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DATE

1. NAME DERNCUS, Joseph W SERIAL No. 2037817

3024

Co. 16th 79th Engrs.

79 Div

RANK Pvt ORGANIZATION & DIVISION

GRAVE LOCATION Amer. Mil. Cty. Mesves., Nievre CITY. NAME 86 NUMBER

60 ~~63~~

GRAVE ROW PLOT

2. ORIGINAL BATTLE AREA GRAVE LOCATION 60 Mesves (Nievre)

GRAVE COMMUNE DEPT.

COORDINATES

CONCENTRATED TO Not of record

DATE GRAVE ROW PLOT

CEMETERY CTY. NUMBER

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

DATE OF DEATH Oct. 5, 1918

STATE FROM WHICH HE CAME Mich

MEDALS OR DECORATIONS AWARDED none of record

SUBSEQUENT REBURIALS Not of record

DATE GRAVE ROW PLOT CEMETERY

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SIGNATURE, AREA SUPERVISOR W.H. Quarterman
W.H. QUARTERMAN, CA T.F.A., Supervisor Area N. 4

3. FINAL GRAVE LOCATION June 26, 1922 21 21 Block A

DATE GRAVE ROW PLOT

St. Mihiel American Cty. #1233, Thiaucourt, M-et-M.
CEMETERY

AUDITED BY

See's World War Div.

JUN 8 1925

Received A. G. O. JUN 2 1925

Robert C. Davis, Major General, The Adjutant General, By JUN 4 1925

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.

Dernours

Died of Dis 10/5/18 C.C. 279
GRAVE LOCATION BLANK

LOCATION OF THE GRAVE OF

Dernours 2037917 *Joseph W*
(Surname). (Number). (First Name and Initials).

Pvt 304 *Eng.*
(Rank). (Organization).

PLACE OF DEATH: *B. A. 54 A. P. O. 798*

CAUSE OF DEATH: *Pneumonia*

DATE OF BURIAL: *Oct 5th 1918*

PLACE OF BURIAL: *American Army*

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

Cemetery Moscow
Dept. Vicars

GRAVE NUMBER: *60*

HOW MARKED: Name Peg? Cross?

Headboard? *yes* Bottle?

IDENTIFICATION TAGS:

Was one buried with body? *yes*

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

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

NEAREST RELATIVE: *Mrs. Joseph Dernours*

ADDRESS: *Sovolky, Russia*

RELATIONSHIP: *Wife*

REPORTED BY: *Sgt M. C. Carroll* *1st Lt. Chaplain*
(Signature and Rank of Reporting Officer).

CODE SLIP

HEADING	SUB-HEADING	NO. OF COLS	CODE
NAME	Derneurs	3	4 5 8
BURIED	CEMETERY 1233	1	3
	GRAVE 21	2	21
	ROW 21	2	21
	BLOCK A	1	1
STATE	Mich	2	26
RANK	Pvt	1	2
DIVISION	79	2	79
ORGANIZATION	304	3	304
ARM	Eng Regt	1	4
MARITAL	Remarried	1	3
NAME	Derenciene	3	458
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RESIDENCE	COUNTY	2	
	CITY	3	
RELATION	Widow	1	5
OTHER	Adm	1	3
ELIGIBILITY	Foreign	1	4
NATIVITY		1	
RACE		1	
ENGLISH		1	
ATTENDANT		1	
HEALTH		1	
NO. OF SONS		1	
DATE OF	MO.	1	
TRIP	YR.	1	
ACCEPTANCE	Lithuania	1	
29/514/	Country	2	27

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AFM	Eng. Regt.	1	4
MARITAL	Remarried	1	3
NAME	Darceniene,	3	
	Mrs. Elena		
	(Widow - Lithuanian)		
RESIDENCE	STATE	2	
	COUNTY	2	
	CITY	3	
RELATION	Mother	1	1
OTHER		1	
ELIGIBILITY	Head	1	6
NATIVITY		1	
RACE		1	
ENGLISH		1	
ATTENDANT		1	
HEALTH		1	
NO. OF SONS		1	
DATE OF TRIP	MO.	1	
	YR.	1	
ACCEPTANCE		1	
	29/514		

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WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C
Derneurs, Joseph W. 1233

March 11, 1930

Mr. Arthur A. Koscinski,
2297 Forest Avenue,
Mich. State Bank Bldg.,
Detroit, Michigan.

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".

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

Write answers in space below:

1. Is the deceased survived by a widow who has not since remarried?

2. If so, give her complete address.

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

Irena Omilijonaite Derencius
Bevirslai Village, Liubavas
Commune, Mariampoles District,
Lithuania, Europe.

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For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

John T. Harris

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

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

DATE February 10 1930

NAME	RANK	SERIAL	ORGANIZATION	DATE OF DEATH
Derncurs Joseph W	Pvt	2037817	Co C 304th Engrs	Oct 5 1918

STATE	Michigan	CTY. NO.	1233	GRAVE	21	ROW	21	BLOCK	A
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	<u>Check relationship</u>	<u>Living - Deceased</u>	
NAME	MOTHER	:	: <i>no record</i> : <i>XC 71-303</i>
AND	STEPMOTHER (For the year prior to commencement of service)	:	: <i>wife Re-m. no</i> : <i>2/14</i>
ADDRESS	MOTHER THRU ADOPTION (For the year prior to commencement of service)	:	: <i>address given</i> : <i>Adm. 1</i>
	MOTHER IN LOCO PARENTIS (For the year prior to commencement of service)	:	: <i>Arthur A. Kosciński</i> : <i>2297- Forest ave</i>
	WIDOW (Who has not remarried)	:	: <i>Mich State Bank Bldg</i> : <i>Detroit Mich</i>
	<i>Married Man</i>	:	:

Veterans Bureau Claim Number 29/156

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OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

QM 293 A-C

IN REPLY REFER TO _____

Derncurs, Joseph W

May 31, 1929.

