

Dup.

Curfman,

William B.

544,737



(Surname.)

(Christian name in full.)

(Army serial number.)

Pvt.

Co. G.

30th Inf.

(Rank and organization.)

*Factor No*

State your relationship to the deceased

Do you desire the remains brought to the United States?

(Yes or no.)

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

(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)

*Curfman*

(Number and street or rural route.)

(City, town, or post office.)

(State.)

Read carefully the letter accompanying this card.

*E.M.*

Delivered by Post

4-4-21

1232-Dur 24-43

Mr. Thomas

W. J. Thomas

Gyger, R. L. & Co.

West Virginia

Card sent back for signature of father and  
returned to the office unclaimed.

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G.R.S. Form #114-B

To The A. G. O.

4423

MT *Mark Sig.*

APR 27 1922

DATE Jan 14th, 1922.

1. NAME CURTMAN, William B SERIAL No. 544737  
 RANK \* Pvt ORGANIZATION Co G 30th Inf  
 GRAVE LOCATION Meuse-Argonne Amer. Cty. Romagne-s-Montfaucon 1232 Sec. 24  
 CTY. NAME NUMBER

110 Sec. 24 3  
 GRAVE ROW PLOT

2. ORIGINAL BATTLE AREA GRAVE LOCATION Cunel, Meuse  
 GRAVE COMMUNE DEPT.

COORDINATES Verdun 35 NE 283.45 N 309.4 E

CONCENTRATED TO 6/6/19 110 Sec 24 . 3  
 DATE GRAVE ROW PLOT

Meuse Argonne Cemetery 1232  
 CEMETERY CTY. NUMBER

Data concerning any identification found on remains when concentrated, such as collar insignias, letters, broken bones, missing parts, etc.

DATE OF DEATH Tag on body. Oct 13, 1918

STATE FROM WHICH HE CAME W. Va

MEDALS OR DECORATIONS AWARDED none  
 fata F-1.

SUBSEQUENT REBURIALS

ccg	DATE	GRAVE	ROW	PLOT	CEMETERY
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*From wagoner to Pvt. 8-13-18  
 ago records carried as  
 Willie B. Curtman*

DATE	GRAVE	ROW	PLOT	CEMETERY
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SIGNATURE, AREA SUPERVISOR *[Signature]*  
**N. B. BIRDSEYE**  
**1st Lt., Q.M. Corps, U.S. Army**

3. FINAL GRAVE LOCATION Jan 14th, 1922 23 Block C. 19.  
 DATE GRAVE ROW PLOT

AUDITED BY *[Signature]*  
3-23-23 Robert O. Davin, Meuse-Argonne Amer. Cty # 1232. Romagne-sous-Montfaucon (Meuse)  
 Major General, CEMETERY  
 The Adjutant General.

*[Signature]*  
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APR 30 1926  
 WORLD WAR DIV.

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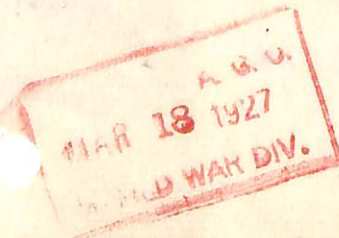
## INSTRUCTIONS FOR PREPARATION OF FORM 114 B

1. Forms 114-B are to be prepared by Registration Branch in quadruplicate, three copies to be forwarded to Area Supervisor who will accomplish paragraph 2 and return all three copies to Headquarters, American Graves Registration Service.

2. Paragraphs 1 and 3 will be accomplished by Registration Branch, Headquarters, American Graves Registration Service, Q.M.C., in Europe.

3. Paragraph 2 will be accomplished by Area Supervisor from data on file in his office.

4. If data is entered on Form 114-B from Form 1, Form 16, Form 1-A or Form 16-A, statement to this effect will be made on Form 114-B STATING WHICH G.R.S. form data is taken from. If data concerning co-ordinates is approximate and NOT accurate, statement to this effect will be made on these forms.



# GRAVE LOCATION BLANK

LOCATION OF THE GRAVE OF

Gurfin ..... 544737 ..... William B.  
(Surname). (Number). (First Name and Initials).

..... Supply Co. 30th Infantry .....  
(Rank). (Organization)

PLACE OF DEATH: 3 Kil. South Canal,

CAUSE OF DEATH: K.I.

DATE OF BURIAL: 10/22/18.

PLACE OF BURIAL: 1 Kil. K.V. Farm De Madelain

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

..... Montfaucon 1283X 00:3-33.5 .....

GRAVE NUMBER: 9

HOW MARKED: Name Peg?..... 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:

NEAREST RELATIVE:

ADDRESS:

RELATIONSHIP:

REPORTED BY:

J. Van Horn  
(Signature and Rank of Reporting Officer).  
Chaplain 11th Infantry.

This portion to be forwarded to Central Records Office, A. G. O., A. E. F.

