

G.R.S. Form #114-B

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DEC 24 1925

FULL NAME..... COOK, Richard E. *off. sig.*

RANK..... 2nd Lieutenant..... SERIAL.....

DIVISION & ORGANIZATION..... Company H, 126th Infantry *38<sup>th</sup>*

DATE OF DEATH..... *Aug 4, 1918*

STATE FROM WHICH HE CAME..... *Iowa*

MEDALS OR DECORATIONS AWARDED..... *none* *Croix de Guerre with gilt Star*

FINAL GRAVE LOCATION.....

Date Grave Row Block

9 *39* ~~44~~ A

608 Cemetery



Robert G. Smith,  
Major General,  
The Adjutant General.

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DEC 28 1925

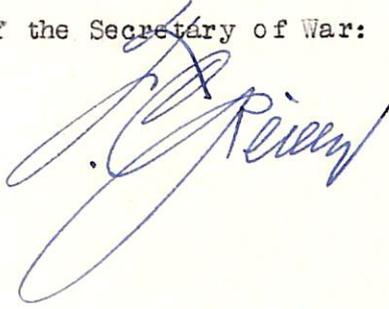
1st Ind.

WW AI/1-206

War Department, A.G.O., March 12, 1928. To: The Quartermaster General.

The records of this office show that the Croix de Guerre with Gilt Star was posthumously awarded 2nd Lt. Richard E. Cook.

By order of the Secretary of War:

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "J. P. Reilly". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, looping initial "J".

Adjutant General.

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*Ref*

### GRAVE LOCATION BLANK

LOCATION OF THE GRAVE OF

*Cook, Richard E.*  
(Surname). (Number). (First Name and Initials).

*2nd Lt. 126th Infantry.*  
(Rank). (Organization).

PLACE OF DEATH: *Hill (s.w.) Fismes*

CAUSE OF DEATH: *Killed in Action*

DATE OF BURIAL: *September 7, 1918.*

PLACE OF BURIAL: *Hill (s.w.) Fismes*  
*See Sketch*  
(Give Cemetery, Town and Department). Map reference must specify clearly what map is used.

*Reims (Bethel)*

GRAVE NUMBER:

HOW MARKED: Name Peg?.....Cross?   
Headboard?..... Bottle?.....

IDENTIFICATION TAGS:

Was one buried with body?.....

Was one fastened to name peg or stake used as a grave marker? *On Cross*

If name unknown and tags missing, description and marks should be given here:

NEAREST RELATIVE:

ADDRESS:

RELATIONSHIP:

REPORTED BY:  
*William A. LeBeau*  
(Signature and Rank of Reporting Officer)

*1st Lieut. 1st Pioneer Inf.*  
This portion to be forwarded to Central Records Office, A. G. O., A. E. F.

CODE SLIP



HEADING	SUB-HEADING	NO. OF COLS	CODE
NAME	Cook Richard E	3	3 5 5
BURIED	CEMETERY 608	1	2
	GRAVE 9	2	09
	ROW 39	2	39
	BLOCK A	1	1
STATE	Iowa	2	16
RANK	2 Lt	1	1
DIVISION	32	2	32
ORGANIZATION	126	3	126
ARM	Inf	1	1
MARITAL	Remarried	1	3
NAME	Lina	3	
RESIDENCE	Mrs Eva R 160 Tenn Ave N.E. Washington, D.C.	2	
STATE		2	
COUNTY		2	
CITY		3	
RELATION	Mother	1	
OTHER		1	
ELIGIBILITY	Head	1	6
NATIVITY		1	
RACE		1	
ENGLISH		1	
ATTENDANT		1	
HEALTH		1	
NO. OF SONS		1	
DATE OF	MO.	1	
TRIP	YR.	1	
ACCEPTANCE		1	

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Rem-widow

fm

(Jackburdell)  
(no loco)  
(no AM)

**AUDITED**  
AUG 8 1932  
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WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

Cook, Richard E. 608-W

July 8, 1930.

*2nd fl*

Mrs. Eva R. Finn,  
160 Tennessee Ave. N. E.,  
Washington, D. C.

*Loco?*

Dear Madam:

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This office has no record of any person entitled under the Act mentioned to make a pilgrimage to the cemeteries in Europe as the mother or widow of the above named deceased service man. To complete the list of eligibles and to assure that, if the above named man is survived by a mother or widow entitled to make a pilgrimage she receive an invitation to do so, it is requested you answer the following questions in the space provided on this letter and return to this office in the enclosed envelope which requires no postage.

1. Is the deceased survived by a mother?

*no*

If so, give her name and address:

2. Is the deceased survived by a widow who has not remarried?

*no*

If so, give her name and address:

3. Is the deceased survived by any woman who stood in loco parentis to him according to the terms of Section 4 (a) of the enclosed Act as amended?

*yes, sister,*

*Mrs John F. Turner*

If so, give her name and address:

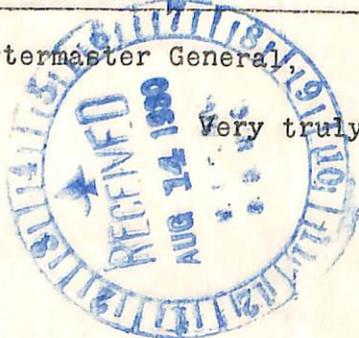
*604 Wilson ave,*

*Council Bluffs, Iowa*

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

Enclosures:  
Envelope  
Act  
Amendment



*A. D. Hughes*  
A. D. HUGHES,  
Captain, Q. M. Corps,  
Assistant.

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**WAR DEPARTMENT**  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C  
Cook, Richard E. 608--W

March 19, 1930

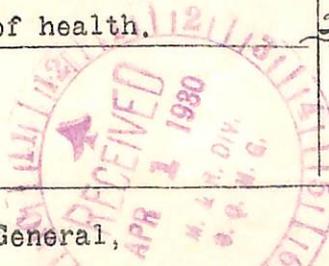
Mrs. Eva R. Finn,  
160 Tenn. Ave. N. E.,  
Washington, D. C.

Dear Madam:

The Act of Congress which provides for pilgrimages to cemeteries in Europe by mothers and widows of members of the military or naval forces of the United States who died in the military or naval service at any time between April 5, 1917 and July 1, 1921, and whose remains are now interred in such cemeteries, all necessary expenses of which pilgrimages are to be paid by the United States Government, requires that the Secretary of War make an investigation and submit the results of such investigation in a report to Congress. The purpose of the investigation is to determine the total number of mothers and widows entitled to make the pilgrimages, the number of such mothers and widows who desire to make the pilgrimages, the number who desire to make the pilgrimages during the calendar year 1930 and the probable cost of the pilgrimages to be made.

In order that the report referred to may be made and plans completed for conducting the pilgrimages, it is requested that you answer the following questions by filling out the blanks left therefor and return the letter to this office by return mail in the enclosed envelope which requires no postage.

1. Do you desire to make this pilgrimage if eligible?	<i>yes</i> (Yes)	(No)
2. Do you desire to make the pilgrimage in the calendar year 1930?	<i>yes</i> (Yes)	(No)
3. Have you at any time made a previous visit to the grave of the deceased member of the military or naval forces in whom you are interested?	<del>(Yes)</del>	(No)
4. Please give your age and state of health.	Age 35 (Years)	Health (Good) (Poor) <i>XXX</i>
5. What language do you speak?	English - (Yes) (No) Other language (Specify language spoken) <i>French.</i>	



*any 2 eligible for trips?*  
*Have remarried Encl. and been widowed since by Cook was killed. Mrs Eva R Finn's husband was killed by Matthew & Finn in air Corps crash 1927.*

Very truly yours,  
*John T. Harris*  
JOHN T. HARRIS,  
Major, Q. M. Corps,  
Assistant.

QM 293 A-C  
Cook, Richard E.

April 1, 1930

Mrs. Eva R. Finn,  
160 Tennessee Avenue, N. E.,  
Washington, D. C.

Dear Madam:

Receipt is acknowledged of a questionnaire, dated March 19, 1930, completed by you, relative to your eligibility to make the pilgrimage authorized by the Act of March 2, 1929.

Your attention is invited to section 4(b) of the Act above mentioned, which defines the term widow, "The term 'Widow' means a widow who has not remarried since the death of the member of the military or naval forces".

In view of the fact you have remarried, since the death of your former husband, the late Lieutenant Richard E. Cook, you are not eligible under the law to make this pilgrimage at the expense of the Government.

For the Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

A. D. HUGHES,  
Captain, Q. M. Corps,  
Assistant.

QM 293 AM  
Cook, Richard E. (OA)

August 9, 1932.

Mrs. Eva R. Finn,  
160 Tennessee Ave., N. E.,  
Washington, D. C.

Dear Madam:

This office is making an earnest endeavor to communicate with all women who may be eligible to make a pilgrimage to the cemeteries of Europe under the provisions of the Act of March 2, 1929, as amended May 15, 1930.

It is therefore requested that you advise whether or not the late Second Lieutenant Richard E. Cook is survived by a stepmother, and if so, her name and address and the date of her marriage to his father.

A self-addressed envelope which requires no postage is enclosed for your convenience in replying.

For The Quartermaster General.

Very truly yours,

CHAS. W. DIETZ,  
Captain, Q. M. Corps,  
Assistant.

Enclosure:  
Envelope.

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QM 293 A-M  
Cook, Richard E. 608-S

August 15, 1930.

Mrs. John F. Turner,  
604 Wilson Ave.,  
Council Bluffs, Iowa.

Dear Madam:

This office is in receipt of information indicating the possibility of your having stood in loco parentis to your brother, the late Second Lieutenant Richard E. Cook, which if established would make you eligible for the pilgrimage authorized by Congress in the Act approved March 2, 1929, and amended May 15, 1930.