KC 71 303

Mr. Alexander Omeln,
22 Hammond St.,
Detroit, Mich.

Mrs. Irena Derenciene Mara
Gdn. of minor son _____
Kaimas Bevirsia
Vals. Luebavas
Pastas Kalvarija
Apsk Marianepolo
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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.

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IN REPLY REFER TO ~~QM 293 A C~~
DERNCURS, Joseph W., Pvt.

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

February 15, 1924

Mrs. Irena Derencz,
Wies Bawirsze,
Gmina Lubowo powiat Maryampol, Poland.

Dear Madam:

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This American military cemetery is one of those to be maintained by the United States for all time in Europe. Each grave will be marked by a headstone of white marble, of dignified design, with the name, rank, division, organization, date of soldier's death and State from which he came. 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.

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Very truly yours,



R. L. FOSTER
Assistant.

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Record card.

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OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL OF THE ARMY

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Mrs. Irena Derencz,

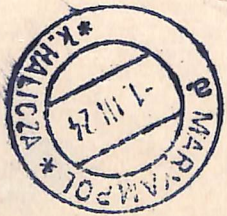
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Gmina Lubowo powiat Maryampol,

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Soldier's  Overseas
Grave

Name Joseph W. Derncurs

Rank Private

Organization Company C, 304th Engineers

Grave No. 21 Row 21 Block A

Cemetery St. Mihiel American

Location Thiaucourt, Meurthe-et-Moselle, France

¹²⁻³⁻²⁰
~~Dermears,~~ ^{qua}

Joseph W

2,037,817

(Surname.)

(Christian name in full.)

(Army serial number)

Pvt

Co 16,79 Engrs

(Rank and organization.)

State your relationship to the deceased

brother in law

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?

no

(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.)

*Address
John J. Graham*

(Number and street)

(City or town.)

(State.)

(Sign here)

Alexander Ormiston

(Number and street or rural route.)

(City, town, or post office.)

(State.)

27 Graham Detroit Mich.

Read carefully the letter accompanying this card.

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H.B.

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Assistant.
R. L. POSTER

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COMPILATION OF DISPOSITION OF REMAINS DATA

File #28043

3/24/22 Exhumed
for Concentration
St. Michael 1233
at 4/13/22

1. LOCATION INDEX CARD: (DTI-26-22)

(a) Name BERNOUS, Joseph W. Ser. No. 2037817
(b) Rank Private Organization 16th Co. 79th Engrs. TYP. HDP
(c) Date of death 10-5-18 (d) Cause of death Pneumonia CKR. Exp.

11. Registration Card:- (Check Reg. Card Inf. against Loc. Ind. Inf.)

(a) Grave No. 60 Row --- Plot --- Sect. --- TYP. HDP
(b) Emerg. Address Alexander Omeln. (Friend) 22 Hammond St., Detroit, Mich.

111. Files of soldiers dying from contagious diseases; No Card CKR. J.L.A.

IV. A.G.O. DISPOSITION CARD: Date of receipt None

(a) Name Alexander Omelian (b) Relationship Brother-in-law
(c) Address 27 - Graham, Detroit, Mich.
(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. _____

SEE SUSPENSION REMARKS

(g) Disposition instructions if not brought to U.S. _____

Examiner's Initials J.M.S. Date 5/23/ 1920

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

confirmed request in Par. IV. item _____, dated _____, above, or requesting that
No Correspondence

Examiner's Initials J.M.S. Date 5/24/ 1920

VI. G.R.S. Files - Correspondence - shows as follows:

No request for disposition

(a) Cancellation memos referred to? _____

Examiner's Initials _____ Date 5-25- 1920

COUNTRY FRANCE CEMETERY NO. 56 SHEET NO. 146

G.R.S. Form #115 Amended **FORM 6, 1150. A COMPLETED** Make Form #114

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

JAN 10 1921

Typed by _____

Checked by _____

1920

CEMETERIAL DIVISION
OVERSEAS PROJECT SUB-SEC.

VIII. FINAL ACTION:

Following advice forwarded to Europe by-

{ cable on _____ 1920
{ letter on 8/14 1920

Par # 2 not to be returned (MCH)

AP. 12-6-20

IX. CORRECTIONS

CHANGE OF ADVICE	ACTION TAKEN
Desires body be	
Body to be shipped to	1-7-21 Hoboken referred case to Europe for follow up & necessary action Rel 1-13-21

X. SUSPENSION REMARKS:

Form 120, from Mr. Alex Omilian, 27 Graham St., Detroit, Mich. Brother-in-law, requests that correspondence be sent to widow, Jereena Dornous, Wios Diviozyc, Poczyna - Lubowa, Powiat - Kalwaryja, Gubernia Suwalki, Polska (Poland). Father, (Szymon) same address. 6-23-20 F.

Letter 6-28 sent widow (Mrs Jereena Dornous) in Poland requests her address as to disposition of remains. CB

6-23-20

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To be prepared in triplicate.

