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To The A. G. O.

G.R.S. Form #114-B

JAN 7 - 1926

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FULL NAME CURLEY, Alexander

RANK Private SERIAL 263307

DIVISION & ORGANIZATION Company H, 128th Infantry 32

DATE OF DEATH Aug 5, 1918 ✓
DIV-32

STATE FROM WHICH HE CAME Mich ✓

MEDALS OR DECORATIONS AWARDED. none ✓

FINAL GRAVE LOCATION. 24 - 51 9 B

Date Grave Row Block

608

Cemetery

Robert G. Davis,
Major General,
The Adjutant General,
By

RWB

AUDITED BY
202 8-1-24

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WORLD WAR DIV.

23/306/ARK



Co H. 128th Infantry.
32nd Division.

Curley, Alexander. Pvt. 263307.
Home. not given.....

"I saw Alexander Curley hit by a high explosive shell near St. Gilles, France he was severely wounded and was carried back to the 1st. Aid station on Aug. 3rd."
Pvt. Curley died Aug. 5th of wounds, we have no record of the name or number of the Hospt. in which he died.

Informant. Cesco, James. Pvt. 101.
1981373. Co H. 128th Infantry.
Home. Mrs. Lou, Cesco. Tomahawk. Ky.

Signed. Howell M. Abele. 1st. Lt.
Co H. 128th Infantry.

Place S.anges et Newles (Aisne)
CTY. 608

Date 5.12.21

REPORT OF DISINTERMENT AND REBURIAL

1. REMAINS OF CURLY, ALEXANDER SERIAL NUMBER 265307

RANK PVT ORGANIZATION CO. H. 128th. Inf.

2. Disinterred (date): 5.12.21 From (give complete location): Btwn. Grs. 217 and 218 Sec. H. Pt. 5.

By: Group Renouard Unit FIELD SECTION # 7

3. Reburied (date): 5.12.21 In (give complete location): Given new gr. location for purpose of concentration.

By: Group Renouard Unit FIELD SECTION # 7 Nature of reburial BURLAP & PINE BOX

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

BADLY DECOMPOSED FEATURES UNRECOGNIZABLE

U.S. UNIFORM AND BURLAP

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

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

Cross tag reads for organization "CO. I. 125th. INF."

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

(a) Height (actual measurement)

(b) Weight (estimated)

(c) Hair—Color

Quantity

Characteristics

(d) Hair on face—Color

Location

Quantity

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

IMPOSSIBLE TO DET. RMINE

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

FRACTURES: Right femur, right tibia; right radial and ulna.

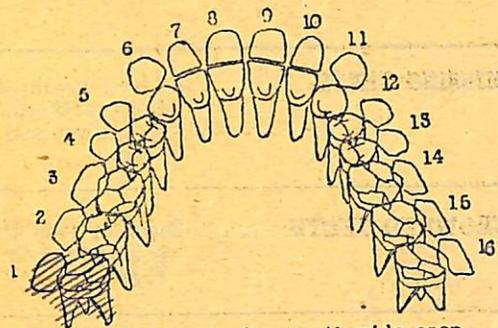
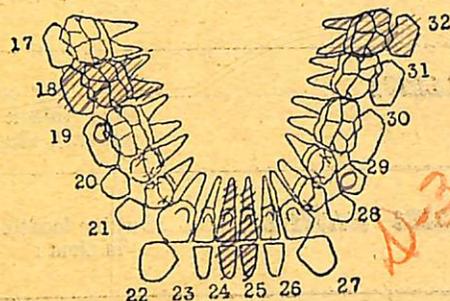


Diagram represents the mouth wide open.



1, 18, 32 mis. a. d.; 24, 25 mis. a. d.; 19, 29 cav.

7. Disinterment supervised by E. J. Renouard
E. J. RENOUCARD, SUP. EMB.

Approved: R. S. Williams
(Title) R. S. WILLIAMS, 1st. Lt. QMC.

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E. J. RENOUCARD, SUP. EMB.

Approved: R. S. Williams
(Title) R. S. WILLIAMS, 1st. Lt. QMC.

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".

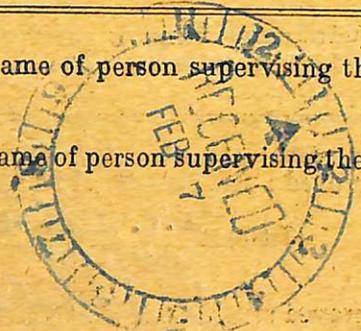
(b) State whether or not body appears to have been a hospital case. Were any identifying articles found in or on body or grave? List any personal effects, letters, money-order receipts, and the like found on body or in grave. Give any and all information which it is thought might be of use in identifying 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>MISSING TEETH All teeth missing through previous extraction (not those fractured or displaced by recent wounds) should be scratched out, thus :</p>	 <p style="text-align: center;">TOOTH MISSING TOOTH MISSING</p>
<p>CROWNED TEETH Block in solid the crown of tooth (label gold, porcelain, or gold and porcelain), thus :</p>	 <p style="text-align: center;">GOLD CROWN PORCELAIN CROWN</p>
<p>BRIDGE WORK Block in solid the crown of tooth (label gold bridge, gold and porcelain bridge), thus :</p>	 <p style="text-align: center;">GOLD AND PORCELAIN BRIDGE GOLDBRIDGE</p>
<p>FILLINGS Draw filling on tooth accurately as possible (block in and label gold, silver, cement), thus :</p>	 <p style="text-align: center;">SILVER FILLING GOLD FILLING</p>
<p>CARIES (CAVITIES) Outline location and size of cavity, shade in thus :</p>	 <p style="text-align: center;">CAVITY DECAYED DECAYED</p>
<p>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."</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.



REPORT OF DISINTERMENT AND REBURIAL.

Remains of:

Name Alexander Curley Number 263807

Rank Pvt. Organization: Co.I.125th. Inf.

Disinterment and Reburial made by Group _____ Unit. 304

Disinterred (Date) 6-11-19 From: (Give complete location)

Grave #44-Cem. #361.

Reburied (Date) 6-11-19 in: (Give complete location)

Grave #217-Sect. H.--Plot #5-Cem. #608-Seringes-Et-Nesle

Map #3w Soissons S.E.

No body in 217 - Curley found between 217 & 218. MBH #11072.

608

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

Burie four feet deep--Body badly decomposed.

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

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

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Note:

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

Supervised by W.W. Darnell

1st. Lt. O.W. Forsberg/

ser
263307

608

xe
30781

Curley, Alexander - Pot est 128 day
~~set~~ of death father + mother ?
S or locs in U. S. ?

