

OSMMP 293
Japhet, James H.
SN 18 119 195

The Adjutant General
Room 1E888
Pentagon Building
ATTN: Mrs. Sheehan

Request for Information

OSMMP
Memorial Division

15 July 1954

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Ex 5-5641

In compliance with your telephonic request to this Office on 13 July 1954, the following paragraphs are submitted on which to base your reply to the inquiry received from Mr. and Mrs. D. J. Japhet, parents of the late Staff Sergeant James H. Japhet, a World War II casualty, whose remains have been determined as non-recoverable.

"The records indicate that your son became a casualty when the plane, of which he was a passenger, was attacked by heavy enemy anti-aircraft fire and crashed into the English Channel on 6 June 1944. Of the twenty-three members aboard the plane, four were able to parachute to safety, and six remains were recovered and identified. The numerous and extensive investigations which have been conducted in an effort to locate and recover the remains of the other thirteen members, including those of your son, have met with unsuccessful results; therefore, the Department of the Army was forced to declare these remains as not recoverable on 8 December 1950. This determination of non-recoverability does not, however, completely close your son's case. The European Command is still occasionally finding remains of our World War II deceased, and you may rest assured that should any information of a pertinent nature be received pertaining to the remains of your son, you will be notified without delay."

"The records pertaining to your son's personal effects show only that those items forwarded to you on 1 October 1945 were received for your son. These items were sent by one of the officers in your son's unit to the Army Effects Agency clearly marked as his property and consist of all the personal belongings left by James at his base. There was no basis on which to question the fact of ownership of the property by your son at the time it was received at the Army Effects Agency. If you still feel that the property received by you did not belong to your son, it may be returned to the Army Effects Agency."

"The Department of the Army is authorized to issue flags only for the purpose of draping the casket of a deceased serviceman at the time of the final interment of his remains. At the completion of the interment services, the flag is then presented to the authorized next of kin. Inasmuch as the remains of your son have not been recovered, you may apply at your nearest Post Office or Veterans Administration Office for a flag in memory of your son."

FOR THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL:

JOHN D. MARTZ JR.
Colonel, GIC
Chief, Memorial Division

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NSA

OFFICE THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL U. S. ARMY

INTRAOFFICE REFERENCE SHEET

DUE, HOUR AND DATE _____

1 NO.	2 FROM-	3 TO-	4 DATE	5 MESSAGE
1	EFFECTS SEC	CORRES SEC	14 JULY 1954	<p><u>SUBJECT:</u> <i>Paragraph re ltr of</i> to Mr. D. J. Japhet 2133 Albans Road Houston 5, Texas</p> <p>Mr. D. J. Japhet should be advised as follows:</p> <p>"The records pertaining to your son's personal effects show only that those items forwarded to you on 1 October 1945 were received for your son. These items were sent by one of the officers in your son's unit to the Army Effects Agency clearly marked as his property and consist of all the personal belongings left by James at his base.</p> <p>There was no basis on which to question the fact of ownership of the property by your son at the time it was received at the Army Effects Agency. If you still feel that the property received by you did not belong to your son it may be returned to the Army Effects Agency for disposition."</p>
RJP/R				<p>1 Attachment: 293 file</p> <p><i>Provost</i> PROVOST 53821</p>
2	Chief Corres Sec Regis Br Mem Div	Effects Sec Regis Br Mem Div	15 Jul 54	<p>OQMGF 293 S/Sgt James H. Japhet SN 18 119 195</p> <p><u>Action complied with.</u></p> <p>ALBERA 5-5641</p> <p><i>N/A File 15 July 54 [Signature]</i></p>

James H. Japhet - 18 119 195 - MIA and determined dead 6 June 1944 over English Channel. Remains not recovered. Parents letter states "We received no further information regarding him. If body was found would we have been notified". Parents plan trip to England in August. Letter also states, "We would also like our son's flag". Request from parents also includes statements that effects received were not those of their son.

Information from Army Effects Agency, Kansas City, indicate effects case transferred to OIG.

Mrs. Sheehan - LE 888 Pentagon - Ext. 53012 - 13 July 1954

Several years have elapsed since the cessation of hostilities of World War II, which cost the life of your _____, the late _____.

It is with deep regret that your Government finds it necessary to inform you that further search and investigation have failed to reveal the whereabouts of your _____ remains. Since all efforts to recover and/or identify his remains have failed, it has been necessary to declare that his remains are not recoverable.

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Mr. Mackay - AG Case

NON-RECOVERABLE REMAINS REEXAMINATION OF

Area of Death European, over the Cherbourg Peninsula	Case Number 14707
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Name (Last, First, Middle Initial) Japhet, James H.	Rank S/Sgt	Serial Number 18 119 195
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In the course of this reexamination it has been determined that the circumstances of death were such that: (Check appropriate box)

- The remains of the decedent could not have been recovered
- The remains of the decedent could have been recovered. However, after review of the following it has been determined that evidence does not exist to contradict a finding of non-recoverability:

	INITIALS OF ANALYST
1. 293 File of Decedent	G.M.
2. Geographical clue index file of unknowns recovered from appropriate area, compared with decedent	G.M.
3. Other documents or sources	

Remarks

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Identification Branch

RECOMMEND APPROVAL		APPROVED	Date
Name of Case Analyst E. Miller	Case Reviewer, Final Determination Section	Chief, Final Determination Section J. H. ... M. J. ...	3 Nov 50

MEMORIALIZATION OF NON-RECOVERABLE
REMAINS OF WORLD WAR II

THIS FILE HAS BEEN AUDITED FOR NON-RECOVERABILITY

NAME (Last, First, Middle)

RANK

SERIAL NUMBER

ARM OF SERVICE

DATE OF DEATH

AREA OF DEATH

NAME OF AUDITOR

DATE

NAME OF REVIEWER

DATE

REMARKS

1. FILE UNDER NO. 293 - Japhet, James H. S/Sgt 18 119 195

SYNOPSIS

2. TYPE OF DOCUMENT: **Letter** 3. DATE: **13 Dec 50**
4. FROM: **OQMG**
5. TO: **Com. Officer 7887 Graves Registration Det. APO 757 c/o PM N.Y., N.Y.**
6. SUBJECT: **Nonrecoverability of Remains**

Re: Ref is made to Proceedings of Board of Officer that convened at your headquarters and determined that the remains of the decedents, listed on attached roster, are nonrecoverable.

Japhet, James H. S/Sgt 18 119 195

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July 21, 1934

Honorable Albert Thomas
House of Representatives

Dear Mr. Thomas:

I am replying to your letter of June 23d inclosing correspondence from Mr. and Mrs. D. J. Japhet of Houston, Texas, with regard to the casualty determination made respecting their son, Staff Sergeant James H. Japhet, ASN 15 119 195, and the disposition of his personal effects.

A careful and thorough review of information available within the Department of the Army concerning Sergeant Japhet has been made by The Adjutant General and by The Quartermaster General, and a report from their offices has now been received.

The records of the Department show that James H. Japhet, 15 119 195, was a participant in the initial airborne phase of the invasion of Western Europe. He was a passenger aboard a C-47 (Skytrain) transport, which departed Exeter Airdrome, England, June 6, 1944, on a parachute drop mission over Cherbourg Peninsula and failed to return. The plane had overshot the jump field and was returning to give the paratroopers a more favorable jump position over the Peninsula near St. Pierre-Du-Mont. Four of the paratroopers made successful landings and information furnished by them revealed that the plane encountered intense anti-aircraft and machine gun fire. The last paratrooper to leave the plane landed in the sea about fifty feet from shore, and he stated that he saw only three other parachutes. Another of the survivors reported that when he last observed the aircraft it was aflame and losing altitude. He further stated that the aircraft crashed into the sea, and to the best of his knowledge all aboard were drowned. Since definite information as to the fate of Staff Sergeant Japhet could not be secured, he was officially reported missing in action as of June 6, 1944.

After twelve months had passed, without the receipt of any evidence indicating a possibility of his survival, Staff Sergeant Japhet was officially presumed dead as of June 7, 1945 under the provisions of the Missing Persons Act, Public Law 436, 77th Congress, approved March 7, 1942, as amended.

In view of the length of time which had elapsed without any indication that he was still alive and the circumstances under which he became missing

Honorable Albert Thomas

July 21, 1954

in action, it was determined by the Department of the Army that Sergeant Japhet was killed in action on June 6, 1944, the date on which he was reported officially missing in action over the English Channel. Pursuant to the provisions of Section 9 of the Missing Persons Act, an official report of death was issued on December 30, 1948, reflecting this determination.

I have been informed further that of the twenty-three members aboard the C-47 (Skytrain) transport, four were able to parachute to safety and the remains of six were recovered and identified. The numerous and extensive investigations which have been conducted in an effort to locate and recover the remains of the other thirteen members, including those of Sergeant Japhet, have met with unsuccessful results. Therefore, the Department of the Army was forced to declare those remains as not recoverable on December 2, 1950. This determination of non-recoverability does not, however, completely close the cases of those men whose remains have not been recovered, inasmuch as the European Command still occasionally finds remains of our World War II deceased.

Records pertaining to the personal effects of Sergeant Japhet show only that those items, forwarded to Mr. and Mrs. Japhet on October 1, 1949, were received from their son. These items were sent by one of the officers in Sergeant Japhet's unit to the Army Effects agency, clearly marked as his property, and consist of all the personal belongings left by him at his base. There was no basis on which to question the fact of ownership of the property at the time it was received at the Army Effects agency. In the event Mr. and Mrs. Japhet feel that the property received by them did not belong to their son, it may be returned to the Army Effects agency.

The Quartermaster General has advised me that the Department of the Army is authorized to issue flags only for the purpose of draping the casket of a deceased serviceman at the time of the final interment of his remains. At the completion of the interment services, the flag is then presented to the authorized next of kin. Inasmuch as the remains of Sergeant Japhet have not been recovered, his parents may apply at their nearest post office or Veterans Administration office for a flag in memory of their son.

