

**REPORT OF BURIAL**

TM 10-630 AND AR 30-1815

14 June 1944

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Wheeler,

ERNEST

E

2 Lt.

Date  
0-811161

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Last Name		First	Initial	Rank	Serial No.
Wheeler,		ERNEST	E	2 Lt.	0-811161
Unit		Organization			
29th Combat Area France		441 Troop Cav Sq.			
Place of Death		Date of Death		Cause of Death	
0800 hrs. 13 June 1944		10 June 1944		Burned-airplane	
Time and Date of Burial		Name of Cemetery		Name or Coordinates of Location	
1 1944		Amer Cem #3		La Cambe	
Grave Number	Row Number	Plot Number		Type of Marker	
1	1	C		Stake	

Disposition of Identification Tags: Buried with body Yes  No  Attached to Marker Yes  No

If No Identification Tags

How were remains identified? Identification approved OMSG. Bd. of Review

Plane No. C-47-2101019

Name taken from parachute attached to him

What means of identification were buried with the body?

Embossing plate

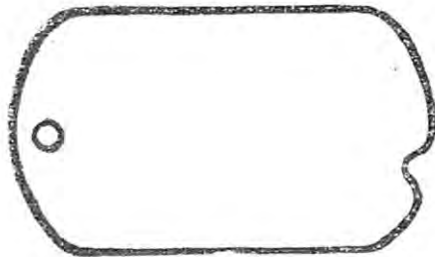
To determine Right or Left use Deceased's Right and Left.

Who is buried on:

Deceased's Right: Mazingo, C F 35391831 PFC 1152d Regt 2

Deceased's Left: Beaumont, Paul

Signature or Name, Rank and if possible Organization of person furnishing above Data when other than officer reporting burial.



If print of identification tag is not affixed fill in below:

Emergency Addressee Mrs. Alma B. Wheeler, wife Box 145  
Name  
General Delivery, Calhoun, Kentucky.  
Address

Religion \_\_\_\_\_

List only Personal Effects Found on Body and disposition of same:

None

Signature of Officer or other person reporting burial

E. H. Hasford 1st Lt. Inf. Cav.  
Verified by G.R.S. Officer

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Graves Registration  
Form No. 1  
(Revised 1 Sept. 1943)

# REPORT OF BURIAL

5 May 1947

TM 10-630 AND AR 30-1815

Date

WHEELER

ERNEST

E.

2/LT

0-811161

Last Name

First

Initial

Rank

Serial No.

441 TRP CARR GP

Unit

Organization

29th COMBAT AREA, FRANCE

6 JUNE 1944

PLANE CRASH

Place of Death

Date of Death

Cause of Death

0800 hrs 15 JUNE 1944

LA CAMBE

Time and Date of Burial

Name of Cemetery

Name or Coordinates of Location

1

Row Number

Plot Number

STAKE

Grave Number

Row Number

Plot Number

Type of Marker

Disposition of Identification Tags : Buried with body Yes  No  Attached to Marker Yes  No

If No Identification Tags Previously identified as Sgt James A. FREDA,

How were remains identified? 15324396. Identified through:

- a) Favorable comparison of tooth chart with that of 2nd Lt WHEELER.
- b) Clothing marked WHEELER, "1161", W-1161 and EEW.
- c) 2nd Lt AF insignia on collar of shirt. Lt WHEELER was the only

What means of identification were buried with the body? deceased officer in crew of AC42-101019.

- d) Date of death in agreement with MACR for AC-42-101019 of which Lt WHEELER was a crew member.

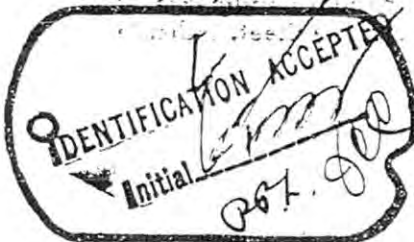
To determine Right or Left use Deceased's Right and Left.

Who is buried on :

Deceased's Right : MCZINGO, C. E. 35391431 2

Deceased's Left : Beginning of Row

Signature or Name, Rank and if possible Organization of person furnishing above Data when other than officer reporting burial.



If print of identification tag is not affixed fill in below :

Emergency Addressee: Unknown

Address: Unknown

Religion: Unknown

List only Personal Effects Found on Body and disposition of same :

## REBURIAL

This corrected copy of Report of Burial prepared in American Graves Registration Command

Previously interred in Plot 70, Row 1, Grave 5, WSAC, LA CAMBE.



File 3 July 47  
Chick  
NAT

# DISINTERMENT DIRECTIVE

# 1

SECTION A - NAME AND BURIAL LOCATION OF DECEASED				DIRECTIVE NUMBER 3539 04250		DATE 15 10 47 DAY MONTH YEAR		
NAME WHEELER ERNEST E				SERIAL NUMBER 0-811161		RANK 1 LT		ARM 1
CEMETERY LA CAMBE ISIGNY								DATE OF DEATH DAY MONTH YEAR 5200 08 CODE DIST. PT.
PLOT C	ROW 1	GRAVE 1	COUNTRY FRANCE					CAUSE OF DEATH 1

SECTION B - CONSIGNEE AND NEXT OF KIN	
NAME AND ADDRESS OF CONSIGNEE ALMA B. WHEELER <i>Master General Home</i> CALHOUN, KENTUCKY	NAME AND ADDRESS OF NEXT OF KIN ALMA B. WHEELER (WIFE) CALHOUN, KENTUCKY

SECTION C - DISINTERMENT AND IDENTIFICATION				
NAME WHEELER, Ernest E.	SERIAL NUMBER 0-811161	RANK 1 Lt	DATE OF DEATH 6 June 47	DATE DISINTERRED 17 Nov 47
IDENTIFICATION TAG ON <input type="checkbox"/> REMAINS <input type="checkbox"/> MARKER	ORGANIZATION USAAF	RELIGION	IDENTIFICATION VERIFIED BY W. J. BROWN, 1st Lt, US NAME AND TITLE	

SECTION D - PREPARATION OF REMAINS FOR SHIPMENT	
NATURE OF BURIAL Normal	CONDITION OF REMAINS Advanced decomposition
OTHER MEANS OF IDENTIFICATION GRS tag found on casket, 1st on casket.	

MINOR DISCREPANCIES /  
None

REMAINS PREPARED AND PLACED IN CASKET	
DATE 26 Nov 47	BY HENRY F. BERGLUND
CASKET SEALED BY HENRY F. BERGLUND	EMBALMER (Signature) <i>Henry F. Berglund</i>
CASKET BOXED AND MARKED	SHIPPING ADDRESS VERIFIED BY HENRY F. BERGLUND, MAJOR, USAF

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 GRS INSPECTOR  
*W. J. BROWN*  
W. J. BROWN, 1st Lt, US  
CALHOUN, KY  
2477  
TRFR. Bc

1 Prepare Discrepancy Report QMC Form 1194a for major discrepancies.

# RECORD OF CUSTODIAL TRANSFER

## 1. SHIPPED

FROM USMC ... 0422		TO CASHEMING POINT A, CHERBOURG	
KIND OF CONVEYANCE TRUCK		NAME OF CONVOYER JOSEPH HAINKY, CRT.	
SIGNATURE OF SHIPPER <i>[Signature]</i> F. T. DAILEY, CAPT., QMC	DATE 24 Nov 47	SIGNATURE OF RECEIVER <i>[Signature]</i> JAMES F. TABORS, Major, Inf.	DATE 24 Nov 47

## 2. SHIPPED

FROM CASHEMING POINT A, CHERBOURG		TO PORT UNIT, CHERBOURG	
KIND OF CONVEYANCE TRUCK		NAME OF CONVOYER	
SIGNATURE OF SHIPPER <i>[Signature]</i> JAMES F. TABORS, MAJOR, INF.	DATE	SIGNATURE OF RECEIVER <i>[Signature]</i> JOHN T. BENDRY, JR., CR, QMC	DATE

## 3. SHIPPED

FROM Port Unit Cherbourg		TO NYPE	
KIND OF CONVEYANCE HEAT ERIC G. GIBSON		NAME OF CONVOYER ROBERT I. URFFER MAJ QMC	
SIGNATURE OF SHIPPER <i>[Signature]</i> EVERETT N. CIAMPO 1st Lt FA	DATE 2 Jan 48	SIGNATURE OF RECEIVER <i>[Signature]</i>	DATE 2 Jan 48

## 4. SHIPPED

FROM		TO <i>[Signature]</i>	
KIND OF CONVEYANCE		NAME OF CONVOYER <i>[Signature]</i>	
SIGNATURE OF SHIPPER	DATE	SIGNATURE OF RECEIVER JAMES L. MCKINNON COLONEL, T. C.	DATE JAN 22 1948

## 5. SHIPPED PORT TRANSPORTATION OFFICER

FROM <i>[Signature]</i>		TO <i>[Signature]</i>	
KIND OF CONVEYANCE <i>[Signature]</i>		NAME OF CONVOYER	
SIGNATURE OF SHIPPER JAMES L. MCKINNON COLONEL, T. C. PORT TRANSPORTATION OFFICER	DATE 26 JAN 1948	SIGNATURE OF RECEIVER <i>[Signature]</i> J. A. BENTON Captain, QMC Chief, Operations Gr.	DATE

## 6. SHIPPED

FROM		TO	
KIND OF CONVEYANCE		NAME OF CONVOYER <i>[Signature]</i>	
SIGNATURE OF SHIPPER	DATE	SIGNATURE OF RECEIVER <i>[Signature]</i> J. A. BENTON Captain, QMC Chief, Operations Gr.	DATE JAN 26 1948

## 7. SHIPPED

FROM		TO	
KIND OF CONVEYANCE		NAME OF CONVOYER	
SIGNATURE OF SHIPPER	DATE	SIGNATURE OF RECEIVER	DATE

WAR DEPARTMENT  
THE ADJUTANT GENERAL'S OFFICE  
WASHINGTON 25, D. C.

-BATTLE CASUALTY REPORT

NAME <b>WHEELER ERNEST E</b>	SERIAL NUMBER <b>0-811161</b>	GRADE <b>2 LT</b>	ARM OR SERVICE <b>AO</b>	REPORTING THEATRE <b>51</b>
PLACE OF CASUALTY <b>FRANCE</b>	DATE OF CASUALTY DAY MONTH YEAR <b>06 JUN 44</b>		FLYING OR JUMPING STAT <b>A</b>	TYPE OF CASUALTY <b>MIA</b>
SHIPMENT NUMBER <b>100</b>				

NAME AND ADDRESS OF EMERGENCY ADDRESSEE

THE INDIVIDUAL NAMED ABOVE DESIGNATED THE FOLLOWING PERSON AS THE ONE TO BE NOTIFIED IN CASE OF EMERGENCY AND THE OFFICIAL TELEGRAPHIC AND LETTER NOTIFICATIONS WILL BE SENT TO THIS PERSON. THE RELATIONSHIP, IF ANY, IS SHOWN BELOW. IT SHOULD BE NOTED THAT THIS PERSON IS NOT NECESSARILY THE NEXT-OF-KIN OR RELATIVE DESIGNATED TO BE PAID SIX MONTHS' PAY GRATUITY IN CASE OF DEATH.

MR.-MRS.-MISS	FIRST NAME <b>Mrs Alma</b>	MIDDLE INITIAL <b>B</b>	LAST NAME <b>Wheeler</b>	RELATIONSHIP <b>Husband</b>
NO. AND NAME OF STREET <b>Box 145 General Delivery</b>		CITY <b>Calhoun</b>	COUNTY	STATE <b>Kentucky</b>

REMARKS:

CORRECTED COPY

cj 21 June 1944

ACTION BY PROCESSING AND VERIFICATION SECTION: REPORT VERIFIED  FORM 43  AG 251 REC

CASUALTY BRANCH FILE ATTACHED  OR CHARGED TO  DATE

PREVIOUSLY REPORTED NO  YES  (AS INDICATED BELOW):

FILE NO.	MESSAGE NO.	TYPE	DATE AND AREA	E * NOTIFIED

REPORT NOT VERIFIED  NO FORM 43  NO CAS. BR. FILE  CHECKED BY *John G. ...* REVIEWED BY

THIS SPACE FOR USE OF MACHINE RECORDS BRANCH, A.G.O.

ACCT. AREA	CASUALTY STATUS		ORIGINAL CAS. DATE			MESSAGE NO.	LATEST CAS. DATE			REFERENCE AREA	CREW POS.	RESIDENCE		SERV. REC.											
			DAY	MO.	YR.		DAY	MO.	YR.			STATE	COUNTY												
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# SENSITIVE SURFACE - HANDLE EDGES ONLY

## WAR DEPARTMENT THE ADJUTANT GENERAL'S OFFICE WASHINGTON 25, D. C.

REPORT OF DEATH

DATE 2 January 1946 MLJ

FULL NAME <b>WHEELER, ERNEST E.</b>		ARMY SERIAL NUMBER <b>0811161</b>		GRADE <b>1ST LT</b>	
HOME ADDRESS <b>Calhoun, Ky.</b>		ARM OR SERVICE <b>INF AC</b>		DATE OF BIRTH <b>26 Jan 1921</b>	
PLACE OF DEATH <b>European Area</b>		CAUSE OF DEATH <b>Killed in action</b>		DATE OF DEATH <b>6 June 1944</b>	
STATION OF DECEASED <b>European Area</b>		DATE OF ENTRY ON CURRENT ACTIVE SERVICE <b>30 Aug 1943</b>		LENGTH OF SERVICE FOR PAY PURPOSES YEARS MONTHS DAYS	
EMERGENCY ADDRESSEE (Name, relationship, and address)					
<b>Mrs. Alma B. Wheeler, Wife, Box 145, General Delivery, Calhoun, Ky.</b>					
BENEFICIARY (Name, relationship, and address)					
<b>Mrs. Alma B. Wheeler, Wife, Same address as above.</b>					
<b>Mr. James E. Wheeler, Son, " " " "</b>					
<b>Mrs. Lettie M. Wheeler, Mother, Calhoun, Ky.</b>					
<b>Mr. Billy M. Wheeler, Relationship unknown, Calhoun, Ky.</b>					
INVESTIGATION MADE		IN LINE OF DUTY		OWN MISCONDUCT	
WAS DECEASED ON DUTY STATUS		AUTHORIZED ABSENCE		IN FLYING PAY STATUS	
OTHER PAY STATUS (Specify below)		YES		NO	
YES	NO	YES	NO	YES	NO
YES	NO	YES	NO	YES	NO
ADDITIONAL DATA AND/OR STATEMENT					
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> BATTLE <input type="checkbox"/> NON-BATTLE					
<p>Finding of Death has been issued previously under Section 5, Public Law 490, 7 March 1942, as amended, showing presumed date of death as 7 June 1945. This Report of Death, based on information received since that date, is issued in accordance with Section 9 of Said Act, and its effect on prior payments and settlements is as prescribed in Section 9.</p>					
FILE JAN 5 1946					
BY ORDER OF THE SECRETARY OF WAR  ADJUTANT GENERAL					

WAR DEPARTMENT  
THE ADJUTANT GENERAL'S OFFICE  
WASHINGTON 25, D. C.

—BATTLE CASUALTY REPORT

1945 DEC 2  
DATE CAS. REPORT RECEIVED

AD-201	NAME WHEELER ERNEST E ASN O 811 161	GRADE 1/LT HUS	DATE CAS. REPORT RECEIVED 16
NAME AND AD. DRESS OF E. A.	MRS ALMA B WHEELER BOX 145 GENERAL DELIVERY CALHOUN KENTUCKY	19 December 1945	04 DATE/TELEGRAM SENT

THE INDIVIDUAL NAMED BELOW DESIGNATED THE ABOVE PERSON AS THE ONE TO BE NOTIFIED IN CASE OF EMERGENCY, AND THE OFFICIAL TELEGRAPHIC AND LETTER NOTIFICATIONS WILL BE SENT TO THIS PERSON. THE RELATIONSHIP, IF ANY, IS SHOWN BELOW. IT SHOULD BE NOTED THAT THIS PERSON IS NOT NECESSARILY THE NEXT-OF-KIN OR RELATIVE DESIGNATED TO BE PAID SIX MONTHS' PAY GRATUITY IN CASE OF DEATH.

THE SECRETARY OF WAR HAS ASKED ME TO EXPRESS HIS DEEP REGRET THAT YOUR HUSBAND

GRADE	NAME	SERIAL NUMBER	ARM OR SERVICE	REPORTING THEATRE	F OR J STATUS	SHIPMENT NUMBER
1ST/LT	WHEELER, ERNEST E.	0811161	AC		L	355023 -U-1X
TYPE OF CASUALTY		PLACE OF CASUALTY	DATE OF CASUALTY			CASUALTY CODE
KILLED IN ACTION		IN FRANCE	DAY	MONTH	YEAR	
			6	JUNE	44	

REMARKS: AG 201 /19 DEC. 45/  CORRECTED COPY

MEMO, STATUS REVIEW AND DETERMINATION SECT. APPROVED CHIEF, CAS. BR. /ENL ASN 14159720/. FINDING OF DEATH HAS BEEN ISSUED PREVIOUSLY UNDER SEC 5, MISSING PERSONS ACT, SHOWING PRESUMED DATE OF DEATH AS 7 JUNE 45. THIS "REPORT OF DEATH", BASED ON INFO. REC'D SINCE THAT DATE, IS ISSUED IN ACCORDANCE WITH SEC 9 OF SAID ACT AND ITS EFFECT ON PRIOR PAYMENTS AND SETTLEMENTS IS AS PROVIDED IN SEC. 9.

ROUTE TO STATUS REVIEW AND DETERMINATION SECT. FOR NOTIFICATION.

FILE  
JAN 4 1946

ACTION BY COMPOSITE SECTION: REPORT VERIFIED \_\_\_\_\_ FORM 43 \_\_\_\_\_ AG 201-210 \_\_\_\_\_

CASUALTY BRANCH FILE ATTACHED \_\_\_\_\_ OR CHARGED TO \_\_\_\_\_ DATE \_\_\_\_\_

PREVIOUSLY REPORTED: NO \_\_\_\_\_ YES  (AS INDICATED BELOW):

FORM NO. \_\_\_\_\_ MESSAGE NO. \_\_\_\_\_ TYPE *D* DATE AND AREA *7 Jun 45 - 670* E. A. NOTIFIED *No*

FORWARDED TO: SPEC. IDEN. C. & P. TELEGRAM LETTER CERTIF. F. REL. CORRES. REPAT. S. R. & D. NON-D.

REPORT NOT VERIFIED \_\_\_\_\_ NO FORM 43 \_\_\_\_\_ NO CAS. BR. FILE \_\_\_\_\_ CHECKED BY *[Signature]* REVIEWED BY *[Signature]*

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WAR DEPARTMENT  
THE ADJUTANT GENERAL'S OFFICE  
WASHINGTON 25, D. C.

REPORT OF DEATH

DATE 2 January 1946 MLJ

FULL NAME WHEELER, ERNEST E.		ARMY SERIAL NUMBER 0811161	GRADE 1ST LT
HOME ADDRESS Calhoun, Ky.		ARM OR SERVICE INF AC	DATE OF BIRTH 26 Jan 1921
PLACE OF DEATH European Area	CAUSE OF DEATH Killed in action		DATE OF DEATH 6 June 1944
STATION OF DECEASED European Area	DATE OF ENTRY ON CURRENT ACTIVE SERVICE 30 Aug 1943		LENGTH OF SERVICE FOR PAY PURPOSES YEARS MONTHS DAYS
EMERGENCY ADDRESSEE (Name, relationship, and address)			

Beneficiary (Name, relationship, and address)  
 Mrs. Alma B. Wheeler, Wife, Box 145, General Delivery, Calhoun, Ky.  
 Mrs. Alma E. Wheeler, Wife, Same address as above.  
 Mr. James E. Wheeler, Son, " " " "  
 Mrs. Lettie M. Wheeler, Mother, Calhoun, Ky.  
 Mr. Billy M. Wheeler, Relationship unknown, Calhoun, Ky.

INVESTIGATION MADE		IN LINE OF DUTY		OWN MISCONDUCT		WAS DECEASED ON DUTY STATUS		AUTHORIZED ABSENCE		IN FLYING PAY STATUS		OTHER PAY STATUS (Specify below)	
YES	NO	YES	NO	YES	NO	YES	NO	YES	NO	YES	NO	YES	NO
										<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>			

ADDITIONAL DATA AND/OR STATEMENT  BATTLE  NON-BATTLE

Finding of Death has been issued previously under Section 5, Public Law 490, 7 March 1942, as amended, showing presumed date of death as 7 June 1945. This Report of Death, based on information received since that date, is issued in accordance with Section 9 of Said Act, and its effect on prior payments and settlements is as prescribed in Section 9.

BY ORDER OF THE SECRETARY OF WAR

*L. E. Hueston*

ADJUTANT GENERAL



## REQUEST FOR DISPOSITION OF REMAINS

GRADE OF DECEASED, NAME, ARMY SERIAL NUMBER AND REPORTED PLACE OF BURIAL

DATE:

1st Lt. Ernest E. Wheeler, O 811 161  
 Plot C, Row 1, Grave 1,  
 United States Military Cemetery  
 La Cande, France

31 July 1947

A		C	
B		D	

DO NOT WRITE ABOVE THIS LINE

NOTE.—The next of kin should familiarize himself with the contents of the pamphlet, "Disposition of World War II Armed Forces Dead," before filling out this form. When the proper part of this form is filled out and properly signed by the next of kin, it should be returned to the OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL, MEMORIAL DIVISION, WAR DEPARTMENT, WASHINGTON 25, D. C., in the self-addressed postage-free envelope provided for this purpose.  
 If you are the next of kin or authorized representative of next of kin and desire to direct the disposition of the remains, please fill in PART I of this form.

## PART I

I, Mrs. Alma B. Wheeler  
 (PLEASE PRINT OR TYPE NAME OF NEXT OF KIN)

(Please indicate relationship to the deceased by placing an "X" in the proper box.)

- WIDOW       WIDOWER       SON OVER 21 YEARS OLD       DAUGHTER OVER 21 YEARS OLD  
 FATHER       MOTHER       BROTHER OVER 21 YEARS OLD       SISTER OVER 21 YEARS OLD  
 RELATIONSHIP OTHER THAN ABOVE (Specify) \_\_\_\_\_

HAVING FAMILIARIZED MYSELF WITH THE OPTIONS WHICH HAVE BEEN MADE AVAILABLE TO ME WITH RESPECT TO THE FINAL RESTING PLACE OF THE DECEASED DESIGNATED ABOVE, NOW DO DECLARE THAT IT IS MY DESIRE THAT THE REMAINS: (Please place an "X" in the box opposite the option you have selected.)

1. BE INTERRED IN A PERMANENT AMERICAN MILITARY CEMETERY OVERSEAS.  
 2. BE RETURNED TO THE UNITED STATES OR ANY POSSESSION OR TERRITORY THEREOF FOR INTERMENT BY NEXT OF KIN IN A PRIVATE CEMETERY  
Calhoun Cemetery, Calhoun, Kentucky  
 (NAME AND LOCATION OF CEMETERY)  
 3. BE RETURNED TO \_\_\_\_\_, THE HOMELAND OF THE DECEASED OR NEXT OF KIN, FOR INTERMENT BY NEXT OF KIN IN A PRIVATE CEMETERY LOCATED AT \_\_\_\_\_  
 (FOREIGN COUNTRY) (LOCATION OF CEMETERY SELECTED)  
 4. BE RETURNED TO THE UNITED STATES FOR FINAL INTERMENT IN A NATIONAL CEMETERY LOCATED AT \_\_\_\_\_  
 (LOCATION OF NATIONAL CEMETERY SELECTED)  
 (Please indicate if your own religious services at a location other than the selected national cemetery are desired by placing an "X" in the proper box)  
 YES       NO

THE NAME OF THE DECEASED, THE SERIAL NUMBER AND GRADE ARE CORRECT EXCEPT FOR THE FOLLOWING CHANGES: (If no corrections are necessary, indicate this fact by inserting the word "NONE" in the space below.)

*coded 10/16/47 Mitchell*

OQMG FORM 345 MILITARY  
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**PART I (Continued)**

If on Page 1 of this form you have selected Option Number 2 or 3, or Option Number 4 with your own funeral ceremonies desired at a location other than the selected national cemetery, complete one of these sections.

I, AS THE NEXT OF KIN, DO FURTHER DECLARE THAT I DESIRE THE REMAINS TO BE SENT TO THE FOLLOWING PERSON WHO HAS AGREED TO RECEIVE THEM:

LAST NAME <b>Wheeler</b>	FIRST NAME <b>Alma</b>	MIDDLE INITIAL <b>B.</b>
NUMBER AND STREET	CITY OR TOWN <b>Calhoun</b>	COUNTY OR PROVINCE <b>McLean</b>
EXPRESS OFFICE (Nearest railroad passenger station) <b>Owensboro, Kentucky</b>	TELEGRAPH ADDRESS <b>Owensboro, Kentucky</b>	STATE OR TERRITORY OF U. S. A., OR COUNTRY <b>Kentucky</b>
		TELEPHONE NO. <b>Dial Calhoun 4141</b>

OR I, AS THE NEXT OF KIN, DO FURTHER DECLARE THAT I DESIRE THE REMAINS TO BE SENT TO THE FOLLOWING FUNERAL DIRECTOR WHO HAS AGREED TO RECEIVE THEM:

FULL NAME OF FUNERAL DIRECTOR			
NUMBER AND STREET	CITY OR TOWN	COUNTY OR PROVINCE	STATE OR TERRITORY OF U. S. A., OR COUNTRY
EXPRESS OFFICE (Nearest railroad passenger station)	TELEGRAPH ADDRESS		TELEPHONE No.

