

G.R.S. Form #114-B

JAN 7 - 1926

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FULL NAME *Crowe, Elmer* *big*

RANK *Private* SERIAL *2100747*

DIVISION & ORGANIZATION *Company C, 39th Infantry*

DATE OF DEATH *Aug 7, 1918*

STATE FROM WHICH HE CAME *Ind*

MEDALS OR DECORATIONS AWARDED *none*

FINAL GRAVE LOCATION

Date Grave Row Block

608

Cemetery

Robert C. Davis,
Major General,
The Adjutant General,

By *RWD*

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GRAVE LOCATION BLANK.

LOCATION OF THE GRAVE OF

Crowe 2100747 Elmer
(Surname.) (Number.) (First Name and Initials.)

Pvt. 39th. Inf.
(Rank.) (Organization.)

DATE OF BURIAL..... August 2-1918.

PLACE OF BURIAL..... Forêt de Fere.

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

Fere-en-Tardenois map 195--270

By roadside in forest.

GRAVE NUMBER.....

HOW MARKED: Name Peg? Yes Cross? Yes

Headboard? Bottle?

IDENTIFICATION TAGS:

Was one buried with body? Yes.

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

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

REPORTED BY: James R. Shanks

(Signature and Rank of Reporting Officer), N.A.

This portion to be forwarded to Adj. Gen'l., G.H.Q., A.E.F.

owe Elmer-Pvt. 2100747.

: Forêt de Fere. Killed instan-
t of Aug. first.

formant: Clark Arthur J. -Sgt.
2258790, Co. C. 39th. Inf.
me: Moore, Monte

igned: Clyde W. Toland, 2nd. Lt.
39th. Infantry.
March. 1. 1919.

Co: C. 39th. Infantry
4th. Division

Crowe Eimer-Pvt. 2100747.

Date: Aug. 1, 1918; Place: Foret de Fere. Killed instan-
tly by bombs from enemy airplane, night of Aug. first.
Buried Foret de Fere.

Informant: Clark Arthur J.-Sgt.
2258790, Co. C. 39th. Inf.
Home: Moore, Montana

Signed: Clyde W. Toland, 2nd. Lt.
39th. Infantry.
March. 1. 1919.

ME.

Place Seringes (Aisne)

Date June 5, 19

REPORT OF DISINTERMENT AND REBURIAL.

Remains of:

Name Elmer Crowe

Number: 2100747

Rank: Pvt.

Organization: ?

Disinterment and Reburial made by Group

Unit 304

Disinterred (Date) June 5, 19 From: (Give complete location)

Grave #199 Cemetery #4-Forsberg.

Reburied (Date) June 5, 19 in: (Give complete location)

608

Grave #198 Section K. Plot.#4. Cemetery #608 Seringes et Nesles (Aisne)

Map #33 Soissons. SE. 275.4N-195.25E

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

Buried 4 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

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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 indentity in doubtful cases, notat whereof will be made and reported to Chief, Graves Registration Service.

Supervised by: F. Davidson

1st. Oscar W. Forsberg.

C.O. Group _____ Unit 304



REPORT OF DISINTERMENT AND REBURIAL

Place Seringes -et- Nesles, Aisne

Date May 9/21

1. REMAINS OF CROWE, ELMER SERIAL NUMBER 2100747

RANK Pvt. ORGANIZATION Co. C, 39th Inf.

2. Disinterred (date) : May 9/21 From (give complete location) : Seringes-et-Nesles Amer. Cty. #608, Gr. 198-K-4

By : Group Howell Unit Sect. 6

3. Reburied (date) : Same date In (give complete location) : Same cemetery r. 76-I-2

By : Group Howell Unit Nature of reburial Box & burlap

4. Report as to nature of original burial and condition of body upon disinterment :
5 ft. earthen grave, U S uniform, blanket and burlap, box, decomposed, unrecognizable

5. (a) Identification tags : Buried with body ? Yes On grave marker ? Yes

(b) Other means of identification found upon disinterment, and general remarks :
Tag reads "Elmer Crowe" Serial No. 2100747" Pvt.

6. What does examination of body show as regards the following identifying items ?

(a) Height (actual measurement) Impossible to determine

(b) Weight (estimated) "

(c) Hair—Color "

Quantity "

Characteristics "

(d) Hair on face—Color "

Location "

Quantity "

(e) Permanent marks on body (old scars, peculiarities, or missing parts) "

(f) Wounds or missing parts (received at time of casualty) Lower jaw broken by G.S.W. Right Femur shattered at joint of pelvic bone both pelvic bones shattered.

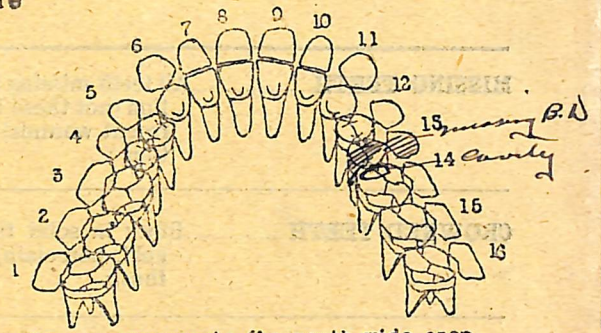
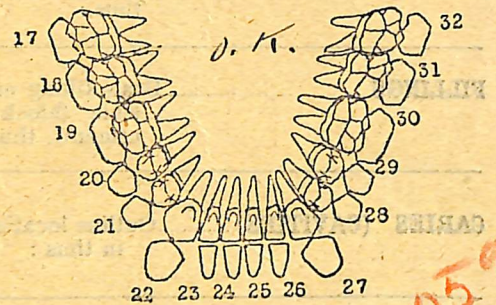


Diagram represents the mouth wide open.



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7. Disinterment supervised by E. G. Howell
E. G. Howell S.E.

Approved : W.C. Hurst
W. C. Hurst, apt. QMC.
(Title)

8. Reburial supervised by E. G. Howell
E. G. Howell S.E.

Approved : W.C. Hurst
W. C. Hurst, apt. QMC.
(Title)

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), bicuspid (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.