DATE Dec. 7, 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 <u>DERNEUS, Joseph</u> <i>W</i>	10. Name
2. No. <u>2037817</u>	11. No.
3. Rank <u>Pvt</u>	12. Rank
4. Org. <u>Co. 16th 79th Engrs.</u> <i>C 304th</i>	13. Org.
5. D.D. <u>10-5-1918</u>	14. (a) D.D.
6. C.D. <u>Broncho Pneumonia</u>	(b) D.B. <u>None</u>

Discrepancy found upon disinterment

7. Grave No. <u>60</u> Sec.	15. Grave No. Sec.
8. Plot Row	16. Plot Row
9.	17. <u>None</u>
18. Cemetery <u>Amer. Mil.</u>	19. Commune or town <u>Mesves</u>
20. Dept. or County <u>Nievre</u>	21. Country <u>France</u>
22. G.R.S. Hdqrs. Code No.	<u>86</u>
23. Disinterred (Date) <u>Dec. 7, 1921.</u>	By <u>W.C. RAPINE</u>

24. Inscription on grave marker:

Name <u>Joseph Derneus</u>	Serial No. <u>---</u>
Rank <u>Pvt.</u>	Organization <u>Co. 16, 79th Engrs</u>
	<u>Gr. No. 60</u>

25. Was identification disc found on grave marker? Yes On body? Yes
(Partly corroded)
Ray Brown
 Signature Junior Technical Assistant

RAY BROWN

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).
Disc on body partly corroded reads: 2037817. no effects found.

27. Condition of body Badly decomposed. Recognition impossible

28. Nature of burial In uniform and wooden 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 Dec. 7, 1921. By W.C. RAPINE

31. Casket sealed by W.C. RAPINE
 Signature of Embalmer, (Supervisor) *W.C. Rapine*
 W.C. RAPINE

AUDITED BY

SHIPMENT. (Show actual marking of box.) Box No. C - 23985

32. Designation of body:

Name Joseph DERNOUS Serial No. 2037817
Rank Pvt Organization Co.16th 79th Engrs.

33. Consigned to:

Name of Permanent Cemetery Amer.Cty. St.Mihiel #1233. Thiaucourt, M-et-M.

34. Casket boxed and marked (Date) Dec, 7, 1921. By W.B. RAPINE

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 *F. Overheiser*
F. OVERHEISER, 1st, Lieut. QMC.

36. Remarks None

37. Shipped from point of Operation: (Date) Dec, 7, 1921.

To point of Concentration Nevers, (Nievre)
(Name)

Convoyer Signature Shipping Officer

38. Received at Railhead or Point of Concentration: Date

By G.R.S. Representative

39. Shipped from Railhead or Point of Concentration: Date 22 DEC 1921

To Permanent Cemetery St.Mihiel Amer Ctt,1233, Thiaucourt, (M-et-M)
(Name)

GRT Convoyer R.L.HALL Signature Shipping Officer *W.R. Buckley*
W.R. BUCKLEY, Capt. QMC

40. Received: Date 26 DEC 1921

G.R.S. Representative *T.B. Daniel, Capt, 2mc*

41. Reinterred, June 26, 1922.

(Date)

42. Grave No. 21 Section

43. XXXX Block A. Row 21

Plot

G.R.S. Representative *A.E. Dewey*
A.E. Dewey, 1st-Lt. QMC

BEFORE OF DISBURSEMENT AND DELIVERY OF BODY

DEC 7 1921

(Name)

REPORT OF DISINTERMENT AND REBURIAL

1. REMAINS OF DERVENS, Joseph ^{curse} W. SERIAL NUMBER 2037817
RANK Pvt. ORGANIZATION Co. ^{304th} 16th 79th Engrs.

2. Disinterred (date): Dec, 7, 1921. From (give complete location): Amer Cty. No. 86, Mesvres, Graves No. 60
By: Group 4 Unit Section 4.

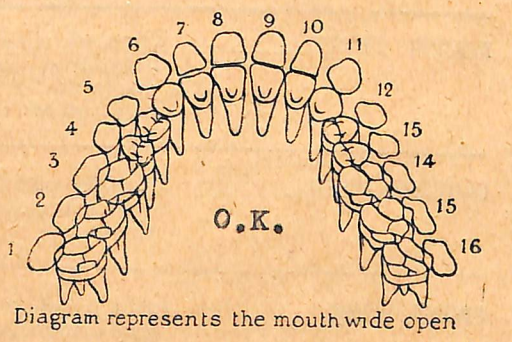
3. Reburied (date): June 26, 1922. In (give complete location) Gr. 21, Bk. A. Row 21.
By: Group Reburial Unit Casket and Shipping Case Nature of reburial

4. Report as to nature of original burial and condition of body upon disinterment:
In uniform and wooden box. Badly decomposed.
Recognition impossible

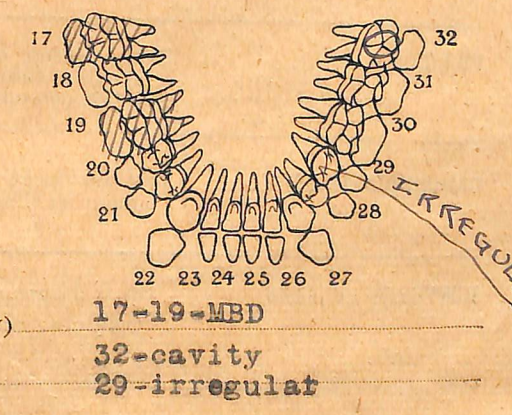
5. (a) Identification tags: Buried with body? Yes On grave marker? Yes
(Partly corroded)
(b) Other means of identification found upon disinterment, and general remarks:
No effects found. Disc on body partly corroded
reads: 2037817

6. What does examination of body show as regards the following identifying items?
(a) Height (actual measurement) Unable 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

7. Disinterment supervised by W.C. Rapine Approved: F. Overheiser
GBT W.C. RAPINE RB (Title) 1st Lieut. QMCV
8. Reburial supervised by H.L. Kramer Approved: A.E. Dewey, 1st Lt. QMC.
(Title)

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

Enter information, as noted below, on reverse side of sheet in the *corresponding numbered space*. This form is supplemental to and is to be forwarded with G. R. S. Form 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), bicuspid (chewing teeth), and molars (principal chewing teeth). An examination should be made and findings charted to cover the following basic conditions: Lost teeth, crowned teeth, bridge work, fillings, caries (cavities of decay), dentures (plates), and any deformity of jaws found.