CODE SLIP

HEADING	SUB-HEADING	NO. OF COLS	CODE
NAME <i>Curtman</i>	<i>Curt</i>	3	3 <sup>170</sup> 1 8
<i>Stallie B</i>	CEMETERY <i>1232</i>	1	1
BURIED	GRAVE <i>23</i>	2	23
	ROW <i>19</i>	2	19
	BLOCK <i>C</i>	1	3
STATE	<i>St. Va.</i>	2	57
RANK	<i>Prot</i>	1	2
DIVISION	<i>3</i>	2	03
ORGANIZATION	<i>30</i>	3	030
ARM	<i>Inf</i>	1	1
MARTIAL	<i>Wid</i>	1	2
NAME <i>Curtman</i>	<i>Curt</i>	3	3 <sup>170</sup> 1 8
<i>Mrs. Martha Jane</i>	STATE <i>St. Va.</i>	2	57
RESIDENCE	COUNTY <i>Roane</i>	2	44
	CITY <i>Kygger</i>	3	XXX
RELATION	<i>Mother</i>	1	1
OTHER	<i>Father</i>	1	1
ELIGIBILITY	<i>Yes</i>	1	1
NATIVITY		1	
RACE		1	
ENGLISH	<i>Yes</i>	1	1
ATTENDANT		1	
HEALTH	<i>Good</i>	1	1
NO. OF SONS		1	
DATE OF TRIP	MO. YR.	1	
ACCEPTANCE	<i>no</i>	1	2
29/514/PJ	<i>Age</i>		66

**AUDITED**

MAR 11 1932

*OK*

WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-M  
Curfman, Willie B (MA)

July 9 1932

Mrs Martha J Curfman  
Kyger W Va

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,



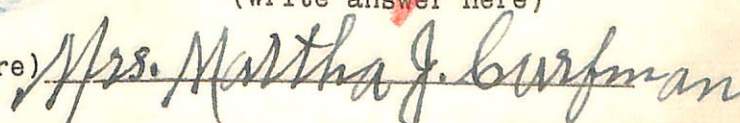
CHAS. W. DIETZ,  
Captain, Q. M. Corps,  
Assistant.

2 Encls.

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

No  
(Write answer here)

(Sign here)



WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-M  
Curfman, Willie B. (M-A) M

September 29, 1931. AL

Mrs. Martha J. Curfman,  
Kyger, West Virginia.

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,

Encl:  
Env.

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

WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM-293-AM

July 22, 1931.

Curfman, Willie B. Pvt. (M-A) M\*

Mrs. Martha J. Curfman,  
Kyger, W. Va.

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

Wash

Curfman, Willie B.

7-29-31 ✓

1232

I Decline by wire 5-27-31 the invitation extended  
(Accept or decline)

me to make a pilgrimage to Europe at the expense of  
the Government of the United States under the pro-  
visions of the Act of Congress approved March 2, 1929.

Mrs. Martha J. Curfman  
(Name)

Kyger, Roane Co. W. Va.  
(Town or City) (State)

# Signal Corps, United States Army

Received at War Department Message Center,  
Room 3441, Munitions Building,  
Washington, D. C.

## WESTERN UNION TELEGRAPH CO.

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U. S. GOVERNMENT PRINTING OFFICE: 1930

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AN ANSWER DATE 2989 G S M WASHINGTON DC=

UNABLE TO GO=

MRS MARTHA J CURFMAN..

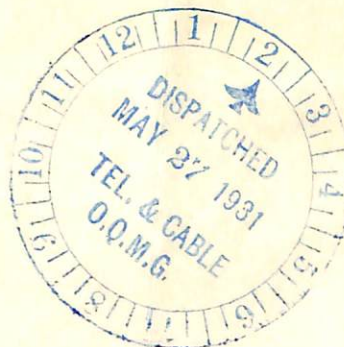
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*293- Curfman - Miller B.*

*Decline Wash.  
July 29-*

**RECORD ATTACHED**



Washington, D. C., May 27, 1931

MRS. MARTHA J. CURFMAN,  
KYGER, WEST VIRGINIA.

REPLY TO INVITATION MAILED YOU TO SAIL JULY TWENTY NINE NOT RECEIVED

ADH

DO YOU ACCEPT OR DECLINE WIRE ANSWER 2989GSM

DOWITT  
QUARTERMASTER GENERAL

QM 293 A-M Curfman, Willie B. (M-A) M



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

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

Curfman, Willie B. Pvt. (M-A) M

April 10, 1931.

Mrs. Martha J. Curfman,  
Kyger, West Virginia.

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 mother 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?

*Yes*

2. Do you desire to make the pilgrimage in the calendar year 1931?

*Yes*

3. Please give your age and state your health.

Age *66 years*  
Condition of Health *Good*

4. Do you speak English?

*Yes*

5. What other language do you speak?

*None*

For The Quartermaster General,



Very truly yours,

*A. D. Hughes*

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

Enclosures:  
Envelope  
Act  
Amendment

QM 293 A-C  
Curfman, Willie B.

August 22, 1929.

Mrs. Martha Jane Curfman,  
Kyger,  
Roane County, W. Va.

Dear Madam:

Receipt is acknowledged of your letter of August 10, 1929, relative to the pilgrimage of the Gold Star Mothers and Widows to Europe.

Within a reasonable time prior to the beginning of the pilgrimage (May 1930) blanks will be forwarded to you upon which to make formal application for the journey. Space will be provided thereon for you to indicate the time you desire to go.

You are assured that competent personnel will be assigned by the War Department to provide for the needs and comfort of those making the pilgrimage.

As The Adjutant General of the Army has charge of all bonus matters, your letter has been forwarded to him for reply to that part which refers to the soldier's bonus, etc.

For The Quartermaster General.

Very truly yours,

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

sc/vp

QM 293 A-C Gurfman, Willie B. 1st Ind.  
August 22, 1929. To: The Adjutant General

1. Forwarded for necessary action in regard to that part which refers to the soldier's bonus and other benefits.

For The Quartermaster General.

sc/vr

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

WM. S. RYAN  
PROSECUTING ATTORNEY  
ROANE COUNTY  
SPENCER, WEST VIRGINIA

#1232  
6-28-29

August 10, 1929.

ans 8/21/29

War Department,  
Office of Quartermaster General,  
Washington, D. C.

QM 293 A-C.  
Curfman, Willie B.