MISSING TEETH All teeth missing through previous extraction (not those fractured or displaced by recent wounds) should be scratched out, thus :



CROWNED TEETH Block in solid the crown of tooth (label gold, porcelain, or gold and porcelain), thus :



BRIDGE WORK Block in solid the crown of tooth (label gold bridge, gold and porcelain bridge), thus :



FILLINGS Draw filling on tooth accurately as possible (block in and label gold, silver, cement), thus :



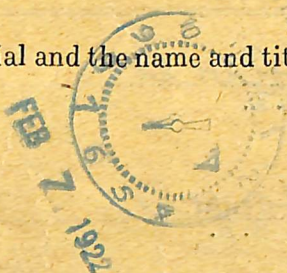
CARIES (CAVITIES) Outline location and size of cavity, shade in thus :



DENTURES (PLATES) 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.



CODE SLIP



HEADING	SUB-HEADING	NO. OF COLS	CODE
NAME	CROWE, Elmer	3	3 8 5
BURIED	CEMETERY	1	2
	GRAVE	2	32
	ROW	2	06
	BLOCK	1	2
STATE	Nebraska	2	32
RANK	Priv	1	2
DIVISION	4	2	04
ORGANIZATION	39	3	039
ARM	Inf	1	1
MARITAL	no	1	2
NAME	Crowe, Mrs. Minnie	3	3 8 5
RESIDENCE	STATE	2	16
	COUNTY	2	90
	CITY	3	XXX
	P.O. Box 384		
RELATION	Mother	1	1
OTHER		1	
ELIGIBILITY	yes	1	1
NATIVITY		1	
RACE		1	
ENGLISH	yes	1	1
ATTENDANT		1	
HEALTH	Bad	1	2
NO. OF SONS		1	
DATE OF TRIP	MO.	1	
	YR.	1	
ACCEPTANCE	no age	1	2 63

AUDITED

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[Handwritten initials and marks]

62 ACCEPTANCE
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WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-M
Crowe, Elmer OA

September 7, 1932.

Mrs. Minnie Crowe^e
P.O.Box 384,
Eldon, Iowa.

Dear Madam:

Reference is made to the questionnaire recently forwarded you, making inquiry as to whether you desire to make a pilgrimage to the cemeteries of Europe during the summer of 1933, and inviting attention to the fact that 1933 is the LAST YEAR for which the pilgrimages are authorized. To date no reply has been received.

In order that your desires may be of record, and arrangements made accordingly, it is requested you complete the form below by writing in the space provided, your answers to the questions listed, sign your name and return this letter in the enclosed envelope which requires no postage.

1. Do you desire to make a pilgrimage in 1933? (Answer "Yes" or "No")	<i>no</i> ✓
2. Please state your age and condition of health:	Age: <i>64</i> Health: <i>Poor</i>
3. Do you speak English?	<i>yes</i>
4. What other language do you speak?	<i>none</i>

Minnie Crowe
Sign here

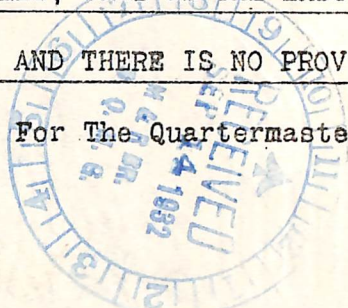
NOTE CAREFULLY, THIS IS THE LAST CHANCE WHICH YOU WILL HAVE TO MAKE THE
PILGRIMAGE, AND THERE IS NO PROVISION OF LAW FOR A MONEY ALLOWANCE INSTEAD.

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

Encl:
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WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-M

Crowe, Elmer (OA)

July 11, 1932.

Mrs. Minnie Crown,
PO Box 384,
Eldon, Iowa.

Dear Madam:

The Act of Congress of March 2, 1929, as amended May 15, 1930, authorizes pilgrimages to the cemeteries of Europe during the years 1930, 1931, 1932 and 1933 for the mothers and widows of deceased members of the American forces who were lost or buried at sea or whose remains are interred in Europe.

Your attention is particularly invited to the fact that this is the last opportunity you will have to make the pilgrimage under the provisions of the above mentioned Act. Unless you take advantage of this LAST chance to make a trip in 1933 you will receive no benefit from the Act. There is no provision of law which will permit the Government to make a money allowance to any mother or widow who does not choose to make the pilgrimage.

IT IS REQUESTED THAT YOU GIVE THE MATTER YOUR MOST CAREFUL CONSIDERATION BEFORE REACHING A DECISION, BEARING IN MIND THAT THIS IS THE LAST OPPORTUNITY YOU WILL HAVE TO MAKE THE TRIP AT GOVERNMENT EXPENSE.

In order to assure proper and satisfactory accommodations for the mothers and widows making the journey in 1933, reservations for steamship transportation must be made by this office several months in advance. It is requested that you answer the questions below by writing "Yes" or "No" or "Undecided" in the blank space following the question. When you have answered the question, sign your name and return this sheet in the enclosed addressed envelope which requires no postage. PLEASE DO NOT DELAY, as it is essential that the information be in this office promptly.

This letter is being sent to all eligible mothers and widows who did not make the pilgrimage during the years 1930, 1931 or 1932. There is enclosed a circular of information WHICH YOU SHOULD READ VERY CAREFULLY BEFORE MAKING YOUR DECISION.

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

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DO YOU DESIRE TO MAKE A PILGRIMAGE DURING THE YEAR 1933? _____

(Write answer here)

(Sign here) _____

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
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IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-M

Crowe, Elmer OA M

December 17, 1931.

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Mrs. Minnie Crow^e,
P. O. Box 384,
Eldon, Iowa

Dear Madam:

Receipt is acknowledged of your reply to form letter forwarded you under recent date relative to the pilgrimage to the cemeteries of Europe, wherein you advise that your health will not permit you to make a pilgrimage during the year 1932.

Competent personnel will be provided to care for the mothers and widows from the time of their arrival in New York until their return thereto. Medical attendants and all other necessities will be arranged for and in the event you decide to make a pilgrimage, you are assured everything possible will be done for your care and welfare. During the summers of 1930 and 1931 many mothers of advanced age and in poor health made the pilgrimage and appear to have benefited therefrom.

