

# INDIVIDUAL DECEASED PERSONAL FILE

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POOR QUALITY ORIGINAL

SUBJECT: Report of transaction in disposing of the effects of

John L. Connally, Jr.  
(Name of deceased)

31219377  
(Army Serial Number)

Date:

Private

(Grade)

Corps of Engineers

who died

(Organization, Army or Service)

on the 6 day of June, 1944, 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., 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 15 February 1945, pursuant to Special Orders 221, Headquarters KCQM Depot, dated 25 September 1943, the application or affidavit of \_\_\_\_\_

Mrs. Edna C. Connally 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, Mrs. Edna C. Connally \_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_  
(Name of person found entitled)

Route #2

(Number, Street or Avenue)

Farmington

State of \_\_\_\_\_

(City, Town or Village)

Maine

, is the \_\_\_\_\_

idow

(Relationship or Capacity)

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

(Signature of Summary Court Officer)

April 30, 1945

The Quartermaster General  
War Department  
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

Mrs. Edna Connelly, Box 518, West Farmington,  
Maine, wife of Pvt. John L. Connelly, Jr., 31219377,  
writes me concerning the death of her husband.

She asks these questions - where was my husband  
killed? was he ever found? where was he buried? why  
haven't I heard from his Chaplain? have I received all  
of his personal things? was he killed?

This is probably a case where the body was never  
found but circumstances were such that his death seems  
as assured fact. However, if you can give Mrs. Connelly  
further information, it will be greatly appreciated.

Sincerely yours,

Margaret Chase Smith, M.C.

C O P Y



## ARMY SERVICE FORCES

OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON 25, D. C.SPWIG 293  
Connelly, John L., Jr.  
S.N. 31,219,377

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4 May 1945

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Mrs. Edna Connelly  
Box 518  
West Farmington, Maine

Dear Mrs. Connelly:

This office has been requested by Representative Margaret Chase Smith to furnish you information concerning your husband, the late Private John L. Connelly, Jr.

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A copy of Representative Smith's letter has been forwarded to each of the following for a direct reply to you:

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

FOR THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL:

Sincerely yours,

MAYO A. DARLING  
Lt Colonel, MC  
Assistant

TALLY  
NO. 7609

INV.  
DATE 28-Apr-54  
ORIG. NO.  
OF PKGS.  
BOX  
NO.  
SHEET  
OF 1 SHEETS  
ORGANIZATION  
E.C.B. 307416  
ENGR BR

NAME John L. CONNELLY JR  
A.S.N. 31219377 RANK PVT ✓

BELT	TOWELS & WASHCLOTHS	WINGS
BELT, MONEY (NO MONEY)	CLOTHING	BAGS, CLOTH OR TRAVEL
CLOTH, WASH	BRACELET IDENT.	BILLFOLD, (NO MONEY)
COATS	BRUSHES	CASE
FOOTWEAR, PR.	CAMERAS	FOOTLOCKER ✓
GLOVES, PR.	GLASSES	KIT, SEW, TET, OR WRITING
HANDKERCHIEFS	KNIVES	BOOKS
HEADWEAR	LIGHTERS	BOOKS, ADDRESS
JACKETS	MISC. INSIGNIA	BOOKS, PILOT LOG
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SCARFS	PENCIL, MECHANICAL	FILMS
SHIRTS	PIPES	LETTERS
SOCKS, PR.	RELIGIOUS ARTICLES	PAPERS, PERSONAL
TIES	RIBBONS, DECORATION	PHOTOS
TOWELS	RINGS	SHOE SHINE ARTICLES
TRousERS, PR.	TOBACCO	SHORT SNORTER
TRUNKS, PR.	TOILET ARTICLES	SOUVENIRS
UNDERWEAR	WATCH	SOUVENIR MONEY ✓
		STATIONERY
		TESTAMENTS
		U.S. MONEY (AMOUNT)

## REMARKS

(wife)  
Mrs Edna C. Connell  
RR#2 Farmington  
Wayne

## ATTACHMENTS

 FORM #54

FORM #100

C.A.T.

