

## REQUEST FOR DISPOSITION OF REMAINS

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

DATE:

Tec. 5 Lewis E. Thompson, 37 018 430  
 Plot I, Row 1, Grave 7,  
 United States Military Cemetery  
 Naples, Italy

27 May 1948

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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, Mr. William E. Thompson

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

(PLEASE PRINT OR TYPE NAME OF NEXT OF KIN)

- ☐ 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

(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 \_\_\_\_\_

(LOCATION OF CEMETERY SELECTED) Snelling National Cemetery

- ☒ 4. BE RETURNED TO THE UNITED STATES FOR FINAL INTERMENT IN A NATIONAL CEMETERY LOCATED AT Fort. Snelling, Minnesota

(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.)

None

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

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
Thompson	Elva		Mother
NUMBER AND STREET	CITY OR TOWN	COUNTY OR PROVINCE	STATE OR TERRITORY OF U. S. A., OR COUNTRY
	Bemidji	Beltrami	U. S. A.

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.

William E. Thompson  
(SIGNATURE OF NEXT OF KIN)  
William E. Thompson  
(NAME PRINTED OR TYPED)  
Forest Lake, Minnesota  
(STREET AND NUMBER)  
Rural Free Delivery #2 Box 263  
(CITY AND STATE)

Subscribed and duly sworn to before me according to law by the above-named applicant this Third day of June, 1948, at city (or town) of Stillwater, county of Washington, and State (or Territory or District) of Minnesota.

RAYMOND J. NOLL, Notary Public, Washington County,  
My Commission Expires August 21, 1952.

Raymond J. Noll  
(SIGNATURE OF OFFICER AUTHORIZED TO ADMINISTER OATHS)  
Veterans County Service Officer  
(OFFICIAL TITLE)  
Stillwater, Minnesota

\*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)

(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)

(SIGNATURE)

(STREET AND NUMBER)

(NAME PRINTED OR TYPED)

(CITY AND STATE)



**ADDITIONAL REMARKS AND INSTRUCTIONS**

*All remarks and information entered here will be considered as part of the Notarial Attestation.*





1  
DISINTERMENT DIRECTIVESECTION A —  
NAME AND BURIAL LOCATION OF DECEASED

DIRECTIVE NUMBER

5258 01634

DATE

15 09 48

NAME

THOMPSON LEWIS E

SERIAL NUMBER

37018430

GRADE

TEC 5 1

ARM

1

DAY

1

MONTH

1

YEAR

CEMETERY

NAPLES ALLIED CEM ITALY

PLOT

I

ROW

1

GRAVE

7

DISPOSITION OF REMAINS

7421

08

CODE

DIST. CTR.

## SECTION B — CONSIGNEE AND NEXT OF KIN

NAME AND ADDRESS OF CONSIGNEE

FORT SNELLING NATIONAL CEMETERY  
FORT SNELLING, MINNESOTA

NAME AND ADDRESS OF NEXT OF KIN

MR. WILLIAM E. THOMPSON (FATHER)  
RURAL FREE DELIVERY #2, BOX 263  
FOREST LAKE, MINNESOTAGen. Delroy  
Owatonna, Minn.

## SECTION C — DISINTERMENT AND IDENTIFICATION

NAME

SERIAL NUMBER

GRADE

DATE OF DEATH

DATE DISTINTERRED

IDENTIFICATION TAG ON

ORGANIZATION

RELIGION

IDENTIFICATION VERIFIED BY

NAME AND TITLE

☐ REMAINS☐ MARKER

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## SECTION D — PREPARATION OF REMAINS FOR SHIPMENT

NATURE OF BURIAL

CONDITION OF REMAINS

OTHER MEANS OF IDENTIFICATION

MINOR DISCREPANCIES (Prepare Discrepancy Report QMC Form 1194a for major discrepancies.)

REMAINS PREPARED AND PLACED IN CASKET

DATE

BY

CASKET SEALED BY

EMBALMER (Signature)

CASKET BOXED AND MARKED

SHIPPING ADDRESS VERIFIED BY

DATE

BY

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 AGRS INSPECTOR

REMARKS AND SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS

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# RECORD OF CUSTODIAL TRANSFER

## 1. SHIPPED

FROM <b>NAPLES PORT MORGUE</b>		TO <b>USAT ERIC C. GIBSON</b>	
KIND OF CONVEYANCE <b>TRUCK</b>		NAME OF CONVOYER <b>WILLIAM H SPURLIN 1ST LT OMC</b>	
SIGNATURE OF SHIPPER <b>A. LEARD LT COL AF</b>	DATE <b>18 JAN 49</b>	SIGNATURE OF RECEIVER <i>[Signature]</i> <b>JOHN E. GLANDER, CHIEF OFFR.</b>	DATE <b>18 JAN 49</b>

## 2. SHIPPED

FROM		TO <i>Ny PE</i>	
KIND OF CONVEYANCE		NAME OF CONVOYER	
SIGNATURE OF SHIPPER	DATE	SIGNATURE OF RECEIVER <i>[Signature]</i> <b>W. W. PREISCH</b> <b>LIEUT. COLONEL, TC</b>	DATE <b>FEB 10 1949</b>

## 3. SHIPPED

FROM <i>Ny PE</i>		TO <i>SC-08</i>	
KIND OF CONVEYANCE <i>train</i>		NAME OF CONVOYER <i>[Signature]</i> <b>L. A. BOKSTADLER</b> <b>Chief, Operations Bt.</b>	
SIGNATURE OF SHIPPER <b>W. W. PREISCH</b> <b>LIEUT. COLONEL, TC</b> <b>PORT TRANSPORTATION OFFICER</b>	DATE	SIGNATURE OF RECEIVER <i>[Signature]</i> <b>R. J. J. J. J.</b>	DATE <b>2/14/49</b>

## 4. SHIPPED

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

## 5. SHIPPED

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

## 6. SHIPPED

FROM <b>PORT SNEETING NATIONAL CEMETERY</b>		TO <b>MR. WILLIAM E. THOMPSON (FATHER)</b>	
KIND OF CONVEYANCE		NAME OF CONVOYER	
SIGNATURE OF SHIPPER	DATE	SIGNATURE OF RECEIVER	DATE

## 7. SHIPPED

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



# DISINTERMENT DIRECTIVE

## SECTION A — NAME AND BURIAL LOCATION OF DECEASED

DIRECTIVE NUMBER

DATE

DAY MONTH YEAR

NAME

SERIAL NUMBER

RANK

ARM

DATE OF DEATH

DAY MONTH YEAR

CEMETERY

DISPOSITION OF REMAINS

CODE DIST. PT.

CAUSE OF DEATH

PLOT ROW GRAVE COUNTRY

I 1 7 NAPLES ALLIED CEM ITALY

## SECTION B — CONSIGNEE AND NEXT OF KIN

NAME AND ADDRESS OF CONSIGNEE

NAME AND ADDRESS OF NEXT OF KIN

## SECTION C — DISINTERMENT AND IDENTIFICATION

NAME

SERIAL NUMBER

RANK

DATE OF DEATH

DATE DISTINTERRED

THOMPSON LEWIS E

37018430

TEC 5

4 Aug 48

IDENTIFICATION TAG ON

ORGANIZATION

RELIGION

IDENTIFICATION VERIFIED BY

☐ REMAINS  
☐ MARKER

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M G BORRES 2 LT QMC

NAME AND TITLE

## SECTION D — PREPARATION OF REMAINS FOR SHIPMENT

NATURE OF BURIAL

CONDITION OF REMAINS

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OTHER MEANS OF IDENTIFICATION

NONE

MINOR DISCREPANCIES

NONE

REMAINS PREPARED AND PLACED IN CASKET

DATE 9 Aug 48

BY

A.P. GRACE (EMBALMER)

CASKET SEALED BY

A.P. GRACE (EMBALMER)

EMBALMER (Signature)

CASKET BOXED AND MARKED

SHIPPING ADDRESS VERIFIED BY

DATE 9 Aug 48 BY PALMIERI (RECORDER)

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

W.R. KING 1st Lt. QMC

SIGNATURE OF GRS INSPECTOR

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



# RECORD OF CUSTODIAL TRANSFER

## 1. SHIPPED

FROM USMC NAPLES ITALY		TO NAPLES PORT MORGUE	
KIND OF CONVEYANCE TRUCK		NAME OF CONVOYER B K TRAYNOR WQJG	
SIGNATURE OF SHIPPER P 6 CRAIG CAPT QMC	DATE 5 Aug. 48	SIGNATURE OF RECEIVER Frank A. Wilson	DATE 5 Aug 48

## 2. SHIPPED

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

## 3. SHIPPED

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

## 4. SHIPPED

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

## 5. SHIPPED

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

## 6. SHIPPED

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

## 7. SHIPPED

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



WESTERN  
UNION

## RECEIPT OF REMAINS

DELIVER AND REPORT  
ANY CHARGESAGR DIV., CHICAGO QM DEPOT  
DISTRIBUTION CENTER 1819 W. PERSHING BL., CHICAGO 9, ILL. ROUTINE

DAY LETTER

REMAINS CONSIGNED TO:

SUPERINTENDENT  
FORT SNELLING NATIONAL CEMETERY  
FORT SNELLING, MINNESOTA

REMAINS OF THE LATE (TEC. 5 LEWIS E. THOMPSON SN 37018430

BEING SHIPPED TO YOU ACCOMPANIED BY MILITARY ESCORT. ON TRAIN NUMBER 21

CB&amp;Q RR

DUE TO ARRIVE MINNEAPOLIS, MINN. 3:30 PM 22 APRIL 1949

REFER TO CONTROL NUMBER NC-18625

THOS. O. CALL  
MAJOR, QMCNAT  
FILE  
RECORDS ANNOTATED  
DATE 14 June 49  
NAME [Signature]  
R & R RR.