I regret that the foregoing is all the information available concerning the casualty status and personal effects of Sergeant Japhet, and trust that meager as it may be, it may be of some solace to his parents. You may be assured that Mr. and Mrs. Japhet will be notified immediately in the event information should be received in the Department pertaining to the recovery of the remains of their son.

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Sincerely,

L. H. WALKER, JR.
Lt Col, GS
Chief, Staff Operations, OCIL

Japhet, James H.

S T A T E M E N T

1. Subject decedent was one of twenty-three crew members and passengers of a C-47 type aircraft which became missing while on a paratroop drop mission over the Cherbourg Peninsula on 6 June 1944. Subject aircraft had overshot the jump field and was returning to give the paratroopers a more favorable jump position when heavy anti-aircraft fire was encountered. It was reported by survivors who came down in the vicinity of St. Pierre-du-Mont that when the aircraft was last seen, it was aflame, and was heading out over the sea.

2. The status of the occupants of the aircraft is as follows:
1st Lt Floyd R. Johnson, O-1030681, Pvt Leonard S. Goodgal, 13103555, Pfc Raymond L. Crouch, 33521736, and Pfc Niels M. Christensen, 39690567 parachuted to safety, and were returned to duty.

3. The remains of 1st Lt William H. Zeuner, O-687415, 2d Lt Harry N. Lumsden, Jr., O-748708, Pfc Alvin D. Poynter, 35460383, Pfc Bryant L. Hinson, 14130253, Pvt George J. Karalunas, 36540126, and William F. Bellinghausen, 39559382 were recovered and interred in USMC St. Laurent and La Cambe.

4. Findings of nonrecoverability have been received and are being processed under the following Case Nos. for the following:

Burg, Harry L., Jr.	Pvt	17 068 435	14700
Fernandez, George V.	Pvt	20 228 814	14704
Finder, Edwin	Pvt	6 932 428	14705
Hawkins, Jesse M.	Pvt	34 631 599	14706
Japhet, James H.	S/Sgt	18 119 195	14707
Kinzy, Robert C.	Pvt	35 754 486	14708
Manlove, Beverly J.	Sgt	17 099 551	14711
Margotto, Albert T.	S/Sgt	17 107 478	14713
Mezo, Roy	Pvt	16 074 597	14714
Smith, Christopher C.	Pfc	12 138 478	14718
Turkovich, Victor A.	Sgt	12 131 780	14720
Weathersby, Newton P., Jr.	Pfc	13 106 168	14721
Bryan, Keith, K.	Pvt	17 068 435	14699

Vincent A. Thomas
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Investigator

HEADQUARTERS
7887 GRAVES REGISTRATION DETACHMENT
REGISTRATION DIVISION
APO 757 (Liege) US ARMY

Proceeding of a Board of Officers appointed in accordance with Letter AGAO-S 293.9 (27 Mar 47) D-M, War Dept, TAGO, 9 April 1947.

The Board convened pursuant to par 2, SO 103, Headquarters, 7887 Graves Registration Detachment, APO 757, US Army, 29 August 1947, at Liege, Belgium on 1 - SEP 1947. The purpose of the Board was to determine the non-recoverability status of certain casualties now under jurisdiction of this command.

The Board reviewed report of investigation, statements of witnesses and other copies contained in the files of 7887 Graves Registration Detachment, RA, pertaining to the case of the following named casualty/casualties, the remains of which have not been recovered. The case records and other data considered, are attached.

CASE No.	NAME	GRADE	ASN
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See attached roster.

FINDINGS: The Board having carefully considered the evidence before it, finds the remains of said casualty/casualties are non-recoverable.

RECOMMENDATION: That the case concerning subject casualty/casualties be forwarded to the Office of The Quartermaster General for final

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APO 757 (LIEGE) US ARMY

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2. PAC, Ltr WD-AGO-S 293.9, dtd 9 Apr 47, subj: "Establishment of Boards of Review for Identification of Unknown Dead Overseas", and par 118 b, SR 830-110-5, DA, 3 Mar 49, a Board of O's as follows is hereby apt to meet at the call of the President thereof, for the purpose of reviewing case records pertaining to the Identification of Deceased, Determination of non-recoverability of Remains and for the purpose of reviewing Major Discrepancy Cases:

LT COL ROBERT D. MILLER,	TC.,	O 41 448,	President
MAJOR JAMES C. MAC FARLAND,	QMC.,	O 1 576 321	
MAJOR GEORGE GUNDERMAN, Jr.,	QMC.,	O 1 289 071	
CAPT CLYDE W. STEINSIEK,	QMC.,	O 1 040 311	
CWO HENRY F. MYERS,	USA,	W 2 104 778	

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BY ORDER OF LIEUTENANT COLONEL MULVANITY:

ROBERT K. COLE,
CWO USA,
Asst Adjutant.

OFFICIAL:

s/t/ ROBERT K. COLE,
CWO USA,
Asst Adjutant.

A TRUE COPY

ROBERT G. LAY
Capt QMC
Memorial Division

HEADQUARTERS
7887 GRAVES REGISTRATION DETACHMENT
REGISTRATION DIVISION
APO 757 (Liege) US ARMY

GRRE 293.9

SUBJECT: Non-Recoverable

TO: Non-Recoverable Board, AGRC

1. It is recommended that the Board take action on the following cases:

NAME: See Attached Roster

ORGANIZATION: See 371 Forms

DATE OF DEATH: See 371 Forms

PLACE OF DEATH: See 371 Forms

SYNOPSIS: The casualties listed on attached roster are reported by official records as Missing In Action or Killed In Action during ground, air or naval operations in the department of Manche, France, from the period of 5 June 1944 to 15 August 1944. Extensive area searches as well as individual investigations have to date failed to furnish information as to the ultimate disposition of their remains. Efforts to effect association with unidentified recoveries from the area, now interred in U.S. Military Cemeteries, have also proven negative. The lack of specific information regarding the death or burial, limited search in most instances to general localities, however, documents on file in this Office and Office of The Quartermaster General substantiate the fact that numerous investigations covering the entire department of the Manche, have been conducted in the course of search operations for all losses, both recovered and unrecovered. The terrain of the Manche department, for the most part, consists of farm and pasture land which has been under constant cultivation and daily use since the cessation of hostilities, thus the possibility of undiscovered graves is remote. It can therefore only be concluded that the remains of the deceased in question were reduced by battle action to a state which precludes recovery or identification. The absence of specific information concerning their deaths, the failure of Field Investigations to provide evidence, and the lack of association with recovered unknowns would tend to substantiate these

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conclusions. It is recommended that the remains of the individuals listed in these Board Proceedings be considered Non-Recoverable under the provisions of paragraph 3b, Letter, Office of The Quartermaster General, file QLGMP 293, Subject: Processing Board Findings of Non-Recoverability Return of World War II Dead Program, dated 25 March 1949.

Reference is made to: OJG Forms 371; After Action Reports, and Casualty Clearance Plan, concerning each decedent; Reports of Field Investigations previously forwarded to The Office of The Quartermaster General, pertaining to resolved casualties who were killed in action in the department of Manche, France: On file in the Office of The Quartermaster General, Washington, D. C.

2. It is recommended that the remains, based upon the above information and research, be declared non-recoverable.

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C. W. STEINSIEK
Captain QMC

VICINITY OF CHERBOURG

	<u>Name</u>	<u>Rank</u>	<u>Serial Number</u>
1.	Berry, Matt C.	Pfc.	34 043 263
2.	Bryan, Keith K.	Pvt.	17 068 435
3.	Burg, Harry L., Jr.	Pfc.	15 117 552
4.	Eastman, Ralph T., Jr.	1st Lt.	0 792 008
5.	Erickson, Archie W.	Pfc.	37 465 784
6.	Everett, Evert G.	2nd Lt.	0 686 837
7.	Fernandez, George V.	Pvt.	20 228 614
8.	Finder, Edwin	Pvt.	6 932 428
9.	Hawkins, Josse E.	Pvt.	34 631 599
10.	Japhet, James H.	S/Sgt.	18 119 195
11.	Kinzy, Robert C.	Pvt.	35 754 486
12.	Kittle, Charles R.	Sgt.	15 354 672
13.	Langston, Jack D.	2nd Lt.	0 756 621
14.	Manlove, Beverly J.	Sgt.	17 099 551
15.	Maranz, Henry S.	T/Sgt.	32 590 448
16.	Margotto, Albert T.	S/Sgt.	17 107 478
17.	Mezo, Roy	Pvt.	16 074 597
18.	Ogrin, Joseph	2nd Lt.	0 689 813
19.	Lawyer, William A.	S/Sgt.	18 163 248
20.	Simanetti, John R.	S/Sgt.	32 021 788
21.	Smith, Christopher C.	Pfc.	12 138 478
22.	Stevens, Donald C.	2nd Lt.	0 804 246
23.	Turkovich, Victor A.	Sgt.	12 131 780
24.	Weathersby, Newton P.	Pfc.	13 106 168
25.	Weirich, Glen L.	Pvt.	35 544 533