Unable to locate rel - Russia
9/27/82

M B

CODE SLIP

30781
 Single M. Dead
 11/11/1918
 Russia

HEADING	SUB-HEADING	NO. OF COLS	CODE
NAME	Curley	3	3120
	Alexander		18
BURIED	CEMETERY 608	1	2
	GRAVE 24	2	24
	ROW 9	2	09
	BLOCK B	1	2
STATE	Mich	2	26
RANK	Priv	1	2
DIVISION	32	2	32
ORGANIZATION	128	3	128
ARM	Inf	1	1
MARITAL	No	1	2
NAME		3	
(Other relatives in Russia)	STATE	2	
RESIDENCE	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		1	

Warrant of
 100 or 2M

AUDITED
 AUG 8 1952
 MB

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P&B

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

DATE 7-20-29

NAME	RANK	SERIAL	ORGANIZATION	DATE OF DEATH
CURLEY, Alexander	Pvt.	263307	Co. H, 128th Inf.	8/5/18

STATE	CTY. NO.	GRAVE	ROTT	BLOCK
	608	24	9	B

	<u>Check relationship</u>	<u>Living - Deceased</u>	
NAME AND ADDRESS	MOTHER	: : :	<i>Unable to locate any relatives.</i>
	STEPMOTHER (For the year prior to com- mencement of service)	: : :	
	MOTHER THRU ADOPTION (For the year prior to commencement of service)	: : :	
	MOTHER IN LOCO PARENTIS (For the year prior to commencement of service)	: : :	
	WIDOW (Who has not remarried)	: : :	
		: : :	
		: : :	

Veterans Bureau Claim Number 30781
29/156

DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY
HEADQUARTERS
WASHINGTON



Make to locate
my relatives.

RECEIVED
AUG 10 1922
HEADQUARTERS DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY

QM 293 A-C

Curley, Alexander

February 15, 1929.

Mr. August Musielak,
Alto Hotel,
Sault Ste Marie, Mich.

Dear Sir:

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

The enclosed card gives the final resting place of the late Alexander Curley, Private, Company H, 128th Infantry.

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

1 Incl.
Record card.

DISPATCHED

Q. M. GEN. J. R. CH.
FEB 15 AM 1929

To be prepared in triplicate.

DATE February 20, 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	CURLEY, Alexander	10. Name	
2. No.	263307	11. No.	
3. Rank	Pvt.	12. Rank	
4. Org.	Co. H, 128th Inf.	13. Org.	
5. D.D.	August 5, 1918	14. (a) D.D.	
6. C.D.	Wounds	(b) D.B.	

Discrepancy found upon disinterment

7. Grave No.	51	Sec.		15. Grave No.		Sec.	
8. Plot	Block B	Row	9	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)	February 20, 1928	By	L. Gordon				
24. Inscription on grave marker :							
Name	CURLEY, Alexander	Serial No.	263307				
Rank	Pvt.	Organization	Co. H, 128th Inf.				
25. Was identification disc found on grave marker ?		On body ?					

Signature Junior Technical Assistant

PREPARATION

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

27. Condition of body

28. Nature of burial Pine box and burlap

29. Any discrepancy noted upon examination of body, as compared with G.R.S. records quoted above ?

30. Body prepared and placed in casket: Date February 20, 1928 By L. Gordon

31. Casket sealed by L. Gordon

Signature of Embalmer, (Supervisor

L. Gordon.

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

32. Designation of body : _____

Name CURLEY, Alexander Serial No. 263307

Rank Pvt. Organization Co. H, 128th Inf.

33. Consigned to : _____

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

34. Casket boxed and marked (Date) February 20, 1928 By Charles E. Spahn

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

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

36. Remarks _____

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

To point of Concentration _____

Convoyer _____ (Name)

Signature Shipping officer _____

38. Received at Railhead or Point of Concentration : Date _____

By G.R.S. Representative _____

39. Shipped from Railhead or Point of Concentration : Date _____

To Permanent Cemetery _____

Convoyer _____ (Name)

Signature Shipping Officer _____

40. Received : Date _____

G.R.S. Representative _____

41. Reinterred February 20, 1928, Oise-Aisne American Cty.

(Date)

42. Grave No. 24 Section _____

43. Plot Block B Row 9

G.R.S. Representative William E. Moore

William E. Moore, Superintendent.

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1. REMAINS OF CURLLY, Alexander SERIAL NUMBER 263307
RANK Private ORGANIZATION Co. H. 128th Inf.

2. Disinterred (date) : February 20, 1928 From (give complete location) :
Grave 51, Block B, Row 9
By : Group Cty. Unit _____

3. Reburied (date) : February 20, 1928 In (give complete location) :
Grave 24, Block B, Row 9
By : Group Cty. Unit _____ Nature of Reburial Metalic casket

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

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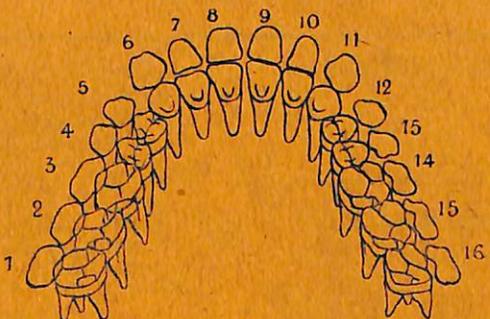
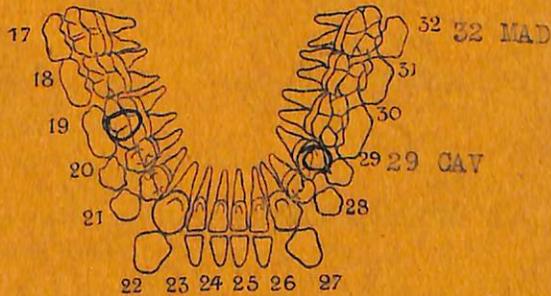


Diagram represents the mouth wide open



32 MAD 25 broken off

(f) Wounds or missing parts (received at time of casualty) _____
Right and left clavicle missing. Left februla fractured lower third. Right femur fractured lower joint. Right radius, ulna and scapula missing.

7. Disinterment supervised by [Signature] Approved : _____
(Title) _____

8. Reburial supervised by [Signature] Approved : _____
(Title) _____

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WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

QM 293 A-C

CURLEY, Alexander - Pvt.

November 4, 1925

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Sault Ste Marie, Michigan.

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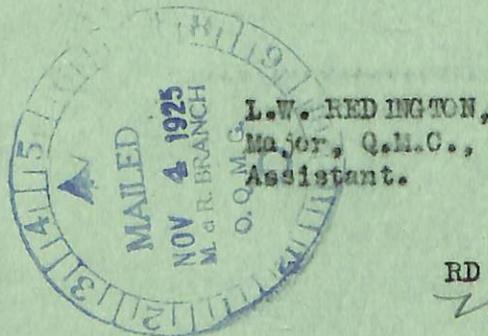
The Quartermaster General desires to invite your attention to the inclosed card which gives the permanent cemetery location of the soldier's grave in which you are interested.

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

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

Very truly yours,

1 Incl.
Record card.



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1/27/25

ACTION REQUESTED.

