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USMC HAMM  
Plot: E Row: 5 Gr: 23  
Date of Burial: 29 June 50 DISINTERMENT DIRECTIVE  
Verified by GRS Officer  
Robert W. GANSEL, 1st LT OMC

*Sept 1950*

SECTION A *Robert W. Gansel*  
NAME AND BURIAL LOCATION OF DECEASED  
DIRECTIVE NUMBER  
3574 00000  
DATE  
15 01 48  
DAY MONTH YEAR

NAME  
UNKNOWNX-001678  
SERIAL NUMBER  
RANK  
ARM  
J  
DATE OF DEATH  
DAY MONTH YEAR

CEMETERY  
ST AVOLD - METZ  
DISPOSITION OF REMAINS  
0 3503 80  
CODE DIST. PT.

PLOT ROW GRAVE COUNTRY  
000 8 93 FRANCE  
CAUSE OF DEATH  
6

SECTION B - CONSIGNEE AND NEXT OF KIN NO FLAG SENT

NAME AND ADDRESS OF CONSIGNEE  
ST AVOLD, FRANCE HAMM, LUXEMBOURG  
(BY ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER)  
NAME AND ADDRESS OF NEXT OF KIN  
These remains are unidentifiable and are to be permanently interred. (Reg. Div. 1 June 50)

SECTION C - DISINTERMENT AND IDENTIFICATION

NAME  
UNKNOWN X-001678  
SERIAL NUMBER  
RANK  
DATE OF DEATH  
DATE DISINTERRED  
13 July 48  
IDENTIFICATION TAG ON  
 REMAINS  
 MARKER EMB  
ORGANIZATION  
UNKNOWN  
RELIGION  
Urk  
IDENTIFICATION VERIFIED BY  
GEO WL LOWRY, EMBALMER  
NAME AND TITLE

SECTION D - PREPARATION OF REMAINS FOR SHIPMENT

NATURE OF BURIAL  
MATTRESS COVER  
CONDITION OF REMAINS  
BODY CONSISTS OF FRACTURED R/ & L/ HUMERUS, RADIUS, TIBIA, R/ULNA, L/FEMUR, R/FIBULA. DECOMPOSITION COMPLETE.

OTHER MEANS OF IDENTIFICATION  
REPORT OF BURIAL FOUND WITH REMAINS  
FILE  
RECORDS ANNOTATED  
DATE 27 JUL 50  
NAME R. T. Johns

MINOR DISCREPANCIES 1  
EXTRA PROXIMAL 2/3 RIGHT ULNA REMOVED PER O.I.55 WITH C.I.L. # 3214  
REMAINS PREPARED AND PLACED IN CASKET

DATE 16 July 48 BY GEO W LOWRY, EMBALMER

CASKET SEALED BY  
GEO W LOWRY, EMBALMER  
EMBALMER (Signature)  
GEO W LOWRY

CASKET BOXED AND MARKED  
All markings, plates & tags verified by  
JESSE C HARRELL, 1st Lt CAC

DATE 16 July 48 BY GEO W LOWRY, EMBALMER  
I hereby certify that all the foregoing operations were conducted and accomplished under my immediate supervision and that the report above is correct.  
FINAL CASKETING BY  
JESSE C HARRELL, 1st Lt CAC  
JESSE C HARRELL, 1st Lt CAC, 7857 AGRC ZONE 3 HQ  
SIGNATURE OF GRS INSPECTOR

Prepare Discrepancy Report, OMC Form 1194a for major discrepancies.

CONSIGNEE CORRECTED - REG. DIV.

# RECORD OF CUSTODIAL TRANSFER

## 1. SHIPPED

FROM <b>USMC St. Avold, France</b>		TO <b>OIC, Neuville, Belgium</b>	
KIND OF CONVEYANCE <b>Truck</b>		NAME OF CONVOYER <b>Cpl Vincent P. Matozzo, RA-32707218</b>	
SIGNATURE OF SHIPPER <i>[Signature]</i>	DATE <b>2 Nov 49</b>	SIGNATURE OF RECEIVER	DATE

## 2. SHIPPED

FROM		TO	
KIND OF CONVEYANCE		NAME OF CONVOYER	
SIGNATURE OF SHIPPER	DATE	SIGNATURE OF RECEIVER	DATE

## 3. SHIPPED

FROM		TO	
KIND OF CONVEYANCE		NAME OF CONVOYER	
SIGNATURE OF SHIPPER	DATE	SIGNATURE OF RECEIVER	DATE

## 4. SHIPPED

FROM		TO	
KIND OF CONVEYANCE		NAME OF CONVOYER	
SIGNATURE OF SHIPPER	DATE	SIGNATURE OF RECEIVER	DATE

## 5. SHIPPED

FROM		TO	
KIND OF CONVEYANCE <b>(EX ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER)</b>		NAME OF CONVOYER	
SIGNATURE OF SHIPPER <b>ST. AVOLD FRANCE</b>	DATE	SIGNATURE OF RECEIVER	DATE

## 6. SHIPPED

FROM		TO	
KIND OF CONVEYANCE		NAME OF CONVOYER	
SIGNATURE OF SHIPPER	DATE	SIGNATURE OF RECEIVER	DATE

## 7. SHIPPED

FROM		TO	
KIND OF CONVEYANCE		NAME OF CONVOYER	
SIGNATURE OF SHIPPER	DATE	SIGNATURE OF RECEIVER	DATE

**AIRMAIL**

QMGMT 314.6 T/24814 1st Ind  
GRS European

SUBJECT: Certificates of Unidentifiability of Remains  
Transmittal Letter #4816

Dept. of the Army, OQMG, Washington 25, D. C., 3 May 1950

TO: Commanding Officer, 7887 Graves Registration Detachment,  
APO 757, c/o Postmaster, New York, New York