IN CASE OF EMERGENCY THE NAME AND ADDRESS OF THE PERSON NEXT IN LINE OF KINSHIP AFTER ME, AS SET FORTH IN THE PAMPHLET, "DISPOSITION OF WORLD WAR II ARMED FORCES DEAD," IS:

LAST NAME	FIRST NAME	MIDDLE INITIAL	RELATIONSHIP TO DECEASED
NUMBER AND STREET	CITY OR TOWN	COUNTY OR PROVINCE	STATE OR TERRITORY OF U. S. A., OR COUNTRY

REMARKS OR ADDITIONAL INSTRUCTIONS (For additional space use page 4.)\*

AS EXPLAINED IN THE PAMPHLET, "DISPOSITION OF WORLD WAR II ARMED FORCES DEAD," I AM THE NEXT OF KIN AND THE INDIVIDUAL AUTHORIZED TO DIRECT THE DISPOSITION OF THE SAID REMAINS.

I, the undersigned, DO SOLEMNLY SWEAR (OR AFFIRM) that the statements made by me in the foregoing document are full and true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

*Mrs. Alma B. Wheeler* (SIGNATURE OF NEXT OF KIN) \_\_\_\_\_ (STREET AND NUMBER)  
**Mrs. Alma B. Wheeler** (NAME PRINTED OR TYPED) \_\_\_\_\_ **Calhoun, Kentucky** (CITY AND STATE)

Subscribed and duly sworn to before me according to law by the above-named applicant this 11 day of August, 1947, at city (or town) of Calhoun, county of McLean, and State (or Territory or District) of Kentucky

*Lucie Baker* (SIGNATURE OF OFFICER AUTHORIZED TO ADMINISTER OATHS)  
 My Commission Expires **February 29, 1948**  
 (OFFICIAL TITLE)

\*NOTE.-- Page 4 is part of the notarial attestation.

**PART II — RELINQUISHMENT OF DISPOSITION AUTHORITY**

If you are the next of kin and you desire to relinquish your disposition authority, please fill in PART II of this form.

I, THE \_\_\_\_\_, AS THE NEXT OF KIN OF THE DECEASED  
(PLEASE INSERT RELATIONSHIP)  
NAMED IN PART I OF THIS FORM, DO HEREBY RELINQUISH MY RIGHTS TO DIRECT THE FINAL DISPOSITION OF THE REMAINS OF THE DECEASED.  
THE NEXT EXISTING PERSON IN THE ORDER OF ELIGIBILITY OF DECEDENT'S SURVIVORS IS:

LAST NAME	FIRST NAME	MIDDLE INITIAL
RELATIONSHIP TO THE DECEASED		
NUMBER AND STREET	CITY OR TOWN	STATE OR COUNTRY

WHOM I UNDERSTAND SHALL HAVE THE RIGHT TO DIRECT FINAL DISPOSITION OF THE REMAINS OF THE DECEASED.

\_\_\_\_\_  
(DATE)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(SIGNATURE OF NEXT OF KIN)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(STREET AND NUMBER)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(NAME PRINTED OR TYPED)

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(CITY AND STATE)

**PART III**

If you are NOT the next of kin authorized to direct the disposition of remains, please fill in PART III of this form.

THIS IS TO NOTIFY YOU THAT I AM NOT THE NEXT OF KIN AUTHORIZED TO DIRECT THE FINAL DISPOSITION OF THE REMAINS OF THE DECEASED NAMED ON PAGE 1 OF THIS FORM. THE FOLLOWING PERSON, TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE, IS THE NEXT OF KIN TO WHOM THIS FORM SHOULD BE DIRECTED.

LAST NAME	FIRST NAME	MIDDLE INITIAL
RELATIONSHIP TO THE DECEASED		
NUMBER AND STREET	CITY OR TOWN	STATE OR COUNTRY

\_\_\_\_\_  
(DATE)

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(SIGNATURE)

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(CITY AND STATE)

E X T R A C T  
MISSING AIR CREW REPORT NO. ....

1. ORGANIZATION : Location.....Command or Air Force.....  
Group.....Squadron.....Detachment.....
2. SPECIFY : Point of Departure.....Course.....  
Intended Destination.....Type of Mission.....
3. WEATHER CONDITIONS AND VISIBILITY AT TIME OF CRASH OR WHEN LAST REPORTED.....
4. Give : (a) Day.....Month.....Year.....Time.....and Location.....  
..... of last known whereabouts of missing aircraft.  
(b) Specify whether ( ) Last Sighted; ( ) Last contacted by radio;  
( ) Forced down; ( ) Seen to crash; ( ) or Information not available.
5. AIRCRAFT WAS LOST, OR IS BELIEVED TO HAVE BEEN LOST, AS A RESULT OF : (Check only one) ( ) Enemy Aircraft; ( ) Enemy Anti-aircraft; ( ) other circumstances as follows.....
6. AIRCRAFT : Type, Model and Series.....AAF Serial Number.....  
Aircraft Nickname.....
7. ENGINES : Type, Model and Series.....AAF Serial Number (a).....  
(b).....(c).....(d).....
8. INSTALLED TAPES (Furnish Make, Type and Serial Number) :  
(a).....(b).....(c).....(d).....  
(e).....(f).....(g).....(h).....  
(i).....(j).....(k).....(l).....
9. THE PERSONS LISTED BELOW WERE REPORTED AS : (a) Battle Casualty.....  
or (b) Non-Battle-Casualty.....
10. NUMBER OF PERSONS ABOARD AIRCRAFT : Crew..... Passengers..... Total.....  
(Starting with pilot, furnish the following particulars : If more than 10 persons were aboard aircraft, list similar particulars on separate sheet and attach original to this form.)

CREW POSITION	NAME IN FULL (Last name first)	RANK	SERIAL NUMBER	PRESENT STATUS
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1. Pilot	Mc Cue, John Burh	capt.	<del>0111</del> 0364992	
2. ....	Wheeler, Ernest Eugene	2nd Lt.	0811161	
3. ....	Hughes, Archer Bruce	s/sgt	35681083	
4. ....	Ereda, James Andrew	sgt	15324398	
5. ....	Huggett, Howard L.	2nd Lt.	01107495	
6. ....	Prolch, John Jr.	T/5	33016323	
Pansay ???	Pansay, John	pfc	33022405	
7. ....	Murphy, William J.	T/5	12079151	
8. ....	Namowicz, Edward J.	pvt	16036033	
9. ....	Rickke, George	pfc	13067698	

11. REMARKS : see other side please

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Basic Ltr., GAGG, GAGG 293 (La Sambre, France) dtd 2 April 47,  
Subj: Disinterment and reprocessing of remains.

REF 293.8

1st Ind.

Hq., American Graves Registration Command, European Theater  
Area, A.O 58, U. S. Army, 2 May 1947

To: The Quartermaster General, Washington 25, D. C.  
Attn: Memorial Division.

1. Reference basic communication, request made therein has been  
accomplished. Attached herewith are check lists and tooth charts for  
the five deceased interred in GAGG, LA SAMBRE, C-1-1, C-1-4, A-1-172,  
C-1-5, and C-1-72, respectively.

2. A complete review of these cases has been made including com-  
parison of tooth charts with those obtained from your headquarters on  
message form dated 9 January 1947 and cable GAGG-36970 dated 13 December  
1946, and reidentification will be made for three of the five mentioned  
deceased as follows:

1st Lt. Ernest E. WHEELER, O-811261, Plot C, Row 1, Grave 5  
(previously identified as Sgt. James A. PRUDA, 15324398), S/Sgt. Archer  
B. WHEBS, 35681083, Plot C, Row 1, Grave 1, (previously identified as  
1st Lt. Ernest E. WHEELER, O-811261), and Sgt. James A. PRUDA, 15324398,  
Plot A, Row 9, Grave 172 (previously identified as S/Sgt. Archer B.  
WHEBS, 35681083.)

3. These three bodies will be disinterred and reburied indicating  
1st Lt. WHEELER interred in C-1-1, S/Sgt. WHEBS interred in A-1-172, and  
Sgt. PRUDA interred in C-1-5, GAGG LA SAMBRE. Corrected reports of Burial  
will be forwarded to your headquarters upon completion.

4. The remaining two deceased, Captain John B. MCCUE, Plot C, Row  
1, Grave 4, and Pvt. Julius A. HLEN, Plot F, Row 4, Grave 72 were previously  
identified correctly.

FOR THE COMMANDANT (GAGG):

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5 Incls.

1. Tooth chart and check list for 1/Lt. WHEELER
2. Tooth chart and check list for Sgt. PRUDA
3. Tooth and check list for S/Sgt. WHEBS
4. Tooth chart and check list for Capt. MCCUE
5. Tooth chart and check list for Pvt. HLEN

JAMES M. GIBNEY  
1st Lt., Inf.  
Act. Ass't Adj. Gen.

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La Cambe, France  
Plot C, Row 1, Grave 5

# SKELETAL CHART

James A. FREDA  
15324398

(BLACK OUT PARTS OF BODY NOT RECEIVED AT CEMETERY)

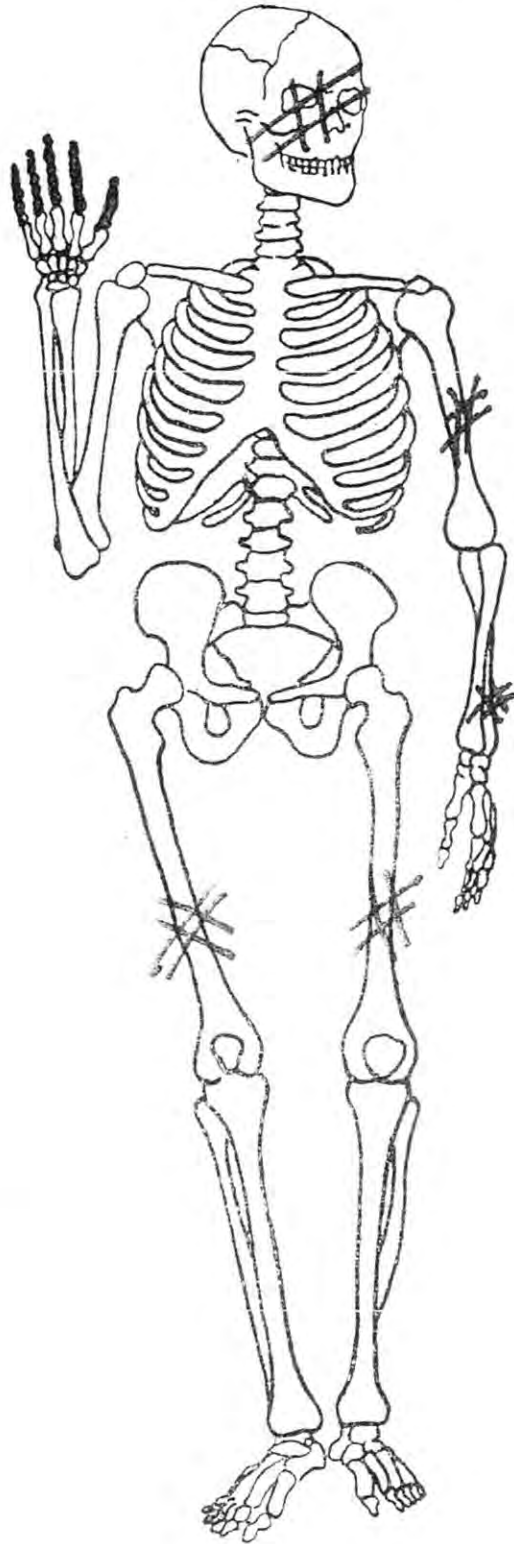


CHART "A"

Have finger prints been placed on Report of Interment? **No**

(Yes-no)

**decomposed**

If not, explain \_\_\_\_\_

5. Has tooth chart been prepared? **Yes** If not, explain \_\_\_\_\_

(Yes-no)

9. Remarks **Remains recovered in an advanced stage of decomposition, wrapped in a mattress cover. Clothing indicated Air Force. Clothing was found on the body. Clothing marks "E-E-W" and "W-1161" on white cotton underdrawers. Number "1161" and name "WHEELER" found on waist-band of trousers. Air Corps insignia. Pilot's wings found in clothing. One (1) ID. tag found in debris with name; "James A. FREDA - 15324398" and one found on back of cross. Air Corps shoulder patch on shirt. 2nd Lt. Bar found on collar of shirt. No burial Report found. Estimated weight of remains; 90 lbs. Fluoroscopic Examination; Negative. Evidence found conflicts with ID. tags, since these**

I certify that I have personally viewed the remains of subject deceased and all resulting information has been recorded to the best of my knowledge.

**remains were dressed in officer's clothing and bore different numbers, than those appeared on the ID. tags.**

**Nothing found to warrant Chemical Laboratory Examination.**

*Ellsworth T. Mac Intyre*  
ELLSWORTH T. MAC INTYRE

(Officer's Name)

Captain

QMC.

Rank

Service

Central Identification Point

(Organization)

Inclosure to Disinterment Directive #

1. The Second Zone will disinter and rebury deceased individuals interred in USMC, LA CAMBE, as indicated below:

a. The remains interred in C-1-1 (at present identified as 2nd Lt Ernest E. WHEELER, O-811161) have been reidentified as S/Sgt Archer B. HUGHES, 35681083 and will be reinterred in A-9-172.

b. The remains interred in A-9-172 (at present identified as S/Sgt Archer B. HUGHES, 35681083) have been reidentified as Sgt James A. FREDA, 15324398 and will be reburied in C-1-5.

c. The remains interred in C-1-5 (at present identified as Sgt James A. FREDA, 15324398) have been reidentified as 2nd Lt Ernest E. WHEELER, O-811161 and will be reinterred in C-1-1.

2. Identification tags for S/Sgt HUGHES (at present attached to remains in A-9-172) will be left in A-9-172. Identification tags for Sgt FREDA (at present attached to remains in C-1-5) will be left in C-1-5.

3. Herewith attached are corrected Reports of Burial. Upon completion of action, it is directed that this headquarters be notified.

3 Incls

- |   |                              |
|---|------------------------------|
| 1. Corrected Report of<br>Burial for 2/Lt WHEELER | PHILIP J. WOLF<br>Major, QMC |
| 2. Corrected Report of Burial for S/Sgt HUGHES    |                              |
| 3. Corrected Report of Burial for Sgt FREDA       |                              |

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29. Respiratory system ..... Normal  
 30. X-ray of chest<sup>1</sup> ..... Negative  
 31. Abdominal viscera ..... Normal  
 32. Hernia ..... None Hemorrhoids ..... None  
 33. Genito-urinary system ..... Normal  
 34. Nervous system: Reflexes, gait, coordination, musculature, tension, tremor, and other pertinent tests ..... Normal

35. Laboratory procedures: Kahn<sup>1</sup> ..... Negative Wassermann<sup>1</sup> ..... -  
 Urinalysis: Reaction ..... Acid Sp. gr. ..... 1.014 Albumin ..... Neg. Sugar ..... Neg. Microscopical ..... Neg.  
 36. Estimated adaptability for military aeronautics (if unsatisfactory, state reasons) ..... Satisfactory

37. Remarks on conditions not sufficiently described ..... None

**FILE**  
**MAY 23 1949**  
 G. W. ROGERS  
 Capt. OMC  
 Identification

38. Is the examinee physically qualified for flying duty? Yes If yes, in what class? I  
 If disqualified, indicate defects by paragraph number ..... -  
 39. Have defects been waived by The Adjutant General? ..... - If yes, give date ..... -  
 If no, is waiver recommended? ..... - Is request for waiver attached? ..... -  
 40. Is the examinee incapacitated for active service? No If yes, indicate defect by paragraph number ..... -  
 41. Corrective measures or other action recommended None

42. If applicant for appointment: Does he meet physical requirements? Yes Do you recommend acceptance with minor physical defects? ..... - If rejection is recommended, specify cause ..... -

Nashville Army Air Center (AAFCC)  
 Nashville, Tenn. Dec. 14, 1942  
 (Place) (Date)

*J. H. Huffer*  
 D. H. HUFFER, 1st Lt. Medical Corps.  
 (Name and grade)  
*E. D. Maloney*  
 E. D. MALONEY, 1st Lt. Medical Corps.  
 (Name and grade)

REVIEWED AND APPROVED:

R. H. ATKINSON, 1st Lt., Medical Corps.  
 (Senior flight surgeon)

1st Ind.<sup>2</sup>

Headquarters ..... 19  
 To the Commanding General,  
 Remarks and recommendations



(Name)

(Grade)

(Organization and arm or service)

Commanding.

2d Ind.<sup>2</sup>

..... 19 To The Adjutant General.

<sup>1</sup> Required for candidates for commission, Reserve officers reporting for extended active duty, and applicants for flying cadet.  
<sup>2</sup> State action taken on recommendation of the board. If incapacitated for active service, state whether action by retiring board is recommended.

NOTE.—Use typewriter if practicable, Attach additional plain sheets if required.

Basic Ltr, OQMG, QMGMR 293 (La Cambe, France) dtd 2 April 47,  
Subj: Disinterment and Reprocessing of Remains

RRE 293.8

1st Ind

Hq, American Graves Registration Command, European Theater  
Area, APO 56, U S Army, 2 May 1947

TO: The Quartermaster General, Washington 25, D C  
Attn: Memorial Division

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FOR THE COMMANDING GENERAL:

5 Incls

1. Tooth chart and check list for 1/Lt WHEELER. 1st Lt, Inf  
2. Tooth chart and check list for Sgt FREDA. Actg Asst Adj Gen  
3. Tooth chart and check list for S/Sgt HUGHES.  
4. Tooth chart and check list for Cpt McCUE.  
5. Tooth chart and check list for Pvt HOLIN.

JOSEPH E. MCCLUSKEY

1st Lt, Inf

Actg Asst Adj Gen

*File  
2 July 47  
McCue  
7A76*

452.1 30003 2d Ind. G-M-6  
HEADQUARTERS, IX TACTICAL AIR COMMAND, APO 595, U.S. ARMY, 21 August 1944.

TO: Commanding General, Ninth Air Force, APO 696, U.S. Army.

Believed to be a matter pertaining to IX Troop Carrier Command.

For the Commanding General:

*R. J. Mays*  
R. J. MAYS,  
Major, A. G. D.,  
Adjutant General.

1 Incl: n/c

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452.1 3rd Ind.  
HEADQUARTERS, NINTH AIR FORCE, APO 696, U S Army, 26 August 1944.

TO: Commanding General, IX Troop Carrier Command, APO 133, U S Army.

A matter pertaining to your command.

By command of Major General VANDENBERG:

*C. R. Birbani*  
C R BIRBARI,  
Lt Col., AC,  
Asst Adj Gen.

1 Incl: n/c

AG 360.33 x 704 (8 Aug 44) 4th Ind. C-DK  
HEADQUARTERS, IX TROOP CARRIER COMMAND, APO 133, US ARMY, September 1944

TO: Commanding Officer, 50th Troop Carrier Wing, USAAF Station 463.

1. Records at this headquarters indicate that Capt. JOHN B. McCUE, 100th Sq, 441st Troop Carrier Group, was pilot of C-47A 42-101019.

2. If any of the bodies in the attached picture can be positively identified as crew members of the subject aircraft, appropriate battle casualty reports will be submitted immediately.

By command of Major General WILLIAMS:

*J. E. Brill*  
J. E. BRILL  
Major, A. G. D.  
Assistant Adjutant General

1 Incl: n/c

# PHYSICAL EXAMINATION FOR FLYING

(See AR 40-100, 40-105, 40-110)

QUALIFIED for low altitude flight under pilot <sup>MC</sup>

1. WHEELER, ERNEST EUGENE A/C-Unclassified 0811161 14159720 22 2/12  
(Last name) (First name) (Middle initial) (Grade and arm or service) (Serial No.) (Age) (Year service)

2. A.A.F.O.C., Nashville, Tenn. Reporting for Duty Original  
(Address) (Purpose of examination)<sup>1</sup> (Date and result last examination)

Flying time as: Pilot (Total) - ; observer (Total) - ; pilot (Last 6 mos.) - ; observer (Last 6 mos.) -

3. Temperature 98.6 Vaccinations: Typhoid series, No. 3 Last 1942; smallpox 1942; reaction Immune  
(Date)

4. Medical history.  
(In the case of applicant include family. Has he ever had epilepsy, enuresis, headaches, dizziness, vertigo, fainting, stammering, tic, somnambulism, pavor nocturnus, migraine, insomnia, phobias, anxiety trends, irritability, apathy, elation, depression, sensory disturbances, amnesia, spasms, unconsciousness, repeated episodes of alcoholism, encephalitis, pneumonia, syphilis, renal calculi, tuberculosis, asthma, hay fever, repeated colds, mastoiditis, sinusitis, tonsillitis, arthritis in any form, malaria, severe injuries, major operations, or other pertinent history? Explain fully.)

Usual childhood diseases.  
Denies operations, injuries and serious illnesses.  
Denies fear of flying.  
Family history negative.

5. Eye: Inspection Normal Nystagmus None

6. Associated parallel movements Normal Pupils: Equality Equal Reaction Prompt

7. Visual acuity: R. E., 20/ 20, correctible to 20/ - L. E., 20/ 20, correctible to 20/ -

8. Depth perception (uncorrected) 7 mm. With correction - mm.

9. Heterophoria at 6 meters: Eso 2 Exo 0 R. H. 0 L. H. 1 Prism divergence 3

10. Red lens test Normal Angle convergence: PcB 80 mm. Pd 68 mm. 46 °

11. Accommodation: R. 9.3 D. L. 9.5 D. Addition required for 50 cm. R. - L. -  
(Jaeger type): Right J. - , correctible to J. - : Left J. - , correctible to J. -

12. Color vision Normal (AOC)

13. Field of vision (form): R. Normal L. Normal Ophthalmoscopic: R. Normal L. Normal

14. Refraction: R. reads 20/20 with Not Required ° L. reads 20/20 with Not Required °

15. Ear: History of ear trouble Denies

16. External ear: R. Normal L. Normal Membrana tympani: R. Normal L. Normal

17. Hearing (whisper): R. 20/20 L. 20/20 Audiometer (percent loss): R. - L. -

18. Nares Normal Torusils Normal

19. Teeth:  
(a) Right (Examinee's) Left  
8 7 6 5 4 3 2 1 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8  
~~16~~ 15 14 13 12 11 10 9 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16  
(b) Remarks, including other defects None  
(c) Prosthetic appliances None (d) Classification IV

Indicate: Restorable carious teeth by O; nonrestorable carious teeth by/; missing natural teeth by X.

20. History of swing, train, air, or sea sickness Denies

21. Barany chair (when indicated with results) -

22. Posture Good Figure Stocky Frame Heavy  
(Excellent, good, fair, bad) (Slender, medium, stocky, obese) (Light, medium, heavy)

23. Height, 68 1/2 inches. Weight, 170 pounds. Chest: Inspiration 39 Expiration 35 Rest 36 Abdomen 30

24. Skin and lymphatics Normal Endocrine system Normal

25. Bones, joints, muscles Normal Feet Normal

26. Heart Normal

27. Pulse rate, 87 B. P.: S. 130 D. 80 Schneider +8 Pulse immediately after exercise T-C  
Two minutes after exercise - Character Full and Regular Maxwell Field, Ala.

28. Arteries Normal Varicose veins None JAN 11 1943

<sup>1</sup> Semiannual appointment as cadet, commission in the Air Corps, commission in Air Corps Reserve, transfer to the Air Corps, or any other special purpose.  
I, II, III, or IV; see par. 3, AR 40-510.  
Verify that this applicant is physically qualified for flying duty, Class I.

51g CCB

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Basic Ltr., DAGO, QUOR 293 (La Sambre, France) dtd 2 April 47,  
Subj: Disinterment and Reprocessing of Remains.

REF: 293.8

1st Ind.

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FOR THE COMMANDING GENERAL:

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5 Incls.

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2. Tooth chart and check list for Sgt. PRUDA
3. Tooth and check list for S/ Sgt. BURNS
4. Tooth chart and check list for Capt. MCCUNE.
5. Tooth chart and check list for Pvt HALEN.

JACOB J. MCCLUSKEY  
1st Lt., Inf.  
Actg Asst Adj Gen.

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QMCER 293 Wheeler, McCue, Hughes, Freda, Holin, (LaCambe) France  
Disinterment and Reprocessing of Remains 2 April 1947  
(Cont'd)

3. Due to the fact that a relative of 1st Lt. Wheeler now doubts this identification, it is requested that the remains of the five (5) deceased mentioned in paragraph 1, be disinterred, in the presence of a medical officer, reprocessed, complete check lists and dental charts accomplished and forwarded to this office without delay.