Request endorsement to A.G.O. replying to their letter 1/19/25 file 293.3 (1-19-25) WW; subject- Deceased Soldiers, advising them

BILETS: Peter- #1,723,124- Pvt. Co. A, 121 M.G.Bn. DWRIA 8/6/1918
Buried- Grave 51, Row 8, Block B, Oise-Aisen American Cty., #608
R.C. Searcher's report lists Mrs. Peodonia Bilets- Krevlin, Volynsk, Russia.
Letter sent Jan. 3, 1920 to Mrs. Mary Michalska- sister- 534 Third Ave., Brooklyn, N.Y. was returned unclaimed.

CURLEY: Alexander- #263,207, Pvt., Co., H, 128th Inf. DWRIA 8/5/1918
Buried- Grave 21, Row 9, Block B, Oise-Aisme American Cty. # 608
No reply received from letters of inquiry relative to disposition of body sent out by G.R.S. in Europe to Mr. Joe Curley-father, Lomoza, Poland.

GOWAN: James- #274,202- Pvt. Co. F, 127th Inf. DWRIA 8/3/1918
Buried Grave 14, Row 25, Block A, Oise-Aisne American Cty #608
attached hereto are papers- (a) letter from lady with whom soldier made his home, (b) copy of letter of Han. 15, 1918 written from Camp McArthur by James Gowan (original not on our files.).

KORSONSKY: MORRIS- #2,388,824- Pvt. Co. M, 61st Inf. KIA 6;21/1918
Buried- Grave 25, Row 33, Block D, Muese-Argonne American Cty., # 1232
No record of notification ~~letter~~ sent out 9/7/1922 to Mrs. Dvara Korsonsky, M, Baklyne-Kiev, Coberny-Basilkovsky, Oezde, Russia as having been returned unclaimed.
Letter on file 2/5/23 from M. Silverman- Personal Welfare Division, Jewish Welfare Board, National Office, 352 Fourth Ave, N.Y.City. copy hereto attached.

MARES: John- #2,258,965- Pvt. Co. D, 58th Inf. KIA 8/6/1918
Grave location under investigation.
Letter sent to father Mr. Joe Mares- Ocothan, Novels, Mexico, returned unclaimed.

MATTIG: Michael-#550,025 Pvt. Co. C, 38th Inf. DWRIA 7/15/1918
Buried- Grave 37, Row 23, Block B, Oise-Aisne American Cty., # 608
Red Cross Searcher's report lists Hans Anderson- friend- Modena, N.Y.
Attached hereto are (a) letter from Mr. Anderson of 4/8/1918 (b) copy of your reply of 9/27/1919.
Advise from Veteran's Bureau- beneficiary- Antonio Mattig- brother 2493 Hughes Ave. N.Y.City, N.Y.

NOLAN: Edward J.- #550,085 - Cpl. Co. F, 59th Inf. KIA 7/19/1918
Buried- Grave 90, Row 10, Block A, Aisne-Marne American Cty. # 1764
Letter sent out March 1921 addressed to Mr. Andrew Waun, 32 Oak St. Coatesville, Penna, returned unclaimed with notation -Moved left no address.

OGORODMIK: Thomas- 559663- Pvt. Co. D, 58th Inf. KIA 7/19/18
Buried- Grave 89, Row 4, Block A, Aisne-Marne American Cty. #1764
No E/A than Mts. Mary Ogorodmik- mother- Kniazy, Kernicy, Kieff, Russia.

ROTS: Charles- #101,524 - Pvr. Co. G, 168th Inf. KIA 7/15/1918
Buried, Gra e 17, Row 19, Block A., Muese-Argonne American Cty, # 1232
Notification ltter of 8-7-1923 sent to Mrs. Julia Rotz- 1918 Watt St. Philadelphia, Penna. returned Unclaimed.

- SMITH: Fred- #107,835- Pvt. 1/c Co., D, 5th M.G.Bn DWRIA 7/2/1918
Buried- Grave 48, Row 7, Block A, Aisne-Marne American Cty. # 1764
AGO disposition card- filled out by Mrs. Sarah Jackson- 114 Harrison
Place, Syracuse, N.Y. who gives her relationship as foster-mother.
- SWIRGN(also spelled Sworng) Andrew- serial 54,539- Pvt. Co. I, 26th Inf. KIA 7/18/18
our records carry him as "SWORGN as per your correction on our form
8-w-a of 3/1/1922
Grave still unlocated. No correspondence on file.
- WILLIAMS: Sam #2,654,183- Pvt. Co. B, 327th Labor Bn. D. of D. 7/4/1918
No papers located on this soldier.
Death report signed by Wm. S. Terreberry, Col. M.C.U.S. copy of which
is in our files lists body shipped to Nancy Davis- friend- c/o
D.Howard- undertaker- Atlanta, Ga. 7/9/1918
- BERRIAN; Thomas J. #2,436819- Pvt. 27th Co. 7th Training Bn. 158th Deot. Brig.
D. of pneu. 7/6/1917 at Camp Sherman, Ohio.
No papers located in our file other than a report- Buried at Soldier's
Circle #3, Grave 41, Green Lawn Cemetery, Chillicothe, Ohio.
A.G.O. 9/6/18 (there is no National Cty. at Chillicothe. ~~There is a~~
~~Conf. Section in Green Lawn Cty.~~ (per verbal report of Cem. Div.)
- PALUSJK; Mike- #43526- Pvt. Co. H, 18th Inf. KIA 7/20/1918
Grave location under investigation. (no additional information re- N/K
reported per phone 1/14/25
- MILLER Joseph-G.-#2,144,836- Pvt. 6th Co., 163rd Dept. Brig. Died 9/16/1918
of pneumonia at Whipple Barracks, Arizona.
Buried in Grave 127-B, Post Cty. Whipple Barracks, Ariz.
Notation on Death report- copy of which is on our files
'In line of duty, not result of his own misconduct. Amount of Government
insurance at time of death; #10,000. Person to be notified in case of
emergency; Father J.H.Mess, Winner, Germany. signed by C.E.Holmberg,
Lt. Col.M.C. per J--(no personal papers on file.
- SERREY: John E. #293,966- Pvg. Co., E 9th Inf. KIA 7/18/1918
Grave unlocated.
No correspondence on file. (reported per phone 1/14/1925)
- 2- Re; LEE; Leo J. 1,029,921- Pvt. Co. K, 37th Inf. Drowned 6/30/1918
On recovery the body was interred in grave 127 Sec. 7, Ft. McIntosh, Tex.
Post Cty., however the body of this soldier was shipped by Express on
Government B/L 455834, August 21, 1919
Remains shipped to Mrs. Kate McNulty- 696 Bergen St. Brooklyn, N.Y.
(per consignee on B/L) Letter forwarded by Sen. Calder under cover of
his letter of 7/15/1918 was returned to him under cover of our letter of
7/25/1918.
3. Edward J. Nolan- 561085- Co. F, 59th Inf. KIA 7/19/18, It is requested
that this office be advised as to the date of promotion to tank of Cpl
and date of demotion to rank of Pvt. also rank at time of soldier's
killed. death.