MISSING TEETH

All teeth missing through previous extraction (not those fractured or displaced by recent wounds) should be scratched out, thus:



CROWNED TEETH

Block in solid the crown of tooth (label gold, porcelain, or gold and porcelain), thus:



BRIDGE WORK

Block in solid the crown of tooth (label gold bridge, gold and porcelain bridge) thus:



FILLINGS

Draw filling on tooth accurately as possible (block in and label gold, silver, cement), thus:



CARIES (CAVITIES)

Outline location and size of cavity, shade in thus:



DENTURES (PLATES)

Draw diagram of relative size and shape of plate block in teeth attached and indicate retaining clasps on natural teeth with the word "clasp"

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

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

See Form 115
ATT 4/13/22

I. LOCATION INDEX CARD:

(a) Name HERNCOUS, Joseph W. Ser. No. 2037817
 (b) Rank Pvt. Organization 16th Co. 79th Engrs. } TYP
 (c) Date of death 10-5-18 Cause of death Pneumonia }
(S.T. 81-26-22)

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

(a) Grave No. Row Plot Sect. TYP EW
 (b) Emerg. Address Alexander Omeln. (Friend) 22 Hammond St., Detroit, Mich.

III. Files of soldiers dying from contagious diseases. No Card CKR *EW*

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

A.G.O. card - No date - Alexander Omilian (Brother in Law) 27 Graham
Correspondence June 7th, 1920 Detroit Mich

Alexander Omilian (Brother-in-law)

Requests that we write to widow, (nearest of kin) for information.

V. Following advice forwarded to Europe by (cable on 192
 (Letter of transmittal on 8/14 1920

Par. #2 not to be returned

VI. Form 115 forwarded to G.R.S. Hoboken, N.J. Dec. 9th, 1920

VII. SUPPLEMENTARY REQUESTS

Date of and source	Relationship and name	Desires	Action taken

VIII. Form 115 received from G.R.S. Hoboken, N.J. JAN 10 1921 192

EW

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GRAVE LOCATION BLANK

DEFUNCTS?

LOCATION OF THE GRAVE OF

Wernicus 2037817 *Joseph W*
(Surname). (Number). (First Name and Initials).

Priv 304 *Eng*
(Rank). (Organization).

PLACE OF BURIAL: *Death B. H. 541 A. P. O. 798*

CAUSE OF DEATH: *Pneumonia*

DATE OF BURIAL: *Oct 5th 1918*

PLACE OF BURIAL: *American Army*

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

Cemetery: Messer

Dept: Meuse

GRAVE NUMBER: *60*

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: *Mr Joseph W Wernicus*

ADDRESS: *Sovobly Russia*

RELATIONSHIP: *Wife*

REPORTED BY:

S. M. Carroll *1st Lt Chaplain*
(Signature and Rank of Reporting Officer).

OCT 1918

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LOCATION OF THE GRAVE OF

Demarcus 2037817 Joseph

(Surname). (Number). (First Name and Initials).

Pvt. 16th. Co. 79th. Engineers

(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).

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

REVIEWED
OSP SS.

CEMETERIAL DIVISION
REGISTRATION SECTION

January 26, 1922 192

FILE

MEMO FOR: Cards Department.

1. CASE OF:

304th Engrs.

ORGANIZATION (Old)

DERUCURS #2037817 Joseph W. - Pvt.

(Name)

Correction or additional data changes as shown below have been made on the Registration Card of the above-mentioned soldier and a corresponding change will be necessary on the Organization Card:

ORGANIZATION (New)

FILE NO.

SURNAME

SERIAL NUMBER

FIRST NAME AND INITIALS

RANK

DATE OF DEATH

CAUSE OF DEATH

	Date	Place	F-1A No.
Orig.			D-
1st Reb.			D-
2nd Reb.			D-
3rd Reb.			D-

FILE

(Note: In the above spaces below double line fill in ONLY the new date and data correcting previous information)

5 X 8 Blue Card File No. 59967 Canceled to 5 X 8 White Card File No. 28043

DERNCURS #2037817 Joseph W.

BY: D. T. Dodson,

Adjustment Section.
(Department)

5 x 8 card was sent to file.

Corrections made
on Organization
File Card:

By K.B.
S/3324/LML

CEMETERY DIVISION
REGISTRATION SECTION

FILE

January 26, 1922 192

MEMO FOR:

Cards Department.

1.

CASE OF:

16th Co., 79th Engrs.

ORGANIZATION (Old)

DERNOUS #2037817 Joseph - Pvt.

(Name)

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ORGANIZATION (New) Co. C. 304th Engrs.

FILE NO.

SURNAME DERNCURS

SERIAL NUMBER

FIRST NAME AND INITIALS Joseph W.

RANK

DATE OF DEATH

CAUSE OF DEATH

	Date	Place	F-1A No.
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S/3324/LML

WAR DEPARTMENT
Office of the Quartermaster General of the Army
Washington

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

Date November 2, 1921

File No. 59967 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 DERUCURS, | f. Date of death |
| b. Christian name Joseph W. | g. Cause of death Pneumonia |
| c. Serial Number 2037817 | h. Authority (C.O.#) |
| d. Organization 304th Engineers | i. Emergency address Mrs. Joseph W. Sevelky, Russia. Derucurs |
| e. Rank Pvt. | j. Relationship Wife. |

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

- a. Age of enlistment
b. Color of eyes
c. Color of hair
d. Height
e. Weight
f. Permanent marks and physical defects at enlistment (Old fractures or breaks)

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

- a. Strike out teeth missing
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P. G. Harris
The Adjutant General
Per MO*

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

CEMETERY NO:

REC'D MAIL SECTION,
W.W. Div., A. G. O.