1. This Office approves the classification of the Unknowns listed in basic communication as Unidentifiable with the following exception:

United States Military Cemetery St. Avoild, France

X-7847 Plot NNNN Row 5 Grave 114

2. The Unknown listed above will be the subject of a separate communication.

FOR THE ACTING THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL:

THOMAS E. COX  
Capt QMC  
Memorial Division

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Clements

REB

JMN

393 Units France  
X 1478  
OK  
Clements

**AIRMAIL**

HEADQUARTERS  
AMERICAN GRAVES REGISTRATION COMMAND  
EUROPEAN AREA  
APO 757 U S Army

FORM 200.2

31 March 1950

SUBJECT: Certificates of Unidentifiability of Remains  
Transmittal Letter # 4816

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

In compliance with letter, your office, QUICM 293, GRS European,  
Subject: Final resolution of Unknown Deceased, dated 29 July 1948, for-  
warded herewith are certificates pertaining to the following unidentifi-  
able remains:

<u>Unknown No.</u>	<u>Cemetery</u>	<u>Plot</u>	<u>Row</u>	<u>Grave</u>
X-1677	St Avold	QQQ	8	92
X-1678	St Avold	QQQ	8	93
X-6097	St Avold	Y	4	48
X-7847	St Avold	MMMN	5	114
X-5361	Neuville	V	10	247

FOR THE COMMANDING OFFICER:

GARLAND E. HUTZ  
1st Lt., QMC  
Registration Division

5 Incls  
Certificates of  
Unidentifiability  
w/allied case papers

314.6  
GRS  
European

*293 unk France X-1678 (St Avold)*  
ARMY EFFECTS BUREAU, Kansas City Records Center (AGU), 601 Hardesty Avenue,  
Kansas City 1, Missouri, 25 April 1950

TO: The Quartermaster General, Effects Section, Field Service Division,  
Washington 25, D.C.

1. Remnants of web belt, together with the laboratory report for  
Unknown X-6097, USMC, St Avold, France, are inclosed.

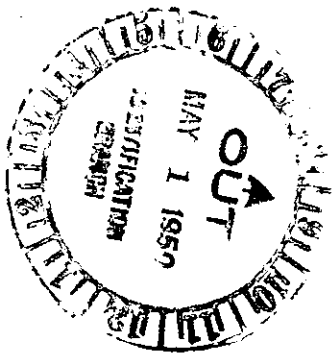
2. No property for Unknowns X-1677 and X-1678, USMC St Avold, France,  
was received at the Bureau.

/s/ Stanley Zablocki  
Captain, QMC  
Commanding

2 Incls.  
1. Remns. of belt  
2. Lab. report

COPY

*File -  
M. Bunker  
28 April 1950*



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DISINTERMENT DIRECTIVE

393 Hank France - 1678 (St Avold)

SECTION A - NAME AND BURIAL LOCATION OF DECEASED

DIRECTIVE NUMBER 3574 00000

DATE 15 01 48 DAY MONTH YEAR

NAME

UNKNOWN X 7001678

RANK

ARM J

DATE OF DEATH

DAY MONTH YEAR

CEMETERY

ST AVOLD - METZ

0

DISPOSITION OF REMAINS

3503 40 CODE DIST. PT.

PLOT

ROW

GRAVE

COUNTRY

000 6 93 FRANCE

CAUSE OF DEATH

6

SECTION B - CONSIGNEE AND NEXT OF KIN

NAME AND ADDRESS OF CONSIGNEE

ST. AVOLD, FRANCE

(BY ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER)

NAME AND ADDRESS OF NEXT OF KIN

SECTION C - DISINTERMENT AND IDENTIFICATION

NAME

SERIAL NUMBER

RANK

DATE OF DEATH

DATE DISTINTERRED

IDENTIFICATION TAG ON

ORGANIZATION

RELIGION

IDENTIFICATION VERIFIED BY

REMAINS MARKER

UNKNOWN

NAME AND TITLE

SECTION D - PREPARATION OF REMAINS FOR SHIPMENT

NATURE OF BURIAL

CONDITION OF REMAINS

OTHER MEANS OF IDENTIFICATION

MINOR DISCREPANCIES

REMAINS PREPARED AND PLACED IN CASKET

DATE BY

CASKET SEALED BY

EMBALMER (Signature)

CASKET BOXED AND MARKED

SHIPPING ADDRESS VERIFIED BY

DATE BY

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

SIGNATURE OF GRS INSPECTOR

Prepare Discrepancy Report QMC Form 101a for major discrepancies.

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

RRE 293

28 March 1950  
(Date)

CERTIFICATE OF UNIDENTIFIABILITY OF REMAINS

*293 unk France X-1678 (St Avold)*

1. The records pertaining to Unknown X- 1678, Plot QQQ,  
Row 8, Grave 93, USMC St Avold, 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. \*, dated

3. Remarks:

\* Photostat copies to be forwarded attached hereto.

Case reviewed by undersigned Members of the Board of Review:

Capt Edward F. PRICE, JR., O-1588236

CWO Leodore GOUDREAU, W-2113434

1st Lt. Gaylord e. LUTZ, O-1595665

*Accepted 28 April 50*  
Received 28 April 50 OQMG  
Not identifiable from  
information presently  
available *File in Benkerd  
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*Transmittal Letter #4816 dated 31 March 50.*

*1 Mar 50*





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HEADQUARTERS  
AMERICAN GRAVES REGISTRATION COMMAND  
EUROPEAN AREA  
APO 757 US ARMY

RRE 293

28 March 1950  
(Date)

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3. Remarks:

See attached Case <sup>H</sup>istory.