E. Kensett Vail
Investigator.

WAR DEPARTMENT
THE ADJUTANT GENERAL'S OFFICE

AAG-RIM 1-118

A.G. 293.3
(1-19-25) WW

SUBJECT; Deceased Soldiers.

January 19, 1925

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

1. It is requested that this office be furnished with the permanent burial place and any information regarding the relatives of the following named soldiers as requested by telephone January 16th;

Bilets, Peter, serial number 1,723,124, private, Company A, 121st Machine Gun Battalion, died August 6, 1918, at Field Hospital #127, of wounds received in battle.

Curley, Alexander, serial number 263,307, private, Company H, 128th Infantry, died August 5, 1918, at Evacuation Hospital #6, of wounds received in action.

Gowan, James, serial number 274,202, private, Company F, 127th Infantry, died August 3, 1918, at Base Hospital #125, of wounds received in action.

Korsonsky, Morris, serial number 2,388,824, private, Company M, 61st Infantry, died June 21, 1918, killed in action.

Mares, John, serial number 2,258,965, private, Company D, 58th Infantry, died August 6, 1918, killed in action.

Mattig, Michael, serial number 550,025, private, Company C, 38th Infantry, died July 15, 1918, killed in action.

Nolan, Edward J., serial number 561085, corporal, Company F, 59th Infantry, died July 19, 1918, killed in action.

Ogorodnik, Thomas, serial number 569,662, private, Company B, 58th Infantry, died July 19, 1918, killed in action.

Rots, Charles, serial number 101,524, private, Company G, 168th Infantry, died July 15, 1918, killed in action.

Smith, Fred, serial number 107,835, private 1st class, Company D, 5th Machine Gun Battalion, died July 2, 1918, of wounds received in battle.

Swirgn, (also spelled Sworng) Andrew, serial number 54,539, private, Company I, 26th Infantry, died July 18, 1918, killed in action.

Williams, Sam, serial number 2,854,183, private, Company B, 327th Labor Battalion, died at Camp Stuart, Virginia, July 4, 1918, of nephritis and ure

Berrian, Thomas J., serial number 2,436,819, private, 27th Company, 7th Training Battalion, 158th Depot Brigade, died July 6th, 1918, at Base Hospital, Camp Sherman, Ohio, of pneumonia.

Palusjk, Mike, serial number 43,526, private, Company H, 16th Infantry, died July 20th, 1918, killed in action.

Miller, Joseph G., serial number 2,144,836, private, 6th Company, 163rd Depot Brigade, died September 16, 1918, at Whipple Barracks, Arizona, of pneumonia.

Serrey, John E., serial number 293,966, private, Company E, 9th Infantry, died July 18, 1918, killed in action.

2. Report has previously been furnished by your office in the case of Lee John Lee, serial number 1,829, 921, private, Company K, 37th Infantry, who died June 30, 1916, by reason of drowning and was buried at Fort McIntosh, Texas. However, the records of this office show that under date of July 23, 1916, a letter from Senator Calder was forwarded to your office for direct reply to the Senator's request for information as to whether or not it was too late for the body to be sent for burial with other members of the family. It is now requested that search be made of the records to ascertain if the names of the relatives were given in letter forwarded your office as there is only the synopsis of the letter on file in this office and names of relatives are not given.

3. This office desires the above information for making reports to the Director, United States Veteran's Bureau, Washington, D.C. on these soldiers.

By order of the Secretary of War

(signed) W.A. Haverfield.
Adjutant General.

cc y skv.
1/27/25

Curley

Alexander

263,307

(Surname.)

(Christian name in full.)

(Army serial number.)

Private, Company H, 128th Infantry.

(Rank and organization.)

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)

(Number and street or rural route.)

(City, town, or post office.)

(State.)

Read carefully the letter accompanying this card.

RETURNED

UNCLAIMED

Curley,
(Surname.)

Alexander
(Christian name in full.)

262,307
(Army serial number.)

Private, Company H, 128th Infantry.
(Rank and organization.)

State your relationship to the deceased

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(State.)

Read carefully the letter accompanying this card.

E. a
Mr Joz Curley (Father)
Lomoza, Palau

COMPILATION OF DISPOSITION OF REMAINS DATA

File # 9011

I. LOCATION INDEX CARD:

(a) Name CURLEY, Alexander Ser. No. 263307 } TYP. DB
 (b) Rank Pvt. Organization Co. H, 128th Inf. } CKR. 30
 (c) Date of death 8-5-18 (d) Cause of death DWRIA

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

(a) Grave No. 217 Row - Plot 5 Sec. H TYP. DB
 (b) Emerg. Address August Musielak, (Friend) Alto Hotel, Sault Ste. Marie, Mich.

III. Files of soldiers dying from contagious diseases

CKR. 30

Reburied in Grave # 204 Row Plot 4 Sec. K Coy. 608
Sheet 695 Date 5/12/21
This info. not to be released to MIA.
MBH 4/24/22
Inf. & Adj. Dept. (Initials & Date)

(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 _____ Date _____, 1920.

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

_____, dated _____

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

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

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

No request for disposition

(a) Cancellation memos referred to? _____

Examiner's Initials E. M. Date 12-14, 1920.

COUNTRY FRANCE CEMETERY No. 608 SHEET No. 695

CARDED

COMPLETED

Received 4/19/21
3-17-21

COMPILATION OF DISPOSITION OF REMAINS DATA

File # 9011

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III. Files of soldiers dying from contagious diseases _____ CKR. [initials]

A. G. O. DISPOSITION CARD:

No card in file 12-14-20 mks

(a) Name _____ (b) 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. _____

Examiner's Initials _____ Date _____, 1920.

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COUNTRY FRANCE CEMETERY No. 608 SHEET No. 695

CARDED

NOT COMPLETED

Received 4/19/21
3-17-21

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

Typed by _____, Checked by _____, 1920.

VIII. FINAL ACTION.

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

PARAGRAPH 2 - NOT TO BE RETURNED



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IX.

CORRECTIONS

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

Investigation made by this office and grave location shown on our records is correct. MCH 5/12/21

X. SUSPENSION REMARKS: *B.A.H.R. - Mr. Joe Curley (Father) Lomoga, Poland, Russia. (3-17-21) m.*

4/8/21 - Hoboken referred case to Europe for follow-up + necessary actions - HCX 4/15/21 -

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

- APR 9 1921 ABR

11/4/21 - Europe advised letters written father in Poland have rec'd no replies. - Body to be interred in C.A.C. France - 12/15/21 - m.m.m.

Name _____

Rank _____

Serial No. _____

Name

Rank

Serial No.

Org.

Remarks :

.....
A. G. O. Card & Corr.

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Discrepancies

Name

Rank

Serial No.

Org.

Remarks :

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G. R. S. Corr.

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Discrepancies

Name

Rank

Serial No.

Org.