I, the undersigned, do hereby acknowledge receipt of the remains of the above-named deceased  
 this 23 day of APRIL, 19 49  
 (Day) (Month)

[Signature]  
 (Witness (Escort))

[Signature]  
 (Consignee)

REPATRIATION  
RECORDS BRANCH

MAY 26 2 27 PM '49

MEMORIAL DIVISION



CASE NO.		INSPECTION CHECK LIST				SPACE NO. <span style="font-size: 2em;">753</span>
NAME OF DECEASED (Last, First, Middle, Initial)		BRANCH OF SERVICE	RACE	RELIGION	SEX	DATE
RANK OR GRADE		SERIAL NUMBER	CONSIGNEE			
TEC 5		37018430	FORT SNELLING NATIONAL CEMETERY FORT SNELLING, MINNESOTA			
MR. WILLIAM E. THOMPSON (P) RURAL FREE DELIVERY #2, BOX 283 FOREST LAKE, MINNESOTA		SHIPPING CASE—GENERAL APPEARANCE (Check ONLY Discrepancies)				
		CONDITION OF SHIPPING CASE (Check One) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> SATISFACTORY <input type="checkbox"/> UNSATISFACTORY				
FINISH (Exterior)		REMARKS  <div style="font-size: 1.5em; font-family: cursive;">2 Handles off OK SH.</div>				
FINISH (Interior)						
HANDLES						
HANDLE BOLTS						
STENCILING—NAME PLATE						
HEALTH PERMIT MARKER						
HEALTH PERMIT NUMBER						
CASKET—GENERAL APPEARANCE (Check ONLY Discrepancies)		CONDITION OF CASKET (Check One)				
		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> SATISFACTORY <input type="checkbox"/> UNSATISFACTORY				
FINISH (Exterior)		REMARKS				
HANDLES AND FASTENINGS						
STENCILING—NAME PLATE						
CAM LOCKS (Sealing)						
ODOR OR MOISTURE						
ROUTED THROUGH						
<input type="checkbox"/> MORTUARY OPERATING ROOM		<input type="checkbox"/> REPAIR SHOP				
CONDITION OF REMAINS		CASKET REPAIRED				
<input type="checkbox"/> SATISFACTORY <input type="checkbox"/> UNSATISFACTORY		<input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO				
NECESSARY DISINFECTION (Explain)		CASKET EXCHANGED				
		<input type="checkbox"/> YES <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NO				
		SHIPPING CASE REPAIRED				
		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO				
		SHIPPING CASE EXCHANGED				
		<input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO				
		REMARKS				
TIME	DATE	SIGNATURE OF MORTICIAN	TIME	DATE	SIGNATURE OF INSPECTOR	
				7/11/4	D. L. L. L. L.	
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MINNEAPOLIS MINN AR 25 1949 943A

CHICAGO QUARTERMASTER DEPOT

ATTN AMERICAN GRAVES REG SERV

FUNERAL SERVICES FOR T/5 LEWIS E THOMPSON NC18625 SCHEDULED  
FOR 1000 CST APRIL 23 REQUEST DELIVERY BEFORE 0700 CST ON  
THAT DATE AND ADVISE OF EXPECTED TIME AND MEANS OF ARRIVAL  
JOHN A BOENDER SUPERINTENDENT

948A.

T/5 NC18625 1000 CST 23 0700 CST.

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<b>MESSAGEFORM</b>		MESSAGE CENTER NO.	TRANSMITTING MEANS	CRYPTOGRAPH OR CLEAR TEXT	
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FROM: (Originator) **AGR, CHICAGO QM DEPOT, 1819 W. PERSHING RD., CHICAGO 9, ILL.**

SECURITY CLASSIFICATION

ACTION TO:

- SUPERINTENDENT**
- FORT SNELLING NATIONAL CEMETERY**
- ROUTE 3**
- MINNEAPOLIS 9, MINNESOTA**

INFORMATION TO:

PRECEDENCE FOR	
ACTION	INFORMATION
<input type="checkbox"/> ORIGINAL MESSAGE	
REFERS TO ANOTHER MESSAGE	
IDENTIFICATION	CLASSIFICATION

**REMAINS OF THE FOLLOWING DECEASED ARE READY FOR DELIVERY TO YOUR NATIONAL CEMETERY.**

<u>NAME</u>	<u>RANK</u>	<u>CONTROL NO.</u>
O'BRIEN, WILLIAM J.	PVT.	NC-20268
NEY, ROBERT E.	PFC.	NC-24822
STENVIK, ODD M.	PFC.	NC-10848
AUSTIN, ROBERT J.	SGT.	NC-18164
AUNE, GEORGE L.	PFC.	NC-18147
MILLER, PHIL A.	T/SGT.	NC-18168
BERGMAN, ROBERT	T/SGT.	NC-17740
THOMPSON, LEWIS E.	TEC. 5	<b>NC-18825</b>
AXTELL, DONALD L.	PVT.	NC-19178
WITHEY, THOMAS HOWARD	PFC.	NC-22754
BARRETT, HARRY L.	PFC.	NC-22922
EDWARDSON, IRVIN C.	PFC.	NC-23146
KELCHNER, EVAN ROBERT	OPL.	NC-23358
MATTISON, ROBERT WARREN	SK3	NC-23476
SHOUT, MICHAEL HARRY	PFC.	NC-23696

REQUEST YOU ADVISE DESIRED DATE AND HOUR OF DELIVERY IN REPLY REFER TO CONTROL NUMBERS GIVEN ABOVE AND NAMES OF DECEASED. ADDRESS OF NEXT OF KIN FOR PFC. THOMAS HOWARD WITHEY IS NOW ROOM 1406 FOSHAY TOWER, MINNEAPOLIS, MINN. ADDRESS FOR NEXT OF KIN OF T/SGT. LEWIS E. THOMPSON IS NOW GENERAL DELIVERY, OWATONNA, MINN.: ADDRESS OF NEXT OF KIN FOR T/SGT. PHIL A. MILLER IS NOW 905 FOSTER STREET: ADDRESS OF NEXT OF KIN FOR PVT. WILLIAM J. O'BRIEN IS NOW 434 LAFOND AVE. APT. 2.

**THOS O. CALL**  
**MAJOR, QMC**

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ORIGINATING AGENCY		SIGNATURE	
SYMBOL	DATE-TIME GROUP	OFFICIAL TITLE	PAGE OF
<b>DJH</b>	<b>23 MAR 1949</b>	<b>C.M. ODENWALDER</b> <b>CAPT., QMC</b>	





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EDGEWOOD IOWA MAR 18 1949 455P

THOS O CALL MAJOR QMC

*change address  
NOK*

IN REGARDS TO THE REMAINS OF THE LAE TEC 5 LEWIS E  
THOMPSON CONROL //CONTROL NUMBER NC 18625 I WISH REMAINS  
INTERRED IN FORT SNELLING NATIONAL CEMETERY RTE 3  
MINNEAPOLIS MINN. MY FUTURE ADDRESS WILL BE GENERAL DELIVERY  
OWATONNA MINN

MAR 21 8 11 AM '49

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WILLIAM E THOMPSON.

848P.

5 18625 3.



WILLIAM E. THOMPSON

RECEIVED 10:15 MAR 19 1949

THOMAS D. CALLAHAN

IN REGARDS TO THE REMAINS OF THE LATE TAC 3 LEWIS E

THOMPSON FORMERLY CONTROL BUREAU AT TROOP 1 WITH REMAINS

INTERRED IN FORT SHELTON NATIONAL CEMETERY WTC 3

IN MEMPHIS TENN. MY FUTURE ADDRESS WILL BE GENERAL DELIVERY

MEMPHIS TENN

WILLIAM E. THOMPSON



11 MAR 21 1949

# MESSAGEFORM

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**DAY LETTER**

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SPACE ABOVE FOR SIGNAL CENTER ONLY

FROM: (Originator) **AGR, CHICAGO QM DEPOT, 1819 W. PERSHING RD., CHICAGO 9, ILL.**

SECURITY CLASSIFICATION

ACTION TO:

- . **MR. WILLIAM E. THOMPSON**
- . **GENERAL DELIVERY**
- . **EDGEWOOD, IOWA**

PRECEDENCE FOR

ACTION

INFORMATION

☐ ORIGINAL MESSAGE

REFERS TO ANOTHER MESSAGE

IDENTIFICATION

CLASSIFICATION

INFORMATION TO:

**ACKNOWLEDGEMENT IS MADE OF YOUR TELEGRAM DATED 11 MARCH 1949 IN YOUR REPLY YOU FAILED TO CONFIRM ORIGINAL INSTRUCTIONS OR SUBMIT NEW DELIVERY INSTRUCTIONS. OUR RECORDS INDICATE YOU WISH REMAINS INTERRED IN FORT SNELLING NATIONAL CEMETERY, RT. 3 MINNEAPOLIS, MINNESOTA. IMMEDIATE ANSWER BY TELEGRAM COLLECT WILL BE APPRECIATED. REFER TO NAME OF DECEASED AND CONTROL NUMBER NC-18625.**

**THOS. O. CALL  
MAJOR, QMC**

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SYMBOL

DATE-TIME GROUP

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**G. M. ODENWALDER  
CAPT., QMC**

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OWATONNA MINN MAR 11 1949 919A

HDQT CHICAGO QUARTERMASTER DEIOT

OFFICE OF THE COMMANDING OFFICER

MY CORRECT ADDRESS IS WILLIAM E. THOMPSON 137 1/2 WEST  
BRIDGE STREET, OWATONNA, MINN FATHER OF LEWIS E. THOMPSON

T.5 SERIAL 37018430

WILLIAM E THOMPSON

1003A

137 1/2 T.5 37018430

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OFFER

*Request confirmation  
or change*

137 1/2 T. 5 37018430

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WILLIAM E THOMPSON

T. 5 SERIAL 37018430

BRIDGE STREET, OWATONNA, MINN FATHER OF LEWIS E. THOMPSON  
MY CORRECT ADDRESS IS WILLIAM E. THOMPSON 137 1/2 WEST

OFFICE OF THE COMMANDING OFFICER  
HQT CHICAGO QUARTERMASTER DETT

OWATONNA MINN MAR 11 1949 215A

WM 4058 PD





REGISTERED MAIL

HEADQUARTERS  
CHICAGO QUARTERMASTER DEPOT  
OFFICE OF THE COMMANDING OFFICER  
1819 WEST PERSHING ROAD  
CHICAGO 9, ILLINOIS

CHO/bm  
4 March 1949

IN REPLY REFER TO:

Q1001-1K 296

Thompson, Lewis E.  
Tec/5, 37018430

Mr. William E. Thompson  
General Delivery  
Edgewood, Iowa

Inclosed is a copy of telegram sent to you regarding the final burial  
of the late

Tec/5	Lewis E. Thompson	#37018430	NC-18628
Grade	Name	Serial No.	Control No.

A reply has not been received to date. It is respectfully requested  
that you reply by telegram collect, including your correct address, name  
of deceased, and control number.

Your attention to this matter will be appreciated.

Sincerely yours,

G.M. ODENWALDER  
Captain, QMC  
Administrative Officer  
AFR Division

FILE

REGISTERED MAIL

EPQ16 SVC WU SUPVR

CITE WUA122 SVC PQ SGD FORESTLAKE MINN JAN 29 1949 1054// 1053A

RE OUR GOVT DL 28TH WILLIAM E THOMAPSON SIGNED R D BLANKENHORN

LT COL QMC AGR DIVN PLS CANCEL AND FILE WILL RESEND FROM HERE

THANKS FOR INFO

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*Match up & let  
me see  
gaa*

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#37018430

AGR DIV., CHICAGO QUARTERMASTER DEPOT  
1819 W. PERSHING RD., CHICAGO 9, ILL.

