

**WAR DEPARTMENT**  
THE ADJUTANT GENERAL'S OFFICE  
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**FINDING OF DEATH OF MISSING PERSON**

Pursuant to the provisions of Section 5 of the Act of 7 March 1942 (Public Law 490 77th Cong.) as amended, upon direction and delegation by The Secretary of War, The Chief, Casualty Branch, The Adjutant General's Office, finds (Corporal) Sammuel J. Chavous, Army Serial Number 34,054,771, Infantry, to be dead. He was officially reported as missing in action as of the 8th day of June 1944. For the purposes stated in said Act, death is presumed to have occurred on the 9th day of June, 1945.

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 DES. CONDUCT No	ON DUTY STATUS Yes	AGENCY AUTH'D
PREVIOUS REVIEWS None							
DATE OF BIRTH 22 Jul 1922	HOME ADDRESS Cross City, Florida	DATE OF ENTRY ON CURRENT ACTIVE SERVICE 2 Jul 1941		LENGTH OF SERVICE (AS OF PRESUMED DATE OF DEATH) YEARS MONTH DAYS 3 11 8			

EMERGENCY ADDRESSEE

NAME Mrs. Clara A. Chavous	RELATIONSHIP Mother	ADDRESS Cross City, Florida
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BENEFICIARIES

NAME Mrs. Clara Alice Chavous	RELATIONSHIP Mother	ADDRESS Cross City, Florida
NAME Mrs. Roma Louise Redding	RELATIONSHIP Sister	ADDRESS Hines, Florida

REMARKS

\*Second Alternate Beneficiary:  
Mr. William B. Chavous (Brother) Cross City, Florida

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Circumstances of disappearance: The subject person, a member of a parachute Infantry organization, disappeared following a combat parachute jump in France.

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