Under the law, pilgrimages are authorized only for mothers and widows of deceased members of the American forces. The only provision of the law under which anyone other than the mothers and widows could be considered for this pilgrimage is contained in Section 4 (a) of the Act as amended, which reads in part, "or any woman who stood in loco parentis to the deceased member of the military or naval forces for a period of not less than five years at any time prior to the soldier, sailor, or marine becoming 18 years of age."

However, in order to satisfy legal requirements, it will be necessary for you to furnish as proof of your relationship in loco parentis, the affidavits of at least two persons not related to you.

In the event you believe you are eligible under the law to make this pilgrimage, it is requested that the enclosed form be completed and returned to this office in order that your eligibility may be determined. Under paragraphs 1 (c) and 1 (d), sufficient information should be included to permit an intelligible decision as to eligibility.

For The Quartermaster General.

Very truly yours,

Captain, Q. M. Corps,  
Assistant  
R. E. SHANNON,

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REAL ESTATE AND INSURANCE  
2 DUPONT CIRCLE  
WASHINGTON, D. C.

August 17, 1932

Captain Chas W. Dietz:  
Office of Quartermaster General  
Washington D. C.

My dear Captain Dietz:

In reply to your letter of August 9, 1932  
in regard to Gm 293 Am - Cook Richard E (DA)  
I beg to say that the late Second Lieutenant  
Richard E. Cook is survived by a stepmother  
unless she has remarried - her name  
and address I do not know unless  
her name is still Mrs Louis Cook and  
she was living in Coenial Bluffs Iowa  
three years ago at the time of the death  
of Lt Cook's father.

I beg to say also that this Mrs  
Cook married Mr Cook several years  
after Lt Cook's death and that  
neither she nor Lt Cook had

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ever seen one another.

I therefore wish to ask for the  
pilgrimage for myself as the widow  
of Lt. Cook.

Very Sincerely  
Eva R. Finner



QM 293 A-M  
Cook, Richard E. (OA)

August 24, 1932

Mrs. Eva R. Finn,  
160 Tennessee Avenue, N. E.,  
Washington, D. C.

Dear Madam:

Receipt is acknowledged of your letter of August 17th furnishing information requested by this office in connection with the pilgrimage of mothers and widows to the cemeteries of Europe. Your kindness in furnishing this information is very much appreciated.

With reference to your desire to make a pilgrimage to the grave of the late Second Lieutenant Richard E. Cook, it is regretted to advise that the Act of March 2, 1929, as amended, contains no provision which will permit the remarried widow of a deceased veteran to make a pilgrimage at Government expense. Your desire to make the trip is understood and appreciated. However, I am sure you will realize the War Department is powerless to do other than carry out the law as passed by Congress.

For The Quartermaster General.

Very truly yours,

CHAS. W. DIETZ,  
Captain, Q. M. Corps,  
Assistant.

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SANDOZ, INC.  
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WASHINGTON, D. C.

August 27th, 1932.

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Captain Chas. W. Dietz, U.S.A.,  
Office of the Quartermaster General,  
War Department,  
Washington, D. C.

In re - QM 293 A-M  
Cook, Richard E. (OA)

My dear Captain Dietz:

Your letter of August 24th is received, and I wish to inquire if the fact that I remarried after Lieut. Cook's death and am now a widow, since Lieut. Finn was also killed, changes my status in regard to any trip to Europe.

The records concerning my marriage to Lieut. Finn and his death are filed with the War Department.

Lieut. Finn was in the Air Corps and was killed in line of duty.

If there is any possible way I can arrange about the trip for myself, I should like to do so. In case there is not, then I should like to arrange, if possible, for a sister of Lieut. Cook's to make the trip; in preference to his step-mother, whom he never saw and whom he never knew.

I thank you very kindly.

Sincerely yours,

*Eva R Finn*

Eva R. Finn.

QM 293 A-M

August 31, 1932.

Cook, Richard E. (QA)

Mrs. Eva R. Finn,  
160 Tennessee Avenue, N.E.,  
Washington, D. C.,

Dear Madam:

Receipt is acknowledged of your letter of August 27th relative to your desire to make a pilgrimage to the grave of the late Lieutenant Richard E. Cook.

As you were previously advised, under the provisions of the Act of Congress of March 2, 1929, the term "widow" means a widow who has not remarried since the death of the member of the military or naval forces. The fact that Lieutenant Finn also lost his life while in the service of his country does not have the effect of restoring your eligibility.

There is no provision of the law governing the pilgrimage which will permit the transfer of the trip to a relative or friend in the event the mother is deceased or the widow has remarried. In view thereof, it is regretted to advise that no arrangements can be made for the sister of Lieutenant Cook to make the journey at the expense of the Government. The stepmother of Lieutenant Cook is not eligible to make a pilgrimage to his grave, as it has been held that in order for a stepmother to be eligible she must have been married to the father of the deceased veteran at the time of his son's enlistment and death.

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

CHAS. W. DIETZ,  
Captain, Q. M. Corps,  
Assistant.

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WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

DATE 2/11/30

NAME	RANK	SERIAL	ORGANIZATION	DATE OF DEATH
<u>COOK, Richard E.</u>	<u>2nd Lt.</u>		<u>Co. H 126th Inf.</u>	<u>Aug 4/18</u>

STATE	Iowa	CTY. NO.	608	GRAVE	9	ROW	39	BLOCK	A
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	<u>Check relationship</u>	<u>Living</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>Deceased</u>	
NAME	MOTHER	:	:	✓	:
	STEPMOTHER (For the year prior to commencement of service)	:	:		:
AND	MOTHER THRU ADOPTION (For the year prior to commencement of service)	:	:		(W)
ADDRESS	MOTHER IN LOCO PARENTIS (For the year prior to commencement of service)	:	:		Mrs. Eva R. Finin <u>160 Tennessee ave.</u> <u>Washington</u> D.C.
	WIDOW ( <del>she</del> has <del>not</del> remarried)	:	:		

Veterans Bureau Claim Number 7C-31162  
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WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

Cook, Richard E.

July 31, 1929.

Mrs. Eva R. Finn,  
160 Tenn. Ave., N. E.,  
Washington, D. C.

Dear Madam:

Your attention is invited to the enclosed copy of an Act of Congress approved March 2, 1929, entitled an Act "To enable the mothers and widows of the deceased soldiers, sailors and marines of the American forces now interred in the cemeteries of Europe to make a pilgrimage to these cemeteries".

The records of this office show that you are the widow of the late **2nd Lt. Richard E. Cook, Co. H., 126th Inf., whose remains are now interred in the Oise-Aisne American Cemetery, Seringes-et-Nesles, Aisne, France.**

Will you please fill in the answers to the following questions in the space provided on this letter, and return to this office in the enclosed envelope which requires no postage?

Write answers in space below:

1. Have you remarried since the death of the above named veteran?
2. If not, do you desire to make the pilgrimage?
3. Is the deceased survived by a mother?
4. If so, give her name and complete address.

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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Act of Congress  
Envelope

JOHN T. HARRIS,  
Major, Q. M. Corps,  
Assistant.

WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C  
Cook, Richard E.

~~Widow-Remarried~~  
Mrs. Eva R. Finn  
160 Tenn. Ave., N. E.  
Washington, D.C.

June 24, 1929.  
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Mr. Ernest E. Cook,  
Meriam Block,  
Council Bluffs, Iowa.

Dear Sir:

Your attention is invited to the enclosed copy of an Act of Congress approved March 2, 1929, entitled an Act "To enable the mothers and widows of the deceased soldiers, sailors and marines of the American forces now interred in the cemeteries of Europe to make a pilgrimage to these cemeteries".

The records of this office show that you are the father of the late 2nd Lt. Richard E. Cook, Co. H., 126th Inf., whose remains are now interred in the Oise-Aisne American Cemetery, Seringes-et-Nesles, Aisne, France.

Will you please advise this office whether or not he is survived by a mother or widow who is entitled under the provisions of the above quoted Act, to make the pilgrimage, and if so, will you please furnish the full names and addresses of the mother and widow in order that action may be taken to extend invitations to them to make the pilgrimage. Both mothers and widows are entitled to make the pilgrimage.

Your attention is particularly invited to Section 4 of the enclosed Act, which defines the terms "mother" and "widow". If the relative is a stepmother, mother through adoption or any woman who stood in loco parentis to the decedent, a statement as to her relationship is requested. If he was survived by a widow who has since remarried it is also requested that a statement to that effect be made.

For your reply, you may use the enclosed envelope which requires no postage.

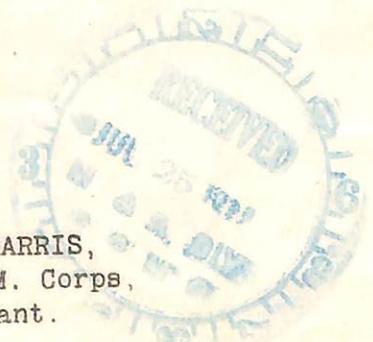
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Very truly yours,

*John T. Harris*

JOHN T. HARRIS,  
Major, Q. M. Corps,  
Assistant.

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WAR DEPARTMENT

WASHINGTON, D. C.

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WASHINGTON, D. C.  
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ST. LOUIS, MO.

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QM 295 A-M

August 31, 1932.

Cook, Richard E. (OA)

Mrs. Eva R. Fimm,  
160 Tennessee Avenue, N.E.,  
Washington, D. C.