WAREHOUSE SPACE

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STORED BY

DATE S' ✓

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ARMY SERVICE FORCES  
ARMY EFFECTS BUREAU

ORDER FOR SHIPMENT

SHIP TO:

Mrs. Edna Connally

Box 518

West Farmington, Maine

Effects of:  
Name Pvt. John L. Connally, Jr.  
ASN 31219577  
Case No. 195756-D

Wt.

DATE July 5, 1945  
RTB:VC:rr

*U.S. Army Service*  
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:

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

REMARKS:

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No. of package \_\_\_\_\_

195756 ✓

RTB:VC:xx  
July 5, 1945

Mrs. Edna Connally  
Box 518  
West Farmington, Maine ✓

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Dear Mrs. Connally:

Reference is made to letter of May 4, addressed to you by the Quartermaster General, regarding the personal effects of your husband, Private John L. Connally, Jr.

The Army Effects Bureau has received from overseas some personal property belonging to your husband. These effects are being forwarded to you in one package.✓

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

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

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

Yours very truly,

HARRY NIEMIEC  
2nd Lt. QMC  
Chief, Correspondence Branch

SPQYE 293  
Connelly, John L. Jr.  
ASN 31 219 577

23 July 1945

Mrs. Edna Connelly  
Box 518  
West Farmington, Maine

My dear Mrs. Connelly:

This office has been advised by the Honorable Margaret Chase Smith that you have not, as yet, received information concerning the death, burial and personal effects of your husband, Private John L. Connelly, Jr.

The delay in forwarding this information to you is indeed regretted; however, it is gratifying to be able to advise you now that a burial report has been received from the field which indicates that your husband is buried in Grave 125, Row 7, Plot W of the United States Military Cemetery #2, at Ste. Mere-Eglise, France. The approximate location of this cemetery is six miles north and east of Carentan and twenty-one miles southeast of Cherbourg, both in France.

In view of the fact that the Army Effects Bureau, Kansas City Quartermaster Depot, 601 Hardesty Avenue, Kansas City 1, Missouri, is designated to receive and ship the personal effects of our military personnel who die outside the continental United States, your request for information as to the status of your husband's effects has been forwarded to that bureau for investigation and direct reply.

Further, as The Adjutant General is charged with disseminating information regarding the death of members of the Armed Forces dying in the service, your request for information concerning the death of your husband has been referred to that office for direct reply.

Please accept the sympathy of this office in your great loss.

FOR THE QUARtermaster GENERAL:

Sincerely yours,

R. P. HAROLD  
Colonel, QMC  
Assistant

July 11, 1945

The Quartermaster General  
War Department  
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

On May 7 you wrote me that information would be sent to Mrs. Edna Connelly, Box 518, West Farmington, Maine, concerning the death, burial, and personal effects of her husband, Private John L. Connelly, Jr., who was killed in action - serial number 31,219,377.

To date she says no definite word has been received and wants to know how long she must wait to know what really happened.

Any information you can give her will be greatly appreciated.

Sincerely yours,

/s/ Margaret Chase Smith, M. C.

Copy

SPQYG 293  
Connelly, John L., Jr.  
S.N. 31 219 377

18 July 1945

OQMG Memorial Division

Graves Registration

Second & T Street S. W., Washington, D. C.

The Effects Quartermaster  
Army Effects Bureau  
Kansas City Quartermaster Depot  
601 Hardesty Avenue  
Kansas City 1, Missouri

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Forwarded for necessary action.

FOR THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL:

ARTHUR L. WARREN  
Colonel, QMC  
Assistant

2 Incls:

cpy ltr dtd 11 July 45  
cpy ltr e/d

att'n to Mr. Murray

## WAR DEPARTMENT

## MESSAGE FORM

SPQYG 293  
 Connelly, John L., Jr.  
 File No. S.N. 31 219 377

Date 18 July 1945

Telephone No.

Office of origin OQMG Memorial Division  
 (Arm or service)

(Division)

Graves Registration

(Branch)

(Section)

(Symbol)

Address Second &amp; T Street S. W., Washington, D. C.

To:

The Effects Quartermaster  
 Army Effects Bureau  
 Kansas City Quartermaster Depot  
 601 Hardesty Avenue  
 Kansas City 1, Missouri

P R E C E D E N C E	
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Urgent	Air mail
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## MESSAGE:

Forwarded for necessary action.