FOR THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL:

JAMES C. MacFARLAND  
Major, MC  
Memorial Division

**CASE HISTOR. OF UNKNOWN**

REPORT NO AND DATE

14 June 1944

192  
 WHEELER, Ernest E. O-811161  
 1st Lt., Air Corps  
 KIA 6 June 1944

CEMETERY American Cemetery #3 La Cambe, France	PLOT C	ROW 1	GRAVE 1	DATE OF BURIAL (Reburial) 13 June 1944	DATE OF DEATH 10 June 1944
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NAME (Last, First, Middle Initial) Wheeler, Ernest E.	GRADE AND ORGANIZATION 1st Lt 441 Trp. Carrier Group
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**IDENTIFYING DATA**

Remains were removed from burned airplane #C-47-2101019. Name taken from parachute attached to body. Place of death; 29th Combat Area, France; Date of Death; 10 June 1944; Cause of Death; Burned-airplane.

**RESULT OF INVESTIGATION**

AGO Report of Death for all members of crew and passengers KIA on file in this office.

AAF reports that MACR #6140 states that aircraft C-47A #42-101019 crashed 6 June 1944 with the crew and 15 passengers aboard. The crew, passengers and status follows:

CREW

- P. McCue, John B., Capt. O-364992 (LaCambe C,1,4 tags)
- CP. Wheeler, Ernest E., 1st Lt. O-811161 KIA 6 June 1944
- CC. Hughes, Archer B., S/Sgt. 35681093 (LaCambe A,9,172 tags)
- RO. Freda, James A., Sgt. 15324398 (LaCambe C,1,5 tags)

PASSENGERS

1. Huggett, Howard L., 2nd Lt. O-1107495 RTD
2. Preloh, John Jr., T/5. 33016323 discharged 10/13/45 (Continued)

**RECOMMENDATION**

<b>ACTION</b>					
CONCURRENCE	DATE	APPROVAL <i>Wheeler</i>		DATE 15 June 46	
RECORDS CORRECTED <i>Aug 24, 1946</i>	COPIES BR TO RECORDS SECTION <i>23</i>	293 FILES	FIELD ADVISED	EFFECTS BUREAU	AGO (BR) <i>Aug 27, 1946</i>
FIELD CORRECTIONS COMPLETED					

Remains

Burial Plot C, Row 1, Grave 1  
7 a Canal

FPDIF-1-7-43  
Record

Rx - Wheeler Ernest E DENTAL CHART

Unknown X-ASCI 0.811161

Name - Wheeler Ernest E

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R-7 \_\_\_\_\_  
R-6 \_\_\_\_\_  
R-5 \_\_\_\_\_  
R-4 \_\_\_\_\_  
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R-1 \_\_\_\_\_

R-8 X  
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~~C O N F I D E N T I A L~~

AG 794 (28 June 44) 2nd Ind. C-K  
HEADQUARTERS, IX TROOP CARRIER COMMAND, APO 133, US ARMY, 18 July 1944

TO: Commanding General, Ninth Air Force (REAR), APO 696, US Army;  
ATTENTION: 26th Statistical Control Unit.

Information received from your headquarters that Burial Report has been accomplished.

For the Commanding General:

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*for* *F. J. Stacy, Major*  
O. W. HOWLAND, 10AA  
Colonel, A. G. S. D.  
Adjutant General



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WD, O&A, 2nd and T Sts, S.W., Wash. 25, D.C.

Commanding Officer  
American Graves Registration Command  
European Theater Area  
APO 887, c/o Postmaster  
New York, New York

Immediate  
Air Mail

ORDER 293

WHEELER, Ernest E., O-811161  
McCUE, John B., O-364992  
HUGHES, Archer B., 35681083  
FREDA, James A., 15324398  
HOLIN, Julius A., 16064784  
(LaCasse) France

Disinterment and Reprocessing of Remains

2 April 1947

1. Reference is made to the following named crew members and passengers of Air Craft C-47A, #43-101019, which crashed in the 29th Combat Area, France, 6 June 1944 and are now interred as indicated below:

Wheeler, Ernest E., 1st Lt., O-811161, Co-Pilot	C-1-1	LaCasse, France
McCue, John B., Capt., O-364992, Pilot	C-1-4	LaCasse, France
Hughes, Archer B., S/Sgt., 35681083, Crew Chief	-9-172	LaCasse, France
Freda, James A., Sgt., 15324398, Radio Operator	C-1-5	LaCasse, France
Holin, Julius A., Pvt., 16064784, Passenger	K-4-72	LaCasse, France

2. Capt. McCue, S/Sgt. Hughes and Sgt. Freda were identified by identification tags. Pvt. Holin was identified by name and serial number found on clothing and 1st Lt. Wheeler, the last crew member to be accounted for was identified by process of elimination.

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PC-8

Calhoun, Kentucky  
August 13, 1945

WJY

J. A. Ulio, Major General  
The Adjutant General of the Army  
Room 4503 Munitions Building  
Washington 25, D. C.

Dear Sir:

293 I am writing in reference to my husband, First Lieutenant Ernest E. Wheeler, O-811161 (A-PT\*3 201 Wheeler, Ernest E.) who was reported missing in action over France on June sixth nineteen hundred and forty-five, and at the expiration of twelve months was presumed to have been killed on that date.

I recently received an actual photograph of a grave of E. E. WHEELER, Row #1, Grave #1, Plot C. LaCombe Military Cemetery, LaCombe, France.

It is not logical that a body would be buried and a cross erected unless the body had been properly identified before burial. If Lt. Wheeler was buried and he was not properly identified, I feel that his body should be taken up and carefully examined to find out definitely if it is he. It is queer that the War Department would bury him and then inform me all along that he was unaccounted for.

I would like definite information on this at once.

Sincerely

Mrs. Alma B. Wheeler

Mrs. Alma B. Wheeler

Calhoun, Kentucky  
May 31, 1946

THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
Attn: Memorial Division  
Washington, D. C.

SP4MC 206  
Wheeler, Ernest L.  
O 811 161

Gentlemen:

Several months ago I was informed that my husband, Lt. E. L. Wheeler, who was killed in action over France 3<sup>rd</sup> Day, was buried in Grave 1, Row 1, Plot C, LaCambre Military Cemetery, LaCambre, France. I also received a picture of a cross with the name E. L. Wheeler printed on it which a friend made of the grave.

I wrote to a French girl that lives at LaCambre and asked her to visit my husband's grave. Today I received a letter from her saying the cross was not there and that the soldier in charge told her the number had been lost.

Will you let me know at once why and where the remains were moved?

Sincerely

*Mrs. Alma B. Wheeler*

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Jaintown, Kentucky  
June 23, 1946

The Joint Central Command  
Attn: Memorial Division  
Washington, D. C.

*JH 3*  
~~SP442 295  
Wheeler, Ernest E.  
O 811 161~~

Dear Sir:

Several weeks ago I wrote asking about the remains of my husband, Lt. E. E. Wheeler. I was told that the cross was gone and that the number had been lost.

Today I received a picture of the cross, and so I know that the remains have not been moved.

I hope you understand how anxious I was to secure some definite information.

Thank you very much.

Respectfully

*Mrs. Alma B. Wheeler*

Mrs. Alma B. Wheeler

Calhoun, Kentucky  
November 22, 1945

WAR DEPARTMENT  
Quartermaster General  
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir;

In August I made an inquiry as to the cross bearing the name of E E WHEELER which was in Row 1, Grave 1 Plot C, LaCombe Military Cemetery, LaCombe, France.

My husband, Lt. E. E. Wheeler, O-811161, was reported missing in action over France a year, at the end of which he was declared dead. I wrote and asked that he be properly identified.

I wonder if it would be possible at this time to give me any information whatsoever concerning this?

I realize it takes time to attend to such matters but I would appreciate receiving any information you might be able to give me.

Respectfully

*Mrs. Alma B. Wheeler*

Mrs. Alma B. Wheeler

*B. B. in photo class room.*

*Received  
11-22-45  
C-1-1*

Basic Ltr, OJMG, WJGMR 293 (La Cambe, France) dtd 2 April 47,  
Subj: Disinterment and Reprocessing of Remains

RRE 293.8

1st Ind

Hq, American Graves Registration Command, European Theater  
Area, APO 58, U S Army, 2 May 1947

TO: The Quartermaster General, Washington 25, D C  
Attn: Memorial Division

1. Reference basic communication, request made therein has been accomplished. Attached herewith are check lists and tooth charts for the five deceased interred in USMC, LA CAMBE, C-1-1, C-1-4, A-9-172, C-1-5, and F-4-72, respectively.

2. A complete review of these cases has been made, including comparison of tooth charts with those obtained from your headquarters on Message Form dated 9 January 1947 and Cable ~~WOL-56972~~ dated 15 December 1946, and reidentification will be made for three of the five mentioned deceased as follows:

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FOR THE COMMANDING GENERAL:

5 Incls

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2. Tooth chart and check list for Sgt FREDA.
3. Tooth chart and check list for S/Sgt HUGHES.
4. Tooth chart and check list for Opt McCUE.
5. Tooth chart and check list for Pvt HOLIN.

*Joseph E. McCluskey*  
JOSEPH E. MCCLUSKEY  
1st Lt, Inf  
Actg Asst Adj Gen

*File  
2 July 1947  
OJMG  
71A*

## FINDING OF DEATH OF MISSING PERSON

Pursuant to the provisions of Section 5 of the Act of 7 March 1942 (Public Law 490 77th Cong.) as amended, upon direction and delegation by The Secretary of War, The Chief, Casualty Branch, The Adjutant General's Office, finds First Lieutenant Ernest E. Wheeler, Army Serial Number 0811161, Air Corps,

to be dead. He was officially reported as missing in action as of the 6th day of June 1944. For the purposes stated in said Act, death is presumed to have occurred on the 7th day of June, 1945.

BY ORDER OF THE SECRETARY OF WAR

*George F. Hendert*  
ADJUTANT GENERAL  
CHIEF, CASUALTY BRANCH

## SUMMARY OF INFORMATION

AREA European		FLYING STATUS Yes	JUMP STATUS No	LINE OF DUTY Yes	OWN MISC-CONDUCT No	ON DUTY STATUS Yes	AGENCY AWARD
PREVIOUS REVIEWS None							
DATE OF BIRTH 26 Jan 1921	HOME ADDRESS Calhoun, Kentucky	DATE OF ENTRY ON CURRENT ACTIVE SERVICE 30 Aug 1943		LENGTH OF SERVICE (AS OF PRESUMED DATE OF DEATH)			
		YEARS	MONTH	DATE			

## EMERGENCY ADDRESSEE

NAME Mrs. Alma B. Wheeler	RELATIONSHIP Wife	ADDRESS Box 145, General Delivery Calhoun, Kentucky
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## BENEFICIARIES

NAME Mrs. Alma Blancett Wheeler Mr. James Eugene Wheeler	RELATIONSHIP Wife Son	ADDRESS Box 145, General Delivery Calhoun, Kentucky
NAME Mrs. Lettie Mason Wheeler Mr. Billy Mason Wheeler	RELATIONSHIP Mother Unknown	ADDRESS Calhoun, Kentucky

## REMARKS

Distribution 56

Circumstances of disappearance: Officer became missing in action when the airplane in which he was a crew member crashed in flames and exploded in northern France while on a troop carrier mission.

ASN as EM: 14,159,720



TELEPHONE INFORMATION RECORD

DATE 24 Mar 47

TELEPHONE NUMBER AND BRANCH CALLED

NAME OF PERSON PLACING CALL

CASE UNDER INVESTIGATION (X or Case Number)

CEMETERY

INFORMATION REQUIRED

DATE CALLED BACK

PERSON GIVING INFORMATION

INFORMATION RECEIVED  
left conference 20 Mar 47 Red to MKK

McCue  
H. L.

3/13 - Col. [unclear]  
7 [unclear]

not located as of  
27 Mar 47

Special  
Search  
Unit

date 25 Mar 47

1 only - I'll send over the  
2930 on above as soon as  
I receive them.

Wac

Notify - Col. R. V. Stanchel  
When this case comes  
over  
G. J. [unclear]

Basic Ltr, OQMG, QMGMR 293 (La Cambe, France) dtd 2 April 47,  
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*Joseph E. McCluskey*  
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*File  
2 July 47  
McCue  
71A*

Jan 24

Case is still waiting in  
MHR files.

unless you can track it  
B.R.) in Record Section,  
then don't anything more  
to suggest.

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Date of BURIAL 13 JUN 1944

Whison, John R. E. Wife  
Col 145, General Library  
Casson, Katherine

A True Copy  
J. J. Quinn  
2d Lt, 8MC

Plot 700 Grave  
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~~P. Remains~~

CORRESPONDENCE ACTION SLIP

TYPIST'S INITIALS \_\_\_\_\_ DATE \_\_\_\_\_ ADDRESSEE \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

OPENING PARAGRAPH: 62(1) 62(2) 62(3) 62(4)

BURIAL INFORMATION: 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14(1) 14(2) 15 16 17 20  
21(1) 21(2) 22

RETURN OF REMAINS: 78(1) 78(2) 79 80 81 82

OTHER:

REFER TO AGO: 47

PERSONAL EFFECTS: 50 64

CLOSING: 62(5)

REVIEWER'S INITIALS \_\_\_\_\_

GRC(La-Cambe C-1-1)

1st Ind.

PJW/ELS/gd.

HQ, AMERICAN GRAVES REGISTRATION COMMAND, THEATER SERVICE FORCES,  
EUROPEAN THEATER (Rear), APO 887, U.S. ARMY, 16 October 1945.

TO: The Quartermaster General, Washington 25, D.C.

1. Remains of the late Ernest E. Wheeler, A.S.N. 0-811161, are  
interred in Plot C, Row 1, Grave 1, U.S. Military Cemetery at La-Cambe  
France.

2. Report of interment for subject deceased was forwarded with  
Transmittal Letter #1645 dated 20 September 1945.

FOR THE COMMANDING GENERAL:



*J.B. Pierce*  
J.B. PIERCE,  
Captain, AGD,  
Adjutant.

*File  
11/7/45*



ARMY SERVICE FORCES

OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON 25, D. C.

IN REPLY REFER TO SPQYG 293

Wheeler, Ernest E.  
O-811161

17 August 1945

*gk*  
SUBJECT: Report of Interment.

TO: Commanding General  
USFET  
APO 887, c/o Postmaster  
New York, New York  
ATTENTION: Chief Quartermaster

1. Information is desired as to whether the remains of the decedent named below have been recovered and interred, as to date a report covering the disposition of these remains has not been received in this office.

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SERIAL NUMBER: O-811161

DATE OF DEATH: 7 June 1945

PLACE OF DEATH: European Area

REMARKS: Officer became missing in action when the airplane in which he was a crew member crashed in flames and exploded in northern France while on a troop carrier mission.

FOR THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL:

*R. P. Harbold*  
R. P. HARBOLD  
Colonel, SAC  
Assistant

SPQYG 293

WHEELER, Ernest E.  
S.N. 0-811161

5 December 1945

SUBJECT: Report of Burial

TO : The Adjutant General, ASF,  
Washington, D. C.

ATTENTION: Status Review and Determination, Casualty Branch  
4602 Munitions Building, Washington, D. C.

1. Pursuant to telephonic request, the inclosed photostatic copy of report of burial for 2nd Lt. Ernest E. WHEELER, is forwarded to your office.

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*E.E.W.*

FOR THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL:

1 Incl:  
Report of Burial

ARTHUR S. ROSENKARD  
2nd Lt., QMC  
Assistant

REQUESTED BY: Miss Williams SR&D

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FOR THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL:

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R. P. HARBOLD  
Colonel, QMC  
Assistant



Col. Blanchard

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0-811, 161  
Ernest E. Ky.

W. Keller

Chg. Mem

Recd. fr. Miss A. Howard  
@ 11:15 a.m., 11-21-45.  
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~~June 6, 1944~~

~~Ernest E. Keller~~

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293 Wheelers, Ernest E. 11-2-45  
11:15

1. Recall from Col.  
Clemens X-3668 or  
3632.

Wants information of  
Wheeler, Ernest E.  
2-21-45

3. Since I started she  
has received several calls from  
2 weeks and has other info  
which has been referred to  
R/G E.

off. Ernest E. Wheeler  
Col. Tolman  
15921  
C-568  
10/11/45

(Case 50-8... + F...)

9. <sup>w/ added info</sup> Serial left, located @ 11:45 a.m.  
11-21-45 in Cam File by Mrs G

10. Called Col. Blanchard @ 12:25 p.m. <sup>11-21-45</sup>  
I gave complete & to him, advised

Mr. De...  
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*[Faint handwritten notes]*

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McClure }  
Wheeler }  
Hughes }  
Freda }  
Hahn }

HEADQUARTERS  
COMMUNICATIONS ZONE  
EUROPEAN THEATER OF OPERATIONS  
UNITED STATES ARMY  
Office of the Chief Quartermaster  
APO 887

JMcG/nb

Q-GRE (La Cambe C-1-1)

(S: 28 February 1945)  
8 February 1945

SUBJECT: Report of Burial for:

WHEELER, E. E., 2nd Lt. serial number unknown.

TO : Graves Registration Officer, QM Section, BADA, ASC,  
USSTAF, AAF #590, APO 635, U.S. ARMY.

1. Report of Burial for WHEELER, E. E., 2nd Lt, serial number unknown, has been received by this office. The remains were in a burned airplane number C-47-2101019 and are buried in La Cambe Cemetery.

2. A locator card reporting Wheeler, Ernest E, 2nd Lt, O-811161, 441 Troop Carrier Gp, as missing in Action 6 June 1944, has been received from AG Casualty Branch.

3. It is requested that this office be advised if deceased buried in La Cambe Cemetery can be identified as Wheeler, Ernest E., O-811161.

H.W. BOBRINK,  
Colonel, GMC  
Chief, GR&E Div.

U.S. DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY  
Adjutant General's Office  
Attn: Memorial Division  
Washington, D. C.

SP414 293  
Wheeler, Ernest B.  
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*Mrs. Alma B. Wheeler*

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TO THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES  
FROM THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES  
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*[Signature]*

293 441 1st Sgt Ernest Edgar

CORRECTIONS AND ADDITIONS TO BURIAL REPORT AS TAKEN FROM AG/ CASUALTY CARD

NAME C. Edgar

RANK 1st Sgt

ASN 0-31111

ORGANIZATION 441 70 Tank Co

DATE OF DEATH 6 June 44

PLACE OF DEATH France

CAUSE OF DEATH

(Signature)



YANG KIM HUI SECRETARY GENERAL  
OFFICE 293  
(WHEELER, BRADY H.)  
O-111111

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FOR THE SECRETARY GENERAL

U.S. MARINE  
HEADQUARTERS  
WASHINGTON

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*John H. ...*

JOHN H. ... 12 Dec. 46. J. ...

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 DTG. C. 101200Z  
 ACTION QMC  
 HQ-IN-NO 53210

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U.S. ARMY  
EL. & CAB.  
SECTION

"Reply rec 13 Dec 45  
8:30 AM"

WAR V DFCA NR 20 WD

FROM HQ AMERICAN GRAVES REGISTRATION COMMAND APO 387 US ARMY 10/1200Z  
TO THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL WASHINGTON DC

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REF AGRC 3393 /UNCLASSIFIED/ WHEELER CMA ERNEST EASY CMA

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AVAILABLE END AGRRE

12200Z

RECORD ATTACHED

M. J. [unclear]

Capt. Mona [unclear]  
[unclear]

293 - WHEELER, ERNEST E. (O-811161)

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TELETYPE

8/20/46

8/20/46

FROM: OQMG.,  
TO: DEMOBILIZED PERSONNEL RECORDS BR., ST. LOUIS, MO.,

RQSTPOLINFO ON ERNEST E. WHEELER O-811161

1. RELIGIOUS PREFERENCE
2. LIST OF ALL CAMPS STATIONED IN US PRIOR TO O/S INCLUDING INCLUSIVE DATES
3. COMPLETE DENTAL CHART.....

ADPT

END QMGYG (MacFARLAND) 314

293 - ST. LOUIS

ead.

At. Co. R.H. Blacett, O-21111.

When a comparison of the tooth charts is made you will be notified immediately of the result. If you can throw any light on the information I have furnished above as to whether the denture and fillings found confirm or disaffirm identity, please let me know.

Very truly yours,

1 Incl:  
1. Copy of Tooth Chart.

J. J. Powers,  
Colonel, QMC

PJW

JJP

DISTRIBUTION:

Orig & 1 - Addressee  
1 - Central File  
1 - Registration Div. File

HEADQUARTERS  
AMERICAN GRAVES REGISTRATION COMPANY  
EUROPEAN THEATER AREA  
APO 867, U.S. Army

RJV/TOYR/gh

(S: 10 September 1946)  
10 August 1946

RHE (La Combe, C-1-1)

SUBJECT: Disinterment - Directive #9  
(Ernest E. WANKLER, 2nd Lt., ASN G-811161)

TO : Central Identification Point,  
ADAC, WPA, APO 164, US Army

1. A special inquiry is being made regarding the identification of the above subject deceased buried in La Combe Military Cemetery, Plot C, Row 1, Grave 1 shown as identified by name number taken from parachute attached to the remains.

2. Since such an identification is not conclusive it is directed that the deceased buried, as shown in para.1, be disinterred, check list and tooth chart prepared, and submitted to this headquarters or any other pertinent data to further conclusive identification.

BY ORDER OF COLONEL OVOLL:

PHILIP J. WOLF  
Major, GPO  
Actg Asst Adj Gen

DISTRIBUTION:

Orig & Dup-Addressee  
1 copy Central File  
1 copy RR E File  
1 copy Major Wolf  
1 copy Miss Wright  
1 copy S: File

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Ext. 131

TWX OUTGOING FORM

FROM: American Graves Registration Command APO 887 US Army Div Ref. \_\_\_\_\_

ACTION TO:

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INFORMATION TO: QUARTERMASTER GENERAL, WASH DC

Precedence: \_\_\_\_\_ Classification: \_\_\_\_\_

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HEADQUARTERS  
AMERICAN GRAVES REGISTRATION COMMAND

*Registration*

AGRC Form #41  
4 May 46

INCOMING TWX

FROM: AGWAR,

ACTION TO: AMERICAN GRAVES REGISTRATION COMMAND,  
EUROPEAN THEATER AREA

INFORMATION TO:

HQ AGRC LOG NO. W-15 15 AUGUST 0500 HOURS  
DATE & TIME SENT

MESSAGE: REF. NO. WAR-97472 RESTRICTED.

WAR-97472 RESTRICTED DEFAA 563 COMGHNWBS PASS TO  
AGRC VERSAILLES 2174 TOOTH CHART FOR 2nd LT. ERNEST E.  
WHEELER, O-811167 WILL BE FORWARDED WHEN ALL RECORDS  
ASSEMBLED.

ACTION	ACTION
C.O.	C.O.
C/S	C/S
AG	AG
FIELD SERVICE	FIELD SERVICE
HQ COMMAND	HQ COMMAND
PERS.	PERS.
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AG CAS	AG CAS
MARIO	MARIO
SIG OFF	SIG OFF
P.M.	P.M.
PUB REL	PUB REL
SPEC SERV	SPEC SERV
BILLET OFF	BILLET OFF
CIV LABOR OFF	CIV LABOR OFF
ILE ST GERMAINE	ILE ST GERMAINE
193rd LAB SUPER CENT	193rd LAB SUPER CENT

**INTEROFFICE REFERENCE SHEET**

DUE, HOUR AND DATE \_\_\_\_\_

1 No.	2 FROM	3 TO	4 DATE	5 MESSAGE
	Ident. Section	293 File For Record Purposes.	2 Jul 47	<p><i>293</i> WHEELER, Ernest E. 1st Lt O-811161</p> <p>1. The widow of Lt Wheeler recently called in this office accompanied by her brother, Lt. Col. Blanchard. They spoke with Col Hickey and Capt Sloane regarding this case and were both satisfied as to the identification and that the remains now interred in Plot C, Row 1, Grave No. 1, U. S. M. C., La Cambe, France are those of Lt Wheeler.</p> <p>2. No further correspondence to NOK is necessary.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">IDENTIFICATION SECTION McGarry <i>[Signature]</i></p>

*File  
29 Jul 47  
[Signature]*



293.

1st Ind

HQ, BASE AIR DEPOT AREA, 33, US STRATEGIC AIR FORCES IN EUROPE, AAF 590, APO 635,  
US Army 13 February 1945.

TO: Commanding General, Hq, Ninth Troop Carrier Command, APO 133, US Army.  
(Attn: QM Section, Graves Registration Officer)

1. Information obtained at this headquarters indicated that Aircraft C-47 # 2101019 was allocated to the 441st Troop Carrier Group.
2. Request compliance with par 3, basic communication, and any information found forwarded to this headquarters.

For the Commanding General:

*293 Wheeler, Ernest E.*

JAMES W. F. SOUTHAARD  
Lt Colonel, QMC  
Quartermaster

HEADQUARTERS, IX TROOP CARRIER COMMAND, APO 133, US ARMY, 20 FEB 1945

2nd Ind.

TO: Commanding General, Base Air Depot Area, 33, US Strategic Air Forces in Europe, US Air Station 590; ATTENTION: Casualty Section.

1. Inasmuch as subject aircraft number corresponds to that listed in missing air crew report pertaining to 2d Lieutenant BRUNY F. [unclear], #811161, 441 Troop Carrier Group, it is the belief of this headquarters that body referred to in paragraph 1, basic communication, is that of [unclear].

2. Burial report at this headquarters states that 2d Lieutenant BRUNY F. [unclear], #811161, is buried in grave 3, Row 2, Plot C, American Cemetery Number 3, LaCoudre, France. Subject report states further that identification was made by name taken from parachute attached to body.