Gentlemen :

The above named Willie B. Curfman has no  
widow, but is survived by his mother, <sup>Martha Jane Curfman</sup> whose postoffice  
address is Kyger, Roane County, West Virginia, and is  
eligible to take the pilgrimage to France under the Act of  
Congress approved March 2nd, 1929.

She would also like to make application for  
any soldier's bonus or other benefits that may be coming to her.

Yours very truly,

Martha Jane Curfman



WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C  
(Curfman, Willie B.)

June 28 1929.

Mr. Thomas Curfman,  
Kyger, Roane Co., W. Va.

Dear Sir:

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

The records of this office show that you are the father of the late Private Willie B. Curfman, Co. G, 30th Inf., whose remains are now interred in the Meuse-Argonne American Cemetery, Romagne-sous-Montfaucon, Meuse, France.

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

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

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

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

Curfman Willie B (MA)

July 9 1932

Mrs Martha J Curfman  
Kyger W Va

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.

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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  
Curfman, Willie B. (M-A) M

September 29, 1931. AL

Mrs. Martha J. Curfman,  
Kyger, West Virginia.

Dear Madam:

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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,

Encl:  
Env.

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

WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM-293-AM

July 22, 1931.

Curfman, Willie B. Pvt. (H-A) M\*

Mrs. Martha J. Curfman,  
Kyger, W. Va.

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

Curfman, Willie B. Pvt. (M-A) M

April 10, 1931.

Mrs. Martha J. Curfman,  
Kyger, West Virginia.

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 \_\_\_\_\_ 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.

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.

Enclosures:

Envelope  
Act  
Amendment

U.S.M.C.M. & R. DIV.

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CM 293 A-M  
Curfman, Willie V. Pvt 1232 M

October 14, 1930

Mrs. Martha J. Curfman  
Kyger  
West Virginia

Dear Madam:

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

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.

Encls:  
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WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

Curfman, Willie B. 1252-M

June 5, 1930

Mrs. Martha J. Curfman  
Kyger, Roane Co.,  
West Virginia.

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  
Curfman, Willie B. 1232 M.

October 7, 1929.

Mrs. Martha J. Curfman,  
Kyger, Roane Co.,  
W. Va.

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 not later than December 15, 1929. The purpose of the investigation is to determine the total number of mothers and widows entitled to make the pilgrimages, the number of such mothers and widows who desire to make the pilgrimages, the number who desire to make the pilgrimages during the calendar year 1930 and the probable cost of the pilgrimages to be made.

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

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

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

Encl.  
Act  
Envelope

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

QM 293 A-C  
Gurfman, Willie B.

August 22, 1929.

Mrs. Martha Jane Gurfman,  
Kyger,  
Roane County, W. Va.

Dear Madam:

Receipt is acknowledged of your letter of August 10, 1929, relative to the pilgrimage of the Gold Star Mothers and Widows to Europe.

Within a reasonable time prior to the beginning of the pilgrimage (May 1930) blanks will be forwarded to you upon which to make formal application for the journey. Space will be provided thereon for you to indicate the time you desire to go.

You are assured that competent personnel will be assigned by the War Department to provide for the needs and comfort of those making the pilgrimage.

As The Adjutant General of the Army has charge of all bonus matters, your letter has been forwarded to him for reply to that part which refers to the soldier's bonus, etc.

For The Quartermaster General.

Very truly yours,

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

80/vp

*Handwritten note:* → Inclusive

1929 AUG 23 PM 5  
DISPATCH

QM 298 A-C <sup>to</sup> Gurfman, Willie B. 1st Ind.  
August 22, 1929. To: The Adjutant General

1. Forwarded for necessary action in regard to that part which refers to the soldier's bonus and other benefits.

For The Quartermaster General.

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

sc/vr

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

1929 AUG 24 PM 12 01

*Basic letter of  
Aug 14/29 returned  
in cems dit*

WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

(Curfman, Willie B.)

June 28, 1929.

Mr. Thomas Curfman,  
Kyger, Roane Co., W. Va.

Dear Sir:

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

The records of this office show that you are the father of the late Private Willie B. Curfman, Co. G, 30th Inf., whose remains are now interred in the Meuse-Argonne American Cemetery, Romagne-sous-Montfaucon, Meuse, France.

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

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

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

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

2 incle.  
Act of Congress.  
Envelope.

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

June 25, 1923.

In reply refer to:  
293 C-R

Mr. Thomas Curfman,  
Kyger, Roane County,  
W.Va.

Dear Sir:

The Quartermaster General decides that you should be buried in the permanent grave of ~~Private Willis B. Curfman, Company C, 20th Infantry, 1st Grade 23, Row 19, Block C, Meuse-Argonne American Cemetery, Romagne-sous-Montfaucon (Meuse), France.~~

This is one of the permanent American military cemeteries to be maintained by this Government in Europe. Each grave will be marked by a headstone of white marble, of suitable design, with name, rank, division, organization, date of soldier's death and State from which he came. The headstones will be placed at all graves in connection with the improvement work now in progress, as soon as possible and without waiting for special action or request on the part of relatives.

In effecting removal, the utmost care and reverence were exacted and more than willingly accorded by those performing this sacred duty. The grave of the deceased will be perpetually maintained by this Government in a manner befitting the last resting place of our heroes.

Very truly yours,

H. J. Conner,  
Assistant.

RD  
L  
23/236/ARK

Place Romagne Sous Montfaucon

# REPORT OF DISINTERMENT AND REBURIAL

Date Janm . 12, 1922.