Your name is being placed on the list of mothers and widows who are eligible to make a pilgrimage in 1933. However, should you change your mind in view of the above, and desire to make a pilgrimage during the summer months of 1932, it is requested you advise this office in order that arrangements may be made for you.

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-M

Crowe, Elmer OA M

November 2, 1931

Mrs. Minnie Crow^e
P. O. Box 384
Eldon, Iowa

Dear Madam:

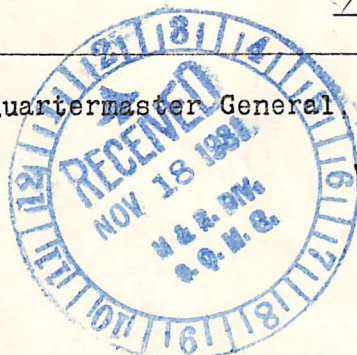
Reference is made to previous correspondence relative to the pilgrimage to the cemeteries of Europe, authorized by the Act of Congress of March 2, 1929, as amended May 15, 1930. In your reply to the recent inquiry as to whether or not you desired to make a pilgrimage in 1932, you advised you were undecided.

In view of the fact that steamship reservations must be made several months in advance, it is essential that this office know how many mothers and widows must be arranged for. It is possible that you may have made your decision by this time. It is therefore requested that you complete the form below by writing in the space provided, your answers to the questions listed, sign your name, and return this letter in the enclosed envelope which requires no postage. In the event you state you desire to make the journey in 1932 and circumstances prevent your making the pilgrimage, it is requested you notify this office as promptly as possible.

1. Do you desire to make a pilgrimage in 1932?	<u>no</u>
2. Please state your age and condition of health:	Age: <u>64</u> 63 Health: <u>Poor</u>
3. Do you speak English?	<u>yes</u>
4. What other language do you speak?	<u>none</u>

Mrs. Minnie Crowe
Sign here

For The Quartermaster General



Very truly yours,

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-AM
Crowe, Elmer Pvt. (OA) M

June 22, 1931

Mrs. Minnie Crowe,^e
P.O. Box 384,
Eldon, Iowa.

Dear Madam:

Arrangements are now being made for conducting pilgrimages during the year 1932 to the cemeteries in Europe under the provisions of the Act of Congress of March 2, 1929, as amended.

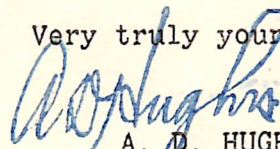
To assure proper and satisfactory accommodations, reservations for steamship transportation required during the summer of 1932 must be made by this office not later than August 1st of this year. It is therefore desired that you answer the question below by writing either of the words "Yes", "No", or "Undecided" in the blank space following the question.

As soon as you have answered the question, please sign your name and return this sheet in the enclosed addressed envelope which requires no postage. Do not delay, as a prompt reply is essential.

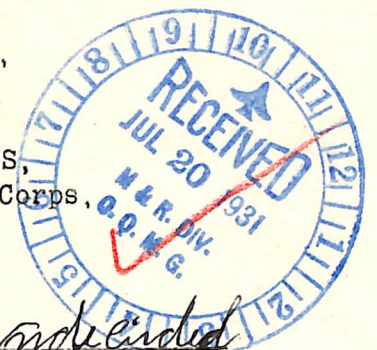
This letter is being sent to all eligible mothers and widows who did not make a pilgrimage at the expense of the Government during 1930 and are not making the journey in 1931.

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,



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



DO YOU DESIRE TO MAKE A PILGRIMAGE DURING THE YEAR 1932? Undecided
Write answer here

Mrs Minnie Crowe
Sign here

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-M
 Crowe, Elmer Pvt 608 M

October 13, 1930

Mrs. Minnie Crow^e
 P. O. Box 384
 Eldon, Iowa

Dear Madam:

A reply has not been received to office letter of recent date relative to the pilgrimage to the cemeteries of Europe, authorized by the Act of Congress of March 2, 1929, as amended May 15, 1930.

The records of this office show that you are the mother of the deceased veteran named above and in order that plans may be completed for conducting the pilgrimages in 1931, it is requested you answer the following questions by filling out the blanks left therefor and return the letter to this office in the enclosed envelope which requires no postage.

1. Do you desire to make this pilgrimage?	<i>no</i>
2. Do you desire to make the pilgrimage in the calendar year 1931?	<i>no</i>
3. Please give your age and state your health.	Age <i>62 years</i> Condition of health <i>poorly</i>
4. Do you speak English?	<i>yes</i>
5. What other language do you speak?	<i>none</i>

For The Quartermaster General:

Very truly yours

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

June 7, 1930.

Crowe, Elmer - 608 M

Mrs. Minnie Crown,
PO Box 384,
Eldon, Iowa.

Dear Madam:

Arrangements are now being made for conducting pilgrimages during the year 1931, to the cemeteries in Europe under the provisions of the Act of Congress of March 2, 1929.

To assure proper and satisfactory accommodations, reservations for steamship transportation required during the summer of 1931 must be made by this office not later than August 1st of this year. It is therefore desired that you answer the question below by writing the word "Yes" or "No" in the blank space following the question.

As soon as you have answered the question, please sign your name and return this sheet in the enclosed addressed envelope, which requires no postage. Do not delay, as a prompt reply is essential.

This letter is being sent to all mothers and widows who are not making the pilgrimage in 1930, regardless of whether or not they have expressed a desire to make the pilgrimage.

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

DO YOU DESIRE TO MAKE THE PILGRIMAGE DURING THE YEAR 1931? _____
(Write answer here)

(Sign here)

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
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IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C
Crowe, Elmer 608--M

March 3, 1930

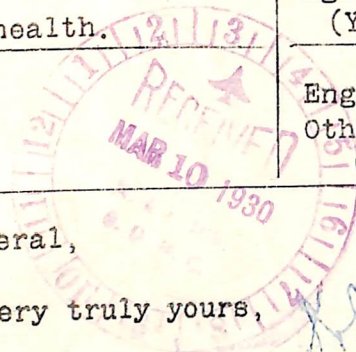
Mrs. Minnie Crown,
P. O. Box 384,
Eldon, Ia.

