

France

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C R O W L E Y, John J.

Corporal, Hdqrs. Co. 101st Inf.

Died Feb. 14/18, in France, wounds  
recieved in action.

Emergency address: Michael Crowley,  
Father, 9 Lawrence Street, Charles-  
ton, Mass.

To The A. G. O.

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G.R.S. Form #114-B

JAN 7 - 1926

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FULL NAME ..... CROWLEY, John J. ✓

RANK... Corporal ✓ ..... SERIAL... 757 ✓

DIVISION & ORGANIZATION .. Headquarters Company, 101st Infantry 26th ✓

DATE OF DEATH... Feb 14, 1918 ✓

Div - 26

STATE FROM WHICH HE CAME... Mass ✓

MEDALS OR DECORATIONS AWARDED... none ✓

FINAL GRAVE LOCATION.....  
Date Grave Row Block

608

Cemetery

*Prother*

Major General,  
The Adjutant General,  
By RMD

AUDITED BY  
157 8-1-24

23  
A.G.O.  
JAN 7 1926

23/306/ARK

NAME OF DECEASED

RESIDENCE

DATE OF DEATH

PLACE FROM WHICH HE CAME

DATE OF BURIAL

NAME OF CEMETERY

NAME OF FUNERAL HOME

NAME OF MINISTER



Co. Hq, 101st Infantry,  
26th division.

Crowley, John J. - Corp.  
Home : ~~28 Mantin Street, Medford~~  
~~Mass.~~ Mass.

On February 4th 1918, at 11.00 o'clock, Corp. John J. Crowley Signal platoon Hq. Co, 101st Infantry, while acting as a guide for pioneers Hq. Co. 101st Inf. was hit by an enemy shell in the Boyau Folain, half way between P.C. Chancois and the Pantheon in the Chemin des Dames sector. The shell out thru the side of the trench about one feet from the edge passed thru Corp. Crowley's both legs just above knees, as he crouched in the trench, tourniquets were immediatly applied, consisting of a French gas mask sling and a web belt. He was carried to P.C. Chancois where were situated a French aid station. A French sergeant who was a catholic priest gave Corp. Crowley the last right of the catholic church. He was sent back from this station to Vailly but died in the ambulance before reaching the evacuation hospital. Corp. Crowley showed indomitable courage throughout. He was buried on February 16th 1918 with Lt. Flenniken of Co. M 101st Infantry, with full military honors. He was buried in the American section grave # 2 at Vailly, about thirty kilometers North of Soissons.

Informant : Blake, William J. 1st Lt.  
Co. Hq, 101st Infantry.

Home : 28 Mantin Street, Fall River  
Mass.

Searcher : C.S. Long. 1st Lt. 101st Inf.  
February 15th 1919





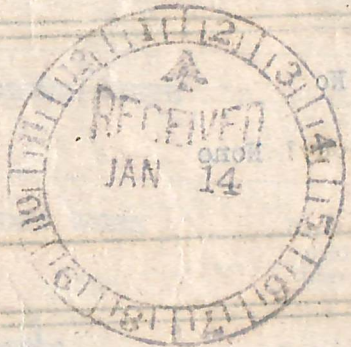
REPORT OF REGIMENT AND BATTAL

Remains of:  
Name:  
Rank:  
Organization:  
Disturbance and Report made by Group:  
Disturbed (Date) (Give complete location):

Remarks:

Disturbed (Date) (Give complete location):  
Remarks:

Remarks:



Remarks:

Remarks:

Remarks:

No. 16-A  
**REPORT OF DISINTERMENT AND REBURIAL**

Place **SERINGES ET NESLES 608**

Date **5.9.21**

REMAINS OF **CROWLEY, JOHN J**

SERIAL NUMBER

RANK **PVT**

ORGANIZATION **HQ.CO. 101st Inf.**

2. Disinterred (date) :

From (give complete location) :

**5.9.21**

**Gr 312 Sect G Plot 6**

By : Group **FOSTER**

Unit **FIELD SECTION # 7**

3. Reburied (date) :

In (give complete location) :

**5.9.21**

**GIVEN NEW GRAVE LOCATION FOR PURPOSE OF CONCENTRATION**

**Gr 113 Sect J Plot 3**

By : Group **FOSTER**

Unit **FIELD SECTION # 7**

**PINE BOX**

Nature of reburial **& BURLAP**

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

**BADLY DECOMPOSED FEATURES UNRECOGNIZABLE**

**UNIFORM & BURLAP & PINE BOX**

5. (a) Identification tags : Buried with body ? **YES** On grave marker ? **NO**

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

**DISC ON BODY O.K.**

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

(a) Height (actual measurement) **IMPOSSIBLE TO DETERMINE**

(b) Weight (estimated) **IMPOSSIBLE TO DETERMINE**

(c) Hair—Color **IMPOSSIBLE TO DETERMINE**

Quantity **IMPOSSIBLE TO DETERMINE**

Characteristics **IMPOSSIBLE TO DETERMINE**

(d) Hair on face—Color **IMPOSSIBLE TO DETERMINE**

Location **IMPOSSIBLE TO DETERMINE**

Quantity **IMPOSSIBLE TO DETERMINE**

(e) Permanent marks on body (old scars, peculiarities, or missing parts) **IMPOSSIBLE TO DETERMINE**