For the Commanding General:

J. E. BRILL  
Lieutenant Colonel, AGO  
Adjutant General

*[Handwritten signature/initials]*

To Clinical Records Branch

For disposition

The records show medical treatment as follows:

Hospital	From	To	Register Number
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		✓	✓
		✓	✓
		✓	✓
		✓	✓

Clerk

Date

Branch

93072  
1-1-1900

SP, YG 293 *Project 8-1*  
 Unk. X-1297  
 Manila #2, Luzon, P.I

Date 12 July 1946

- a. Surname WHEELER,
- b. Christian name Earnest E.
- c. serial number 16013653
- d. Grade and Organization  
Pvt--60 CAC
- e. \*ALL camps stationed in U.S. prior to service overseas, including inclusive dates at each station.
- f. Date and place of death Luzon, P.I  
10-13-42--POW Camp, Cabanatuan,
- g. Cause of death  
Malaria & Malnutrition
- h. Religious preference
- i. Emergency Addressee Colmstock, Mich  
Ernest Wheeler, 550 Clarks Drive,
- j. Date and place of ~~induction~~

*Ent. 10-13-42*  
*10-13-42*

FROM: WD, 100 CLINICAL RECORDS BRANCH

**NO RECORDS ON FILE**

**BODY DESCRIPTION**

- ✓ a. Age at enlistment ~~or induction~~
- ✓ b. Shoe size
- ✓ c. Color of hair
- ✓ d. Color of eyes
- ✓ e. Height
- ✓ f. Weight
- ✓ g. Fractures or breaks
- ✓ h. Tattoos or birth marks

**DENTAL CHART**

8 7 6 5 4 3 2 1	1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8
Upper Right	Upper Left
8 7 6 5 4 3 2 1	1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8
Lower Right	Lower Left

Please note dentures or bridge work if shown

\* Request this Form be forwarded to CLINICAL RECORDS BRANCH for attachment of DAGO Form 8-116 or WD 13 Form 79 from retained records of INACTIVATED camps, if necessary.

Station  
 FORM 8-4A

*10-13-42*

QMGYG 293

Wheeler, Ernest E.

ASN C-811161 (LaCambe) France 1st Ind.

3-JLG/chr

HEADQUARTERS, Maxwell Field, Alabama, 6 September 1946.

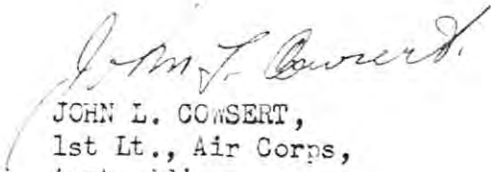
TO: The Quartermaster General, War Department, Washington 25, D. C.

Basic communication complied with.

FOR THE COMMANDING OFFICER:

1 Incl.

1-MD Form 79 (in dup)

  
JOHN L. CONSORT,  
1st Lt., Air Corps,  
Asst. Adj.

# CHECK LIST OF UNKNOWNNS

(to be completely filled out and attached to each copy of Report of Interment  
WD QMC Form 1042)

ASN: 0-811181

~~UNKNOWN~~ ~~Ernest W. WHEELER~~  
Cemetery La Combe  
Plot C Row 1 Grave 1

1. Arrived at cemetery 09:30 12.9.46  
(hour) (date)

2. Place of death \_\_\_\_\_  
(name of closest town) (coordinates and letter Prefex, maps)

3. Remains processed recovered or disinterred by \_\_\_\_\_  
(Sheet, scale and serials used) 342th. m. Bn. (name and organization)

4. Evacuated to Cemetery by Central Identification Point  
(name and organization)

5. Description of clothing and equipment : (if clothes do not fit, obtain size from body measurements).

Clothing Markings Sizes Color wear, tear, repairs, etc. Indicate unusual markings

Item	
*Headgear	None (type)
Raincoat	None
Overcoat	None
Jacket, Field	None
Jacket, Combat	None
Mackinaw	None
Sweater	None
Jacket, HBT	None
*Shirt, Wool OD	yes, small remnants, burned
Undershirt, Wool	yes, small remnants, burned
Undershirt, Cotton	None
Trousers HBT	None
*Trousers, Wool OD	khaki, small remnants, burned

Belt, Web None

Drawers, Wool None

Drawers, Cotton yes, small remnants, burned

Leggins, Wool None (Note unusual lacing)

Socks, Cotton None

Shoes None (type)

Overshoes None

Web Equipment None (Type)

Other item None

Other item None

If body is nude, sizes of these items should be computed by measuring the remains.

6. Chevrons or Insignia None

(type & location - shirt, jacket, coat, helmet)

Shoulder Patch None

7. Does clothing indicate that deceased was a member of the Air, Ground or Naval Forces  
UTD, could be Infantry

8. Description of Remains :

Age UTD Height 5'3" Weight 130 lbs Description of wounds UTD

Bandages or dressings UTD Scars UTD (length, width, location)

UTD Tattoos UTD (Number, location - illustrate on sep. page)

Outstanding moles, warts or birthmarks UTD (yes-no, description, location)

Scars or tan, other than hands & face UTD

Complexion UTD (light, med., dark, flour, pimples, poeks, freckles)

Build UTD (large, fit, thin, muscular)

Hair UTD (color, length, quantity, curly, wavy, straight, whorls, or definite parting)

Hair UTD  
(baldness, widows peak, distinctive cutting or other characteristics).

Sidburns UTD (color, setting, shape) Mustache UTD (color, size, shape) Beard or UTD (length, heavy)

Goatee UTD (light, color, extent)

Eyes UTD (color, setting, shape) Eyebrows UTD (color, bushiness, extent across nose)

Nose UTD (size, shape, straight) Ears UTD (size, set close to or far from head)

Mouth UTD (large, medium, small) Lips UTD (small, large, full)

Teeth **see Tooth Chart** (white, size, unevenness, spacing, noticeable crowns, fillings, extract).

Chin UTD (prominent, receding, pointed, dimple, double)

Jaw UTD (large, small, normal) Circumference of head in inches 21 (dot band)

Neck UTD (size, length, short, normal, wrinkled) Larynx UTD (prominent, normal)

Shoulders UTD (broad, straight, small, rounded) Arms UTD (length, muscular, color)

UTD (extent and quantity of hair)

Hands UTD

Fingers UTD (short, thick, long, slender, size of knuckles, missing fingers or joints)

UTD (Unusual characteristics of fingernails)

Chest UTD (size of nipples, color, quantity & extent of hair, large, small normal)

Back UTD (quantity & extent of hair) AIST UTD (size of navel, appendectomy, amount)

UTD (quantity & color of hair) Circumcision UTD (yes-no) Pubic hair **Blond** (color)

Hernioplasty UTD (yes-no; location)

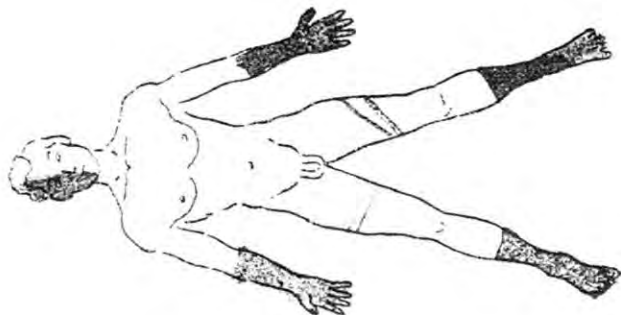
Legs UTD (inseam, muscular, knock-kneed, bowed, normal, quantity, color & extent of hair)

Feet **UTD**  
(size, corns, callouses, flat)

Toes **UTD**  
(slender, straight, crooked, overlap)

Evidence of healed fractures **UTD**  
(nose, arms, legs, etc.)

9. Black out parts of body not received at cemetery :



10. Have fingerprints been placed on Report of Interment **No**  
(yes-no)

If not, explain **No hands**

11. Has tooth chart been prepared **yes** If not, explain  
(yes-no)

12. Remarks : **Body in first stage of decomposition, all clothing had been removed and placed with body. Body wrapped in wooden casket.**

I certify that I have personally viewed the remains of subject deceased and all resulting information has been recorded to the best of my knowledge.

**Frazier T. H. LB**  
Officer's Name

**Emb. Sup. C.I.C.**  
Rank Service

Organization



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BY ORDER OF THE SECRETARY OF WAR

*George T. Herbert*  
ADJUTANT GENERAL  
CHIEF, CASUALTY BRANCH

## SUMMARY OF INFORMATION

AREA European	FLYING STATUS Yes	JUMP STATUS No	LINE OF DUTY Yes	OWN RES-CONDUCT No	ON DUTY STATUS Yes	ABSENCE REPTS
PREVIOUS REVIEWS None						
DATE OF BIRTH 26 Jan 1921	HOME ADDRESS Calhoun, Kentucky	DATE OF ENTRY ON CURRENT ACTIVE SERVICE 30 Aug 1943	LENGTH OF SERVICE (AS OF PRESUMED DATE OF DEATH)			
		YEARS		MONTHS		DAYS

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WASHINGTON 25, D. C.

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PREVIOUS REVIEWS None							
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WAR DEPARTMENT  
Army Effects Bureau  
Kansas City Quartermaster Depot  
601 Hardesty Avenue  
Kansas City 1, Missouri

Attention: Capt. F. W. Schmidt

Dear Sir:

The families of the crew members on the plane with my husband have received their personal effects; but as yet I have not received my husband's. I wonder if it is possible that the personal belongings of Lt. Ernest H. Wheeler, D-611161, could have been lost enroute to the United States?

Will you please tell me what source I could find information concerning this; as I am very anxious to receive them?

Thank you very much.

Respectfully

Mrs. Anna B. Wheeler

F-611161

TOR, OF UNKNOWN	REPORT NO AND DATE 14 June 1944
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292  
 WHEELER, Ernest E. O-811161  
 1st Lt., Air Corps  
 KIA 6 June 1944

PLOT	ROW	GRAVE	DATE OF BURIAL (Reburial)	DATE OF DEATH
C	1	1	13 June 1944	10 June 1944
11)			GRADE AND ORGANIZATION 1st Lt 441 Trp. Carrier Group	

ed from burned airplane #C-47-2101019. Name taken from  
 body. Place of death; 29th Combat Area, France; Date of  
 ue of Death; Burned-airplane.

For all members of crew and passengers KIA on file in this  
 #6140 states that aircraft C-47A #42-101019 crashed 6  
 d 15 passengers aboard. The crew, passengers and status

Capt. O-364992 (LaCambe C,1,4 tags)  
 E., 1st Lt. O-811161 KIA 6 June 1944  
 ., S/Sgt. 35681083 (LaCambe A,9,172 tags)  
 Sgt. 15324398 (LaCambe C,1,5 tags)

2nd Lt. O-1107495 RTD  
 1/5. 33016323 discharged 10/13/45 (Continued)

ACTION			
DATE	APPROVAL		DATE
	<i>Wheeler</i>		18 May 46
293 FILES	FIELD ADVISED	EFFECTS BUREAU	AGO (BR)
9-26			27, 1946

ached sheet for additional information

QMGR 293 Wheeler, McCue, Hughes, Freda, Holin, (LaCambe) France  
Disinterment and Reprocessing of Remains 2 April 1947  
(Cont'd)

3. Due to the fact that a relative of 1st Lt. Wheeler now doubts this identification, it is requested that the remains of the five (5) deceased mentioned in paragraph 1, be disinterred, in the presence of a medical officer, reprocessed, complete check lists and dental charts accomplished and forwarded to this office without delay.

FOR THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL:

JAMES C. MacFARLAND  
Major, QMC  
Memorial Division

RRE 293.8

HA/BB/jc

SUBJECT: Operating Instruction

Chief P & O Division  
Chief Unid. Dec.Br. Reg.Div.  
6 May 1947

DD # 330 (Second Zone)

The Second Zone will disinter and reinter remains in USMC, LA CAMBE, Plot C, Row 1, Grave 5, Plot C, Row 1, Grave 1, and Plot A, Row 9, Grave 172 in accordance with the attached inclosure.

4 Incls  
a/s

Ext 395

PHILIP J. WOLF  
Major, QMC  
C/Unidentified Deceased  
Branch  
Registration Division

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5th Ind.

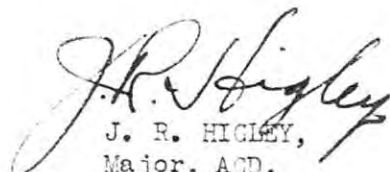
C/JH/13

HQ 50TH TR CARR WG, AAF, APO 133, U S Army, 10 September 1944.

TO: CO, 441st Tr Carr Gp, APO 137, U S Army.

1. Your attention is invited to basic communication and 4th Indorsement.

By order of Colonel CHAPPELL:

  
J. R. HIGLEY,  
Major, ACD,  
Adjutant.

1 Incl: n/c

5th Ind


I/ANL/Jls

HQ USAF Station, APO 57, US Army, 13 August 1948.

TO: CO, American Reg. Graves Commission, APO 387, US Army.  
Attn: Registration Division.

1. Enclosed find information turned into this office related to your Command.

2. No additional reports this office pertaining to this case.

  
1st Lt., Air Corps,  
Intelligence Officer

C O N F I D E N T I A L



TAX OUTGOING FORM

FROM: American Graves Registration Command, APO 887 US Army. Div Ref No \_\_\_\_\_

FORM 9

ACTION TO:

THE OFFICE OF THE CHIEF MATHEMATICIAN  
WASHINGTON, D.C.

INFORMATION TO:

Precedence: \_\_\_\_\_ Classification \_\_\_\_\_

DEPT OF THE ARMY 2174 12 AUG 46

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ALL INFORMATION CONTAINED HEREIN IS UNCLASSIFIED  
DATE 11-18-83 BY 1042 UCBAW/SJS  
EXCEPT WHERE SHOWN OTHERWISE  
UNCLASSIFIED BY 1042 UCBAW/SJS  
DATE 11-18-83

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# RECEIPT OF REMAINS

DISTRIBUTION CENTER AGR DIV., CHICAGO QUARTERMASTER DEPOT  
18 19 W. PERSHING RD., CHICAGO, ILLINOIS

MUSTER FUNERAL HOME  
CALHOUN, KENTUCKY

ROUTINE

REMAINS CONSIGNED TO:

REMAINS OF THE LATE 1 LT. ERNEST E. WHEELER, #0-811161  
BEING SHIPPED TO YOU ACCOMPANIED BY ~~XXXXXX~~ MILITARY ESCORT  
ON TRAIN NUMBER 95, C & E I RR.  
LEAVING CHICAGO 10:30 P.M. MONDAY 9 FEBRUARY 1948  
AND DUE TO ARRIVE SEBREE, KY., 6:10 A.M. TUESDAY 10 FEBRUARY 1948  
REQUEST YOU IMMEDIATELY INFORM THE NEXT OF KIN AND THAT YOU ARRANGE TO ACCEPT  
REMAINS AT RAILROAD STATION UPON ARRIVAL AND DELIVER WITH ESCORT TO

CALHOUN, KENTUCKY

REQUEST YOU SUBMIT

ITEMIZED STATEMENT IN QUADRUPLICATE PROPERLY CERTIFIED TO THIS DEPOT FOR  
PAYMENT OF TRANSPORTATION CHARGES ONLY IF ANY FROM SEBREE, KENTUCKY  
TO CALHOUN, KENTUCKY AND RETURN OF ESCORT TO RAILROAD STATION  
IF TRANSPORTATION IS FURNISHED BY YOU. REFER TO CONTROL NUMBER 2499

CARROLL J. GRINNELL  
LT. COL. Q.M.C.

I, THE UNDERSIGNED, DO HEREBY ACKNOWLEDGE RECEIPT OF THE REMAINS OF THE ABOVE-NAMED DECEASED

THIS 10 DAY OF February, 1948  
DAY MONTH

*[Signature]*  
WITNESS (Escort)  
*[Signature]*

Muster Funeral Home  
CONSIGNEE  
by *[Signature]*

REV. 18C

GP

2499

WU22 15 COLLECT

OWENSBORO KY JAN 19 1948 129P

CHICAGO QUARTERMASTER DEPOT

PLEASE HAVE THE REMAINS OF E E WHEELER SHIPPED MUSTER  
FUNERAL HOME CALHOUN KY

ALMA B WHEELER.

211P.

RECEIVED  
STRONG CENTER  
JAN 19 2 12 PM '48

As per 2499

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**WAR DEPARTMENT**  
**THE ADJUTANT GENERAL'S OFFICE**  
**WASHINGTON 25, D. C.**  
**-BATTLE CASUALTY REPORT**

1945 DEC 2 16 04

AG 201	<b>N A M E</b> WHEELER ERNEST E ASN O 811 161	<b>GRADE</b> 1/LT HUS	<b>DATE CAS. REPORT RECEIVED</b>  19 December 1945
<b>NAME AND ADDRESS OF E. A.</b>	MRS ALMA B WHEELER BOX 145 GENERAL DELIVERY CALHOUN KENTUCKY		<b>DATE/TELEGRAM SENT</b> 04

THE INDIVIDUAL NAMED BELOW DESIGNATED THE ABOVE PERSON AS THE ONE TO BE NOTIFIED IN CASE OF EMERGENCY, AND THE OFFICIAL TELEGRAPHIC AND LETTER NOTIFICATIONS WILL BE SENT TO THIS PERSON. THE RELATIONSHIP, IF ANY, IS SHOWN BELOW. IT SHOULD BE NOTED THAT THIS PERSON IS NOT NECESSARILY THE NEXT-OF-KIN OR RELATIVE DESIGNATED TO BE PAID SIX MONTHS' PAY GRATUITY IN CASE OF DEATH.

THE SECRETARY OF WAR HAS ASKED ME TO EXPRESS HIS DEEP REGRET THAT YOUR **HUSBAND**

GRADE	NAME	SERIAL NUMBER	ARM OR SERVICE	REPORTING THEATRE	F OR J STATUS	SHIPMENT NUMBER	
1ST/LT	WHEELER, ERNEST E.	0811161	AC		L	355023 -U-7X	
TYPE OF CASUALTY		PLACE OF CASUALTY		DATE OF CASUALTY			CASUALTY CODE
KILLED IN ACTION		IN FRANCE		DAY	MONTH	YEAR	
				6	JUNE	44	

REMARKS: AG 201 /19 DEC. 45/  CORRECTED COPY

MEMO, STATUS REVIEW AND DETERMINATION SECT. APPROVED CHIEF, CAS. BR. /ENL ASN 14159720/. FINDING OF DEATH HAS BEEN ISSUED PREVIOUSLY UNDER SEC 5, MISSING PERSONS ACT, SHOWING PRESUMED DATE OF DEATH AS 7 JUNE 45. THIS "REPORT OF DEATH", BASED ON INFO. REC'D SINCE THAT DATE, IS ISSUED IN ACCORDANCE WITH SEC 9 OF SAID ACT AND ITS EFFECT ON PRIOR PAYMENTS AND SETTLEMENTS IS AS PROVIDED IN SEC. 9.

ROUTE TO STATUS REVIEW AND DETERMINATION SECT. FOR NOTIFICATION.

ACTION BY COMPOSITE SECTION: REPORT VERIFIED _____ FORM 43 _____ AG 201 REC. _____							
CASUALTY BRANCH FILE ATTACHED _____				OR CHARGED TO _____ DATE _____			
PREVIOUSLY REPORTED NO _____ YES <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> (AS INDICATED BELOW):							
FILE NO.	MESSAGE NO.	TYPE	DATE AND AREA	E. A. NOTIFIED			
		D	7 Jun 45 - KRO	No Action			
TO	SPEC. IDEN.	C. & P.	TELEGRAM	LETTER	CERTIF.	F. REL.	CORRES.
REPORT NOT VERIFIED _____ NO FORM 43 _____ NO CAS. BR. FILE _____ CHECKED BY <i>Greene</i> REVIEWED BY <i>Walt</i>							

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OWENSBORO KY JAN 19 1948 129P

CHICAGO QUARTERMASTER DEPOT

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SIGNAL CENTER  
JAN 19 2 12 PM '48

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# MESSAGEFORM

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FROM: (Originator) AGR DIV., CHICAGO QUARTERMASTER DEPOT  
1819 W. PERSHING RD., CHICAGO, ILL.

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ACTION TO:

• ALMA B. WHEELER  
• CALHOUN, KY.

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INFORMATION TO:

THIS HEADQUARTERS ADVISED REMAINS OF LATE **1 LT. ERNEST E. WHEELER** ARE ENROUTE TO UNITED STATES. RECORDS OF THIS OFFICE INDICATE YOU WISH REMAINS DELIVERED TO YOU AT ABOVE ADDRESS. PLEASE CONFIRM ABOVE DELIVERY INSTRUCTIONS WITHIN 48 HOURS WITH NAME AND ADDRESS OF FUNERAL DIRECTOR OF YOUR CHOICE OR SUBMIT NEW DELIVERY INSTRUCTIONS BY TELEGRAM COLLECT TO CHICAGO QUARTERMASTER DEPOT CHICAGO ILLINOIS. THIS IS YOUR FINAL OPPORTUNITY TO CHANGE DELIVERY INSTRUCTIONS AT GOVERNMENT EXPENSE. IMPOSSIBLE TO GIVE YOU DEFINITE DELIVERY DATE. THREE DAYS PRIOR TO SHIPMENT FROM THIS DEPOT YOUR FUNERAL DIRECTOR WILL BE NOTIFIED BY TELEGRAM OF RAIL ROUTING AND SCHEDULED TIME OF ARRIVAL AT RAILROAD STATION WHERE HE WILL BE REQUESTED TO ACCEPT REMAINS ACCOMPANIED BY MILITARY ESCORT AND TO INFORM YOU TO COMPLETE FUNERAL ARRANGEMENTS. YOUR COOPERATION WILL GREATLY ASSIST THIS OFFICE. IF YOU DESIRE MILITARY HONORS AT FUNERAL YOU SHOULD REQUEST LOCAL PATRIOTIC OR VETERANS ORGANIZATION TO MAKE ARRANGEMENTS. IN TELEGRAM REPLY REFER TO CONTROL NUMBER **2499** AND NAME OF DECEASED.

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# CERTIFICATE

Co. No. 2499

(AR 30-1830)

210-257  
 STA 199 4  
 R. E. DEEROU  
 COL F. D.  
 CHICAGO, ILL.  
 FEB 1948

1. FILL IN EITHER PART A OR PART B; NOT BOTH.
2. USE PART A WHEN INTERMENT IS IN A CIVILIAN OR PRIVATE CEMETERY.
3. USE PART B WHEN REMAINS ARE DELIVERED TO HOME OR OTHER PLACE PRIOR TO BURIAL IN NATIONAL OR POST CEMETERY.

## PART A - CIVILIAN OR PRIVATE CEMETERY

### A REQUEST FOR REIMBURSEMENT OF INTERMENT EXPENSES

(PLEASE READ EXPLANATION ON REVERSE SIDE BEFORE COMPLETING FORM)

NAME OF DECEDENT <b>WHEELER, Ernest E.</b>	GRADE <b>1 Lt.</b>	SERIAL NUMBER <b>0-811161</b>	COMPONENT <b>Army</b>
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I certify that the sum of \$ 75.00 was paid by me from personal funds in connection with the interment of the remains of the above named decedent in the below named cemetery.

INSERT NAME OF CEMETERY <b>Calhoun Cemetery</b>	CITY OR COUNTY <b>Calhoun McLean County</b>	STATE <b>Kentucky</b>
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<p><b>INSTRUCTIONS TO PERSON SIGNING THIS FORM</b></p> <p>1. Fill in as required and sign four copies. THIS FORM NOT TO BE SIGNED BY FUNERAL DIRECTOR.</p> <p>2. Return four copies to:</p> <p><b>Chicago Quartermaster Depot          American Graves Registration Div.          1819 W. Pershing Road          Chicago 9, Illinois</b></p>	<p>SIGNATURE OF CLAIMANT <b>Alma B. Wheeler</b></p> <p>ADDRESS OF CLAIMANT (City, Street or RFD, and State) <b>Calhoun, Kentucky</b></p> <p>RELATIONSHIP TO DECEDENT <b>Wife</b></p> <p>DATE <b>Feb. 10, 1948</b></p>
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## PART B - NATIONAL OR POST CEMETERY

### B REQUEST FOR REIMBURSEMENT OF TRANSPORTATION EXPENSES

(PLEASE READ EXPLANATION ON REVERSE SIDE BEFORE COMPLETING FORM)

NAME OF DECEDENT <b>XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX</b>	GRADE <b>XXXXX</b>	SERIAL NUMBER <b>XXXXXXXXXXXX</b>	COMPONENT <b>XXXXX</b>
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I certify that the sum of \$ XXXXXXXXXX was paid by me from personal funds in connection with the transportation of the remains of the above named decedent from and to the following places:

INSERT CITY OR TOWN (OR ADDRESS NOT IN A CITY OR TOWN) FROM WHICH REMAINS WERE SHIPPED	INSERT NAME AND LOCATION OF NATIONAL OR POST CEMETERY TO WHICH REMAINS WERE SHIPPED
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FROM: (Originator)

WD, OCMG, MEMORIAL, RR, IDENTIFICATION

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ACTION TO:

- Commanding Officer  
Maxwell Field, Alabama
- ATTENTION: Post Surgeon
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INFORMATION TO:

QMGYG 293  
WHEELER, Ernest E.,  
ASN O-811161 (La Canbe) France  
29 August 1946

## Information Required for Graves Registration

1. An investigation is being conducted by this office to determine, if possible, the identity of an Unknown American Soldier.

