

To The A. G. O.

3547

G.R.S. Form #114-B

MAR 10 1926

DATE Nov. 16, 1921

1. NAME *DEGNAN, James Francis* SERIAL No. 271432

RANK *Cpl.* ORGANIZATION *51st 34th Co., 1st Repl. Bn. Marines*

GRAVE LOCATION *Meuse-Arg. Amer. Cty. Romagne-sous-Montfaucon (Meuse) 1232 Sec. 47*

67 Sec. 47 GRAVE ROW 2 PLOT

2. ORIGINAL BATTLE AREA GRAVE LOCATION *St Pierre a Arnes, Ardennes*

COORDINATES *34SE 281.6N 264.80E*

CONCENTRATED TO *6/16/19 67 Sec 47 2*

Meuse Argonne 1232 CEMETERY CTY. NUMBER

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

Tag on body. data f-1/pfb

DATE OF DEATH *November 10, 1918*

STATE FROM WHICH HE CAME *New York*

MEDALS OR DECORATIONS AWARDED *None*

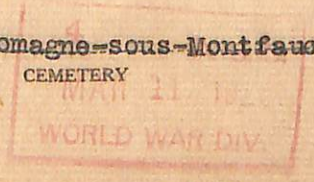
SUBSEQUENT REBURIALS DATE GRAVE ROW PLOT CEMETERY

SIGNATURE, AREA SUPERVISOR *M. B. DIRDSEYE 1st Lt., Q.M. Corps, U.S. Arm.*

3. FINAL GRAVE LOCATION *Nov. 16, 1921 27 43 Block B*

Meuse-Argonne American Cty 1232, Romagne-sous-Montfaucon (Meuse)

AUDITED BY *gc* *4-10-23* *Marine*



## INSTRUCTIONS FOR PREPARATION OF FORM 114 B

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

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

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

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



Robert O. Davits,  
Major General,  
The Adjutant General

By

*[Signature]*  
MAR 15 1926

*Oct. 12/11/18 J. F.*  
GRAVE LOCATION BLANK

Location of grave of  
Degman 271432 J. F.  
Corp (?) U. S. M. C.  
Date of Burial-- Oct. 12, 1918.

Place of burial----

See co-ord. on Tahure Map  
265.1 x 282.0 On East side of  
of road.

How Marked ?

Name written on cross.

One tag buried with man.

Reported by-- T. B. Lugg  
Chaplain 6th Marines.

ON ACTIVE SERVICE  
WITH THE  
AMERICAN EXPEDITIONARY FORCES

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REPORT OF DISINTERMENT AND REBURIAL.

Remains of:

Name DEGNAN, J. F.

Number 271432

Rank Unkn

Organization: Unkn

1232

Disinterment and Reburial made by Group

Unit

Disinterred (Date)

From: (Give complete location)

16th, June 1919.

Isolated Grave

ST.ETIENNE a ARNIES, ARDENNES.

34 SE 264.80 E 281.60.N

Reburied (Date)

in: (Give complete location)

16th, June 1919.

Grave #57 Sec 47 Plot #2

ARGONNE AMERICAN CEMETERY No. 1232.

ROMANGE, MEUSE.

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

Burial good. Buried in uniform; body in bad condition.

Was one identification tag found upon the body? No

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

12209

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 Lt. Rogers.

R. H. ROSENTHAL

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

HLW

C.O.Group

Unit

Name

Date

REPORT OF DISINTERMENT AND REBURYAL

Location of

Interment

Name of

Organization

Rank

Unit

Place and date of

From (Give complete location)

Disinterred (Date)

Isolated grave

Date, June 1918

ST. MICHAEL'S CEMETERY

24 25 26 27 28 29 30 31

To (Give complete location)

Reburied (Date)

Grave 25 Sec 47 Plot 42

Date, June 1918

ARMY OF THE UNITED STATES

REGIMENT

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

Body was found in uniform, body in good condition.

For one identification tag found upon the body.

For other means of identification were found upon the body.