Case reviewed by undersigned Members of the Board of Review:

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

Lt Col. E. D. MULVANNY, O-359598 QMC

*Edward F. Peice, Jr.*  
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Capt. Edward F. PEICE, Jr., O-1588236 QMC

*Gaylord E. Lutz*  
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1st Lt. Gaylord E. LUTZ, O-1595665 QMC

*Leodore Gaudreau*  
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QMC Leodore GOUDREAU, W-2113434 USA

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T.L. # 4816

Incl # 3

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Not identifiable from  
information presently  
available *Perkerd*

CASE HISTORY

UNKNOWN NO. X-1678 U.S. MILITARY CEMETERY St Avold, France  
(Location)

The remains of Unknown X-1678 were recovered from an isolated common grave in the Civilian Cemetery of Hansen-Arnshach, Germany. Estimated date of death: 12 May 1944. Cause of death: Plane crash. Subject remains were reinterred on 28 February 1946, in Plot QQQ, Row 8, Grave 93, USMC St Avold, France.

A thorough investigation has been conducted in an effort to associate the subject remains with a casualty known to have died in the vicinity of Hansen-Arnshach, however, as there is insufficient identifying media with the remains a definite association could not be made.

A field investigation was also conducted on 24 January 1950 for possible identification of the aircraft from which X-1678 was recovered however it was found that all parts of the aircraft had been removed by German personnel.

In view of the negative results of the investigation mentioned above, it is recommended that this case be declared Unidentifiable.

R. Sugimoto  
24 Feb 1950

*[Handwritten Signature]*

E.O. - 2241

PRIORITY

IDENTIFICATION DATA

1. REMAINS OF UNKNOWN

2. DATE OF REPORT

UNK-D-1678

21 SEPT 49

3. NAME OF CEMETERY

4. PLOT

5. ROW

6. GRAVE

7. DATE OF INTERMENT

8. REINTERMENT

USMC SF QUOD

Q49

B

23

PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION

9. ESTIMATED WEIGHT

10. HAIR COLOR

11. EYE COLOR

12. RACE

25 to 30

5' 5 1/2"

UTO

UTO

13. GIVE DESCRIPTION OF ANY SPECIAL MARKINGS OR SCARS WHICH MAY BE OF VALUE

None

14. GIVE DESCRIPTION OF ANY OTHER INFORMATION OBTAINED FROM OTHER SOURCES

MINGE FOUND

15. WAS BODY BURNED?

16. WHAT EXTENT?

YES

NO

17. WAS BODY MANGLED?

18. WHAT EXTENT?

YES

NO

SEE SKELETAL CHART

19. DESCRIBE EVIDENCE OF MUTILATION AND HOW MUTILATED

None

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

HING FOUND

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E.O. - 2241 PRIORITY IDENTIFICATION DATA

1. REMAINS OF UNKNOWN				2. DATE OF REPORT	
UNK-0-1698				21 SEPT 44	
3. NAME OF CEMETERY				4. PLOT	5. ROW
USMC SF QUOD				949	B
				6. GRAVE	7. DATE OF INTERMENT
				23	

PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION			
8. ESTIMATED WEIGHT	9. ESTIMATE HEIGHT	10. COLOR OF HAIR	11. RACE
25 to 30	5' 5 1/2"	UTO	UTO

12. GIVE DESCRIPTION OF ANY SPECIAL IDENTIFICATION FOUND WITH REMAINS

None

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

None - FOUND

14. WAS BODY BURNED?	TO WHAT EXTENT?
<input type="checkbox"/> YES <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NO	
15. WAS BODY MANGLED?	TO WHAT EXTENT?
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO	SEE SKELETAL CHART

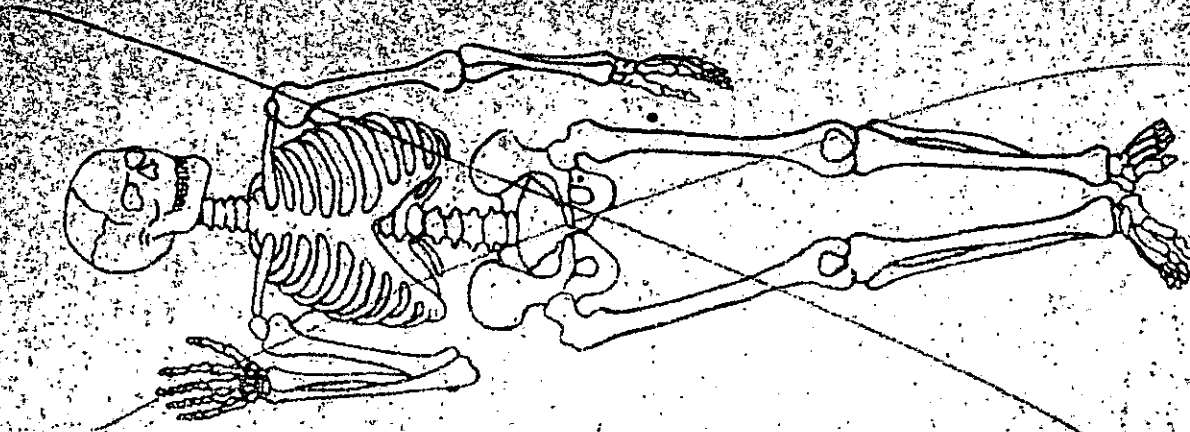
16. DESCRIBE EVIDENCE OF MUTILATION AND BONE MALFORMATIONS

None

17. LIST EVERY ITEM OF CLOTHING, EQUIPMENT AND PERSONAL EFFECTS FOUND, SHOWING THE TYPE, MAKE, 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)

ARTS FOUND

(10)