2. From information received, it has been tentatively determined that the unknown is 1st Lt. Ernest E. WHEELER, O-811161, Air Corps, who was on duty at your station from 10 September 1943 to 2 November 1943.

3. It is requested that this office be advised if available records show whether or not dental work was performed for this officer while on duty at your station, and if so, a copy of Form 79, Medical Department be furnished with a view to definitely establishing the identity of the unknown.

FOR THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL:

*James C. MacFarland*  
JAMES C. MacFARLAND  
Major, OMC  
Assistant

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15 JUN 1945  
11 10 11  
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G. R. & E. DIV.  
OFFICE OF THE CHIEF QUARTERMASTER  
U.S. COM. ZONE, ETOUSA

# TOOTH CHART

17 April 1947

FREDA.

JAMES

A.

Last Name

First

Initial

Rank

Serial No.

Unit

Organization

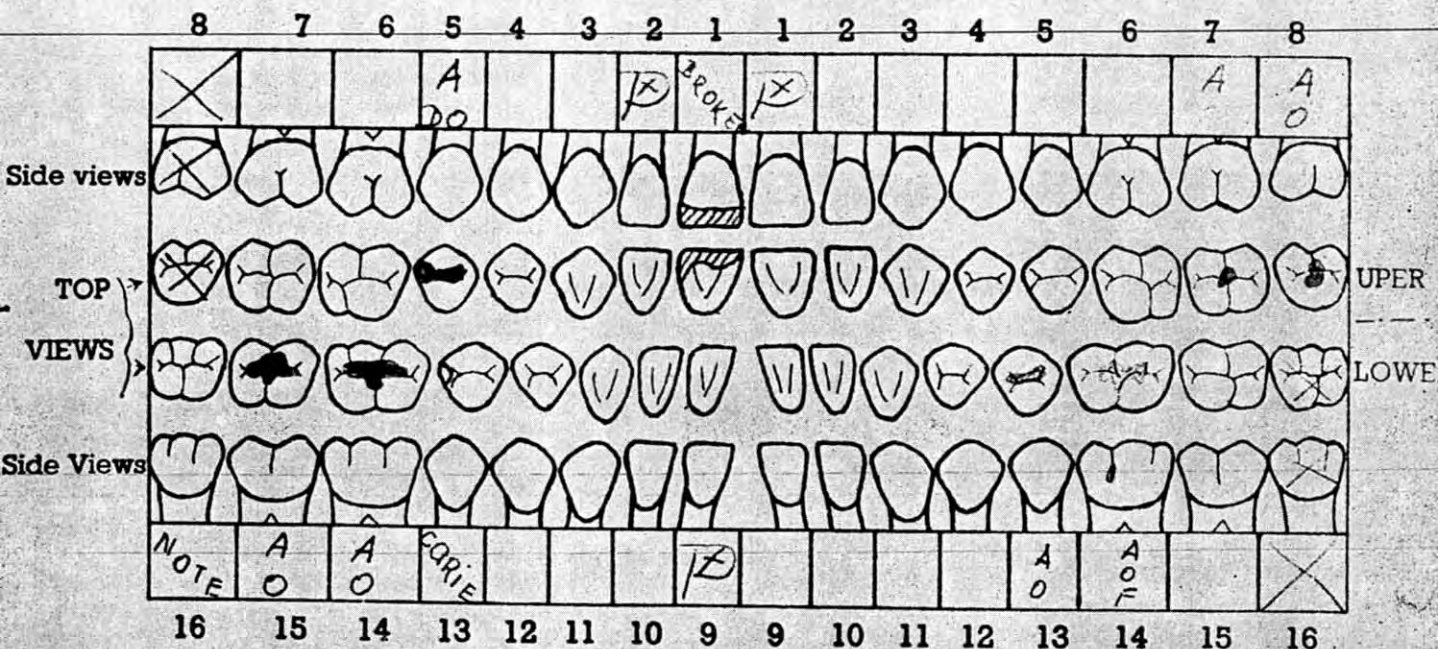
Place of Death

Date of Death

Cause of Death

Right

Left



This dental chart is 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. See reverse side for illustrations.

See remarks

*Edward Sebastian*  
Signature of Officer or other person who prepared Tooth chart  
*Ellsworth T. Mac Intyre*  
ELLSWORTH T. MAC INTYRE, Captain U.S. C.I.P.  
Verified by G. R. S. Officer

**MISSING TEETH** .. All teeth missing through previous extraction (not those fractured or displaced by recent wounds) should be "X" 'd out and labeled, thus :



**CROWNED TEETH**... Block in solid the crown of tooth (label gold, porcelain, Silver 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 as 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. "

### ADDITIONAL SPACE FOR FURTHER REMARKS

Posthumously missing, R2,9 and L1.

Spaces; R10-11, 1mm, R11-12, 1mm.

Broken off as indicated by shading, R1.

Not fully erupted before death, R16.

Medium sized teeth, in fair alignment, have turned slightly pink.

D-4A, OR 6  
DFAR 7: WAR CRMS26 UD  
FROM VAR 131921Z  
TO DFAR

BRNC  
WCL 36970 RPT WCL 36970 3 3 9 3  
FROM QMGMR REURAD AGRC THREE THREE NINE THREE  
TOOTH CHART FOR SECOND LIEUTENANT ERNEST EASY WHEELER ASN ZERO  
EIGHT ONE ONE ONE SIX ONE MADE 12 FEBRUARY FOUR FOUR SHOWS RIGHT  
EIGHT CMA ONE FOUR AND ONE SIX MISSING PD DAD ONE ONE FILLING RIGHT  
FIVE PD HEIGHT SIX EIGHT ONE FOURTH INCHES. PD WEIGHT ONE SIX SEVEN  
POUNDS.

131952Z  
DB B1  
R.....6.....14/0825Z WFK IKKK

*Registration  
action  
2470*

RETURN THIS RECEIPT IMMEDIATELY TO:

~~POSTAL  
Registry No.~~

Serial No. }  
File No. } QMGMR 293 Wheeler, Ernest E. O-811161  
of Subject } (LaCambe) France

Date 2 April 1947

with: \_\_\_\_\_ inclosure(s)  
\_\_\_\_\_ indorsement(s)

Addressee: Commanding Officer, American  
Graves Registration Command, European  
Theater Area, APO 887, c/o Postmaster  
New York, New York

NOTE.—Sheet 2 (addressee's copy) to be retained by  
addressee.

(DUPLICATE)

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DENTAL CHART

Unknown X-

Name - Wheeler Ernest E.  
C-811761

R-8 \_\_\_\_\_  
R-7 \_\_\_\_\_  
R-6 \_\_\_\_\_  
R-5 \_\_\_\_\_  
R-4 \_\_\_\_\_  
R-3 \_\_\_\_\_  
R-2 \_\_\_\_\_  
R-1 \_\_\_\_\_

R-8 X  
R-7 \_\_\_\_\_  
R-6 \_\_\_\_\_  
R-5 LoA  
R-4 \_\_\_\_\_  
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R-1 \_\_\_\_\_

L-1 \_\_\_\_\_  
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L-7 \_\_\_\_\_  
L-8 \_\_\_\_\_

*Exam 17 July 43  
shows R-8 R-16  
missing.*

R-16 \_\_\_\_\_  
R-15 \_\_\_\_\_  
R-14 \_\_\_\_\_  
R-13 \_\_\_\_\_  
R-12 \_\_\_\_\_  
R-11 \_\_\_\_\_  
R-10 \_\_\_\_\_  
R-9 \_\_\_\_\_

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R-14 X  
R-13 \_\_\_\_\_  
R-12 \_\_\_\_\_  
R-11 \_\_\_\_\_  
R-10 \_\_\_\_\_  
R-9 \_\_\_\_\_

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*DIR - no date Maford Field,  
Alabama*

*Age - 22*

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FROM: (Originator)

WD, OOMG, MEMORIAL, RE, IDENTIFICATION

ACTION TO:

- Commanding Officer  
Army Air Base  
Malden, Missouri
- ATTENTION: Post Surgeon

INFORMATION TO:

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QMGYG 293

WHEELER, Ernest E.

ASN 0-811161 (La Cambé) France

29 August 1946

## Information Required for Graves Registration

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2. From information received, it has been tentatively determined that the unknown is 1st Lt. Ernest E. WHEELER, 0-811161, Air Corps, who was on duty at your station from 1 May 1943 to 1 July 1943.
3. It is requested that this office be advised if available records show whether or not dental work was performed for this soldier while on duty at your station, and if so, a copy of Form 79, Medical Department be furnished with a view to definitely establishing the identity of the unknown.

FOR THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL:

*James C. MacFarland*  
JAMES C. MACFARLAND  
Major, QMC  
Assistant

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*2nd Lt.*  
*295 Wheeler, Ernest E. O-811161*

QMGYG

Identification of Unknown

Military Planning Division  
Operations Branch

Memorial Division 13 August 1946  
Repatriation Records Br.

1. It is requested that the following radiogram be sent to Commanding General, American Graves Registration Command, European Theater Area, Versailles, France, APO 887, c/o Postmaster, New York, New York, marked PRIORITY:

RERAD AGRC 2174 COMMA TOOTH CHART FOR SECOND LIEUTENANT ERNEST E.

WHEELER O-811161 WILL BE FORWARDED WHEN ALL RECORDS ASSEMBLED AND

2. Initials of officer submitting memorandum JBC, Branch 4276.

COLSON

*JBC*

*Original radiogram sent to  
Military Planning  
for dispatch this  
date 8/14/46.*

*File  
8/14/46  
E. Bufford*

RESTRICTED TOT

PARAPHRASE NOT REQUIRED. HANDLE AS RESTRICTED CORRESPONDENCE  
PER PARAS 51 (1) and 60 (a) AR 380-5

293 Wheeler Ernest E

From: WBS Paris from AGRC sgd Odell cite AGRAG 0-811161

To: War Department to the Office of the Chief Quartermaster

Nr: AGRC 2174

12 August 1946

293 Wheeler, Ernest E 2nd Lt 0-811161, request this  
headquarters be furnished tooth chart for above subject  
as soon as practicable. Request acknowledgment receipt of  
this message.

End.

ACTION: SERVAT

CM-IN-2556

(12 Aug 46)

DTG 121030Z

1s

RESTRICTED

cc: Major MacFarland  
293 File ✓  
Lock File

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FROM: (Originator) **BASE ADJUTANT**

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ACTION TO:

- QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
- US ARMY, WAR DEPARTMENT
- WASHINGTON 25, DC
- ATTN: MEMORIAL RR, IDENTIFICATION

INFORMATION TO:  
BFAD           

REFERENCE YOUR MESSAGEFORM QMGYG293/ WHEELER, ERNEST E ASN O 811 161 (LA COMBE)  
FRANCE 29 AUGUST 1946 INFORMATION IS FURNISHED HERewith THAT THERE IS NO RECORD  
IN THIS HEADQUARTERS OF DENTAL WORK BEING PERFORMED FOR SUBJECT OFFICER WHILE  
STATIONED AT THIS BASE AND DUKE COBSE

*J. G. Cammack*  
J. G. CAMMLACK  
2d, Lt, Air Corps  
Asst Adjutant

01981



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Commanding Officer  
Keesler Field, Mississippi

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ATTENTION: Post Surgeon

QMGYG 293

WHEELER, Ernest E.

ASN O-811161 (La Cambe) France

Information Required for Graves Registration

1. An investigation is being conducted by this office to determine, if possible, the identity of an Unknown American Soldier.
2. From information received, it has been tentatively determined that the unknown is 1st. Lt. Ernest E. WHEELER, O-811161, Air Corps, who was on duty at your station from 1 November 1942 to 4 December 1942.
3. It is requested that this office be advised if available records show whether or not dental work was performed for this officer while on duty at your station, and if so, a copy of Form 79, Medical Department be furnished with a view to definitely establishing the identity of the Unknown.

FOR THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL:

JAMES O. MacFARLAND  
MAJOR, QMC  
Assistant

1st. Ind.

293-Wheeler E E.

(O)


3-12/jm

Hosp Hqs AAF Regional Station Hosp, Keesler Field, Miss. 23 Sept 1946

TO: OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL, Washington DC

There is no record of the above named enlisted man ever having received dental treatment at this station.

FOR THE SURGEON:

  
WALTER F. GARNER  
Captain MAC  
Adjutant

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FROM: (Originator)

WD, QMCG, MEMORIAL, RR, IDENTIFICATION

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ACTION TO:

- Commanding Officer  
Army Air Base
- Nashville, Tennessee

- ATTENTION: Post Surgeon

INFORMATION TO:

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QMGY 293

WHEELER, Ernest E.,

ASN 0-811161 (La Cambe) France

29 August 1946

### Information Required for Graves Registration

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2. From information received, it has been tentatively determined that the unknown is 1st Lt. Ernest E. WHEELER, 0-811161, Air Corps, who was on duty at your station from 5 December 1942 to 28 December 1942.
3. It is requested that this office be advised if available records show whether or not dental work was performed for this soldier while on duty at your station, and if so, a copy of Form 79, Medical Department be furnished with a view to definitely establishing the identity of the Unknown.

FOR THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL:

*James C. MacFarland*  
 JAMES C. MacFARLAND  
 Major, QMC  
 Assistant

RECORDED

No records available on subject soldier.

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REGISTER OF DENTAL PATIENTS AT  
Dental Clinic  
Maxwell Field, Alabama

(1) SURNAME (2) CHRISTIAN NAME  
Wheeler, Ernest E., L1159720

(3) RANK (4) COMPANY (5) REGIMENT OR STAFF CORPS  
A/C Pilot

(6) AGE, YEARS (7) RACE (8) NATIVITY (9) SERVICE, YEARS  
21 W. Ky. 4/12

(10) DISEASE INJURY WITH LOCATION, COMPLICATIONS, SEQUELAE, ETC.	(11) DATES AND NATURE OF TREATMENTS AND OPERATIONS	(12) RESULTS AND REMARKS Initial Class II
Fulcritis R8 A TRUE COPY:	11 Examination (Routine) referred for Extraction	R. H. Getto
	11 13 Anesloc (Routine)	D. P. Kattrick
	<i>J. S. Cathroe</i> Colonel, Dental Corps, Dental Surgeon.	

s/ J. Cathroe  
Lt. Col.

Dental Corps, U. S. A.

W. D., A. G. O. Form No. 8-116  
(Old W. D., M. D. Form No. 79,  
which may continue in use)  
31 May 1944

REGISTER OF DENTAL PATIENTS AT  
Dental Clinic  
Maxwell Field, Alabama

(1) SURNAME (2) CHRISTIAN NAME  
Wheeler, Ernest E., L1159720

(3) RANK (4) COMPANY (5) REGIMENT OR STAFF CORPS  
A/C Pilot

(6) AGE, YEARS (7) RACE (8) NATIVITY (9) SERVICE, YEARS  
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31 May 1944

REGISTER OF DENTAL PATIENTS A™  
 3 L H  
 Maxwell Field, Ala.

REGISTER OF DENTAL PATIENTS A1  
 3 L 43-  
 Maxwell Field, Ala.

(1) SURNAME	(2) CHRISTIAN NAME		
Wheeler, Ernest E.	0811161 14159720		
(3) RANK	(4) COMPANY	(5) REGIMENT OR STAFF CORPS	
A/C	Pilot		
(6) AGE, YEARS	(7) RACE	(8) NATIVITY	(9) SERVICE, YEARS
22	W.	Ky.	5/12

(1) SURNAME	(2) CHRISTIAN NAME		
Wheeler, Ernest E.	0811161 14159720		
(3) RANK	(4) COMPANY	(5) REGIMENT OR STAFF CORPS	
A/C	Pilot		
(6) AGE, YEARS	(7) RACE	(8) NATIVITY	(9) SERVICE, YEARS
21	W.	Ky.	4/12

	(10) DISEASE OR INJURY WITH LOCATION, COMPLICATIONS, SEQUELAE, ETC.
Dental Corps, U.S.A.	(11) DATES AND NATURE OF TREATMENTS AND OPERATIONS
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	(12) RESULTS AND REMARKS

Pulpitis R-8

January 1943  
 II Examination (Routine)  
 Referred for extraction  
 11 1/2 Mes. Loc. (Routine)

Initial Class II  
 P. H. Getto  
 D. P. Kettick

Dental Corps, U. S. A.

Dental Corps, U. S. A.

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ACTION TO:

- Commanding Officer  
Army Air Base  
Union City, Tennessee
- ATTENTION: Post Surgeon

INFORMATION TO:

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QMGYG 293  
 WHEELER, Ernest E.,  
 ASN 0-811161 (La Cambe) France  
 29 August 1946

## Information Required for Graves Registration

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3. It is requested that this office be advised if available records show whether or not dental work was performed for this officer while on duty at your station, and if so, a copy of Form 79, Medical Department be furnished with a view to definitely establishing the identity of the unknown.

FOR THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL:

*James C. MacFarland*  
 JAMES C. MacFARLAND  
 Major, QMC  
 Assistant

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 QMG  
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**COMPANY SECRET**  
**MORNING REPORT** ENDING 1400 20 June 1944  
Merryfield-2 3/8 mile N.W. IMinster (YEAR)  
STATION VT7839 W O Cassini  
**ORGANIZATION** 100th TC Sq, 441st TC Gp AC  
(CO, BATT, ETC.) (PRESENT DUTY) (ARM OR SERVICE)

SERIAL NUMBER	NAME	GRADE	CODE
T-121540	Kuhns	F/O	
Fr Hosp to duty			

2-364992	McCue, John B.	Capt	
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35681083	Hughes, Archer B.	S/Sgt	
15324378	Freda, James A.	Sgt	

Above 2 O and 2 EM Missing in Action  
 fr Albany Mission, Neptune Bigot,  
 dropped fr strength this date.

OFFICER STRENGTH	FLD O & CAPT		1ST LT		2D LT		WO		FLT O	
	PRES	ABST	PRES	ABST	PRES	ABST	PRES	ABST	PRES	ABST
ASSIGNED	10		16	2	32	6	1		35	4
ATTACHED UNASSIGNED										
ATTACHED FR OTHER ORGN										
TOTAL	10		16	2	32	6	1		35	4

AVN CADET & ENLISTED STRENGTH	AVIATION CADETS		ENLISTED MEN			
	PRESENT	ABSENT	PRESENT FOR DUTY	PRESENT NOT FOR DT	ABSENT	PRESENT AND ABSENT
ASSIGNED			242	17	8	267
ATTACHED UNASSIGNED						
ATTACHED FR OTHER ORGN						
TOTAL			242	17	8	267

R A T Y	I	ESTIMATED NUMBER OF RATIONS REQUIRED FOR	DAY OF WEEK	NUMBER		
			DATE			
I O H S	II	MESS ATTENDANCE FOR DAY OF THIS REPORT			TOTAL	AVERAGE
		BREAKFAST	DINNER	SUPPER		
		MEN AUTHORIZED TO MESS SEPARATELY			MEN ATCHD FOR RATIONS O & OTHERS MESSED	
	III	MEN ATCHD TO OTHER ORGN FOR RATIONS	242	NET	TOTAL	
		MEN PRESENT	LESS	PLUS		

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I CERTIFY THAT THIS MORNING REPORT IS CORRECT AND THAT RATION FIGURES IN PART II REPRESENT AN ACTUAL COUNT AS REPORTED TO ME.

SIGNATURE

*Harry M. Simmons*

U. S. A. GPO #900-1-0-1

Annex #  
Field Order #

NEPTUNE - BIGOT  
Operation - "Overlord"  
Mission - "~~XXXXXXXXXX~~" ALBANY  
Aircraft Order

441 T.C.G.  
3 June 1944.  
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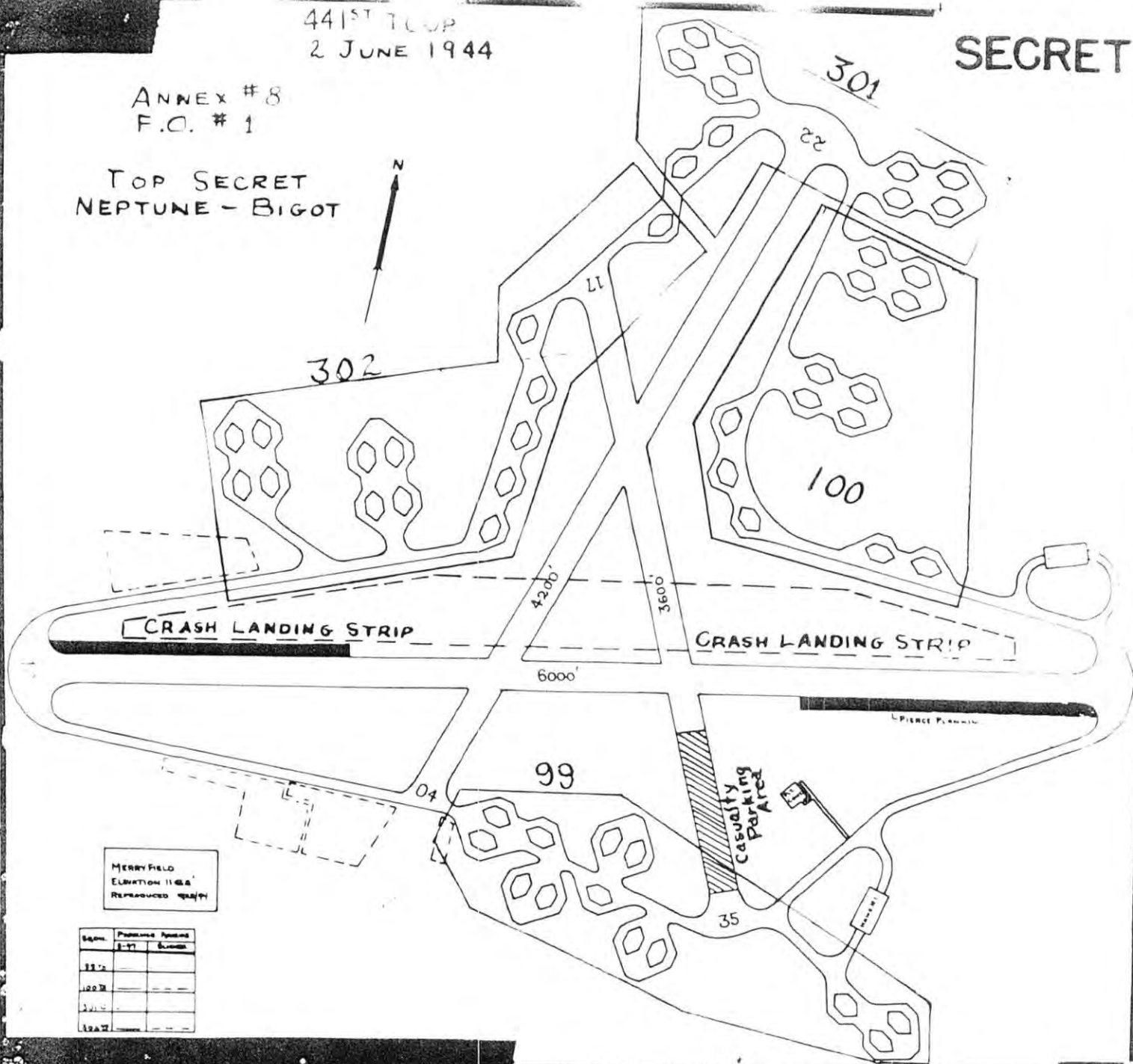
<u>A/C SERIAL #</u>	<u>CHALK #</u>	<u>PILOT</u>	<u>SQDN.</u>	<u>REMARKS</u>
42-92719	1	KERSHAW	99	Gp Leader & P/F
42-101008	2	FOSTER	99	
42-101003	3	FLETCHER	99	Deputy leader
42-101007	4	KIRRY	99	
42-101009	5	BARNARD	99	
43-15335	6	ZIMMERMAN	99	
42-101010	7	RAMER	99	
42-101011	8	ADAMS	99	
42-101012	9	O'NEILL	99	
43-15348	10	WROBLEWSKI	99	2nd Flight leader
43-15218	11	McLAUGHLIN	99	
42-93028	12	HICKMAN	99	
42-101005	13	ANDERSON	99	
42-101013	14	ULAN	99	
42-101006	15	DOERING	99	
42-101004	16	PARKER	99	
43-15200	17	VAN HOUTAN	99	
42-100884	18	WALCH	99	
42-101022	19	COUSIN	100	3rd Flight leader
42-101023	20	LEMONS	100	
42-101015	21	McGEORGE	100	
42-101024	22	LARSON	100	
42-100866	23	COSGROVE	100	
42-101014	24	MAXWELL	100	
42-93078	25	COMLEY	100	
43-15086	26	WORF	100	
42-92741	27	YAKOS	100	4th Flight leader
42-101016	28	BEAL	100	
42-92843	29	CULLEN	100	
42-101019	30	McCUE	100	
42-101018	31	SMITH	100	
42-101017	32	DAMASCHE	100	
42-101021	33	EASTMAN	100	
43-15102	34	CONNELLY	100	
43-15186	35	WORL	100	
42-92732	36	KANTZ	100	
42-101020	37	MEAKER	100	5th Flight leader
43-15197	38	CARR	100	
42-93041	39	HARRIS	100	
42-92459	40	IMLER	100	
42-92467	41	HAMMAN	100	
42-92470	42	KIMZEY	100	
42-92918	43	MUDROW	100	
43-15042	44	WOLFE	100	
42-92677	45	BURCHFILL	100	

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ANNEX #8  
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TOP SECRET  
NEPTUNE - BIGOT



MERRY FIELD  
ELEVATION 1168'  
REPRODUCED 10/51

ELEV.	PROBABLE SYSTEMS	
	1-77	8-100
1100'		
1000'		
900'		
800'		



## 441ST TROOP CARRIER GROUP

DIARY FOR THE MONTH OF JUNE, 1944

June 1, 1944

Four enlisted men received promotions. 2nd Lt Eugene H. Wilkening appointed Special Service Officer. (orientation and information)  
10 A/C local flying, one A/C radar approach and 6 A/C ferrying equipment.  
4 A/C glider tow.