WESTERN UNION  
DAY LETTER

DELIVER AND REPORT ANY CHARGES

MR. WILLIAM E. THOMPSON  
RURAL FREE DELIVERY #2, BOX 263  
FOREST LAKE, MINNESOTA

RECEIVED  
JAN 28 10 20 AM '49

WE HAVE BEEN ADVISED THAT REMAINS OF THE LATE **TEC 5 LEWIS E. THOMPSON**

ARE ENROUTE TO THE UNITED STATES

OUR RECORDS INDICATE YOU WISH REMAINS INTERRED IN **FORT SNELLING NATIONAL  
CEMETERY, FORT SNELLING, MINNESOTA**

PLEASE CONFIRM YOUR ORIGINAL INSTRUCTIONS OR SUBMIT NEW DELIVERY INSTRUCTIONS WITHIN 48 HOURS BY TELEGRAM COLLECT TO CHICAGO QUARTERMASTER DEPOT AGRD 1819 WEST PERSHING ROAD CHICAGO ILLINOIS, INCLUDING FULL NAME OF DECEASED AND YOUR CORRECT ADDRESS. YOUR REQUEST FOR CHANGE IN DELIVERY INSTRUCTIONS AFTER 48 HOURS HAVE ELAPSED CANNOT BE COMPLIED WITH AT GOVERNMENT EXPENSE. FINAL INTERMENT WILL BE MADE AS SOON AS PRACTICABLE AFTER RECEIVED HOWEVER MANY FACTORS BEYOND OUR CONTROL MAY DELAY DELIVERY OF REMAINS TO NATIONAL CEMETERY FOR SEVERAL WEEKS. NATIONAL CEMETERY SUPERINTENDENT WILL NOTIFY YOU BY TELEGRAM OF DATE AND HOUR FUNERAL SERVICES WILL BE HELD IN SUFFICIENT TIME TO PERMIT YOUR ATTENDANCE AT YOUR OWN EXPENSE. APPROPRIATE JOINT MILITARY AND RELIGIOUS SERVICES WILL BE PROVIDED AT GRAVESIDE BY VETERANS ORGANIZATIONS OR MILITARY OR NAVAL PERSONNEL. REMAINS WILL BE ACCOMPANIED BY MILITARY ESCORT. INTERMENT EXPENSE ALLOWANCE OF \$75.00 IS NOT AUTHORIZED IN ANY CASE WHERE BURIAL IS MADE IN A NATIONAL CEMETERY. IN REPLY REFER TO CONTROL NO. **NC-18625**

R. D. BLANKENHORN  
Lt. Col., QMC  
Chief, AGR Div.

FILE

THOMAS O. CALL  
Major, QMC  
Adm. Br., A. G. R. D.

JAN 28 1949





ced  
Date 23 April 1949

TO: Mr. William E. Thompson  
Owatonna, Minnesota.

The authorized inscription for a Government headstone of the general type (furnished for all decedents except those who served only during the Civil and Spanish-American Wars) includes: (1) The State from which the veteran came; (2) religious emblem in a small circle above the inscription on the face of the headstone; and (3) the dates of birth and death.

In order that the appropriate information, as desired by the next of kin, may be shown on the headstone for the decedent whose name is listed below, it is requested that you fill in the proper spaces indicated below the data called for, and RETURN THIS FORM PROMPTLY TO THE

Supt., Ft. Snelling Natl. Cem., Rt. # 3, Minneapolis 9, Minnesota.  
Superintendent of Cemetery or Commanding Officer of Post

If this form is not returned to the Superintendent within fifteen (15) days from date of mailing, the headstone will be ordered with the data as to religious emblem, State and date of birth inscribed thereon as shown in the official records, and NO CHANGE WILL BE MADE AT A LATER DATE AT GOVERNMENT EXPENSE.

**To be filled in by Superintendent or Commanding Officer**

Name of Veteran 293 Thompson, Lewis E. 37018430  
Rank, etc. T/5 Infantry  
Grave or lot No. 7911, Block 3, Section "C".  
Date of death 10/10/1943  
Date buried 23 April 1949

**To be filled in by Next of Kin**

State desired Minnesota  
Religious emblem desired Latin Cross  
(Latin Cross for Christian Faith, Star of David for Hebrew Faith)  
Date of birth 10/26/ 1918  
Address of kin Owatonna Minnesota Gen. Del.  
Signature William E. Thompson Date 4/30/1949

**FILE 15 JUN 1949**



FILE 15 JUN 1949



To be filled in by Next of Kin

Date listed

Date of death

Grave or lot

Rank

Name of Veteran

Service number

Branch

War

Country

State

County

City

Street

Zip

Phone

Religion

Marital status

Education

Occupation

Other

Remarks



cf  
Tec. 5 Lewis E. Thompson, 37 018 430  
Plot I, Row 1, Grave 7,  
United States Military Cemetery  
Naples, Italy

27 May 1948

Mr. William E. Thompson  
Rural Free Delivery #2, Box 263  
Forest Lake, Minnesota

Dear Mr. Thompson:

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.

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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 B. LARKIN  
Major General  
The Quartermaster General.

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May 28 1948  
U.S. ARMY  
RECORDS  
Incls.



BRIEF COMMUNICATIONS

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

The enclosed pamphlet, "Disposition of World War II Armed Forces Losses," and "American Casualties," contain the disposition of personnel and services made available to you by your Government. It contains the best of the accounting of the lives of persons in our force in the various theaters. "Disposition of World War II Armed Forces Losses" you are invited to discuss 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 return your child to the home 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.

It is noted that no formal arrangements  
or other personal arrangements have been notified by this  
Office.

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

Lexicon

10-10-1968



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

DATE 27 May 1948

TO: Letter of Inquiry Section

(Thru Officer in Charge)

(Form 734 will indicate file dispatched to LOI SECTION)

Reference:

NAME THOMPSON, LEWIS E. RANK T/5  
SERIAL NUMBER 37018430 CEMETERY US MIL CEM MAPLES, ITALY  
PLOT I ROW 1 GRAVE 7

Request new\* LOI be sent to:

NAME MR. William E. Thompson RELATIONSHIP FATHER  
ADDRESS RURAL FREE DELIVERY #2, BOX 263  
CITY FOREST LAKE STATE MINNESOTA

Basis of request: (Must include definite facts)

Red Cross located him again after  
being away for 30 days.

Request Approved: \_\_\_\_\_

Approving Officer's Remarks: \_\_\_\_\_

\* Strike out if no LOI previously dispatched

*202 Sent 27 May 48*

*C. Bennett BLZ 27 May 48*

*File section  
202 section  
5/26/48  
J. Kelley*







THE AMERICAN NATIONAL RED CROSS

MIDWESTERN AREA

1700 WASHINGTON AVE., ST. LOUIS 3, MO.

March 29, 1948

Office of the Quartermaster General  
Department of the Army  
Washington 25, D. C.

Re: QMGMM 293  
THOMPSON, Lewis E., T/5  
37 018 430  
Naples, P-I, R-1, G-7. *mb*

My dear Sir:

This will supplement our letter of February 20 giving you a report which we had received as to the present address of Mr. William E. Thompson, father of the above-named deceased serviceman. Our chapter covering Forest Lake, Minnesota, advises us that Mr. Thompson has returned there. It would appear, therefore, that correspondence addressed to Mr. Thompson at Rural Free Delivery 2, Box 263, Forest Lake, Minnesota, should reach him.

Yours very truly,

*Janet Neel*  
(Miss) Janet Neel  
Director, Home Service

Dictated 3/25

*LOF sent father 27 May 48. C. Bennett*

*File - NAN  
A. Kennedy  
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MEMORIAL DIVISION



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

26 JAN 1948

In Reply Refer To: QMGMM 293

FA-1

Thompson, Lewis E., T/5, 37 018 430  
Naples, P-I, R-1, G-7

Date of Birth 26 October 1918

SUBJECT: Request for information re next of kin of above named  
deceased serviceman of World War II. *XE 3383 483*

TO : Director, Dependents and Beneficiaries Claims Service  
Veterans Administration  
Washington 25, D. C. *1-28-48*  
*SLB*

For use in determination of final disposition of remains of the  
above identified deceased serviceman, it is requested that appropriate infor-  
mation be entered on the lower portion of this letter and that one copy of the  
completed letter be returned to this office.

1 Incl:  
Envelope

*Mark J. Gill*  
MARK J. GILL  
Major, OMC  
Memorial Division

Date March 8, 1948

Veteran's

Name THOMPSON, Lewis E.

MC 3383 483

Information in the VA case file indicates that the deceased service-  
man was survived by the relatives listed below.

NOTE - A. Identify two persons in the following order or preference:

1. Widow
2. Male children over 21 years
3. Female children over 21 years
4. Father

B. If parent is listed, state whether natural, step-, adoptive,  
or foster parent.

C. If no information is available concerning any surviving rela-  
tives, state "None".

Relationship:

Name

Address

WIDOW :

(If none,

None

state "None"):

: Has she remarried?

If so, is proof of remar-

riage on file?

Natural Father, William Edward Thompson, General Delivery, Oatoune, Minnesota

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*A. H. Hamman*  
DIRECTOR

CLAIMS SERVICE

(Address) A. H. HAMMAN

Fort Snelling, St. Paul 11,  
Minnesota

BAF:rcb







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MAIL & RECORDS BRANCH



OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL OF THE ARMY

# INTRAOFFICE REFERENCE SHEET

DUE, HOUR AND DATE

1 NO.	2 FROM—	3 TO—	4 DATE	5 MESSAGE
1	Chief LOI Sec RR Br. Mem Div	Chief Rec Br RR Br Mem Div	2 Mar 48	<p>293 Thompson, Lewis E., 37 018 430, Naples, Italy</p> <p>ACTION I: It is requested that 333 card be corrected to read as follows:</p> <p style="text-align: center;">NOK - Mr. William E. Thompson, father Rural Free Delivery 2, Box 263 Forest Lake, Minnesota</p> <p>ACTION II: When above action is completed request 293 file be returned to Mail and Records.</p> <p>1 Incl: 293 file listed above</p> <p style="text-align: center;">   HYATT 72980 </p> <p style="text-align: center;">   GILL 71507 </p> <p>333 card corrected in accordance with ACTION 1.</p> <p style="text-align: right;"> SNEDIGAR 5198 </p> <p style="text-align: right;"> <i>file nat. 1 7 Mar 48 R-12 M. Bill</i> </p>





# THE AMERICAN NATIONAL RED CROSS

MIDWESTERN AREA

1709 WASHINGTON AVE., ST. LOUIS 3, MO.

February 30, 1948

Repatriation Records Branch  
Disinterment Locator Section  
Office of the Quartermaster General  
Department of the Army  
Washington 25, D. C.

Re: QMGMM 293 - FA-1  
THOMPSON, Lewis E. T/5  
SN 37018430  
Naples, P-I, R-I, G-7

Father:  
Mr. William E. Thompson  
Glenwood, Minnesota

Gentlemen:

When we received your letter of January 26 requesting our assistance in this case, we forwarded an inquiry to our chapter covering Glenwood, Minnesota. On February 6, the chapter reported to us that they had been able to learn that the last-known address of William E. Thompson was R.F.D. 2, Box 263, Forest Lake, Minnesota.

We contacted our chapter covering Forest Lake and have a brief report which we should like to give you at this time. The chapter worker learned that Mr. Thompson had been living at Forest Lake with friends but a week ago he left there for Louisville, Kentucky. He is expected back in Forest Lake in about 30 days. His friends have no knowledge of his address in Kentucky.