SEE SKELETAL CHART

20. MASS BURIAL CERTIFICATE (IF APPLICABLE)  
(Wherein segregation in whole or parts is impossible).

CERTIFY THAT THE GROUP REMAINS CONSIST OF PARTS OF \_\_\_\_\_ DECEDENTS BASED ON THE PRESENCE OF ONE OR MORE OF THE FOLLOWING ANATOMICAL PARTS: \_\_\_\_\_ NUMBER

21. REMARKS AND ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

SIGNATURE OF MEDICAL OFFICER

REMAINS RECEIVED IN DISARTICULATED SKELETAL FORM EMBOSSED PLATE MARKED UNK-F-1077 RECEIVED WITH REMAINS DEPOSITION REPINNED TO BLANKET CONTAINING REMAINS

HAIR NONE FOUND

TEETH NONE

EST. AGE - 25 TO 30

EST. HT - 5'10 1/2"

SKULL'S  
PETERSON  
GREEN

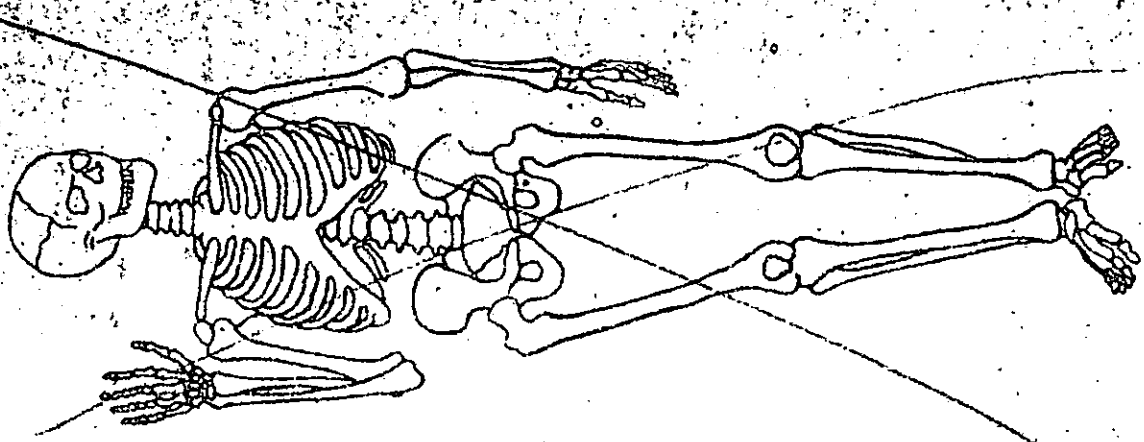
CERTIFY THAT I HAVE PERSONALLY VIEWED THE REMAINS OF DECEASED AND THAT ALL RESULTING INFORMATION HAS BEEN RECORDED TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE

TYPED NAME, GRADE, ARM OR SERVICE, AND ORGANIZATION

SIGNATURE

John A. Beryl sec

MISSING PARTS OF BODY NOT RECOVERED



SEE SKELETAL CHART

20. MASS BURIAL CERTIFICATE (IF APPLICABLE)  
(Wherein segregation in whole or parts is impossible).

I CERTIFY THAT THE GROUP REMAINS CONSIST OF PARTS OF \_\_\_\_\_ DECEASETS BASED ON THE PRESENCE OF ONE OR MORE OF THE FOLLOWING ANATOMICAL PARTS: \_\_\_\_\_ NUMBER

21. REMARKS AND ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

SIGNATURE OF MEDICAL OFFICER

REMAINS RECEIVED IN DISARTICULATED SKELETAL FORM. EMBOSSED PLATE MARKED UNK-K-1078 RECEIVED WITH REMAINS. DISPOSITION REFERENCED TO BLANKET CONTAINING REMAINS.

HAIR. NONE FOUND.

TEETH. NONE

EST. AGE - 25 TO 30

EST. HT. - 5' 10 1/2"

SKULLS  
PREFERED  
GREEN.

I CERTIFY THAT I HAVE PERSONALLY VIEWED THE REMAINS OF DECEASED AND THAT ALL RESULTING INFORMATION HAS BEEN RECORDED TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE

TYPED NAME, GRADE, ARM OR SERVICE, AND ORGANIZATION

SIGNATURE

(11)

John A. Bepko  
dlee

SKELETAL CHART  
 (BLACK OUT PORTIONS NOT RECEIVED AT CEMETERY)

X-1678

RIGHT

LEFT

STERNUM

HUMERUS

HUMERUS

ULNA

RADIUS

ULNA

RADIUS

FEMUR

FEMUR

TIBIA

FIBULA

TIBIA

FIBULA

FRAGMENTED

- SHATTERED

- MISSING

- BURNED

COLOR OF HAIR

170

ESTIMATED AGE

25-30

Yrs

ESTIMATED HEIGHT

5' 5 1/2"

ESTIMATED WEIGHT

170

LBS

Signature

CHART "A"

(12)



SKELETAL CHART  
 (BLACK OUT PORTIONS NOT RECEIVED AT CEMETERY)

X-1678

RIGHT

LEFT

P-000  
 R-9  
 G-93  
 52-2341

STERNUM

HUMERUS

33.0

HUMERUS

ULNA

RADIUS

ULNA

RADIUS

FEMUR

FEMUR

TIBIA

FIBULA

TIBIA

FIBULA

FRAGMENTED

SHATTERED

MISSING

BURNED

COLOR OF HAIR

HTD

ESTIMATED AGE

35-40

Yrs

ESTIMATED HEIGHT

5' 5 1/2"

ESTIMATED WEIGHT

HTD LBS

*[Handwritten Signature]*  
 Signature

(15)

CHART "A"

# REPORT OF INVESTIGATION AREA SEARCH

AGRC Form 10 (Revised)

22. February 1946

1 January 1946

Date

NAME X-1678 RANK Unknown ASN Unknown

ORGANIZATION Unknown

MEANS OF IDENTIFICATION No means of identification were found

(All statements above this line will be completed, upon final processing, by the clerical staff at the unit processing point.)