June 2, 1944

Local flying, radar approach and flying gliders constituted the air activity for the day. Four Hersa Gliders were transferred to the 437 T.C. Gp.

June 3, 1944

Air activity consisted of local flying and radar approach. Two flight nurses attached to Headquarters were relieved from attached and ~~two~~ other nurses from the 813 Medical Air Evacuation Transport Squadron were attached to the Group.

June 4, 1944

There was local flying and ferrying of personnel. Long distance phone calls were restricted except to certain officer personnel.

June 5, 1944

One A/C on Administrative flight. 33 EM of Headquarters authorized to wear the Good Conduct medal. 90 A/C left at 2330 hours for first mission over France, carrying personnel of the 501st Parachute Regiment of the 101st Parachute Infantry Division. (Field Order 1)

June 6, 1944

Two A/C left to ferry equipment. TWX received from IXTCC and 50th TC Wing giving praise to men who flew mission on "D" day. Three planes lost in action. 12 C-47 A's returned to 440th TC Group. 9 C-47 A's returned to the 442nd TC Group.

June 7, 1944

Mission "Hackensack" flown by 50 A/C and Gliders and one Pathfinder ship. Elements of the 101st A/B were carried plus equipment. (FO 1) All EM attended briefing given by Intelligence on the mission flown on "D" day.

## 441ST TROOP CARRIER GROUP

## DIARY FOR THE MONTH OF JUNE, 1944

June 8, 1944

Flying consisted of 20 A/C towing Gliders, local flying, and 2 A/C ferrying personnel. Five Glider Pilots returned from France. Restriction lifted on passes but distance restricted to 25 miles of field, also 13 complete combat crews had to be available at all times. 1st Lt Stubbs promoted to Captain.

June 9, 1944

2 A/C ferrying personnel, 4 A/C 20 hours on glider tow was the air activity for the day. Captain Robert Stubbs DS to London to broadcast his experiences on the 1st glider mission by this Group over France.

June 10, 1944

More Glider Pilots returned. 2nd Lt Gottschalk, Group radar officer, promoted to 1st Lt. Miss Hammond, Red Cross Assistant Director, killed by stray bullet while flying in plane. There were 11 A/C on local Horsa glider tow and local and administrative flights.

June 11, 1944

More glider pilots returned from France. Captain Ray S. Bartholomew assigned to Group Headquarters from 439th TC Group. 10 A/C on local glider tow, local flying and test-hops.

June 12, 1944

ROM that bailed out with Paratroopers returned to base and entered hospital. Air activity consisted of 15 A/C on glider tow, ferrying equipment, and local flying.

June 13, 1944

Announcement was made that a gymnasium in Ilminster can be used by men of this base. A truck will leave each evening at 1900 and return at 2100. Notice was given that anybody indebted to the missing air crews will pay such debts to Major Watts, Group S-1. Captain Bartholomew appointed Assistant Consolidated Mess Officer. 2nd Lt Whitehead was appointed Officer in charge of officers mess. All .45-M1911 pistols in the hands of Co grade officers, except the combat crews, are to be handed into the 1468th Ordnance MM Co (avn)(Q). There was local flying, ferrying equipment and test hopping. One L-44 assigned to Group Operations.

## 441S T TROOP CARRIER GROUP

DIA RY FOR THE MONTH OF JUNE, 1944

June 14, 1944

Air activity consisted of local flying and glider tow, ferrying personnel, and testing gliders. 6 Horsa Gliders were received from the 439th TC Group.

June 15, 1944

Letter received from General Eisenhower regarding destruction of Historical monuments in countries we are invading. (see attached to narrative.) 7 A/C on local glider tow, ferrying personnel and test-hopping was the air activity. Sergeant Redington to Cambridge for 9th AF track meet.

June 16, 1944

2nd Lt Edgar Heffley, Jr., appointed PX inventory officer vice 2nd Lt James M. Rooney who is appointed PX Officer, vice F/O Delmar E. Switzer who is appointed Assistant PX Officer. Air activity consisted of 15 A/C on XC glider tow, ferrying personnel and local flying.

June 17, 1944

Order issued that all personnel will wear ties ~~at~~ all times and that proper insignia of rank will be worn. Air activity consisted of 5 A/C on glider tow, ferrying personnel and local flights.

June 18, 1944

Captain Edward E. Wheeler attached from 67th Sta. Comp. Sq. 1st Lt Collins to London for Special Service matters. A flying Evacuation Board was set up consisting of the Group Executive Officer, Group Surgeon, and Group Operations Officer, plus each of the Squadron C Os. Air activity consisted of local glider tow, ferrying personnel and local flight training.

June 19, 1944

New operators permits issued to day to all personnel authorized to drive. All guns of all personnel will be tagged and turned into Supply, along with the ammunition. Air activity consisted of a 50 plane XC Group formation, test-hopping and a radar check.

June 20, 1944

Air activity consisted of 11 A/C glider tow XC, 13 A/C formation flying, radar check and local flights. 4 Horsa Gliders returned to the 439th TC Group.

## 441ST TROOP CARRIER GROUP

DIA RY FOR THE MONTH OF JUNE, 1944

June 21, 1944

An inspection team from the 1468th Ordnance MM Co arrived. 100th Service Group will start at Group Headquarters and work through the Group inspecting all guns. Air activity consisted of 15 A/C formation, 15 A/C glider tow, administrative flights, and radar check.

June 22, 1944

F/O Claude G. Rasco joined and assigned from the 99th TC Sq. and appointed Assistant Group S-4. Captain William T. Cyran to Torquay to attend 9th TCC Chaplains Conference. Air activity consisted of local flying, administrative flights and Radar check.

June 23, 1944

1st Lt Alden B. Wurtsbaugh, Group Adjutant, authorized to classify material as secret. (see exhibit) Air activity consisted of 10 A/C on glider tow, administrative flights. Planes took off for Ramsbury and Membury to start first Re-supply mission to France.

June 24, 1944

All Headquarters personnel went through the gas chamber. Major Watts to Hq., 9th TCC on administrative matters. 50 planes on Re-supply mission to France, landing at air strips A-1 and A-2. They carried 156 and 105 millimeter shells. (see narrative)

June 25, 1944

Mr. Daniel D. Degnan, ARC Field Director on DS to London for administrative matters. Air activity consisted of glider tow formation, test hopping, and ferrying personnel.

June 26, 1944

Captain David E. Sullenberger joined from the 99th TC Sq and appointed Assistant Group <sup>Commanding Officer</sup> ~~Commanding Officer~~. Captain R. B. Emmott relieved as Consolidated Mess Officer and appointed Group Ground Executive Officer. Captain Robert Stubbs appointed Assistant Ground Executive Officer. Captain R. S. Bartholomew appointed Consolidated Mess Officer. Air activity consisted of local flying and glider towing.

## 441ST TROOP CARRIER GROUP

## DIARY FOR THE MONTH OF JUNE, 1944

June 27, 1944

Air activity consisted of XCs and formation flying. Usual administrative duties.

June 28, 1944

No flying due to adverse weather conditions. Captain Dottenheim base security officer, <sup>and</sup> Lt Franz, Group PRO, escorted crew of plane that crashed on "D" day to London to the Military Intelligence Office. Captain Dottenheim appointed Unit Camouflage Officer (add duty) The 1468th Ardnamce MM Co opened a bicycle repair shop for the base.

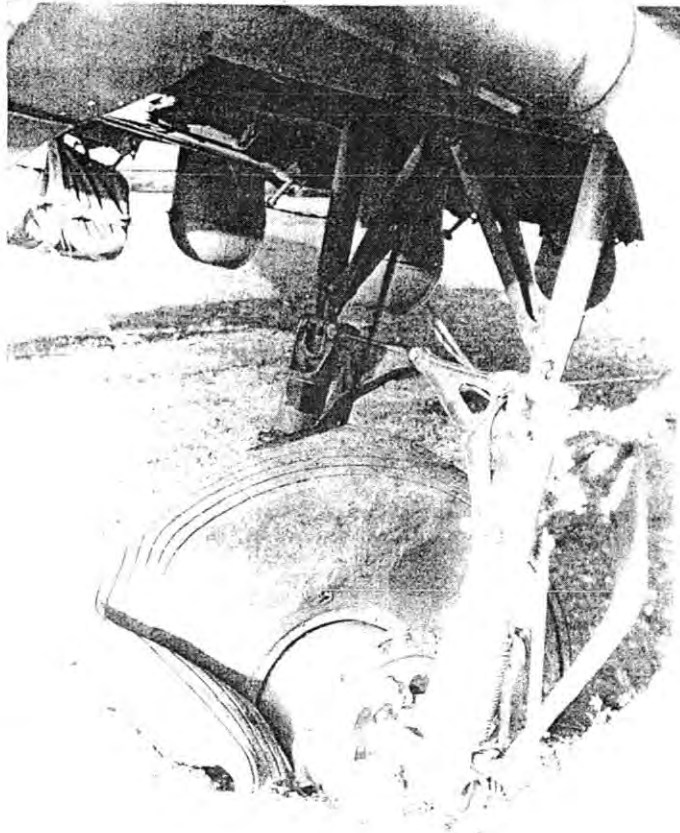
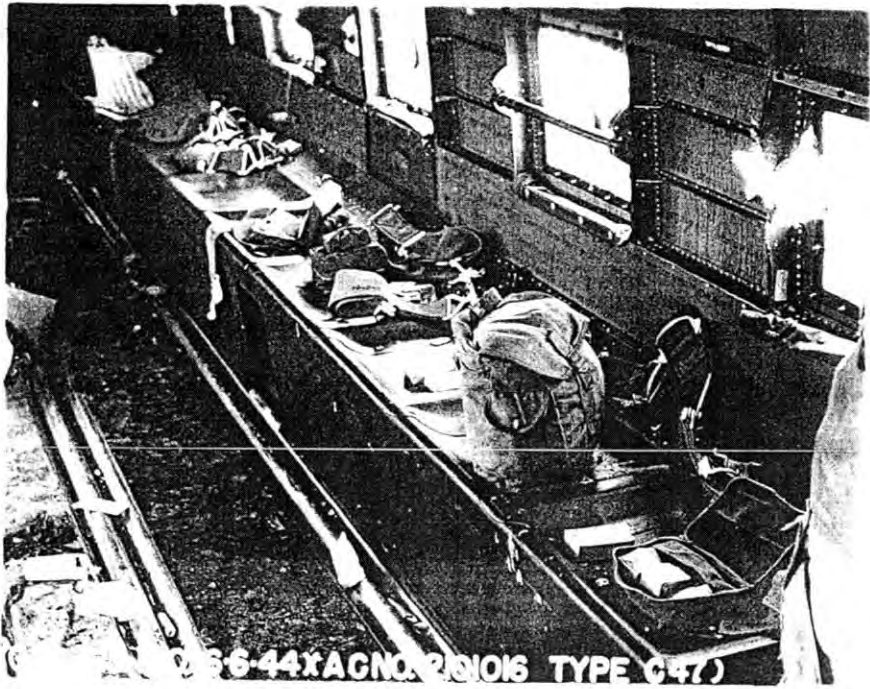
June 29, 1944

Major Pate and Major Parkhill promoted to Lt Col. 1st Lt Collins appointed Sta Special Service Officer. 2 EM (med) on DS to Weston Super Mare to operate Pro and first aid station. Air activity consisted of local flying, test hops and ferrying personnel.

June 30, 1944

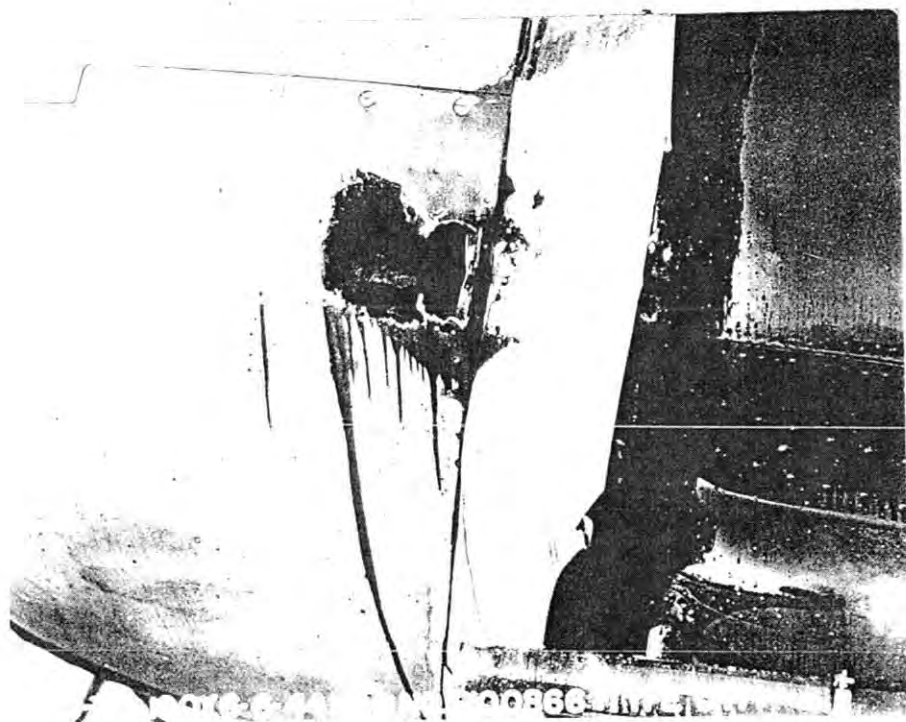
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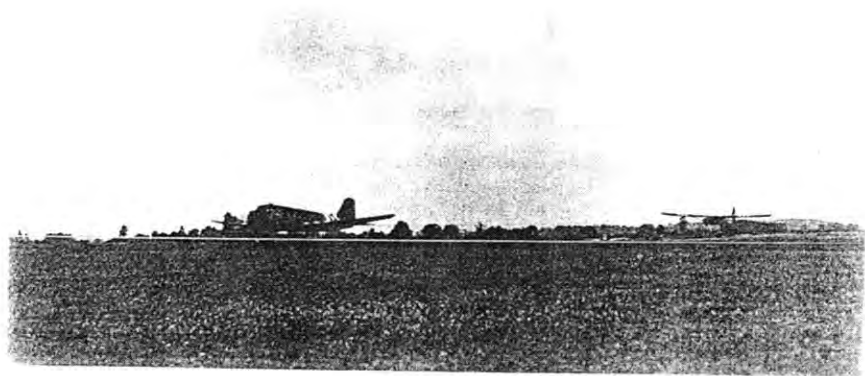
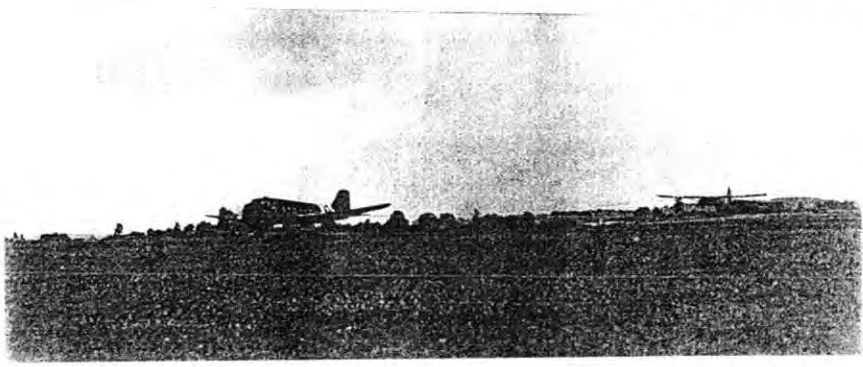
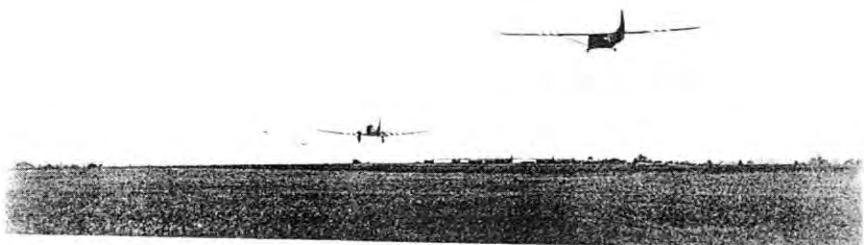


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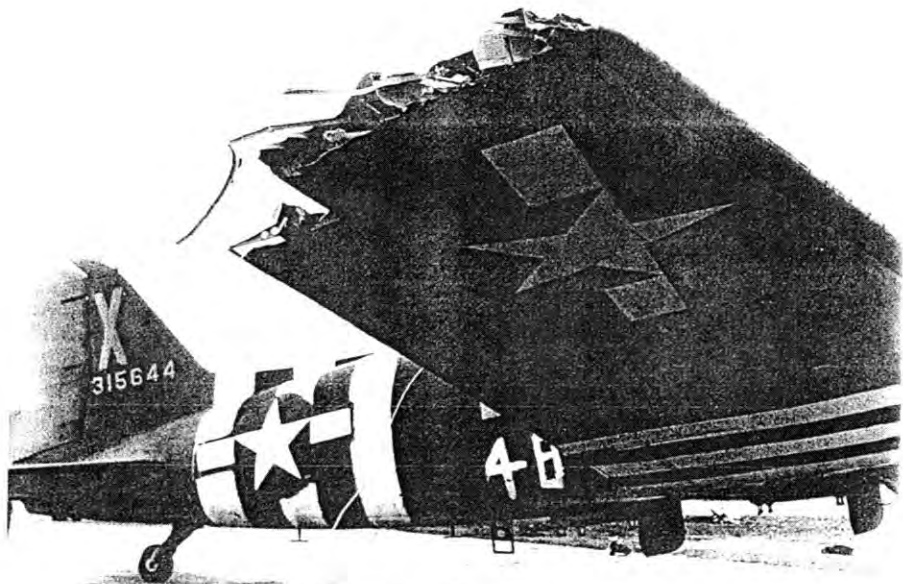
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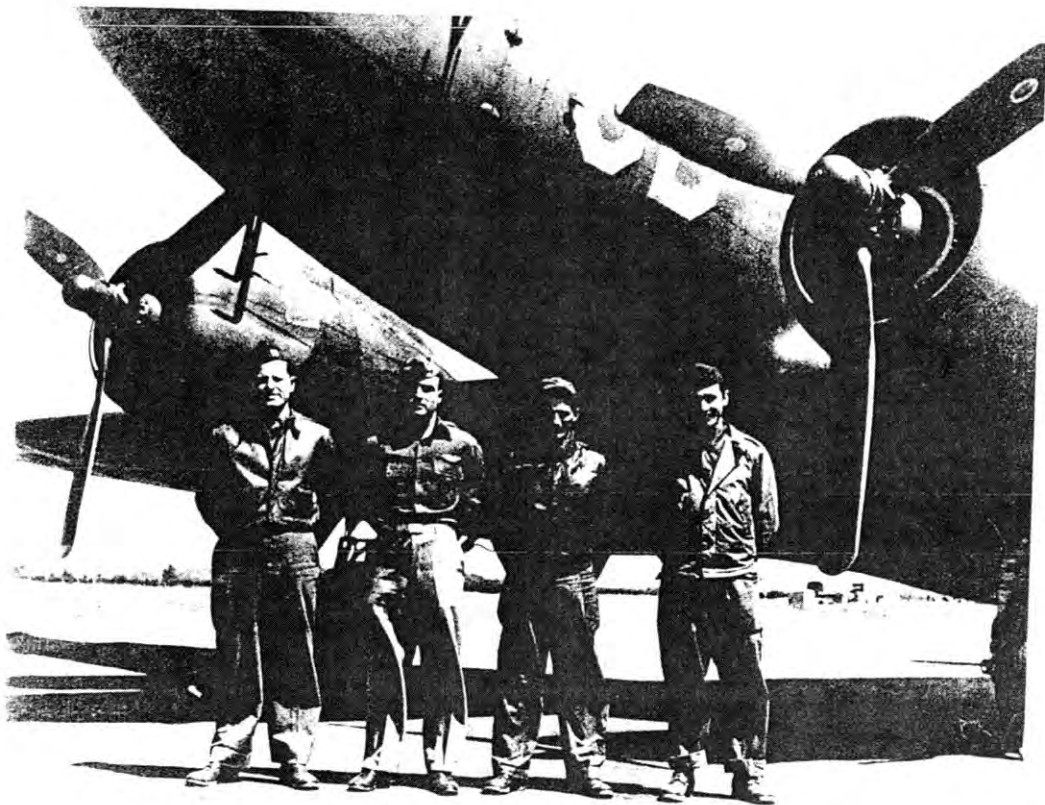


GLIDER TAKE-OFF IN MISSION "HACKENSACK"









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8 June 1944

Operation - "Overlord"

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Mission - "~~Hackensack~~" ALBANY

A/C SERIAL #	CHALK #	PILOT	SQDN.	REMARKS
43-15033	64	FUNSTON	302	3rd Flight leader
42-100869	65	GORNICK	302	
43-92730	66	ANSTAY	302	
43-15036	67	WEBSTER	302	
43-15037	68	KREISLER	302	
43-15152	69	SUGGS	302	
43-15040	70	DAWSON	302	
43-15043	71	WATSON	302	
42-92921	72	ZIMMERHAKL	302	
43-15034	73	ULLMANN	302	4th Flight leader
43-15189	74	WILLIAMS	302	
43-15038	75	RAMSAY	302	
43-15035	76	HENRETTY	302	
43-15042	77	CLIPPARD	302	
43-15039	78	ALEXANDER	302	
42-93068	79	STANTON	302	
43-15041	80	STEPHENS	302	
43-15135	81	WITTKAMP	302	
42-92728	82	OTTOMLIN	302	5th Flight leader
42-108886	83	MANTELL	302	
43-15067	84	GREEN	302	
43-15078	85	McQUAID	302	
42-92771	86	TOUHY	302	
42-108891	87	KRIDEL	302	
43-15073	88	BLRPER	302	
42-92872	89	NOBLE	302	
42-92914	90	SOLOMON	302	
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42-92731	91		99	
43-15094	92		99	
42-92905	93		99	
43-15357	94		100	
43-15098	95		100	
43-15353	96		301	
42-93084	97		301	
42-100867	98		301	
42-101027	99		301	
42-92904	100		302	

BY KERSHAW

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HEADQUARTERS  
441ST TROOP CARRIER GROUP

Historical Supplement for June 1944

1. ORGANIZATION	APPROXIMATED	2. STRENGTH
Colonel	1	1
Lt Col	2	3
Major	7	4
Captain	10	13
1st Lt	7	10
2d Lt	0	3
S/C	0	1
S/C	1	1
	<u>23</u>	<u>35</u>
W 3 Lt	2	2
F 3 Lt	3	6
S 3 Lt	11	14
Sgt	27	28
Spl	24	27
Spc	13	14
Pvt	<u>12</u>	<u>8</u>
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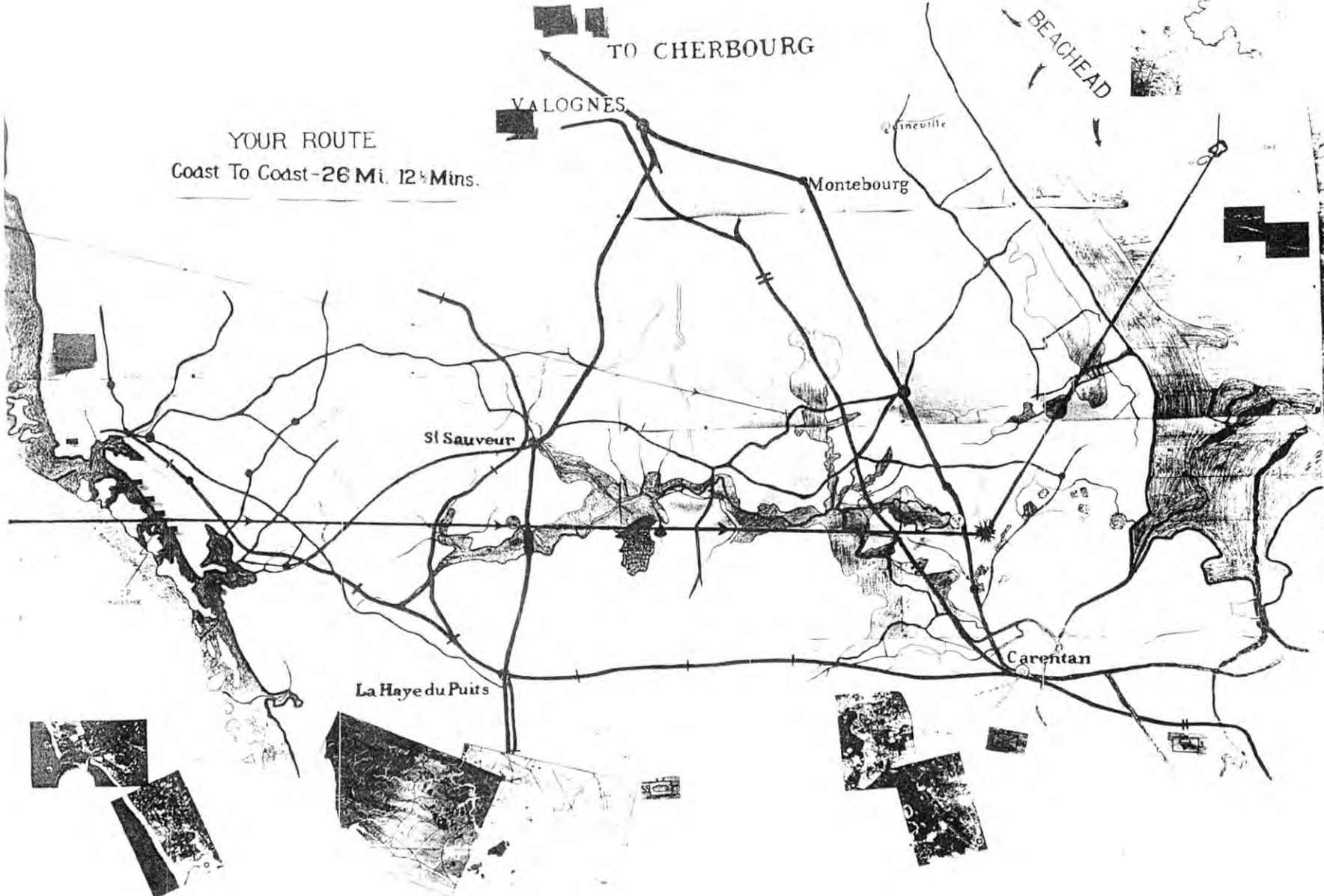
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5. A LIST IC AND DECORATIONS OF MEMBERS OF SIC: Negative.

