

Mother signs name as De Fries

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G.R.S. Form #114-B

To The A. G. O.

FULL NAME *De Fries* DEFRIES, Ruel E. ✓ FEB 26 1928 ✓

RANK Cpl ✓ SERIAL 1447320 ✓

DIVISION & ORGANIZATION Co. A, 137th Inf. ✓ 35 div ✓

DATE OF DEATH Oct 17, 1918 ✓

STATE FROM WHICH HE CAME Kans ✓

MEDALS OR DECORATIONS AWARDED none found ✓

FINAL GRAVE LOCATION Date 5 Grave 1 Row 4 Block

Meuse-Argonne, #1232

Cemetery

MAILED  
MAR 4 1928  
Cpl

Rec'd World War Div.

5 MAR 30 1928

FEB 27 1928  
WORLD WAR DIV.

23/306/ARK

WS 4-2-28

MAR 5 1928  
M. & R. BRANCH  
O. O. M. G.

RECEIVED  
MAR 18 1928  
M. & R. BRANCH

MADE IN U.S.A.

Co."A" 137th.Infantry  
35th.Division

DE FRIES, Ruel. Corpl. No.??  
Home: UNKNOWN

Captured in Montrebeau woods Sept 29, 1918 and died in a German Hospital in Sedan, either from the effects of gas or pneumonia about Oct. 15, 1918. He was buried in the cemetery on hill above Sedan. Pvt. VALURE, was with him at 4 p.m. the afternoon before he died but Corp. DE FRIES was practically unconscious and could only mumble something about his mother. He died at 4 a.m. and was buried by Pvt. Valure and two other Americans who were prisoners.

INFORMANT: VALURE, Jake, Pvt. 2148070..Co."A" 137th. Infantry  
HOME: BEAUDETTE, Mann.,

SEARCHER: G.M. Black, 1st. Lieut. 137th. Infantry

NEXT of KIN:  
UNKNOWN

/NJM /

*Defries Ruel*

Kriegsgefangenen-  
Inspektion VIII. A.-K.

Nr. *34865*  
*42023* Nationalität: *Amerik*

Familienname  
Vorname *Defries*

(bei Russen auch  
Vatersvorname) *Rud.*

Muttersprache:

Dienstgrad: *Corp.* Truppenteil *F. R. 164*  
*A.* Kompagnie

Gefangennahme  
Ort und Tag *29. 9. 18 Verdun*

Vorhergeh. Aufenthaltsort *Engl. Kundo 16*  
(Dept bzw. Gouv.)

Geburtstag und Ort *26. 3. 94 Manteie*  
(Dept. bzw. Gouv.) *Kansas*

Name und Adresse der  
nächsten Verwandten  
(Ort bzw. Gouv.)

Beruf: Religion:

Personal-Beschreibung.  
Grösse: Gestalt:  
Haar: Bart:  
Augen: Nase:  
Besondere Merkmale:

Herkunft am aus

Unterbringung:  
*17. 10. 18 im Laz. 18 gestorben*

German Song.

Seite 33 66 486

Strafen:


CODE SLIP



HEADING	SUB-HEADING	NO. OF COLS	CODE
NAME <i>De Fries,</i>	<i>De F</i>	3	456
<i>Ruel E.</i>	CEMETERY <i>1232</i>	1	1
BURIED	GRAVE <i>5</i>	2	05
	ROW <i>1</i>	2	01
	BLOCK <i>a</i>	1	1
STATE	<i>Kansas</i>	2	18
RANK	<i>Cpl</i>	1	2
DIVISION	<i>35</i>	2	35
ORGANIZATION	<i>137</i>	3	137
ARM	<i>Inf</i>	1	1
MARTIAL	<i>no</i>	1	2
NAME <i>De Fries,</i>	<i>D E F</i>	3	456
<i>Mrs. M. G.</i>	STATE <i>Kansas</i>	2	19
RESIDENCE	COUNTY <i>Wyandotte</i>	2	05
<i>R#1</i>	CITY <i>Muncie</i>	3	XXX
RELATION	<i>mother</i>	1	1
OTHER		1	
ELIGIBILITY	<i>yes</i>	1	1
NATIVITY		1	
RACE		1	
ENGLISH		1	
ATTENDANT		1	
HEALTH		1	
NO. OF SONS		1	
DATE OF	MO.	1	
TRIP	YR.	1	
ACCEPTANCE	<i>no</i>	1	2
29/514/PJ			<i>Ja</i>