RECEIVED

3 - JUL - 18

O. C. O.

G. R. S.

W. H. RICHMOND  
and James O. M. C. S. R.

CODE SLIP



HEADING	SUB-HEADING	NO. OF COLS	CODE
NAME	Legnan	3	457
BURIED	James Francis	1	1
	CEMETERY 1232	2	27
	GRAVE 27	2	43
	ROW 43	1	2
	BLOCK B	2	37
STATE	ny	1	4
RANK	Epl	2	02
DIVISION	2	3	005
ORGANIZATION	5	1	X
ARM	USMC	1	2
MARTIAL	no	3	457
NAME	Legnan	2	37
RESIDENCE	Mrs Annie	2	41
	3714 - 104th St	3	101
RELATION	Step mother	1	3
OTHER		1	
ELIGIBILITY	yes	1	1
NATIVITY		<b>AUDITED</b>	
RACE			
ENGLISH	yes	1	MAR 2 1932
ATTENDANT		1	af 1
HEALTH	Good	1	1
NO. OF SONS		1	
DATE OF TRIP		1	
ACCEPTANCE	no	1	2
	Age		43

Buried 3-96  
ent 8-5-17

Mrs Annie  
3714 - 104th St

EPH  
29/514/PJ. Age

2  
43 20

C O D E S L I P

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	BLOCK	1	2
STATE	<i>N.Y.</i>	2	37
RANK	<i>Cpl</i>	1	4
DIVISION	<i>12</i>	2	02
ORGANIZATION	<i>5</i>	3	005
AFM	<i>U.S.M.C.</i>	1	4
MARITAL	<i>No</i>	1	2
NAME		3	
RESIDENCE	STATE	2	
	COUNTY	2	
	CITY	3	
RELATION	<i>mother</i>	1	1
OTHER		1	
ELIGIBILITY	<i>head</i>	1	6
NATIVITY		1	
RACE		1	
ENGLISH		1	
ATTENDANT		1	
HEALTH		1	
NO. OF SONS		1	
DATE OF TRIP	MO.	1	
ACCEPTANCE	YR.	1	
29/514		1	

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WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-M  
Degnan, James Francis (M A) S

July, 13, 1932

Mrs. Annie Degnan,  
3714 104th St.,  
Corona, L. I., N.Y.

Dear Madam:

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

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

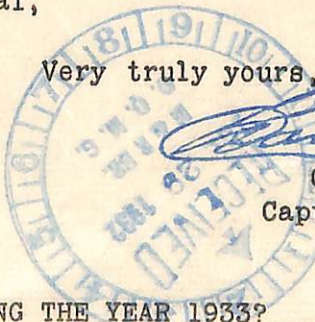

IT IS REQUESTED THAT YOU GIVE THE MATTER YOUR MOST CAREFUL CONSIDERATION BEFORE REACHING A DECISION, BEARING IN MIND THAT THIS IS THE LAST OPPORTUNITY YOU WILL HAVE TO MAKE THE TRIP AT GOVERNMENT EXPENSE.

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

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

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,


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

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

No  
(Write answer here)

(Sign here)



WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-M  
Degnan, James Francis (MA) SM

September 29, 1931.

Mrs. Annie Degnan,  
3714 104th St.,  
Corona, LI. N. Y.

Dear Madam:

Reference is made to previous correspondence relative to the pilgrimage to the cemeteries of Europe, authorized by the Act of Congress of March 2, 1929, as amended May 15, 1930. To date information has not been received as to whether or not you desire to make a pilgrimage during the summer months of 1932, in honor of the deceased veteran named above.

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

1. Do you desire to make a pilgrimage in 1932?	<i>No</i>
2. Please state your age and condition of health:	Age: <i>42</i> Health: <i>Well</i>
3. Do you speak English?	<i>Yes</i>
4. What other language do you speak?	

*Mrs. Annie Degnan*  
Sign here

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

*A. D. Hughes*

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

Encl:  
Env.



WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM-293-AM

Degnan, James Francis Cpl. (M-A) SM

September 16, 1931

Mrs. Annie Degnan,  
3714 104th St.,  
Corona, L. I., N. Y.

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 several months in advance. 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 or 1931.

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

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

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

WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
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IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-M  
Degnan, James Francis (MA)

September 5, 1931.

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Mrs. Annie Degnan,  
3714 -104th Street,  
Corona, L. I., N.Y.