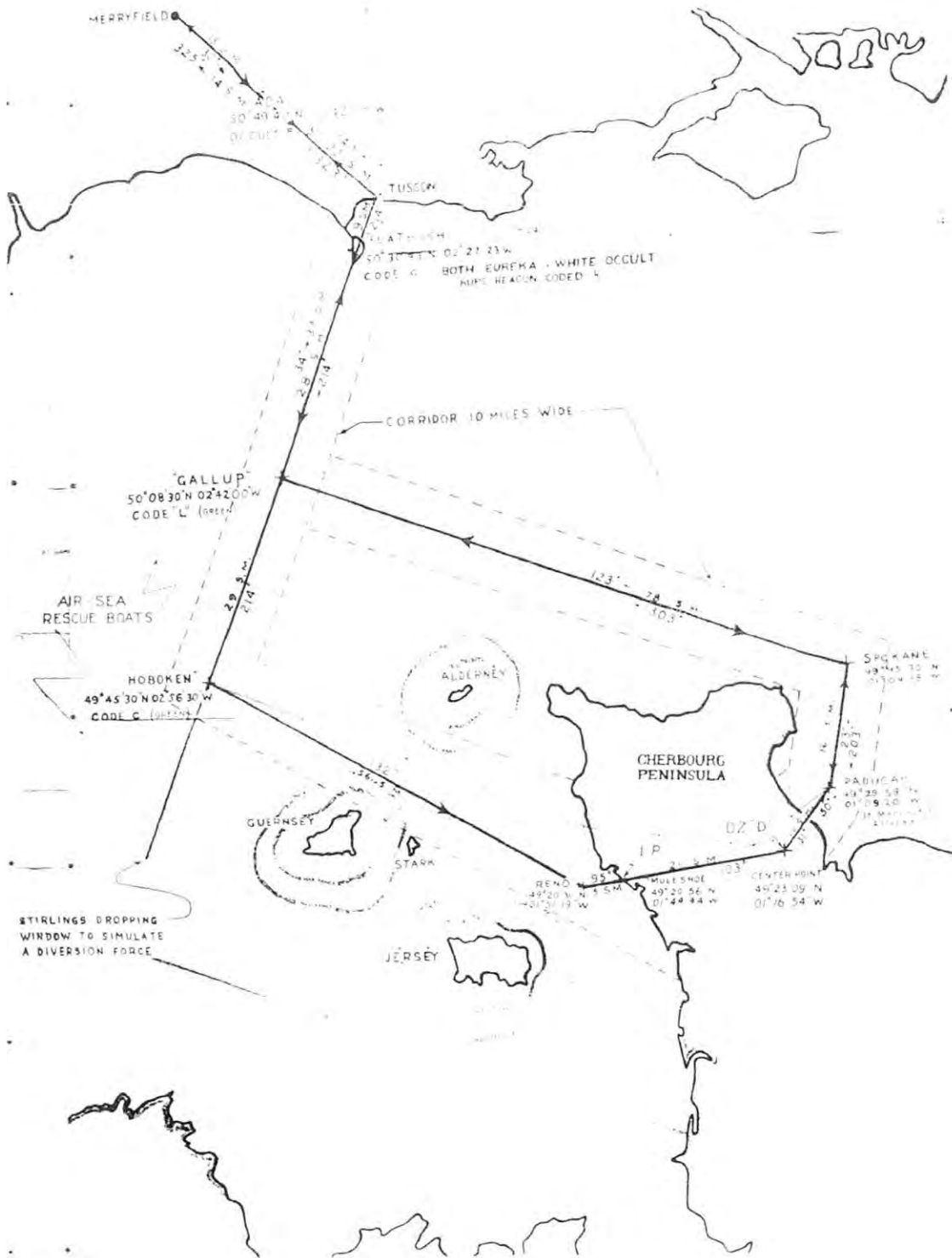
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42-106910	47	HENDRICKS	301
43-15644	48	NEBLETT	301 Deputy leader
42-101031	49	ALLEMAN	301
42-92681	50	TRELLAS	301
42-101035	51	VAN ALAN	301
43-15219	52	TUCK	301
42-101032	53	DAVIS	301
42-101025	54	HENNIG	301
42-101026	55	PETERS	301 2nd Flight leader
42-101030	56	KATZ-	301
43-15216	57	WAITE	301
42-101028	58	TRENCK	301
42-101034	59	ALBAN	301
42-101033	60	BIRCH	301
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42-93038	62	MANNI	301
42-92911	63	DEAN	301

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TOP SECRET  
NEPTUNE - BIGOT

**YOUR ROUTE**  
Coast To Coast - 26 Mi. 12½ Mins.





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WAR DEPARTMENT  
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WASHINGTON

MISSING AIR CREW REPORT

IMPORTANT: This report will be compiled in triplicate by each Army Air Forces organization within 48 hours of the time an airplane is officially reported missing.

- ORGANIZATION; Location USAAF SIA 464 Command or Air Force IX T. C. C.  
Group 441st T. C. Gp. Squadron 100th T. C. Sq Detachment
- SPECIFY: Point of departure Merryfield Course See Reverse  
Intended Destination Carentan & Return type of Mission Paradrop
- WEATHER CONDITIONS AND VISIBILITY AT TIME OF CRASH OR WHEN LAST REPORTED Unlimited, Haze & Scud at 1200 Feet.
- GIVE: (a) Date 6 June 44 Time 0133 Hours and location Near Carentan  
of last known whereabouts of missing airplane. Normandy, France  
(b) Specify whether ( ) Last Sighted; ( ) Last contacted by radio;  
( ) Forced down; ( ) Seen to crash; or (X) Information not available.
- AIRPLANE WAS LOST, OR IS BELIEVED TO HAVE BEEN LOST, AS RESULT OF:  
(Check only one) ( ) Enemy Airplane; (X) Enemy Anti-Aircraft; ( )  
Other circumstances as follows: \_\_\_\_\_
- AIRPLANE: Type, Model and Series C-47A; A. A. F. Serial No. 42-101019
- ENGINES: Type, Model and Series R1850-92; A. A. F. Serial No. (a) CP 353530  
(b) CP 353558 (c) \_\_\_\_\_ (d) \_\_\_\_\_
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(a) \_\_\_\_\_ (b) \_\_\_\_\_ (c) \_\_\_\_\_ (d) \_\_\_\_\_  
(e) \_\_\_\_\_ (f) \_\_\_\_\_ (g) \_\_\_\_\_ (h) \_\_\_\_\_
- THE PERSONS LISTED BELOW WERE REPORTED AS: (a) Battle Casualty MIA  
or (b) Non Battle Casualty
- NUMBER OF PERSONS ABOARD AIRPLANE: Crew 4 Passengers 15 Total 19  
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HEADQUARTERS  
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AP0 133, U. S. Army,  
28 June 1944.

SUBJECT: Missing Air Crew Report.

TO : Commanding General, Ninth Air Force (Rear), Thru: Commanding General,  
IX Troop Carrier Command, APO 133, U. S. Army.

1. Reference is made to Missing Air Crew Report, 100th Troop Carrier Squadron, 441st Troop Carrier Group, dated 8 June 1944, listing following Enlisted Man missing with Aircraft C-47A 42-101019 during recent Neptune Troop Carrier Operations:

Radio Operator                      Freda, James Andrew                      Sgt.                      15324397

2. The following paragraph taken from Letter, Subject: Status Change of Battle Casualty, File, AG 704, Headquarters, IX Troop Carrier Command, dated 25 June 1944 is quoted for your information:

"The last paratrooper to Leave A/C C-47A Serial No. 42-101019, piloted by Captain McGue, stated that the Radio Operator had been killed by flak. The plane was flying at approximately 600 feet when the order to jump was given. Subject paratrooper saw the plane go down in flames and crash on the ground."

3. No further information is available at the present.

4. Necessary action has been taken in accordance with Par. 5d, Memo 35-6, your Headquarters, dated 20 May 1944.

For the Group Commander:

*Allden B. Wurtsbaugh*  
ALDEN B. WURTSBAUGH,  
1st Lt., Air Corps,  
Adjutant.

I/P/13

1st Ind.

H: 50TH TR CARR WG, APO 133, U S Army, 29 June 1944.

TO: CG, IX Tr Carr Comd, APO 133, U S Army.

*J. R. H.*  
J. R. H.

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E X T R A C T  
MISSING AIR CRAFT REPORT NO.....

*Handwritten mark resembling a stylized 'D' or 'B' with a diagonal slash.*

1. ORGANIZATION : Location.....Command or Air Force.....  
Group.....Squadron.....Detachment.....
2. SPECIFY : Point of Departure.....Course.....  
Intended Destination.....Type of Mission.....
3. WEATHER CONDITIONS AND VISIBILITY AT TIME OF CRASH OR WHEN LAST REPORTED.....
4. Give : (a) Day.....Month.....Year.....Time.....and Location.....  
..... of last known whereabouts of missing aircraft.  
(b) Specify whether ( ) Last Sighted; ( ) Last contacted by radio;  
( ) Forced down; ( ) Seen to crash; ( ) or Information not available.
5. AIRCRAFT WAS LOST, OR IS BELIEVED TO HAVE BEEN LOST, AS A RESULT OF : (Check only one) ( ) Enemy Aircraft; ( ) Enemy Anti-aircraft; ( ) other circumstances as follows.....
6. AIRCRAFT : Type, Model and Series.....AAF Serial Number.....  
Aircraft Nickname.....
7. ENGINES : Type, Model and Series.....AAF Serial Number (a).....  
.....(b).....(c).....(d).....
8. INSTALLED WEAPONS (Furnish Make, Type and Serial Number) :  
(a).....(b).....(c).....(d).....  
(e).....(f).....(g).....(h).....  
(i).....(j).....(k).....(l).....
9. THE PERSONS LISTED BELOW WERE REPORTED AS : (a) Battle Casualty.....  
or (b) Non-Battle-Casualty.....
10. NUMBER OF PERSONS ABOARD AIRCRAFT : Crew..... Passengers.....Total.....  
(Starting with pilot, furnish the following particulars : If more than 10 persons were aboard aircraft, list similar particulars on separate sheet and attach original to this form.)

CREW POSITION	NAME IN FULL (last name first)	RANK	SERIAL NUMBER	PRESENT STATUS
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1. Pilot	✓ Mc Cue, John Burh	capt.	████ Q364992	NC
2.	✓ Wheeler, Ernest Eugene	2nd Lt.	0811161	NC
3. ✓	WHEELER Hughes, Archer Bruce	s/sgt	35681083	NC
4.	✓ Freda, James Andrew	sgt	15324398	NC
5.	✓ Huggett, Howard L	2nd Lt.	01107495	NC
6.	✓ Prolch, John Jr.	T/5	33016323	NC
ansay 7. ✓	Panay, John	pfc	33022405	NC
8.	✓ Murphy, William J	T/5	12079151	NC
9.	✓ Namowicz, Edward J	pvt	16036033	NC
10.	✓ Riche, George	pfc	13067698	NC

11. REMARKS : see other side please

*Handwritten notes and signatures at the bottom of the page, including a large '3' and a signature.*

PASSENGERS (cont'd)

3. Bleiler, Richard J., 53032405 discharged 9/13/45
4. Murphy, William J., T/S. 12079151 EUS.
5. Namowicz, Edward J., Pvt. 16035053 discharged 10/13/45
6. Richko, George Pfc. 13067098 EUS
7. Salzastron, Henry H., 32789976 EUS
8. Drzal, Frank J., Pfc. 33016351 EUS
9. Kobierecki, Eugene Pvt. 16056175 EUS
10. Elmore, Harry E., Sgt. 59327010 EUS
11. Sylvestore, Louis V., Pvt. 56209304 EUS
12. Van Horn, Gordon B., Pfc. 33563234 EUS
13. Lediger, Joseph W., Pvt. 12019440 RTD
14. Holin, Julius A., Pvt. 16064734 (LaCambe F, 4, 72-Name and serial number in clothing).
15. Rutkoski, Richard J., Sgt. 20301713 EUS.

Information received in this office from the field states that the remains buried in LaCambe Cemetery, France, Plot C, Row 1, Grave 1 were in a burned airplane number O-47-0101019. Further information states that subject aircraft number corresponds to that listed in Missing Air Crew Report pertaining to 2nd Lt. Ernest E. Wheeler, O-811161, 411 Troop Carrier Group.

The following facts establish the identity of the remains buried in LaCambe Cemetery, Plot C, Row 1, Grave 1 as those of 1st Lt. Ernest E. Wheeler, O-811161. Information submitted by the field checks with MACH #8140 as submitted by AAF; all other members of the crew and one passenger KIA have been identified; Remains were removed from plane #40-101019 of which Lt. Wheeler was a member of the crew.

RECOMMENDATION

Identification by field of 1st Lt. Ernest E. Wheeler, O-811161 in Plot C, Row 1, Grave 1, LaCambe Cemetery be accepted.

*E. M. Dyer, 8-13-46.*

CONCURRENCE

DATE

APPROVAL

DATE

*James C. MacFarland 13 Aug 46*

*Robert J. Dyer Capt CMC 16 Aug 46*  
*W. J. Dyer 15 Aug 46*  
*W. J. Dyer 15 Aug 46*

These are the paratroopers on Capt. M<sup>e</sup> Cune's plane.

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NOTE: The following named Officer and Enlisted Men are members of the 501st Parachute Infantry.

<u>CREW POSITION</u>	<u>NAME IN FULL</u> (Last Name First)	<u>RANK</u>	<u>SERIAL NUMBER</u>
Passenger	Huggett, Howard L.	2d Lt.	01107495 P/W <i>Plt</i>
"	<i>Preloh</i> <del>Enoch</del> , Jr., John	T-5	33016323 <i>no Plt</i>
"	<i>Bleiler</i> <del>Panay</del> , John <i>Richard J.</i>	Pfc	33022405 <i>Dis.</i>
"	Murphy, William J.	T-5	12079151 <i>W. L.</i>
"	<i>Namowicz</i> <del>Ramowicz</del> , Edward J.	Pvt	16036033 <i>no Dis</i>
"	Richko, George	Pfc	13067698 <i>P/W L.</i>
"	<i>Salzant</i> <del>Salverstein</del> , <sup>Henry</sup> <del>Henry</del> <i>W.H.</i>	Pfc	32789978 <i>W.L.</i>
"	Drzal, Frank J.	Pfc	33016851 <i>P/W L.</i>
"	Kobierecki, Eugene	Pvt	16036175 <i>P/W L.</i>
"	Elmore, Harry E.	Sgt	39387016 <i>P/W L.</i>
"	Sylvester, Lewis V.	Pvt	36209804 <i>P/W L.</i>
"	Van Horn, Gordon B.	Pfc	33563284 <i>P/W L.</i>
"	<i>Lediger</i> <del>Lediger</del> , Joseph W.	Pvt	12019440 <i>Plt</i>
"	<i>Holin</i> Molin, Julius A.	Pvt	16064784 <i>K/A</i>
"	Rutkoski, Richard J.	Sgt	20301713 <i>W.L.</i>

HEADQUARTERS  
EUROPEAN THEATER OF OPERATIONS  
UNITED STATES ARMY

JWP/jh

AG 319.1

APC 871  
26 July 44

Subject: Supplemental Missing Air Crew Report.

To: Commanding General, Army Air Forces, Washington, D.C.  
Attention: Statistical Control Division.

1. Forwarded herewith supplemental report to the Missing Air Crew Report concerning aircraft number 42-101019, which was forwarded to your headquarters by letter this headquarters, AG 360.33, Subject: "Missing Air Crew Report", dated 12 July 1944.

2. Records of this headquarters indicate the present status of Sgt James A. Freda, 15324397 as killed in action, 6 June 1944.

For the Theater Commander:

6140

*H. M. Rund*  
H. M. RUND,  
Lt. Col, AGD,  
Asst. Adjutant General.

1 Incl:  
Letter from Hq. 441st Troop Carrier Gp.  
APO 133, Subject: "Missing Air Crew  
Report", dated 28 June 1944; and  
indorsements therefo.

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9. \_\_\_\_\_  
10. \_\_\_\_\_

11. IDENTIFY BELOW THOSE PERSONS WHO ARE BELIEVED TO HAVE LAST KNOWLEDGE OF AIRPLANE, AND CHECK APPROPRIATE COLUMNS TO INDICATE BASIS FOR SAME:

Name in full (Last Name First)	Rank	Serial Number	By Radio	Last Sighted	Saw Crash	Forced Landing
1. _____						
2. _____						
3. _____						

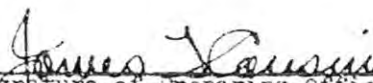
12. IF PERSONNEL ARE BELIEVED TO HAVE SURVIVED, ANSWER YES TO ONE OF THE FOLLOWING STATEMENTS: (a) Parachutes were used \_\_\_\_\_; (b) Persons were seen walking away from scene of crash \_\_\_\_\_ or (c) Any other reason (Specify) \_\_\_\_\_

13. ATTACH AERIAL PHOTOGRAPH, MAP, CHART, OR SKETCH, SHOWING APPROXIMATE LOCATION WHERE AIRPLANE WAS LAST SEEN. SEE BELOW

14. ATTACH EYEWITNESS DESCRIPTION OF CRASH, FORCED LANDING, OR OTHER CIRCUMSTANCES PERTAINING TO MISSING AIRPLANE. SEE BELOW

15. ATTACH A DESCRIPTION OF THE EXTENT OF SEARCH, IF ANY, AND GIVE NAME, RANK AND SERIAL NUMBER OF OFFICER IN CHARGE HERE. No Search Made.

Date of Report \_\_\_\_\_ 8 June 1944.

  
(Signature of Preparing Officer)  
JAMES T. COUSIN, Captain, A. C.,  
Commanding.

Course: Merryfield, England to Bill of Portland to Cherbourg Peninsula and return.

Aircraft was first discovered missing when formation reappeared. It was last sighted near Carenton, Normandy, France. There were no witnesses to the disappearance and consequently no search was instituted and it is not possible to include a map, sketch, chart, or eyewitness description showing approximate point where aircraft went down.

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AVION: N° de série 2-100019 Lieu de l'accident CARENTAN presume  
 GROUPE DE TRANSPORT 441 st Troop-Carrier \_\_\_\_\_ identifi  
 ESCADRILLE 100 st \_\_\_\_\_ Remarques \_\_\_\_\_

EQUIPAGE Lettre code 6D

NOM PRENOM	GRADE	N° MATRICULE	PLACE DANS L'AVION OU FONCTION	CONDITION APRES ACCIDENT
Mc CUE, John	Captain	0-364992	PILOT	TUE
WHEELER, Ernest	2nd LT	0-811161	CO-PILOT	TUE
HUGHES, Archer	S/SGT	35681083	Chef équipage	TUE
FREDA, James	SGT	15324398	Radio	TUE

PASSAGERS 326 th engineer A/B batalion Co 'C'  
2nd Platoon

NOM PRENOM	GRADE	N° MATRICULE	PLACE DANS L'AVION OU FONCTION	CONDITION APRES ACCIDENT
HUGGETT, Howard	2d LT	0-1107495	Chef de stick	P.O.W
PRELOH, john	T/5	33016323		
BLEILER, Richard	PFC			
MURPHY, William	T/5	12079151		
NINOWIEZ, Edward	Pvt	16036033		
RICHE, George	Pfc	13067698		P.O.W
SALJARTIEN, Henry	Pfc	32789978		
DRZAL, Frank	Pfc	33016851		P.O.W
KOBIERECKI, Eugène	Pvt	16036175		
ELMORE, harry	Sgt	39387016		P.O.W
SYLVESTER, Lewis	Pvt	36209804		P.O.W
VAN HORN, Gordon	Pfc	33563284		P.O.W
LEDIGER, Joseph	Pvt	12019440		
HOLIN, Julius	Pvt	16064724		K.I.A
RUTKOSKI, Richard	Sgt	20301713		

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HEADQUARTERS  
THIRD AIR FORCE  
WHEELS FIELD  
WHEELS, MISSOURI

6149

JLP/new

AIR 572  
17 July 44

WD 360.33

(ATTN): Missing Air Crew Report.

TO : Commanding General, Army Air Force, Headquarters, D.C.  
Attention: Operational Control Division.

For info herewith Missing Air Crew Report of the Ninth Air  
Force, in compliance with letter, War Department, AG 504.33 (5-21-43)  
CG-5-AN-1, 27 May 1944.

For the Theater Commander:

*H. E. RUND*  
H. E. RUND,  
Lt. Col, AGS,  
Asst. Adjutant General.

✓  
1 Incl:  
Missing Air Crew Report,  
441st TCS, C-47A,  
number 47-101.1, C-5 on 24.

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AG 704 (28 June 44) 2nd Ind. C-K  
HEADQUARTERS, IX TROOP CARRIER COMMAND, APO 133, US ARMY, 18 July 1944

TO: Commanding General, Ninth Air Force (REAR), APO 696, US Army;  
ATTENTION: 26th Statistical Control Unit.

Information received from your headquarters that Burial Report has been accomplished.

For the Commanding General:

5045



*for F. J. Stacy*  
for O. W. HOWLAND, 1944  
Colonel, A. G. S. D.  
Adjutant General



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SUBJECT: Report of transaction in disposing of the effects of

Ernest E. Wheeler 1-811161 late a  
(Name of deceased) (Army Serial Number)  
1st Lt. AC who died  
(Grade) (Organization, Army or Service)  
on the 7 day of June, 1945, at European Area

IC : The Adjutant General, War Department, Washington 25, D.C.

1. Complying with A.W. 112, a Summary Court-Martial, convened at Kansas City  
Mo. Pursuant to S.O., 228 Hq., HQC Depot, dated 25 September 1943, for the pur-  
pose of disposing of the effects of the above-named soldier, or person subject to  
military law, reports that:

a. No legal representative or widow of decedent being present at  
decedent's camp or quarters, effects of decedent were forwarded to this Summary  
Court-Martial.

b. Local debtors owed decedent's estate none, of which the sum of  
none was collected. (If nothing was found due or collected, state "None";  
otherwise attach itemized statement of what was found and collected.) (Incl. \_\_\_\_\_)

c. Decedent owed undisputed local creditors the sum of none  
which has been paid by the Summary Court-Martial from funds of decedent. (See  
inclosed receipt \_\_\_\_\_, Incl. \_\_\_\_\_)

d. Disposition of decedent's effects (cash money paid creditors, if any)  
has been made by the Summary Court-Martial by transmittal through the Quartermaster  
Depot, at Government expense to person found entitled (See Summary Court-Martial  
Order B below)

REPORTING

Before a Summary Court-Martial which convened at Kansas City, Missouri, on  
27 June 1945, pursuant to Special Orders 228, Headquarters  
HQC Depot, dated 25 September 1943, the application or affidavit of \_\_\_\_\_  
Mrs. Alma B. Wheeler for the effects of the above-named de-  
ceased soldier, or person subject to military law, now in the possession of the  
United States, with other relevant evidence, was duly considered;

Whereupon, this Summary Court-Martial finds that, under the provisions of  
A.W. 112, Mrs. Alma B. Wheeler of  
(Name of person found entitled)

Box 145, Calhoun State of  
(Number, Street or Avenue) (City, Town or Village)  
Kentucky, is the widow of the  
(Relationship or Capacity)

above-named decedent and appears to be entitled to receive his or her effects.