Our chapter covering Forest Lake plans to get in touch with the family again in about 30 days to determine if it might be possible to reach Mr. Thompson by that time. The chapter worker was able to contact the mother, who lives in Bemidji, Minnesota, at this time, but she could give no information which would be of any help. We shall forward further information to you as soon as possible.

Yours very truly,

*Janet Neel*  
(Miss) Janet Neel  
Correspondent, Home Service

Dictated 2/18

*file not marked R/R Mr. Bell*

IT'S RED CROSS TIME

March 1-31, 1948





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Form 3547  
Rev. 9-46

NOTICE TO SENDER OF FORWARDING ADDRESS

United States Post Office  
Fosston, Minn.

(Office)

(State)

In accordance with your request you are notified that the matter mailed by  
you to Mr William E Thompson

(Key No. RF 1)

is incorrectly addressed because the addressee has removed to

Clenwood Minn

Forwarding postage required \_\_\_\_\_ cents.

Matter bearing a pledge to pay forwarding or return postage is forwarded or returned, rated with  
the postage due. Matter not bearing such pledge is treated as prescribed by the Postal Laws and  
Regulations.

Respectfully,

POSTMASTER.

POSTMASTER.—Fill in amount of forwarding postage ONLY when requested by sender.

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Naples, Italy I



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Mr

293 Thompson, Lewis E. 370 18430

~~Mr~~

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**AIR MAIL**  
DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON 25, D. C.

In Reply Refer to: QMGM 293 Thompson, Louis E., 2/5, 37 018 130  
PA-1 Maple, E. J., 2-2, 6-7

Date: **26 JAN 1948**

Miss Janet Neal  
Home Service Director  
Midwestern Area  
American Red Cross  
1709 Washington Avenue  
Saint Louis 3, Missouri

Dear Miss Neal:

The Quartermaster General of the Army has been entrusted with the responsibility of the disinterment and final burial of World War II deceased personnel. In order to secure disposition instructions, all efforts to contact the next of kin of the above-named decedent through various Government Agencies and other members of the decedent's family have failed.

It is respectfully requested that your office furnish the current address of Mr. William E. Thompson, Father, who is reflected  
(Name) (Relationship)  
in the records of this office as the next of kin and whose last known address was Glenwood, Minnesota.

In the event you are unable to locate the next of kin as shown above, it is also requested that this office be furnished the names, addresses and relationship of any other members of the decedent's family.

mlg

(Morgan)

AAC File

O. G. M. C.

MAIL & RECORDS BRANCH

Field investigation by American Red Cross personnel revealed:

NAME

RELATIONSHIP

ADDRESS



REMARKS:

**AIR MAIL**

Director





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

In Reply Refer To: QTCM 293

26 JAN 1948

FA-1

Thompson, Lewis E., 1/5, 37 013 430  
Naples, F-1, H-1, G-7

Date of Birth

SUBJECT: Request for information re next of kin of above named deceased serviceman of World War II.

TO : Director, Dependents and Beneficiaries Claims Service  
Veterans Administration  
Washington 25, D. C.

For use in determination of final disposition of remains of the above identified deceased serviceman, it is requested that appropriate information be entered on the lower portion of this letter and that one copy of the completed letter be returned to this office.

mlg

1 Incl:  
Envelope

MARK J. GILL  
Major, QMC  
Memorial Division

(Morgan)

Date  
Veteran's  
Name  
KC

Information in the VA case file indicates that the deceased serviceman was survived by the relatives listed below.

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2. Male children over 21 years
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4. Father

B. If parent is listed, state whether natural, step-, adoptive, or foster parent.

C. If no information is available concerning any surviving relatives, state "None".

Relationship:	Name	Address
WIDOW		
(If none, state "None")		
Has she remarried?		If so, is proof of remar-
file?		

DIRECTOR  
CLAIMS SERVICE  
(Address)



DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY  
~~WAR/DEPARTMENT~~  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON 25, D. C.

IN REPLY REFER TO BURIAL OF

T/5 Lewis E. Thompson, 37 018 430  
Plot I, Row 1, Grave 7,  
United States Military Cemetery  
Naples, Italy

24 October 1947

Mr. William E. Thompson  
~~Rural Free Delivery #1~~  
Fossten, Minnesota

*Glennwood Mission*

Dear Mr. Thompson:

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.

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Sincerely,

*Thomas B. Larkin*

Incls.

THOMAS B. LARKIN  
Major General  
The Quartermaster General

DECLARATION OF INDEPENDENCE

IN THE NAME OF THE PEOPLE OF THE UNITED STATES

John Adams  
Thomas Jefferson  
James Madison  
James Monroe  
James Smith  
James Wilson  
James Wright  
James Young

1776

When in the course of human events, it becomes necessary for one people to dissolve the political bands which have connected them with another, and to assume among the powers of the earth, the separate and equal station to which the laws of Nature and of Nature's God entitle them, a decent respect to the opinions of mankind requires that they should declare the causes which impel them to the separation.

We hold these truths to be self-evident, that all men are created equal, that they are endowed by their Creator with certain unalienable Rights, that among these are Life, Liberty and the pursuit of Happiness. — That to secure these rights, Governments are instituted among Men, deriving their just powers from the consent of the governed, — That whenever any Form of Government becomes destructive of these ends, it is the Right of the People to alter or to abolish it, and to institute new Government, laying its foundation on such principles and organizing its powers in such form, as to them shall seem most likely to effect their Safety and Happiness. Prudence, in such a case, wisely suggests that a good People ought to shut the doors of not only one bad Government, but on all such Governments, by a firm and honest adoption of this Declaration of Independence.

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WAR DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON, D. C.  
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*Glennwood  
Minn*

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POSTMASTER: IF ADDRESSEE HAS REMOVED AND  
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3547. POSTAGE FOR WHICH IS GUARANTEED.





W/5 Lewis E. Thompson, 37 018 430

Plot I, Row 1, Grave 7,  
United States Military Cemetery  
Naples, Italy

24 October 1947

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Rural Free Delivery #1  
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Sincerely,

THOMAS B. LARKIN  
Major General  
The Quartermaster General

Incls.

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IN REPLY REFER TO **SPDYC 293**

# ARMY SERVICE FORCES

OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL

WASHINGTON 25, D. C.

11 March 1946



**SUBJECT: Corrections of Reports of Interment**

**TO:**

**Theater Graves Registration Officer  
Commanding General  
APO 794, c/o Postmaster  
New York, New York**

**FOR:**

1. It is requested that the burial reports and grave markers for the following decedents, interred at the U. S. Military Cemetery,                     , be changed to correct the discrepancies underlined, and that this office be advised when these corrections have been completed.

NAME	RANK/ GRADE	SERIAL NO.	BRANCH of SERV.	RELIGION	DATE OF DEATH	GR.	ROW	PLOT
<u>293</u> Thompson, Louis E.	<u>T/5</u>	<u>27 018 430</u>	<u>C of S</u>	<u>P</u>	<u>10 Oct 43</u>	<u>7</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>I</u>
St. Germain, Francis E.	Pvt	31 186 543	Inf	C	13 Oct 43	101	9	H
Stensrud, Leonard R.	Pvt	17 050 889	Inf	P	19 Jun 44	1	1	G
Steigleman, Marlin E	PFC	33 011 997	FA	P	14 Jun 44	118	10	H
Steckel, Howard R. Jr.	Cpl	12 009 777	Inf	P	11 Jul 43	55	5	F

nrb

FOR THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL:

**M. V. TURNER  
Colonel, GSC  
Assistant**

WER

JLP

SDC

RMP

MVT

Last Name \_\_\_\_\_ First Name \_\_\_\_\_ M.I. \_\_\_\_\_

Thompson, Lewis E

Army Serial No. 37018430

Name of Cemetery Naples

Plot I

Row 1

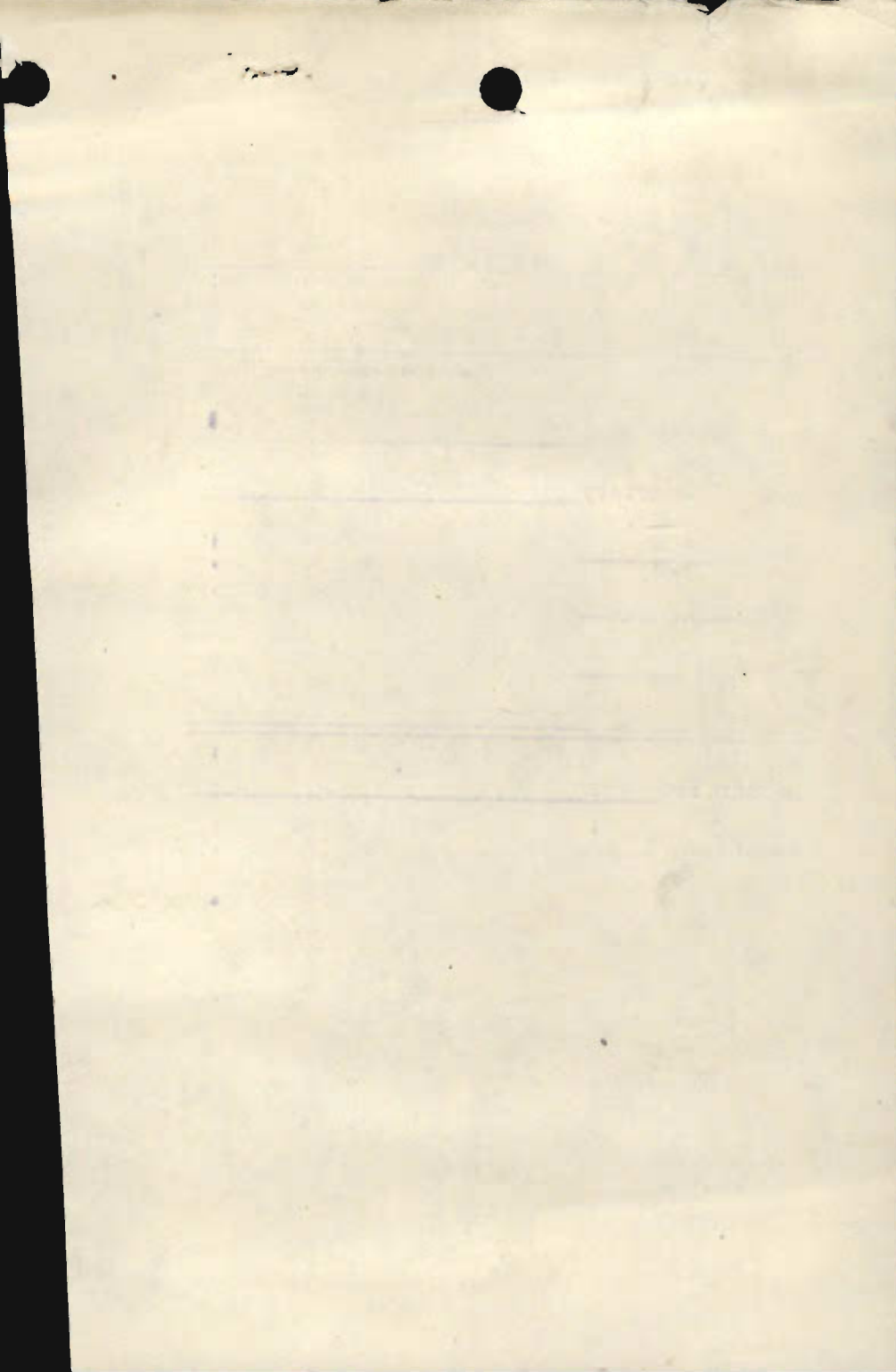
Grave 7

reburial within  
in the same  
cemetery.