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 <u>62</u> Health (Years) (Good) (Poor)
5. What language do you speak?	English - (Yes) (No) Other language (Specify language spoken)



For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

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WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

Crowe, Elmer 608

February 8, 1930

Mrs. Minnie Crowe,
P. O. Box 384,
Eldon,
Wapelle, Iowa.

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 mother of the late Pvt. Elmer Crowe, Co. C., 39th Infantry, 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. Is the deceased survived by a widow who has not since remarried?
2. If so, give her complete address.
3. 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.

not married

His only mother

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

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WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

Crowe, Elmer

June 24, 1929.

Mrs. Minnie Crowe,
P. O. Box 384, Eldon,
Eldon, Iowa.

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 mother of the late Pvt. Elmer Crowe, Co. C., 39th Infantry, 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 widow who is entitled under the provisions of the above quoted Act, to make the pilgrimage, and if so, will you please furnish her full name and address in order that action may be taken to extend an invitation to her to make the pilgrimage. Both mothers and widows are entitled to make the pilgrimage.

In the event your son was survived by a widow who has since remarried it is 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,

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-M
Crowe, Elmer OA

September 7, 1932.

Mrs. Minnie Crown,
P.O.Box 384,
Eldon, Iowa.

Dear Madam:

Reference is made to the questionnaire recently forwarded you, making inquiry as to whether you desire to make a pilgrimage to the cemeteries of Europe during the summer of 1933, and inviting attention to the fact that 1933 is the LAST YEAR for which the pilgrimages are authorized. To date no reply has been received.

In order that your desires may be of record, and arrangements made accordingly, it is requested you complete the form below by writing in the space provided, your answers to the questions listed, sign your name and return this letter in the enclosed envelope which requires no postage.

1. Do you desire to make a pilgrimage in 1933? (Answer "Yes" or "No")	
2. Please state your age and condition of health:	Age: Health:
3. Do you speak English?	
4. What other language do you speak?	

Sign here

NOTE CAREFULLY, THIS IS THE LAST CHANCE WHICH YOU WILL HAVE TO MAKE THE PILGRIMAGE, AND THERE IS NO PROVISION OF LAW FOR A MONEY ALLOWANCE INSTEAD.

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

Encl:
Env.

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-M

Crowe, Elmer (OA)

July 11, 1932.

Mrs. Minnie Crown,
PO Box 384,
Eldon, Iowa.

Dear Madam:

The Act of Congress of March 2, 1929, as amended May 15, 1930, authorizes pilgrimages to the cemeteries Of Europe during the years 1930, 1931, 1932 and 1933 for the mothers and widows of deceased members of the American forces who were lost or buried at sea or whose remains are interred in Europe.

Your attention is particularly invited to the fact that this is the last opportunity you will have to make the pilgrimage under the provisions of the above mentioned Act. Unless you take advantage of this LAST chance to make a trip in 1933 you will receive no benefit from the Act. There is no provision of law which will permit the Government to make a money allowance to any mother or widow who does not choose to make the pilgrimage.

IT IS REQUESTED THAT YOU GIVE THE MATTER YOUR MOST CAREFUL CONSIDERATION BEFORE REACHING A DECISION, BEARING IN MIND THAT THIS IS THE LAST OPPORTUNITY YOU WILL HAVE TO MAKE THE TRIP AT GOVERNMENT EXPENSE.

In order to assure proper and satisfactory accommodations for the mothers and widows making the journey in 1933, reservations for steamship transportation must be made by this office several months in advance. It is requested that you answer the questions below by writing "Yes" or "No" or "Undecided" in the blank space following the question. When you have answered the question, sign your name and return this sheet in the enclosed addressed envelope which requires no postage. PLEASE DO NOT DELAY, as it is essential that the information be in this office promptly.

This letter is being sent to all eligible mothers and widows who did not make the pilgrimage during the years 1930, 1931 or 1932. There is enclosed a circular of information WHICH YOU SHOULD READ VERY CAREFULLY BEFORE MAKING YOUR DECISION.

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

2 Encls.

DO YOU DESIRE TO MAKE A PILGRIMAGE DURING THE YEAR 1933?

_____ (Write answer here)

(Sign here) _____

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-M

Crowe, Elmer OA M

December 17, 1931.

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Mrs. Minnie Crown,
P. O. Box 384,
Eldon, Iowa

Dear Madam:

Receipt is acknowledged of your reply to form letter forwarded you under recent date relative to the pilgrimage to the cemeteries of Europe, wherein you advise that your health will not permit you to make a pilgrimage during the year 1932.

Competent personnel will be provided to care for the mothers and widows from the time of their arrival in New York until their return thereto. Medical attendants and all other necessities will be arranged for and in the event you decide to make a pilgrimage, you are assured everything possible will be done for your care and welfare. During the summers of 1930 and 1931 many mothers of advanced age and in poor health made the pilgrimage and appear to have benefited therefrom.

Your name is being placed on the list of mothers and widows who are eligible to make a pilgrimage in 1933. However, should you change your mind in view of the above, and desire to make a pilgrimage during the summer months of 1932, it is requested you advise this office in order that arrangements may be made for you.

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-M

Crowe, Elmer OA M

November 2, 1931

Mrs. Minnie Crown
P. O. Box 384
Eldon, Iowa

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Dear Madam:

Reference is made to previous correspondence relative to the pilgrimage to the cemeteries of Europe, authorized by the Act of Congress of March 2, 1929, as amended May 15, 1930. In your reply to the recent inquiry as to whether or not you desired to make a pilgrimage in 1932, you advised you were undecided.

In view of the fact that steamship reservations must be made several months in advance, it is essential that this office know how many mothers and widows must be arranged for. It is possible that you may have made your decision by this time. It is therefore requested that you complete the form below by writing in the space provided, your answers to the questions listed, sign your name, and return this letter in the enclosed envelope which requires no postage. In the event you state you desire to make the journey in 1932 and circumstances prevent your making the pilgrimage, it is requested you notify this office as promptly as possible.