544737

1. REMAINS OF CURFMAN WILLIAM B. SERIAL NUMBER.....  
 RANK..... Pvt. ORGANIZATION..... Co., G. 30th Inf.

2. Disinterred (date): Jan. 12, 1922 From (give complete location):  
Gr. 110 sec 28 pt 3 Cem., #1232.  
24

By : Group..... 1 Unit..... Sec.1

3. Reburied (date): Jan. 14, 1922, Grave 25, Block C, Row 19, Cemetary 1252.  
 In (give complete location):

By : Group..... Reburial S Unit..... Unlined Casket  
 Nature of reburial..... Nature of reburial

4. Report as to nature of original burial and condition of body upon disinterment :  
decomposed unrecognizable. US uniform burlap and 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 :  
body tag reads: " Curfman William B. 544737.

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

(a) Height (actual measurement)..... Imp to det.

(b) Weight (estimated)..... do

(c) Hair—Color..... do

Quantity..... do

Characteristics..... do

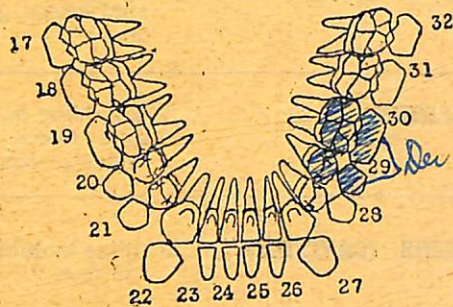
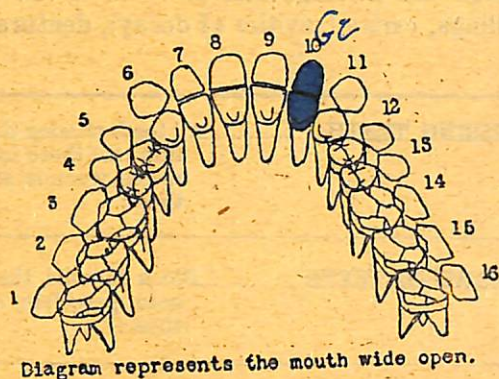
(d) Hair on face—Color..... do

Location..... do

Quantity..... do

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

(f) Wounds or missing parts (received at time of casualty).....  
None visible



7. Disinterment supervised by H. H. Foster

Approved: Geo. C. Bland  
 (Title)..... 1st. Lt. QMC






8. Reburial supervised by A.U. Dufault  
 (Title)..... concentration

Approved: James W. Younger  
 (Title)..... Captain Q.M.C.

## 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.

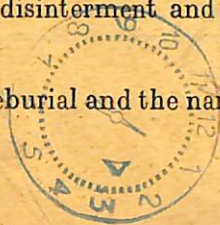
1. Show soldier's name, serial number, rank and organization, and by whom disinterred and reburied.
2. Give date and accurate information as to location from which the body was disinterred and the group and unit which made disinterment.
3. Give date and accurate information as to location of reburial 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><b>CROWNED TEETH</b>.....Block in solid the crown of tooth (label gold, porcelain, or gold and porcelain), thus :</p>	
<p><b>BRIDGE WORK</b>.....Block in solid the crown of tooth (label gold bridge, gold and porcelain bridge), thus :</p>	
<p><b>FILLINGS</b>.....Draw filling on tooth accurately as possible (block in and label gold, silver, cement), thus :</p>	
<p><b>CARIES (CAVITIES)</b>.....Outline location and size of cavity, shade in thus :</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.

4 1922



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GRAVES REGISTRATION SER.

To be prepared in triplicate.

DATE Jan 12 1922

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 CUREMAN, William B

10. Name

2. No. 544737

11. No.

3. Rank Pvt

12. Rank

4. Org. Co G 30th Inf

13. Org.

5. D.D. 10-24-18

14. (a) D.D.

6. C.D. KIA

(b) D.B. None

Discrepancy found upon disinterment

7. Grave No. 110 Sec. 24

15. Grave No. Sec.

8. Plot 3 Row

16. Plot Row

9.

17. None

18. Cemetery Meuse-Argonne Amer

19. Commune or town Romagne-s-Montfau on

20. Dept. or County Meuse

21. Country France

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

1232 Sec. 24

23. Disinterred (Date) Jan 12 1922

By H H Foster.

24. Inscription on grave marker:

Name William B Curfman

Serial No. 544737

Rank Pvt.

Organization Co G 30 Inf

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

*John H. Crawford*  
Signature Junior Technical Assistant

PREPARATION

John H Crawford

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).

None

27. Condition of body Badly decomposed features unrecognizable

28. Nature of burial US Uniform burlap and box

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

30. Body prepared and placed in casket: Date Jan 12 1922 By H H Foster.

31. Casket sealed by H H Foster.

Signature of Embalmer, (Supervisor *H H Foster*) H H Foster.

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SHIPMENT. (Show actual marking of box.) Box No. C-20470

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

544737

Name William B Curfman Serial No. \_\_\_\_\_

Rank Pvt Organization \_\_\_\_\_

33. Consigned to: \_\_\_\_\_  
Name of Permanent Cemetery Meuse-Argonne Amer. Cty. Romagne-s-Montfaucon 1232

34. Casket boxed and marked (Date) Jan 12 1922 By H H Foster.

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 Geo C Bland

Geo C Bland 1st Lt. QMC

36. Remarks \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

37. Shipped from point of Operation: (Date) Jan 12 1922 cc \_\_\_\_\_

To point of Concentration Morgue Romagne (Name) \_\_\_\_\_

Convoyer W J Royed Signature Shipping Officer G F Spann, Capt. QMC

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 Meuse Argonne Cemetery 1232, Jan. 14, 1922, (Date) \_\_\_\_\_

42. Grave No. 25 Section \_\_\_\_\_  
Block

43. ~~PLOT~~ C Row 19

G.R.S. Representative James W. Young

JEL  
Captain Q.M.C.