Remarks :

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Checkers

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Discrepancies

Name

Rank

Serial No.

Org.

Remarks : *War Dept 6 A*

checked by H.H.

S/1100/LML *12-15-20*

November 4th 1921

File No.293.9 Disp.Cem.#608

From : Chief
To : Quartermaster General, Munitions Building, Washington, D.C.
Subject : Disposition of remains of Pvt. Alexander CURLEY, #263307,
Co. H, 128th Inf., Cem.#608, Seringes-et-Nesles, Aisne,
France.

1. Reference letter Cem.Div., Hoboken, dated April 8th,1921, File No.293.8, to this Service, wherein it was directed that we communicate with the next of kin of the above deceased soldier, you are advised that letters were written, as instructed, to Mr. Joe Curley (Father), Lomoza, Poland, on April 27th, June 20th, and September 9th,1921, enclosing our official form certificate for execution.

2. No replies having been received to said correspondence, the remains of the above deceased soldier will be left in France, for final burial in a permanent American cemetery.

C.L. SAMPSON

H. F. RETHERS,
Colonel, Q.M.C.

^K
JLK/CR



Noted on Form No. 1157 "a"
Date 12/15/21

Original in G.R.

File No. 293.8 Gen. Div., Cor. Br.
(CURLY, Alexander)

April 8th, 1921.

FROM: The Graves Registration Service, Hoboken, N. J.
TO: Chief, American Graves Registration Service in Europe.
SUBJECT: Data relating to deceased soldier whose nearest of kin resides in a foreign country.

1. Reference remains, the late Private Alexander Curley, Serial Number 862807, Company H, 128th Infantry, cemetery 606, cable reference number 695; the records of this office indicate that Mr. Joe Curley, father and nearest of kin to the late soldier, resides at Lamosa, Poland.

2. Papers are forwarded for your information and it is requested that your office ascertain the desires of the nearest of kin and take such action as may be deemed advisable.

Mailed-O.P.D.

APR 8 1921

R. E. MANNON,
Captain, Quartermaster Corps,
Officer in Charge.

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Cantonment District

Apr 9 1921

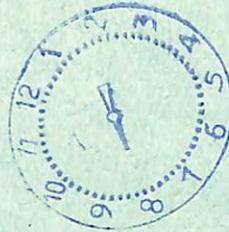
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WAR DEPARTMENT
QUARTERMASTER CORPS
GRAVES REGISTRATION SERVICE
PIER 2, HOBOKEN, N. J.

File No. 293.8 Cem.Div., Cor.Br.
(CURLEY, Alexander)

April 6th, 1921.

MEMORANDUM FOR: Chief, Cemeterial Division, O.Q.M.G., Washington, D. C.

SUBJECT: Return of Records.
Transmittal Memorandum Number H-3026.

1. Returned herewith are records pertaining to the late Private Alexander Curley, Serial Number 263307, Company H, 128th Infantry, whose nearest of kin resides in Poland. This case has been referred to the Chief, American Graves Registration Service in Europe for follow up and it is recommended that the records be held in your office pending further advice from Europe as to the final disposition of the remains of the deceased soldier.

R. E. SHANNON,
Captain, Quartermaster Corps,
Officer in Charge.

BY:

F. C. Pallas
F. C. PALLAS,
Executive Assistant.

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File No. 293.8 Cem.Div., Cor.Br.
(CURLEY, Alexander)

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R. E. SHANNON,
Captain, Quartermaster Corps,
Officer in Charge.

BY:

F. C. PALLAS,
Executive Assistant.

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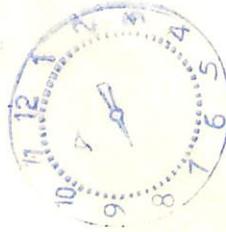
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Commercial Division

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Director, Overseas Project
G. H. S.

BY:

Officer in Charge
Overseas Project Sub-Section
G. H. S.

of the Overseas Project
from which as to the time of activation of the working
records as they in some cases pending further action
which for reason as and it is recommended that the
to the Office, American Office Registration Bureau in
the records in being. This case has been referred
to the Office of the Director, Overseas Project, Bureau of
the State Department, Bureau of Overseas Project, Bureau of
I. Recommended procedure also records pertaining to

Director, Overseas Project Bureau H-2030
Bureau of Records

RECOMMENDED FOR: Office, Commercial Division, G. H. S., Bureau of
G. H. S.

(Office, Overseas Project)
Bureau of Overseas Project, Bureau of

Office, Overseas Project

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

Harlow C. W.

Please Rush

NAME OF DECEASED SOLDIER

CEMETERY NO.

DATE

C *30781*
Curley, Alexander, Pvt.

608 - 695

Dec. 14, 1920

SERIAL NUMBER

ORGANIZATION

263307

Co. H. 128th Inf.

Date of death - 8-5-18

WAR RISK INSURANCE INFORMATION

Copy forwarded to
Adjustment Department

DATE

3-14-21 Reed

Date *3-17-21 'M'*

NAME OF BENEFICIARY

RELATIONSHIP

Mr Joe Curley

(Father)

Address

Somoza, Poland, Russia

S-709/MB

WAR DEPARTMENT

Handwritten initials

MAR 25 1921

OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL OF THE ARMY
CEMETERIAL DIVISION

WASHINGTON
Hoboken, N. J.

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

To: **Mr. August Musielak, Alto Hotel, Sault Ste. Marie, Mich.**

SUBJECT: Remains of **Pvt. Alexander Curley, Ser. No. 263307, Co. H, 128th Inf.**

The records of this office show that you have requested that the body of the above-named ~~individual~~
~~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? INSTRUCTIONS FOR FILING ONLY

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		

Date _____

Signature _____

Address _____

Relationship _____

Address _____ Relationship _____, 192

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.

I. LOCATION INDEX CARD:

(a) Name GURLEY, Alexander Ser. No. 263307
 (b) Rank Pvt. Organization Co. H, 126th Inf.
 Cause of death DWHA
 (c) Date of death 8-5-18

} TYP DB
AD

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

(a) Grave No. 217 Row Between 217 & 218 - MCHH/100 Plot 5 Sect. H TYP DB
 (b) Emerg. Address August Musielak, (Friend) Alto Hotel, Sault Ste. Marie, Mich.

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

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 acw 9/7/21

V. Following advice forwarded to Europe by (cable on 192
 (Letter of transmittal on JAN 15 1921)
PARAGRAPH 2 - NOT TO BE RETURNED
acw

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

VII. SUPPLEMENTARY REQUESTS

Date of and source	Relationship and name	Desires	Action taken
<i>11/4/21</i>	<i>- Europe advises letters written father in Poland have recd. no replies - Body to be int. in P.A.C. France -</i>	<i>12/15/21 - H. m. m.</i>	

VIII. Form 115 received from G.R.S. Hoboken, N.J. 4-9-21 192

COUNTRY FRANCE CEMETERY NO. 606 SHEET NO. 695

H.S. 3-18-24

HEADQUARTERS
AMERICAN Graves REGISTRATION SERVICE, Q.M.C., IN EUROPE
8, AVENUE D'ENNA.