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

**BOTH LEGS BELOW KNEE SHATTERED.**

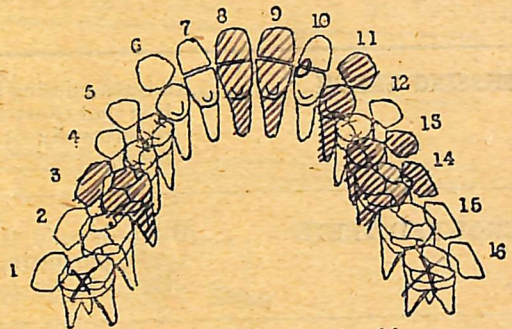
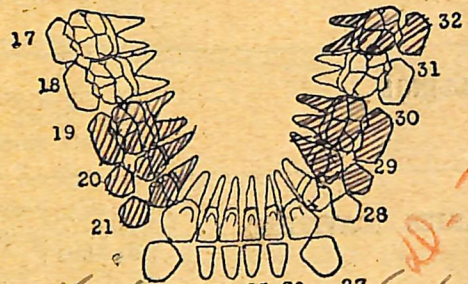


Diagram represents the mouth wide open.



1, 16, undev. 3, 14, 21, 30, 32, ext. 8, 9, 11, 13, 19, 20, 29, mis.a.d.

10 cavity

7. Disinterment supervised by

*H. H. Foster*  
**H. H. FOSTER. SUP. EMB.**

Approved : *A. E. Dewey*  
**A. E. DEWEY. 1st LT. QMC.**

(Title)

8. Reburial supervised by

*H. H. Foster*  
**H. H. FOSTER. SUP. EMB.**

Approved : *A. E. Dewey*  
**A. E. DEWEY. 1st LT. QMC.**






(Title)

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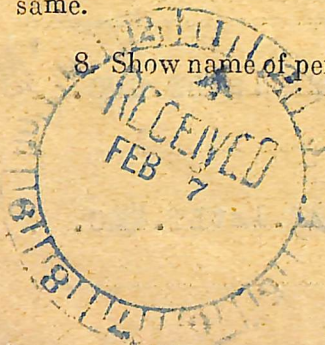
**INSTRUCTIONS FOR THE PROPER COMPLETION OF G. R. S. FORM NO. 16-A**

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.

<p><b>MISSING TEETH</b>.....All teeth missing through previous extraction (not those fractured or displaced by recent wounds) should be scratched out, thus :</p>	 <p align="center">TOOTH MISSING      TOOTH MISSING</p>
<p><b>CROWNED TEETH</b>.....Block in solid the crown of tooth (label gold, porcelain, or gold and porcelain), thus :</p>	 <p align="center">GOLD CROWN      PORCELAIN CROWN</p>
<p><b>BRIDGE WORK</b>.....Block in solid the crown of tooth (label gold bridge, gold and porcelain bridge), thus :</p>	 <p align="center">GOLD AND PORCELAIN BRIDGE      GOLD BRIDGE</p>
<p><b>FILLINGS</b>.....Draw filling on tooth accurately as possible (block in and label gold, silver, cement), thus :</p>	 <p align="center">SILVER FILLING      GOLD FILLING</p>
<p><b>CARIES (CAVITIES)</b>.....Outline location and size of cavity, shade in thus :</p>	 <p align="center">CAVITY DECAYED      DECAYED</p>
<p><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."</p>	

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.



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CODE SLIP

HEADING	SUB-HEADING	NO. OF COLS	CODE
NAME CROWLEY John J	CRO	3	3 8 3-
BURIED	CEMETERY 608	1	2
	GRAVE 37	2	37
	ROW 21	2	21
	BLOCK B-	1	2
STATE	Mass	2	25
RANK	Cpl	1	2
DIVISION	26	2	26
ORGANIZATION	101	3	101
ARM	Inf	1	1
MARITAL	no	1	2
NAME Wehle, Mrs. (Sister)		3	
Helen Crowley	STATE	2	
RESIDENCE 135 North St. W. Somerville, Mass	COUNTY	2	
	CITY	3	
RELATION	Mother	1	1
OTHER		1	
ELIGIBILITY	Dead	1	6
NATIVITY		1	
RACE		1	
ENGLISH		1	
ATTENDANT		1	
HEALTH		1	
NO. OF SONS		1	
DATE OF	MO.	1	
TRIP	YR.	1	
ACCEPTANCE 29/514		1	

*audited*  
 MAR 2 1932  
*WDM*

QM 293 A-M  
Crowley, John J. (OA)

March 4, 1932.

Mrs. Helen Crowley Webb,  
135 North Street,  
West Somerville, Mass.

Dear Madam:

In order to complete the records of this office, it is requested that you advise whether or not the late Corporal John J. Crowley is survived by a stepmother or any other woman who may have held the status of loco parentis to him for a period of five years prior to his becoming eighteen years of age. If so, please furnish her name and address.

For your convenience in replying, there is enclosed herewith a self-addressed envelope which requires no postage. 0

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

Encl:  
Env.  
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Crowley, John J. OA  
Cpl, Hq Co 101st f

Born - 7-4-94 enr. 11-3-14

vd

MOTHER

Died by fire 1918

~~WIDOW~~

Single

STEPMOTHER

no record

LOCO

Ref. Sister - no record of other rel  
Mrs Helen Crowley Webb (Born 8/6/96)  
135 North St  
West Somerville,  
Mass.

WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-M

Crowley, John J. (O-A) H-

September 30, 1931 ed

Mrs. Margaret Crowley,  
8 Rockland St.,  
Wakefield, Mass.

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. To date information has not been received as to whether or not you desire to make a pilgrimage during the summer months of 1932, in honor of the deceased veteran named above.

In order that the records may be complete, 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 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.

Encl:  
Env.

WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM-293-AM

Crowley, John J. Cpl. (OA) M-

July 13, 1931.

Mrs. Margaret Crowley,  
8 Rockland St.,  
Wakefield, Mass.

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? \_\_\_\_\_

Write answer here

\_\_\_\_\_  
Sign here

QM 293 A-M  
Crowley, John J. Cpl. (O-A) M

April 10, 1931.

Mrs. Margaret Crowley,  
8 Rockland St.,  
Wakefield, Mass.

Dear Madam:

In order that your desires may be properly recorded and arrangements made for you accordingly, it is requested that you complete and return the enclosed questionnaire at your earliest convenience.

Kindly advise as to whether or not the late Corporal John J. Crowley was married and is survived by a widow and if so, her name and address.

For your convenience in replying, there is enclosed herewith a self-addressed envelope which requires no postage.

For The Quartermaster General.

Very truly yours,

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

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Enclosures:  
Questionnaire  
Act - Amendment  
Envelope

WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C  
Crowley, John J. - 608 H

June 4, 1930.

Mrs. Margaret Crowley,  
8 Rockland St.,  
Wakefield, Mass.

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

Crowley, John J. 608

February 8, 1930

Mrs. Margaret Crowley,  
8 Rockland St.,  
Wakefield,  
Middlesex Co., Mass.

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 Corp. John J. Crowley, Hq. Co., 101st Inf., 26th Div., 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,

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

Crowley, John J.

June 24, 1929.

Mrs. Margaret Crowley,  
8 Rockland St.,  
Wakefield,  
Mass.

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 Corp. John J. Crowley, Hq. Co., 101st Inf., 26th Div., 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.

QM 293 A-M  
Crowley, John J. (OA)

March 4, 1932.

Mrs. Helen Crowley Webb,  
135 North Street,  
West Somerville, Mass.

Dear Madam:

In order to complete the records of this office, it is requested that you advise whether or not the late Corporal John J. Crowley is survived by a stepmother or any other woman who may have held the status of loco parentis to him for a period of five years prior to his becoming eighteen years of age. If so, please furnish her name and address.

For your convenience in replying, there is enclosed herewith a self-addressed envelope which requires no postage.

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

A. D. HUGHES,  
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

Crowley, John J. (O-A) M-

September 30, 1931 ed

Mrs. Margaret Crowley,  
8 Rockland St.,  
Wakefield, Mass.

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. To date information has not been received as to whether or not you desire to make a pilgrimage during the summer months of 1932, in honor of the deceased veteran named above.

In order that the records may be complete, 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 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.

Encl:  
Env.

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

Crowley, John J., Cpl (OA) M-

July 13, 1931.

Mrs. Margaret Crowley,  
8 Rockland St.,  
Wakefield, Mass.

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? \_\_\_\_\_

Write answer here

\_\_\_\_\_  
Sign here

WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

Crowley, John J. Cpl. (O-A) M

April 10, 1931.

Mrs. Margaret Crowley,  
8 Rockland St.,  
Wakefield, Mass.

Dear Madam:

Your attention is invited to the enclosed copy of an Act of Congress of March 2, 1929, together with an amendment thereto, approved May 15, 1930.

The records of this office show that you are the <sup>mother</sup> of the deceased veteran named above and in order that plans may be completed for conducting the pilgrimages, 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.

4. Do you speak English?

5. What other language do you speak?

Age  
Condition of Health

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

Enclosures:  
Envelope  
Act  
Amendment

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1931 APR 11 AM 10 40  
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QM 293 A-M  
Crowley, John J. Cpl. (O-A) M

April 10, 1931.

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8 Rockland St.,  
Wakefield, Mass.

Dear Madam:

In order that your desires may be properly recorded and arrangements made for you accordingly, it is requested that you complete and return the enclosed questionnaire at your earliest convenience.

Kindly advise as to whether or not the late Corporal John J. Crowley was married and is survived by a widow and if so, her name and address.

For your convenience in replying, there is enclosed herewith a self-addressed envelope which requires no postage.

For The Quartermaster General.

Very truly yours,

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

RE  
Enclosures:  
Questionnaire  
Act - Amendment  
Envelope

U.S. MAIL & R.D.M.

1931 APR 11

DISPATCHED

GM 293 A-M  
Crowley, John J. Cpl 608 M

October 13, 1930

Mrs. Margaret Crowley  
8 Rockland Street  
Wakefield, Massachusetts

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?	
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.

Encls:  
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Amendment  
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WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

June 4, 1930.

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C  
Crowley, John J. - 608 H

Mrs. Margaret Crowley,  
8 Rockland St.,  
Wakfield, Mass.

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

Crowley, John J. 608

February 8, 1930

Mrs. Margaret Crowley,  
8 Rockland St.,  
Wakefield,  
Middlesex Co., Mass.