VICINITY OF ST. LO

<u>Name</u>	<u>Rank</u>	<u>Serial Number</u>
HICKLY, James G.	Pfc	35 439 460
MAKOWSKI, Stanislaus J.	Pvt	32 562 358
BRAMLET, Claude O.	Pvt	36 776 699
WAUGAMAN, Peter M.	Pvt	35 057 210
HARTIGAN, Chester J.	Sgt	33 043 695
HEADS, Raymond	T/Sgt	38 117 175
SALMI, Uno A.	Capt	0 438 098
BROMAN, Donald W.	Pvt	37 485 648
HOWARD, Elvin E.	Cpl	38 333 715
VITELLO, Alphonse J.	T/4	33 030 167
PLYTON, Ralph A.	Pvt	35 807 391
RANSOM, Edward J.	Pvt	32 945 520
STUART, James L.	Pfc	13 058 719
HAWKINS, Andrew J.	Pvt	33 690 254
HOEY, Edwin B.	T/5	37 664 776
ADAMS, Wilburn W.	Pvt	34 710 002
BLLIS, John F.	T/5	31 240 839
BUTLER, Archie J.	Pfc	33 659 452
BANKS, Darrell E.	Pvt	34 826 491
BAKER, Floyd C.	Pvt	39 305 447
BUCH, Nelson B.	Cpl	38 032 909
BLACKMAN, Abraham W.	S/Sgt	32 057 116
CHAGOURIS, George L.	Sgt	13 069 366
CODY, Gordon H.	Pfc	37 333 825
GYURKO, Edwin	S/Sgt	36 101 119
KAYS, Kenneth L.	Pfc	36 079 288
BLAND, George W.	S/Sgt	34 008 209
JADAK, Joseph	Pfc	32 209 538
MOLITOR, Harvey N.	Pvt	36 833 898
CLARK, John H.	Pvt	12 166 192
BIL, Carl J.	Pvt	36 868 601
MINISTRINA, Herbert	T/4	36 318 819
COAKLEY, Frank C.	T/Sgt	32 064 745
COTTINGHAM, Clyde Jr.	Pvt	35 658 671
DUNCAN, Charles S.	Pvt	34 518 044
NELSON, Stanley C.	Pfc	37 273 595
PARKER, Lincoln O.	Pvt	38 521 246
PHELPS, John P.	Pfc	14 000 141

<u>Name</u>	<u>Rank</u>	<u>Serial Number</u>
PRICKETT, Joe	Pvt	37 140 918
TARIN, Lucas R.	Pvt	18 011 253
BRANDHORST, Richard J.	Pvt	15 054 574
CLIBURN, David H.	Pfc	37 514 439
CORE, Barton W.	1/Lt	0 408 676
BRANDT, Charles K.	S/Sgt	32 798 542
CLARK, Russell E.	T/Sgt	35 366 464
BONITZ, Nicholas D.	S/Sgt	33 150 771
DIKON, Robert E.	Sgt	33 419 829
HAHN, Burton F.	2/Lt	0 686 150
HARVEY, Loy M.	S/Sgt	34 263 034
ISLES, Peter J.	S/Sgt	13 108 325
HARGETT, Tearsie B.	Pfc	14 092 645
GENTILE, Thomas	Sgt	32 024 450
GOODSPED, Norman L.	Pfc	32 292 966
LINDNER, John .	Pvt	36 396 807
MURRAY, Howard G.	Sgt	17 049 636
SHORT, Charles W.	Pfc	37 512 517
FLICK, John F.	S/Sgt	36 325 584
CALLAWAY, David L.	1/Lt	0 674 033
FERRER, Mike A.	Pvt	32 792 624
FEORENE, Trentre F.	Pvt	35 227 919
KING, Sterling	Pfc	35 646 627
FRANCOIS, Leonard D.	Pvt	31 316 479
JACQUES, Armando S.	S/Sgt	39 568 226
NAREHOOD, Charles B.	1/Lt	0 801 336
HORAN, Roger J.	2/Lt	01 012 610
REID, Arthur J.	Pfc	32 268 309
LINSLEY, Louis L.	2/Lt	01 168 339
SWITKA, Frank J.	Pvt	32 486 173
KORHORN, Louis G.	T/5	36 398 872
KNOTSON, Raymond .	T/5	37 328 564
CHRISTY, Charles J.	Pfc	37 129 217
KAPRAL, Andrew G.	Pvt	33 264 840
OSTAPOW, Edward T.	T/4	32 087 120
LAMASCUS, Noble P.	T/Sgt	6 298 090
DUGAN, William P.	Pfc	37 607 028
GOAD, Benjamin F.	Pfc	17 166 776
McKINNEY, Bob	Pvt	37 130 094

<u>Name</u>	<u>Rank</u>	<u>Serial Number</u>
OLLARO, Albert D.	T/4	37 016 097
NORMAN, Robert R.	Cpl	34 300 738
POLK, James L.	Sgt	14 042 740
CROTHIER, Edwin F.	Pvt	35 759 448
HOLDER, Claude H.	T/4	36 058 619
McCALL, John W. Jr.	Pvt	34 603 232
WRIGHT, Norman F.	Cpl	17 018 400
RADOS, Steve	Pfc	35 026 219
LANGFORD, Norman R.	Pvt	55 694 359
POTTER, Henry	T/5	32 214 416
TOLLEY, William R.	Pvt	34 284 482
WORSTER, Linton C.	Pfc	36 205 086
PELON, Chester	Pfc	35 132 460
MORAN, Walter J.	T/4	37 120 540
YOCHIM, Walter H.	T/Sgt	10 601 574
KLEKOSKI, Ivan L.	T/5	36 234 785
JACOBSON, Gerald L.	S/Sgt	37 096 991
KOROWLOTNY, Bronislof	Pvt	31 281 027
BERTELS, Alphonse H.	Pvt	38 876 615
HILL, Cleatus L.	Pfc	34 596 252
McGOVERN, Edward P.	Cpl	31 025 187
PROBST, Arthur C.	Pvt	33 340 447
ROBERTS, Hubert G.	Pvt	14 012 111
McCLANN, Raymond S.	2/Lt	01 017 378
KELLEY, Ray	Pvt	34 385 674
MILMARIO, Elmer F.	Pfc	33 430 616
SHIELDS, Leo W.	2/Lt	01 321 959
SCHAEFER, Elden D.	Pfc	35 536 457
WEBER, Louis J.	Pfc	32 998 857
MARTIN, Richard J.	Pvt	39 294 804
HARRIS, William W.	2/Lt	0 445 641
NICHOLAS, Vandan L.	Sgt	37 190 627
MILCAREK, Joseph	Pvt	13 132 369
ROMEO, Joseph T. Jr.	T/5	33 025 115
TALLEY, Marlin C.	Pfc	34 589 730
HO, Hom Jin	Pfc	32 962 980
HEISLER, Anthony J.	T/4	37 178 958
KISSANITSH, Elmer L.	Pfc	36 364 177

OMAHA BEACH

<u>Name</u>	<u>Rank</u>	<u>Serial Number</u>
HAAF, Howard S.	Sgt	18 081 540
MITCHELL, Claude H.	S/Sgt	18 036 992
SCHULTZ, Lars F.	2/Lt	0 735 932
SHAVER, Thomas L.	T/Sgt	14 120 849
DAHLMAN, Raymond	Pvt	37 147 278
LATIMER, Joe L.	Capt	0 520 631
KOKOSH, Joseph	Pvt	37 569 139
ROCK, Wallace E.	2/Lt	0 816 159
UZZO, Joseph H.	Pvt	13 021 998
BRINKER, Kenneth R.	Pvt	36 669 589
MINER, Charles A.	Cpl	33 001 772
SAUER, Louis C.	Pfc	32 822 006
MARTIN, Sandy Jr.	1/Sgt	35 201 316
LOCKEY, Luther C.	T/4	7 040 231

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<u>Name</u>	<u>Rank</u>	<u>Serial Number</u>
MARINER, Robert B.	T/4	6 998 987
DAVENPORT, Glenn L.	Pvt	35 347 391
HOWARD, Charles S.	Pfc	6 290 692
ATCHISON, Fred	Pfc	34 813 906
BORGHARDT, Joseph	Cpl	37 512 586
CRUTHIS, Chalmer M.	Sgt	36 313 615
BROWN, Donald L.	Pvt	37 190 660
GERRALD, Jule D.	Sgt	34 389 023
LARSON, Robert J.	Pfc	37 418 798
LEHANE, John A.	Pfc	32 820 919
O'DONNELL, Robert C.	Pfc	37 547 649
HUTCHISON, Roger J.	Pvt	20 746 699
GILLOW, Walter B.	Pfc	36 327 153
HEITZ, Sam J.	Cpl	35 283 379
STEIN, Donald F.	Cpl	37 095 254
WYATT, Earl H.	Pvt	38 043 949
FORMAN, Samuel (M.I)	Pvt	32 960 099
SPEARS, Eldon O.	T/5	36 311 415
GRINALDI, Anthony J.	Pvt	33 589 544
BICKELMAN, Eugene P.	Pfc	13 068 337
KLIVEDRAS, John F.	Pfc	36 645 597
SOCHINSKI, Walter A.	Pvt	32 208 697
DOOLLY, Thomas T.	Pvt	34 611 119
JACKSON, James J.	Pfc	34 367 240
LOHMANN, Raymond L.	Pvt	37 305 264
MATLSKE, Steve	Cpl	38 054 388
NEWTON, Paul A.	Pvt	14 010 321
PIERCE, Le Roy L.	Cpl	17 057 646
STEPHENS, Arrie A.	Pvt	38 438 152
VAIL, Archie H.	Pvt	32 944 819
VIDRINE, Francis J.	Sgt	38 258 368
MILLER, Russell W.	Capt	0 661 787
LETT, Herbert H.	T/5	36 373 622
NORELL, Gustave A. Jr.	Cpl	32 714 748

VICINITY OF CHERBOURG

<u>Name</u>	<u>Rank</u>	<u>Serial Number</u>
SAWYER, William A.	S/Sgt	18 163 248
WEIRICH, Glen L.	Pvt	35 544 533
BERRY, Matt C.	Pfc	34 043 263
SIMANETTI, John R.	S/Sgt	32 021 788
KITTLE, Charles R.	Sgt	15 354 672
MARANZ, Henry S.	T/Sgt	32 590 448
EVERETT, Evert G.	2/Lt	0 686 837
BRYAN, Keith K.	Pvt	17 068 435
BURG, Harry L. Jr.	Pfc	15 117 552
FERNANDEZ, George V.	Pvt	20 228 814
FINDER, Edwin	Pvt	6 972 428
HAWKINS, Jesse N.	Pvt	34 651 599
JAPHET, James H.	S/Sgt	18 119 195
KINZY, Robert C.	Pvt	35 754 486
MANLOVE, Beverly J.	Sgt	17 099 551
MARGOTTO, Albert T.	S/Sgt	17 107 478
MEZO, Roy	Pvt	16 074 597
SMITH, Christopher C.	Pfc	12 138 478
TURKOVICH, Victor A.	Sgt	12 131 780
WEATHERSBY, Newton P.	Pfc	13 106 168
EASTMAN, Ralph T. Jr.	1/Lt	0 792 008
OGRIN, Joseph	2/Lt	0 689 813
STEVENS, Donald C.	2/Lt	0 804 246
ERICKSON, Archie V.	Pfc	37 465 784
LANGSTON, Jack D.	2/Lt	0 756 621