## SECTION A — GENERAL (To be completed by investigators in all cases)

1. Was positive identity acquired for the deceased through the surface investigation? No If so, state the following information:

a. NAME Unknown RANK Unknown ASN Unknown

b. ORGANIZATION Unknown

2. Was partial identification established? No If so, state the facts as to whom you believe the deceased to be:

a. NAME Unknown RANK Unknown ASN Unknown

b. ORGANIZATION Unknown

3. NAMES OF OTHER DECEASED BURIED IN IMMEDIATE VICINITY Holga Keller, Germany

(Use reverse side for listing of crew members from MACR)

a. Date of above burials Unknown Common Graves? yes

5. Name and Type of Cemetery Hausen-Arnsbach, Civilian  
(Military or Civilian)

6. Map Coordinates of the Cemetery 54°-9'05" Sh. S-3 Bad Nauheim 1/100,000

a. Town Hausen-Arnsb Country Hessen

7. Give exact location in cemetery of the remains

a. Section No no Row No no Grave No no

b. Is Sketch attached? yes

8. If remains are not located in a cemetery, give exact location

a. Town Not applicable Coordinates Not applicable

b. Is sketch attached? Not applicable

c. Is area mined? Not applicable

9. How is the grave marked? Wooden cross

10. If grave is marked with cross, give exact markings thereon American fliers.

15. May 1944

a. From what source was this information obtained? Not applicable

(Identification tags, personal effects)

1. By Whom

11. Where are the cemetery records? Buergormeister's Office

(Town Hall, cemetery, burgermeister's office)

- a. What information was contained thereon? Not applicable
- b. Where was the information obtained? Not applicable
- c. By Whom? Not applicable
12. What is the date of death? 12. May 1944  
 a. Give basis Taken from statement of Theodor Best
13. What is the cause of death? Plane crash  
 b. Give basis Information in statement Theodor Best, Georg Wohlfahrt
14. What is the date of burial? 13. May 1944  
 a. Give basis Theodor Best (statement) Emil Keller (statement)
15. What was the place of death? Hausen-Arnzbach, Ger. Coords 538,912 Sh.S-3  
 b. Give basis See statement of Theodor Best, of Georg Wohlfahrt
16. Where were the remains found? Hausen-Arnzbach, Ger. Coords 538,912 Sh.S-3  
 a. By Whom? See statement of Theodor Best, Georg Wohlfahrt.  
 b. Is sketch attached? yes
17. Was a casket used? no Who furnished the casket? No casket used  
 Type of casket No casket used How marked? No casket used
18. Who made the burial \_\_\_\_\_  
 (Civilian, American Mil. or German Mil.)  
 a. What are the names and addresses? Theodor Best, Emil Keller, Georg Wohlfahrt.  
Addresses on statements.  
 b. Are certificates and statements attached? yes
- SECTION B — AIR CORPS DECEASED (To be Completed only if Deceased is believed to be a member of the AAF)
19. Were remains found in the plane wreckage? No  
 a. Give location in plane from which the bodies were removed Not applicable  
 (Tail gunner, pilot, radio, turret, etc., or front, side of plane)  
 b. Near wreckage? yes
20. Scene of crash must be investigated. Give complete results of investigation (if removed, state when and by whom)  
 a. Type of Plane Unknown  
 b. Markings and/or name on plane Unknown  
 c) Give numbers on motors, machine guns, instruments, radios or other equipment: Unknown  
Plane removed
21. How did crash occur? Shot down Anti-aircraft No  
 Enemy Planes? yes Collision? No
22. Did plane explode in the air? No On ground? yes
23. Did plane burn in the air? No On ground? yes
24. What was the direction of the flight? North-East
25. What was the civilian opinion regarding destination of plane? Heading toward Usingen., Ger.

26. Had bombs been released prior to the crash? No
27. Does specific time and date of crash correspond with date of death of above named deceased? yes
28. Number of planes in formation prior to crash Unknown
29. State precise time and date of plane crash 12. May 1944  
(Night? Day?)
30. Were parachutists seen? yes How many? Unknown Escaped? yes  
Prisoners? yes

SECTION C — ARMORED CORPS DECEASED (To be completed only if deceased is believed to have been a member of the Armored Force)

31. Were remains found in wreckage of a tank? Not applicable  
a. Give specific position in tank from which deceased was removed  
Not applicable  
(Radio man, driver, assistant driver or . . . front, side, or back)  
b. Near wreckage? Not applicable
32. Location of destroyed tank must be investigated. Give complete results of investigation. (If removed, state when and by whom)  
a. Type of tank Not applicable  
b. Markings and/or name of tank Not applicable  
c. Numbers on motors, machine guns, ammunition, instruments, etc Not applicable

33. What was the type of enemy action that resulted in the tank's disablement? Not applicable

34. Did tank explode? Not applicable Burn? Not applicable

35. Number of tanks in immediate vicinity at time of disablement Not applicable

36. Does specific time and date of disablement correspond with date of death of above named deceased?  
Not applicable

37. Precise time and date of destruction of tank Not applicable  
(Night? Day?)

38. Did any of the crew members escape? Not applicable Prisoners? Not applicable

SECTION D — OTHER BRANCH (To be filled out if B & C are not applicable)

39. Did death occur from any other means? (i. e., truck, jeep, mines drowning, or small arms fire) Not applicable

If so, give complete and thorough results of the interrogation

a. Are all certificates and statements of people who possessed knowledge of the case attached? Not applic.