Dear Madam:

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There is no provision of the law governing the pilgrimage which will permit the transfer of the trip to a relative or friend in the event the mother is deceased or the widow has remarried. In view thereof, it is regretted to advise that no arrangements can be made for the sister of Lieutenant Cook to make the journey at the expense of the Government. The stepmother of Lieutenant Cook is not eligible to make a pilgrimage to his grave, as it has been held that in order for a stepmother to be eligible she must have been married to the father of the deceased veteran at the time of his son's enlistment and death.

For The Quartermaster General,

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CHAS. W. DIETZ,  
Captain, Q. M. Corps,  
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For The Quartermaster General.

Very truly yours,

CHAS. W. DIETZ,  
Captain, Q. M. Corps,  
Assistant.

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QM 293 AM  
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August 9, 1932.

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QM 293 A-M  
Cook, Richard E. 608-S

August 15, 1930.

Mrs. John F. Turner,  
604 Wilson Ave.,  
Council Bluffs, Iowa.

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In the event you believe you are eligible under the law to make this pilgrimage, it is requested that the enclosed form be completed and returned to this office in order that your eligibility may be determined. Under paragraphs 1 (c) and 1 (d), sufficient information should be included to permit an intelligible decision as to eligibility.

For The Quartermaster General.

Very truly yours,

Captain, Q. M. Corps,  
R. E. SHANNON,

C. G. M. G. M. & R. DIV.

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QM 293 A-M  
Cook, Richard E. 608-S

August 15, 1930.

Mrs. John F. Turner,  
604 Wilson Ave.,  
Council Bluffs, Iowa.

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R. E. SHANNON,

WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

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3. Is the deceased survived by any woman who stood in loco parentis to him according to the terms of Section 4 (a) of the enclosed Act as amended?

If so, give her name and address:

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

Enclosures:  
Envelope  
Act  
Amendment

A. D. HUGHES,  
Captain, Q. M. Corps,  
Assistant.

QM 293 A-C  
Cook, Richard E.

April 1, 1930

Mrs. Eva R. Finn,  
160 Tennessee Avenue, N. E.,  
Washington, D. C.

Dear Madam:

Receipt is acknowledged of a questionnaire, dated March 19, 1930, completed by you, relative to your eligibility to make the pilgrimage authorized by the Act of March 2, 1929.

Your attention is invited to section 4(b) of the Act above mentioned, which defines the term widow, "The term 'Widow' means a widow who has not remarried since the death of the member of the military or naval forces".

In view of the fact you have remarried, since the death of your former husband, the late Lieutenant Richard E. Cook, you are not eligible under the law to make this pilgrimage at the expense of the Government.

For the Quartermaster General.

Very truly yours,

A. D. HUGHES,  
Captain, Q. M. Corps,  
Assistant.

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WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

Cook, Richard E. 608--W

March 19, 1930

Mrs. Eva R. Pinn,  
160 Tenn. Ave. N. E.,  
Washington, D. C.

Dear Madam:

The Act of Congress which provides for pilgrimages to cemeteries in Europe by mothers and widows of members of the military or naval forces of the United States who died in the military or naval service at any time between April 5, 1917 and July 1, 1921, and whose remains are now interred in such cemeteries, all necessary expenses of which pilgrimages are to be paid by the United States Government, requires that the Secretary of War make an investigation and submit the results of such investigation in a report to Congress. The purpose of the investigation is to determine the total number of mothers and widows entitled to make the pilgrimages, the number of such mothers and widows who desire to make the pilgrimages, the number who desire to make the pilgrimages during the calendar year 1930 and the probable cost of the pilgrimages to be made.

In order that the report referred to may be made and plans completed for conducting the pilgrimages, it is requested that you answer the following questions by filling out the blanks left therefor and return the letter to this office by return mail in the enclosed envelope which requires no postage.

1. Do you desire to make this pilgrimage if eligible?	(Yes)	(No)
2. Do you desire to make the pilgrimage in the calendar year 1930?	(Yes)	(No)
3. Have you at any time made a previous visit to the grave of the deceased member of the military or naval forces in whom you are interested?	(Yes)	(No)
4. Please give your age and state of health.	Age (Years)	Health (Good) (Poor)
5. What language do you speak?	English - (Yes)	(No) Other language (Specify language spoken)

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

Encl.  
Act  
Envelope

JOHN T. HARRIS,  
Major, Q. M. Corps,  
Assistant.

WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

Cook, Richard E.  
608

September 12, 1929.

Mrs. Eva R. Finn,  
160 Tenn. Ave., N. E.,  
Washington, D. C.

Dear Madam:

The records of this office do not indicate that a reply has been received to our communication dated July 31, 1929, making inquiry concerning the name and address of the mother and widow of the deceased service man above named. These addresses are desired with a view to ascertaining the number of mothers and widows who desire to make a pilgrimage to the cemeteries of Europe in which the remains of their sons and husbands are interred.

Will you please fill in the answers to the following questions in the space provided on this letter, and return the letter to this office in the enclosed envelope which requires no postage?

Write answers in space below

1. Is the deceased survived by a widow who has not since remarried? If so, give her complete address:

2. If he is survived by a mother, stepmother, mother thru adoption, or any other woman who stood in loco parentis to him, according to the terms of Section 4 of the enclosed Act, give her name, address, and relationship in the space opposite.

3. If survived by a widow or mother does she desire to make the pilgrimage?

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

2 Incls.  
Act of Congress  
Envelope

JOHN T. HARRIS,  
Major, Q. M. Corps,  
Assistant.

WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

Cook, Richard E.

July 31, 1929.

Mrs. Eva R. Finn,  
160 Tenn. Ave., N. E.,  
Washington, D. C.

Dear Madam:

Your attention is invited to the enclosed copy of an Act of Congress approved March 2, 1929, entitled an Act "To enable the mothers and widows of the deceased soldiers, sailors and marines of the American forces now interred in the cemeteries of Europe to make a pilgrimage to these cemeteries".

The records of this office show that you are the widow of the late 2nd Lt. Richard E. Cook, Co. H., 126th Inf., whose remains are now interred in the Oise-Aisne American Cemetery, Seringes-et-Nesles, Aisne, France.

Will you please fill in the answers to the following questions in the space provided on this letter, and return to this office in the enclosed envelope which requires no postage?

Write answers in space below:

- |   |  |
|---|--|
| 1. Have you remarried since the death of the above named veteran? |  |
| 2. If not, do you desire to make the pilgrimage?                  |  |
| 3. Is the deceased survived by a mother?                          |  |
| 4. If so, give her name and complete address.                     |  |

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

2 Incls.  
Act of Congress  
Envelope

JOHN T. HARRIS,  
Major, Q. M. Corps,  
Assistant.

WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C  
Cook, Richard E.

June 24, 1929.

Mr. Ernest E. Cook,  
Meriam Block,  
Council Bluffs, Iowa.

Dear Sir:

Your attention is invited to the enclosed copy of an Act of Congress approved March 2, 1929, entitled an Act "To enable the mothers and widows of the deceased soldiers, sailors and marines of the American forces now interred in the cemeteries of Europe to make a pilgrimage to these cemeteries".

The records of this office show that you are the father of the late 2nd Lt., Richard E. Cook, Co. H., 126th Inf., whose remains are now interred in the Oise-Aisne American Cemetery, Seringes-et-Nesles, Aisne, France.

Will you please advise this office whether or not he is survived by a mother or widow who is entitled under the provisions of the above quoted Act, to make the pilgrimage, and if so, will you please furnish the full names and addresses of the mother and widow in order that action may be taken to extend invitations to them to make the pilgrimage. Both mothers and widows are entitled to make the pilgrimage.

Your attention is particularly invited to Section 4 of the enclosed Act, which defines the terms "mother" and "widow". If the relative is a stepmother, mother through adoption or any woman who stood in loco parentis to the decedent, a statement as to her relationship is requested. If he was survived by a widow who has since remarried it is also requested that a statement to that effect be made.

For your reply, you may use the enclosed envelope which requires no postage.

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

JOHN T. HARRIS,  
Major, Q. M. Corps,  
Assistant.

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Act of Congress.  
Envelope.

Cook,

(Surname)

Richard E

(Christian name in full.)

(Army serial number.)

2nd Lt

Co H 126th Inf

(Rank and organization.)

State your relationship to the deceased

widow

Do you desire the remains brought to the United States?

yes

(Yes or no.)

If remains are brought to the United States, do you wish them interred in a national cemetery?

no

(Yes or no.)

If you desire the remains interred at the home of the deceased, give full information below as to where they should be sent:

Mrs Richard E Cook Council Bluffs Iowa

(Name of person to receive remains.)

(Express office.)

(Telegraph office.)

care of

John F Turners

(Number and street.)

(City or town.)

(State.)

(Sign here)

Mrs Richard E Cook

204 East 26th St

(City, town, or post office.)

(State.)

Read carefully the letter accompanying this card.

3-6713

Rec'd. Off. Wm  
3/28/19.

French City

# C-72

checked  
paid 12/3/20

Received by mt &  
617-238  
12-2-20

WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

QM 293 A-C

(Cook, Richard E.)

October 28, 1926

Mrs. M. E. Finn,

Kelley Field, Texas.

Dear Madam:

The Quartermaster General desires to invite your attention to the inclosed card which gives the permanent cemetery location of the soldier's grave in which you are interested.

This American overseas military cemetery is to be maintained by the United States for all time. The graves will be permanently marked by white headstones inscribed with the name, rank, division, organization, date of soldier's death and State from which he came. Headstones will be placed at all graves, as soon as possible, and without necessity for special action or request on the part of relatives.

Please be assured that in effecting removal of the dead, the utmost reverential care was exercised by those who performed this sacred duty. For the future, these graves will be perpetually maintained by the Government in a manner befitting the last resting place of our heroes.