*Audited*  
JAN 20 1932  
*MB*

WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-M  
De Fries Ruel E (MA)

July 11 1932

Mrs M C De Fries  
Route #1  
Muncie Kan

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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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)

Mrs M C De Fries

WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON



IN REPLY REFER TO QM-293-AM

DeFries, Ruel E. Cpl. (M-A) M

June 12, 1931.

Mrs. M. C. DeFries,  
Rt. #1,  
Muncie, Kans.

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?

NO  
Write answer here

Mrs. M. C. DeFries

Sign here

WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

DeFries, Ruel E. 1232.M

June 9, 1930

Mrs. M. C. DeFries  
R. #1,  
Muncie, Kansas.

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

DO YOU DESIRE TO MAKE THE PILGRIMAGE DURING THE YEAR 1931?

no ✓  
(Write answer here)

*Mrs M C DeFries*  
(Sign here)

WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

Defries, Ruel E.  
1232

August 30, 1929

Mrs. Maria C. Defries,  
R #1,  
Muncie, Kansas.

Dear Madam:

The records of this office do not indicate that a reply has been received to our communication dated June 27, 1929 making inquiry concerning the name and address of the mother and widow of the deceased service man above named. These addresses are desired with a view to ascertaining the number of mothers and widows who desire to make a pilgrimage to the cemeteries of Europe in which the remains of their sons and husbands are interred.

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

Write answers in space below

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

*He was not married*

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

*Mrs. M. C. DeFries*  
*Muncie Kans.*  
*Mother*

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

*No.*

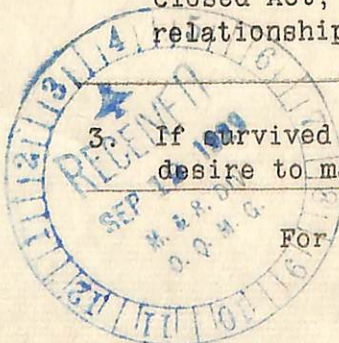
For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

*John T. Harris*

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

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Act of Congress  
Envelope



WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

June 27 1929.

(Defries, Ruel E.)

Mrs. Maria C. Defries,  
R #1,  
Muncie, Kansas.

Dear Madam:

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

The records of this office show that you are the mother of the late Corporal Ruel E. Defries, Co. A, 157th 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 widow who is entitled under the provisions of the above quoted Act, to make the pilgrimage, and if so, will you please furnish her full name and address in order that action may be taken to extend an invitation to her to make the pilgrimage. Both mothers and widows are entitled to make the pilgrimage.

In the event your son was survived by a widow who has since remarried it is requested that a statement to that effect be made.

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

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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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

De Fries Fuel E (MA)

July 11 1932

Mrs M C De Fries  
Route #1  
Muncie Kan

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.

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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-AM

DeFries, Ruel E. Cpl. (M-A) M

June 12, 1931.

Mrs. M. C. DeFries,  
Rt. #1,  
Muncie, Kans.

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.

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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

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WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

DeFries, Ruel E. 1232 M

June 9, 1930

Mrs. M. C. DeFries  
R. #1,  
Muncie, Kansas.

Dear Madam:

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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.

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For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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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

October 7, 1929.

De Fries, Ruel E. 1232 M.

Mrs. M. C. De Fries,  
R. #1,  
Muncie, Kans

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.

WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

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

For The Quartermaster General,

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JOHN T. HARRIS,  
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Assistant.

WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

June 27 1929.

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Muncie, Kansas.

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

In reply refer to:  
293.8 C-R 102763

*File*  
January 4, 1923.

Mrs. Maria K. Defries,  
Muncie, Kansas.