40. State the specific clues and evidence that were obtained in securing the name and facts regarding the above listed deceased Not applicable

SECTION E — GENERAL (To be completed by investigation in all cases)

41. Were personal effects recovered by the investigating team No

If not, state reason No personal effects

a. Were identification tags found at the time of death? No

Where? Not applicable By Whom? Not applicable

Present disposition Unknown

If deceased is not identified, personal effects will not be forwarded to PE Depot, but will remain with this form until final identification is made, or investigation is abandoned

- b. Were personal effects found at the time of death? Not applicable  
 Where? \_\_\_\_\_ By Whom? Not applicable  
 Present disposition Not applicable
- c. Was deceased identified by living members of the crew at the time of death? No
- d. Did Cemetery register or corss indicate the immunization shot? No
42. Was Deceased given first aid? Not applicable If so, where? Not applicable  
 By Whom? Not applicable Are statements from the medical people attached? Not applicable
43. Was deceased evacuated to a German civilian hospital? No  
 WHERE? Not applicable Names of people concerned Not applicable
44. Is it possible on surface investigation to obtain from civilian sources a physical description of the deceased? No
45. Is it possible on surface investigation to obtain from civilian sources the condition of the remains? yes  
Body mangled  
 Burnt? \_\_\_\_\_ Decapitated? etc) \_\_\_\_\_
46. Do facts surrounding death show any evidence that it might be an atrocity case? No  
 a. If so, give basis for positive assumption Not applicable
- b. If so, has higher headquarters been notified? Not applicable
47. Was case previously investigated? No By Whom? Not applicable  
 When? Not applicable
48. Give full names, addresses, and information obtained from each person interviewed  
See statements
49. Are all positive statements regarding identification and particulars surrounding death attached? yes
50. Has any information been given concerning isolated burials in the area outside the immediate vicinity? no
51. Was investigation preceded by advanced publicity? yes  
 (If special investigation, give case number) No special investigation
52. Give Brief Narrative \_\_\_\_\_
- (Use attached, sheets, if necessary)

Signature of Interpreter

Rank

ASN

Organization

*Joseph C. Cheatham*  
 Signature of Investigator

*S/Sgt*  
 Rank

*35725350*  
 ASN

*487A DM. CR. CO*  
 Organization

On the 15th of May 1944 an American plane crashed in the vicinity of Hausen Arnsbach, Germany. Two Americans were killed. The deceased was buried on the 19th of May 1944 in a common grave in the Civilian Cemetery of Hausen-Arnsbach, Germany. No identification was found at the time of death. No information as to the identity of the two flyers is available. See statements for further information.

*S/Sgt. Joseph C. Cheatham*  
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48th Q.M.G.R.Co.

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Witness: Put. Leonard J. Deo

Statement given by:

46020248

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on the 13th of May 1944.

Witness: Capt. Leonard J. Deo

Statement given by:

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Witness : \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Statement given by:

Georg Wohlfahrt

# CHECK LIST OF UNKNOWN

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

Unknown X 1678 Unknown American  
 Cemetery \_\_\_\_\_  
 Plot \_\_\_\_\_ Row \_\_\_\_\_ Grave \_\_\_\_\_

1. Arrived at cemetery \_\_\_\_\_  
 (Hour) (date)

2. Place of death Hausen - Arnsbach Germ. 544 - 905  
 (Name of closest town) (coordinates and letter Prefex. maps)

Sheet S - 3 Bad Nauheim Map 1/100 000 Germany  
 Sheet, scale and serials used.

3. Remains recovered or disinterred by PFC. D.W. Brown 48th Q.M.G.R. Co.  
 (name and organization)

4. Evacuated to Cemetery by 6865th Q.M. Bn. Mobile  
 (name and organization)

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

Item	Clothing Markings	Sizes	Color	wear,	tear,	repairs,	etc.
*Headgear	<u>Body Nude</u>						
	(type)						

Raincoat \_\_\_\_\_ Body Nude

Overcoat \_\_\_\_\_ Body Nude

Jacket, Field \_\_\_\_\_ Body Nude Jacket, Combat \_\_\_\_\_

Mackinaw \_\_\_\_\_ Body Nude

Sweater \_\_\_\_\_ Body Nude

Jacket, HBT \_\_\_\_\_ Body Nude

\*Shirt, Wool, OD \_\_\_\_\_ Body Nude

Undershirt, Wool \_\_\_\_\_ Body Nude

Undershirt, Cotton \_\_\_\_\_ Body Nude

Trousers HBT \_\_\_\_\_ Body Nude

\*Trousers, Wool OD \_\_\_\_\_ Body Nude

Belt, Web ..... **Body Nude**

Drawers, Wool ..... **Body Nude**

Drawers, Cotton ..... **Body Nude**

Leggings, Wool ..... **Body Nude** (Note unusual lacing)

Socks, Cotton ..... **Body Nude**

\*Shoes (type) ..... **Body Nude** //

Overshoes ..... **Body Nude**

Web Equipment (type) ..... **Body Nude**

(Other item) ..... **Body Nude**

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

6. Chevrons or Insignia ..... **Body Nude**  
(type & location: shirt, jacket, coat, helmet)

Shoulder Patch ..... **Body Nude**

7. Does clothing indicate that deceased was a member of the Air, Ground or Naval Forces .....  
**Body Nude**

8. Description of Remains:

Age **Unk.** Height **Unk.** Weight **Unk.** Description of wounds **Body too decomposed**

Bandages or dressings **Body too decomposed** Scars **Body too decomposed**  
(Length, width, location)

Tattoos ..... **Body too decomposed**  
(Number, location - illustrate on sep. page)

Outstanding moles, warts or birthmarks ..... **Body too decomposed**  
(yes-no; description, location)

Sunburn or tan, other than hands & face ..... **Body too decomposed**

Complexion ..... **Body too decomposed**  
(light, med. dark, clear, pimples, poeks, freckles)

Build ..... **Body too decomposed**  
(large, fat, thin, muscular)

Hair ..... **Body too decomposed**  
(color, length, quantity, curly, wavy, straight, whorls, or definite parting).