Very truly yours,

F. H. POPE,  
Colonel, Q.M.C.,  
Assistant

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Record card.



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WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

QM 293 A-C

(Cook, Richard E.)

October 28, 1926

Mr. Ernest E. Cook,  
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Dear Sir:

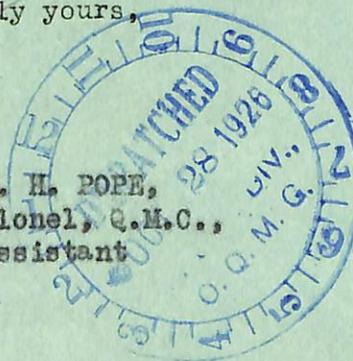
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Colonel, Q.M.C.,  
Assistant



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Record card.

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Miss Nicholson:

Final Notif.

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10/19/20

COOK, Richard E. 2nd Lt., Co.H, 126th Inf.

DD 8-4-18

Widow re-married to

Lt.M.E.Finn, then stationed at Ft. Sill,Okla.

Please AGO for present station of Lt.Finn.

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L.D.L.

AGo-5/21/24.

1st Lt. Matthew E.Finn,  
Kelley Field, Texas.

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COMPII TION OF DISPOSITION OF REMAINS DATA

File # 9816

I. LOCATION INDEX CARD:

(a) Name COOK, Richard E. Ser. No. ---
(b) Rank 2nd Lt. Organization Co. H, 126th Inf.
(c) Date of death 8/4/18 (d) Cause of death K/A
TYP. EK
CKR. E.M.

II. REGISTRATION CARD.—(Check Reg., Card Inf. against Loc., Ind., Inf.):

(a) Grave No. 11 Row --- Plot 5 Sec. G TYP. EK
(b) Emerg. Address Mrs. Richard E. Cook, (wife) 204 E. 36th St.,
Minneapolis, Minn.

III. Files of soldiers dying from contagious diseases --- CKR. E.M.

IV. A. G. O. DISPOSITION CARD:

Date of receipt --- (3-28-19)

(a) Name Mrs Richard E. Cook (b) Relationship Widow
(c) Address 204 E 36 St - mples - Minn.
(d) Remains to be brought to U. S.? yes
(e) To be interred in National Cemetery in U. S. at No

(f) Shipping instructions upon arrival of body in U. S. Mrs Richard E. Cook
Go John F. Turner -
Expende - Council Bluffs - Ia
(g) Disposition instructions if not brought to U. S. -

Examiner's Initials MRS Date 12-2, 1920.

V. A. G. O. CORRESPONDENCE shows communication from

dated ---
confirming request in Par. IV., item ---, above, or requesting that ---

Examiner's Initials MRS Date 12-2, 1920.

VI. G. R. S. FILES, CORRESPONDENCE—shows as follows:

(Wife) Howard Lake, Minn. (9-6-20) Cancels request on card

(a) Cancellation memos referred to? Yes att

Examiner's Initials att Date 12-2, 1920.

COUNTRY France CEMETERY No. 617 SHEET No. 235

FORM 115 - A COMPLETED 8/17-21

checked 8/17/21

CARDED

Reviewed 11/15/21 E

RECEIVED.

VII. G. R. S. Form No. 114 made \_\_\_\_\_, 1920.

Typed by \_\_\_\_\_, Checked by \_\_\_\_\_, MAR 3 1921, 1920.

VIII. FINAL ACTION:

CEMETERIAL DIVISION  
OVERSEAS PROJECT SUB-SEC.

Following advice forwarded to Europe by { cable on \_\_\_\_\_, 1920  
letter on 12-22, 1920

*Paragraph 2 - not to be returned*

IX.

CORRECTIONS

CHANGE OF ADVICE.	ACTION TAKEN.
Desires body be _____	
Body to be shipped to _____	

X. SUSPENSION REMARKS: *2-2-21 - Form 120 - Mrs. Eva R. Cook, (widow) next of kin, Howard Lake, Minn. wishes body to remain in Europe. H-2-17-21/2/21*

*2/28/21 Hoboken advises Widow her wish will be complied with. 4/15/21 EP*

**FORM 115 RETURNED BY HOBOKEN - BODY TO REMAIN IN EUROPE.**

**MAR 3 1921**

COMPILATION OF DISPOSITION OF REMAINS DATA

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CKR E.M.

III. Files of soldiers dying from contagious diseases

IV. Information on which advice to Europe in letter of transmittal was based:

*G.R.S. - Mrs Eva R Cook - Wife - Howard Lake, Minn - 9-6-20 - Cancels request on card - 1-8-21. requests remain to not return M.A. 8/1-17-21*

V. Following advice forwarded to Europe by (cable on 12/22 1920) (Letter of transmittal on 12/22 1920)

*Paragraph 2  
 Not to be returned*

VI. Form 115 forwarded to G.R.S. Hoboken, N.J. JAN 18 1921 192

VII. SUPPLEMENTARY REQUESTS

Date of and Source	Relationship and name	Desires	Action taken
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VIII. Form 115 received from G.R.S. Hoboken, N.J. MAR 3 1921 192

COUNTRY CEMETERY NO. SHEET NO.

G.R.S. FORM 115-A August, 1920

Place Fismes. Cem. 617.

# REPORT OF DISINTERMENT AND REBURIAL

Date Jan. 19th. 1922.

1. REMAINS OF COOK, Richard E. SERIAL NUMBER -----  
RANK 2nd. Lieut. ORGANIZATION Co. H. 126th. Inf.

2. Disinterred (date): Jan. 19th. 1922. From (give complete location): Gr. No. 11 Sec. G. Plot 5. Cem. 617.

By: Group No. 5. Unit F.S. No. 7.

3. Reburied (date): Aug. 28, 1922 In (give complete location): Gr. 9, Block A, Row 44, Oise-Aisne Cem. 608, Seringes et Nesles (Aisne)

By: Group re-burial group Unit ----- Nature of reburial Lined casket

4. Report as to nature of original burial and condition of body upon disinterment:  
Entirely decomposed, skeleton disarticulated.  
6 ft. earth-burlap and uniform.

5. (a) Identification tags: Buried with body? No. On grave marker? Yes.  
(b) Other means of identification found upon disinterment, and general remarks:  
Identified by grave marker only.

6. What does examination of body show as regards the following identifying items?  
(a) Height (actual measurement) Indiscernable due

(b) Weight (estimated) to decomposition.

(c) Hair—Color Apparently dark brown.

Quantity Small quantity

Characteristics Straight

(d) Hair on face—Color Imp. to det.

Location Imp. to det.

Quantity Imp. to det.

(e) Permanent marks on body (old scars, peculiarities, or missing parts) None visible.

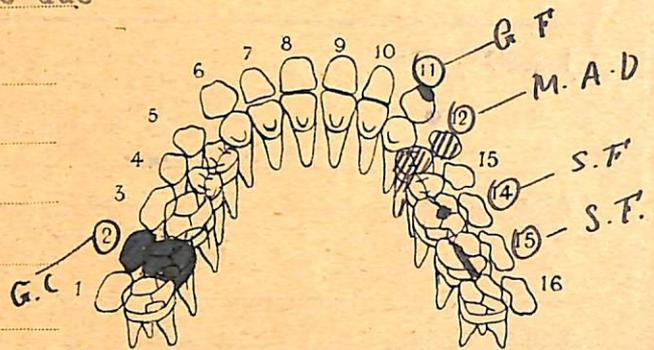
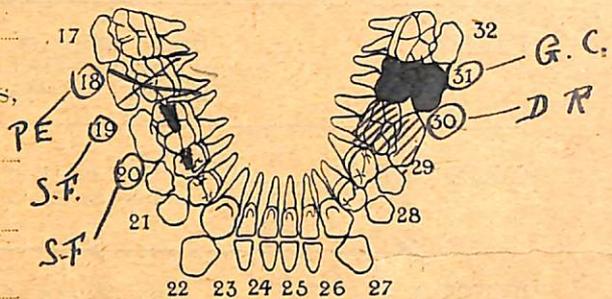


Diagram represents the mouth wide open



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(f) Wounds or missing parts (received at time of casualty)

Both ulna and radius bones missing.

7. Disinterment supervised by Roy M. Perry  
Roy M. Perry, Sup. Emb.

Approved: [Signature]  
R. Richards  
(Title) 1st. Lt. G.M.C.

8. Reburial supervised by [Signature]  
L. E. Hays

Approved: [Signature]  
W. D. Cleary  
(Title) Lt., Chaplain, USA.

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## INSTRUCTIONS FOR THE PROPER COMPLETION OF G. R. S. FORM NO. 16-A

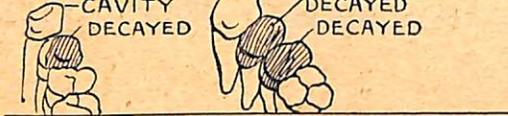
Enter information, as noted below, on reverse side of sheet in the *corresponding numbered space*. This form is supplemental to and is to be forwarded with G. R. S. Form 1-a, reporting reburial locations. To be used in answer to Question 26, Form 114, in case no means of identification on body.

1. Show soldier's name, serial number, rank and organization, and by whom disinterred and reburied.
2. Give date and accurate information as to location from which the body was disinterred and the group and unit which made disinterment.
3. Give date and accurate information as to location of reburial and the group and unit which made reburial, and how reburial was made—in casket, wooden box, etc.
4. State to what degree decomposition has progressed, whether recognition is possible, and how the body was originally buried—in a casket, box, burlap, etc. This statement should be as complete as possible.

5. (a) State whether identification tags were found buried with body and on grave marker by reporting "Yes" or "No".