Dear Madam:

In order that the records of this office may be complete and correct, it will be appreciated if you will furnish the following information, as previously requested:

- Oct 31, 1907* (1) Date of your marriage to the father of Corporal Degnan.
- yes I was.* (2) Were you married to Mr. Degnan at the time his son entered the military service?
- yes I was* (3) Were you married to Mr. Degnan at the time of his son's death?
- no.* X (4) If not, give date of your separation from him. -
- no.* X (5) If Mr. Degnan is deceased, give date of his death. -
- no.* X (6) Is Corporal Degnan survived by his natural mother? -

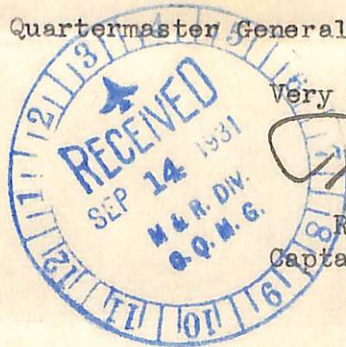
Your prompt reply will be appreciated.

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

*R. E. Shannon*

R. E. SHANNON,  
Captain, Q.M. Corps,  
Assistant.



*SMK*  
*10/10/31*  
Encl:  
Env.

QM 293 A-M

Degnan, James Francis Cpl. 1232 SM

November 10, 1930.

Mrs. Annie Degnan,  
3714 - 104th St.,  
Corona, L. I., N. Y.

Dear Madam:

Further reference is made to correspondence from this office relative to the pilgrimage authorized by the Act of March 2, 1929, as amended May 15, 1930.

The records of this office indicate that you were the stepmother of the late Corporal James Francis Degnan, and in order to determine your eligibility under the Act to make the pilgrimage to his grave, it will be appreciated if you will furnish the following information:

- (1) Date of your marriage to the father of James Francis Degnan.
- (2) Were you married to Mr. Degnan at the time his son entered the military service?
- (3) Were you married to Mr. Degnan at the time of his son's death?
- (4) If not, give date of your separation from him.
- (5) If Mr. Degnan is deceased, give date of his death.

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

Encl.  
Ret. Env.  
RS

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

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WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO *QM 293 A-M*  
Degnan, James Francis Cpl 1232 M

October 14, 1930

Mrs. Annie Degnan  
906 Second Avenue  
New York City

*51st Co. 5th Marines  
271432  
11-10-18  
Gr. 27, Row 42, 231. 23*

Dear Madam:

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

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

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

For The Quartermaster General:

Very truly yours,

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

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WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

Degnan, James Francis 1232 M

June 9, 1930

Mrs. Annie Degnan  
906 Second Avenue  
New York, N. Y.

Dear Madam:

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

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

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

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

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

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

(Write answer here)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Sign here)

WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

DATE October 17, 1930

NAME	RANK	SERIAL	ORGANIZATION	DATE OF DEATH
<u>Degnan, James Francis</u>	<u>Cpl.</u>	<u>271432</u>	<u>51st Co. 5th Marines</u>	<u>11-10-18</u>

STATE	CTY. NO.	GRAVE	ROW	BLOCK
<u>N.Y.</u>	<u>1232</u>	<u>27</u>	<u>43</u>	<u>B</u>

NAME AND ADDRESS	<u>Check relationship</u>	<u>Living - Deceased</u>		<i>XC/27-728</i> <i>10/27/30</i>
		Living	Deceased	
	MOTHER	:	✓	
	STEPMOTHER (For the year prior to commencement of service)	:	:	
	MOTHER THRU ADOPTION (For the year prior to commencement of service)	:	:	<i>S.M.</i>
	MOTHER IN LOCO PARENTIS (For the year prior to commencement of service)	:	:	<u>Annie Degnan</u> <u>3714 - 104<sup>th</sup> St.</u> <u>Corona L.I. N.Y.</u>
	WIDOW (Who has not remarried)	:	:	

*Single man*

Veterans Bureau Claim Number 29/156/

*10-27-30*  
*Out.*

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE  
OFFICE OF THE ATTORNEY GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

DATE: October 11, 1930

TO: THE ATTORNEY GENERAL  
FROM: THE DIRECTOR, FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION  
SUBJECT: [Illegible]



WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

October 7, 1929.

Degnan, James Francis 1232 M.

Mrs. Annie Degnan,  
906 2nd Ave.,  
New York, N. Y.