BY:

H. J. Conner

SHEET NO:
TYPED BY: AH.

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

S/3310/LML

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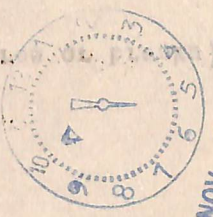
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PURCHASE, STORAGE, AND TRAFFIC DIVISION
OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR OF PURCHASE AND STORAGE
WASHINGTON

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DIRECTOR OF PURCHASE
Munitions Building

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From:
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Subject:

CEMETERY



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Assgd. to 4th Co 160 of DB

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JAN 18 1922

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Form No. 703, U. S. G. O. - Feb. 4, 22

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WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL OF THE ARMY
WASHINGTON

SPECIAL

JAN 27, 1922

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FILE File No. Registration.

Date 1-10-22

From: The Quartermaster General, U. S. Army (Cemeterial Division).
To: The Adjutant General of the Army, Sixth and B Streets NW., Washington, D. C.
Subject: Information required for G. R. S.

1. It is requested that the items checked below be completed. Request confirmation of all information shown.

- a. Surname. *Berncurr,*
- b. Christian name. *Joseph H*
- c. Serial number. *2037817* ✓
- d. Organization. *C Co 304 Engrs*
- e. Rank. *Ort*
- f. Date of death. *Oct 5/18*
- g. Cause of death. *B. Pneumonia*
- h. Authority (C. C. No.) *279*
- i. Emergency address. *Alexander O meln*
- j. Relationship. *friend 22 Hammond St*
Detroit Mich

BODY DESCRIPTION.

(See page 2 of the Service Record.)

- a. Age at enlistment. *28*
- b. Color of eyes. *Brown*
- c. Color of hair. *dk Brown*
- d. Height. *5 ft 7 1/2*
- e. Weight. *174 lbs.*
- f. Permanent marks and physical defects at enlistment. (Old fractures or breaks.)

DENTAL CHARTS.

(See physical report of examination prior to enlistment.)

a. Strike out teeth missing:

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Can you give this office any info. on the ~~man~~ that bears the above serial.

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

By

H. J. Conner

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

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JAN 18 1922

REC'D MAIL SECT
Archives Branch, A. G. O
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J. B. Harris
The Adjutant General
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WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL OF THE ARMY
WASHINGTON

SPECIAL

JAN 22 1922

Date 1-10-22

Registration

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

Subject: Information required for G. R. S.

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- a. Surname
- b. Christian name
- c. Serial number: 3037817
- d. Organization
- e. Rank
- f. Relationship
- g. Emergency address
- h. Authority (C. C. No.)
- i. Cause of death
- j. Date of death

DENTAL CHARTS

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FILE

BODY DESCRIPTION

(See page 2 of the Service Records)

- a. Age at enlistment
- b. Color of eyes
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H. J. ROGERS,
Quartermaster General, U. S. A.

By

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



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HEADQUARTERS
AMERICAN Graves Registration Service, Q.M. IN EUROPE
8, AVENUE D'IENA

✓ File No. 293.9 Disp.Cem.#86.

PARIS, September 7, 1921.

Mrs. Irena Derencz,
wies Bawirsze,
gmina Lubowo,
powiat Maryampol,
Poland.

FILE

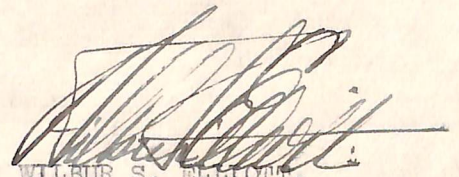
Dear Madam:

This office has been notified of your desire to have the remains of your husband, Private Joseph Dernous, left in France for final burial in a permanent American cemetery. We are pleased to inform you that your wishes have been made of record and will be complied with.

When the remains have been placed in a permanent American cemetery in France, you will be advised as to its location.

Yours sincerely,


WSE/BB


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

G-1-83

MA-786

August 25, 1921

FROM: Military Attache, American Legation, Warsaw, Poland
TO: Headquarters, American Graves Registration, Paris, France.
SUBJECT: Pvt. Joseph DERRNOUS.

With reference to your letter of June 18th, 1921
File No. 293.9 Disp. Cem. # 86, we have been advised
by Mrs. Irena Derencz, wies Bawirsze, gmina Lubowo, powiat
Maryampol, that she desires that the remains of her
husband Private Joseph DERRNOUS, # 2037817, 16th Co.,
79th Engineers, who is now temporarily buried in Cemetery
86, Mesves, Nievre, be left in France for permanent
burial.

E. E. FARHAN
Major, Gen. Staff
Military Attache.

4-1-33

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

File No 293.9 Dis. Cem.#86

PARIS June 18th 1921.

Mrs. Jerena Dernous
Wies Divirsze, Poczysa, Lubowo
Powiat-Kalwarys
Crubernia Suwalki
Polske.

Dear Madam:

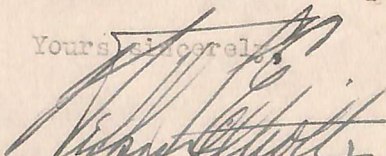
On February 16th & April 27th 1921, this service communicated with you requesting an expression of your desire as to the final disposition of the remains of your husband, Pvt. Joseph Dernous, #2037817 Co 16th, 79th Engrs/ who is buried in Cem.#86 Mesves, Nievre, France.