(b) State whether or not body appears to have been a hospital case. Were any identifying articles found in or on body or grave? List any personal effects, letters, money-order receipts, and the like found on body or in grave. Give any and all information which it is thought might be of use in identifying the body, other than that tabulated under Item No 6.

6. Give all information as to body description and dental chart as nearly correctly as the condition of the body will allow. Items (e) and (f) under the body description are very important and should be very complete. The dental chart is also 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.

<b>MISSING TEETH</b>	All teeth missing through previous extraction (not those fractured or displaced by recent wounds) should be scratched out, thus:	
<b>CROWNED TEETH</b>	Block in solid the crown of tooth (label gold, porcelain, or gold and porcelain), thus:	
<b>BRIDGE WORK</b>	Block in solid the crown of tooth (label gold bridge, gold and porcelain bridge) thus:	
<b>FILLINGS</b>	Draw filling on tooth accurately as possible (block in and label gold, silver, cement), thus:	
<b>CARIES (CAVITIES)</b>	Outline location and size of cavity, shade in thus:	
<b>DENTURES (PLATES)</b>	Draw diagram of relative size and shape of plate block in teeth attached and indicate retaining clasps on natural teeth with the word "clasp."	

7. Show name of person supervising the disinterment and the name and title of the person approving same.

8. Show name of person supervising the reburial and the name and title of the person approving same.

Co. H. 126th. Infantry  
32nd. Division

Cook Richard E. 2nd. Lt.  
Home: 204. E. 36 St.  
Minneapolis Minn.

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This officer was killed near Mont St. Martin, France. On August 4. 1918. by ~~fire~~ shell fire.

Informant.: White Briscoe Sgt. 1981802.  
Co. H. 126th. Inf.  
Home: Brumfield Kentucky.

Signed: Douglas ~~Dunlap~~ Capt. 126th. inf.  
D. Milne

Emergency address:

Mrs. E.R. Cook.  
204. E. 36 St.  
MIN. Min.

Minneapolis. Minn.

MB.

To be prepared in triplicate.

DATE Jan. 19th. 1922.

REPORT OF DISINTERMENT, PREPARATION, SHIPMENT AND REBURIAL OF BODY

DISINTERMENT jc,

COMPARATIVE REPORT

*Faint mirrored text from reverse side of page*

Records of G.R.S. Headquarters.

Discrepancy found upon exhumation of body

1. Name COOK, Richard E.

2. No. -----

3. Rank 2nd Lieut

4. Org. Co. H. 126th Inf.

5. D.D. 8 Aug. 4th 1918

6. C.D. KIA.

10. Name \_\_\_\_\_

11. No. \_\_\_\_\_

12. Rank \_\_\_\_\_

13. Org. \_\_\_\_\_

14. (a) D.D. \_\_\_\_\_

(b) D.B. \_\_\_\_\_

Discrepancy found upon disinterment

7. Grave No. 11 Sec. G.

8. Plot 5 Row \_\_\_\_\_

9. \_\_\_\_\_

15. Grave No. \_\_\_\_\_ Sec. \_\_\_\_\_

16. Plot \_\_\_\_\_ Row \_\_\_\_\_

17. No. discp.

18. Cemetery American Cty.

19. Commune or town FISMES

20. Dept. or County Marne

21. Country France

22. G.R.S. Hdqrs. Code No. 617

23. Disinterred (Date) 1-19-22.

By Roy M. Perry.

24. Inscription on grave marker:

Name Cook, Richard E.

Rank 2nd. Lieut.

Serial No. -----

Organization Co. H. 126th. Inf.

25. Was identification disc found on grave marker? Yes On body? No

R. de Montoyon  
Signature Junior Technical Assistant

PREPARATION

26. What other means of identification were on body? (If no disc or other means of identification on body, give description of body in detail).

Identified by grave marker only.

27. Condition of body Entirely decomposed skeleton disarticulated.

28. Nature of burial 6 ft. earth, burlap and uniform.

29. Any discrepancy noted upon examination of body, as compared with G.R.S. records quoted above? None

30. Body prepared and placed in casket: Date 1-19-22. By Roy M. Perry.

31. Casket sealed by Roy M. Perry

Signature of Embalmer, (Supervisor) Roy M. Perry.

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SHIPMENT. (Show actual marking of box.) Box No. C-22825

32. Designation of body:

Name Richard E. COOK Serial No. ----

Rank 2nd Lieut Organization Co. H/126th Inf.

33. Consigned to:

Name of Permanent Cemetery Oise-Aisne Amer. Cty. 608 SERINGES-et-NEsLES(Aisne)

34. Casket boxed and marked (Date) 1-19-22. By Roy M. Perry.

35. 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 G.R.S. Inspector

*R. Richards*  
R. Richards, 1st. Lt. OMC.

36. Remarks

37. Shipped from point of Operation: (Date)

To point of Concentration (Name)

Convoyer Signature Shipping Officer

38. Received at Railhead or Point of Concentration: Date

By G.R.S. Representative

39. Shipped from Railhead or Point of Concentration: Date

To Permanent Cemetery Oise-Aisne Amer. Cty. #608. Seringes-et-Nesles, Aisne (Name)

Convoyer Signature Shipping Officer

40. Received: Date JAN 20 1922

G.R.S. Representative *R. M. Woods*

41. Reinterred Aug. 28, 1922, Oise-Aisne Cem. 608, Seringes et Nesles (Aisne) (Date)

42. Grave No. 9 Section -----

43. BLOCK A Row 44

G.R.S. Representative

*W. D. Cleary*  
W. D. Cleary  
Lt., Chaplain, USA.

tab.

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# GRAVE LOCATION BLANK

LOCATION OF THE GRAVE OF

Cook, Richard E.  
(Surname) (Number) (First Name and Initials)

2nd Lt. 126th Infantry.  
(Rank) (Organization)

PLACE OF DEATH: Hill (S.W.) Fismes

CAUSE OF DEATH: Killed in Action

DATE OF BURIAL: September 7, 1918.

PLACE OF BURIAL: Hill (S.W.) Fismes

(Give Cemetery, Town and Department). Map reference must specify clearly what map is used.

Reins. (Bethel)

GRAVE NUMBER:

HOW MARKED: Name Peg? Cross? X

Headboard? Bottle?

IDENTIFICATION TAGS:

Was one buried with body?

Was one fastened to name peg or stake used as a grave marker? On Cross

If name unknown and tags missing, description and marks should be given here:

Com. C 92 Fismes (Marine)

NEAREST RELATIVE: Map. 34 S.W.

ADDRESS: E 204.8 N 285.6

RELATIONSHIP:

REPORTED BY: William J. Le Beau  
1st Lieut. 1st Pioneer Inf.

This portion to be sent to Chief of Graves Registration Service.

RECORDED

1918

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Daily Report No. \_\_\_\_\_

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Place Lese Pres Farm (Aisne)

Date April 5, 1919

REPORT OF DISINTERMENT AND REBURIAL.

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Remains of:

Name: Richard E. Cook.

Number: None

Rank: 2nd Lieut.

Organization: 126th Inf.

Disinterment and Reburial made by Group 1 Unit 304

Disinterred (Date) April 5, 1919 From: (Give complete location)

From 285.40 N 203.85 E Fismes (Marne)

Map #34 Reims S.W. Sketch #121-Forsberg. Grave #5

Reburied (Date) Apr. 5, 1919 in: (Give complete location)

Grave #260 Cemetery #21 Chery Chartreuve (Aisne)

Map #33 Soissons S.E. 282.40 N 200.80 E

656

Report as to nature of original burial and condition of body upon disinterment:

Buried 12 inches deep-- Body badly decomposed

Was one identification tag found upon the body? None-- one on cross

What other means of identification were found on the body? None

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CONFIRMED No. D

Note:

If upon disinterment, effects are found upon bodies, they will be promptly sent to the Effects Depot direct, as is required by G.O. 170, G.H. 2, 1918., after being carefully examined for clues to identity in doubtful cases, notation whereof will be made and reported to Chief, Graves Registration Service.

Supervised by: Sgt. James E. Murff

1st. Lieut. Oscar W. Forsberg  
C.O. Group 1 Unit 304



REPORT OF DISINTERMENT AND REBURIAL.

Remains of:

Name Richard E. Cook .

Number: None

Rank: 2nd.Lt.

Organization: 126th.Inf.

Disinterment and Reburial made by Group 1 Unit 304

Disinterred (Date) May 19/19 From: (Give complete location)

From Grave # 260 Cemetery #21-Forsberg.

*cty 656*

#33 SE N282.4 E200/8

Reburied (Date) May 19/19 in: (Give complete location)

Grave # 11 Section G. Plot #5 Cemetery #18 Eismes (Marne)

Map, #34 Reims. SW. 286.25N-205.75E

*617*

Report as to nature of original burial and condition of body upon disinterment:

Buried 5 feet deep--- Body badly decomposed.

Was one identification tag found upon the body? Yes and one on cross.

What other means of identification were found upon the body? None

*CONFIRMED No. D. 20-637*

Note:

If upon disinterment, effects are found upon the bodies, they will be promptly sent to the Effects Depot direct, as is required by G.O. 170, G.H.2, 1918., after being carefully examined for clues to identity in doubtful cases, notation whereof will be made and reported to Chief, Graves Registration Service.

Supervised Cpl. C.A. Gammon

1st.Lt. Oscar W. Forsberg.

C.O. Group 1 Unit 304

Place Cherry-Chautauque (Aime)

Date May 19/19

DISBURSEMENT AND BURIAL



Remains of:

Name: None

Rank: 2nd Lt.

Organization: 1st Lt. Inf.