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)
		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
2. Do you desire to make the pilgrimage in the calendar year 1930?	(Yes)	(No)
		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
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)
		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
4. Please give your age and state of health.	Age <u>39</u> Health <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	(Years) (Good) (Poor)
5. What language do you speak?	English - (Yes) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> (No)	Other language (Specify language spoken)

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

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WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

Degnan, James Francis  
1232

September 4, 1929.

Mr. John E. Degnan,  
906 Second Ave.,  
New York, New York.

Dear Sir:

The records of this office do not indicate that a reply has been received to our communication dated June 29, 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:

*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.

*Stepmother*

*Mrs annie Degnan*

*906 2 ave n.y.c.*

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

*No sir to old*

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

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WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

June 29, 1929.

Degnan, James Francis

Mr. John E. Degnan,  
906 Second Ave.,  
New York City, N.Y.

Dear Sir:

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

The records of this office show that you are the father of the late Corporal James Francis Degnan, 51st Co., 5th Marines, whose remains are now interred in the Meuse-Argonne American Cemetery, Romagne-sous-Montfaucon, Meuse, France.

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

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

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

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-M  
Degnan, James Francis (M A) S

July, 15, 1932

Mrs. Annie Degnan,  
3714 104th St.,  
Corona, L. I., N.Y.

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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For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

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DO YOU DESIRE TO MAKE A PILGRIMAGE DURING THE YEAR 1933? \_\_\_\_\_  
(Write answer here)

(Sign here) \_\_\_\_\_

WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-M  
Degnan, James Francis (MA) SM

September 29, 1931.

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Mrs. Annie Degnan,  
3714 104th St.,  
Corona, LI. N. Y.

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1. Do you desire to make a pilgrimage  
in 1932?

2. Please state your age and condition  
of health:

Age:  
Health:

3. Do you speak English?

4. What other language do you speak?

Sign here

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

Encl:  
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WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM-293-AM

Degnan, James Francis Cpl. (M-A) SM

September 16, 1931

Mrs. Annie Degnan,  
3714 104th St.,  
Corona, L. I., N. Y.

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 several months in advance. 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 or 1931.

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

DO YOU DESIRE TO MAKE A PILGRIMAGE DURING THE YEAR 1932?

Write answer here

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Sign here

QM 293 A-M  
Degnan, James Francis (MA)

September 5, 1931.

Mrs. Annie Degnan,  
3714 -104th Street,  
Corona, L. I., N.Y.

Dear Madam:

In order that the records of this office may be complete and correct, it will be appreciated if you will furnish the following information, as previously requested:

- (1) Date of your marriage to the father of Corporal Degnan.
- (2) Were you married to Mr. Degnan at the time his son entered the military service?
- (3) Were you married to Mr. Degnan at the time of his son's death?
- (4) If not, give date of your separation from him.
- (5) If Mr. Degnan is deceased, give date of his death.
- (6) Is Corporal Degnan survived by his natural mother?

Your prompt reply will be appreciated.

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

R. E. SHANNON,  
Captain, Q. M. Corps,  
Assistant.

Encl:  
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QM 293 A-M  
Degnan, James Francis Cpl. 1232 SM

November 10, 1930.

Mrs. Annie Degnan,  
3714 - 104th St.,  
Corona, L. I., N. Y.

Dear Madam:

Further reference is made to correspondence from this office relative to the pilgrimage authorized by the Act of March 2, 1929, as amended May 15, 1930.

The records of this office indicate that you were the stepmother of the late Corporal James Francis Degnan, and in order to determine your eligibility under the Act to make the pilgrimage to his grave, it will be appreciated if you will furnish the following information:

- (1) Date of your marriage to the father of James Francis Degnan.
- (2) Were you married to Mr. Degnan at the time his son entered the military service?
- (3) Were you married to Mr. Degnan at the time of his son's death?
- (4) If not, give date of your separation from him.
- (5) If Mr. Degnan is deceased, give date of his death.

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

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QM 293 A-M

October 14, 1930

Degnan, James Francis Cpl 1232 M

Mrs. Annie Degnan  
906 Second Avenue  
New York City

Dear Madam:

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

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

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

For The Quartermaster General:

Very truly yours,

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

Encls:  
Act  
Amendment  
Envelope

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WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

Degnan, James Francis 1232 M

June 9, 1930

Mrs. Annie Degnan  
906 Second Avenue  
New York, N. Y.