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 Corp. John J. Crowley, Hq. Co., 101st Inf., 26th Div., 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.

2 Incls.  
Act of Congress  
Envelope

Q. M. G. M. CORP. DIV.

1930 FEB 8

DISPATCH

WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

Crowley, John J.  
608

Aug. 29, 1929.

Mrs. Margaret Crowley,  
8 Rockland St.,  
Wakefield, Mass.

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  
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

Crowley, John J.

June 24, 1929.

Mrs. Margaret Crowley,  
8 Rockland St.,  
Wakefield,  
Mass.

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 Corp. John J. Crowley, Hq. Co., 101st Inf., 26th Div., 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 re-married 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.

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OM 293 A-C  
Crowley, John J.

February 26, 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 John J. Crowley, Private, Headquarters Company,  
101st Infantry, interred in Grave 37, Row 21, Block B, Oise-Aisne American  
Cemetery, to show the rank as Corporal.

For The Quartermaster General:

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

LWB

O. G. M. G. M. & R. DIV.

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DISPATCHED

To be prepared in triplicate.

DATE January 16, 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 CROWLEY, John J.

10. Name

2. No. ?

11. No.

3. Rank ~~Pvt.~~ Corporal

12. Rank

4. Org. Hq. Co. 101st Inf.

13. Org.

5. D.D. Feb. 14, 1918

14. (a) D.D.

6. C.D. Died of wounds

(b) D.B.

Discrepancy found upon disinterment

7. Grave No. 37 Sec.

15. Grave No. Sec.

8. Plot Block B Row 21

16. Plot Row

9.

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) January 16, 1928 By P. N. McCabe

24. Inscription on grave marker:

Name CROWLEY, John J.

Serial No.

Rank Pvt.

Organization Hq. Co. 101st Inf.

25. Was identification disc found on grave marker? no 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 hurlap

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 January 16, 1928 By P. N. McCabe

31. Casket sealed by P. N. McCabe

Signature of Embalmer, (Supervisor) P. N. McCabe

SHIPMENT. (Show actual marking of box.) Box No. \_\_\_\_\_

32. Designation of body: \_\_\_\_\_

Name CROWLEY, John J. Serial No. \_\_\_\_\_

Rank Pvt. Organization Hq. Co. 101st Inf.

33. Consigned to: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Permanent Cemetery Oise-Aisne Cty., Seringe-et-Nesles, Aisne

34. Casket boxed and marked (Date) January 16, 1928 By C. 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.

*C. E. Spahn*

Signature of G.R.S. Inspector C. E. Spahn

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 \_\_\_\_\_

(Name) \_\_\_\_\_

Convoyer \_\_\_\_\_ Signature Shipping Officer \_\_\_\_\_

40. Received: Date \_\_\_\_\_

G.R.S. Representative \_\_\_\_\_

41. Reinterred January 16, 1928, Oise-Aisne American Cty.

(Date)

42. Grave No. 37 Section \_\_\_\_\_

43. Plot Block B Row 21

G.R.S. Representative William E. Moore

William E. Moore, Superintendent

Place **Oise-Aisne Cty. 608**

# REPORT OF DISINTERMENT AND REBURIAL

Date **Jan. 16, 1928.**

1. REMAINS OF **CROWLEY, John J.** SERIAL NUMBER **?**

RANK **Pvt.** ORGANIZATION **Hq. Co. 101st Inf.**

2. Disinterred (date): **Jan. 16, 1928.** From (give complete location): **Grave 37 Block B Row 21**

By: Group **-Pvt. Cty.** Unit

3. Reburied (date): **Jan. 16, 1928.** In (give complete location): **Grave 37 Block B Row 21**

By: Group **Pvt Cty.** Unit Nature of reburial **Metal Casket**

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

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

(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 **3 MBD**

Characteristics **1 MBD**

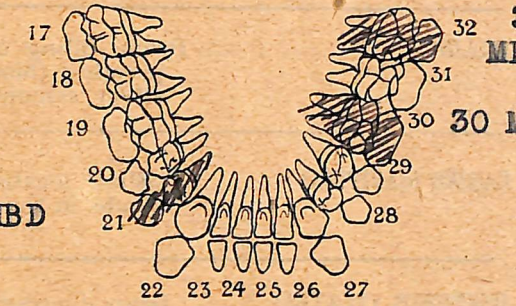
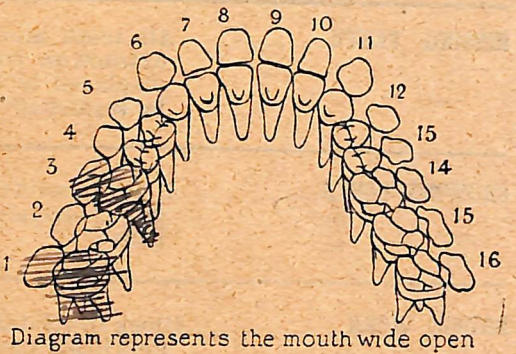
(d) Hair on face—Color

Location

Quantity

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

**21 MBD**



(f) Wounds or missing parts (received at time of casualty)  
**Right tibia and fibula fractured at knee - left tibia and scapula shattered at knee- Both patellas missing.**

7. Disinterment supervised by **P. A. H. = Cole.** Approved: **W. E. Moore**  
(Title)

8. Reburial supervised by **Charles E. Spahr** Approved: **W. E. Moore**  
(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 11-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.

WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

QM 293 A-C

CROWLEY, John J. - Cpl.

November 5, 1925

Mrs. Margaret Crowley,  
8 Rockland St.,  
Wakefield, Mass.

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,

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

1 Incl.  
Record card.



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COMPILATION OF DISPOSITION OF REMAINS DATA

File # 177

(1-29-21) *mm*

I. LOCATION INDEX CARD:

*Enlistment: Charlestown, Mass. Nov. 3, 1915.*

(a) Name **CROWLEY, John J.** Ser. No. **--**  
(b) Rank **Cpl.** Organization **Hdq. 101st Inf.** TYP. **DB**  
(c) Date of death **2-14-18** (d) Cause of death **DWRIA** CKR. *JA*

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

(a) Grave No. **512** Row **-** Plot **6** Sec. **G** TYP. **DB**  
(b) Emerg. Address **Michael Crowley, (Father) 9 Lawrence St. Charlestown, Mass.**

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

*no card in file - 12-14-20*

IV. A. G. O. DISPOSITION CARD: Date of receipt

(a) Name Relationship  
(c) Address  
(d) Remains to be brought to U. S.?  
(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.

*See suspension.*

Examiner's Initials Date, 1920.

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

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

*No correspondence*

Examiner's Initials *MMH* Date *12-14*, 1920.

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

*No request for disposition*

(a) Cancellation memos referred to? *yes att*

Examiner's Initials *att* Date *12-15*, 1920.

COUNTRY **FRANCE**

CEMETERY No. **608**

SHEET No. **686**

G. R. S. Form No. 115 Amended April 6, 1920

Make Form No. 114

**FORM 115 - A COMPLETED**

**CARDED**

**APR 4 1921**

*acp*

*checked m  
1-29-21  
C*

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

Typed by \_\_\_\_\_, Checked by \_\_\_\_\_, 1920.

VIII. FINAL ACTIONED

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

PARAGRAPH 2 - NOT TO BE RETURNED

*acm*

RECEIVED.

JAN 15 1921 MAY 6 1921

GENERAL DIVISION  
OVERSEAS PROJECT SUB-SEC.

IX. CORRECTIONS

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

X. SUSPENSION REMARKS: *7/20 letter sent to Mr. Michael  
Lorouley, 9 Lawrence St., Charlestown,  
Mass left returned unclaimed  
# 2-16-21 am.*

COMBINATION OF DISPOSITION OF REMAINS DATA

I. LOCATION INDEX CARD:

*Enlistment: File # 177  
Charlestown, Mass.  
Nov. 3, 1915 (1-29-21)*

(a) Name CROWLEY, John J. Ser. No. \_\_\_\_\_  
 (b) Rank Opt. Organization Hdq. 101st Inf. TYP \_\_\_\_\_  
 Cause of death \_\_\_\_\_ DB \_\_\_\_\_  
 (c) Date of death 2-14-18 death \_\_\_\_\_ DWRIA \_\_\_\_\_

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

(a) Grave No. 512 Row \_\_\_\_\_ Plot 6 Sect. G TYP \_\_\_\_\_ DB \_\_\_\_\_

(b) Emerg. Address Michael Crowley, (Father) 9 Lawrence St. Charlestown, Mass.

III. Files of soldiers dying from contagious diseases

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

*no ago card in file  
no "correspondence"  
no request as to disposition aen 1/7/21*

V. Following advice forwarded to Europe by (cable on \_\_\_\_\_ 192  
(Letter of transmittal on JAN 15 1921)

**PARAGRAPH 2 - NOT TO BE RETURNED**

*aen*

VI. Form 115 forwarded to G.R.S. Hoboken, N.J. FEB 2 - 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. \_\_\_\_\_ 192

COUNTRY

CEMETERY NO.

SHEET NO.

G. S. FORM 115-A  
August, 1920

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FRANCE

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*ACP*

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5/3/21

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OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
CEMETERIAL DIVISION  
OVERSEAS PROJECT SUB-SECTION

NAME OF DECEASED SOLDIER

Crowley, John J. Cpl.

CEMETERY NO.

608-686

DATE

2/18/21

SERVICE NUMBER

ORGANIZATION

Hdq. 101st Inf.

date of death

2-14-18

Copy forwarded to

Adjustment Department

Date 5/3/21 - W.

WAR RISK INSURANCE INFORMATION

DATE March 15, 1921.

NAME OF BENEFICIARY

*Mrs. Margaret Crowley*

RELATIONSHIP

*Sister (Mother)*

~~Miss Helen Crowley,~~

Address *8 - Rockland St. Wakefield  
192 Salem St., Medford, Mass.*

*Mass. Can address*

Cor. Sec.

file  
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*Handwritten notes in the top right corner, including a large 'A' and some illegible scribbles.*

GENERAL INVESTIGATIVE DIVISION  
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION  
U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

TO: [Illegible]  
FROM: [Illegible]  
SUBJECT: [Illegible]

Overseas Project Sub-Section  
General Division

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APR 28 1921

Overseas Project Sub-Section  
General Division

OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
CEMETERIAL DIVISION  
OVERSEAS PROJECT SUB-SECTION

MONMOUTH, N.J.