Disbursement and Burial made by Group 1 Unit 504

Disinterred (Date) May 19/19 from (Give complete location)

From Grave # 260 Cemetery # 21-Torberg

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Reburied (Date) May 19/19 in (Give complete location)

Grave # 11 Section 8 Plot # 5 Cemetery # 18 (Name) (same)

Map # 84 Reims. S. 286.211-308.788

Report as to nature of original burial and condition of body upon disinterment:

Buried 5 feet deep-- Body badly decomposed.

Was one identification tag found upon the body? Yes and one on cross.

What other means of identification were found upon the body? None

Note:

If upon disinterment, effects are found upon the body, they will be given to the Eldest Major direct, as is required by G.O. 17, G.M. 2, 1918, after being carefully examined for clues to identity in doubtful cases, and a record will be made and reported to Civil Control Registration Service.

Supervised Col. G.A. Gannon 1st Lt. W. Torberg

C.O. Group 1 Unit 504

WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

Gr. 260

Date Nov 28, 1923

SUBJECT: Information required for Cemeterial Division.

TO: The Adjutant General of the Army, World War Division, Washington, D.C.

1. It is requested that the items checked below be completed:

- a. Surname Cook ✓
- b. Christian name Richard E. ✓
- c. Serial number \_\_\_\_\_
- d. Organization Co. H, 126 Inf ✓
- e. Rank 2nd Lt. ✓
- f. Date of death 8-4-18 ✓
- g. Cause of death KA ✓
- h. Authority \_\_\_\_\_
- i. Emergency Address \_\_\_\_\_
- j. Relationship \_\_\_\_\_

~~BODY DESCRIPTION:~~

- a. Date of enlistment May 4, 1917
- b. Age at enlistment 2 yrs. 9 mos.
- c. Color of hair Brown
- d. Height 6 ft. 1 7/8 in.
- e. Weight 155
- f. Fractures or breaks None

~~DENTAL CHARTS:~~

Mobilization.		Local Board.	
		<u>None</u>	
8 7 6 5 4 3 2 1	1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8	8 7 6 5 4 3 2 1	1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8
Upper right	Upper left	Upper right	Upper left
8 7 6 5 4 3 2 1	1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8	8 7 6 5 4 3 2 1	1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8
Lower right	Lower left	Lower right	Lower left

For the Quartermaster General:



7 Received A. G. O NOV 28 1923

Assistant

*Robert C. Davis*  
The Adjutant General.  
By *Bob*

REC'D WORLD WAR DIV.

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FOR THE COMMISSIONER GENERAL OF LANDS

Form 1/1923	Form 1/1923	Form 1/1923
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NOTIFICATION

Form 1/1923

GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS

1. Color of hair \_\_\_\_\_ 2. Color of eyes \_\_\_\_\_

3. Age at death \_\_\_\_\_ 4. Height \_\_\_\_\_

5. Nature of occupation \_\_\_\_\_ 6. Cause of death \_\_\_\_\_

PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION

1. Build \_\_\_\_\_

2. Complexion \_\_\_\_\_

3. Hair \_\_\_\_\_

4. Eyes \_\_\_\_\_

5. Teeth \_\_\_\_\_

6. Scars \_\_\_\_\_

7. Tattoos \_\_\_\_\_

8. Other \_\_\_\_\_

If it is reported that the above records are complete:

The Registrar General of the Army will be pleased to forward a copy of the above information to the Registrar General of the Army.

Date \_\_\_\_\_

WASHINGTON  
OFFICE OF THE COMMISSIONER GENERAL OF LANDS  
WASHINGTON, D.C.

April 8th 1922.

293.8 C-R #9816-(Cook, Richard E. 2nd Lieut.)Cty.617,Sgt.235.

The Quartermaster General, U.S. Army, (Graves Registration Service)

Mrs. M. E. Finn, Post Field, Fort Sill, Okla., c/o Lt. Finn.

2nd Lieut. Richard E. Cook.

4/8/22  
1078  
File

1. In reply to your letter of April 1st 1922, you are advised that the records of this office do not indicate that the remains of the late 2nd Lieutenant Richard E. Cook, Company E, 126th Infantry, have as yet been transferred to their final resting place in the permanent American Cemetery of the Oise-Alene, according to the present plan of concentrations. Upon receipt of advice from Europe regarding this matter, you will be duly advised.

By authority of the Quartermaster General:

CHARLES J. WYNNE,  
Captain, Q.M.C.

m.  
LN  
FCP  
axb.

MAILED

APR - 8 1922

CEMETERIAL DIV  
O. Q. M. G.

COPY FILED IN O. S. P.

April 8th 1922.

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By authority of the Quartermaster General:

CHARLES J. WYNNE,  
Captain,Q.M.C.

LN  
FCP

*Not noted*

February 26, 1921.

File No. 293.3 Gen.Div.Cor.Br.  
(COOK, Richard E.)

Mrs. Eva R. Cook,  
Howard Lake, Minn.

Dear Madam:-

Receipt of shipping inquiry dated February 2nd, 1921, relative to the remains of your husband, the late Second Lieutenant Richard E. Cook, Company H, 126th Infantry, is acknowledged.

Instructions have been issued that your request to have the remains left in France for burial in a permanent American Cemetery be complied with. You are assured that the grave site will always be maintained as a fitting memorial of the late officer's sacrifice.

The Department desires to convey to you renewed assurance of its sympathy in your bereavement.

By authority of the Quartermaster General:

R. S. SHANNON,  
Captain, Q.M.C.,  
Officer in Charge.

*Handwritten initials*

MAILED

MAR 2 1921

COR. BR. G. R. S.

ff/cm

BY:

F. C. FALIAS,  
Executive Assistant.

Noted on Form No. 118  
Date 4/15/21 - *EO*



February 28, 1921.

File No. 523 B Gen. Div. Gov. Br.  
(GOOD, Richard M.)

Mrs. R. M. Good,  
Howard Lake, Minn.

Dear Madam:-

Receipt of shipping inquiry dated February 28, 1921, relative to the remains of your husband, the late Second Lieutenant Richard M. Good, Company M, 133rd Infantry, is acknowledged.

Investigation has been made that your request to have the remains left in France for burial in a permanent American cemetery be complied with. You are assured that the grave site will always be maintained as a fitting memorial of the late officer's sacrifice.

The Department desires to convey to you renewed assurance of its sympathy in your bereavement.

In authority of the War Department (General):

H. A. WILSON,  
Director in Charge.

BY: F. U. WALKER,  
Executive Assistant.

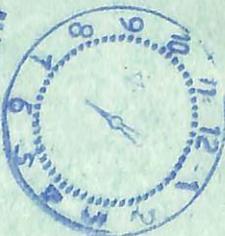
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G. H. S.



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Date: 4/15/21  
Noted on Form No. 118

Post Field, Fort Sill, Okla.

April 1, 1922. H.C.

To Graves Registration Bureau,  
Washington D. C.

From Mrs M. E. Finn - formerly Mrs Richard  
E. Cook, widow of  
2nd Lt. Richard E. Cook.

Subject  
Present location of grave of  
2nd Lt. Richard E. Cook, if re-  
moved from cemetery at Fismes  
Marne division.

Respectfully  
Mrs M. E. Finn  
Post Field, Fort Sill, Okla.  
c/o Lt. Finn.

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Cook, Richard E.



GENERAL DIV. C. O. M. G.



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WAR DEPARTMENT

OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL OF THE ARMY

CEMETERIAL DIVISION

WASHINGTON

Hoboken, N. J.

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JAN 28 1921

FROM: Chief, Cemeterial Division, O. Q. M. G.

To: Mrs. Eva R. Cook, Howard Lake, Minn.

SUBJECT: Remains of 2nd Lt. Richard E. Cook, Co. H, 126 Inf.

The records of this office show that you have requested that the body of the above-named soldier remain in Europe.

If these are not the correct instructions, please correct them. Make corrections on reverse side of this sheet.

The nearest next of kin may choose between, (1) return of the body to any address in the United States; (2) interment in the National Cemetery, Arlington, Va., or any other National Cemetery; or (3) body to remain in Europe.

By authority of the Quartermaster General.

CHARLES C. PIERCE,  
Lieut. Colonel, U. S. Army.

If all blank spaces below are not filled out, it will necessitate a return of this paper and a SERIOUS DELAY in the shipment of this body. State in each case WHETHER or not these relatives are STILL LIVING.

Was soldier married?

NAME OF—	NO. AND STREET.	TOWN.	STATE.
Soldier's widow	Mrs Eva R. Cook	Howard Lake	Minn.
Soldier's children. (Name oldest first.)	None. 7115 2-17-21 in mee.		
Father	Earnest E. Cook	Meriam Block Council	Bluffs Iowa.
Mother	Dead.		
Brothers. (Name oldest first.)	1 Louis H. Cook	1415-46th St.	Des Moines Iowa
	2 George E. Cook	Marshall	Iowa
	3 Robert R. Cook	391 Harrison Ave	Council Bluffs Iowa
Sisters. (Name oldest first.)	1 Dorothy Cook Fryer	391 Harrison Ave.	Council Bluffs Iowa
	2 Jennie Cook Turner	Marshall	Iowa.

Date February 27 1921

Signature Mrs Eva R. Cook

Address Howard Lake Minn

Relationship Widow

Feb 3, 1921

I, the undersigned, am the widow and nearest living next of kin of the within-named soldier, and desire the following disposition of his remains, viz: (Strike out all except the one showing the disposition desired.)

1. As stated on first page of this sheet.

2. ~~To be returned to the U. S. and shipped to~~ \_\_\_\_\_ (Name.)  
\_\_\_\_\_  
(R. R. station.)