Dear Madam:

The Quartermaster General desires that you be informed that the permanent grave of Cpl. Huel E. Defries, Company A, 137 Infantry, is Grave 5, Row 1, Block A, Meuse-Argonne American Cemetery at Romagne-sous-Montfaucon, Department of 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, 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. ED

Very truly yours,

JAN 4 - 1923

G.R.S.

H. J. GONNER,  
Assistant.

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*File*  
*4/27/26*

DATE 11/8/21

1. NAME Defries, Ruel E SERIAL No. 1447320  
 RANK Cpl ORGANIZATION Co. A 137th Inf.  
 GRAVE LOCATION Sedan Amer. Cem. Letanne - Ardennes 1203  
 CTY. NAME NUMBER  
24 - Sec. 3 1

2. ORIGINAL BATTLE AREA GRAVE LOCATION No record #7 B.A.C. Sedan, Ardennes  
 GRAVE COMMUNE DEPT.  
 COORDINATES Map 24 N.W. No record E 298.7 N 327.35  
 CONCENTRATED TO 4/3/19 No record 24 3 1  
 DATE GRAVE -ROW Sec PLOT  
Amer B.A.C. Letanne, Ardennes #1203  
 CEMETERY CTY. NUMBER

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

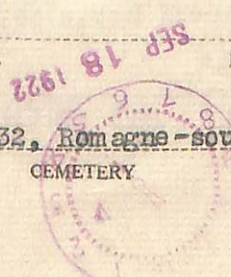
SUBSEQUENT REBURIALS 1/5/21 24 Sec 3 1 1203  
 DATE GRAVE ROW PLOT CEMETERY

data taken from form 16-A.  
 DATE GRAVE ROW PLOT CEMETERY

SIGNATURE, AREA SUPERVISOR Wm M. Cline Wm M. CLINE  
Captain Q.M.C.

3. FINAL GRAVE LOCATION 11/8/21 5 1 A  
 DATE GRAVE ROW PLOT  
Meuse-Argonne Amer. Cty #1232, Romagne-sous-Montfaucon, Meuse.  
 CEMETERY

ADDED  
 SERB 11/28/22



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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 I6, 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.

REPORT OF DISINTERMENT AND REBURIAL.

Remains of:

Number:

Name: DEFRIES, Ruel

Rank: Pvt.

Organization: Unkn

Disinterment and Reburial made by Group

Unit

Disinterred (Date)

From: (Give complete location)

3rd., April, 1919

Grave # 7. B.A.C. SEDAN, ARDENNES

Map. 24 N.-W. E. 298.7 N. 327.35

Reburied (Date)

in: (Give complete location)

3rd., April, 1919

Grave # 24 Section # 3 Plot # 1.

Amer. B.A.C. 1203. LETANNE, ARDENNES.

Map. 24 S. E. E. 307.45 N. 308.42

1203

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

Body buried naked.

Was one identification tag found upon the body? No

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

11365  
11365

Note:

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

R. H. ROSENTHAL

Supervised by: J. G. Tinsley 2nd. Lt.

2nd Lieut. O.M.C.U.S.A.

C.O. Group \_\_\_\_\_ Unit \_\_\_\_\_



102763

**GRAVE LOCATION BLANK**

LOCATION OF THE GRAVE OF

Defries 1447320 Ruel E  
(Surname). (Number). (First Name and Initials).

Cpl Co A 137th Infantry  
(Rank). (Organization).

PLACE OF DEATH: .....

CAUSE OF DEATH: .....

DATE OF BURIAL: .....

PLACE OF BURIAL: .....

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

GRAVE NUMBER: .....

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

IDENTIFICATION TAGS:

Was one buried with body?.....

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

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

NEAREST RELATIVE: .....

ADDRESS: .....

RELATIONSHIP: .....

REPORTED BY:

(Signature and Rank of Reporting Officer).

portion to be sent to Chief of Graves Registration Service.

FILE



File # 102763

CARD DEPT

File #

7/22/19

G.R.S. Form No. 8; Central Records Division.  
Memo For: G.R.S. representative, C.R.O.  
SUBJECT: Information required for G.R.S.