PARIS June 20th 1921

File No. 293.9 Disp. Cem. #608

Mr. Joe Curley,
LOMOZA,
Poland.

Dear Sir,

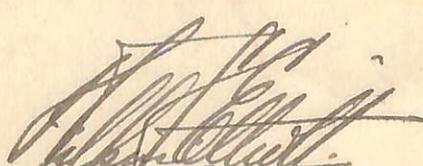
On April 27th 1921, this office communicated with you re-
questing a statement of your desire as to the final disposition of the
remains of your son, Pvt. Alexander CURLEY, #263307, Co. H, 18th Inf.,
who is now temporarily buried in Cemetery #608, Seringes-et-Nesles,
Aisne, France.

Up to the present time, no reply has been received, and you
are again informed that the American Government is prepared to bury these
remains:

- (a) In a National Cemetery in the United States;
- (b) Concentrate the remains for permanent burial in a permanent
American Cemetery in France;
- (c) Transport the remains to your address, at the expense of the
U.S. Government, provided the health regulations and sanitary
laws will permit the entry of the remains, and provided the
deceased was, for a period of time prior to his enlistment in
the U.S. Army, a resident of the city, town or neighbourhood
in which you live. If the deceased was not a resident of the
place at which you now live, this Service will transport the
remains to such place at which he was a resident. Burial ex-
penses are to be borne by you.

It is requested that you will return this letter with your
wishes clearly indicated thereon, so that we may have a record as to your
preference; and in the event that you desire the remains shipped to you
or some other place under the conditions referred to in (c), the attached
affidavit should be taken before an official in your commune, properly au-
thorized to administer oaths, sworn to and sealed, and forwarded to this
office together with your reply.

Yours sincerely,


Chas. A. MORROW,
Captain, Q.M.C.

1 encl.
WSE/OK

293
Curley
Alexander
9-1-81

CITY

PROVINCE

COUNTRY

Date

Personally appeared before me, the undersigned authority empowered to administer oaths one, _____ who being duly sworn, deposes and says that

FULL NAME

Pvt. Alexander CURLEY, #263307, Co. H, 128th Inf. _____ was a bona-fide resident of _____
SOLDIER'S NAME, RANK AND ORGANIZATION

_____ for a period prior to his enlist-

CITY

PROVINCE

COUNTRY

_____ she
ment in the United States Army; that or _____ is the legal
_____ he

next of kin and requests that the remains of _____ be returned
SOLDIER'S NAME

to _____ whose address is _____

CONSIGNEE

CITY

PROVINCE

COUNTRY

_____ her
at the expense of the United States Government for delivery to or or above desig-
_____ him

_____ she
nated consignee. Further deponent sayeth that or _____ agrees
_____ he NAME

to relieve the United States Government of all responsibility in connection with the burial of the remains, care and upkeep of the grave or cemetery, after

_____ her
said remains have been finally delivered to or or above designated consignee
_____ him

_____ by a representative of the American Graves Registration
NAME

Service, Q.M.C., in Europe, at _____

MUST BE SAME POINT AS APPEARS IN LINE NINE

Signature _____

*Post Office Address _____

Subscribed and sworn to before me by the above named this _____

day of _____ 192 . At _____

Signature of Official _____

Official Title _____

The official seal must not be omitted.

57-1-81

HEADQUARTERS
AMERICAN Graves REGISTRATION SERVICE, Q.M.C., IN EUROPE
8, AVENUE D'ENNA

PARIS April 27th 1921.

File No. 293.9 Disp. Cem. #608

Mr. Joe CURLEY,
Lomoza,
Poland.

Déar Sir,

The United States Army requests a statement from you as to your wishes regarding the disposition of the remains of your late son, Pvt. Alexander CURLEY, #263307, Co. H, 128th Infantry, who is buried in Cemetery #608, Seringes-et-Nesles, Aisne, France.

The American Government is prepared to bury these remains:

- (a) In a National Cemetery in the United States;
- (b) Concentrate the remains for permanent burial in a permanent American Cemetery in France;
- (c) Transport the remains to your address, at the expense of the U.S. Government, provided the health regulations and sanitary laws will permit the entry of the remains, and provided the deceased was, for a period of time prior to his enlistment in the U.S. Army, a resident of the city, town or neighbourhood in which you live. If the deceased was not a resident of the place at which you now live, this Service will transport the remains to such place at which he was a resident. Burial expenses are to be borne by you.

It is requested that you will return this letter with your wishes clearly indicated thereon, so that we may have a record as to your preference; and in the event that you desire the remains shipped to you or some other place under the conditions referred to in (c) the attached affidavit should be taken before an official in your commune, properly authorized to administer oaths, sworn to and sealed, and forwarded to this office together with your reply.

Yours sincerely,

*No War Risk Insurance
See Death Certificate File*

Chas. K. MORROW,
Captain, Q.M.C.

1 293.9
WEB/CR

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18-1-81

CITY

PROVINCE

COUNTRY

Date _____

Personally appeared before me, the undersigned authority empowered to administer oaths one, _____ who being duly sworn, deposes and

says that ^{FULL NAME} Private Alexander CURLEY, #263307, Co. "H", 128th Infantry

SOLDIER'S NAME, RANK AND ORGANIZATION

was a bona fide resident of _____

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for a period prior to his enlistment in the United States Army; that or she
_____ is the legal next of kin and requests that the remains he

of _____ be returned to

SOLDIER'S NAME

whose address is

CONSIGNEE

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at the expense of the United States Government for delivery to or or above her
him

designated consignee. Further deponent sayeth that or she
he

agrees to relieve the United States Government of all responsibility in connection with the burial of the remains, care and upkeep of the grave her

or cemetery, after said remains have been finally delivered to or or above her
him

designated consignee _____ by a representative of the American Graves
Registration Service, Q.M.C., in Europe, at _____

MUST BE SAME POINT AS APPEARS IN LINE NINE

Signature _____

Post Office Address _____

Subscribed and sworn to before me by the above named this _____

day of _____ 192 . At _____

Signature of Official _____

Official title _____

The official seal must not be omitted.

HEADQUARTERS
AMERICAN Graves REGISTRATION SERVICE Q.M.C. IN EUROPE
8, AVENUE D'IENA

File No. 293.9 Disp. Cem. #608

PARIS September 9, 1921.

Mr. Joe Curley,
Lomoza,
Poland.

Dear Sir:

On April 27th and June 20th, 1921, this office communicated with you, requesting a statement of your wishes regarding the final disposition of the remains of your son, Pvt. Alexander Curley, #263307, Co. H, 128th Inf., who is now buried in PERMANENT Cemetery #608, Seringes-et-Nesles, Aisne, France. No reply has been received therefrom.

Do you wish his body to remain buried in said Permanent American Cemetery in France, or removed therefrom and buried in a National Cemetery in the United States? In either decision the U. S. Government bears all expenses incurred.