3. ~~To be returned to the U. S. and buried in~~ \_\_\_\_\_ National \_\_\_\_\_

4. To remain in Europe, for burial in a permanent American Cemetery.

Signature Mrs Eva R. Cook

INSTRUCTIONS FOR FILLING OUT.

1. If definite instructions for the disposition of a body are not received from the next of kin within two weeks of its arrival at New York, burial will be made without further notice in the World War Section of Arlington National Cemetery.

2. The transfer of bodies will be made ENTIRELY at Government expense.

3. This paper MUST BE SIGNED BY THE PERSON WHO IS THE NEXT of kin IN THE ORDER shown in the square on the other side of this sheet.

4. This paper must be returned showing the name and address of each of the nearest next of kin in the spaces provided therefor on the other side of this sheet.

5. If there are minor children of the deceased soldier and no widow, the LEGALLY APPOINTED GUARDIAN of the children should ascertain their wishes and act for them in this matter.

6. If YOU are not the nearest next of kin, please ask the nearest next of kin, if living near you, to fill out this paper.

7. If YOU are not the nearest living next of kin and do not know who or where the nearest relatives are, please fill out this paper AT ONCE and mail to this office.

8. You are requested to return this paper AT ONCE in order to avoid delay in the case of this body.

9. Use the inclosed envelope—pay no postage.

NOTE.—INSTRUCTIONS FOR THE DISPOSITION OF REMAINS will be issued by this office upon the properly executed authority of the legal next of kin in each case. The widow is the first person having disposition of the remains of her husband. Should there be no widow or children, the father and, in turn (upon his decease), the mother, is the proper authority. The brothers, in order of seniority, and then the sisters in order of seniority, if there are no brothers, rank next in authority to decide. Under an opinion rendered by the Judge Advocate General of the Army, if a widow has remarried she forfeits her right, and the next of kin as given above will make decision.

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September 21, 1920.

293.8 Cem. #9816 (Cook, Richard E., 2nd Lt.)

From: The Quartermaster General, U. S. Army, (Cemeterial Division)  
To: Mrs. Eva R. Cook, Howard Lake, Minnesota.  
Subject: Disposition of Remains.

1. In reply to your letter of September 6, 1920, cancelling your previous instructions for the return of the remains of your husband the late Lieutenant Richard E. Cook, and directing that his body be permanently interred in France, you are advised that instructions will be issued that your wishes be complied with.

2. The American Cemetery at Fismes, Department of the Marne, wherein the remains of your husband are interred will not be maintained as a permanent American Cemetery and it will therefore be necessary for the Government at some later date to transfer the remains of this officer to a permanent American Field of Honor in France. Your attention in this connection is respectfully invited to paragraph 9, of the enclosed Graves Registration Service Bulletin No. 10-F-W.

By authority of the Quartermaster General:

CHARLES C. PIERCE,  
Major, U. S. Army,  
Chief, Cemeterial Division.

By:

nr

CHARLES J. WYNNE, *g*  
Captain, Q. M. C.

hw

*mail*  
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**FILE**

TO:- REGISTRATION BRANCH, G.R.S.

Date 9-17-20

FROM:- INQUIRY BRANCH.

Please furnish information as checked (V) below regarding the following soldier:

NAME Cook, Richard E.

Serial Number

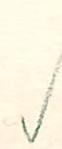
RANK 2nd Lt. ORGANIZATION

NO.	QUESTION	REPLY
1.	Do particulars of soldiers given above agree with Records?	No. Co. H - 126th Inf.
2.	Date of Death.	(2) 8-4-18
3.	Cause and place of death.	(3) K/A.
4.	Number of Casualty Cablegram.	(4) 225
5.	Date buried.	(5) 9-7-18
6.	Grave Location. (a) Complete record required (b) Name of Cemetery or Commune only required. (c) Note reinterments.	(6) Isolated Grave No. 5, C-72. Comm. of Fismes, Marne. 34 SW. E 209, 85 N 285, 40
7.	Who reported burial?	(7) Grave No. 11, Sec. G, Plot 5. Amer. B/A. Cty. #617, Fismes, Marne.
8.	Confirmed by G.R.S.?	
9.	Report as to Grave Marker.	
10.	Identification Tags: (a) Buried with body? (b) Attached to grave marker?	(10) a - no record b - no record
11.	Complete Emergency Address?	(11) Mrs. Richard E. Cook (wife) 204 E. 96th St., Minneapolis, Minn.
12.	Has been notified? (Give date)	(12) 2-1-19 9-7-20, 107
13.	Report the exact position of your inquiry on this case. (Reply in all cases if no information on record)	
14.	What is the Photograph No.?	(14) 15-12095 M.M.E.
15.	Inquiry made by?	

N.B. All Proper names to be typewritten, or printed in PLAIN BLOCK LETTERS.

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To: Inquiry Section.  
From: Overseas Project Sub-Section.

I. GENERAL INFORMATION on Cemetery No. (<sup>617</sup> furnished by: MM) (date: 9-15-20)

Data sent Overseas .....  
Operations to commence (approx.) .....  
Operations to be completed (approx.) .....  
Bodies shipped from European Port .....  
Bodies arrived at Hoboken .....

II. CASE OF Cook, Richard E. 3rd Lt. Co. H. 126 Inf.

The following information was abstracted (Date) 9-15-20 from: Julie

SOURCE	CLK.	in OFFICE	Shppg. Inquiry (sent .....	Clk.	in OFFICE
A. G. O. Cards	<u>MM</u>	<u>Yes</u>	.....		
A.G.O. Corresp.			To .....		
G.R.S. Corresp. relative to disp.			OSP S-S Corresp. (see Remarks.)		

A G O card DESIRES as to Disposition.

Name of Relative	RETURN			REMAIN	SPECIAL
	N. C.	Pvt.	Int.		
Widow <u>Mrs Richard E. Cook,</u>					
Children (Name oldest first) <u>204 E 36th St,</u>					
Father <u>Mpls</u>					
Mother <u>Muni</u>					
Brothers					
Sisters					

Body to be shipped to Mrs Richard E Cook, Council Bluffs, Iowa. To John G. Turners, was shipped (Date) MM 9/15/20

REMARKS Cty 617 not audited BBB 9/14-20

Classification \_\_\_\_\_

Adjustment \_\_\_\_\_

CEMETRIAL DIVISION  
GRAVES REGISTRATION SERVICE  
REGISTRATION SECTION

File # 9816

MEMORANDUM:

Date 9-8-20

To: Registration Files Sub-Section

Subject: Adjustments made on Registration Files

1. Changes as checked have been made in the Registration Files which will necessitate a corresponding change in the Classification Files.

	CORP.	ADD. DATA		CORP.	ADD. DATA
File Number			Date of Burial		
Name			Date of Reburial		
Serial Number			Burial Information		✓
Rank			Nearest Relative		
Organization			Notified Nearest Relative		✓
Cause of Death			Blue Card thrown out		
Date of Death			White Card set up		
Casualty Cablgram Number					

O.K. Alphabetical Files 9-10-20-9w

~~O.K. Organization Files~~

~~O.K. State Files~~

**FILE**

✓ Card kept  
Cemetery Audit Department  
Investigation & Adjustment Dept.

By C.H.R.

1 Cards attached.

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M. O. M. C.

*Clyde  
Notary  
MP 9/15/20*

U.S. Naval Hospital  
Brooklyn N. Y.  
Sept 6, 1920.

Recorded, (Printed)  
File # 29321

Graves Registration Bureau  
Washington, D.C.

Gentlemen:

Last fall I filled out  
a card to the effect that  
I wished my husband's body  
(2nd Lt Richard E Cook) brought  
home, sent to Council Bluffs  
Iowa, care of John F. Turges

CEMETERY DIVISION  
OVERSEAS PROJECT SECTION

I would like very much  
to cancel that request and  
I have decided it would  
be best to let the body  
remain in France and  
if it is too late for my

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request to be granted; I  
wish the body to be  
buried in the National  
Cemetery at Washington.

Please notify me of  
the action which will be  
taken at this address,

Howard Lake  
Minnesota

Thanking you I

am  
Mrs Eva R. Cook.

G.R.S. #106  
DISPOSITION OF BODY

War Department  
Office of the Quartermaster General.  
Graves Registration Service.  
Washington, D.C.

Sept. 21, 1920.

For information of:

- (a) The Adjutant General of the Army
- (b) G.R.S., Paris, France,
- (c) Office Files.
- (d) Photographic Section.

Case of: Cook, Richard E., 2nd Lt.  
Co. H, 126th Inf.

Grave Location: Grave #11, Sec. G, Plot 5,  
Amer. Cemetery, Fismes, Marne.

Request for action checked below:

- (a) Return of Body to the U.S.
- (b) Permanent Burial in France.
- (c) Cancellation of former requests.
- (d) Change of address.
- (e) Photograph of grave.

has been made by: Wife

Mrs. Eva R. Cook, Howard Lake, Minn.

By authority of the Quartermaster General:

CHARLES C. PIERCE,  
Colonel Q.M.G., U.S.A.  
Chief, Graves Registration Service.

IS-2992/L

TO:- REGISTRATION BRANCH, G.R.S.

Date

FROM:- INQUIRY BRANCH.

February 3rd, 1920.