1. Do you desire to make a pilgrimage in 1932?	
2. Please state your age and condition of health:	Age: Health:
3. Do you speak English?	
4. What other language do you speak?	

Sign here

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

June 22, 1931

IN REPLY REFER TO QM-293-AM
Crowe, Elmer Pvt. (02) M

Mrs. Minnie Crown,
P.O. Box 384,
Klendon, Iowa.

Dear Madam:

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COMM. R. BR.
Arrangements are now being made for conducting pilgrimages during the year 1932 to the cemeteries in Europe under the provisions of the Act of Congress of March 2, 1929, as amended.

To assure proper and satisfactory accommodations, reservations for steamship transportation required during the summer of 1932 must be made by this office not later than August 1st of this year. It is therefore desired that you answer the question below by writing either of the words "Yes", "No", or "Undecided" in the blank space following the question.

As soon as you have answered the question, please sign your name and return this sheet in the enclosed addressed envelope which requires no postage. Do not delay, as a prompt reply is essential.

This letter is being sent to all eligible mothers and widows who did not make a pilgrimage at the expense of the Government during 1930 and are not making the journey in 1931.

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

DO YOU DESIRE TO MAKE A PILGRIMAGE DURING THE YEAR 1932? _____
Write answer here

Sign here

QM 293 A-M

October 13, 1930

Crowe, Elmer Pvt 608 M

Mrs. Minnie Crown
P. O. Box 384
Eldon, Iowa

Dear Madam:

A reply has not been received to office letter of recent date relative to the pilgrimage to the cemeteries of Europe, authorized by the Act of Congress of March 2, 1929, as amended May 15, 1930.

The records of this office show that you are the of the deceased veteran named above and in order that plans may be completed for conducting the pilgrimages in 1931, it is requested you answer the following questions by filling out the blanks left therefor and return the letter to this office in the enclosed envelope which requires no postage.

1. Do you desire to make this pilgrimage?	
2. Do you desire to make the pilgrimage in the calendar year 1931?	
3. Please give your age and state your health.	Age Condition of health
4. Do you speak English?	
5. What other language do you speak?	

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

June 7, 1930.

Crowe, Elmer - 608 M

Mrs. Minnie Crown,
PO Box 384,
Eldon, Iowa.

Dear Madam:

Arrangements are now being made for conducting pilgrimages during the year 1931, to the cemeteries in Europe under the provisions of the Act of Congress of March 2, 1929.

To assure proper and satisfactory accommodations, reservations for steamship transportation required during the summer of 1931 must be made by this office not later than August 1st of this year. It is therefore desired that you answer the question below by writing the word "Yes" or "No" in the blank space following the question.

As soon as you have answered the question, please sign your name and return this sheet in the enclosed addressed envelope, which requires no postage. Do not delay, as a prompt reply is essential.

This letter is being sent to all mothers and widows who are not making the pilgrimage in 1930, regardless of whether or not they have expressed a desire to make the pilgrimage.

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

DO YOU DESIRE TO MAKE THE PILGRIMAGE DURING THE YEAR 1931? _____
(Write answer here)

(Sign here)

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C
Crowe, Elmer 608--M

March 3, 1930

Mrs. Minnie Crown,
P. O. Box 384,
Elson, Ia.

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,

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

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WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

Crowe, Elmer 608

February 8, 1930

Mrs. Minnie Crowe,
P. O. Box 384,
Eldon,
Wapello, Iowa.

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 mother of the late Pvt. Elmer Crowe, Co. C., 39th Infantry, 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. Is the deceased survived by a widow who has not since remarried?
2. If so, give her complete address.
3. 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.

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

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Act of Congress
Envelope

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DISPATCH

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

Crowe, Elmer
608

Aug. 29, 1929.

Mrs. Minnie Crowe,
P.O.Box 384,
Eldon, Iowa.

Dear Madam:

The records of this office do not indicate that a reply has been received to our communication dated June 24, 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
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JOHN T. HARRIS,
Major, Q. M. Corps,
Assistant.

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

Crowe, Elmer

June 24, 1929.

Mrs. Minnie Crowe,
P. O. Box 384, Eldon,
Eldon, Iowa.

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 mother of the late Pvt. Elmer Crowe, Co. C., 39th Infantry, 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 widow who is entitled under the provisions of the above quoted Act, to make the pilgrimage, and if so, will you please furnish her full name and address in order that action may be taken to extend an invitation to her to make the pilgrimage. Both mothers and widows are entitled to make the pilgrimage.

In the event your son was survived by a widow who has since remarried it is 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,

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

QM 293 A-C

Crowe, Elmer

February 15, 1929.

Mr. Boston Crowe,
P. O. Box 384,
Eldon, Iowa.

Dear Sir:

In order to conform to the plans for beautification of the permanent American Military Cemeteries in Europe it has been necessary to make a re-arrangement of the graves in these Cemeteries, which may be considered as permanent for all time.

The enclosed card gives the final resting place of your son, the late Elmer Crowe, Private, Company C, 39th Infantry.

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

J. McCLINTOCK,
Major, Q. M. Corps,
Assistant.

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Record card.

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QM 293 A-C
Crowe, Elmer

February 15, 1929.

SUBJECT: Discrepancy in Records.

TO: The Chief, American Graves Registration Service, Q.M.C., in
Europe, 20 rue Molitor, Paris, France.

1. It is requested the records and Organization Directories be adjusted in the case of Elmer Crowe, 2100747, Private, Company C, 39th Infantry, interred in Grave 32, Row 6, Block B, Oise-Aisne American Cemetery, to show the date of death as August 7, 1918.

For The Quartermaster General:

J. McCLINTOCK,
Major, Q. M. Corps,
Assistant.

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To be prepared in triplicate.

DATE February 8, 1928

REPORT OF DISINTERMENT, PREPARATION, SHIPMENT AND REBURIAL OF BODY

DISINTERMENT

COMPARATIVE REPORT

Records of G.R.S. Headquarters.