Letter To: Field

Remarks: The correct serial  
number is : 37018430





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## REPORT OF BURIAL

AR 30-1815 &amp; TM 10-630

AUG 19 1944

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J.H. 11 July 1944

Date Report Filled Out

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THOMPSON	Lewis	E.	3701843	
(Last Name)	(First Name)	(Middle Initial)	(Serial No.)	(Race)
T/5	Co. B, 307th Engr. Bn.	82nd Div.	Army	USA
(Rank)	(Organization)	(KIA)	(Branch)	(Country)
Naples, Italy	10 October 1943	Building explosion		
(Place of Death)	(Date of Death)	(Cause of Death)	(Religion : P, C, H, etc.)	

## MEANS OF IDENTIFICATION IDENTIFICATION ACCEPTED

Identification Tags found on body : Yes ( ) ; No (O).

If no identification tags, other means used to identify body (identification card, letters, etc.) : Initial 2-A medical  
Form #52 E.M.T.

Complete fingerprint chart of both hands on reverse side if body cannot be identified.

Complete tooth-chart on reverse side and list anatomical characteristics and other data if fingerprints cannot be taken.

If unidentified, give circumstances :

List of Personal Effects found on Body and disposition of Same : None

None

(Name of Emergency Addressee)

None

(Address of Emergency Addressee)

(Signature (or Name) of Person furnishing above data when other than the Officer reporting burial.)

Shroud 1000 hrs. 11 July 1944 Allied Cemetery, Naples, Italy

(Time and Date of Burial)

(Location, Name, &amp; No. of Cemetery)

IF BURIAL OTHER THAN IN ESTABLISHED CEMETERY FURNISH SKETCH AND MAP REFERENCE REVERSE SIDE THIS FORM

"I"

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Wooden Cross

Protestant

(Plot No.)

(Row No.)

(Grave No.)

(King Grave Markers)

(Type of Religious Ceremony)

Identification Tag buried with body (O); Identification Tag attached to marker (O).

If Identification Tags not present, what other identification data were buried with the body and in what kind of container? QMC Form-1 GRS sealed in bottle and buried one foot below grave  
marker

Bodies buried on either side (See paragraph 4 on reverse side this form.)

Right side : FORNEY, Llywllyn G. Pvt. 12082123 Co. B, 307th Engrs. 6

(Name)

(Rank)

(ASN)

(Organization)

(Grave No.)

Left side : COE, Evan L. Pvt. 33409252 Co. "H", 36th Engrs. Bn. 8

(Name)

(Rank)

(ASN)

(Organization)

(Grave No.)

S/ George L. Riddle, Chaplain.

(Signature of Officer Reporting Burial)

(Verified by unit GRS. Officer)

LEO E. TRITSCHLER, 1st Lt. 602nd QM Co (GR)

INSTRUCTIONS FOR FILLING OUT BURIAL REPORT : Make out QMC Form 1 - GRS in quadruplicate for U. S. dead, one additional copy for allied and enemy dead. Sign all copies. Submit report to nearest member of Graves Registration Service. Graves Registration Service will forward the original and two copies through at least one higher administrative headquarters (to be checked against Casualty Reports and allied papers and all copies verified by the Graves Registration Officer of that headquarters) to Base Section Graves Registration Service Officer. OVER FOR BURIAL INSTRUCTIONS.

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# INSTRUCTIONS FOR BURIAL

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**1. PREPARATION OF BODY:** Have body examined by member of Medical Department whenever possible (to attach E.M.T. Form 52b.) Remove all personal property; remove one identification tag, leave other on body in protected position (in case of enemy dead, leave 1/2 tag on body, forward 1/2 with personal effects). If no tag present, make notation of identifying data on form, protect in sealed bottle, canteen, spent shell, or best available container, and bury with remains. If unidentified, take fingerprints of both hands; if this is not possible fill out tooth-chart and note height, weight, color of eyes and hair, tattoo marks, birthmarks, etc., and other data as serial no. of weapon, laundry marks, where body found, etc. Wrap body in shelter half, mattress cover, or blanket when available.

**2. BURIAL :** Dig grave to a depth of five feet (hasty battlefield burials, to sufficient depth to prevent elements from exposing the body). *Place only one body in a grave.* Dig graves side by side, row behind row.

**3. MARKING OF GRAVE :** Fasten identification tag to temporary name peg and place at head of grave. For enemy dead, write data on peg. When pegs are not available, copy data on a piece of paper, place in bottle, spent shell, or other receptacle, seal tightly and place so as to mark and identify grave. If identification tag cannot be fastened to peg or placed in container, do not leave at grave but forward with report of burial. If only one tag is found on body, it should be buried with body. The information thereon should be written on marker or placed in container at head of grave. Do not use weapons or helmets to mark graves.

**4. LOCATION OF GRAVE :** Report burials in established cemeteries by plot, row, and grave number (or show on cemetery map). For all other burials prepare sketch in space provided below; and give location by means of map references, or by reference to prominent permanent landmarks. Information must be specific, accurate, complete. Stand at foot of grave facing head to determine bodies buried to the left and right.

**5. PERSONAL EFFECTS :** List only personal effects taken from body on the Burial Report form. Place these with information as to identity of owner, organization, emergency addressee, in personal effects bag, or wrap in handkerchief, towel, or other available material, and turn over to Graves Registration Service Personnel with report of burial. Government property is not to be included in personal effects but is to be turned in to Salvage Collecting Point.

## SKETCH AND MAP REFERENCE :

Disinterred 11 July 1944 from Plot A, Row 1, Grave 7, Allied Cemetery, Naples, Italy.  
Reinterred same date in Plot "I", Row 1, Grave 7, Allied Cemetery, Naples, Italy.

## TOOTH-CHART

(Right)	(Left)	(Examinee's)															
		8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
8	16	15	14	13	12	11	10	9	6	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	10

Indicate ; missing natural teeth by X; crowns by O; fillings by □ ; bridges by — linkings anchor teeth; replacements by denture (horizontal line)

Characteristics :

Other Data :

When unidentified, take thumb and fingerprints of both hands.

If this is not possible, fill in tooth-chart.

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2  
1  
Thumb  
Left  
Right  
Thumb  
1  
2  
3  
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Q.M.C. FORM 1 - GRS  
SOS NATOUSSA  
July 1943

REPORT OF BURIAL

AR 30-1815 & TM 10-630

18 OCTOBER 1943

Date Report Filled Out

THOMPSON, LEWIS E. 37018439 WHITE  
(Last Name) (First Name) (Middle Initial) (Serial No.) (Race)  
T/5. CO "B" 307TH ENGRS. BN. 82ND. DIV. ARMY UNITED STATES  
(Rank) (Organization) (Branch) (Country)

NAPLES, ITALY 10 OCTOBER 1943 BUILDING EXPLOSION  
(Place of Death) (Date of Death) (Cause of Death) (Religion : P, C, H, etc.)

MEANS OF IDENTIFICATION

Identification Tags found on body : Yes ( ) ; No (X).

If no identification tags, other means used to identify body (identification card, letters, etc.) : 2-A. MEDICAL

FORM # 54 E.M.T.

Complete fingerprint chart of both hands on reverse side if body cannot be identified.

Complete tooth-chart on reverse side and list anatomical characteristics and other data if fingerprints cannot be taken

If unidentified, give circumstances :

List of Personal Effects found on Body and disposition of Same : NONE:

NONE

(Name of Emergency Addressee)

NONE

(Name of Emergency Addressee)

(Signature (or Name) of Person furnishing above data when other than the Officer reporting burial.)

SATURDAY 1600: 16 OCTOBER 1943

(Time and Date of Burial)

ALLIED CEMETERY, NAPLES

(Location, Name, & No. of Cemetery)

IF BURIAL OTHER THAN IN ESTABLISHED CEMETERY FURNISH SKETCH AND MAP REFERENCE REVERSE SIDE THIS FORM

A I 448 1 7 WOODEN CROSS PROTESTANT:  
(Plot No.) (Row No.) (Grave No.) (King Grave Markers) (Type of Religious Ceremony)

Identification Tag buried with body ( ) ; Identification Tag attached to marker ( ).

If identification Tags not present, what other identification data were buried with the body and in what kind of container ? COPY Q.M.C. FORM G.R.S. NO. 1, BURIED W/BODY.

Bodies buried on either side (See paragraph 4 on reverse side this form.)

Right side : FORNEY, LLYWLLYN G. PVT. 12082123 CO "B" 307TH ENGRS. 6  
(Name) (Rank) (ASN) (Organization) (Grave No.)

Left side : COE, EVAN L. PVT. 33409252 CO "H" 36TH ENGRS. BN. 8  
(Name) (Rank) (ASN) (Organization) (Grave No.)

George L. Riddle, Chap.  
(Signature of Officer Reporting Burial)

John P. Matthews  
(Verified by unit G.R.S. Officer)

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# INSTRUCTIONS FOR 1 IAL

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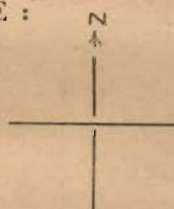
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5. **PERSONAL EFFECTS** : List only personal effects taken from body on the Burial Report form. Place these with information as to identity of owner, organization, emergency addressee, in personal effects bag, or wrap in handkerchief, towel, or other available material and turn over to Grave Registration Service Personnel with report of burial. Government property is not to be included in personal effects but is to be turned in to Salvage Collecting Point.

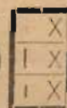
## SKETCH AND MAP REFERENCE :



## TOOTH-CHART

(Examinee's)															
(Right)								(Left)							
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INDICATE : missing natural teeth by X; crowns by O;  
fillings by □ ; bridges by — ; denture replacements by denture (horizontal line.)



Characteristics :

Other Data :

When unidentified, take thumb and fingerprints of both hands.

If this not possible, fill in tooth chart.