COMPILATION OF DISPOSITION OF REMAINS DATA

File 55090

I. LOCATION INDEX CARD:

(a) Name CUREFMAN, William B. Ser. No. 544737  
(b) Rank Pvt. Organization Co. G, 38th Inf.  
(c) Date of death 10-24-18 Cause of death K/A

TYP. B  
CKR. C

Handwritten notes: 3/29/29, 52-Exhumed, Concentration, for Mueser - Argonne, 4/17/22, #1232

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

(a) Grave No. 110 Row - Plot 3 Sec. 24 TYP. B  
(b) Emerg. Address Thomas Curfman (father) Kyger, Roane Co., W. Va.

III. Files of soldiers dying from contagious diseases / / / / / CKR. C

IV. A. G. O. DISPOSITION CARD:

Date of receipt

(a) Name (b) Relationship Father  
(c) Address  
(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 PF Date 4-4-1921

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

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

No correspondence

Examiner's Initials PF Date 4-4-1921

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

No request for disposition

(a) Cancellation memos referred to? Yes. PF

Examiner's Initials PF Date 4-4-1921

COUNTRY FRANCE

CEMETERY No. 1232-Sec. 24 SHEET No. 43

ACT 5-27-21

Handwritten notes: checked 4-12-21

VII. G. R. S. Form No. 114 made \_\_\_\_\_, 192

Typed by \_\_\_\_\_, Checked by \_\_\_\_\_, 192

VIII. FINAL ACTION:

Following advice forwarded to Europe by { cable on \_\_\_\_\_, 192  
letter on **MAY 17 1921**, 192

*Curfman, Nellie B*

*Sec. 24*

**PARAGRAPH 2 - NOT TO BE RETURNED**

*ly*

IX.

REMARKS

WRITE NOTHING BELOW THIS LINE.

Location Index.....

Discrepancies.....

Location Index.....

..... Discrepancies .....

Name .....

Rank .....

Serial No. ....

Org.....

Remarks

*Fetterolf*

A.G.O. Card & Corr. *4-4-21*

..... Discrepancies .....

Name .....

Rank .....

Serial No. ....

Org..... ✓

Remarks

.....  
G. R. S. Corr. ....

..... Discrepancies .....

Name .....

Rank .....

Serial No. ....

Org.....

Remarks

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Checkers .....

..... Discrepancies .....

Name .....

Rank .....

Serial No. ....

Org.....

Remarks

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4-5-21*

*Checked  
H/1/1/1  
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COMPILATION OF DISPOSITION OF REMAINS DATA

File 55090

I. LOCATION INDEX CARD:

(a) Name GURFMAN, William B. Ser. No. 544737
(b) Rank Pvt. Organization Co. W, 38th Inf.
(c) Date of death 10-24-18 (d) Cause of death K/A

See Form 115 Oct 4/18/22

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

(a) Grave No. 110 Row Plot 3 Sec. 24 TYP. B
(b) Emerg. Address Thomas Gurfman (father) Kyger, Roane Co., W. Va.

III. Files of/soldiers dying from contagious diseases

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

[Blank lines for information]

V. Following advice forwarded to Europe by { cable on ..., 192 letter of transmittal on MAY 17 1921, 192

Sec. 24- PARAGRAPH 2 - NOT TO BE RETURNED Gurfman, Willie B

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

VII. SUPPLEMENTARY REQUESTS.

Table with 4 columns: 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.

Place NEUFCHATEAU.Date 19th June 1919.REPORT OF DISINTERMENT AND REBURIAL

Remains of:

Name: CURMAN William B. Number 540737.Rank: Unkn. Organization Unkn.

Disinterment and Reburial made by Group: \_\_\_\_\_ Unit \_\_\_\_\_

Disinterred (Date) \_\_\_\_\_ From (Give complete location) \_\_\_\_\_

6 6th June 1919. Grave No 2. BAC.CUNEL MEUSE.5 35 N.E.E. 309.4. N. 283.45.

Reburied (Date) \_\_\_\_\_ In: (Give complete location) \_\_\_\_\_

6th June 1919. Grave No 110. Sec 24. Plot 3.ARGONNE AMERICAN CEMETERY. # 1232ROMAGNE MEUSE.

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

Burial good buried in uniform body badly decomposed.Was one identification tag found upon the body? Yes.What other means of identification were found on the body? None.CONFIRMED No. D. 10753

## Notes:

If upon disinterment, effects are found on 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 of identity in doubtful cases, notation, where possible will be made and reported to chief, Graves Registration Service.

Supervised by: Lt Babbett.  
drs.

R. H. ROSENTHAL  
2nd Lieut. Q.M.C.U.S.A.  
G.O. Group \_\_\_\_\_ Unit \_\_\_\_\_

RECEIVED  
29 JUL 1977  
O. C. Q. M.  
G. R. S.

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Co G 30th Infantry.,  
3rd Division.,

CURFMAN,Willie B Wag.544737.,

Letter received in this office Co G 30th Infantry dated  
October 30,1918 from Chaplain J.D.VanHorn 11th Infantry stating that he  
had buried the above named soldier on the 20th October 1918.He was found  
in a group of 21 men all killed and buried by this chaplain.Grave 2,  
Map U.S.Eng.Montfaucon.09.2.-83.5.

Not informant given.,

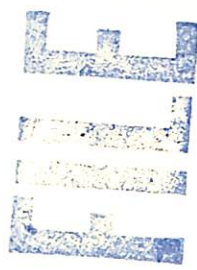
Signed; Joseph H Meenig.2nd Lt.  
30th Infantry.Comdg Co/;

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55090

ADDRESS REPLY TO THE  
QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
~~DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY~~  
MUNITIONS BUILDING

WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
~~DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY~~  
WASHINGTON



File No. 55090

Curfman, #544737, Willie B.  
Pvt., Co. G, 30th Infantry

6/15/20 -- AGO Inquiry

*future in*

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FILE UNDER NO.