VICINITY OF UTAH BEACH, CARENTAN, ST. IERE-GLISE

<u>Name</u>	<u>Rank</u>	<u>Serial Number</u>
HOPKINS, John V.	1/Lt	01 294 841
VAN SICKLE, Jark D.	Pvt	36 408 881
MADRYN, Armand M.	Pvt	11 131 551
BAKER, Lester R.	Pfc	17 109 674
GRIGGS, Robert H.	Pfc	35 136 548
MIKSA, Edward W.	Pfc	32 827 230
SARVAS, Dave	Pfc	15 112 600
CALI, Dominick D.	Pvt	32 598 866
DENNING, Lloyd J.	Cpl	33 306 262
LAWRENCE, James W.	Pfc	35 370 538
SADOSKI, Peter P.	Pfc	31 211 410
HEALEY, Frederick S.	Pfc	55 305 98
RUSHING, Cleo	Pvt	34 812 909
SCHERER, Casper A.	T/4	32 156 708
SMITH, R.V. (IO)	Pvt	20 402 383
AUMAN, Pershing D.	Pvt	33 050 442
HILL, Joseph D.	Pvt	16 039 974
LAPIKAS, John M.	Cpl	33 113 283
RODRIGUEZ, Julio T.	Pvt	20 133 561
SPARKS, Carl J.	Sgt	18 070 327
BACON, Lewis C.	Pvt	37 302 484
BARR, Charles E.	Pvt	38 513 883
BAUR, Frank H.	Pfc	33 143 678
LEGG, Joseph F.	T/5	15 112 780
O'BRYEN, Charles E.	Pvt	20 746 704
WHITE, Melvin G.	S/Sgt	35 135 831
BURRI, Herman A.	Sgt	20 656 749
DANZIGER, Benjamin	2/Lt	01 299 211
CONDON, John A.	Pvt	17 676 365
BLISSER, Chester	Pvt	35 599 108
CHAVOUS, Samuel J.	Cpl	34 054 771
MAGREY, Roy A.	Cpl	19 096 754
LOCKERMAN, Colon A.	Pfc	34 571 683
REIDER, Foster P.	Pfc	33 010 611
BOYLAN, Richard E.	Sgt	32 023 449
CHELLIS, John B.	T/4	13 004 985
DONOHUE, Edward D.	Pvt	36 752 230
DUDGEON, Sidney G.	Pfc	32 093 950
FANELLI, Andrew J.	Sgt	32 023 169

<u>Name</u>	<u>Rank</u>	<u>Serial Number</u>
HARDY, Joseph G.	T/5	14 024 716
HARDZOC, Floyd	Pfc	34 180 153
HARPLER, Felix M.	T/5	13 016 604
HERSHMAN, Ralph W.	Pvt	13 042 606
INGLAITO, Harold L.	Pfc	12 036 496
JEZAK, Joseph	Cpl	33 071 037
KELLER, William B.	Cpl	34 141 272
MASON, Conrad C.	Pfc	35 739 701
MORGIA, Anthony C.	Pvt	12 073 036
NICHOLS, Noel N.	Pvt	34 275 298
PATANEY, Bernard L.	T/4	13 002 415
PHELPS, John W.	T/4	32 024 275
SCHLOTT, Robert	S/Sgt	13 002 240
SMITH, Harry J.	Pvt	20 245 579
SPINA, Thomas	Pvt	32 572 316
STEPHENS, Horace S.	Pfc	34 141 354
VOSLEN, Raymond F.	Pvt	16 132 054
WAUGH, Luther L.	T/5	35 664 638
FRATAGO, Michael F.	Sgt	33 345 371
ELLERY, Richard B.	Pvt	36 895 105
BOJCIK, Walter A.	T/Sgt	37 186 511
VAN NUTTER, Walter F.	Cpl	34 585 089
PINKOSKI, John	Pvt	13 059 409
BERLIN, John C.	T/5	18 151 944
KOEHLY, John F.	F/C	T-61635
McKAMEY, James B.	2/Lt	0 666 479
SCOTT, Jess M.	Sgt	39 233 319
BARTO, Steve	Pvt	35 266 796
BRANNON, William F.	T/5	11 064 090
TORTORELLO, Anthony	Pvt	36 334 642
HARRIS, Dale (AMI)	2/Lt	0 765 584
FITZGERALD, Jark D.	Pvt	37 343 112
KENNEDY, Thomas M.	Pfc	32 600 334
O'CONNELL, Norman V.	Pvt	19 132 872
O'ROURKE, James C. Jr.	T/5	32 370 027
SIMPSON, Jack M.	Pvt	37 454 639
LOUIS, Charles K.	Pvt	19 090 999
LLIS, Elmer	Pvt	20 406 903
ROBERTS, Harry Jr.	Pfc	35 617 857
FRANKEL, Nerton	Cpl	39 124 515

<u>Name</u>	<u>Rank</u>	<u>Serial Number</u>
HALL, Charlie L.	Pfc	14 140 065
ZWYERS, Robert W.	Pvt	15 333 992
GUYTON, Wilbur M.	Pvt	34 663 591
HORNBAKER, Nelson F.	S/Sgt	6 948 738
McKEE, William R.	Pvt	32 949 592
HOLLOMAN, Wallace S.	Cpl	6 968 562
LESKO, John P.	Pfc	13 048 930
YESKO, Nicholas	Pvt	52 927 063
HUDAK, Joseph B.	Pvt	33 423 375
LONG, Houston H.	Pvt	32 359 883
EADY, Caley J.	T/4	14 142 168
RECORD, Orson B.	Pvt	20 157 352
BERGSTRESSER, Glenn	T/4	39 385 460
COUGHLIN, Lawrence J.	Pfc	35 069 317
FOSTER, Norman B.	Pvt	37 701 436
GOBLE, Francis I.	T/5	37 248 656
HERNANDEZ, Guadalupe	T/5	38 120 358
KLINE, William S.	2/Lt	01 013 442
METZ, Charles L.	Pvt	32 968 560
MOYER, Robert H.	Pvt	13 026 533
NEAL, Donald R.	Cpl	39 385 528
REIMER, Nicholas W.	Cpl	13 008 950
KIRK, James	Pvt	34 673 669
PEDERSON, Harry B.	2/Lt	0 810 407
CERNY, Otakar	Pvt	6 902 607
SIMONS, Robert C.	Pvt	15 324 590
KOENIG, Thomas C.	Cpl	16 124 803
JONES, Theodore T. Jr.	1/Lt	0 456 301
ECKHOFF, Kenneth A.	Pfc	34 625 674
OLUBOWICZ, Steven	T/4	31 278 325
SCHLECTER, Karl	Pfc	32 863 593
CAPLINGER, Robert D.	Pfc	35 801 083
HAGGINS, Sylbester D.	Pfc	32 552 252
HOMER, Mack	Pvt	34 740 215
SIMONS, Henry	Pvt	38 227 090
WYATT, Daniel	T/5	38 311 942
ASHBURNELLER, Edgar J.	Pvt	35 614 631
JENKINS, Earl F.	Pfc	35 590 188
ELLISON, Isidore	Pvt	32 008 511
NICHOLSON, Robert L.	Pfc	35 111 192

<u>Name</u>	<u>Rank</u>	<u>Serial Number</u>
KIBBOLS, David L.	Pfc	34 142 881
OKRUPKI, Harry D.	Pfc	20 221 898
BARRACO, Andrew J.	Cpl	32 560 061
GEYER, Roy W.	S/Sgt	36 351 713
ROONEY, Walter R.	2/Lt	0 807 313
HOKI, James T.	Pfc	38 094 200
LANGSTON, William L.	Pfc	18 086 596
SALDERS, Raymond C.	Pfc	37 107 418
HILL, Dewey D.	T/4	38 294 542
GUSTAFSON, Roy O.	Pfc	36 647 856
JESPER, Robert E.	Pvt	32 804 484
SOKOL, Sylvester F.	Pvt	33 365 213
HARPER, James T.	Pfc	35 671 355
MAGUFFE, Henry B.	T/5	38 333 718
MAINE, Roger M.	Pfc	37 551 879

293 FILE

ON REMAINS NOT YET RECORDED OR IDENTIFIED

NAME (Last, First, Middle Initial)

GRADE

PRESENT SERIAL NUMBER

ORGANIZATION

RACE

CREED

FORMER SERIAL NUMBER
(If Applicable)

DATE OF DEATH/MTA

CAUSE OF DEATH

PLACE OF DEATH OR PLACE LAST SEEN IF MIA

DATE OF FDD

HEIGHT

WEIGHT

COLOR EYES

COLOR HAIR

SHOE SIZE

DENTAL CHART

UPPER RIGHT

UPPER LEFT

8 7 6 5 4 3 2 1

1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8

LOWER RIGHT

LOWER LEFT

16 15 14 13 12 11 10 9

9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16

X = Extracted

O = Cavious

1 = Cavious Non-Restorable

FRACTURES AND/OR BREAKS

TATTOOS AND/OR BIRTHMARK

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

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OQMG 293
GRS European *Adm* 1st Ind
SUBJECT: Request for Dental Data

Dept of the Army, OQMG, Washington 25, D. C., 18 November 1949

TO: Commanding General, American Graves Registration Command, European Area, APO 58, c/o Postmaster, New York, New York

Submitted herewith are OQMG Forms 371 with Medical Forms 79 attached where available for the following:

Bryan, Keith K.	Pvt	17068435
Burg, Harry L.	Pfc	15117532
Fernandez, George V.	Pvt	20228614
Smith, Christopher C.	Pfc	12158478
Manlove, Beverly J.	Sgt	17099551
Weatherstry, Newton P., Jr.	Pfc	13106168
Hawkins, Jesse M.	Pvt	34631599
<i>29</i> Japhet, James H.	S/Sgt	18119195
Kinzy, Robert C.	Pvt	35754436

FOR THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL:

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1. OQMG Form 371 (Bryan)
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2. OQMG Form 371 (Burg)
(in dup) w/Forms 79
3. OQMG Form 371 (Fernandez)
(in dup) w/Form 79
4. OQMG Form 371 (Smith)
(in dup) w/Forms 79
5. OQMG Form 371 (Manlove)
(in dup) w/Forms 79
6. OQMG Form 371 (Weatherstry)
(in dup)
7. OQMG Form 371 (Hawkins)
(in dup) w/Forms 79
8. OQMG Form 371 (Japhet)
(in dup)
9. OQMG Form 371 (Kinzy)
(in dup) w/Form 79

T. H. METZ
Lt Colonel, QMG
Memorial Division

AIRMAIL

DATA ON REMAINS NOT YET RECOVERED OR IDENTIFIED

NAME (Last, First, Middle Initial) Japhet, James H.		GRADE S/Asst	PRESENT SERIAL NUMBER 18 119 195
ORGANIZATION 1000000	RACE 9k.	CREED Christian	FORMER SERIAL NUMBER (If applicable)
DATE OF DEATH/MIA 6 Dec 1950	CAUSE OF DEATH KIA	PLACE OF DEATH OR PLACE LAST SEEN IF MIA 2000 1	
DATE OF FOD			
HEIGHT 5ft 10in	WEIGHT 180	COLOR EYES Blue	COLOR HAIR Brown
SHOE SIZE 10 1/2			

DENTAL CHART

UPPER RIGHT 8 7 6 5 4 3 2 1	UPPER LEFT 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8
LOWER RIGHT 15 14 13 12 11 10 9	LOWER LEFT 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16

X = Extracted

O = Carious

1 = Carious Non-Restorable

FRACTURES AND/OR BREAKS None	TATTOOS AND/OR BIRTHMARK None
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ADDITIONAL INFORMATION
None

SENSITIVE SURFACE - HANDLE EDGES ONLY

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

REPORT OF DEATH

DATE 30 December 1948

FULL NAME Japhet, James H.		ARMY SERIAL NUMBER 18,119,195	GRADE S/Sgt.
HOME ADDRESS Houston, Texas.		ARM OR SERVICE Inf.	DATE OF BIRTH 17 May 1922
PLACE OF DEATH English Channel	CAUSE OF DEATH Killed in action		DATE OF DEATH 6 June 1944
STATION OF DECEASED European Area		DATE OF ENTRY ON CURRENT ACTIVE SERVICE 22 Sept. 1942	LENGTH OF SERVICE FOR PAY PURPOSES YEARS MONTHS DAYS

EMERGENCY ADDRESSEE (Name, relationship, and address)
Mrs. D. J. Japhet, mother, 2133 Albans, Houston, Texas.

BENEFICIARY (Name, relationship, and address)
Mrs. D. J. Japhet, mother, same as above.
Mr. Doris Jackson Japhet, father, same as above.

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 X*	NO

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 1948. 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 & settlements is as prescribed in Section 9.

*On parachute pay.

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BY ORDER OF THE SECRETARY OF THE ARMY

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[Signature]
ADJUTANT GENERAL

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AIRMAIL

AGNS 293
Japhet, James H.
SN - 18119195

24 March 1949

SUBJECT: Additional Information

TO: Commanding General
American Graves Registration Command
European Area
APO 58, c/o Postmaster
New York, New York

1. Reference is made to your radio AGRC 1604, dated 9 March 1949.

2. Forwarded herewith is all the dental information available in this Office pertaining to Staff Sergeant James H. Japhet, 18119195.

Dental Chart at Enlistment 22 September 1942 shows teeth missing R-16. Restorable carious teeth L-7, 15. Non-restorable carious teeth R-8; L-16. Forms 79 not on file.

FOR THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL:

T. H. NETZ
Lt. Col. QMC
Memorial Division

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RR UEPC *AGRC 1604*
090848Z
FM UFPO 3/HQ AGRC PARIS FRANCE 090848Z *DMC*
TO OQMG WASHDC *69090*
GRAVES GRNC *2000*

REF AGRC ONE SIX ZERO FOUR
PASS TO MEMORIAL DIVISION
REQUEST THIS OFFICE BE FURNISHED LATEST DENTAL INFORMATION FOR S/SGT
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JAMES H JAPHET CMA ONE EIGHT ONE ONE NINE ONE EIGHT FIVE D END AGREE
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CFN JAPHET
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AG 704 DEAD (8 Dec 48)

8 December 1948

MEMORANDUM TO: Officer in Charge, Casualty Section,
Personnel Actions Branch, AGO

SUBJECT: Reports of Death.

1. The following named persons were reported missing in action in France, 6 June 1944, in the pay status and by the shipment numbers indicated:

- a. Personnel of the 96th Troop Carrier Squadron, 441st Troop Carrier Group Air Corps. Reported by Shipment No. 097 in Flying Pay Status:

S Sgt	Margotto, Albert T.	17107478
Cpl	Bellinghausen, William F.	39559382

- b. Personnel of the 506th Parachute Infantry Regiment. Reported by ETO Shipment 131, in Jump Pay Status:

S Sgt	Japhet, James H.	18119195
Sgt	Turkovich, Victor A.	12131780
Sgt	Manlove, Beverly J.	17099551
Pfc	Burg, Harry L.	15117552
Pfc	Smith, Christopher C.	12138478
Pfc	Weathersby, Newton P. Jr.	13106168
Pvt	Bryan, Keith K.	17068435
Pvt	Fernandez, George V.	20228814
Pvt	Finder, Edwin	6932428
Pvt	Hawkins, Jesse H.	34631599
Pvt	Kinzy, Robert C.	35754486
Pvt	Mezo, Rcy	16074597

- c. All of the above named persons were presumed dead as of 7 June 1945, under the provisions of the Missing Persons Act.

2. Missing Air Crew Report Number 7157, dated 7 June 1944, reveals that the persons listed in paragraph 1a, above and two others whose status is not under consideration herein since they were reported killed in action, comprised the crew of C-47A aircraft number 42-100733. The report also shows that the persons listed in paragraph 1b, above, and six other persons, two of whom have been previously reported killed in action, and four who survived, were passengers aboard the aircraft. The subject aircraft departed Exeter Airdrome, England, on a paratrooper drop mission over the Cherbourg Peninsula on 6 June 1944, and failed to return. Attached to the Missing Air Crew Report as Supplemental Information are the statements of three of the survivors, which are quoted below:

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STATEMENT OF 1ST LT. FLOYD R. JOHNSTON, 01030681:

"I was in plane number 42-100733 which is reported to be missing. I was jumpmaster. We encountered very heavy anti-aircraft fire and the plane seemed to be hit. We were over the entire peninsula before we got the green light. Looking out, I could see nothing but water, so I told the pilot to go back and jump us on France. He turned the plane around and we hit the coast of France near St. Pierre-du-Mont. I jumped thru the door amid fire from 20 mm shells and machine guns and after landing I couldn't see the plane. However, I am positive that the plane had been hit several times."

STATEMENT OF PVT. LEONARD S. GOODGAL, 13103555:

"I was in plane number 42-100733 in the early morning of 6 June 1944. The pilot made a pass over the jump field but we never got the green light until we were over the ocean. Lt Johnson told the pilot to go back and try again. We hit the coast of France near St. Pierre-du-Mont, flying East, South-East. I was number two man in the stick and I jumped and landed near the ocean. The last I saw of the plane, it was heading out to sea and it looked as if balls of fire were shooting out of the plane. I came under enemy fire at this time and I lost sight of the plane. On both passes over France we were under very intense fire from enemy heavy machine guns and twenty millimeter anti-aircraft guns."

STATEMENT OF PFC RAYMOND L. CROUCH, 33521736:

"After making one pass over the Jump field and France, our jumpmaster Lt. Johnson, told the pilot to turn around and go back and try again. We hit the Coast of France near St. Pierre du Mont. The anti-aircraft fire was very heavy and the plane seemed to be going down when I jumped. I landed at point (60.5-93.9) on Cherbourg-Valeignes Map, Sheet 6 E. The plane seemed to be hit when I last saw it."

3. In response to an inquiry of this office dated 19 February 1947, (file AGPC-CR 704, 19 Feb 47) each of the four survivors submitted a statement, as quoted below, in pertinent part:

STATEMENT OF LT FLOYD R. JOHNSTON:

*****The plane mentioned was under intense machine gun and anti-aircraft fire. I do not have any definite knowledge as to whether any of the named EK were wounded or killed.

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While I was descending I saw only one other parachute, it was a Pfc Christiansen, who was captured and I later saw this man at Fort Benning, Ga. in July or August of 1945. There were two other men who jumped, a Pfc Samuel Goodgal, the others name I cannot recall.

The last two men told me at a later date about June 20 1944 that they both landed in the water about waist deep and saw the plane go down in flames in the channel.

I landed on shore and went inland through my own efforts.

I last saw my plane when I was about halfway to the ground and it was headed towards sea. It did not appear to me that it was aflame or losing altitude. I believe the plane had been hit when I jumped.

As I stated before two of the men told me the plane crashed into the channel in flames.

I believe the plane did crash into the sea because, to the best of my knowledge none of these men were ever reported captured or any of their graves ever located."

STATEMENT OF PFC NIELS M. CHRISTENSEN, 39690567:

" **** I know of no one being wounded or killed.

I did not see any other chutes. I landed on the shore of France approximately 200 to 400 yards inland.

The last time I saw my aircraft was when I jumped. If it was aflame I did not know it.

****The only one that I have seen from my plane is Lt. Johnston. He told me that he found no trace of your listed men or plane. From men of my former company, I have learned that I was the only one who landed on French soil. Lt. Johnston, Pvt. Crouch and Pvt. Goodgal landed in the water. I was taken prisoner of war shortly after landing.