Discrepancy found upon exhumation of body

- 1. Name CROWE, Elmer
- 2. No. 2100747
- 3. Rank Pvt.
- 4. Org. Co. C, 39th Inf.
- 5. D.D. August 7, 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. 52 Sec.
- 8. Plot Block B Row 6
- 9.
- 15. Grave No. Sec.
- 16. Plot (NAME) Row
- 17.
- 18. Cemetery Oise-Aisne
- 19. Commune or town Seringes-et-Nesles
- 20. Dept. or County Aisne
- 21. Country France
- 22. G.R.S. Hdqrs. Code No. 608
- 23. Disinterred (Date) February 8, 1928 By P.D. Woodman
- 24. Inscription on grave marker:
 - Name CROWE, Elmer
 - Rank Pvt.
 - Serial No. 2100747
 - Organization Co. C, 39th Inf.
- 25. Was identification disc found on grave marker? On body? Yes

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)
- 27. Condition of body
- 28. Nature of burial Pine box and burlap.
- 29. Any discrepancy noted upon examination of body, as compared with G.R.S. records quoted above?
- 30. Body prepared and placed in casket: Date February 8, 1928 By P.D. Woodman
- 31. Casket sealed by P.D. Woodman

Signature of Embalmer, (Supervisor

P.D. Woodman.

SHIPMENT. (Show actual marking of box.) Box No. _____

32. Designation of body: _____

Name CROWE, Elmer Serial No. 2100747

Rank Pvt. Organization Co. C, 39th Inf.

33. Consigned to: _____

Name of Permanent Cemetery Oise-Aisne, Seringes-et-Nesles, Aisne

34. Casket boxed and marked (Date) February 8, 1928 By Charles E. Spahn

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 Charles E. Spahn
Charles E. Spahn

36. Remarks _____

37. Shipped from point of Operation: (Date) _____

To point of Concentration _____

Convoyer _____ (Name) _____

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 _____

Convoyer _____ (Name) _____

Signature Shipping Officer _____

40. Received: Date _____

G.R.S. Representative _____

41. Reinterred February 8, 1928, Oise-Aisne American Cty.

(Date) _____

42. Grave No. 32 Section _____

43. Plot Block B Row 6

G.R.S. Representative William E. Moore

William E. Moore, Superintendent.

REPORT OF DISINTERMENT AND REBURIAL

Place Ois Aisne Cty. 608

Date February 8, 1928.

1. REMAINS OF CROWE, Elmer SERIAL NUMBER 2100747
RANK Private ORGANIZATION Co. C. 39th Inf.

2. Disinterred (date) : February 8, 1928. From (give complete location):
Grave 52, Block B, Row 6

By : Group _____ Cty. _____ Unit _____

3. Reburied (date) February 8, 1928 In (give complete location):
Grave 32, Block B, Row 6

By : Group _____ Cty. _____ Unit _____ Nature of reburial Metallic casket

4. Report as to nature of original burial and condition of body upon disinterment :
Pine box and burlap

5. (a) Identification tags : Buried with body ? yes On grave marker ? _____

(b) Other means of identification found upon disinterment, and general remarks :

6. What does examination of body show as regards the following identifying items ?

(a) Height (actual measurement) _____

(b) Weight (estimated) _____

(c) Hair—Color _____

Quantity _____

Characteristics _____

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(d) Hair on face—Color _____

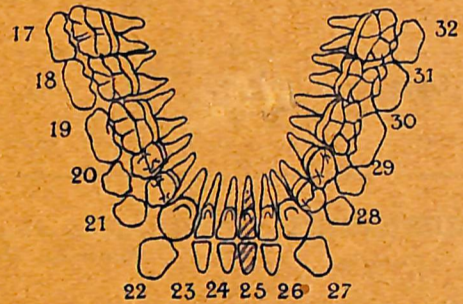
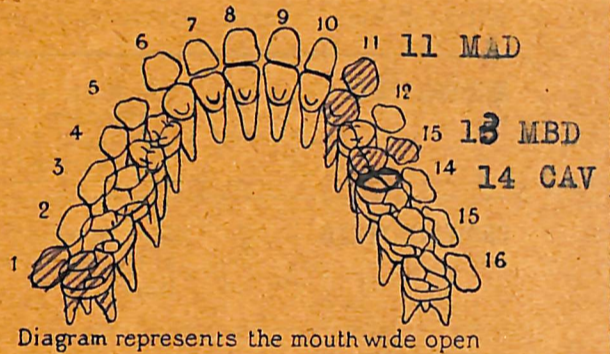
Location _____

Quantity _____

(e) Permanent marks on body (old scars, peculiarities, or missing parts) _____

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

Left femur fractured; upper joint missing. Left humerus fractured; upper joint missing. Right and left pelvis fractured.



7. Disinterment supervised by W. Woodman Approved : _____

(Title) _____

8. Reburial supervised by Charles E. Spahn Approved : _____

(Title) _____

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.

MISSING TEETH

All teeth missing through previous extraction (not those fractured or displaced by recent wounds) should be scratched out, thus:



CROWNED TEETH

Block in solid the crown of tooth (label gold, porcelain, or gold and porcelain), thus:



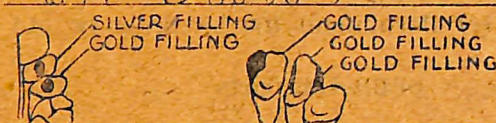
BRIDGE WORK

Block in solid the crown of tooth (label gold bridge, gold and porcelain bridge) thus:



FILLINGS

Draw filling on tooth accurately as possible (block in and label gold, silver, cement), thus:



CARIES (CAVITIES)

Outline location and size of cavity, shade in thus:



DENTURES (PLATES)

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.

Crowe

(Surname)

Elmer

(Christian name in full.)

2.100 747

(Army serial number.)

Pvt

Co C

39th Inf.

(Rank and organization.)

State your relationship to the deceased

Father

Do you desire the remains brought to the United States?

No

(Yes or no.)

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

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(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:

(Name of person to receive remains.)

(Express office.)

(Telegraph office.)

(Number and street.)

(City or town.)

(State.)

(Sign here)

Easton Crowe

(over)

P.O. Box 384

Eldon

Iowa

(Number and street or rural route.)