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

- (a) In a National Cemetery in the United States;
 - (b) Concentrate the remains for permanent burial in a permanent American Cemetery in France;
 - (c) Transport the remains to your address, at the expense of the U.S. Government, provided the health regulations and sanitary laws will permit the entry of the remains, and provided the deceased was, for a period of time prior to his enlistment in the U.S. Army, a resident of the city, town or neighbourhood in which you live, or if he was not a resident of the place at which you now live, this service will transport the remains to such place at which he was a resident. Burial expenses are to be borne by you.
- 59-1-33

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

Yours sincerely,


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

WSE


MA-1138

Warszawa, dnia 3go Grudnia 1921

Wielm. Pani
Irena Derencz,
Wies Bawirsze,
gmina Lubowo,
powiat Marjampol.

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FILE

W sprawie ostatecznego pochowania zwlok s.p. meza
zawiadomilismy biura Ameryk. Rejestracji Grobow w Paryżu
ze zyczeniem Pani jest aby zwloki s.p. meza byly pochowane
na cmentarzu Narodowym we Francji.

Zyczenia Pani zostaly odnotowane i beda spelnione.
Zaraz po pochowaniu zwlok na cmentarzu Narodowym we Francji
zawiadomimy Pania o miejscowosci w ktorej cmentarz ten sie
znajduje.

E. E. FARMAN,
Major, Sztabu Generalnego,
Attache Wojskowy.

The American Graves Registration Office in Paris has been advised
of your desire to have remains of your husband buried in National
Cemetery in France. Her wishes have been made of record and will be
complied with. When the remains have been placed in a National
Cemetery in France she will be advised as to its location.

File
1/30/22

4-1-33

ATTACHE WOJSKOWE
przy Poselstwie Stanów Zjednoczonych
Warszawa, Rymarska 8, m. 6.

MA- 564

Warszawa, dnia 10go Czerwca 1921

Wielm. Pan i
Irena Dernous
Wies Divirsze
gmina Lubowo, poczta Szypliszki
ziemia Suwalska.

Mrs. Demecz desires that remains be left in
France.

Asks for War Risk Insurance.

See B-4-72

Szanowna Pani.....:

Rząd Stanów Zjednoczonych pragnąc obecnie uregulować sprawę ostatecznego pochowania zwłok żołnierzy poległych we wojnie wszechświatowej według życzeń pozostałych, prosi Sz. Panią o decyzję w sprawie ostatecznego pochowania zwłok s. p. męża żołnierza Jozefa DERNOUS, # 2037817 (organizacji) 16tej Komp. 79pułku inżynierów (pochowanego w) Mesves, Nievre, we Francji na cmentarzu No. 86

Rząd Stanów Zjednoczonych zgadza się:

- 1) na pochowanie zwłok na cmentarzu Narodowym w Ameryce;
- 2) na złożenie zwłok we wspólnym grobie żołnierskim na cmentarzu Narodowym we Francji;
- 3) na przewiezienie zwłok do Polski na koszt Rządu Stanów Zjednoczonych celem ostatecznego pochowania. W tym wypadku zmarły może być tylko wówczas w Polsce pochowany, o ile przed wstąpieniem do Armji Stanów Zjednoczonych tamże zamieszkiwał, to znaczy, że zwłoki mogą być odstawione na miejsce dawnego pobytu. Uprasza się o dokładne wymienienie miejscowości, powiatu etc. Przy przewiezieniu zwłok należy uwzględnić prawa sanitarne lub istniejące prawa zdrowia publicznego. Koszta pogrzebu ponosiła by w tym wypadku Sz. Pan ..

Uprasza się o łaskawą decyzję i o zwrot tege listu z dokładnym wymienieniem życzeń Sz. Pani celem odnotowania.

Kopertę na odpowiedź dołączamy.

Z poważaniem

(Podpis)

CHAS A. MORROW
Kapitan.

*i proszę bardzo grzecznie
uwiadomić mnie z kąd
ja bym mogła dostać
promoc. T. D.*

4-1-33

od greny Derencz
Wies Barwirsre
gminy Lubawo
Powiat Marijampol;

Ateraz ja Trema Derencz
donosze Wiel. Pan. że list
od was otrzymałam w którym
piszecie że Brzd Stanow
Zjednoczonych zgadza się na
Arzy warunki w waszym liście,
to ja zgadzam się (2) drugi aby
był na tym miejscu gdzie pochowany
bo jeżeli panowie byłiby przysłali w rok
po śmierci mego meża to ja na to była
bym zgodna, Ateraz to co ja w tych listach
będę miała korzystać mnie więcej chodzi o życie
a tym bardziej będą wdowca, mało letnim synem
bo zaedwie na ósmy rok i do tego górzeża
Derencza tak samo go siećnio letni starzec tak
samo miema komu kabałka chleba zarobić
do ku mnie trudno jest przyjeść by radnego
sparcia niemań to lepiej proszę opomnie mi
i wraze z synem utrzymaniemienia Trema Derencz.

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

PARIS April 27th 1921.

File No. 293.9 Disp. Cem. #86

Mrs. Jerena Dernous,
Wies Divirsze,
Poczysa,
Lubowo, Powiat Kalwarya,
Gubernia Suwalki,
Poland.

Dear Madam,

On February 16th 1921, this office communicated with you requesting a statement of your desire as to the final disposition of the remains of your late husband, Private Joseph DERNOUS, #2037817, 16th Co., 79th Engineers, who is now temporarily buried in Cemetery #86, Mesves, Nievre, France.