My opinion as to the fate of the occupants and the plane is that it must have crashed in the water since Lt. Johnston, No. 1 man, landed in the water, myself, no. 2, landed on shore, the third and fourth man to leave the plane landed in the water. So for that reason I feel that the plane must have been traveling out to sea."

STATEMENT OF PVT. GOODGAL:

"I have no knowledge of any of the mentioned being wounded.

I thought I saw three other chutes while I was descending. They were the three persons in front of me, Lt Johnston, Pvt Christensen and Pvt Crouch. They all returned.

I landed in water about 50 ft from shore and gained land through my own efforts. Crouch landed a bit closer to shore and Christinson and Johnston landed atop the cliffs on land. I gained immediate contact with Crouch and never saw Johnston until after the campaign in Normandy. Christianson who was captured supposedly was by rumor recaptured.

I last saw my aircraft as I left the plane. It was difficult for me to state it's condition as I was so ~~****~~ scared I only was interested in getting out although I know that the plane was hit. I saw something burning at sea when I was on shore but I couldn't say it was my plane.

Due to the fact that everyone was removing equipment, the intense anti aircraft fire and the state of emotions of the men I believe that many of them, perhaps all were destroyed as the plane burnt and went down at sea."

STATEMENT OF PFC CROUCH:

"In answer to your letter concerning the Aircraft No. 42-100733 participating in a paratrooper drop mission over the Cherbourg Peninsula, I will do my best to furnish you with what information I have. None were wounded to my knowledge. I didn't see any other parachutes. I landed on the water close to shore. The water was chest high and I gained land through my own efforts. There I meet Leonard Goodall who had also jumped. We made our way along the coastal cliffs and joined up with the Rangers.

When I last saw my aircraft it was aflame and losing altitude. It was on fire when I jumped. The aircraft crashed on the sea. To the best of my knowledge they all drowned. I hope the information I have given you will be of help to you."

4. Two members of the crew and three of the passengers aboard the subject aircraft have been reported killed in action, and reference to their records and the records of the Memorial Division, OJAG, reveals the following burial information concerning them:

a. Report of Burial in the casualty file of 1st Lt William H. Zeuner, 0687415, pilot of the plane, reports the burial of his body in the U S Military Cemetery, St. Laurent Sur Mer #1, on 8 July 1944. The report states that identification was established from name on life jacket and initials in a wedding ring. The report does not state whether his body was recovered on land or washed ashore.

b. Report of Burial in the Casualty file of 2d Lt Harry W. Lumsden, Jr., 0748708, Co-Pilot, reports the burial of his body in the U S Military Cemetery, St. Laurent-Sur-Mer #1, on 25 June 1944. The report does not state whether the body was washed ashore or recovered on land.

c. Report of Burial in his casualty file reports the burial of the body of Pfc Alvin D. Poynter, 35460383, one of the paratroopers, in La Cambe Cemetery, on 21 September 1944. The report furnishes no details regarding recovery of body.

d. Report of Burial in the casualty file of Pfc Bryant L. Hinson, 14130253, a paratrooper, reports the burial of his body in the La Cambe Cemetery. The report states that his body was washed ashore at Omaha Beach, 16 October 1944.

e. Report of Burial in the casualty file of Pvt. George J. Karalunas, 36540126, a paratrooper, reports the burial of his body in La Cambe Cemetery. The report states that his body was washed ashore at Omaha Beach, 16 October 1944.

f. Two of the paratroopers bodies were washed ashore on Omaha Beach about four months after the incident and were identified as indicated in sub-paragraph d and e, above. The office of The Quartermaster General, Memorial Division, advises that there are approximately ten bodies which have been associated with these men because they were also washed ashore, inasmuch as there is insufficient identifying information to provide association by any other means.

5. The foregoing indicates that the subject aircraft, which was engaged on a paratrooper drop mission over the Cherbourg Peninsula from England, had overshot the jump field and was returning to give the paratroopers a more favorable jump position over France, near St. Pierre-du-Mont. Four of the paratroopers made a successful landing, and information gathered from them reveals that the plane encountered antiaircraft and machine gun fire and was heading toward the sea. One of the paratroopers, who was the last of the four to leave the ship reported that he saw only three other parachutes, and that he, the last to leave, landed in the sea about fifty feet from shore. Another survivor reported that when he last saw his plane it was aflame and

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heading out to sea, that the ship crashed in the water and that to the best of his knowledge all were drowned. While reports of Burial regarding five of the personnel of the plane, whose status is not under consideration herein, fail to relate circumstances regarding the recovery of three bodies, it is indicated on the burial reports of the other two that the bodies were washed ashore on Omaha Beach. The office of The Quartermaster General, Memorial Division advises that additional unidentified bodies were washed ashore in the same vicinity. However, the absence of identifying information precludes definite association of the bodies as members of the same crew. It appears that sufficient evidence is presented through the statement of the four survivors, that the burning plane crashed into the English Channel, and that the occupants were killed in the crash or were drowned. This appears to be further substantiated by the recovery of two bodies which were washed ashore at Omaha Beach.

6. It is recommended, therefore, that pursuant to the provisions of Section 9, Missing Persons Act, the foregoing information be accepted as an official report of death, and that a casualty report be initiated stating that the persons named in paragraph 1a and b were killed in action, in the flying and jump pay status shown, when their burning plane crashed in the English Channel on 6 June 1944. The systemat will be processed in accordance with Paragraph 2b, Operations Bulletin 35, 1945. The casualty report and official report of death will include the following statement:

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 it effect on prior payments and settlements is as provided in Section 9.

Station and place of death: European Theater

Rolfe A. Sauls
ROLFE A. SAULS
Investigator

CONCURRED:

O. Paulsen
O. PAULSEN
Captain, AGD
OIC, Determination Unit.

APPROVED: Recommended action will be taken

BY ORDER OF THE SECRETARY OF THE ARMY:

Sylvio L. Bousquin
SYLVIO L. BOUSQUIN
Lt. Colonel, AGD
OIC, Casualty Section
Personnel Actions Branch, AGO

Copy for:
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293 file (OQMG) of each person named in par. 1a & 1b

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

—BATTLE CASUALTY REPORT

AD 201	NAME JAPHET JAMES H ASN 18119195	GRADE S SGT SON	DATE CAS REPORT RECEIVED 1948 DEC 14
NAME AND ADDRESS OF E. A.	MRS DORIS J JAPHET 2133 ALBANS HOUSTON TEXAS		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

GRADE	NAME	SERIAL NUMBER	ARM OR SERVICE	REPORTING THEATRE	STATUS	4-DIGIT NUMBER
S/SGT	JAPHET, JAMES H.	18119195	INF			
TYPE OF CASUALTY		PLACE OF CASUALTY	DATE OF CASUALTY			CASUALTY CODE
KILLED IN ACTION		IN ENGLISH CHANNEL	DAY 6	MONTH JUN	YEAR 45	

REMARKS:

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MEMO DET. UNIT. APPROVED BY OIC. CAS. SEC. PAB. KILLED WHEN BURNING PLANE CRASHED. FOD ISSUED PREV. UNDER SEC. 5, PUBLIC LAW 490, 7 MAR. 45, AS AMENDED, SHOWING PRESUMED DATE DEATH 7 JUN 45. RPT DEATH BASED ON INFO REC'D SINCE THAT DATE, IS ISSUED IN ACCORD. WITH SEC. 9 OF SAID ACT, AND ITS EFFECT ON PRIOR PAYMENTS AND SETTLEMENTS IS AS PROVIDED IN SEC. 9. STA. AND PL-OF DEATH ETO. CLEAR.

Reports of death issued 30 Dec 48 and.

HOME ADDRESS: HOUSTON, HARRIS, TEXAS

PROCESS IN ACCORD. WITH PAR. 2B, OPER. BUL. 35, 1945.

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**IDENTIFICATION SECTION
MEMORIAL DIVISION**

IDENTIFICATION DATA

LAST NAME - FIRST NAME - MIDDLE INITIAL <i>Tapscott, James C.</i>	ARMY SERIAL NUMBER <i>10000000</i>	GRADE <i>1st Lt</i>
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HEIGHT <i>5' 11"</i>	WEIGHT <i>150</i>	COLOR EYES <i>Blue</i>	COLOR HAIR <i>Dark</i>	SHOE SIZE <i>10 1/2</i>	DATE OF DEATH <i>7 Feb 1945</i>
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LAST ORGANIZATION TO WHICH ATTACHED OR ASSIGNED (Give complete designation):
1st Infantry Division, 2nd Cavalry Regiment, 7th Infantry, 1st Cavalry Group, 1st Cavalry Division, 1st Cavalry Division (Airmobile)

PLACE OF DEATH OR PLACE LAST SEEN IF MIA:
1st Cavalry Division, 1st Cavalry Division (Airmobile), 1st Cavalry Division (Airmobile), 1st Cavalry Division (Airmobile)

LIST ALL CAMPS IN WHICH STATIONED IN U.S. PRIOR TO SERVICE OVERSEAS, WITH INCLUSIVE DATES AT EACH.

STATION	DATES
<i>Fort Benning, Georgia 1st Cavalry Division 1st Cavalry Division (Airmobile) 1st Cavalry Division (Airmobile) 1st Cavalry Division (Airmobile)</i>	<i>1944 - 1945</i>

FRACTURES AND/OR BREAKS	TATTOOS AND/OR BIRTH MARKS
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NAME (Last, First, Middle Initial)

213

GRADE

3/245

PRESENT SERIAL NUMBER

18113105

ORGANIZATION

Infantry 1st Airborne Div

RACE

White

CREED

FORMER SERIAL NUMBER (if applicable)

DATE OF DEATH/MIA

March 1944

CAUSE OF DEATH

F. U.

PLACE OF DEATH OR PLACE LAST SEEN IF MIA

Germany (coordinates)

DATE OF FOD

March 1945

HEIGHT

5'11"

WEIGHT

160

COLOR EYES

Blue

COLOR HAIR

Brown

SHOE SIZE

10 1/2

DENTAL CHART

UPPER RIGHT

X 7 6 5 4 3 2 1

UPPER LEFT

1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8

LOWER RIGHT

X 15 14 13 12 11 10 9

LOWER LEFT

9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16

X = Extracted

O = Carious

1 = Carious Non-Restorable

FRACTURES AND/OR BREAKS

None

TATTOOS AND/OR BIRTHMARK

None

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

FILE

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E. J. Sullivan, 1st Lt., QMG
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MEMO ROUTING SLIP

TO THE FOLLOWING IN ORDER INDICATED:

	NAME OR TITLE	ORGANIZATION	BUILDING AND ROOM	INITIALS
1	EFFECTS QUARTERMASTER	ARMY EFFECTS BUREAU		DATE
2	KANSAS CITY 1, MISSOURI			
3				

For necessary action.