FOR THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL:

ARTHUR L. WARREN  
 Colonel, QMC  
 Assistant

2 Incls:

cpy ltr dtd 11 July 45  
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OFFICE OF THE QUARtermaster GENERAL  
MEMORIAL DIVISION

SUBJECT: NEW LOI  
TO: MACHINE SECTION, R & R BRANCH, MEMORIAL DIVISION  
ROOM 2701, TEMPORARY B BLDG

Date 4 Feb 48 1948

Pvt. J. L. Connally Jr. Serial No. 31 219 377

Rank

Name

Serial No.

LOI to be sent to: Mother Grave Location:

Mr.

Mrs.

Miss

Name

Street

City

State

USMC

St. Marc Eglise

Cemetery

FILE W Plot 7 Row 125 Grave 1

10 FEB 1948

Leapt. Mulligan MULLIGAN  
5057

L.O.I. SENT

10 FEB 1948

United States Post Office

WEST FARMINGTON, MAINE

(Office)

(State)

In accordance with your request you are notified that the matter mailed by  
you to Mrs Edna C. Connally - Box 518  
West Farmington, Maine

(Key No. \_\_\_\_\_)

is incorrectly addressed because the addressee has removed to 2063 - 31st  
Ave., San Francisco, Calif. % Mrs Eugene O.

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

Matter bearing a pledge to pay forwarding or return postage is treated accordingly. Other matter is treated in the regular manner as prescribed by the Postal Laws and Regulations.

Respectfully,

POSTMASTER.

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August 2, 1945

Honorable Margaret Chase Smith  
House of Representatives  
Washington, D. C.

My dear Madam:

A copy of your letter of July 11 to The Quartermaster General, making inquiry on behalf of Mrs. Edna Connelly, Box 518, West Farmington, Maine, about the personal property of her husband, Private John L. Connelly, Jr., reached the Army Effects Bureau for reply on July 26.

This Bureau recently received from his overseas unit certain property belonging to Private Connelly and sent it to Mrs. Connelly, at the above address, on July 10. Should any additional belongings of this soldier unexpectedly reach this Bureau, they will promptly be sent to Mrs. Connelly.

I appreciate your interest in this case. If I can be of further service, please let me know.

Sincerely,

W. F. HEHMAN  
Major, QMC  
Asst. Effects Quartermaster

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

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BATTLE CASUALTY REPORT

195756

NAME		SERIAL NUMBER			GRADE	ARM OR SERVICE	REPORTING THEATRE
CONNELLY JOHN L JR		31219377			PVT	CE	ETO
PLACE OF CASUALTY		DATE OF CASUALTY			FLYING OR JUMPING STAT	TYPE OF CASUALTY	SHIPMENT NUMBER
FRANCE		06	JUN	44	J	MIA	104

NAME AND ADDRESS OF EMERGENCY ADDRESSEE

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

MR.-MRS.-MISS	FIRST NAME	MIDDLE INITIAL	LAST NAME	RELATIONSHIP
MRS	EDEA	C	CONNELLY	WIFE
NO. AND NAME OF STREET	CITY			STATE
ROUTE TWO FREE DELIVERY	FARMINGTON			MAINE

REMARKS:

CORRECTED COPY

RC/ 30 JUNE 1944



ACTION BY PROCESSING AND VERIFICATION SECTION: REPORT VERIFIED <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> FORM 43 AG 201 REQ									
CASUALTY BRANCH FILE ATTACHED				OR CHARGED TO				DATE	
PREVIOUSLY REPORTED NO <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>				YES <input type="checkbox"/>				(AS INDICATED BELOW)	
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REPORT NOT VERIFIED NO FORM 43 NO CAS. BR. FILE CHECKED BY <i>D. Riss</i> REVIEWED BY <i>J. J. J.</i>									

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

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SP-493  
Connelly, John L., Jr.  
S.A. 51,219,377

4 May 1945

Mrs. Edna Connelly  
box 518  
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FOR THE QUARtermASTER GENERAL:

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MAYO A. DARLING  
Lt Colonel, GMC  
Assistant

CCP



MARGARET CHASE SMITH  
SECOND DISTRICT MAINE

COMMITTEE:  
NAVAL AFFAIRS

WASHINGTON ADDRESS:  
231 HOUSE OFFICE BUILDING

HOME ADDRESS:  
SKOWHEGAN, MAINE

Congress of the United States  
House of Representatives  
Washington, D. C.