I. Items checked are to be completed:

- ( ) Surname: DEFRIES
- ( ) Number: 1447320
- ( ) First name: Ruel E.
- ( ) Rank: Corporal
- ( ) Company: A
- ( ) Organization: 137th Inf.
- ( ) Date of death: 10/15/18
- ( ) Cause: ?
- ( ) Place:

Location of hospital:

- Number " "
- Class " "
- (✓) Relative: Mrs Maria K. De Fries
- (✓) Relationship: Mother
- (✓) Address: Muncie, Kansas.
- ( ) Authority:
- C. bogram No: 486 2P 33
- Telegram from:

dated:

- ( ) Reported to Washington:
- C.C. Nos:
- (Under score the "official" C.C.)
- ( ) Remarks:
- ( ) Show present status on reverse side.

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

Initials of Reporter: *Ed*



*[Faint, illegible handwritten text]*

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

PLEASE  
EXPEDITE

G.R.S. Form 8-W-A-0

Information requested of A.G.O.

Date 10/8/20

File No. 102763 Registration.

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 Defries, ✓
- b. Christian name Ruel Emery. ✓
- c. Serial Number 1,447,320 ✓
- d. Organization Co A 137th Inf. ✓
- e. Rank Cpl. ✓
- f. Date of death 10/17/18 ✓
- g. Cause of death Inflammation of both lungs. ✓
- h. Authority (C.C.#) A.D. Determination ✓
- i. Emergency address Mrs. M. Defries, Muncie, Kans. ✓
- j. Relationship Mother ✓

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 5
- 8 7 6 5 4 3 2 1 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8  
upper right upper left
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lower right lower left

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

BY:

H. J. CONNER,  
Captain, Q.M.G.,  
1st Lieut. Q.M.G.

CEMETERY NO: 1203

SHEET NO: 185  
TYPED BY: rln.

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OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON, D. C.

Date 10/10/20

Information received at A.S.O.

File No.

The Quartermaster General, U.S. Army, (General's Division)

The Adjutant General of the Army, 2nd A.D. Office, Washington, D. C.

Information received for A.S.O.

It is requested that the information be forwarded below the recipient. Return a confirmation of all information received.

1. Date of death 10/10/20

2. Cause of death Information of death

3. Authority (10/10/20)

4. Primary address

5. Relationship

6. Birth date

7. (See Physical Report of examination prior to enlistment)

8. Service record

9. Date of entry into service

10. Date of discharge

11. Date of death

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THE ADJUTANT GENERAL'S OFFICE,  
WASHINGTON,

File # 102763

ECR 2-201

IN REPLY  
REFER TO

201(DeFries, Ruel E.)WW

August 11, 1920.

From: The Adjutant General of the Army.

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

Subject: Date of death of Corporal Ruel E. DeFries,  
#1,447,320, Company A, 137th Infantry.

1. Upon investigation, it has been ascertained that the date of death of the above man heretofore communicated to you, is erroneous, and that he died October 17, 1918, of inflammation of both lungs.

2. For purposes of identification, you are advised that the records show that the deceased was enlisted April 26, 1917, and the name of the person to be notified in case of emergency was given as: Mrs. M. C. DeFries, mother, Muncie, Kansas.



*P. C. Harris*  
The Adjutant General.  
Per: *M. S. K.*

File # 105103

WAR DEPARTMENT

EXR 2-201

THE ADJUTANT GENERAL'S OFFICE

WASHINGTON

August 11, 1920

201(Detrick, Enslin E. [W])

IN REPLY  
REFER TO

The Adjutant General of the Army

FROM:

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

TO:

Date of death of Corporal Enslin E. Detrick,  
Company A, 127th Infantry.

SUBJECT:

1. Upon investigation, it has been ascertained that the date of death of the above named person is 1918, of influenza, and that he died October 17, 1918.

2. For purpose of identification you are advised that the records show that the deceased was killed April 28, 1917, and the name of the person to be notified in case of emergency was given as Mrs. E. O. Detrick, mother, Linn, Kansas.



AUG 12 1920  
G. H. S.



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THE ADJUTANT GENERAL'S OFFICE  
WASHINGTON

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adj. made  
5/7/20  
H. H. W.

IN REPLY  
REFER TO

201(DeFries, Ruel E.)WW

February 16, 1920.