PIERCE

Orig. fwd. to K.C. by this office, MBR

2 Incl.

1 Ltr. dtd. 13 April 1945

1 Ltr. dtd. 14 May 1945

FROM:	NAME	ORGANIZATION	BUILDING AND ROOM	DATE
MEMORIAL DIVISION, PLANNING & REGISTRATION BRANCH, TEMPO "C" WASHINGTON 25, D. C.				14 May 1945
				TELEPHONE



ARMY SERVICE FORCES
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON 25, D. C.

IN REPLY REFER TO SPQYG 293

Japhet, James H.
S. H. 119 195

14 May 1945

Mr. and Mrs. D. J. Japhet
2133 Alband Road
Houston 5, Texas

Dear Mr. and Mrs. D. J. Japhet:

Reference is made to your inquiry regarding the personal effects of **Staff Sergeant James H. Japhet**.

A copy of your letter has been forwarded to the Effects Quartermaster, Army Effects Bureau, Kansas City Quartermaster Depot, 601 Hardesty Avenue, Kansas City 1, Missouri, for reply to you. That office has jurisdiction over the disposal of the personal effects of our military personnel who are missing in action outside the United States. However, considerable time is often necessary to process these personal belongings back to this country due to the lack of shipping space and the great amount of work involved.

Please accept my sincere sympathy in this period of anxiety.

FOR THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL:

Sincerely yours,

C. C. PIERCE
Captain, QMC
Assistant

MEMORIAL DIVISION

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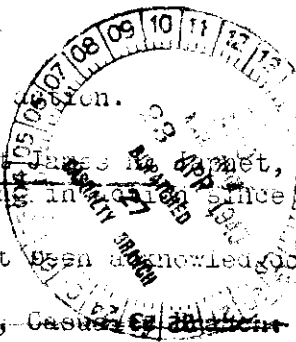
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TO THE FOLLOWING IN ORDER INDICATED: *W.D./CP*

	NAME OR TITLE	ORGANIZATION	BUILDING AND ROOM	INITIALS
1	Dir., Memorial Division	OWMG,	Temp C. Building, Washington, D. C.	DATE <i>J</i>
2				
3				



1. For necessary *223* action.
2. Staff Sergeant *223* James M. Bennett, 18, 119, 195 has been reported missing in action since June 1944.
3. Letter has not been acknowledged.
for the Chief, Casualty Branch

1 Incl.

Ltr dtd 16 Apr 45

Rem

BGT

NAME	ORGANIZATION	BUILDING AND ROOM	DATE
FROM: <i>W.D.</i> Cas. Br. Family Relations Sub-section			19 Apr 45
	Composite, Section #3, Room 3027		TELEPHONE
	Porter, Munitions building		7770

F. K. ...

PC

Adj Genllio
Washington D.C.

13 April 1945

Dear Sir:

we have never received any
of James Hull Japhet, (1811-195 -
506th Parachute Inf Co I APO 472)
Personal effects from England.
Will you please look into this
matter for us?

Thanking you

Yours truly

Mr + Mrs D J Japhet
2133 Alband Rd
Houston 15 Texas.

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HEADQUARTERS
EUROPEAN THEATER OF OPERATIONS
UNITED STATES ARMY

JWP/eg

APO 871
31 August, 1944

AG 319.1

SUBJECT: Supplemental information

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

The attached statements are forwarded to your headquarters as supplemental information to the Missing Air Crew Report concerning aircraft number 42-100733; which was forwarded to your headquarters by letter this headquarters, AG 360.33, Subject "Missing Air Crew Report", dated 20 Aug 44.

For the Theater Commander.

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

3 Incls:

Statements by;

1st Lt. Floyd R. Johnston, O-1030681

Pvt. Leonard S. Goodgal, 13103555

Pfc. Raymond L. Crouch, 33521736.

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HEADQUARTERS
CO. "I" 506th. PRCHT. INF.
U.S. ARMY

AP0 472
25 August 1944

SUBJECT: STATEMENT OF 1st Lt. FLOYD R. JOHNSTON O-1030681.

TO: WHOM IT MAY CONCERN

"I was in plane number 42-100733 which is reported to be missing. I was jumpmaster. We encountered very heavy anti-aircraft fire and the plane seemed to be hit. We were over the entire penninsula before we got the green light. Looking out, I could see nothing but water, so I told the pilot to go back and jump us on France. He turned the plane around and we hit the coast of France near St. Pierre-du-Mont. I jumped thru the door amid fire from 20 MM shells and machine guns and after landing I couldn't see the plane. However, I am positive that the plane had been hit several times."

FLOYD R. JOHNSTON O-1030681
1st. Lt.
506th. Parachute Inf.

SUBJECT: STATEMENT OF LEONARD S. GOODGAL, PVT., ASN 13103555.

TO: WHOM IT MAY CONCERN

"I was in plane number 42-100733 in the early morning of 6 June 1944. The pilot made a pass over the jump field but we never got the green light until we were over the ocean. Lt. Johnson told the pilot to go back and try again. We hit the coast of France near St. Pierre-du-Mont, flying East, South-East. I was number two man in the stick and I jumped and landed near the ocean. The last I saw of the plane, it was heading out to sea and it looked as if balls of fire were shooting out of the plane. I came under enemy fire at this time and I lost sight of the plane. On both passes over France we were under very intense fire from enemy heavy machine guns and twenty millimeter anti-aircraft guns.

LEONARD S. GOODGAL
PRIVATE
ASN 13103555

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SUBJECT: STATEMENT OF PFC. RAYMOND L. CROUCH, ASN 33521736

TO: WHOM IT MAY CONCERN

1. The following is a signed statement of Pfc. Raymond L. Crouch, ASN 33521736, who was in plane number 42-100733 which is missing.

"AFTER MAKING ONE PASS OVER THE JUMP FIELD AND FRANCE, OUR JUMPMASTER LT. JOHNSON, TOLD THE PILOT TO TURN AROUND AND GO BACK AND TRY AGAIN. WE HIT THE COAST OF FRANCE NEAR ST. PIERRE DU MONT. THE ANTI-AIRCRAFT FIRE WAS VERY HEAVY AND THE PLANE SEEMED TO BE GOING DOWN WHEN I JUMPED. I LANDED AT point (60.5-93.9) on Cherbourg-Valeignes MAP, SHEET 6E. THE PLANE SEEMED TO BE HIT WHEN I LAST SAW IT.

RAYMOND L. CROUCH
PRIVATE FIRST CLASS
ASN 33521736

SUBJECT: Missing Air Crew Report.

20 Aug 44

TO: CG, AAF, Wash., D.C.

2. Records of this headquarters indicate the present status of the crew members of aircraft number 42-100733 to be missing in action, 6 June 1944.

3. Records of this headquarters indicate the present status of all passengers who were aboard subject aircraft to be missing in action with the exception of the three men listed below, who are present for duty with the 506th Parachute Infantry.

2nd Lt.	Floyd R. Johnston,	0-1030681
Pvt.	Raymond L. Crouch,	33521736
Pvt.	Leonard S. Goodgal.	13103555

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[Signature]
FRANKLIN M. MUENCH
Captain, Air Corps

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Missing Air Crew Report
Number 7157, date, 6-6-44

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CREW LIST

Classified and Controlled By
Major A. L. ... Lt. Col., G.M.C.

Pilot	Zeuner, William H.	2d Lt.	0-687415
Co-Pilot	Lumsdem, Harry N., Jr.	2d Lt.	0-748708
Crew Chief	Margotto, Albert T.	S/Sgt.	17107478
Radio Operator	Bellinghausen, William F.	Cpl.	39559382
Passengers fr the 3d Bn, 506th Parachute Inf.	Johnston, Floyd R.	2d Lt.	0-1030681 ✓
	Weatherby, Newton P.	Pfc.	13103168
	Bryan, Keith K.	Pvt.	17068435
	Manlove, Beverly J.	Sgt.	17099551
	Christensen, Niels M.	Pfc.	39690567
	Fernandez, George V.	Pvt.	20228814
	Crouch, Raymond L.	Pvt.	33521736 ✓
	Goodgal, Leonard S.	Pvt.	13103555
	Kinzey, Robert C.	Pvt.	35754486
	Hinson, Bryant L.	Pfc.	14130253
	Burg, Harry L., Jr.	Pfc.	15117552
	Mezo, Roy	Pvt.	16074597
	Poynter, Alvin D.	Pfc.	35460383
	Smith, Christopher C.	Pfc.	12138478
	Hawkins, Jesse M.	Pvt.	34631599
	Karalunas, George J.	Pvt.	36540126
	Turkovich, Victor A.	Sgt.	12131780
	Japhet, James H.	S/Sgt.	18119195
	Finder, Dewin	Pvt.	6932428

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

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FINDING OF DEATH OF MISSING PERSON

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BY ORDER OF THE SECRETARY OF WAR