25878

April 30, 1945

The Quartermaster General  
War Department  
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

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Sincerely yours,

*Margaret Chase Smith*  
Margaret Chase Smith, M. C.



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293 Connelly, John L. Jr. rec  
x 201 Rep. Margaret Chase Smith

OQMG FORM 72  
19 July 1944

(DO NOT REMOVE THIS MEMORANDUM FROM PAPERS)

WAR DEPARTMENT, O.Q.M.G.  
Jr.

John L, Pvt.)

DATE: 1 May 1945

FILE NO: 293 (Connelly, RED NO: 5678

SUBJECT: Communication from Rep. Margaret Chase Smith

FROM: Liaison Branch, O.P.C. Div. TO: Memorial Division

NOTE: 1. Acknowledgment has not been sent to the Member of Congress, stating that a full reply will be sent him as soon as practicable.

**FORWARDED**  
**1 MAY 1945**  
**CONGRESSIONAL COMMITTEE**  
 2. The QM General desires that replies to Congressional inquiries be EXPEDITED.  
 Please furnish to Liaison Branch, Organization Planning & Control Division, information on which to base reply.

3. Attach all records necessary for intelligent action.

HUNT *H*

DATE: 4 May 1945

FILE: SPQYG 293

Connelly, John L., Jr.  
S.N. 31,219,377

FROM: Memorial Division

TO: Liaison Branch, OPC Division

1. There is attached copy of letter from this office to Mrs. Edna Connelly, for the information of Representative Smith.

*Darling*  
 DARLING

*CCP*  
 CCP

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SPQEL 293  
(Connally, John L., Jr.,  
Pvt.)

7 May 1945.

✓201 Honorable Margaret Chase Smith,  
House of Representatives,  
Washington, D. C.

My dear Mrs. Smith:

Reference is made to your inquiry in behalf of Mrs. Edna Connally, Box 518, West Farmington, Maine, who desires information regarding the death, burial and personal effects of her husband, Private John L. Connally, Jr., who was killed in action.

There is enclosed for your information, a copy of a letter dated 4 May 1945, written to Mrs. Connally regarding this matter.

FOR THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL:

Very truly yours,

JAMES V. HUNT,  
Lt. Colonel, Q.M.C.,  
Assistant.

1 Incl.  
Copy ltr., 4 May 1945.

JVH/fo  
Ex. 2644.



Farmington, Maine  
February 3, 1945

Adjutant General  
War Department  
Washington 25, D. C.

Dear Sir:

I wrote to the Personal Affairs Branch asking about my husband Pvt. John L. Connelly Jr., 31 219 377, who was reported "Killed in Action" June 6th in France. They could give me no information and advised me to write to you.

Through a very good source I have learned that my husband did not leave England until June 8th. Therefore I would like information concerning his death and the whereabouts of his grave. Where and under what circumstances was he found. (If he ever was found).

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Yours truly,

Mrs. Edna C. Connelly

R.F.D. 2, Farmington, Maine

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Mrs. Edna C. Connelly

R.F.D. 2, Farmington, Maine.

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AGRD-C 201 Connelly, John L. Jr.  
(3 Feb 45)

15 February 1945.

Mrs. Edna C. Connelly,  
R. F. D. No. 2,  
Farmington, Maine.

Dear Madam:

Reference is made to your recent letter addressed to The Adjutant General, Washington 25, D. C., requesting additional information concerning the death and burial of your husband.

I deeply regret that I must confirm the previous reports informing you of your husband's death. Military authorities in theaters of operations are instructed to submit reports of death only in cases where circumstances leave no doubt whatever that death has occurred. The original casualty message received from the Commanding General of the European Theater of Operations stated that Private John L. Connelly, Jr., Army serial number 31 219 377, Corps of Engineers, was missing in action since 6 June 1944 in France. A later report from the same source stated that he was killed in action on 6 June 1944, the same day he was previously reported missing. Additional records have now been received which show that his death occurred in the vicinity of Cherbourg, but unfortunately, nothing additional was given.