Left  
Right

Thumb

Thumb

1

2

3

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WAR DEPARTMENT  
THE ADJUTANT GENERAL'S OFFICE  
WASHINGTON  
REPORT OF DEATH

DATE 13 November 1943

FULL NAME <u>Thompson, Lewis E.</u> ✓		ARMY SERIAL NO. <u>Barrow/cmq 4628</u> 37 018 430 ✓
GRADE T/5th Gr. ✓	ARM OR SERVICE Corps of Engineers	DATE OF BIRTH 26 Oct. 1918 ✓
HOME ADDRESS Fosston, Minnesota		
DATE OF DEATH 10 Oct. 43	PLACE OF DEATH North African Area	CAUSE OF DEATH Killed in action
EMERGENCY ADDRESSEE (NAME, RELATIONSHIP, & ADDRESS) Mrs. Elva Thompson (Mother) 1601 Dalton Ave., Bemidji, Minn.		
BENEFICIARY (NAME, RELATIONSHIP, & ADDRESS) William Edward Thompson (father) R.F.D. #1, Fosston, Minn. Mrs. Elva Thompson (Mother) 1601 Dalton Ave., Bemidji, Minn.		

BY ORDER OF THE SECRETARY OF WAR:

✓  
J.E.  
9-19-44  
JLB



ADDITIONAL DATA: (CONFIDENTIAL)

STATION OF DECEASED

*Algiers*

Nov 15 4 17 PM '43

MEMORIAL DIVISION

*4866e*

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Thompson, Lewis E 37 018 430

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

Case No. 39588-B sc

Date 1 November 1944

SUBJECT: Report of transactions in disposing of the effects of

Lewis E. Thompson, 37018430 late a  
(Name of deceased) (Army Serial Number)

T/5, Corps of Engineers, who died  
(Grade) (Organization, Army or Service)

on the 10 day of October, 1943, at North African 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. 228, Hq., KCQM 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 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 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 June 1944, pursuant to Special Orders 228, Headquarters, KCQM Depot, dated 25 September 1943, the application or affidavit of \_\_\_\_\_

William Edward Thompson 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, William Edward Thompson of  
(Name of person found entitled)

\_\_\_\_\_, Gelnwood State of  
(Number, Street or Avenue) (City, Town or Village)

Minnesota, is the father of the  
(Relationship or Capacity)

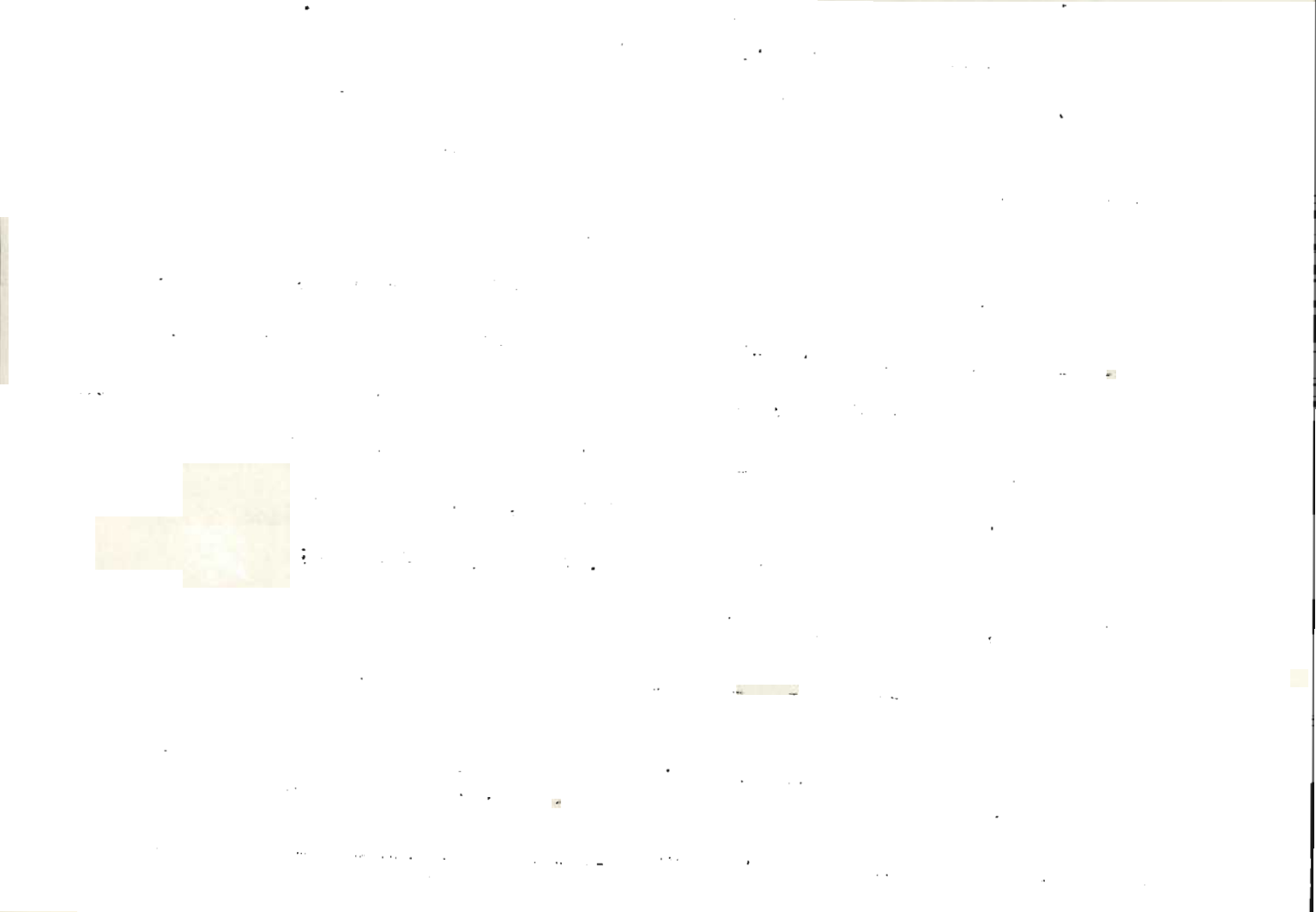
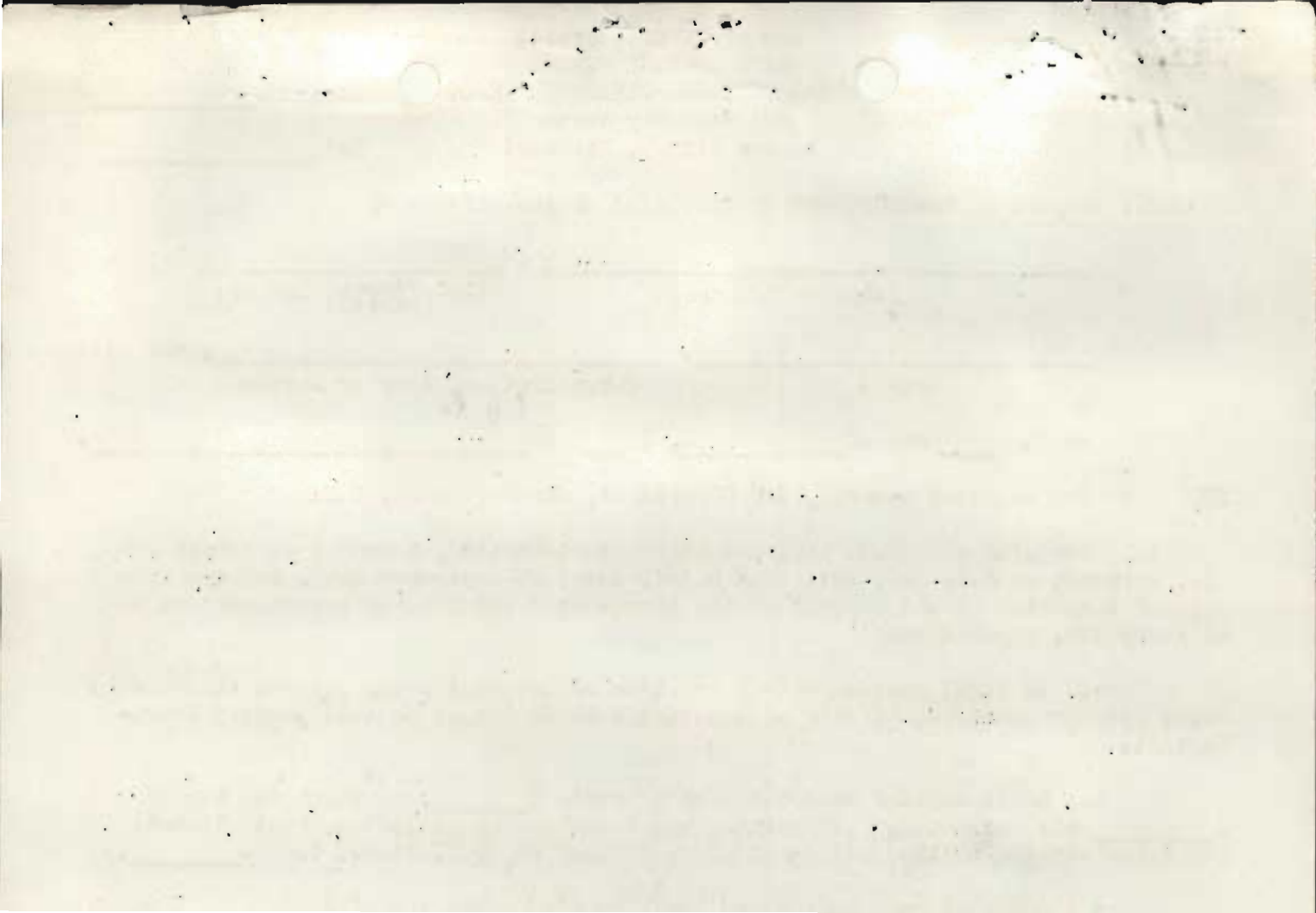
above-named decedent and appears to be entitled to receive his or her effects.

(Signature of Summary Court Officer)

JOHN R. MURPHY, Lt. Col. Q.M.G.

(Name, Rank, Organization)  
SUMMARY COURT MARTIAL





SAVE



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

(S-11-14-44)  
JRM:LB:ep  
October 14, 1944

IN REPLY REFER TO: 39588 B

Mr. William Edward Thompson  
Glenwood, Minnesota

Dear Mr. Thompson:

The Army Effects Bureau has received some additional property of your son, Technician Fifth Grade Lewis E. Thompson.

These effects, contained in one package, are being forwarded to you. When you have received them, I shall appreciate your acknowledging delivery by signing one copy of this letter in the space provided, and returning it to me.

As previously indicated, personal property is transmitted by this Bureau for distribution according to the laws of the state of the soldier's legal residence.

For your convenience in acknowledging receipt, I am inclosing a self-addressed envelope which needs no postage.

Yours very truly,

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

1 Incl--  
Envelope

Receipt acknowledged:

William Edward Thompson  
(Signature of Claimant)

Oct-20-1944  
(Date)



ARMY SERVICE FORCES  
ARMY EFFECTS BUREAU

ORDER FOR SHIPMENT

Ship to:

Effects Of

Mr. William Edward Thompson ✓  
Glenwood, Minnesota ✓

Name T/5th Gr. Lewis E. Thompson ✓

ASN 37018430 ✓

Case No. 39588 D ✓

Wt.