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

- (a) In a National Cemetery in the United States;
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Yours sincerely,

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

No War Risk Insurance

No Death Certificate

1 encl.
WSE/CR

Letter sent on June 10th address

*1000 D'Enna
Gmina Lubowo
Poczysa
Gubernia Suwalka
MA-564*

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HEADQUARTERS.
AMERICAN GRAVES REGISTRATION SERVICE, Q.M.C. IN EUROPE.
8 Avenue d'Iena. Paris.

February 16th, 1921,

File No. 293.9 Disp. Cem #86.

Mrs. Jerena DERNOUS
Wies Divirsze, Poczyna,
Lubowo. Powiat-Kalwarya
Gubernia Suwalki. Polske.

Dear Madam,

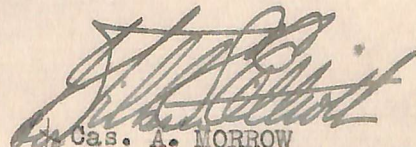
The United States Army requests a statement from you as to your wishes regarding the disposition of the remains of your husband, Pvt, Joseph DERNOUS. #2037817, Co. 16th., 79th Engrs. who is buried in Cemetery #86. Mesves. Nievre, France.

The American Government is prepared to bury these remains:

- (a) In a National Cemetery in the United States.
 - (b) Concentrate the remains for permanent burial in a National Cemetery in France.
 - (c) Transport the remains to your address, at the expense of the United States Government, provided the deceased was a resident, for a period of time prior to his enlistment in the United States Army, of the city, town or neighbourhood in which you now live, or if the deceased was not a resident of the place at which you now live, will transport the remains to such place at which he was a resident; and provided the sanitary laws and health regulations permit of the entry of the remains. Burial expenses are to be borne by you.
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It is requested that you will return this letter with your wishes clearly indicated thereon, so that we may have a record as to your preference; and in the event that you desire the remains shipped to you, or some other place under the conditions referred to in (c) the attached affidavit should be taken before an official in your commune, properly authorized to administer oaths, sworn to and sealed, and forwarded to this office together with your reply,

Yours sincerely,



Cas. A. MORROW
Captain Q.M.C.

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

File No. 293.9 Disp.Cem.#86

PARIS Feb. 8, 1921.

Mrs. Jerena Dernous,
Wies Divirsze, Poczya, Lubowo,
Powiat-Kalwarya,
Crubernia Suwalki,
Polske (Poland)

Dear Madam:-

The United States Army requests a statement from you as to your wishes regarding the disposition of the body of your husband, Private Joseph Dernous, #2037817, Co. 16th, 79th Engineers, who is buried in Cemetery #86, Mesves, Nievre, France.

The American Government is prepared to bury these remains:

- (a) In a National Cemetery in the United States.
- (b) Concentrate the remains for permanent burial in a National Cemetery in France.
- (c) Transport the remains to your address, at the expense of the U.S. Government, for final interment, provided the health regulations and sanitary laws will permit the entry of the body. Burial expenses are to be borne by you.

It is requested that you will return this letter with your wishes clearly indicated thereon, so that we may have a record as to your preference.

Yours sincerely,

J. M. Sanderson
Chas. A. Morrow,
Captain, Q.M.C.

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

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File No. 293.9 Disp.Cem.#86. # 146

PARIS, September 7, 1921.

From: Chief.
To: Quartermaster General, Munitions Building, Washington, D.C.
Subject: Disposition of remains of Pvt. Joseph Dernous, #2037817, Co.16th, 79th Eng., Cem. #86, Mesves, Nievre, France.

1. Reference letter Cem.Div., Hoboken, dated January 7, 1921, File No. 293.8, to this office, wherein it was directed that we communicate with the next of kin of the above deceased soldier, you are advised that reply has been received from Mrs. Irena Derencz, wies Bawirsze, gmina Lubowo, powiat Maryampol, Poland, indicating that she wishes the remains of her husband to be left in France for final burial in a permanent American cemetery.

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2. There is inclosed herewith for your records copy of the letter from this office to Mrs. Derencz, advising her that her wishes have been made of record and will be complied with.

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

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TO: DIRECTOR, BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
FROM: SAC, NEW YORK
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File No. 292.9 Disp.Cem.#86.

September 7, 1921.

Mrs. Irena Dorencz,
wice Sawiraxe,
gmina Lubowo,
powiat Maryampol,
Poland.

Dear Madam:

This office has been notified of your desire to have the remains of your husband, Private Joseph Dorencz, left in France for final burial in a permanent American cemetery. We are pleased to inform you that your wishes have been made of record and will be complied with.

When the remains have been placed in a permanent American cemetery in France, you will be advised as to its location.

Yours sincerely,

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

OFFICE OF THE
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File No. 2087 High Cem. 1921.

Mr. J. W. Brown,
John Brown,
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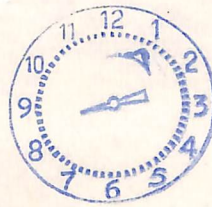
Dear Sirs:

This office has been notified of your desire to have the remains of your husband, Private Joseph Brown, left in France for final burial in a permanent national cemetery. We are pleased to inform you that your wishes have been made of record and will be complied with.

When the remains have been placed in a permanent national cemetery in France, you will be advised as to the location.

Yours sincerely,

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WILLIAM B. MERRITT,
Captain, U.S. Army.

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January 7th, 1921.

File No. 293. (DERNOUS, Joseph).

FROM: The Graves Registration Service, Hoboken, New Jersey.
TO: Chief, American Graves Registration Service, Paris, France.
SUBJECT: Data relating to deceased soldier whose nearest of kin resides in a foreign country.