The Quartermaster General, Washington, D. C., has jurisdiction over matters pertaining to the burial of our military personnel who die overseas. A copy of your letter has accordingly been forwarded to that officer for necessary action.

Permit me to extend my sincere sympathy in the loss you have sustained.

Very truly yours,

MEMORANDUM  
COPY FOR: 481P V S2 b/w, q.  
The Quartermaster General,

E. C. GAULT  
E. C. GAULT,  
Colonel, AGD,  
Chief of Branch.

Washington 25, D. C.

1 Incl.

Copy ltr 3 Feb 45.

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

REPORT OF DEATH

DATE 30 Nov 44  
tla/4627

FULL NAME				ARMY SERIAL NUMBER	GRADE		
Connelly, John L., Jr.				31 219 377	Pvt		
HOME ADDRESS				ARM OR SERVICE	DATE OF BIRTH		
<i>Wilton</i> Wilton, Maine				Corps of Engineers	3 Aug 23		
PLACE OF DEATH		CAUSE OF DEATH		DATE OF DEATH			
European Area		Killed in action		6 Jun 44			
STATION OF DECEASED				DATE OF ENTRY ON CURRENT ACTIVE SERVICE	LENGTH OF SERVICE FOR PAY PURPOSES		
European Area				12 Jan 43	YEARS	MONTHS	DAYS
EMERGENCY ADDRESSEE (NAME, RELATIONSHIP & ADDRESS)							
Mrs. Edna C. Connelly, wife, Rt. 2, FD, Farmington, Maine							
BENEFICIARY (NAME, RELATIONSHIP & ADDRESS)							
Mrs. Anna Blasl, RFD, Wilton, Maine. (mother) Soldier declined to designate an alternate beneficiary. Subsequent records show existence of wife, address shown above, not designated.							
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

ADDITIONAL DATA AND/OR STATEMENT

\*On Jumping status

The individual named in this report of death is held by the War Department to have been in a missing in action status from 6 Jun 44 until such absence was terminated on 7 Nov 44 when evidence considered sufficient to establish the fact of death was received by the Secretary of War from the Commanding General, European Area.

COPIES FURNISHED:		
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G. A. O.	VET. ADMIN.	A. G. 201 FILE

- BATTLE  
 NON-BATTLE

BY ORDER OF THE SECRETARY OF WAR:

*James W. Reinhardt*  
Adjutant General

Connally, John L. Jr. 31219377  
**INVENTORY OF EFFECTS**

(Last name) (First name) (Middle initial) (Army serial number)  
Wt., lbs. (approx.) 50  
late a. (Grade) (Organization or arm or service)

TO: CHIEF, BUREAU WAREHOUSE DIVISION	VC:1a
DATE	PRIORITY
<b>30 June 1945</b>	<b>195756</b>
REQUEST	

COMPLETE INVENTORY

TRANSMITTAL INVENTORY

HOLD FOR FURTHER INSTRUCTIONS

METHOD OF SHIPMENT TO

CLEAN BLOOD STAINED ITEMS

ATTACH ALL PAPERS

CHECK FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

DETERMINE IF OWNER IS

Has property in Warehouse space 854 and 613 been  
shipped? *Not applicable.*

NAME

John L. Connally, Jr.

A.S.N.

**31219377**

RANK

Pvt.

TALLY NUMBER

PALLET

BOX

WAREHOUSE LOCATION

FROM: CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE DIVISION

HARRY NIEMIEC

2nd Lt. Q.M.C.

Eff. QM Form 37

\*Who died on the ..... day of ..... 19  
**CLASS I**-Saber, insignia, decorations, medals, campaign badges, watches, manuscripts, and other articles valuable chiefly as keepsakes.

NUMBER	ITEMS, KITS, ARTICLES	*PACKAGE NUMBER
1	Civvico Ribbon	
1	Memorabilia	
1	Lighter	
1	Utility Case	

*24 JUL 1944*  
DEPOT 614  
APO 602

\*To be filled out only in case of supplement to the Adjutant General

**CLASS II - Other effects**

NUMBER	ITEMS	ARTICLES
.....	.....	.....
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GRAVES REGISTRATION  
FORM NO. 1  
(Revised 1 Sept. 1943)

(PR)

~~RESTRICTED~~  
**REPORT OF BURIAL**

FM 10-630 AND AR 30-1815

40702  
28 August 1944

Date

JOHN L. JR.