*file gr.*

Ship Via

*franked*

G B/L No.

Date 13 October 1944 ✓

JRM:LB:vo ✓

*Monley*  
For the Effects Quartermaster

PACKAGES SHIPPED

*1 pkg*

Franked ✓

Est. Exp. Chgs.

Est. Frt. Chgs.

TOTAL

WT.

Date Shipped

OCT 17 1944

OCT 14 1944 *2*

REMARKS:

*A.J.*  
(Shipping Clerk)

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Deceased X  
Missing \_\_\_\_\_  
P.O.W. \_\_\_\_\_  
Abandoned \_\_\_\_\_

A.S.N. 37018430 ORG. 307 A/B Engr. Bn.

REMARKS : ATTACHMENTS :

Form 54 (2 copies)

NO CORRESPONDENCE

NO SHORTAGE ON REVERSE

NO G. I. ON REVERSE

OCT 18 1944

WEIGHT  
SHIPPED

Packed by

OCT 18 1944

STATE: SHIPBILT



# INVENTORY OF EFFECTS

(See AR 600 550)

Thompson, Lewis E 37018430  
(Last name) (First name) (Middle initial) (Army serial number)

late a Tec 5 307 A/B Engr Bn  
(Grade) (Organization or arm or service)

who died on the 10 day of Oct, 19 43

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

NUMBER	ARTICLES	* Package NUMBER
71	Bill-fold & Misc papers	<i>[Handwritten signature]</i>
71	Photo	
NEAREST OF KIN: Father		
William E. Thompson		
RFD # 1		
Fooston, Minn.		
Effects delivered to postal Officer, 82nd Airborne Division, APO 469, for shipment by insured parcel post to Effects Quartermaster, ETOUSA.		

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

## CLASS II — Other effects

NUMBER	ARTICLES
	None

**CLASS II — Continued**

[illegible]

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 II have been sold.

A. T. Glendon

A. T. ZBINDEN, CWO., USA.,  
Personnel Adjutant

APO 469 NY (1) NY  
(SERIAL)

10 May

, 19.....44

(Date)

\*Strike out words not applicable.

H Q. M B S. MAY 43/25 m



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A. T. ZBINDEN, CWO., USA.,  
Personnel Adjutant

APO 469 NY (1) NY

(STATION)

10 May

, 19<sup>44</sup>.....

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

\*Strike out words not applicable.

H O. M B S. MAY 43/25 123





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

(S-8-4-44)  
JRM:VC:bs  
July 4, 1944

IN REPLY REFER TO 39588-D

Mr. William Edward Thompson  
Glenwood, Minnesota

Dear Mr. Thompson:

Thank you for sending the Army Effects Bureau the form needed in connection with disposal of the property of your son, Technician Fifth Grade Lewis E. Thompson. The Purple Heart was forwarded to you by mail under separate cover on July 1.

Please acknowledge receipt of the medal in the space provided below. For your convenience, there is inclosed an addressed envelope which needs no postage.

My action in sending such property does not, of itself, vest title in you. This property is transmitted only in order that some responsible person receive it, so that distribution may be made in accordance with the laws of the state of your son's legal residence.

I regret that more personal property of your son was not recovered. If additional personal effects are received here, they will be forwarded promptly.

I wish to express my sympathy in the loss of your son.

Sincerely yours,

*S. N. Greenstein*  
S. N. GREENSTEIN  
Captain Q.M.C.  
Assistant

1 Incl--  
Envelope

Receipt acknowledged: *Received Purple Heart*

*William Edward Thompson*  
Signature

*July 7 1944*  
Date

*file  
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ARMY SERVICE FORCES  
ARMY EFFECTS BUREAU

ORDER FOR SHIPMENTS

Campbell:dw  
Suspense (S-7-12-44)

Case No. 39588 D

Date June 28, 1944

MEMORANDUM TO Warehouse Branch:

Please see that the personal effects on the above mentioned case are packed, weighed and ready for shipment promptly so that they may be readily picked up. Bills of Lading and all other papers will be marked with the case number and can be identified thereby. The original of this form should be returned to the Administrative Branch after completion.

Effects of: T/5th Gr. Lewis E. Thompson

Serial No. 37018430

Ship to: Mr. William Edward Thompson

Street and Number \_\_\_\_\_

City and State Glenwood, Minnesota

Ship Via: Franked Gov't B/L No. \_\_\_\_\_

A. Maddox

For the Effects Quartermaster

LIST OF PACKAGES SHIPPED

1 PKg

Franked Mail --  $4\frac{1}{2}$  or less ✓

Parcel Post Charges \_\_\_\_\_

Estimated Express Charges \_\_\_\_\_

Estimated Freight Charges \_\_\_\_\_

Total Number of Pieces: 1

Shipping Clerk LTJOP

Weight of Shipment: 2

Date JUL 1 1944

ML:ds

Effects QM Form 14 (Rev. 10/15/43)





Deceased X  
Missing \_\_\_\_\_  
A.W.O.L. \_\_\_\_\_  
P.O.W. \_\_\_\_\_  
Abandoned \_\_\_\_\_

ARMY SERVICE FORCES  
ARMY EFFECTS BUREAU

Sheet 1 of 1 Sheets

Flat' 34 Fox

# INVENTORY

Shown on Tally In as \_\_\_\_\_

TALLY IN NO. 3810 INVENTORY DATE 5/18/44 CASE NO. 39588

EFFECTS OF LEWIS E. THOMPSON RANK T/5

ARMY SERIAL NO. 37018430 ORG. Co. B--307th Engr. Bn.

CONSIGNOR

DELIVERING CARRIER	G B/L NO.	G B/L DATE
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Warehouse Space \_\_\_\_\_ Invenoried By Brennan \_\_\_\_\_

Locked Storage Space Office Safe Packed By GIN 5/22/44 GIN:njc

MP:ml  
Eff QM Form 11 (Rev. 10/15/43)

MAY 24 1944

SHIPPED

DATE

NOV 28 1906



Case No.

39588

To

Date

- 2.3.

ACTION APPROVAL SLIP

QUESTION INVOLVED:

Father & Mother  
at different addresses -  
Father Claims "no  
abandonment"

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

Ship to  
Father

Initials

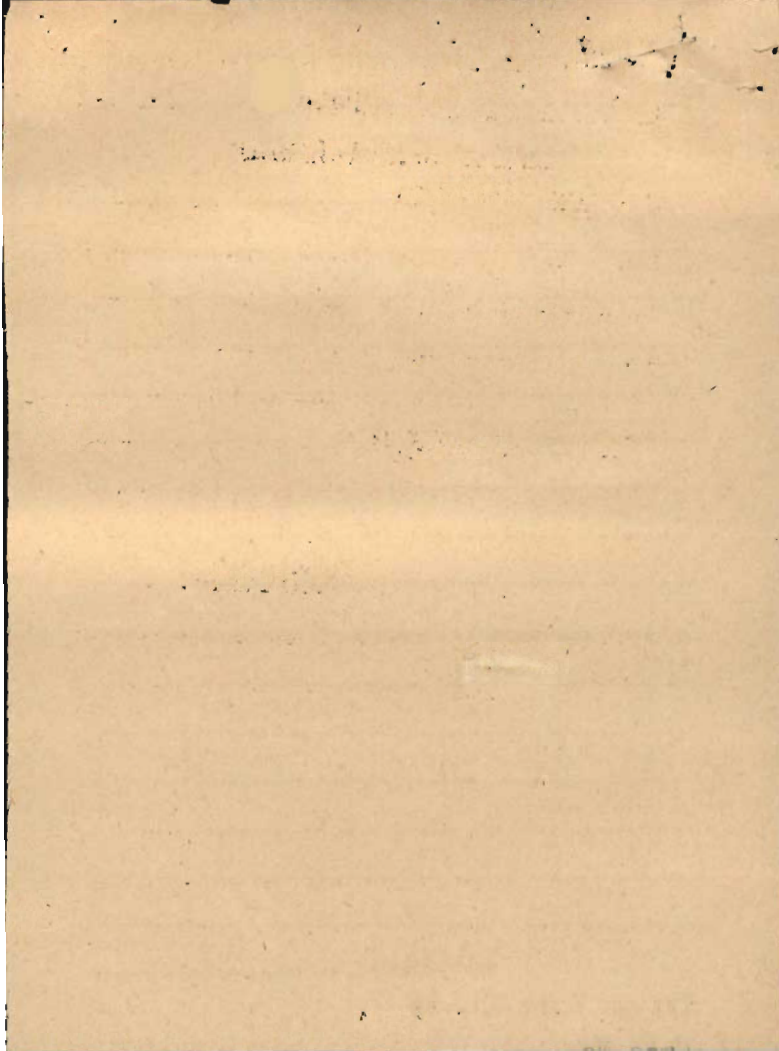
Yes

APPROVED

[Redacted]

Initials

Yes





In the Summary Court-Martial, in and for the

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

IMMEDIATE ACTION

In the matter of the disposition )  
of the effects of )

Case No. 39588-D

T/5th Gr. Lewis E. Thompson )  
(Name of deceased soldier) )

APPLICATION FOR EFFECTS  
OF DECEASED SOLDIER

37,018,430

(S-7-10-44)

(Serial Number)

JRM:VC:bs

June 10, 1944

I, William Edward Thompson (Claimant) of Glenwood,  
(City, town or village)

in the County of Pope and State of Minnesota

hereby make application for the effects of the above-named deceased soldier,  
now in the possession of the United States, and in support thereof state:

1. That Lewis E. Thompson entered the military  
(Name of deceased soldier)

service of the United States on or about 25 day of Jan., 1941

and was a T/5th Grade in 19th CA  
(Grade or rank of deceased) (Name of organization if known)

; that he was born  
(If not known, so state giving all possible information)

at Gonvick, in the State of Minnesota  
(If born in foreign country, so

state) on the 27th day of October, 1918;

and that he died on or about the 10th day of October, 1943  
(If not known, so state)

at \_\_\_\_\_  
(If not known, so state)

2. That I bear the following relationship to the above-named  
deceased soldier: Father

(Mark around one of the following which describes your  
relationship):

- |  |                        |
|--|------------------------|
| (1) Widow                                  | (6) Mother             |
| (2) Administrator or Executor<br>of Estate | (7) Brother            |
| (3) Son                                    | (8) Sister             |
| (4) Daughter                               | (9) Grandchild         |
| (5) <u>Father</u>                          | (10) Other next of kin |

3. That there is no living person who bears relationship to said

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deceased soldier of a lower numbered class than that marked above, except

\* (Example: If you have marked (7) Brother, are there any living persons described by classes (1) to (6) inclusive? If so, give their names and relationships to the deceased soldier; if not, state "No Exception.")

4. That I have completed and executed the affidavit on the following pages hereof and make it a part of this application by reference.