55090 Curfman Willie B

## INDEX SHEET

### SYNOPSIS

See case of Biernacki Joseph,  
for letter in this case.  
File 5-2188.

DOCUMENT FILED UNDER NO.

INSTRUCTIONS.—Under "Synopsis" make brief entry showing date of communication and from whom received and synopsis sufficient to identify the papers. When these index sheets become numerous under a subject they will be entered on the consolidated index sheet and then destroyed.

3-6042

55790

# GRAVE LOCATION BLANK

LOCATION OF THE GRAVE OF

Gurffman ..... 544737 ..... William B. ....  
(Surname). (Number). (First Name and Initials).

..... Supply Co. 30th Infantr .....  
(Rank). (Organization).

PLACE OF DEATH: 2 Kil. south Cunel, .....

CAUSE OF DEATH: ... A.I.A. ....

DATE OF BURIAL: 10/2/18. ....

PLACE OF BURIAL: 1 Kil. Farm De Madeleine

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

... Montfaucon ~~XXXX~~ CO; 2-83.5

GRAVE NUMBER: .... 2 .....

HOW MARKED: Name Peg? ..... 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:

OMME. Cunel (Meuse)

NEAREST RELATIVE: 3576 COORD E. 309.23

ADDRESS: ..... N. 283.55

RELATIONSHIP: .....

REPORTED BY:

*J. Van Horn*  
(Signature and Rank of Reporting Officer).  
Chaplain 11th Infantry.

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

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Commercial List No. 2-19-61

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

172-24-43

WAR DEPARTMENT

THE ADJUTANT GENERAL'S OFFICE

2-201 VAG

WASHINGTON

AG201 (Curfman, Willie B.)WW

April 20, 1921.

IN REPLY  
REFER TO



Adjustment Made

From: The Adjutant General of the Army.

MAY 12 1921

To: The Quartermaster General of the Army,  
Washington, D. C.

55090

File No.

Subject: Date of death of Private Willie B. Curfman.

Noted on Form 115

Date 7-15-21 PF

J

1. Upon investigation, it has been ascertained that the date of death of the above man heretofore communicated to you, is erroneous, and that Private Willie B. Curfman, #544,737, Company G, 30th Infantry, was killed in action October 13, 1918, in France.

2. For purposes of identification, you are advised that the records show that the deceased was enlisted Sept. 21, 1917, and the name of the person to be notified in case of emergency was given as: Thomas Curfman, (father), Kyger, Roane Co., W. Va.

*P. C. Harris*  
The Adjutant General.  
Per: *m* → *x*

1232-24-43

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WAR DEPARTMENT

THE ADJUTANT GENERAL'S OFFICE

2-201 VAG

WASHINGTON

April 20, 1921

AGSOI (Gurman, Willie B.)

IN REPLY  
REFER TO

FILE

Adjustment Made  
From:

MAY 12 1921

File No. 25000

112

The Adjutant General of the Army.

The Quartermaster General of the Army,  
Washington, D. C.

Subject: Date of death of Private Willie B. Gurman.

Upon investigation, it has been ascertained that the date of death of the above named person communicated to you, is erroneous, and that Private Willie B. Gurman, 304th Infantry, was killed in action October 18, 1918, in France.

For purposes of identification, you are advised that the records show that the deceased was enlisted June 21, 1917, and the name of the person to be notified in case of emergency was given as: Thomas Gurman, (father), Kager, Kansas Co., W. Va.

APR 21 1921  
ADJUTANT GENERAL'S OFFICE  
WASHINGTON, D. C.

RECEIVED  
APR 21 1921  
G. H. S.

FROM: O.Q.M.G.  
CEMETERIAL DIVISION  
Munitions Building  
Room

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

ACQUISITION  
AUG 15 1921  
55090

PLEASE  
EXPEDITE

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

File No. Requisition

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

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.

NOTED FORM 115  
DATE 4-12-21

- a. Surname CUREMAN, OK
- b. Christian name William B. Willie B. OK
- c. Serial Number 544737 OK
- d. Organization Co. G, 30th Inf. OK  
or (Co. G, 30th Inf.) OK
- e. Rank Pvt. OK
- f. Date of death 10-24-18 (over)
- g. Cause of death K/A
- h. Authority (C.O.#)
- i. Emergency address
- j. Relationship

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

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

- 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)
- a. Strike out teeth missing
- |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |             |   |   |            |   |   |   |
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CW H. L. ROGERS, Quartermaster General, U.S.A.

BY: *[Signature]* V.A. gee 2-201  
H. J. CONNER, 1st. Lieut. Q.M.C.

CEMETERY NO: 1252-Sec.24

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WAR DEPARTMENT  
Office of the Quartermaster General of the Army  
Washington

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

Date 4-5-21

File No. Requisition

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

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 CUREMAN, OK. f. Date of death ~~10-24-18~~ (over)
- b. Christian name William B. Willie B. OK. g. Cause of death K/A
- c. Serial Number 544737 OK. h. Authority (C.O.#)
- d. Organization Co. G, 30th Inf. ~~i. Emergency address~~
- e. Rank Pvt. OK ~~j. Relationship~~

NOTED FORM 115  
DATE 4-12-21

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

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

BY:

H. J. CONNER,  
1st. Lieut. Q.M.C.

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Case under investigation, immediately upon the completion of which your office will be promptly advised.

