O. WISNER, O-708778.

V. RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the remains recovered be declared the only recoverable remains of 2/Lt WILLIAM O. WISNER, O-708778.


THEODORE R. PETERSON
1st Lt QMC
Investigator

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T r a n s l a t i o n

Ministry of Foreign Affairs
Aff. Pol. I

n. 11/11199/20
Rome, 26 July 1952

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Roma, 29/7/52

EMBASSY OF THE
UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
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ITALIAN REPUBLIC
TERRITORIAL LEGION of CARABINIERI (Italian gendarme) of BOLZANO
Section of Sarentino

N. 20/20-I di prot. div. 3/a

Sarentino, July 12, 1952

TO: Attorney of the Republic

B o l z a n o

TO: Superior Office of the Carabinieri

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Delegazione per la Germania

PROG. N. 17831
CODICE 0-2

FRANCOFORTE M. 17.10.52

TELEF. 07431
HANSA ALLEE 23

TO: 7770 ENCOM QM Mortuary Service Detachment
Ord. Depot
Attention: Lieut. PETERSON
FRANKFURT-GRIBSHEIM
Building 119

SUBJECT: Translation of an Italian letter.

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Encl.

REPORT OF BURIAL

10 October 1952

TM 10-830 AND AR 30-1815

Date

UNKNOWN X-70035

Last Name	First	Initial	Rank	Serial No.
UNK			UNK	

Unit	Organization
Near SARENTINO, Italy	Unk

Place of Death	Date of Death	Cause of Death
1630 Hrs 10 October 1952	Griesheim/Main (MED ZONE)	Mausoleum Frankfurt/Main, Germany.

Time and Date of Burial	Name of Cemetery	Name or Coordinates of Location
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Grave Number	Row Number	Plot Number	Type of Marker

Disposition of Identification Tags: Buried with body Yes No Attached to Marker Yes No
 Identification Bracelet Forwarded to Army Effects Bureau

If No Identification Tags How were remains identified?

What means of identification were buried with the body?

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

Who is buried on :

Deceased's Right :	Name	Serial No.	Rank	Organization	Grave No.
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Deceased's Left :	Name	Serial No.	Rank	Organization	Grave No.
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Signature or Name, Rank and if possible Organization of person furnishing above Data when other than officer reporting burial.



If print of identification tag is not affixed fill in bellow :

Emergency Addressee Name

Address

Religion

List only Personal Effects Found on Body and disposition of same :

Recovered as SR 722 from mountain near SARENTINO 5-10 miles NE of BOLZANO, Italy.

Theodore R. Peterson
 Signature of Officer or other person reporting burial
 THEODORE R. PETERSON, 1st Lt., OMC
 G.R.S. Officer
file
Mr. Murphy
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The plate of recognition, however, is kept from this command at the disposal of your office.

Signature: Maresciallo Palaia Artemio

Sarentino, 8.9.52.

Ministero degli Affari Esteri

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

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Grave Number Row Number Plot Number Type of Marker

Disposition of ~~Identification Tags~~: Buried with body Yes No Attached to Marker Yes No
Identification Bracelet Forwarded to Army Effects Bureau

If No Identification Tags
How were remains identified?

What means of identification were buried with the body?

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

Who is buried on :

Deceased's Right : Name Serial No. Rank Organization Grave No.

Deceased's Left : 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.



If print of identification tag is not affixed fill in below :

Emergency Addressee Name

Address

Religion

List only Personal Effects Found on Body and disposition of same :

Recovered as SR 722 from mountain near SARENTINO
5-10 miles NE of BOLZANO, Italy.

Theodore R. Peterson
Signature of Officer or other person reporting burial

THEODORE R. PETERSON, 1st Lt., QMC

G.R.S. Officer

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