IVT (PR)

CONNELLY,

31219377

Last Name

First

Initial

UNKNOWN

Cob' B (PRCH) 307 Engr

Unit

ST. SAUVEUR LE VICOMTE

6 JUNE 1944 UNKNOWN

Rank AIRBORNE

Serial No. 422

Organization

82ND ABN DIV

UNKNOWN KIA

Place of Death

1600 28 August 1944

STE. M. E. # 2

STE. MER EGLISE, FRANCE

Time and Date of Burial

125 7

Name of Cemetery

Name or Coordinates of Location

Grave Number

Row Number

Plot Number

Type of Marker

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

If No Identification Tags

How were remains identified?

**IDENTIFICATION ACCEPTED**

Initial C Coffey

**REBURIAL**

What means of identification were buried with the body?

1 tag

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

Who is buried on:

Kreisie 13090866

Unknown Unknown

126

Deceased's Right:

Name Code,

Serial No. 34648202

Rank Pfc.

Organization 4132 Qm.

Grave No. 124

Deceased's Left:

Name

Serial No.

Rank

Organization

Grave No.

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

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

Emergency Addressee UNKNOWN

Name

UNKNOWN

Address

PROTESTANT

Religion

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

NONE

**REBURIAL**

File 115  
5-8-44  
JEP

Previously buried in isolated grave  
located at

Signature of Officer or other person reporting burial

LEO M. DUFFY 1st Lt., QMC

Graves Registration Officer

Verified by G.R.S. Officer

HQ. SOS. 22/9/43. 380M/8/15219

Leo M. Duffy

SFQIG 293  
Connelly, John L., Jr.  
S.N. 31,219,377

4 May 1945

SUBJECT: Report of Interment

TO: Commanding General, Comzone  
European Theater of Operations  
APO 887, c/o Postmaster  
New York, New York  
FOR: The Chief Quartermaster

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2. The individual named was reported missing in action in France from 6 June 1944 until such absence was terminated on 7 November 1944 when evidence considered sufficient to establish the fact of death was received by the Secretary of War from the Commanding General, European Area.

FOR THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL:

CCP  
CCP

H. A. BARNES  
Brig General, QMC  
Deputy The Quartermaster General

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C.O.M.Q.C.  
MAIL & RECORDS BRANCH

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MEMORIAL DIVISION





## ARMY SERVICE FORCES

SPQYG 293

OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL

Connelly, John L., Jr.

WASHINGTON 25, D. C.

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FOR THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL:

H. A. BARNES  
Brig General, QMC  
Deputy The Quartermaster General

Q-GRE (26 May 45.)

1st Ind.

RWP/gd

OQMG, HQ COM Z, ETO, APO 887, U.S. ARMY.

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

This office has never received a Report of Burial for Pvt. John L. Connelly, Jr., A.S.N. 31219377, and as far as is known, his remains have not been recovered.

ROBERT M. LITTLEJOHN  
Major General USA,  
Chief Quartermaster.

SPQYG 293 Connelly, John L., Jr.  
31 219 377

2nd Ind.

ASF, OQMG, Washington 25, D. C. 13 Jun 45

TO: Commanding General, CZ, ETO, APO 887, c/o PM, New York, N.Y.  
FOR: The Chief Quartermaster

1. Attention is invited to the 1st Indorsement and to the photo-static copy of Report of Interment for the late Private John L. Connelly, Jr., 31 219 377.

2. It is requested that your records be corrected and this office advised upon its completion.

FOR THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL:

1 Incl  
Phstc Cpy of  
Report of Interment

MAYO A. DARLING  
Lt Colonel, QMC  
Assistant

SPQYE 293  
Connally, John L. Jr.  
ASN 31 219 577

✓  
23 July 1945

Mrs. Edna Connally  
Box 518  
West Farmington, Maine

My dear Mrs. Connally:

This office has been advised by the Honorable Margaret Chase Smith that you have not, as yet, received information concerning the death, burial and personal effects of your husband, Private John L. Connally, Jr.