NAME OF DECEASED SOLDIER

Crowley, John J. Cpl.

CEMETERY NO.

608-686

DATE

2/18/21

SERVICE NUMBER

ORGANIZATION

date of death

Hdq. 101st Inf.

2-14-18

WAR RISK INSURANCE INFORMATION

SITE \_\_\_\_\_

RELATIONSHIP \_\_\_\_\_

NAME OF BENEFICIARY

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Occ. Sec. \_\_\_\_\_

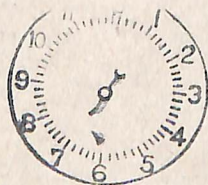
WAR DEPARTMENT.

Graves Registration Service  
Hoboken, N. J.

OFFICIAL BUSINESS.

PENALTY FOR PRIVATE USE TO AVOID  
PAYMENT OF POSTAGE, \$300.

GRAVES REGISTRATION SERVICE  
CORRESPONDENCE BRANCH



FEB 12 1921

Mr. Michael Crowley,

9 Lawrence St.,

Charlestown, Mass.



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MAY 12 1921



*Wm. J. Fox*  
June 2-10

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. Michael Crowley, 9 Lawrence St., Charlestown, Mass.

SUBJECT: Remains of Cpl., John J. Crowley, Ser. No. -- Hdq. 101st Inf.

The records of this office show that you have requested that the body of the above-named man  
no request has been made for the disposition of his remains.

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 -----			
Soldier's children (Name oldest first.)	1 -----		
	2 -----		
	3 -----		
Father -----			
Mother -----			
Brothers. (Name oldest first.)	1 -----		
	2 -----		
	3 -----		
Sisters. (Name oldest first.)	1 -----		
	2 -----		
	3 -----		

*Handwritten:* Requested 2/11/21  
27516  
Unclaimed

Date -----

Signature -----

Address -----

Relationship -----

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Relationship \_\_\_\_\_

1927

Date \_\_\_\_\_

Signature \_\_\_\_\_

I, the undersigned, am the \_\_\_\_\_ 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.

Signature \_\_\_\_\_

### 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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**GRAVE LOCATION BLANK.**

LOCATION OF THE GRAVE OF

**Crowley**      **none**      **John J.**  
(Surname.)      (Number.)      (First Name and Initials.)

**Corp.**      **Headquarters Co. 101st Inf.**  
(Rank.)      (Organization.)

DATE OF BURIAL **Feb. 16, 1918**

PLACE OF BURIAL **Am. Sect. Fr. Cem. VAILLY**

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

**NOTED IN  
STAT DIVISION**

**118-A**

**33 NE E 193.75 N 298.45**

GRAVE NUMBER **No. 2 first row on left.**

HOW MARKED : Name Peg? ..... Cross? **Yes** .....

Headboard? ..... Bottle? **Yes** .....

IDENTIFICATION TAGS :

Was one buried with body? **Yes** .....

Was one fastened to name peg or stake used as a grave marker? **No. Brass plate** .....

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

REPORTED BY : **Lynan Rollins**

**Chaplain 101st Inf.**

(Signature and Rank of Reporting Officer.)

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

**OK**  
**am**



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STATISTICAL DIVISION  
H. A. E. F.  
14 MAY 1948

Received Hq. A. E. F.  
14 MAY 1948

# GRAVE LOCATION BLANK.

LOCATION OF GRAVE OF

Crowley                      none                      John J.  
.....  
(Surname.)                      (Number.)                      (First Name and Initials.)  
Corp.                      Headquarters Co. 101st Inf.  
.....  
(Rank.)                      (Organization.)

DATE OF BURIAL Feb. 16, 1918

PLACE OF BURIAL Am. Sect. Fr. Cem. VAILLY  
.....  
(Give Cemetery, Town and Department.) Map reference must specify clearly what map is used.

GRAVE NUMBER No. 2 first row on left.

HOW MARKED : Name Peg? ..... Cross? Yes  
Headboard? ..... Bottle? Yes 2

IDENTIFICATION TAGS :  
Was one buried with body? Yes  
Was one fastened to name peg or stake used as a grave marker? No. Brass plate  
If name unknown and tags missing, description and marks should be given here :

REPORTED BY: Lynnan Rollins  
Chaplain 101st Inf.  
.....  
(Signature and Rank of Reporting Officer.)

This portion to be sent to Chief of Graves Registration Service.  
**MAY 14 Rec'd**

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CROWLEY, John J.

Cpl. Hq. Co. 101st, Inf.

DD: 2-14-18.

BD: 2-16-18

Gr.#2

Am. Sec. French Cemetery  
at Vailly.

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Oct. 27, 1919.

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Crowley, John J. Pvt.

Hq. Co. 101st Inf.

Moved from Cemetery #118-A. To -  
Grave #312, Section "G", Plot #6,  
Cemetery #608, Seringes-et-Nesles,  
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Letter from G.R.S., AFinF

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File No. 177

WAR. DEPARTMENT

Office of the Quartermaster General of the Army  
Washington

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

Date 12/15/20.