George F. Herbert
ADJUTANT GENERAL
CHIEF, CASUALTY BRANCH

SUMMARY OF INFORMATION

AREA European	FLYING STATUS No	JUMP STATUS Yes	LINE OF DUTY Yes	OWN BRS-CONDUCT No	ON DUTY STATUS Yes	ABSENCE MONTHS
PREVIOUS REVIEWS None						
DATE OF BIRTH 17 May 1922	HOME ADDRESS Houston, Texas	DATE OF ENTRY ON CURRENT ACTIVE SERVICE 22 Sept 1942	LENGTH OF SERVICE (AS OF PRESUMED DATE OF DEATH)			
			YEARS 2	MONTHS 8	DAYS 16	

EMERGENCY ADDRESSEE

NAME Mrs. D. J. Japhet	RELATIONSHIP Mother	ADDRESS 2133 Albans Houston, Texas
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REMARKS

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-BATTLE CASUALTY REPORT

NAME		SERIAL NUMBER		GRADE	OR SERVICE	REPORTING THEATRE
JAPHET JAMES H		18119195		S SG	INF	ETO
PLACE OF CASUALTY		DATE OF CASUALTY		FLYING OR JUMPING STAT	TYPE OF CASUALTY	SHIPMENT NUMBER
FRANCE		DAY	MONTH	YEAR		
		06	JUN	44	J	MIA
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NAME AND ADDRESS OF EMERGENCY ADDRESSEE

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MR.-MRS.-MISS—FIRST NAME—MIDDLE INITIAL—LAST NAME	RELATIONSHIP	DATE
MRS JAMES H JAPHET	MOTHER	25 JUL 44
NO. AND NAME OF STREET—CITY—STATE		
2133 ALBANS HOUSTON TEXAS		

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ARMY SERVICE FORCES
ARMY EFFECTS BUREAU

ORDER FOR SHIPMENT

SHIP TO:

Mr. D. J. Japhet

2133 Alband Road

Houston 5, Texas

Effects of:
None

S/Sgt. James H. Japhet

ASN 18119195

Case No. 199751 D

Wt.

DATE 1 Oct 1945

Wallace
FOR: Effects Quartermaster

REMARKS:

____ Inclose Bureau Check
 Acct. No. _____
 Amount _____
____ Inclose "Valuables" item
____ Ship "Valuables" item(s)

____ Remove G.I.
____ Note discrepancy in _____
____ Films removed
____ Diary removed
____ Laundry removed

ROUTING:

____ Accounting Branch
1 ~~____~~ Warehouse Division
2 ~~____~~ Files Branch, Adm. Div.

OCT 5 1945

REMARKS:

____ Franked _____
____ Est. Exp. Chgs. _____
____ Est. Int. Chgs. _____
____ No. of packages 1

Shipping Clerk

(3 Copies to Effects Q.M. ETCUSA, 1 copy in box with effects, 1 copy retained)

3 Aug 1944
Date

506 Pch. Inf. A.P.O. 472
(Organization and A.P.O. NUMBER)

1. Transmittal of Inventory of Personal Effects.

2. Effects Quartermaster, ETCUSA, Depot G-14, APO 507
U.S. AIR

Transmitted herewith in accordance with Adm. Cir. #30, dated 25 Oct. 1943, Hq. SCS ETCUSA, is Inventory of effects concerning subject named below.

Japhet, James H. /sgt 18119195 871
(Last Name) (First Name) (M) (Rank) (A.S.N.) (Control No.)
(For use of Effects Q.M. ETCUSA.)

Organization: 506 P.I.
(UNIT - - - - Not Branch of Service)

Status (~~Deceased~~, Missing in Action, Prisoner of War) on the 6

Date: June 1944
Designated Beneficiary (With Address) Nettetta Japhet (mother)
2133 Albans, Houston, Texas

01. II Assets: Cash found in effects, less cost of money order inclosed herewith

U.S.M.O. # _____ Amt \$ None U.S.M.O. # _____ Amt \$ None

U.S.M.O. # _____ Amt \$ None U.S.M.O. # _____ Amt \$ None

U.S. Official Check # None Amt _____ Bank _____
(Name and Branch)

Bank Accounts None

Debtors None

Creditors None

Inclosed is None
(Will, Power of Attorney, War Bond, Travelers Checks. Describe (fully))

REMARKS (if any) None

C O P Y
KCQ:MD
ALB-wdt

EFFECTS QUARTERMASTER U.K.
DEPOT G-14
United States Army

HGL/jg

15th October, 1944.

SUBJECT: Transmittal of Inventories of Effects.

TO : The Effects Quartermaster, Kansas City QM Depot,
601 Hardesty Avenue, Kansas City, Missouri.

1. The attached Inventories have been on hand at this office for 30 days or more; the effects to which they refer have never been received by this office. It is believed the effects may have been erroneously forwarded direct to your office, to the beneficiary; or to the Effects Quartermaster in France. In view of the fact that we are unable to contact the Units to ascertain disposition of the effects, and that ultimately all effects will be received by your office, we are forwarding these forms for your records.

2. The method of handling Form 54's at this office is that all Form 54's are checked against effects on hand. Where effects have been received, such forms will be forwarded by letter of transmittal to your office giving information as to the disposition of the effects, and at the expiration of one month, if no effects are received, the forms will be transmitted to your office in accordance with paragraph 1.

R. J. MOULTON.
Lt. Col. QMC.
Effects Q M U.K.

Incls: Inventories and
List in duplicate.

Summary Court-Martial
ARMY SERVICE FORCES
KANSAS CITY QUARTERMASTER DEPOT
601 Hardesty Avenue
Kansas City 1, Missouri

RTB:EL:po

Case No. 199751

Date 1 Oct 1945

SUBJECT: Report of transaction in disposing of the effects of

James H. Japhet, 18119195 late a
(Name of deceased) (Army Serial Number)

Staff Sergeant, Inf. who died
(Grade) (Organization, Army or Service)

on the 7 day of Jun, 1945, at European Area

TO : 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., 223 Hq., KCCM Depot, dated 25 September 1943, for the purpose 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 and 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 sums owing 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 (less money paid creditors, if any) has been made by the Summary Court-Martial by transmittal through the Quartermaster Corps, at Government expense to person found entitled (See Summary Court-Martial FINDING below)

FINDING

Before a Summary Court-Martial which convened at Kansas City, Missouri, on 28 Sep 1945, pursuant to Special Orders 223, Headquarters

KCCM Depot, dated 25 September 1943, the application or affidavit of _____

Mrs. Henrietta Japhet, Doris Jackson Japhet for the effects of the above-named deceased 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, Doris Jackson Japhet of
(Name of person found entitled)

2155 Alband Road, Houston 5 State of
(Number, Street or Avenue) (City, Town or Village)

Texas, is the Father of the
(Relationship or Capacity)



ARMY SERVICE FORCES
KANSAS CITY QUARTERMASTER DEPOT

601 HARDESTY AVENUE
KANSAS CITY 1, MISSOURI

RTB:HL:po
October 1, 1945

199751

IN REPLY REFER TO _____

Mr. and Mrs. D. J. Japhet
2133 Alband Road
Houston 5, Texas

Dear Mr. and Mrs. Japhet:

The Army Effects Bureau has received from overseas some property of your son, Staff Sergeant James H. Japhet.

This property, consisting of a few small items, is being forwarded to you.

If, for some reason, it has not been received at the expiration of thirty days from this date, please notify me and tracer will be instituted.

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

Yours very truly,

P. L. KOOB
1st Lt., QMC
Officer-in-Charge
SJ Branch

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ARMY SERVICE FORCES
KANSAS CITY QUARTERMASTER DEPOT

401 HARDESTY AVENUE
KANSAS CITY 1, MISSOURI

IN REPLY REFER TO 199,751

CHG:MD:is
May 30, 1945

Mr. and Mrs. D. J. Japhet
2133 Alband Road
Houston 5, Texas

Dear Mr. and Mrs. Japhet:

Your inquiry directed to The Adjutant General has been referred to the Army Effects Bureau for reply in connection with the personal effects of your son, Staff Sergeant James H. Japhet.

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.

You may be assured that promptly upon receipt of any of his property, you will be notified.

Yours very truly,

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

HEADQUARTERS, ARMY SERVICE FORCES

MEMO ROUTING SLIP

TO THE FOLLOWING IN ORDER INDICATED:

	NAME OR TITLE	ORGANIZATION	BUILDING AND ROOM	INITIALS
				DATE
1	EFFECTS QUARTERMASTER ARMY EFFECTS BUREAU			
2	KANSAS CITY 1, MISSOURI			
3				

For necessary action.

IMMEDIATE ACTION

PIERCE

Incl.

1 Ltr. dtd. 13 April 1945

1 Ltr. dtd. 14 May 1945

FROM:	NAME	ORGANIZATION	BUILDING AND ROOM	DATE
	ml			14 May 1945
				TELEPHONE

MEMORIAL DIVISION, PLANNING & REGISTRATION
BRANCH, TEMPO "C" WASHINGTON 25, D. C.

13 April 1945

Adjutant General Ulio
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

We have never received any of James Hull Japhets,
18 119 195, 506th Parachute Infantry Co. I, APO 472,
New York, New York personal effects from England.

Will you please look into this matter for us?

Thanking you

Yours truly

Mr. and Mrs. D. J. Japhet
2133 Alband Road
Houston 5, Texas

File



ARMY SERVICE FORCES
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON 25, D. C.

IN REPLY REFER TO SPQYG 293

Japhet, James H.
S. N. 119 195

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14 May 1945

Mr. and Mrs. D. J. Japhet
2133 Alband Road
Houston 5, Texas

Dear Mr. and Mrs. D. J. Japhet:

Reference is made to your inquiry regarding the personal effects of **Staff Sergeant James H. Japhet.**

A copy of your letter has been forwarded to the Effects Quartermaster, Army Effects Bureau, Kansas City Quartermaster Depot, 601 Hardesty Avenue, Kansas City 1, Missouri, for reply to you. That office has jurisdiction over the disposal of the personal effects of our military personnel who are missing in action outside the United States. However, considerable time is often necessary to process these personal belongings back to this country due to the lack of shipping space and the great amount of work involved.

Please accept my sincere sympathy in this period of anxiety.

FOR THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL:

Sincerely yours,

C. C. PIERCE
Captain, QMC
Assistant

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