From: The Adjutant General of the Army.  
To: The Quartermaster General of the Army.  
Subject: Correct date of death.

1. Upon investigation it has been ascertained that Corporal Ruel E. DeFries, #1447320, Company A, 137th Infantry, died October 15, 1918.

2. For purposes of identification you are advised that the records show the deceased enlisted April 26, 1917, and the name of the person to be notified in case of emergency was given as Mrs. M. C. DeFries, mother, Muncie, Kansas.

By order of the Secretary of War.

P. C. Harris,  
The Adjutant General.

as.

WAR DEPARTMENT - ARD-1-210

THE ADJUTANT GENERAL'S OFFICE

WASHINGTON

February 18, 1930.

301 (Enlistment), Serial E. (W)

REPLY TO

From: The Adjutant General of the Army.

To: The Adjutant General of the Army.

Subject: Correct date of death.

1. Your investigation it has been ascertained that Corporal Paul E. Doolittle, 1144320, Company A, 137th Infantry, died October 13, 1918.

2. For purposes of identification you are advised that the records show the deceased enlisted April 23, 1917, and the name of the person to be notified in case of emergency was given as Mrs. M. C. Doolittle, mother, Kansas, Kansas.

By order of the Secretary of War



Adjutant General

10 27 1930  
Adj. Gen.  
2/17/30  
M. C.

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File

G.R.S. FORM #105 - Reply to Casualty Div., A.G.O.

WAR DEPARTMENT  
The Office of Director Purchase & Storage.  
Washington, D.C.

MEMORANDUM TO: Casualty Division, Adjutant General's Office,  
6th & B Streets, n.w., Washington, D.C.

Attached papers are returned with the information that the files of the Graves Registration Service show that:

DE FRIES, ~~R.H.~~ (Ruel) & Ser. #1447320  
Cpl Co. A 157th Inf.

~~is buried~~ was disinterred and reburied in  
Grave #24; Sect. #3; Plot #1; Cty. #1203;  
Sedan American Cemetery  
Letanne, Ardennes.

By authority of the Quartermaster General,  
Director of Purchase and Storage

IMV

Charles C. Pierce,  
Colonel, Q.M.C.  
Chief, Graves Registration Service.

G.R.S. FILE NO.  
CCP/  
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PENALTY FOR PRIVATE USE TO AVOID  
PAYMENT OF POSTAGE, \$300.

OFFICIAL BUSINESS.

DEFRIES, Ruel E  
Serial # 1447320



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PENALTY FOR PRIVATE USE TO AVOID  
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OFFICIAL BUSINESS.

DEFRIES, Ruel E  
Serial # 1447320



Defries

Ruel ~~Emery~~ <sup>E.</sup>

1,447,320

Dup

(Surname.)

(Christian name in full.)

(Army serial number.)

Cpl

Co A 137th Inf

(Rank and organization.)

State your relationship to the deceased son

Do you desire the remains brought to the United States? no

(Yes or no.)

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

Mrs Mariah C. De Fries

P. R. #. 1.

Muncie

Ind

(Number and street or rural route.)

(City, town, or post office.)

(State.)

Read carefully the letter accompanying this card.

c  
Drawn by O.H.  
9/27/20

1203 - 185

Checked R.C.H.

10-20-20

# REPORT OF DISINTERMENT AND REBURIAL

1. REMAINS OF DEFRIES, Ruel B. SERIAL NUMBER 1447320

RANK Cpl. ORGANIZATION Co. A, 137th Inf.

2. Disinterred (date): Sept. 8th 1921. From (give complete location): Grave 34, Sec. 3, Pl. 1, Com. 1303.

By: Group TWO Unit F.S. #3.

3. Reburied (date): Nov. 8, 1921 In (give complete location): Meuse-Argonne Cty. #1232 Gr. 5, Block A, row 1.

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

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

Blanket and pine box, see par 6.

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

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

Bottle record found on body dated 1-5-21, signed J.P. Glandon, shows no tag on grave marker and reads "Tin GRS grave marker reads Defries, Ruel Pvt. KIA Oct. 17-18 No 310" Black cross in box "Defries, Ruel No 320".