Witnessed by:

Herman A. Senneker  
(Signature of Witness)

William Edward Thompson  
(Signature of Claimant)



AFFIDAVIT OF CLAIMANT

COUNTY OF POPE )  
STATE OF MINNESOTA ) SS

Personally appeared before me, Herman A. Senneka, Notary Public  
(Name and title of official)

in and for the County and State aforesaid, William Edward Thompson  
(Name of claimant)

aged 70 years, residing at \_\_\_\_\_ Street, Glenwood  
(City, town  
##, County of Pope State of Minn,  
or village)

who, being duly sworn, declares that the following answers and statements are  
made in support of his application ( see page 1 of this form )  
(His or her) Minnesota

for the effects of Lewis E. Thompson now in the possession of  
(Name of deceased soldier)

the United States: Lewis E. Thompson

Was the deceased soldier married at the time of his death? No

If so, what is the name and address of his widow? 25 Jan. 1  
T/5th Grade 19th CA

What was her maiden name? \_\_\_\_\_

When and where did she marry deceased soldier? \_\_\_\_\_

Were they living together as husband and wife when the deceased soldier  
entered the military service? 9th If not, state the circumstances:  
10th October 3

Were they divorced or separated by legal proceedings? \_\_\_\_\_

If so, when and by order of what court? \_\_\_\_\_

Is his widow now living? \_\_\_\_\_ If not, when and where did she die?  
Father

Was deceased soldier ever previously married? No If so, to whom and  
how was this marriage terminated? \_\_\_\_\_

Has deceased soldier any children now living? No

(Continued on Reverse Side)



If so, give name, sex, age and address of each living child:

Name in Full (Christian, middle and surname)	Sex	Age	Post Office Address in Full
none			

(If there are any additional names, give same information on separate sheet and attach)

Has a legal guardian been appointed for any of the above children? \_\_\_\_\_

If so, give names and addresses of such guardians in full: \_\_\_\_\_

Is the father of deceased soldier now living? Yes

If so, state his name and address: William Edward Thompson

Glenwood, Minnesota

If not, when and where did he die? \_\_\_\_\_

Has the above-named father abandoned the support of his family? No

If so, state circumstances \_\_\_\_\_

Is the mother of deceased soldier now living? Yes

If so, state her name and address Elva Thompson

Bemidji, Minnesota

What was her maiden name? Elva Mohler

If deceased, when and where did she die? \_\_\_\_\_

Has deceased soldier any brothers or sisters now living? yes

If so, give name, sex, age and address of each living brother and sister:

Name in Full Christian, middle and surname	Sex	Age	Post Office Address in Full
Albert W. Thompson	Male	46	Brks 1820 Camp McCoy, Wis.
John Thompson	"	42	Los Angeles, Calif
Geneva Spence	Female	37	Salt Lake City, Utah
Lydia Thompson	"	34	Alaska.

(If there are any additional names, give same information on separate sheet and attach)



Has deceased soldier any grandchildren now living? No

If so, give name, age, address and name of one parent of each living grandchild:

Name of grandchild (Christian, middle and surname)	Age	Post Office Address	Name of Parent

(If there are any additional names, give same information on separate sheet and attach)

Did the deceased soldier leave a will? No

If so, has an Executor of his estate been appointed by probate court? \_\_\_\_\_

If so, give name and address of Executor and inclose certified copy of letters of administration \_\_\_\_\_

If the deceased soldier left a will and an Executor has not yet been appointed, is it intended to probate the will? \_\_\_\_\_

What is the name, address, and relationship of the individual named as Executor in the will? \_\_\_\_\_

Has an Administrator of the estate been appointed by probate court? No

If so, give name and address of Administrator and inclose a certified copy of letters of administration \_\_\_\_\_

Claimant further declares that the above answers and statements are true, except as to those facts which are stated to be uncertain; that claimant has not purposely refrained from answering any question or furnishing any requested information; that he makes the foregoing application  
(he or she)

and this affidavit in his relationship (or capacity) of father  
(his or her) (State

capacity, as Executor, Administrator or Guardian; or relationship as Widow,  
of Lewis E. Thompson  
Son, Daughter, Father, Mother, etc. (Name of deceased soldier,

for the purpose of  
minor child, or estate of deceased, as the case may be)

enabling the United States to dispose of the effects of said deceased



soldier under the provisions of Article of War 112 (10 U.S.C. 1584); and,  
that he has read the application on Page 1 hereof and the  
(he or she)

statements therein contained are true and correct.

Witnessed by:

William Edward Thompson  
(Signature of Claimant)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Signature of Witness)

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 20th day of June

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(Impress seal here)

Herman A. Senneka  
(Official Signature)

HERMAN A. SENNEKA  
Notary Public, Pope County, Minn.

My Commission Expires Jan. 7, 1945  
(Official Designation)

HERMAN A. SENNEKA  
Notary Public, Pope County, Minn.  
My Commission Expires Jan. 7, 1945.

My commission expires: Jan 7, '45

Note: If the application and affidavit are executed by the Executor or Administrator of the estate of the deceased soldier, or by the Guardian of a claimant, a certified copy of the letters of administration or guardianship, or other legal evidence of appointment, must be attached, in which event it will be unnecessary to secure the following affidavit of a disinterested witness. In all other cases the signature of claimant must be witnessed by one disinterested person of legal age who can write and who can execute the following affidavit. All signatures must be in ink and all other writing must be in typewriting or ink. In case the claimant's mark is substituted for the written signature, two disinterested attesting witnesses are required who can write their names.



AFFIDAVIT OF DISINTERESTED WITNESS

COUNTY OF P o p e )  
 STATE OF Minnesota ) SS

Personally appeared before me, Herman A. Senneke, in and  
 (Name and title of Official)  
 for the County and State aforesaid, James D. Williams  
 (Name of disinterested witness)  
 age 67 years, a citizen of the United States, residing at \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Street, Glenwood County of  
 (City, town or village)

Pope, State of Minnesota, who, being duly  
 sworn, declares that He has been acquainted with the family of  
 (he or she)

Lewis E. Thompson for 3 years and knows \_\_\_\_\_  
 (Name of deceased soldier)

William Edward Thompson to be the father  
 (Name of Claimant) (Relationship, such as

\_\_\_\_\_ of said deceased soldier; that he  
 widow, son, daughter, etc.) (he or she)

has read the foregoing application and affidavit and that to the best of  
his knowledge and belief the answers and statements herein  
 (his or her)

contained are true and correct, and said application and affidavit were  
 signed by the claimant in his presence; and, that affiant has  
 (his or her)

no interest whatever in the pending application for the effects of said  
 deceased soldier.

James D. Williams  
 (Signature of disinterested witness)

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 20 day of June 1944,  
 1944.

(Impress seal here)

Herman A. Senneke  
 (Official signature)

(Official designation)

HERMAN A. SENNEKE  
 Notary Public, Pope County, Minn.  
 My Commission Expires Jan. 7, 1945.

My Commission Expires: 1 - 7 - 45

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June 12, 1944

Mr. William Edward Thompson  
RFD #1  
Fosston, Minnesota

Dear Mr. Thompson:

The Army Effects Bureau has received from overseas some property of your son, Technician Fifth Grade Lewis E. Thompson, consisting of a Purple Heart.

To dispose of this property in accordance with existing instructions, it is necessary that we have certain information regarding his family. For that purpose I am inclosing an application and affidavit form, with the request that you complete and return it to this bureau. Your local American Red Cross representative will help you on this, if necessary.

The property in our custody will be released as soon as possible after receipt of information needed for decision as to appropriate recipient.

Please be sure to use the inclosed self-addressed envelope which needs no postage in order to expedite delivery of the property.

Yours very truly,

WILLIAM J. HOFF  
2nd Lt. U.S.M.C.  
Assistant

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Form 2  
Envelope



WAR DEPARTMENT  
THE ADJUTANT GENERAL'S OFFICE  
WASHINGTON  
REPORT OF DEATH



DATE 13 November 1943

FULL NAME <b>Thompson, Lewis E.</b>		ARMY SERIAL NO. <b>37 018 430</b>
GRADE <b>T/5th Gr.</b>	ARM OR SERVICE <b>Corps of Engineers</b>	DATE OF BIRTH <b>26 Oct. 1918</b>
HOME ADDRESS <b>Fosston, Minnesota</b>		
DATE OF DEATH <b>10 Oct. 43</b>	PLACE OF DEATH <b>North African Area</b>	CAUSE OF DEATH <b>Killed in action</b>
EMERGENCY ADDRESSEE (NAME, RELATIONSHIP, & ADDRESS) <b>Mrs. Elva Thompson (Mother) 1601 Dalton Ave., Bemidji, Minn.</b>		
BENEFICIARY (NAME, RELATIONSHIP, & ADDRESS) <b>William Edward Thompson (father) R.F.D. #1, Fosston, Minn. Mrs. Elva Thompson (Mother) 1601 Dalton Ave., Bemidji, Minn.</b>		

BY ORDER OF THE SECRETARY OF WAR:

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(See AR 800-550)

late a Tec 5 Co B 307 A/B Engr Bn  
(Grade) (Organization or arm or service)

who died on the 10 day of Oct, 1943

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

[illegible]

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

### CLASS II—Other effects

NUMBER	ARTICLES











### CLASS II — Continued

[illegible]

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 II have been sold.

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CWO. 807 A/B Engr Bn.

Personnel Adjutant

APO 469, NY NY  
(station)

21 December, 1943  
(Date)

\*Strike out words not applicable.

H Q. M B S. MAY 43/25 m



# INVENTORY OF EFFECTS

(See AR 600 550)

Thompson, Lewis E 37018430  
(Last name) (First name) (Middle initial) (Army serial number)

late a T/5 Co B 307 A/B Engr Bn  
(Grade) (Organization or arm or service)

who died on the 10 day of Oct, 19 43

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

NUMBER	ARTICLES	* Package NUMBER
1	Purple Heart #163931	
Nearest of Kin - Father		
	William E. Thompson	
	R.F.D. #1	
	Fosston, Minn.	

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

## CLASS II — Other effects

NUMBER	ARTICLES
	Effects delivered to Quartermaster, 82nd Airborne Division, APO 469, for shipment to Effects Quartermaster, Army Effects Bureau, Kansas City, Missouri.

### CLASS II — Continued

[illegible]

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 II have been sold.

A.T. Ghosh

A T ZBINDEN

CWO. 307 A/B Engr Bn.

Personnel Adjutant

APO 469, NY NY

(STATION)

21 December, 1943

(Date)

\*strike out words not applicable.

H Q. M B S. MAY 43/25 m



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Sheet \_\_\_\_\_  
Flat Box \_\_\_\_\_

AMERICAN EXPRESS  
DAY LETTERS SERVICE

INVENTORY

DATE OF INVOICE \_\_\_\_\_

CASE NO. \_\_\_\_\_ INVENTORY DATE \_\_\_\_\_

SHIP TO \_\_\_\_\_  
C.O.B. 301

VIEW \_\_\_\_\_

DATE \_\_\_\_\_

4-10-41

M. J. J.

1-10-41

4-10-41

INVOICE NO. \_\_\_\_\_

DATE OF INVOICE \_\_\_\_\_