Dear Madam:

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

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

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

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

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

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

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

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Sign here)

WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

October 7, 1929.

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C  
Degnan, James Francis 1232 N.

Mrs. Annie Degnan,  
906 2nd Ave.,  
New York, N. Y.

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

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

**Degnan, James Francis**  
1232

**September 4, 1929.**

**Mr. John E. Degnan,**  
**906 Second Ave.,**  
**New York, New York.**

**Dear Sir:**

The records of this office do not indicate that a reply has been received to our communication dated ~~June 29, 1929~~ <sup>making inquiry</sup> concerning the name and address of the mother and widow of the deceased service man above named. These addresses are desired with a view to ascertaining the number of mothers and widows who desire to make a pilgrimage to the cemeteries of Europe in which the remains of their sons and husbands are interred.

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

Write answers in space below

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

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

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

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

2 Incls.  
Act of Congress  
Envelope

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

WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

Degnan, James Francis

June 29, 1929.

Mr. John E. Degnan,  
906 Second Ave.,  
New York City, N.Y.

Dear Sir:

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

The records of this office show that you are the father of the late Corporal James Francis Degnan, 51st Co., 5th Marines, whose remains are now interred in the Meuse-Argonne American Cemetery, Romagne-sous-Montfaucon, Meuse, France.

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

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

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

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

2 incls.  
Act of Congress.  
Envelope.

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

In reply refer to:  
QM - 293 C-R

August 1, 1923.

Mr. John E. Degan,  
906 Second Ave.,  
New York City, N.Y.

Dear Sir:

The Quartermaster General desires that you be informed that  
5th Marines is Grave 27, Row 43, Block B, Meuse-Argonne American  
Cemetery, Romagne-sous-Montfaucon (Meuse), France.

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

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

Very truly yours,

H. J. Conner,  
Assistant.



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271432

DEGNAN, JAMES FRANCIS, CORP'L, 51ST CO.,  
5TH REG. MARINES.

DISPOSITION: RETURN OF REMAINS NOT DESIRED

NEXT OF KIN: JOHN EDWARD DEGNAN,  
RELATION: FATHER.

ADDRESS: 906 2ND AVE., NEW YORK, N.Y.

CTY: 1232.

ms 4-22-21

1232 - Sec 47-44

~~ms~~  
ms 4-22-21  
1232 - Sec 47-44

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## Headquarters U. S. Marine Corps,

Washington, April 29, 1921.

From: The Major General Commandant.  
 To: The Chief, Cemeterial Division, Office of Quartermaster  
 General of the Army.  
 Subject: A. E. F. dead: Confirmation or revision of G. R. S.  
 record of disposition status.  
 Reference: Form No. 124, File No. 83431 dated 4-29-21.  
 Case of DEGNAN, James Francis Cpl. #271432  
 51st Co. 5th Marines. 1232 Sec. 47-44.

1. It is requested that the remains of the above-named man  
 be disposed of as follows:

DISPOSITION: To be left in France.

CONSIGNEE: Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Address: \_\_\_\_\_

NEXT OF KIN: Name: John Edward Degnan,  
 Relationship: Father  
 Address: 906 2nd Ave.,  
 New York City. N.Y.

REMARKS: \_\_\_\_\_

*H. Lay*  
 H. LAY

Lt. Col., U.S.M.C.

By Asst. Adjutant & Inspector.

GRAVE LOCATION BLANK

Location of grave of

Degman 271432 J. F.

Corp (?) U. S. M. C.

Date of Burial-- Oct. 12, 1918.

Place of burial----

See co-ord. on Tahure Map  
265.1 x 282.0 On East side of  
of road.

How Marked ?

Name written on cross.

One tag buried with man

Reported by-- T. B. Lugg  
Chaplain U. S. Marines.

CMME St. Etienne-H. Arnes (Ardennes)  
(C-217) SIT. 34 NE COORD (E 265.1  
N 282

MEMORANDUM

271432

ON ACTIVE SERVICE  
WITH THE  
AMERICAN EXPEDITIONARY FORCES

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Communal List No. 0217-590  
Daily Report No. \_\_\_\_\_



Soldier's No 271432

Name : Degnan, J.F.