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

(a) Height (actual measurement) Package intact, not disturbed per snth letter dated 8-29-21

(b) Weight (estimated) Operations Division AGRS MC in B6

(c) Hair—Color

Quantity

Characteristics

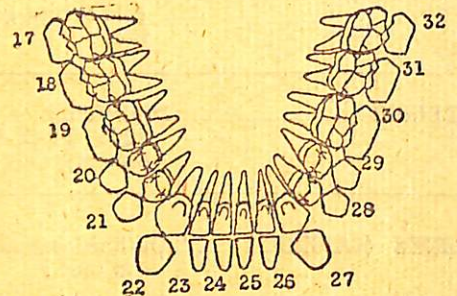
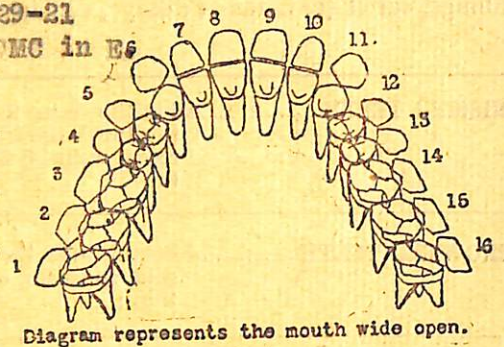
(d) Hair on face—Color

Location

Quantity

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

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



7. Disinterment supervised by H. I. Dufault

Approved: S. W. Rosch  
(Title) 1st Lt. MC.

8. Reburial supervised by A. U. Dufault






Approved: JAMES W. YOUNGER  
(Title) CAPT., Q.M.C.

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1. Show soldier's name, serial number, rank and organization, and by whom disinterred and reburied.
2. Give date and accurate information as to location from which the body was disinterred and the group and unit which made disinterment.
3. Give date and accurate information as to location of reburial and the group and unit which made reburial, and how reburial was made—in casket, wooden box, etc.
4. State to what degree decomposition has progressed, whether recognition is possible, and how the body was originally buried—in a casket, box, burlap, etc. This statement should be as complete as possible.
5. (a) State whether identification tags were found buried with body and on grave marker by reporting "Yes" or "No".  
 (b) State whether or not body appears to have been a hospital case. Were any identifying articles found in or on body or grave? List any personal effects, letters, money-order receipts, and the like found on body or in grave. Give any and all information which it is thought might be of use in identifying the body, other than that tabulated under Item No. 6.
6. Give all information as to body description and dental chart as nearly correctly as the condition of the body will allow. Items (e) and (f) under the body description are very important and should be very complete. The dental chart is also very important and should be filled in with great care. There are 32 teeth to be accounted for, as shown by the numbers on the chart. Beginning at the middle line in both upper and lower jaws, the teeth are arranged symmetrically on either side and classed as incisors (cutting teeth), cuspids or canines (tearing teeth), bicuspid (chewing teeth), and molars (principal chewing teeth). An examination should be made and findings charted to cover the following basic conditions: Lost teeth, crowned teeth, bridge work, fillings, caries (cavities of decay), dentures (plates), and any deformity of jaws found.

<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>TOOTH MISSING TOOTH MISSING</p>
<p><b>CROWNED TEETH</b>.....Block in solid the crown of tooth (label gold, porcelain, or gold and porcelain), thus :</p>	 <p>GOLD CROWN PORCELAIN CROWN GOLD CROWN</p>
<p><b>BRIDGE WORK</b>.....Block in solid the crown of tooth (label gold bridge, gold and porcelain bridge), thus :</p>	 <p>GOLD AND PORCELAIN BRIDGE GOLD BRIDGE</p>
<p><b>FILLINGS</b>.....Draw filling on tooth accurately as possible (block in and label gold, silver, cement), thus :</p>	 <p>SILVER FILLING GOLD FILLING GOLD FILLING GOLD FILLING</p>
<p><b>CARIES (CAVITIES)</b>.....Outline location and size of cavity, shade in thus :</p>	 <p>CAVITY DECAYED DECAYED DECAYED</p>
<p><b>DENTURES (PLATES)</b>.....Draw diagram of relative size and shape of plate, block in teeth attached and indicate retaining clasps on natural teeth with the word "clasp."</p>	

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

To be prepared in triplicate.