However, should you prefer the remains for private interment, the U. S. Government will DELIVER same free of expense, provided the health regulations and sanitary laws permit the entry into Poland; and provided further that the deceased was, at some time during his life, a resident of the town, city, or neighborhood in which you now live.

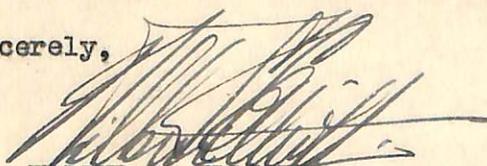
If the deceased never resided in your community, then this Service will transport the remains to the place where he actually did reside in Poland.

All expenses covering burial, tombstones, and future care of the grave and cemetery are to be paid by you.

In the event it is desired that the remains be shipped to you for private interment, the attached Certificate should be filled out, signed and sworn to by you, as the next of kin, in the presence of an official of your Commune who has authority to administer oaths; also it must be signed and sealed by said official. The legally-executed Certificate should then be returned to this Service.

If you wish to express your desires in any way, write them clearly on the bottom of this letter and return same to us.

Very sincerely,


WILBUR S. ELLIOTT,
Captain, Q.M. Corps,

Chief Statistical Branch, Adm. Div.

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GRAVE LOCATION BLANK

LOCATION OF THE GRAVE OF

Curley 263807 Alexander
(Surname.) (Number.) (First Name and Initials.)

? Co. I 128 Inf.
(Rank.) (Organization.)

DATE OF BURIAL Aug 5/18

PLACE OF BURIAL

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

Wheatfield north of road east of
Cherry near crossing of small
stream at old abattoir

GRAVE NUMBER 40

HOW MARKED: Name Peg? Yes Cross?

Headboard? Bottle?

IDENTIFICATION TAGS:

Was one buried with body? Yes

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

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

REPORTED BY:

Geo. Craig Stewart Chaplain
(Signature and Rank of Reporting Officer.)

This portion to be sent to Chief of Graves Registration Service

Evac. Hosp. #6

FILE UNDER NO. 9011

- CURLEY, Alexander

INDEX SHEET

SYNOPSIS

See Board of Review letter dated September 9, 1921
and reply thereto.

The letter referred to above and the board of Review
Proceedings on Sec. H. Plot 5, Cemetery No, 608, which
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Cemetery No. 608

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WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL OF THE ARMY
WASHINGTON

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

File No. *9011* Registration.

Date *4/24/22*

From: The Quartermaster General, U S. Army, (Cemeterial 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 *Curley*
- b. Christian name *Alexander*
- c. Serial number *263307*
- d. Organization *Co. H, 128th Inf.*
- e. Rank *Priv.*
- f. Date of death
- g. Cause of death
- h. Authority (C.C.#)
- i. Emergency address
- j. Relationship

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

- a. Age at 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)

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AP 15 1918
BY: *H. J. ROGERS,*
Quartermaster General, U.S.A.,
128th Inf.

H. J. CONNER,
Captain, Q.M.C.

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL OF
WASHINGTON

FROM: O.Q.M.G.,
CEMETERIAL DIVISION
Munitions Building
Room
2442

PLEASE
EXPEDITE

File No. 9011 ~~263307~~ Registration. Date

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Subject: Information required for G. R. S.

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a. Surname. Curley ✓
b. Christian name. Alexander ✓
c. Serial number. ~~263307~~ ✓ 263307.
d. Organization. Co. ~~3~~, 128th Inf. ✓
e. Rank. Private. ✓

f. Date of death. Aug 5, 1918.
g. Cause of death. Wounds rec'd in action.
h. Authority (C. C. No.) 220.
i. Emergency address. Joe Curley, August Muehlen, Lamoza, Poland, Alto Hotel, Sault Ste Marie, Mich.
j. Relationship. Father, Friend.

BODY DESCRIPTION.

(See page 2 of the Service Record.)

a. Age at enlistment. 23.
b. Color of eyes. Grey.
c. Color of hair. Lt Brown.
d. Height. 5 ft 11 inches.
e. Weight. 170.
f. Permanent marks and physical defects at enlistment. (Old fractures or breaks.) none stated.

DENTAL CHARTS.

(See physical report of examination prior to enlistment.)

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H. L. ROGERS,
Quartermaster General, U. S. A.,
By *H. J. Conner*
H. J. CONNER,
Captain, Q. M. C.

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P.C. Harris,
The Adjutant General,
per E.M.E.
d.s., attached to c.p.

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WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL OF THE ARMY
WASHINGTON

File No. 9011 ~~247807~~ Registration. Date Dec. 27, 1921.

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

To: The Adjutant General of the Army, Sixth and B Streets NW., Washington, D. C.

Subject: Information required for G. R. S.

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a. Surname. Curley ✓ *f.* Date of death. Aug 5, 1918.

b. Christian name. Alexander ✓ *g.* Cause of death. Wounds rec'd in action.

c. Serial number. 265907 ✓ 263307. *h.* Authority (C. C. No.) 220.

d. Organization. Co. 4, 128th Inf. ✓ *i.* Emergency address. Joe Curley, August Muechel Lamoza, Poland, Alto Hotel Sault Ste Marie, Mich.

e. Rank. Private. ✓ *j.* Relationship. Father. Friend.

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

By

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H. J. CONNER,
Captain, Q. M. C.

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*PC Harris,
The Adjutant General,
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OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL OF THE ARMY
WASHINGTON

File No. 24342 2011
Registration
Date Dec 27, 1921
From: The Quartermaster General, U. S. Army (General Division)
To: The Adjutant General of the Army, Sixth and B Streets NW, Washington, D. C.
Subject: Information required for G. R. S.

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a. Surname
b. Christian name
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j. Relationship

DENTAL CHARTS

(See physical report of examination prior to enlistment.)

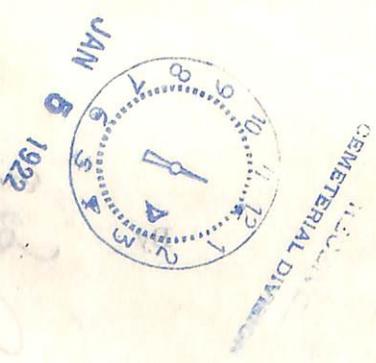
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c. Hair
d. Eyes
e. Weight

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H. L. ROBBERS
Quartermaster General

H. J. COYNE
Adjutant General

Curley Alexander

263807

Name

Rank..... Co. I {Corps} 128 inf
{Regt.}

Date of Death

Place

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Aug 5 1918

Date of Burial.....

Grave No. 44 Row 2

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FILE.

G.R.S Form No. 8-W; Central Records
Liaison.

Card Sec. #3.
Dec. 23-1919.

Memo For: G.R.S. representative, C.R.O.

Subject: Information required for G.R.S.