Please furnish information as checked (✓) below regarding the following soldier:

NAME

Serial Number

RANK **COOK, Richard E.** ORGANIZATION

NO	2nd. Lieut. <b>QUESTION</b>	168th Infantry. <b>REPLY</b>
1.	Do particulars of soldiers given above agree with Records?	
2.	Date of Death.	No. - <u>Company H, 126th Infantry.</u>
3.	Cause and place of death	8-4-18
4.	Number of Casualty Cablegram	k/a
5.	Date buried	
6.	Grave Location. (a) Complete record required. (b) Name of Cemetery or Commons only required. (c) Note reinterments.	<u>ORIGINAL LOCATION.</u> Isolated Grave #5, Cmme of Fismes (Marne). 34 SW: E 203.85: N 285.40  Disinterred and Reburied 5-19-19 in Grave No. 11, Section G, Plot 5, Cemetery #18, Fismes (Marne) #617
7.	Who reported burial?	
8.	Confirmed by G.R.S.?	
9.	Report as to Grave Marker.	
10.	Identification Tags: (a) Buried with body? (b) Attached to grave marker?	
11.	Complete Emergency Address?	
12.	Has above been notified? (Give date)	
13.	Report the exact position of your inquiry on this case. (Reply in all cases if no information on record)	
14.	What is the Photograph No.?	
15.	Inquiry made by?	

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N.B. All Proper names to be typewritten, or printed in PLAIN BLOCK LETTERS.

*E. J. J.*

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FROM : G.R.S. OFFICER, ~~PARIS~~

FILE NUMBER 9816.

TO FROM : Chief, G.R.S., (Registration Branch), Tours,

DATE JULY 15, 1919.

SUBJECT : Location, grave of:

NAME COOK, Richard

SERIAL NUMBER

RANK 2nd Lieut.

ORGANIZATION

Infantry.

NO.	QUESTION	REPLY
1.	Do particulars of soldier given above agree with records?	1. COOK, Richard E., 2nd Lieut. Co. H., 126th Infantry.
2.	Date of death.	2. 8-4-18.
3.	Grave Location:	3. Commune C-72. Isolated Grave 5. Commune of Fismes, Department Marne, Map reference: Map 54SW. Coordinates: E203.85 - N285.40.
4.	Who reported burial?	4. G.R.S? Officer.
5.	Confirmed by G.R.S.?	5. Yes.
6.	How is grave marked?	6. Cross.
7.	Identification tags:	7.
	(a) Buried with Body?	(a) No.
	(b) Attached to grave Marker?	(b) Yes.
8.	Emergency address:	8. Mrs. Richard E. Cook, (Wife) 204 E. 36th Street, Minneapolis, Minn.
9.	Has above been notified? (Give Date)	9. Yes. 2-1-19.

REMARKS:

Requested by \_\_\_\_\_

European address \_\_\_\_\_

Relationship to deceased \_\_\_\_\_

Checked by \_\_\_\_\_

R.P. 4816

Ing.

TO:- REGISTRATION BRANCH, G.R.S.

File Number

From:-

A.R.C

Date:

12/14/18

Please furnish information as indicated below regarding the following soldier:-

NAME COOK-RICHARD E

NUMBER

RANK 2nd LT

ORGANIZATION C.H. 126th INF

*[Large blue handwritten scribble]*

No.	Question	Reply
1	Do particulars of soldier given above agree with Records?	N.B. All Proper names to be printed in PLAIN BLOCK LETTERS
✓ 2	Date of Death	② 8/4/18
✓ 3	Cause and place of death	③ K/A
✓ 4	Number of Casualty Cablegram	④ - 2225
5	Date buried	
✓ 6	Grave location (a) Complete record required (b) Name of cemetery or commune only required	⑥ - CPME C 72 FISMES (Marne) Map 34 SW. E 20.9.8 N 285.6
7	Who reported burial?	
✓ 8	Has report been confirmed by G.R.S.	
9	Report as to grave marker	⑧ - 210
10	Report as to identification tags	
11	Who is nearest relative?	
✓ 12	Has N/R been notified? (Give date)	⑫ - 0
13	Report the exact position of your inquiry on this case. (Reply in all cases if no information on record)	
14	What is the photograph No.?	

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12/28/18

TO:- REGISTRATION BRANCH, G.R.S.

From: - *AR.C. Section*

File Number: *Eng - 5 - C.*

Date: *5 DEC 1918*

Please furnish information as indicated below regarding the following soldier:-

NAME *COOK, Richard A.*

NUMBER

RANK *2/Lt* ORGANIZATION *H/Co. 126/9th.*

No.	Question	Reply
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1	Do particulars of soldier given above agree with Records?	<input checked="" type="radio"/> <i>yes</i> <input type="radio"/> N.D. All proper names to be printed in PLAIN BLOCK LETTERS
2	Date of Death	
3	Cause and place of death	
4	Number of Casualty Cablegram	
5	Date buried	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 6	Grave location <del>(a) complete record required</del> (b) name of cemetery or commune only required.	<input checked="" type="radio"/> <i>Comm. Fismes (Marne)</i> <i>(C 72) Map 34 S.W.</i> <i>E 204.8 N 285.6</i>
7	Who reported burial?	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 8	Has report been confirmed by G.R.S.	<input checked="" type="radio"/> <i>No</i>
9	Report as to grave marker.	
10	Report as to identification tags.	
11	Who is nearest relative?	
12	Has N/R been notified (give date)?	
13	Report the exact position of your inquiry on this case. (Reply in all cases if no information on record).	
14	What is the photograph No.?	

*W.R.*  
*Capt*

Minneapolis Minnesota.

September, 21st, 1918.

Graves Registration Bureau,  
Major Pierce.

Army P. O. 717.

My dear Major Pierce,

Will it be possible for you to give me any information concerning the grave of my husband, 2nd Lieutenant Richard E. Cook, Co. H 136th Infantry; who was killed in action, near the Vesle River, August 4th, 1918.

If there is a grave, could you tell me of its location; also, is it possible to obtain a photo of it?

If there is any expense in connection with obtaining the information or photo, I will be more than glad to send you the remittance. Sincerely

Mrs Richard E Cook  
204 - East 36<sup>th</sup> St.  
Mpls Minn.

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Minneapolis, Minnesota.

September 21st 1918.

Graves Registration Bureau.  
Major Pierce.  
Army P.O. 717.

A.B. 28-C.

My dear Major Pierce,

Will it be possible for you to give me any information concerning the grave of my husband, 2nd Lieut. Richard E. Cook, Co.H. 126th Infantry. who was killed in action, near the Vesle River, August 4th. 1918.

If there is a grave, could you tell me of its location, also, is it possible to obtain a photo of it?

If there is any expense in connection with obtaining the information or photo, I will be more than glad to send you the remittance.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Richard E. Cook.  
204 East 36th St.  
Mpls. Minn.

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Hdqrs. Graves Registration Service  
Quartermaster Corps  
American Expeditionary Forces

January 3, 1918

FROM: Chief, Graves Registration Service, American E. F.  
TO: Mrs. Richard E. Cook, 204 E. 36th Street, Minneapolis, Minn.  
SUBJECT: 2nd Lieutenant Richard E. Cook, Co. H. 126th Infantry, Amer. E. F.

1. In reply to your letter of September 21st, 1918, in respect of place of burial of the above mentioned officer, information has been received here that Lieutenant Cook's body was interred in the Cemetery at Fismes, in the Department of the Marne.

2. This information has not as yet been confirmed by my officers in the field, but there is very little doubt that the grave is situated in the cemetery above named.

Mrs. R. E. Cook 2

3. I am enclosing a note which gives general answers to some of the questions which our bereaved friends are often asking, and it will probably give information concerning some of the things you are anxious to understand.

By direction

CHARLES C. PIERCE,  
Lieut.-Colonel, Q.M.C., A.E.F.

per

MAURICE B. DIX,  
Captain American Red Cross,  
Representative assigned to  
Graves Registration Service

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Enclosure.

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Description of soldier: COOK Richard E. 2nd Lieut.

Co. H. 126th Inf. ~~P. B. 28-C.~~

File #

Date and cause of death: C C # 225.

8-4-18

K/A.

Red Card.

Where buried: (Name of Cemetery or Commune only required)

No

Name and address of next of kin:

Mrs. Richard E. Cook. (WIFE).  
204 E. 36<sup>th</sup> St. Minneapolis, Minn.

*R*

*(3110)*

*Gary*  
12-26-18.

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TO:- REGISTRATION BRANCH, G.R.S.

FILE NUMBER 9816

FROM:-

DATE:

Please furnish information as indicated below regarding the following soldier:

NAME COOK, RICHARD  
RANK 2ND LT ORGANIZATION INF.

NUMBER

NO.	QUESTION	REPLY
1.	Do particulars of soldier given above agree with Records?	COOK RICHARD E
2.	Date of Death.	2401 St. C. H. 126 <sup>th</sup> Inf. ② 8-4-18.
3.	Cause and place of Death.	③ K/A.
4.	Number of Casualty Cablogram	④ 225.
5.	Date buried.	⑤ 9-7-18.
6.	Grave Location. (a) Complete record required. (b) Name of Cemetery or Commune only required.	⑥ C-72 FISMES - ISOLATED-GRAVE#5 NARNE. 345.W. E 203.85. N 285.40
7.	Who reported burial.	⑦ Sgt D. 8320
8.	Has report been confirmed by G.R.S.	⑧ cross.
9.	Report as to grave marker.	⑨ Jaeger grave
10.	Report as to Identification Tags.	marker.
11.	Who is nearest relative?	
12.	Has N/R been notified? (Give Date)	⑩ Mrs. RICHARDE COOK wife 204 E. 36 <sup>th</sup> ST. MINNEAPOLIS MINN.
13.	Report the exact position of your inquiry on this case. (Reply in all cases if no information on record)	
14.	What is the Photograph No. ?	⑪ <del>no</del> 2-1-19

N.B. All Proper names to be printed in PLAIN BLOCK LETTERS.

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Richard C. Cook  
2nd Lieut  
Co H 126 Inf.

WAR DEPARTMENT.

Cemeterial Division,

Washington, D. C.

OFFICIAL BUSINESS.

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Minneapolis, Minn.

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