DATE Sept 8th 1921

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 Defries, Ruel E  
 2. No. 1447320  
 3. Rank Cpl.  
 4. Org. Co. A 137th Inf.  
 5. D.D. 10-15  
 6. C.D. \_\_\_\_\_

10. Name \_\_\_\_\_  
 11. No. \_\_\_\_\_  
 12. Rank \_\_\_\_\_  
 13. Org. \_\_\_\_\_  
 14. (a) D.D. \_\_\_\_\_  
 (b) D.B. \_\_\_\_\_

Discrepancy found upon disinterment:

7. Grave No. 24 Sec. 3  
 8. Plot 1 Row \_\_\_\_\_  
 9. \_\_\_\_\_

15. Grave No. \_\_\_\_\_ Sec. \_\_\_\_\_  
 16. Plot \_\_\_\_\_ Row \_\_\_\_\_  
 17. None.

18. Cemetery Sedan Amer.  
 20. Dept. or County Ardennes  
 22. G.R.S. Hdqrs. Code No. 1203

19. Commune or town Letanne  
 21. Country France

23. Disinterred (Date) Sept 8th 1921

By H.L. Hurlbut

24. Inscription on grave marker:

Name Ruel E. Defries  
 Rank Cpl.

Serial No. \_\_\_\_\_  
 Organization Co. A, 137th Inf.

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

S. I. Palange  
 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).

Bottle record found on body dated Jan 5th 21, signed J.P. Glandon shows no tag on body tag on grave marker and reads "Tin GRS grave marker reads" Defries Ruel Pvt. K/A Oct 17-19- no 310 black

27. Condition of body Defries Ruel No. 820. See Par. 36.

28. Nature of burial: Blanket and reburial 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 Sept 8th 1921 By H.L. Hurlbut

31. Casket sealed by H.L. Hurlbut

Signature of Embalmer, (Supervisor) H.L. Hurlbut

SHIPMENT. (Show actual marking of box.) Box No. C-4438

32. Designation of body:

Name Defries, Ruel E Serial No. 1447320

Rank Cpl. Organization Co. A 137th Inf.

33. Consigned to: Officer in Charge Operations,

Name of Permanent Cemetery Argonne Amer. Cem. #1232 - Romagne-sous-Montfaucon

34. Casket boxed and marked (Date) Sept 8th 1921 By H.L. Hurlbut

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 W.N. Reach, 1st Lt. QMC.

36. Remarks Package intact body not disturbed Authority letter

Operations Div. dated Aug. 29th 1921.

37. Shipped from point of Operation: (Date) Sept 8th 1921

To point of Concentration Romagne sous Montfaucon, Meuse

Convoyer James Flynn (Name) [Signature] Signature Shipping Officer [Signature]

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 Sept 9 1921

G.R.S. Representative [Signature]

41. Reinterred Nov. 8, 1921 Meuse-Argonne Cty. #1232.

(Date)

42. Grave No. CBT 5 Section

43. Plot Block A 330 Row 1

G.R.S. Representative [Signature]  
JAMES W. YOUNGER, CAPT., Q.M.C.

Pringle

Place Stanne, Ardennes

REPORT OF DISINTERMENT AND REBURIAL

Date Jan 5-1921

1. REMAINS OF DEFRIES, RUEL E SERIAL NUMBER 1447320  
RANK CPL. ORGANIZATION Co. A, 137 INF.

2. Disinterred (date): Jan 5-1921 From (give complete location): Gr. 24 Sec 3 Pt 1  
Sedan Amer. Stanne Ardennes Cem. 1203

By: Group Valentine Unit \_\_\_\_\_

3. Reburied (date): Jan 5-1921 In (give complete location): Gr. 24 Sec 3 Pt 1  
Same Cem

By: Group Valentine Unit \_\_\_\_\_ Nature of reburial Box & Blanket

4. Report as to nature of original burial and condition of body upon disinterment: 5 ft earthen  
grave U. S. uniform - no blanket. Burlap & box  
Badly disintegrated features not capable of recognition