File No. 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 Crowley,
- b. Christian name John J.
- c. Serial Number - 1780.
- d. Organization Hq. 101st Inf.
- e. Rank Cpl.
- f. Date of death 2/14/18.
- g. Cause of death DWRIA.
- 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							

Date of enlistment. Nov. 3, 1917  
Place of enlistment. Charlestown Mass.

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

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

CEMETERY NO: 608.

SHEET NO: 686.

TYPED BY: rln.

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W. Connelly - 711 - 8 P. 11  
Nov 7, 12-16-20

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CEMETERY DIVISION  
GRAVES REGISTRATION SERVICE  
REGISTRATION SECTION

Date 6/30/20

MEMORANDUM:

To: Registration Files Sub-Section.  
Subject: Adjustments made on Registration Files.

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

	CORR.	ADD. DATA		CORR.	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 Cablegram Number					

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~~O.K. Organization Files~~  
~~O.K. State Files.~~

Cemetery Audit Department  
 Investigation & Adjustment Dept.  
 By Susie E Besse

1 Cards attached.

File # 177

File #177.

WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
GRAVES REGISTRATION SERVICE  
WASHINGTON, D. C.

Letter returned  
4/24/20

April 19, 1920.

To: Mr. Michael Crowley,  
9 Lawrence Street,  
Charlestown, Mass.

Case of: Corporal John J. Crowley,  
Headquarters Company, 101st Infantry.

Place of Burial: Disinterred and reburied in:  
Grave 312, Section G, Plot 6,  
American Cemetery No. 608,  
Seringes et Nesles, Aisne.

1.- It would be likely to involve further delay if we should write personal letters in each of the many cases of notification of relatives as to the present resting places of their noble dead who glorify the nation's roll of honor.

2.- Will you therefore, please accept this letter as being the best we can do, just now? And will you also accept the sympathy of those who have been working hard for many months to render worthy service to tens of thousands of sorrowing people, in the care of their dead?

3.- Many delays in notification have resulted from our ignorance of proper addresses, shortage of clerical personnel, incomplete and imperfect information, or non-delivery and return of former letters.

4.- Thousands of bodies have been transferred to larger and better cemeteries, for reasons which were deemed imperative by the military authorities of all the Allied Nations, and the great task of improving these cemeteries is well under way. The most diligent care has been exercised to insure accuracy, and this immense project is being carried through as an unquestionable service to the friends of our dead.

5.- In serving you and others, we have been hampered by conditions and consequences of such a war as we hope may never involve our country again.

By authority of the Quartermaster General:

CHARLES C. PIERCE,  
Colonel, Q. M. Corps,  
Chief, Graves Registration Service.

CCP/jad  
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WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
GRAVES REGISTRATION SERVICE  
WASHINGTON, D.C.

G.R.S.  
BULLETIN  
NO. 10-C-W

INFORMATION FOR THE FRIENDS OF OUR DEAD  
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1. THE GRAVES REGISTRATION SERVICE, a branch of the Quartermaster Corps, is the official organization of the War Department, charged with the acquisition and control of cemeteries in Europe and the marking and preservation of all graves. It is not prepared to give information on other subjects than the above.
2. CIRCUMSTANCES OF DEATH. The Graves Registration Service does not receive information relative to the circumstances surrounding the death of soldiers, and inquiries under this heading should be addressed to the Chaplain or some other officer of the organization in which the soldier was serving at the time of his death, if the address is known.
3. THE EXACT LOCATION OF A GRAVE, is communicated, whenever possible, to the person whom the soldier had previously registered as the proper one to be addressed in case of casualty. The great mass of information to be gathered, verified and transmitted, will generally account for delays in notification.
4. CHANGES IN GRAVE LOCATION have been made in a great many instances since the first notifications were sent to relatives. These transfers of bodies have been undertaken, at the instance of the French Government, for the recovery of land which has heretofore been used for graves, and also in order that bodies may be better located and graves more properly cared for. All the allied governments have been engaged in this policy of concentration.
5. CHANGE OF ADDRESS on the part of nearest relatives has caused the return of thousands of letters of notification to this office by the postal authorities. We must be notified as to change of address or communication with relatives will be impossible.
6. FLOWERS, FLAGS, ETC. We are frequently asked to place flowers, flags and other gifts on individual graves, but such requests must be denied because of the wide extent of our territory, and the impossibility of reaching so many burial places under the difficult conditions which obtain. Efforts will be continued for the beautifying of the places of our dead, and these are destined to be the most attractive in Europe when all plans have been completed.
7. CEMETERIES ARE MAINTAINED, and care takers are employed by the Government. Commendable progress is reported as to the project of the government to make honorable the resting-place of each one of its loyal dead.
8. MONUMENTS. In order to prevent inequality in the treatment of graves, and for the further reason that the Government would eventually be obliged to transport monuments with bodies to designated places of final burial, it is not at present permitted to erect any permanent or private monument; all graves being temporarily marked with a cross or the regulation headboard such as is used in National Cemeteries in the United States. No other markers can be authorized until the final disposition of the dead has been made. Stone markers of approx-

(No. 8, Monuments, cont'd)

private design will probably be put in place by the Government, and the advice of the National Fine Arts Commission is now being sought with a view to securing the best results.

9. INSCRIPTIONS. The present inscriptions on grave markers have necessarily been taken from the burial reports submitted by Chaplains and others. Careful comparison of these inscriptions is being made with the official rolls of the Adjutant General, and the permanent markers may be expected to conform to the exact spelling and other data certified by that office as being official.