1. Reference remains, the late Private Joseph Dernous, Serial Number 2037817, Company 16th, 79th Engineers, cemetery 86, sheet 146; the records in this office indicate that Mrs. Jerena Dernous, widow and nearest of kin to the late soldier, resides in Wies Divirsze, Poczyna, Lubowo, Powiat-Kalwarya, Grubernia Suwalki, Polske.

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

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

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WAR DEPARTMENT
QUARTERMASTER CORPS
CEMETERIAL DIVISION; GRAVES REGISTRATION SERVICE Q.M.C.
Rm. 359, Pier 2, Hoboken, N.J.

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January 7th, 1921.

File No. 293.8 (DERNOUS, Joseph)

MEMORANDUM FOR: Cemeterial Division, O.Q.M.G., Overseas Project,
Sub-Section, Washington, D. C.

SUBJECT: Return of Records.
Transmittal Memorandum Number H-656

1. Returned herewith are records pertaining to the late Private Joseph Dernous, Serial Number 2037817, 16th Company, 79th Engineers, whose nearest of kin resides in a foreign country. This case has been referred to the Chief, American Graves Registration Service in Europe for follow up. It is recommended that the records be held in your office pending further advice from Europe as to the final disposition of the remains.

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

BY:

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

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GENERAL HEADQUARTERS
AMERICAN EXPEDITIONARY FORCES
ADJUTANT GENERAL'S OFFICE.

FROM : ADJUTANT GENERAL.
TO : C.O. 16th. Co. 79th. Engineers
SUBJECT : Information for Burial Register.

1. You are directed to transmit without delay to the Chief, Graves Registration Service, the information indicated on enclosed Graves Location Blank as necessary for the completion of official records.

By Command of General Pershing:

Robert C. Davis
Adjutant General.

Note:

In case this item is checked, you will note hereon:

Nearest relative of deceased:

Relationship: _____

Address: _____



WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL OF THE ARMY
GRAVES REGISTRATION SERVICE
WASHINGTON

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FROM: Chief, Graves Registration Service, Q.M.G.
TO: Mr. Alexander Omilian, 27 Graham, Detroit, Mich.
SUBJECT: Remains of Pvt. Joseph Dernous.

Rush Answer
G.P.S. Europe

The records of this office show that you have requested that his body be not returned to the U.S.

*Please correspond with widow or family in Poland.
- for answer -*

If these are not the correct instructions, please change them. Make changes on reverse side of this sheet.

The nearest living relative may choose between, (1) return of the body to any address in the United States; (2) interment in Arlington, Va., National Cemetery; or (3) remain in France.

Noted on Form No. 115

Date 6-23-20

By authority of the Quartermaster General:

CHARLES C. PIERCE,
Colonel, U.S. Army.

NAME OF	NO. & STREET	TOWN	STATE
Soldier's Widow	Wieś Dvirysze-Poczta.	Hubowo	
Jerena Dernous.	Powiat Kalwaryja.	Gubernia Suwalki.	Polska.
Soldier's Children (Name oldest first)	1. Albin about 8 yrs old. 2. Boy		
Father	Stanislaus.	About 35 yrs old. Same address.	
Mother	Dead long ago		
Brothers (Name oldest first)	1. Jan. 2. Same address.		
Sisters	4. - 2 Elder are Married. 2 Younger at Same Address.		

Date June 15 20.

Signature Alex Omilian

Address 27 Graham St. Detroit. Relationship Brother in Law.

Note: - Instructions on the reverse side of this sheet should be carefully read before filling out this paper.

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The transfer of bodies will be made entirely at Government expense.

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INSTRUCTIONS FOR FILLING OUT

1. This paper MUST be signed by the person who is the NEXT of kin in the order shown in the square on other side of this sheet.
2. This paper must be returned showing the name and address of each of the nearest living relatives in the spaces provided therefor on the other side of this sheet.
3. If there are minor children of the deceased soldier and no widow, the legally appointed guardian of the children should ascertain their wishes and act for them in this matter.
4. If YOU are not the nearest relative, please ask the nearest relative, if living near you, to fill out this paper.
5. If YOU are not the nearest living relative and do not know who or where the nearest relatives are, please fill out this paper AT ONCE and mail to this office.
6. You are requested to return this paper AT ONCE in order to avoid delay in the case of this body.
7. Use the enclosed envelope - pay no postage.

June 28, 1920.

File No: 293,8 Reg. Sec.Gen. Div.
(DERNOUS, Joseph)

Mrs. Jerena Dernous,
Wies' Diviraze- Poczta,
Iubowo, Powiat-Kalwaryn,
Gubernia Suwalki, Polska.

Dear Madam:

The American Government is undertaking to remove the bodies of its soldiers who died in the late war to such places as the relatives may desire, and accordingly you are requested to advise whether you wish the body of your husband, the late Private Joseph Dernous, 16th Company, 79th Engineers, United States Army, to remain buried in France, in the care and custody of the United States, or delivered to you for reburial in Poland, or returned to the United States and placed in the National Cemetery at Arlington, Virginia, where the grave is assured constant care by the American Government. This Government bears all expense in connection with the transfer of the body.

Should you desire to have the body removed to Poland for reburial such transfer will be subject to the health regulations and sanitation laws of France and Poland, and any intervening countries through which the body may have to pass on route, and should the operation of such instrumentalities prevent the removal of the body in the manner desired it will remain in the care and custody of the American Graves Registration Service in Europe and will be cared for under the supervision of this Government.

Envelope, for use in making reply, is enclosed herewith.

The Department wishes to convey to you its assurance of sympathy in your bereavement.

By authority of the Quartermaster General:

CHARLES C. PIERCE,
Colonel, U. S. Army,
Chief, Cemeterial Division.

C. D. ANNIS,
1st Lieut., C.M. Corps.

E.V.S. By:

C. Day

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