5. (a) Identification tags: Buried with body? No On grave marker? yes

(b) Other means of identification found upon disinterment, and general remarks:  
In U.S. grave marker reads "DEFRIES, RUEL  
PVT. N/A Oct. 17-19 - No 310 BLACK CROSS IN BOX." DEFRIES,  
RUEL No 820

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

(a) Height (actual measurement) 5 ft 10

(b) Weight (estimated) Impossible to determine

(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) Impossible to determine

(f) Wounds or missing parts (received at time of casualty) 50424

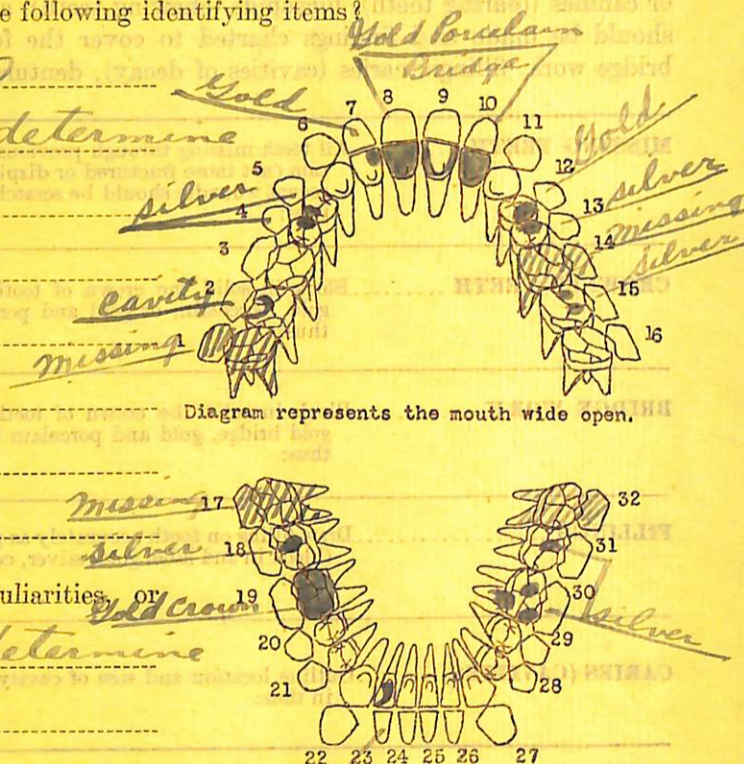
Impossible to determine

7. Disinterment supervised by \_\_\_\_\_

Approved: \_\_\_\_\_  
(Title) \_\_\_\_\_

8. Reburial supervised by \_\_\_\_\_






Approved: M. Stoney  
(Title) \_\_\_\_\_



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COMPILED OF DISPOSITION OF REMAINS DATA

File # 102763

I. LOCATION INDEX CARD:

(a) Name DEFRIES, Ruel E. Ser. No. 1447320
(b) Rank Corp. Organization Co.A. 137th Inf. TYP. EK
(c) Date of death 10/17/18 (d) Cause of death Inflammation of both lungs. CKR.

On transfer to 1232
Scheme August 12/12
APW-10/26/12

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

(a) Grave No. 24 Row -- Plot 1 Sec. 3 TYP. EK
(b) Emerg. Address Mrs. Maria K. Defries (mother) Muncie, Kansas.

III. Files of soldiers dying from contagious diseases Card don't state cause

CKR. AGV

IV. A. G. O. DISPOSITION CARD:

Date of receipt none

(a) Name Defries, Maria K. (b) Relationship mother
(c) Address R.R. #1 Muncie, Kans.
(d) Remains to be brought to U. S.? no
(e) To be interred in National Cemetery in U. S. at no
(f) Shipping instructions upon arrival of body in U. S.
(g) Disposition instructions if not brought to U. S.

Examiner's Initials JH Date 9/25, 1920.

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

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

no correspondence

Examiner's Initials JH Date 9/25, 1920.

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

no request for disposition

(a) Cancellation memos referred to? yes L. C. G.
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