Rank : Co Reg U.S.M.C.

Died : CMME. ST. ETIENNE-A-ARNES (ARDENNES)

Buried : (C-217) SHT. 3451 E COORD E-2659

Cemetery: Battlefield isolated graves. N-2829

Commune of St. Etienne-a-Arnes .

Grave No 25 Avery sketch No 12

How marked ? Cross, no tag attached .

If name unknown and tags missing, give marks and description .

Map reference : Map 34 S. 282.2 N. 265. E.

Name of chaplain or burial officer .

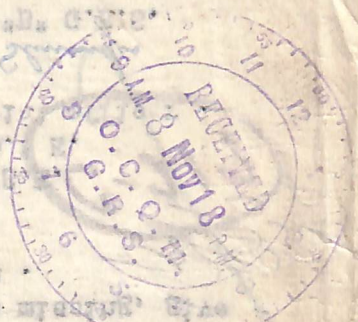
Signed- *Epil Clyde G. Shinnings*  
Group One, Unit "B" G.R.S.

83451

*Handwritten signature*  
C-217

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April 14 - 1919

The Graves Registration Service  
Army Post Office No. 706,  
American Ex. Forces.

83431

C. A. Ketchum, Captain Assistant Adjutant  
& Inspector - advised me to write  
you for particulars in regard  
to Corporal James Francis Deignan  
(their file no. 99232 - 750 - U.W.W.)  
for information regarding grave number  
and place of interment of said  
Corporal could be obtained from  
you. Kindly advise the writer at once.

Thanking you,  
(Miss) Sarah Jane Kelly  
6 Francis St  
North Tarrytown  
New York

April 14 -  
1919.

1883  
-1883

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**RECEIVED**  
12 MAY 1919  
O. C. Q. M.  
G. R. S.

1883

COMPILATION OF DISPOSITION OF REMAINS DATA

*Marine*

*(4/30/21)* File #83431

I. LOCATION INDEX CARD:

(a) Name DEGNAN, James F. *Francis* Ser. No. 271432  
(b) Rank Cpl. Organization 51st Co., 5th Marine ~~34th Co. 1st Repl. Bn.~~ *Marines* TYP. als  
(c) Date of death abt. 11/10/18 (d) Cause of death K/A CKR. 30

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

(a) Grave No. 67 Row -- Plot 2 Sec. 47 TYP. als  
(b) Emerg. Address Mr. John E. Degnan, (Father) 906 Second Ave., N.Y.C., N.Y.

III. Files of soldiers/dying from contagious diseases/ CKR. 30

*Marine*

IV. A. G. O. DISPOSITION CARD:

Date of receipt none

(a) Name John Edward Degnan (b) Relationship Father  
(c) Address 906-2nd Ave., New York, N.Y.  
(d) Remains to be brought to U. S.? no.  
(e) To be interred in National Cemetery in U. S. at \_\_\_\_\_  
(f) Shipping instructions upon arrival of body in U. S. \_\_\_\_\_  
(g) Disposition instructions if not brought to U. S. \_\_\_\_\_

Examiner's Initials me Date 4-22-21, 1920.

V. A. G. O. CORRESPONDENCE shows communication from \_\_\_\_\_, dated \_\_\_\_\_ confirming request in Par. IV., item \_\_\_\_\_, above, or requesting that \_\_\_\_\_

Examiner's Initials \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_, 1920.

VI. G. R. S. FILES, CORRESPONDENCE—shows as follows: 4/14/19 - Miss Sarah Jane Kelly, rel not stated, 6 Francis St., North Tarrytown, N.Y.  
no request for disposition.

(a) Cancellation memos referred to? \_\_\_\_\_

Examiner's Initials me Date 4-22-21, 1920.

COUNTRY FRANCE CEMETERY No. 1232-Sec. 47 SHEET No. 44.

*checked 5/13/21*

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 5/3/21, 1920

Section # 47  
Part # 2 - Not to be returned - Marine - HD  
Dequan - James Francis

IX.

**CORRECTIONS**

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

~~Form 124 to Marine Corps~~      ~~Form 840 from Marine Corps~~

X. SUSPENSION REMARKS: Date Sent 4/29/21      Date Rec'd 4/29/21

Form #840 - To be left in France, N. of N.Y.  
John Edward Dequan, (Father) 986-2nd  
Ave., New York City, N.Y. 4/30/21 meB.