*V. a. g. e.*  
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Cor. Sec., Inv. Gr.  
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(Date)

FORM 115 has been compiled on the following case:-

CEMETERY NO. 1232 SECTION 24

FORM 115 Sheet No. 43

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(Initials)

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Form No. 1011.

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February 3, 1921.

293.8 Cem. Div #55090 - Registration.

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

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

Subject: Case of Private 1st class Willie B. Curfman, 544737, Co. G,  
30th Infantry.

1. Receipt is acknowledge of communication from your office, dated January 29, 1921, with reference to grave location of the above named soldier.

2. It is necessary to institute a detailed investigation in this case, results of which may not be reached for some time, due to the nature of the work.

3. When definite information is discovered in this case same will be forwarded.

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

By:

Inv. S. S.  
Inv. & Adj.

SS

M. N. GREELEY,  
Captain, Q.M.G.

*MG*

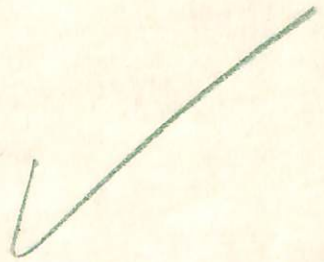
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*[Handwritten signature and a large checkmark]*

MAILED  
FEB 5 1921  
G.R.S.

We have a straight burial for  
this man but inasmuch  
as date of burial on card  
& S. L. B. do not agree +  
that is mostly what A. S. C.  
wants in acknowledging  
& having case returned for  
investigation.

H. M. S.



THIS MEMORANDUM MUST NOT BE REMOVED

FOLLOW UP NO 1274  
DATE FEB 1 1921

Date JAN 31 1921

- TO:
1. Inquiry Branch for reply:
    - (a) Forms 124 not necessary.
    - (b) Form 124 attached.
  2. Miss Barry
  3. Miss Boland
  4. Mrs. Cairns
  5. Miss Critchett
  6. Lt. Daniel
  7. Mr. Deming
  8. Mr. Good
  9. Lt. Hanson
  10. Mr. Hughitt
  11. Mrs. Landman
  12. Miss Olenin
  13. Miss Rex
  14. Mrs. Ruth
  15. Mr. Saxton
  16. Miss Schlegel
  17. \_\_\_\_\_

WAR DEPARTMENT  
THE ADJUTANT GENERAL'S OFFICE

2-201 VAG

IN REPLY  
REFER TO

AG201 (Curfman, Willie B.)WW

WASHINGTON

January 29, 1921.

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Recorded, Cemeterial Div., O. O. M. G.  
File # 2938 # 55090

SUBJECT: Date and place of burial.

To: The Quartermaster General of the Army,  
Washington, D. C.

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1. A report is desired by this office relative to the date and place of burial, and if reburied, the date and place of original burial of Private Willie B. Curfman, #544,737, Company G, 30th Infantry, or any additional information which your records afford from which this office may ascertain the date of death.

By order of the Secretary of War:

*J. Erwin*

Adjutant General.

*Curfman, Willie B.*

WAR DEPARTMENT

THE ASSISTANT SECRETARY'S OFFICE

WASHINGTON

WILLIE B. [Name]

Date and place of birth.

The Quartermaster General of the Army  
Washington, D. C.

JAN 31 1921  
G. R. S.



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A report is required... and place of birth, and is... of Willie B. [Name]... or any additional... from which this office may... in the date... of original... 3028 1-

In order of the Secretary of War:

Adjutant General



GENERAL DIVISION  
OVERSEAS PROJECT SUB-SEC.

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AG201 (Gurfman, Willie B.)WW

January 29, 1921.

Date and place of burial.

The Quartermaster General of the Army,  
Washington, D. C.

1. A report is desired by this office relative to the date and place of burial, and if reburied, the date and place of original burial of Private Willie B. Gurfman, #544,737, Company G, 30th Infantry, or any additional information which your records afford from which this office may ascertain the date of death.

By order of the Secretary of War:

I. Erwin,  
Adjutant General.

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QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON, D. C.

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January 29, 1921.

AGSOI (Gurham, Willie B.) WW

Date and place of burial.

The Quartermaster General of the Army,  
Washington, D. C.

1. A report is desired by this office relative to the date and place of burial, and if reported, the date and place of original burial of Private Willie B. Gurham, #664, 737, Company G, 80th Infantry, or any additional information which your records afford from which this office may ascertain the date of death.

By order of the Secretary of War:

I. Irwin,  
Adjutant General.



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WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL OF THE ARMY  
CEMETERIAL DIVISION

MEMO. FOR:

for names etc of some of the  
men buried with him. Both  
at Canal & Romagne.

FILE



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

Date 6-10-20

FROM:- INQUIRY BRANCH.

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

NAME *Curfman, Willis B.* Serial Number 544,737RANK *Pvt.* ORGANIZATION *Co. G, 30th Inf.*

NO.	QUESTION	REPLY
1.	Do particulars of soldiers given above agree with Records?	(1) Yes <i>Curfman, William B.</i>
2.	Date of Death.	(2) 10-24-18.
3.	Cause and place of death.	(3) K-A.
4.	Number of Casualty Cablegram.	(4) #319.
5.	Date buried.	(5) 10-26-18.
6.	Grave Location. (a) Complete record required (b) Name of Cemetery or Commune only required. (c) Note reinterments.	(6) Grave #2, Amer. Cty, #1374, Cunell, Gneuse. ✓
7.	Who reported burial?	Reburied: 6-6-19, Grave #110, Sec #24, Plot #3, Argonne Amer. Cty #1232, Romagny-sous-Montfaucon, Gneuse.
8.	Confirmed by G.R.S.?	(10) yes.
9.	Report as to Grave Marker.	(11) Thomas Curfman Kyger, Poane Co., W. Va.
10.	Identification Tags: (a) Buried with body? (b) Attached to grave marker?	(12) 2-3-19. & 1-28-20 - 107, 5-5-19.
11.	Complete Emergency Address?	(14) D-36113.
12.	Has been notified? (Give date)	
13.	Report the exact position of your inquiry on this case. (Reply in all cases if no information on record)	
14.	What is the Photograph No.?	
15.	Inquiry made by?	