Hair ..... **Body too decomposed**  
(baldness, widows peak, distinctive cutting or other characteristics)

Sideburns Body too decom. Mustache Body too decom. Beard or Goatee Body too decomposed  
(color, setting, shape) (color, size, shape) (length, heavy)

light, color, extent)

Eyes Body too decomposed Eyebrows Body too decomposed  
(color, setting, shape) (color, bushiness, extent across nose)

Nose Body too decomposed Ears Body too decomposed  
(size, shape, straight) (size, set close to or far from head)

Mouth Body too decomposed Lips Body too decomposed  
(large, medium, small) (small, large, full)

Teeth Teeth missing  
(white, size, unevenness, spacing, noticeable crowns, fillings, extract.)

Chin Body too decomposed  
(prominent, receding, pointed, dimple, double)

Jaw Body too decomposed Circumference of head in inches Head missing  
(large, small, normal) (hat band)

Neck Body too decomposed Larynx Body too decomposed  
(size, length, short, normal, wrinkled) (Prominent, normal)

Shoulders Body too decomposed Arms Body too decomposed  
(broad, straight, small, rounded) (length, muscular, color)

(extent and quantity of hair)

Hands Body too decomposed

Fingers Body too decomposed  
(short, thick, long, slender, size of knuckles, missing fingers)

Body too decomposed  
(or joints.) (Unusual characteristics of fingernails)

Chest Body too decomposed  
(size of nipples, color, quantity & extent of hair, large, small, normal).

Back Body too decomposed Waist Body too decomposed  
(quantity & extent of hair) (size of navel, appendectomy, amount)

quantity & color of hair) Circumcision Unk. Pubic hair Body too decomposed  
(yes-no) (color)

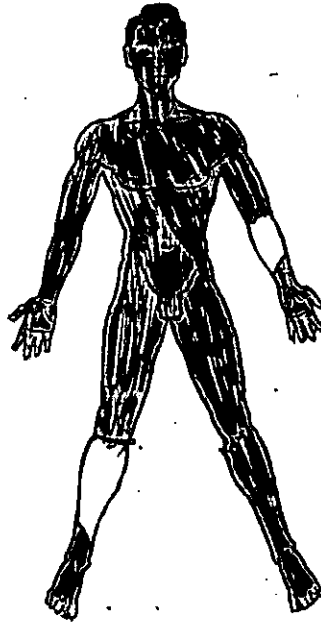
Hernioplasty Body too decomposed  
(yes-no; location)

Legs Body too decomposed  
(inseam, muscular, knock-kneed, bowed, normal, quantity, color & extent of hair)

Feet Body too decomposed Toes Body too decomposed  
(Size, corns, callouses, flat) (slender, straight, crooked, overlap)

Evidence of healed fractures Body too decomposed  
(nose, arms, legs, etc.)

9. Black out parts of body not received at cemetery:



10. Have fingerprints been placed on Report of Interment No  
Yes-no

If not, explain Body too decomposed

11. Has tooth chart been prepared No If not, explain Teeth missing  
Yes-no

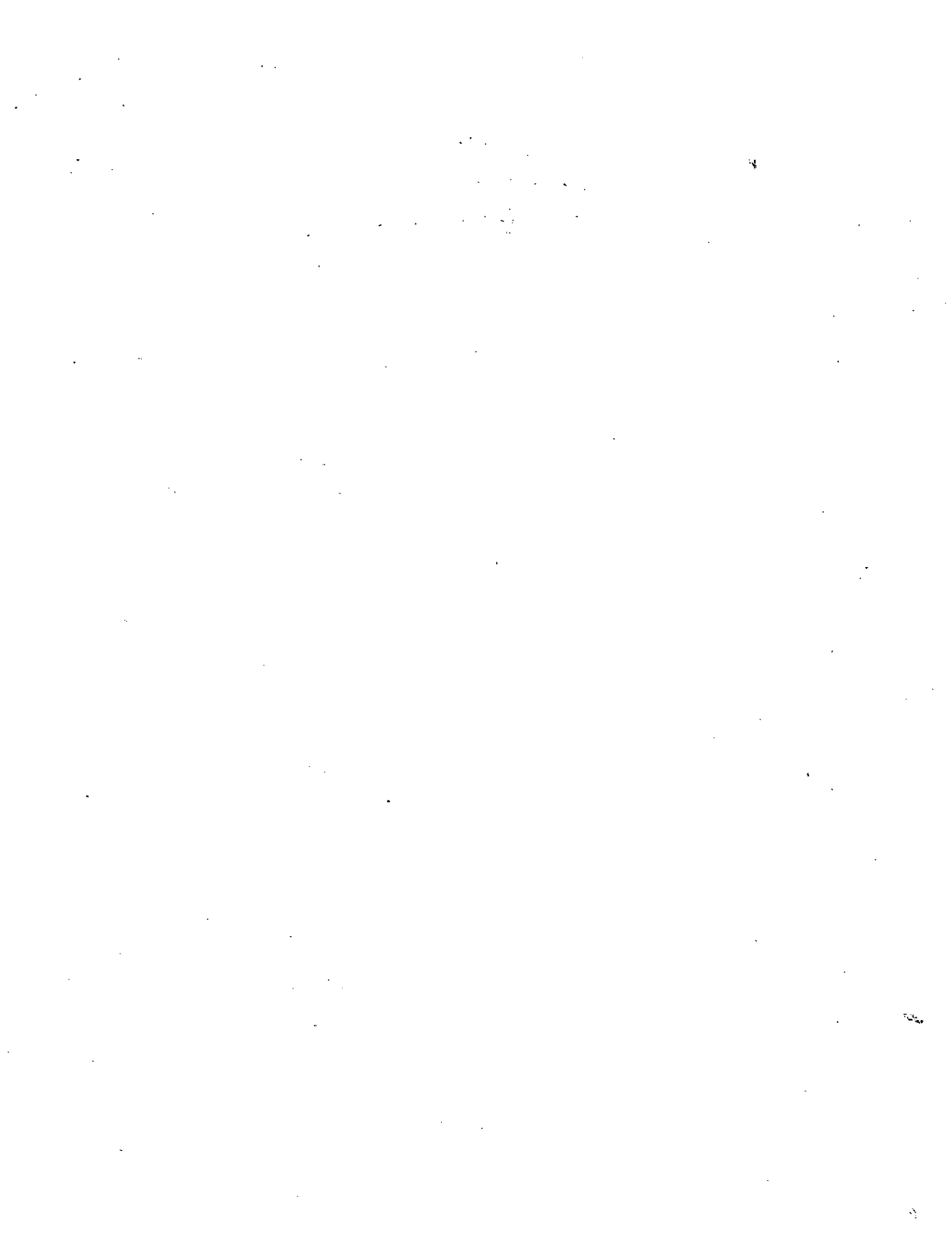
12. Remarks: Body was too decomposed to obtain any information.