1. Items checked are to be completed:

Surname: **Curley**
Number: **263307**
First name: **Alexander**
Rank: **Private**
Company: **"H"**
Organization: **128th Infantry.**
Date of death:
Cause:
Place:

Location of hospital:

Number " " "

Class " " "

Emergency address - *August Muehlbach*
Alto Hotel, Saul Ste Marie, Mich.

Relationship: *Friend.*

Authority:

Cablegram No:

Telegram from:

dated:

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(Underscore the "official" C.C.)

Remarks:

*Office w-7
Dec 27/19*

CHARLES G. PIERCE,
Colonel, ~~Q.M.C.~~, U.S.A.

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File # 9011.

File No. 293.8 Gen. Div., Cor. Br.
(CURLLEY, Alexander)

April 8th, 1921.

FROM: The Graves Registration Service, Hoboken, N. J.
TO: Chief, American Graves Registration Service in Europe.
SUBJECT: Data relating to deceased soldier whose nearest of kin resides in a foreign country.

FILE

1. Reference remains, the late Private Alexander Curley, Serial Number 263307, Company H, 128th Infantry, cemetery 608, cable reference number 695; the records of this office indicate that Mr. Joe Curley, father and nearest of kin to the late soldier, resides at Lomosa, Poland.

2. Papers are forwarded for your information and it is requested that your office ascertain the desires of the nearest of kin and take such action as may be deemed advisable.

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R. E. SHANNON,
Captain, Quartermaster Corps,
Attache in Charge.

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WASHINGTON, D. C.

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HEADQUARTERS
AMERICAN GRAVES REGISTRATION SERVICE, Q.M.C., IN EUROPE
8. AVENUE D'IENA.

Recorded, Cemetery Div., U.S.A.
File # 293.8
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PARIS November 4th 1921

File No. 293.9 Disp. Cem. #608 - 695

From : Chief
To : Quartermaster General, Munitions Building, Washington, D.C.
Subject : Disposition of remains of Pvt. Alexander CURLEY, #263307,
Co. H, 128th Inf., Cem. #608, Seringes-et-Nesles, Aisne,
France.

1. Reference letter Cem.Div., Hoboken, dated April 8th, 1921, File No. 293.8, to this Service, wherein it was directed that we communicate with the next of kin of the above deceased soldier, you are advised that letters were written, as instructed, to Mr. Joe Curley (Father), Lomoza, Poland, on April 27th, June 20th, and September 9th, 1921, enclosing our official form certificate for execution.

2. No replies having been received to said correspondence, the remains of the above deceased soldier will be left in France, for final burial in a permanent American cemetery.

Curley, Alexander

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H. F. REMYERS,
Colonel, Q.M.C.

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WAR DEPARTMENT,
THE ADJUTANT GENERAL'S OFFICE.
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Mr. Joe Curley,
Lomoza, Poland, Russia.

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The Adjutant General,

War. Department,

Washington, D. C.

disposal of remains.

WAR DEPARTMENT,
THE ADJUTANT GENERAL'S OFFICE,
WASHINGTON.

JW/1-233

November 28, 1919.

Mr. Joe Curley,
Lomoza, Poland, Russia.

DEar Madam:-

The War Department desires to ascertain the wishes of the families of officers, enlisted men, and civilian employees regarding the permanent disposition of the bodies of those who have died overseas.

The original plan of the Department was to deliver the body in every case at the home address of the deceased to the person legally entitled to dispose of the remains. A desire has been expressed, however, in numerous instances to have the body remain abroad, and General Pershing is likely soon to enter into negotiations with the French and Allied Governments with the view of establishing permanent cemeteries for members of the American Expeditionary Forces. Marshal Petain in a most courteous letter has informed General Pershing that "France would be happy and proud to retain the bodies of the American victims who have fallen upon her soil."

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In case the remains of a deceased soldier are returned to the United States they will be interred either at the former home of the deceased or at a national cemetery, according to the wishes of the one authorized to direct the disposition of the remains, and all expenses, including transportation, casket, shipping case, flag, and the preparation of the remains for shipment, will be paid by the United States. Hire of a hearse and other burial expenses incurred at the home of the deceased may be paid, on application by the relatives, by the Bureau of War Risk Insurance, Treasury Department.

In order that the proper disposition of the remains may be made, and that such disposition be directed by the person entitled to do so, the War Department will recognize the right to direct the disposition of remains in the following order:

In the case of an unmarried man—

- (1) Father; (2) mother, if father is dead; (3) brother, if both parents are dead; (4) sister, if both parents are dead and there are no brothers.

In the case of a married man—

- (1) Wife; (2) parents or children and other relatives in order set forth above.

It is desired that the information indicated on the inclosed card be furnished concerning the person named thereon at the earliest practicable date. If the card is received by some one not authorized to direct the disposition to be made of the remains, please deliver this circular and the card to the person who is entitled to do so.

The Department is unable to state when it will be possible to begin the removal of the remains of the soldiers, but the information requested is being collected at this time in order that there may be no delay when the time comes for such removal.

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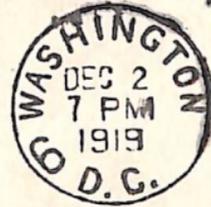
Very respectfully,

P. C. HARRIS,
The Adjutant General.

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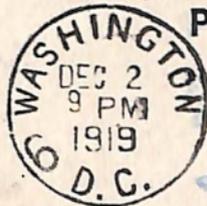
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The Adjutant General,

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WAR DEPARTMENT,
THE ADJUTANT GENERAL'S OFFICE,
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November 29, 1919.

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Provinciad,
Salerno, Italy.

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WAR DEPARTMENT,
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In case the remains of a deceased soldier are returned to the United States they will be interred either at the former home of the deceased or at a national cemetery, according to the wishes of the one authorized to direct the disposition of the remains, and all expenses, including transportation, casket, shipping case, flag, and the preparation of the remains for shipment, will be paid by the United States. Hire of a hearse and other burial expenses incurred at the home of the deceased may be paid, on application by the relatives, by the Bureau of War Risk Insurance, Treasury Department.

In order that the proper disposition of the remains may be made, and that such disposition be directed by the person entitled to do so, the War Department will recognize the right to direct the disposition of remains in the following order:

In the case of an unmarried man—

- (1) Father; (2) mother, if father is dead; (3) brother, if both parents are dead; (4) sister, if both parents are dead and there are no brothers.

In the case of a married man—

- (1) Wife; (2) parents or children and other relatives in order set forth above.

It is desired that the information indicated on the inclosed card be furnished concerning the person named thereon at the earliest practicable date. If the card is received by some one not authorized to direct the disposition to be made of the remains, please deliver this circular and the card to the person who is entitled to do so.

The Department is unable to state when it will be possible to begin the removal of the remains of the soldiers, but the information requested is being collected at this time in order that there may be no delay when the time comes for such removal.

In returning the card please use the inclosed addressed penalty envelope, which requires no postage.

Very respectfully,

P. C. HARRIS,
The Adjutant General.