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

*H. H.*

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A. G. 201(Curfman, Willie B.)WW

June 4, 1920.

To: The Quartermaster General,  
Washington, D. C.

Subject: Status of Private Willie B. Curfman.

The records of this office show that Private Willie B. Curfman, #544,737, Company G, 30th Infantry, was reported as killed in action October 24, 1918. The authority for this cable is a casualty telegram 3rd Division, dated November 8, 1918, killed in action October 9-24, 1918, not signed. The inventory of the effects shows that he died October 20, 1918. Under the caption military record it shows that he was killed in action October 6-20, 1918. The final indorsement of the service record dated November 13, 1918, over the signature of Capt. James R. Sheppard, Jr., 30th Inf., states that he was killed in action October 6-20, 1918. He is shown as present on the September roster of 1918, but not borne on subsequent rosters. 2nd Lt. Joseph H. Moenig, 30th Inf., states that a letter received in this office Co. G, 30th Inf., dated October 30, 1918, from Chaplain J. D. VanHorn, 11th Inf., stating that he had buried the above named soldier on the 20th of October 1918. He was found in a group of 20 men all killed and buried by this Chaplain.

It is requested that an exhaustive search be made of your records for the date and place of the original burial of Private Curfman, the condition of the body when buried, by whom buried, and if reburied the date and place of reburial. This office will also be furnished the names, organizations and dates of original burial of other soldiers buried in the immediate vicinity of the original grave of Private Curfman.

By order of the Secretary of War:

*F. E. Brown*  
Adjutant General.  


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June 4, 1920

A. G. SOI (Curtman, Willie B.) WW

The Quartermaster General,  
Washington, D. C.

To:

Subject: Status of Private Willie B. Curtman.

The records of this office show that Private Willie B. Curtman, man, #544, 787, Company G, 30th Infantry, was reported as killed in action October 24, 1918. The authority for this cable is a casualty telegram 3rd Division, dated November 8, 1918. Killed in action October 24, 1918, not aimed. The inventory of the effects shows that he died October 20, 1918. Under the caption military record it shows that he was killed in action October 20, 1918. The final indorsement of the service record dated November 13, 1918, over the signature of Capt. James R. Hayward, states that he was killed in action October 20, 1918. He is shown as present on the September roster of the 30th Infantry and as an independent roster. And Lt. Joseph H. Moonie, 30th Inf., stated that a letter received in this office October 30, 1918, from Captain J. D. Vanhook, 11th Inf., stating that he had buried the above named soldier on the 20th of October 1918. He was found in a group of 20 men all killed and buried by this Captain.

It is requested that an exhaustive search be made of your records for the date and place of the original burial of Private Curtman, the condition of the body when buried, by whom buried, and if reported the date and place of reburial. This office will also be furnished the names, organizations and dates of original burial of other soldiers buried in the immediate vicinity of the original grave of Private Curtman.

By order of the Secretary of War:



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WAR DEPARTMENT  
THE ADJUTANT GENERAL'S OFFICE  
WASHINGTON

BCD 2-201

IN REPLY  
REFER TO

A. G. 201(Curfman, Willie B.)WW

June 4, 1920.

To: The Quartermaster General,  
Washington, D. C.

Subject: Status of Private Willie B. Curfman.

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It is requested that an exhaustive search be made of your records for the date and place of the original burial of Private Curfman, the condition of the body when buried, by whom buried, and if reburied the date and place of reburial. This office will also be furnished the names, organizations and dates of original burial of other soldiers buried in the immediate vicinity of the original grave of Private Curfman.

By order of the Secretary of War:

  
Adjutant General.



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WAR DEPARTMENT  
THE ADJUTANT GENERAL'S OFFICE  
WASHINGTON

June 4, 1930

1. C. 201 (Gurman, Willie B.)

IN REPLY  
TO

The Quartermaster General,  
Washington, D. C.

TO:

Subject: Status of Private Willie B. Gurman.

The records of this office show that Private Willie B. Gurman, man, 1544, 707, Company G, 30th Infantry, was reported as killed in action October 24, 1918. The authority for this entry is a casualty telegram 3rd Division, dated November 6, 1918, killed in action October 2-24, 1918, not signed. The inventory of the effects shows that he died October 20, 1918. Under the caption military record it shows that he was killed in action October 2-20, 1918. The final indorsement of the service record dated November 13, 1918, over the signature of Capt. James H. Stephens, Jr., 130th Infantry, states that he was killed in action October 2-20, 1918. He is shown as present on the September roster of 1918, but not borne on subsequent rosters. 2nd Lt. Joseph H. Munnig, 30th Inf., states that a letter received in this office Co. G, 30th Inf., dated October 30, 1918, from Captain J. D. Vanhorn, 11th Inf., stating that he had buried the above named soldier on the 20th of October 1918. He was found in a group of 20 men all killed and buried by this.

It is requested that an exhaustive search be made of your records for the date and place of the burial of Private Gurman, the condition of the body when buried, by whom buried, and if possible the date and place of burial. The names, organizations and dates of operations in the immediate vicinity of the burial in the immediate vicinity of the burial.



By order of the Secretary of War:

Adjutant General

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