To be prepared in triplicate.

DATE Nov. 16, 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 DEGNAN, James F. Francis

10. Name

2. No. 271432

11. No.

3. Rank Cpl.

12. Rank

4. Org. 51st 34th Co., 1st Repl. Bn. Marines. 5th

13. Org.

5. D.D. Abt. Nov. 10th / 18

14. (a) D.D.

6. C.D. KIA

(b) D.B. No discrepancies.

Discrepancy found upon disinterment

7. Grave No. 67 Sec. 47

15. Grave No. Sec.

8. Plot 2 Row

16. Plot Row

9.

17. No discrepancies.

18. Cemetery Meuse-Argonne American

19. Commune or town Romagne-sous-Montfaucon

20. Dept. or County Meuse

21. Country France.

22. G.R.S. Hdqrs. Code No. 1232. Sec. 47

23. Disinterred (Date) Nov. 16, 1921

By H. E. Strong.

24. Inscription on grave marker:

Name James F. Degnan

Serial No. 271432

Rank Cpl.

Organization 34th Co., 1st Repl. Bn. Mar

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

Archie A. Pope  
Signature Junior Technical Assistant  
Archie A. Pope.

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).

None.

27. Condition of body Badly decomposed; features unrecognizable.

28. Nature of burial Box, US uniform and burlap.

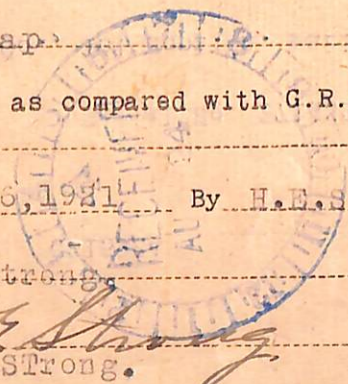
29. Any discrepancy noted upon examination of body, as compared with G.R.S. records quoted above? None

30. Body prepared and placed in casket: Date Nov. 16, 1921 By H. E. Strong.

31. Casket sealed by H. E. Strong.

Signature of Embalmer, (Supervisor) H. E. Strong.

gc



SHIPMENT. (Show actual marking of box.) Box No. C-15924

32. Designation of body:

Name James F. DEGNAN Serial No. 271432

Rank Cpl Organization 34th Co., 1st Repl. Bn. Marines.

33. Consigned to:

Name of Permanent Cemetery Meuse-Arg. Amer. Cty. # 1232 Romagne-sous-Montfaucon (Meuse).

34. Casket boxed and marked (Date) Nov. 16, 1921. By H.E. Strong.

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

Signature of G.R.S. Inspector Geo. O. Bland, 1st Lieut. OMC.

36. Remarks None.

37. Shipped from point of Operation: (Date) Nov. 16, 1921.

To point of Concentration Morgue, Romagne

Convoyer W. J. Royed Signature Shipping Officer J. Gerald Cole

(Name J. Gerald Cole  
Captain, C. A. C.

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

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

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

41. Reinterred Nov. 16, 1921 Meuse-Argonne Cty. #1232.

(Date)

42. Grave No. 27 Section \_\_\_\_\_

43. ~~Block~~ Block. B Row 43

G.R.S. Representative James W. Younger

JAMES W. YOUNGER, CAPT., Q.M.C.

Concentration.

Place Romagne 1232.

**REPORT OF DISINTERMENT AND REBURIAL**

Date Nov 16, 1921.

1. REMAINS OF DEGNAN, James Francis SERIAL NUMBER 271432.  
RANK Cpl. ORGANIZATION 34th Co. 1st Repl. Br. Marines.

2. Disinterred (date): Nov 16, 1921 From (give complete location): gr 67, sec 47, plot 2.  
*(connections per Form 840)*

By: Group 9 Unit sec 1

3. Reburied (date): Nov. 16, 1921 In (give complete location): Meuse-Argonne Cty. #1232 Gr. 27, Block B, row 43,

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

4. Report as to nature of original burial and condition of body upon disinterment:  
wooden box and burlap and uniform. badly decomposed, features not recognizable.