(Signature of Summary Court Officer)

W. E. SMITH, Colonel, U.S.A.  
(Name, Rank, Organization)

ARMY SERVICE PACKS  
ARMY EFFECTS BUREAU

ORDER FOR SHIPMENT

Mrs. Alma B. Wheeler

Box 145

SHIP TO:

1st Lt. Ernest B. Wheeler

Calhoun, Kentucky

Effects of:

O-811161

Name:

194967 D

ASN

Case No.

Ft.

DATE 2 July 1945

GHG:JFH:da

*E. B. Wheeler*  
FOR: Effects Quartermaster

REMARKS:

\_\_\_ Enclose Bureau Check  
    Acct. No. \_\_\_  
    Amount \_\_\_  
\_\_\_ Inclose "Valuables" item  
\_\_\_ Ship "Valuables" item(s)

\_\_\_ Return P.I.  
\_\_\_ Note discrepancy in \_\_\_  
\_\_\_ Films removed  
\_\_\_ Dues removed  
\_\_\_ Laundry removed

ROUTING:

\_\_\_ Accounting Branch  
1 ~~Accounting~~ Division  
2 Files Branch, Adm. Div.

#1 ctn }  
#2 ctn } items 5-16-45

REMARKS:

Franked **RECEIVED**  
Est. Exp. Chgs. \_\_\_\_\_  
Est. Pmt. Chgs. \_\_\_\_\_  
No. of packages 2

*D. J.*  
Shipping Clerk

PACKAGE DESCRIPTION		ARMY EFFECTS BUREAU INVENTORY		DECEASED	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
1;		✓		RESIDING	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
				APPOINTED	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
NAME <u>ESTER, WESLEY</u>		RANK <u>LT.</u>		ISS. DATE	<u>1943</u>
A.S.N. <u>D-5 16</u>				ORIG. NO. OF TRUSS.	
				BOX NO.	
				SHEET	
				OF SHEETS	
				ORGANIZATION	

<input type="checkbox"/> BELT	<input type="checkbox"/> SHOES, WAD. CLOTHES	<input type="checkbox"/> BIVINGS
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> BELT, MONEY (NO MONEY)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> CLOTHING	<input type="checkbox"/> BAGS, CLOTH. OR TRAVEL
<input type="checkbox"/> CLOTH, WASH	<input type="checkbox"/> CAMELET IDENT.	<input type="checkbox"/> BILLFOLD, (NO MONEY)
<input type="checkbox"/> COATS	<input type="checkbox"/> BRUSHES	<input type="checkbox"/> CASE
<input type="checkbox"/> FOOTWEAR, PR.	<input type="checkbox"/> CAMERAS	<input type="checkbox"/> KEY LOCKER
<input type="checkbox"/> GLOVES, PR.	<input type="checkbox"/> GLASSES	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> KIT, SEW, TLT, OP. WRITING
<input type="checkbox"/> HANDKERCHIEFS	<input type="checkbox"/> KNIVES	<input type="checkbox"/> BOOKS
<input type="checkbox"/> HEADWEAR	<input type="checkbox"/> LIGHTERS	<input type="checkbox"/> BOOKS, ADDRESS
<input type="checkbox"/> JACKETS	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> MISC. INSIGNIA	<input type="checkbox"/> BOOKS, PILOT LOG
<input type="checkbox"/> MISC. COATS	<input type="checkbox"/> PEN, FOUNTAIN	<input type="checkbox"/> DIARY (REMOVED FOR DUE)
<input type="checkbox"/> BARS	<input type="checkbox"/> PENCIL, MECHANICAL	<input type="checkbox"/> FILMS
<input type="checkbox"/> BELT	<input type="checkbox"/> PIPES	<input type="checkbox"/> LETTERS
<input type="checkbox"/> SOCKS, PR.	<input type="checkbox"/> RELIGIOUS ARTICLES	<input type="checkbox"/> PAPERS, PERSONAL
<input type="checkbox"/> TIES	<input type="checkbox"/> RIBBONS, DECORATION	<input type="checkbox"/> PHOTOS
<input type="checkbox"/> BELT	<input type="checkbox"/> RINGS	<input type="checkbox"/> PHOTOGRAPH ARTICLES
<input type="checkbox"/> SHOES, PR.	<input type="checkbox"/> TOBACCO	<input type="checkbox"/> SHIRT SPOURER
<input type="checkbox"/> TRUNKS, PR.	<input type="checkbox"/> TOILET ARTICLES	<input type="checkbox"/> SOUVENIRS
<input type="checkbox"/> UNDERWEAR	<input type="checkbox"/> WATCH	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> SOUVENIR MONEY
		<input type="checkbox"/> ST. TILNEY
		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> TESTAMENTS
		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> U.S. MONEY (NOYNT)

REMARKS: 718

TESTAMENTS  EVERY SET  FORM 100

C.A.T.	WAREHOUSE SPACE	STORED BY	WEIGHT	INT. REMOVED
				<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> SHORTAGE ON REVERSE
				<input type="checkbox"/> IDENT. TAGS REMOVED
				<input type="checkbox"/> DIARY REMOVED
			<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> LOCKED	

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**CLASS II—Continued**

NUMBER	ARTICLES
1	Athletic suit ✓ 1 pr tennis shoes ✓
1	" Pants ✓ 1 Shaving Kit ✓
1	Cap, service ✓ 1 Scarf ✓
1	Insignia, cap ✓ 2 Ties, khaki ✓
1	Pr shoes, (Paraboots) ✓
2	Pr shoes, low gr ✓
1	Pr slippers ✓ 1 Fl Cap, pink ✓
1	Cap, Fl (CD) ✓
30	Pr Socks ✓
4	Wash cloths ✓
9	Towels, bath ✓
1	Towel, face ✓
1	Pr boots, gaucho ✓
1	Swim suit ✓
4	Shirts, khaki ✓
1	Money belt
1	Suit Woolen Underdrawers ✓
2	Gets, pajamas ✓
21	Shorts, cotton ✓
23	Undershirts, cotton ✓
35	Hankerchiefs ✓
	Money { Specie... \$ 113.00 Mailed ✓ Postal Money Order ✓ Notes... \$ Exp. Ltr. to Effects

I CERTIFY that the foregoing inventory comprises all the effects of the deceased whose name appears on the first page hereof, and that \*the effects were delivered to \_\_\_\_\_

(Give name and degree of relationship; if legal representative

or beneficiary named by the deceased, so state)

\*the effects of class I have been forwarded to The Adjutant General and those of class D have been sold.

*Martin J. Hines*  
 \_\_\_\_\_  
 MARTIN J. HINES,  
 2d Lt., Air Corps,  
 Personnel Off., 100th T.C. Sq

NSAAF Sta 464  
 \_\_\_\_\_  
 (Station)

2 July \_\_\_\_\_, 19 41  
 \_\_\_\_\_  
 (Date)

\*Strike out words not applicable.

NAME WHEELER, ERNEST E. T 1161

BAY	PALLET	BOX	TALLY
49	57		7978
TYPE OF PKG.	WHSE. SPACE	INVENTORIED	
BOX			



# INVENTORY OF EFFECTS

(See AR 600-550)

Wheeler Ernest E O-311161

(Last name) (First name) (Middle initial) (Army serial number)

~~Wheeler Ernest E~~ 2d Lt 100th Tr Carr Sq AC  
 Missing (Grade) (Organization or arm or service)

~~Wheeler Ernest~~ on the 6th day of June, 19 44

**CLASS I**—Saber, insignia, decorations, medals, campaign badges, watches, manuscripts, and other articles valuable chiefly as keepsakes.

NUMBER	ARTICLES	*PACKAGE NUMBER
2	Photos (Wife & Baby) ✓	
1	Photo (Unknown) ✓	
2	Photos (C-47*) ✓	
1	Certificate of Discharge ✓	
1	Prayer Book ✓	
1	Folder (Picture of baby)	
1	pr of wings ✓	
1	Emblem, service cap ✓	
1	pen, fountain ✓	
5	Insignia, collar (ugs) ✓	
4	Insignia, collar (US) ✓	
7	Insignia, rank, (2d Lt) ✓	
1	Button, brass ✓	
1	Bill Fold ✓	
1	Stiletto & Scabbard ✓	
1	AAF Form #5 ✓	

\*To be filled out only in case of shipment to The Adjutant General.

## CLASS II—Other effects

NUMBER	ARTICLES	
3	Trousers, pink ✓	
1	Bathrobe ✓	
2	Trench coats ✓	
1	Shirt, green ✓	
1	Shirt, pink ✓	
1	Shirt, CD ✓	
1	Trousers, green ✓	
1	Blouse, green & belt ✓	
1	Tie, green, ✓	
1	Tie, khaki ✓	

ARMY EFFECTS BUREAU  
 DRY CLEANING LIST

LAUNDRY LIST 1-0 1945

TALLY NO.

061 043 ✓

194967

5 May 45

TALLY NO.

ERNEST E. WHEELER

0-511161

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W-1161E

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DRY CLEANING	do not use	LAUNDRY	do not use
SHIRTS, COTTON		SHIRTS, BLEND, COTTON	
TRUSERS, WOOL		HANDKERCHIEFS	✓
COAT, SERVICE, WOOL		T-SHIRTS, COTTON	✓
JACKET, FIELD		TIE, COTTON	
OVERCOAT, LONG		UNDERSHIRTS, COTTON	✓
OVERCOAT, SHORT, WOOL		DRAWERS, COTTON	✓
CAP, GARRISON, WOOL		SWEATSHIRTS, COTTON OR WOOL	
CAP, GARRISON, W/LEATHER COTTON		DRAWERS, WOOL	
CAP, SERVICE WOOL		SOCKS, COTTON, PR.	✓
CAP, SERVICE, W/LEATHER COTTON		SOCKS, WOOL, PR.	✓
TIES, WOOL		PAJAMA TOPS	✓
GLOVES, LEATHER OR WOOL		PAJAMA BOTTOMS	✓
SCARVES		FATIGUES, 1 PC. COTTON	
SWEATERS		FATIGUES, TOPS, COTTON	
TRUNKS, SWIM		FATIGUES, TROUSERS, COTTON	
<i>Signs printed</i>		CAP, FATIGUE, COTTON	
		BELT, COTTON	
		TOYEL	✓
		CLOTH, WASH	✓
		CAP, GARRISON, "NO LEATHER", COTTON	
		CAP, SERVICE "NO LEATHER", COTTON	
		GLOVES, COTTON	
		LEGGINGS	
		SUPPORTERS, ATHLETIC	
		SOCKS	
		TRUNKS, GYM	
		BAGS, HARBAGS	
			13
			287

WAREHOUSE SPACE	STOKED BY	WEIGHT
1563 X		
BY	CHECKED BY	DATE SHIPPED

TALLY NO.  

061 043 ✓

194967

TALLY NO.  

ERNEST E. WHEELER

0-811161

W-1161E

W-1161E

DRY CLEANING	To not use	LAUNDRY	do not use
SHIRTS, WOOL		SHIRTS, COTTON	
TROUSERS, WOOL		HANDKERCHIEFS	64 ✓
COAT, SERVICE, WOOL		T-SHIRTS, COTTON	
JACKET, FIELD		TIE, COTTON	
OVERCOAT, LONG		UNDERSHIRTS, COTTON	7 ✓
OVERCOAT, SHORT, WOOL		DRAWERS, COTTON	14 ✓ 156 ✓
CAP, GARRISON, WOOL		SWEATSHIRTS, COTTON OR WOOL	
CAP, GARRISON, W/LEATHER COTTON		DRAWERS, WOOL	
CAP, SERVICE, WOOL		SOCKS, COTTON, PR.	5 ✓ 120 ✓
CAP, SERVICE, W/LEATHER COTTON		SOCKS, WOOL, PR.	2 ✓ 12 ✓
TIES, WOOL		PAJAMA TOPS	2 ✓ 24 ✓
GLOVES, LEATHER OR WOOL		PAJAMA BOTTOMS	2 ✓ 24 ✓
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		SCURFS	
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ARMY SERVICE FORCES  
EFFECTS BUREAU

ORDER FOR SHIPMENT

SHIP TO:

Mrs. Alma B. Wheeler

Effects of:  
Name 1st Lt. Ernest E. Wheeler

Box 145

ASN C-811161

Calhoun, Kentucky

Case No. 194,967 M

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DATE March 12, 1945 AP:fl

FOR: Effects Quartermaster

REMARKS:

Inclose Bureau Check  
Asct. No. 80901  
Amount \$113.00 *sw*  
 Inclose "Valuables" item  
 Ship "Valuables" item(s)

Remove G.I.  
 Note discrepancy in \_\_\_\_\_  
 Films removed  
 Diary removed  
 Laundry removed

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 Warehouse Division  
 Files Branch, Adm. Div.

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Shipping Clerk

100TH TROOP CARRIER SQUADRON  
441ST TROOP CARRIER GROUP  
UNIT PERSONNEL SECTION

APO 133, US Army  
2 July 1944

SUBJECT: Transmittal of Funds.

TO: Effects Quartermaster, ETCUSA.

1. In accordance with paragraph 7, sub-paragraph a., Memorandum number 35-6, Headquarters, Ninth Air Force, dated 20 May 1944, funds contained in effects of 2d Lt. Ernest E. Wheeler, O-811161, amounting to one hundred and thirteen dollars and no cents (\$113.00) are forwarded herewith.

2. Request acknowledgement of receipt by indorsement hereon.

For the Commanding Officer:

*Martin J. Littel*  
MARTIN J. LITTEL,  
2d Lt., Air Corps,  
Personnel Off.

1 Incl- Postal Money Order (\$113.00)

CONTROL NO.  
4195

*J. J. Littel*  
*alcl*

RRE Form #39  
13 Jul 48

Attached hereto correspondence and/or other identifying media of possible archival value, pertaining to:

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WHEELER                      Ernest                      E.                      1 Lt                      0-811161  
(Last Name)                      (First Name)                      (Initial)                      (Rank)                      (ASN)

Repatriated to the United States: 5 January 1948

194, 927

Calhoun, Kentucky  
February 10, 1944

Effects Quartermaster  
Army Effects Bureau  
Kansas City Quartermaster Depot  
Kansas City, Missouri

*File*  
*100*

Dear Sir:

My husband, First Lieutenant Ernest E. Wheeler, O-811151, (promoted to the rank of First Lieutenant on 24th June 1944) has been missing in action over France since the 6th. of June 1944.

I wrote to Headquarters, Army Air Forces, requesting information about his clothes and personal belongings. They suggested I write you and request that his personal effects be forwarded to me when they are received.

I understand the demands of war make it impossible for these effects to be returned very quickly, but I would appreciate receiving them as soon as possible.

Thank you very much.

Respectfully

*Mrs. Alma B. Wheeler*

Mrs. Alma B. Wheeler  
Box 145  
Calhoun, Kentucky

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1st Lt. Ernest E. Wheeler, O 811 161  
Plot C, Row 1, Grave 1,  
United States Military Cemetery  
La Combe, France

31 July 1947

Mrs. Alma B. Wheeler  
Box 145, General Delivery  
Calhoun, Kentucky

Dear Mrs. Wheeler:

The people of the United States, through the Congress have authorized the disinterment and final burial of the heroic dead of World War II. The Quartermaster General of the Army has been entrusted with this sacred responsibility to the honored dead. The records of the War Department indicate that you may be the nearest relative of the above-named deceased, who gave his life in the service of his country.

The enclosed pamphlets, "Disposition of World War II Armed Forces Dead," and "American Cemeteries," explain the disposition, options and services made available to you by your Government. If you are the next of kin according to the line of kinship as set forth in the enclosed pamphlet, "Disposition of World War II Armed Forces Dead," you are invited to express your wishes as to the disposition of the remains of the deceased by completing Part I of the enclosed form "Request for Disposition of Remains." Should you desire to relinquish your rights to the next in line of kinship, please complete Part II of the enclosed form. If you are not the next of kin, please complete Part III of the enclosed form.

If you should elect Option 2, it is advised that no funeral arrangements or other personal arrangements be made until you are further notified by this office.

Will you please complete the enclosed form, "Request for Disposition of Remains" and mail in the enclosed self-addressed envelope, which requires no postage, within 30 days after its receipt by you? Its prompt return will avoid unnecessary delays.

Sincerely,

THOMAS E. LARKIN  
Major General  
The Quartermaster General

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RECORDS SECTION





ARMY SERVICE FORCES  
KANSAS CITY QUARTERMASTER DEPOT  
601 HARDESTY AVENUE  
KANSAS CITY 1, MISSOURI

IN REPLY REFER TO: 194967

JRM:AP:ns  
February 26, 1945

Mrs: Alma B. Wheeler  
Box 145  
Calhoun, Kentucky

Dear Mrs. Wheeler:

This is in reply to your recent letter inquiring about the personal effects of your husband, Second Lieutenant Ernest E. Wheeler.

I am sorry to report that the Army Effects Bureau has not yet received any of his property. Because of transportation difficulties, overseas "holding" periods and other delays encountered in the return of personal effects to the U.S.A., the time of arrival at this Bureau is quite uncertain.

Upon receipt of any property belonging to him, you will be notified promptly.

Yours very truly,

F. A. ECKHARDT  
Captain Q.M.C.  
Assistant



ARMY SERVICE FORCES  
 KANSAS CITY QUARTERMASTER DEPOT  
 ARMY EFFECTS BUREAU  
 601 HARDESTY AVENUE  
 KANSAS CITY 1, MISSOURI

(5-12-45)  
 JRM: P:fl  
 March 13, 1945

IN REPLY REFER TO 194,967

Mrs. Alma B. Wheeler  
 Box 145  
 Calhoun, Kentucky

Dear Mrs. Wheeler:

The Army Effects Bureau has now received funds in the amount of \$113.00, belonging to your husband, check for which amount is inclosed.

My action in transmitting the property does not, of itself vest title in you. These funds are forwarded only in order that you may act as gratuitous bailee in caring for them, pending the return of the owner.

Please acknowledge receipt of the check by signing one copy of this letter in the space provided below and returning it to this Bureau. For your convenience, there is inclosed an addressed envelope which needs no postage.

All War Department agencies are under instruction to forward personal effects of military personnel to the Army Effects Bureau for disposition; money, as a rule, is converted to a check and transmitted by mail, in advance of other property. You will be notified promptly in the event we later receive additional belongings of your husband.

Yours very truly,

A. G. SCHUMACHER,  
 1st Lt. C.M.C.  
 Asst. Chief, Adm. Division

- 2 Incls
- Check
- Envelope

Receipt acknowledged:

Mrs. Alma B. Wheeler  
 Signature of Bailee

March 21, 1944  
 Date



ARMY SERVICE FORCES  
KANSAS CITY QUARTERMASTER DEPOT

601 HARDESTY AVENUE  
KANSAS CITY 1, MISSOURI

IN REPLY REFER TO 194,967

GHG:CH:mjk  
June 7, 1945

Mrs. Alma B. Wheeler  
Box 145  
Calhoun, Kentucky

Dear Mrs. Wheeler:

This acknowledges your recent letter relative to the personal effects of your husband, Second Lieutenant Ernest E. Wheeler.

Funds in the amount of \$113.00, which is the only property belonging to him received here to date, was forwarded to you on March 13. Our records indicate that additional property belonging to him has been prepared for shipment from overseas; however, due to transportation difficulties, it is uncertain as to when these effects will arrive here.

I wish to assure you that upon receipt of his property, it will be forwarded to you promptly.

Yours very truly,

HARRY NIEMIEC  
2nd Lt. Q.M.C.  
Chief, Correspondence Branch

British Army Staff College,  
Camberley, Surrey, England.  
8 October 1946.

My dear Colonel Powers:

About 8 weeks ago I was in your office relative to securing additional information concerning a more positive identification of my brother-in-law, Lt. Ernest E. Wheeler, O-811161, who is buried at La Cambe Military Cemetery, Plot C, Row 1, Grave 1.

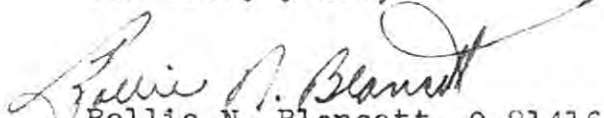
At the time of my visit you were most obliging, and said you would have additional checks made at once, forwarding information concerning the results to me at an early date. I have not yet received any word from you, so, thinking my address may have been misplaced, I enclose it here:

Lt. Col. R. N. Blancett, O-21416  
British Army Staff College,  
Camberley, Surrey, England.

I will appreciate very much hearing either positive or negative information as soon as convenient to you. I plan to leave here for my return to the states about November 6.

During the past week I visited the grave of my cousin, Robert E. Neel, whose location following his removal from Germany you gave to me, if you recall. Margraten is a fine cemetery and I know the boy's parents will find comfort in my having been there.

Sincerely yours,

  
Rollie N. Blancett, O-21416  
Lt. Col., C.E.

UNCLASSIFIED  
ARMED FORCES IDENTIFICATION COMMAND  
EUROPEAN THEATER AREA  
APO 887 U S ARMY

14 October 1946

Lt. Col. R.N. Blancett, O-21116,  
British Staff College,  
CAMBRIDGE,  
Surrey, England.

Dear Colonel Blancett,

In acknowledgement of your letter of 6 October 1946, the following information is furnished relative to the progress of the investigation into the identity of your brother-in-law, Lt. Ernest L. Wheeler.

On 12 September 1946 the remains buried in Plot G, Row 1, Grave 1, U.S. Military Cemetery at Lormes, France, were disinterred. No identification tags, clothing markings or any identifying clues of a similar nature were found to substantiate the identity of the remains. The only clue found resulted in the preparation of a partially completed tooth chart which disclosed that the deceased had a denture in the upper right hand side of his mouth. The complete denture was not recovered; that portion found covered teeth R-4, R-5, R-6 and I-7. The lower left side of the jaw indicated a small occlusal filling in tooth L-12, large occlusal and distal filling in L-13, and L-14 and L-15 extracted before death. All the upper teeth with the exception of that portion of the denture which was recovered were missing. You will note attached copy of tooth chart to aid in determining the exact teeth referred to above.

This office did not have a tooth chart on file for Lt. Wheeler, and as a result cabled Washington for a copy. A cable reply was received from the Office of the Quartermaster General stating that the tooth chart and other pertinent records would be forwarded when assembled. From past experience, it may take two to three months to get this information, depending upon the ease with which Washington can locate the required information.

This office has deemed it advisable to continue to carry the remains as a tentative identification because of originally finding a parachute attached to the remains with the decedent's name on it, and the further association of the time and place of the incident.

SPQYG 293  
Wheeler, Ernest E.  
SN O-811 161

21 February 1946

Address Reply To  
THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
Attention: Memorial Division

Mrs. Alma B. Wheeler  
Calhoun, Kentucky

Dear Mrs. Wheeler:

Your letter concerning your husband, the late First Lieutenant Ernest E. Wheeler, has been received in this office.

The official Report of Burial discloses that the remains of your husband were interred in Plot C, Row 1, Grave 1, in the United States Military Cemetery, LaCambe, France, located fifteen miles northeast of Bayeux and five miles east and north of Isigny, both in France.

The American Graves Registration Command exhausts every available clue which might lead to individual identification of our deceased military personnel. The information contained in the Report of Burial indicates the remains of your husband were properly identified and buried in a single grave.

Please accept my sincere sympathy in the loss of your husband.

FOR THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL:

Sincerely yours,

WILLIAM B. CHRISTENSEN  
1st Lt., QMC  
Assistant

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SPQYG 293  
Wheeler, Ernest R.  
O 811 161

Address Reply To  
THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
Attn: Memorial Division

31 January 1946

Mrs. Alna B. Wheeler  
Box 145, General Delivery  
Calhoun, Kentucky

Dear Mrs. Wheeler:

Your letter regarding the identification of the remains of your husband has been received in this office.

It is not possible at this time to give you any conclusive statements as to the identification of the remains of your husband. The information on file in this office indicates that he was a member of the crew of an Aircraft C-47, No 2101019, which crashed and burned 13 June 1944. He was identified by means of his name printed upon the parachute which was attached to him.

This office is directing that a complete and thorough investigation be conducted in order that more conclusive identification can be established. This may take considerable time but please be assured that upon completion of this investigation, you will be advised.

Please accept my most sincere sympathy.

FOR THE ACTING THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL:

Sincerely yours,

S. B. COCHIEU  
Lt Colonel  
Assistant

NOTE: Entire case has been referred over to Lt Rosenfield, Identification Section, on 29 Jan 46 per instructions from Col. Turner, Chief, Repatriation Records Branch with the request that the entire case be identified of this man be rechecked and established beyond doubt.

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MAIL & RECORDS SECTION

GRAVES REG BRANCH  
JAN 31 1946  
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GRAVES REG BRANCH  
IDENTIFICATION SECTION

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June 20, 1948

Mrs. Alma B. Wheeler  
Box 145  
Calhoun, Kentucky

Dear Mrs. Wheeler:

The Army Effects Bureau has received from overseas additional personal effects of your husband, First Lieutenant Ernest E. Wheeler.

These effects are being forwarded to you in two cartons.

If, by any chance, the property has not reached you at the expiration of thirty days from this date, please notify us and tracer will be instituted.

The action of this Bureau in transmitting personal effects does not, of itself, vest title in the recipient. Such property is forwarded for distribution according to the laws of the state of the officer's legal residence.

I regret the circumstances prompting this letter, and wish to express my sympathy in the loss of your husband.

Yours very truly,

F. L. KCOB  
1st Lt. G.I.C.  
Officer-in-Charge  
SJ Unit