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.

Jack E. Carley  
Officers Name

2nd Lt Rank Inf Service

98th QM GR Co  
Organization



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Shoofar Post

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ARMY EFFECTS BUREAU, Kansas City Records Center (AGO), 601 Hardesty Avenue,  
Kansas City 1, Missouri, 25 April 1950

TO: The Quartermaster General, Effects Section, Field Service Division,  
Washington 25, D.C.

1. Remnants of web belt, together with the laboratory report for  
Unknown X-6097, USMC, St Avoird, France, are inclosed.

2. No property for Unknowns X-1677 and X-1678, USMC St Avoird, France,  
was received at the Bureau.

/s/ Stanley Zablocki  
Captain, QMC  
Commanding

2 Incls.

1. Remns. of belt
2. Lab. report

COPY

*Ed notified of acceptance 3 May 50  
by 1<sup>st</sup> Indorsement.*

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REBURIAL

Graves Registration Form No. 1 (Revised 1 Sept. 1943)

# REPORT OF BURIAL

22 Feb. 1946 Date

TM 07-630 AND AR 30-1815

x 1678 Unknown American Unknown Unknown

Last Name First Initial Rank Serial No.

Unknown Unknown Unknown Unknown Unknown

Unit Organization

Hausen-Arnzbach, Ger. 12 May 1944 Plane crash

Place of Death Date of Death Cause of Death

1400-28 Feb/46 St. Avold, France 2-260-584

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

93 8 000 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?

See reverse

What means of identification were buried with the body?

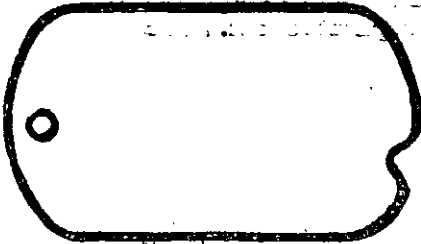
G R S form 1 in bottle

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 :	Unk	X-1677			92
	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 bellow :

Emergency Addressee: Unknown Name

Unknown Address

Religion: Unknown

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

No personal effects found

*Jack E. Cauley*  
 Jack E. Cauley  
 2nd. Lt. INF  
 48th U.S.G.R.Co.  
 Disinterment Officer

Signature of Officer or other person reporting burial

*Charles F. Barney*  
 Verified by G.R.S. Officer

# REBURIAL

buried in Civilian Cemetery  
Hausen Arnzbach  
 Row No. 62 Grave No. 92

CHARLES F. BARNEY, 2nd Lt, INF, 6800 QM GR Det, Reinterment Officer

017218132

**IF DECEASED UNIDENTIFIED**

Take Fingerprints of Both Hands. If unable to obtain a complete set of Fingerprints, Take Those You Can, and fill in the following :

Height : Unk. Laundry Marks : None  
 Weight : Unk. Number of Rifle : None  
 Color of Eyes : Unk. Wear Glasses ? - Unk.  
 Color of Hair : Unk. Is Tooth Chart Attached ?  
 Race : NO

(If possible, have medical personnel take a tooth chart, if no medical personnel present, fill in a tooth chart below.) In space below, locate, and describe any scars, birthmarks, moles, deformities, etc.

Body too decomposed

Note below any identifying clues found, such as letters, photographs, probable organization of deceased, etc.;

None found

4	
3	
2	Impossible to take body too decomposed
1	Impossible to take body too decomposed
Thumb	

Right Hand

4	
3	
2	Impossible to take body too decomposed
1	Impossible to take body too decomposed
Thumb	

Left Hand

**TOOTH CHART**

		Deceased's Right								Deceased's Left							
		8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Upper																	
Lower																	

Indicate: missing natural teeth by X ; crowns by O ; fillings by □ ; Bridges by ○ linking anchor teeth ; replacements by artificial teeth X

Characteristics: impossible to take teeth missing

Other Data :

If this is an Isolated Burial, make a Sketch of the Location, oriented with Permanent Landmarks. If more space needed attach separate sheet. Indicate North.

See sketch

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CIVILIAN BURIAL  
 HEAD AND SHOULDERS  
 ...