5. (a) Identification tags: Buried with body? Yes On grave marker? no  
(b) Other means of identification found upon disinterment, and general remarks:

tag on body reads J. F. Degnan 8-5-17"

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

(a) Height (actual measurement) impossible to determine;

(b) Weight (estimated) do

(c) Hair—Color do

Quantity do

Characteristics do

(d) Hair on face—Color do

Location do

Quantity do

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

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

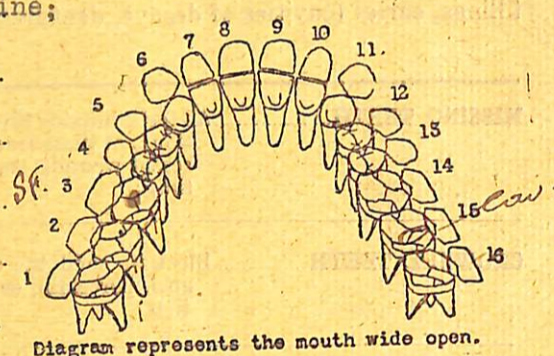
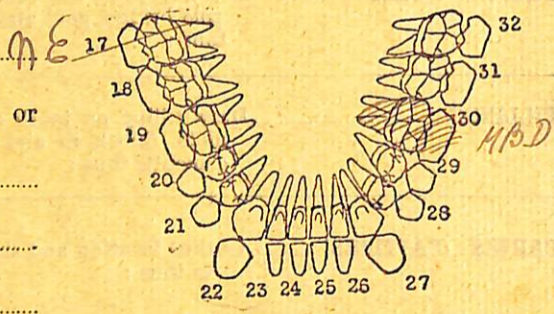


Diagram represents the mouth wide open.



7. Disinterment supervised by H.E. Strong

Approved: C. Blund  
Gen. C. Blund 1st Lt. Q.M.C.  
(Title)

8. Reburial supervised by A.U. DUFALTT.





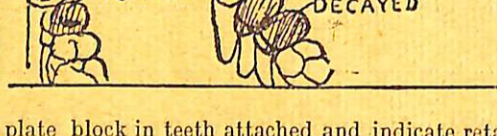
Approved: JAMES W. YOUNGER  
(Title) CAPT., Q.M.C.



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

Enter information, as noted below, on reverse side of sheet in the *corresponding numbered space*. This form is supplemental to and is to be forwarded with G. R. S. Form 1-a, reporting reburial locations. To be used in answer to Question 26, Form 114, in case no means of identification on body.

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

<p><b>MISSING TEETH</b>.....All teeth missing through previous extraction (not those fractured or displaced by recent wounds) should be scratched out, thus :</p>	 <p style="text-align: center;">TOOTH MISSING      TOOTH MISSING</p>
<p><b>CROWNED TEETH</b>.....Block in solid the crown of tooth (label gold, porcelain, or gold and porcelain), thus :</p>	 <p style="text-align: center;">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 style="text-align: center;">GOLD AND PORCELAIN BRIDGE      GOLD BRIDGE</p>
<p><b>FILLINGS</b>.....Draw filling on tooth accurately as possible (block in and label gold, silver, cement), thus :</p>	 <p style="text-align: center;">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 style="text-align: center;">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.

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Marine

COMPILATION OF DISPOSITION OF REMAINS DATA

(4/30/21) File #83431

I. LOCATION INDEX CARD:

(a) Name DEGNAN, James Francis Ser. No. 271432  
 (b) Rank Cpl. Organization 51st Co. 5th Marines } TYP. als  
84th Co. 1st Regt. Inf. Bn. Marines } cpo  
 (c) Date of death abt. 11/10/18 (d) Cause of death K/A

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

(a) Grave No. 67 Row -- Plot 2 Sec. 47 TYP. als  
 (b) Emerg. Address Mr. John E. Degnan, (Father) 906 Second Ave., N.Y.C., N.Y.

III. Files of soldiers dying from contagious diseases \_\_\_\_\_ CKR. cpo

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

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V. Following advice forwarded to Europe by { cable on \_\_\_\_\_, 192  
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VI. Form 115 forwarded to G. R. S., Hoboken, N. J., \_\_\_\_\_, 192

VII. SUPPLEMENTARY REQUESTS.

Date of and source.	Relationship and name.	Desires.	Action taken.

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