10. INQUIRIES CONCERNING THE FOLLOWING SUBJECTS SHOULD BE ADDRESSED AS INDICATED:

- (a) PERSONAL EFFECTS,  
Chief, Effects Bureau, 539 Greenwich St., New York City.
- (b) PAY  
Auditor for the War Department, Treasury Department,  
Washington, D.C.
- (c) LIBERTY BONDS  
Director of Finance, Washington, D.C.
- (d) WAR RISK INSURANCE  
Chief, War Risk Insurance Bureau, Washington, D.C.

11. PHOTOGRAPHS OF GRAVES have been taken by a section of the American Red Cross assigned to the staff of the Graves Registration Service and are being distributed, without charge, to the nearest relatives of our dead. These will be sent, automatically, without application, as each case is reached. Considering the large number of cases involved it will be understood that these photographs cannot be sent to any other persons than the relative of the deceased.

12. RETURN OF BODIES from all countries, except France, and also from the "Zone of the Interior" in France is now being arranged for and will be completed, as promptly as conditions and the reverent handling of our dead will permit. The "Zone of the Interior" includes the Departments of:

Ain (not Aisne)	Creuse	Haute Vienne
Allier	Deux Sevres	Ille et Viliane
Alpes Maritimes	Dordogne	Indre
Ardeche	Doubs	Indre et Loire
Ariege	Drome	Isere
Aube	Eure	Jura
Aude	Eure et Loir	Landes
Averyron	Finistere	Loire
Basses Alpes	Gard	Loire et Cher
Basses Pyrenees	Gers	Loire Inferieure
Bouches du Phone	Gironde	Loiret
Calvados	Herault	Lot
Cantal	Hautes Alpes	Lot et Garonne
Charente	Haute Garonne	Lozere
Charente Inferieure	Haute Loire	Maine et Loire
Cher	Haute Marne	Manche
Correze	Haute Pyrenees	Morbihan
Cote d'Or	Haute Saone	Mayenne
Cotes du Nord	Haute Savoie	Nievre

Orne	Seine	Tarn
Puy de Dome	Seine Inferieure	Tarn et Garonne
Pyrénées Orientales	Seine et Marne	Var
Rhône	those arrondissements	Vaucluse
Saône et Loire	other than Meaux,	Vendée
Sarthe	Ooulommiers and Provins	Vienne
Savoie	Seine et Oisee	Yonne

So far as removals from the French "Zone of the Armies" (the battle areas) is concerned, France desires this project to be deferred till a future date because of sanitary and economic difficulties, and no final decision has yet been reached in the diplomatic exchanges which have been in progress. Public announcement of that result will be made.

The bodies which still remain in Russia cannot be removed until weather conditions and the attitude of the Russian people will permit. Public announcement will be made at the appropriate time.

Removals must be made with due regard to orderly procedure and accuracy; therefore no requests for priority or favoritism should be made. Requests for return of bodies from Europe or for their permanent burial therein should be addressed to The Adjutant General of the Army, Washington, D.C., who will issue proper instructions.

13. JEWISH GRAVE MARKERS. Where possible this Service has taken great care to mark graves of Jewish Soldiers with the approved Jewish headboard. Due to the fact that there is little or no means by which this office may determine the faith of soldiers, the Jewish Welfare Board have representatives in this office to compile a list of Jewish dead in Europe, so that crosses which may have been placed over such graves may be replaced by Jewish headboards. Any information affecting this subject should be forwarded to this office in order to perfect this list.

14. While some of these restrictions may seem unreasonable to friends in the first outburst of their sorrow, experience has shown the same to be necessary and our people are asked to accept the sacrifice which they impose, in the belief that so great and serious an enterprise will eventually be accomplished to the credit of the government and as nearly as possible to the satisfaction of our people.

By authority of the Quartermaster General:

CHARLES C. PIERCE,  
Chief, Graves Registration Service.

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CEMETERIAL DIVISION  
GRAVES REGISTRATION SERVICE  
REGISTRATION SECTION

Date 4/19/20

MEMORANDUM:

To: Registration Files Sub-Section.

Subject: Adjustments made on Registration Files.

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Cause of Death			Blue Card thrown out		
Date of Death			White Card set up <u>3/15</u>		0 0
Casualty Cablegram Number			Ident. Tag Info		✓

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Cemetery Audit Department  
Investigation & Adjustment Dept.

By Helen Myers

2 Cards attached.

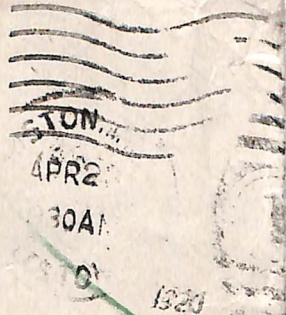
WAR DEPARTMENT.

Cemeterial Division.

OFFICIAL BUSINESS.

Mr. Michael Crowley,  
9 Lawrence Street,  
Charlestown, Mass.

PENALTY FOR PRIVATE USE TO AVOID  
PAYMENT OF POSTAGE, \$300.



NOT RE-FOUND.  
RETURN TO WRITER

June 4-22

J.P. Blair



WAR DEPARTMENT.

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