(City, town, or post office.)

(State.)

Read carefully the letter accompanying this card.

DUPLICATE



Name and address taken
from letter. Jw. - 1-213 E Bldg.
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Handwritten notes, possibly "Jw. - 1-213 E Bldg."

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WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

QM 293 A-C

CROWE, Elmer - Pvt.

November 5, 1925

Mr. Easton Crowe,
Post Office Box #384,
Eldon, Iowa.

Dear Sir:

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,

1 Incl.
Record card.

L.W. REDINGTON,
Major, Q.M.C.,
Assistant.

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COMPILATION OF DISPOSITION OF REMAINS DATA

File # 17054

I. LOCATION INDEX CARD:

(a) Name CROWE, Elmer Ser. No. 2100747
(b) Rank Pvt. Organization Co. C, 39th Inf. TYP. DB
(c) Date of death 8-7-18 (d) Cause of death K/A CKR. JA

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

(a) Grave No. 198 Row - Plot 4 Sec. K TYP. DB
(b) Emerg. Address Mr. Easton Crowe, (Father) Laddsdales, Iowa.

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

IV. A. G. O. DISPOSITION CARD:

Date of receipt now

(a) Name Easton Crowe (b) Relationship Father
(c) Address P.O. Box 384, Eldon, Iowa
(d) Remains to be brought to U. S.? No
(e) To be interred in National Cemetery in U. S. at -
(f) Shipping instructions upon arrival of body in U. S. -
(g) Disposition instructions if not brought to U. S. -

Examiner's Initials MH Date 12-14, 1920.

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

Easton Crowe
Eldon Iowa, dated Aug. 22, 1919
confirming request in Par. IV., item -, above, or requesting that the body
remain in France

Examiner's Initials MH Date 12-14, 1920.

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

No request for disposition

(a) Cancellation memos referred to? yes all

Examiner's Initials att Date 12-14, 1920.

COUNTRY FRANCE

CEMETERY No. 608

SHEET No. 683

FORM 115 - A COMPLETED
JAN 24 1921 - act

CARDED

Reviewed 4/9/21 ED

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RECEIVED.

VII. G. R. S. Form No. 114 made _____, 1920.

Typed by _____, Checked by _____, MAR 11 1921, 1920.

VIII. FINAL ACTION:

Following advice forwarded to Europe by

cable on _____, 1920
letter on JAN 15 1921 1920

GENERAL DIVISION
OVERSEAS PROJECT SUB-SEC.

PARAGRAPH 2 - NOT TO BE RETURNED

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IX.

CORRECTIONS

CHANGE OF ADVICE.

ACTION TAKEN.

Desires body be _____

Body to be shipped to _____

X. SUSPENSION REMARKS:

Let. 2/12/21 Form 120, Easton Crove, father,
P.O. Box 384 Eldon, Iowa, requesting body to remain
in Europe H. 3/3/21 cmcc.

3/9/21 Hoboken advises Father his
wish will be complied with. 4/9/21/60

FORM 115 RETURNED BY HOBOKEN - BODY
TO REMAIN IN EUROPE. MAR 11 1921

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I. LOCATION INDEX CARD:

(a) Name **CROWE, Elmer** Ser. No. **2100747**
 (b) Rank **Pvt.** Organization **Co. C, 39th Inf.** TYP **DB**
 (c) Date of death **6-1-7-18** Cause of death **K/A**

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

(a) Grave No. **198** Row **-** Plot **4** Sect. **K** TYP **DB**
 (b) Emerg. Address **Mr. Easton Crowe, (Father) Laddsedale, Iowa.**

III. Files of soldiers dying from contagious diseases **--** CKR

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

ago card - Easton Crowe (father) PO Box 384 Eldon, Iowa requests that body be not returned to U.S. aen 1/7/21

V. Following advice forwarded to Europe by (cable on **JAN 15 1921**)
 (Letter of transmittal on **192**)
~~NOT TO BE RETURNED~~
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VI. Form 115 forwarded to G.R.S. Hoboken, N.J. **JAN 27 1921** 192

VII. SUPPLEMENTARY REQUESTS

Date of and Source	Relationship and name	Desires	Action taken

VIII. Form 115 received from G.R.S. Hoboken, N.J. **MAR 11 1921** 192

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March 9, 1921.

File No. 293.8 Com.Div.Cor.Br.
(CROWE, Elmer)

Mr. Easton Crowe,
P. O. Box #384
Eldon, Iowa.

Dear Sir:-

Receipt of shipping inquiry dated February 12th, 1921, relative to the remains of your son, the late Private Elmer Crowe, serial number 2100747, Company C, 59th Infantry, is acknowledged.

In accordance with your desire, the remains will be left in France for burial in a permanent American Cemetery. You are assured that the grave site will always be maintained as a fitting memorial of the late soldier's sacrifice.

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

By authority of the Quartermaster General:

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

Mailed-O.P.D.

MAR 10 1921



P. C. FALLAC,
Executive Assistant.

Noted on Form No. 115
Date 4/9/21

Date: Mar 11 1921
Index or Entry No: 1001

RECEIVED
LETTER-O'-S. DEPT
MAR 10 1921



MAR 11 1921
G. R. S.

OFFICE IN CHARGE
GENERAL INVESTIGATIVE
DIVISION

By approval of the Superintendent, Bureau:

Remedy furnished of the matter in your reference
and subsequent matters to come, so you re-

late matters, as indicated
will usually be returned as a matter of policy of the
con Bureau. Don't be misled that the Bureau will
will be told in advance that matter in a Bureau's view.
In accordance with your desire, the Bureau

cannot be said to be in possession of
the true nature of your case, which under the
will that you refer to the Bureau of your
Bureau of Criminal Investigation.

Best
Bureau, Wash.
P. O. Box 4297
W. Bureau, Wash.

(Bureau, Wash.)
File No. 333-9 000-DIA-000-11

MAR 11 1921

WAR DEPARTMENT

OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL OF THE ARMY

CEMETERIAL DIVISION

WASHINGTON

Hoboken, N.J.

FEB 8 1921

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

To: Mr. Easton Crowe, P.O. Box 384, Eldon, Iowa.

SUBJECT: Remains of Pvt. Elmer Crowe, Ser. No. 2100747. Co. C. 39th Inf.

The records of this office show that you have requested that the body of the above-named soldier remain in Europe. *no change*

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? *no*

NAME OF—	NO. AND STREET.	TOWN.	STATE.
Soldier's widow <i>none</i>			
Soldier's children. (Name oldest first.)	1 <i>none</i>		
	2		
	3		
Father <i>Easton Crowe</i>	<i>P.O. Box 384</i>	<i>Eldon</i>	<i>Iowa</i>
Mother <i>Minnie Crowe</i>			
Brothers. (Name oldest first.)	1 <i>Earl Crowe</i>		
	2 <i>Elmer Crowe</i>	<i>P.O. Box 384</i>	<i>Eldon Iowa</i>
	3 <i>Joseph E. Crowe</i>		
Sisters. (Name oldest first.)	1 <i>Margaret Smith</i>		
	2 <i>These Relicists are all a living</i>		
	3		

Date *February 12 1921*

Signature *Easton Crowe*

Address *Eldon Iowa P.O. 384*

Relationship *father*

Address _____ Relationship _____, 192

Date _____ I, the undersigned, am the Father and nearest living next of kin of the within-named

(Relationship.)

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.)

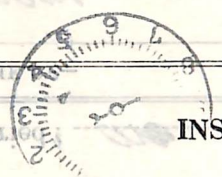
_____ (R. R. station.) _____ (State.)

3. To be returned to the U. S. and buried in _____ National Cemetery.

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

FEB 14 1921

Signature Castro Brown



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 in 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.

Card Dept

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FILE 7054

MEMO FOR: G.R.S. representative, C.R.O.

SUBJECT: Information required for G R S.

I. Items checked are to be completed:

- Surname: Crowe
- Number: 2100747 ✓
- First name: Elmer ✓
- Rank: Pvt ✓
- Company: C ✓
- Organization: 39th Inf. ✓
- Date of death: 8-1/7th 18 68-1-18
- Cause: k/a in line of duty
- Place:

Location of hospital:

- Number » »
- Class » »
- Relative: Caston Crowe
- Relationship: father
- Address: Laddsdale Iowa.

- Authority:
- Cablegram No: 253 & 278
- Telegram from:

dated:

- Reported to Washington:
- C.C. Nos:

(Underscore the "official" C.C.)

- Remarks: CC 253 gives surname GROWE. CC 278 gives surname GROWE
- Also advise nearest relative

CHARLES C. PIERCE,
Lieut -Colonel, Q.M.C., U.S.A.

Initials of reporter:

APK

Carper
1-19-20

(2100747)

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Name Crowe, Elmer

Rank Pvt. Co. _____ {Corps} 39th Inf.
{Regt.}

Date of Death August 2, 1918

Place Forêt De Fere

Cause Shrapnel

Date of Burial August 2, 1918

Grave No. 7 In trench

Cemetery Soissons 33 S.E. North 270.3
East 192.75

Identified by {Tag} Tag
{Papers} Sen body 1 on peg
{Clothing}

List of Effects _____

Field Record Made by Sgt H. E. Felder

Company 302 Graves Registration Service
Adv.Gr. #3

For additional data use reverse side

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GRAVE LOCATION BLANK

LOCATION OF THE GRAVE OF

Crowe 2100747 Elmer
(Surname.) (Number.) (First Name and Initials.)

Pvt. 39th. Inf.
(Rank.) (Organization.)

DATE OF BURIAL August 2-1918.

PLACE OF BURIAL Foret de Fere.

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

Fere-en-Tardenois map 193--270

By roadside in forest.

GRAVE NUMBER

HOW MARKED : Name Peg? Yes Cross? Yes

Headboard? Bottle?

IDENTIFICATION TAGS :

Was one buried with body? Yes

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

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

CMME. Fresnes (Aisne)
(C-54) SHT. 33 SE COORD SE-193 N-270

REPORTED BY : James R. Shanks

James R. Shanks Chaplain, 1st. Lt., N.A.
(Signature and Rank of Reporting Officer.)

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

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Daily Report No. _____

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WAR. DEPARTMENT
Office of the Quartermaster General of the Army
Washington

G.R.S. Form 8-W-A-0
Information requested of A.G.O.

Date 12/15/20.

File No. 17054 Requisition.

From: The Quartermaster General, U. S. Army, (Cometarial Division)

To: The Adjutant General of the Army, 6th & B Sts., N.W., Washington, D.C.

Subject: Information required for G.R.S.

1. It is requested that the items checked below be completed, Request confirmation of all information shown.

- a. Surname Crowe,
- b. Christian name Elmer.
- c. Serial Number 2100747.
- d. Organization Co. C, 39th Inf.
- e. Rank Pvt.
- f. Date of death 8-1-7-18.
- g. Cause of death K/A.
- h. Authority (C.O.#)
- i. Emergency address
- j. Relationship

BODY DESCRIPTION
(See page #2 of the Service Record)

- a. Age of enlistment
- b. Color of eyes
- c. Color of hair
- d. Height
- e. Weight
- f. Permanent marks and physical defects at enlistment (Old fractures or breaks)

DENTAL CHARTS
(See Physical report of examination prior to enlistment)

- a. Strike out teeth missing
- 8 7 6 5 4 3 2 1 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8
upper right upper left
- 8 7 6 5 4 3 2 1 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8
lower right lower left

FILE

E. L. ROGERS,
Quartermaster General, U.S.A.

BY: H. J. Conner
H. J. CONNER,
1st. Lieut. Q.M.C.

CEMETERY NO: 608.

SHEET NO: 683.

TYPED BY: rln.

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Eldon Iowa
Aug 22 1999

The adjutant general office
Dear Mrs Jm ancer to
your letter as to Returns
Over Boy Elmer Brown
to the state I think
it as well to to have
him in his Resting Place
with the care of the U.S.
government the Burialing
this time would make
lots of worry on his
mother I Remain
yours Gaston Brown
Eldon Iowa P O Box
384

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