The delay in forwarding this information to you is indeed regretted; however, it is gratifying to be able to advise you now that a burial report has been received from the field which indicates that your husband is buried in Grave 125, Row 7, Plot W of the United States Military Cemetery #2, at Ste. Mere-Eglise, France. The approximate location of this cemetery is six miles north and east of Carentan and twenty-one miles southeast of Cherbourg, both in France.

In view of the fact that the Army Effects Bureau, Kansas City Quartermaster Depot, 601 Hardesty Avenue, Kansas City 1, Missouri, is designated to receive and ship the personal effects of our military personnel who die outside the continental United States, your request for information as to the status of your husband's effects has been forwarded to that bureau for investigation and direct reply.

Further, as The Adjutant General is charged with disseminating information regarding the death of members of the Armed Forces dying in the service, your request for information concerning the death of your husband has been referred to that office for direct reply.

Please accept the sympathy of this office in your great loss.

FOR THE QUARtermaster GENERAL:

Sincerely yours,

R. P. HARROLD  
Colonel, QMC  
Assistant

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201 Smith, Margaret Chase (Hon.)  
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MARGARET CHASE SMITH  
SECOND DISTRICT MAINE

COMMITTEE:  
NAVAL AFFAIRS

WASHINGTON ADDRESS:  
231 HOUSE OFFICE BUILDING

HOME ADDRESS:  
SKOWHEGAN, MAINE

Congress of the United States  
House of Representatives

Washington, D. C.

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July 11, 1945

The Quartermaster General  
War Department  
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

On May 7 you wrote me that information would be sent to Mrs. Edna Connelly, Box 518, West Farmington, Maine, concerning the death, burial and personal effects of her husband, Private John L. Connelly, Jr., who was killed in action - serial number 31,219,377.

To date she says no definite word has been received and wants to know how long she must wait to know what really happened.

Any information you can give her will be greatly appreciated.

Sincerely yours,  
*Margaret Chase Smith*  
Margaret Chase Smith, M. C.

293 (Connelly, John L.) (Int)  
421 (March, Margaret Chase) (Int)

23 JUL 1945

WAR DEPARTMENT, O.Q.M.G.

(DO NOT REMOVE THIS MEMORANDUM FROM PAPER)

DATE 13 July 1945. SUBJECT Communication from Rep. Smith. FROM Liaison Branch, OP&C TO Memorial Division. FILE NO. L., Jr., Pvt. RED NO. 10561

NOTE: 1. Acknowledgment has not been sent to the Member of Congress, stating that a full reply will be sent him as soon as practicable.  
2. The QM General desires that replies to Congressional inquiries be EXPEDITED.  
3. Please furnish to Liaison Branch, Organization Planning & Control Division, information on which to base reply.  
4. Attach all records necessary for intelligent action.

HUNT

DATE: 18 July 1945

FILE: SPQYG 293  
Connelly, John L., Jr.  
S.N. 31 219 377

FROM: Memorial Division

TO : Liaison Branch, OPC Division

1. There is attached for Representative Smith's information a copy of our reply to Mrs. Connelly.

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WARREN

ccp  
CCP

1 Incl:  
ltr dtd 18 July 1945

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SPQEL 293  
(Connelly, John L., Jr.,  
Pvt.)

27 July 1945

*WHD*  
Honorable Margaret Chase Smith,  
House of Representatives,  
Washington, D. C.

My dear Mrs. Smith:

Reference is made to your further inquiry in behalf of Mrs. Edna Connelly, Box 518, West Farmington, Maine, regarding the death, burial, and personal effects of her husband, Private John L. Connelly, Jr., 31219377.

Mrs. Connelly was informed in a letter from this office dated 23 July 1945, that her husband was interred in the United States Military Cemetery #2, St. Mere-Eglise, France, Plot W, Row 7, Grave 125. The approximate location of this cemetery is six miles north and east of Carentan, and twenty-one miles southeast of Cherbourg, both in France.

Mrs. Connelly may be assured that her husband was buried with the utmost respect and reverence with a Protestant ceremony conducted at the grave by an Army Chaplain. A temporary marker with a fitting inscription thereon, has been erected and the grave properly recorded. The Cemetery is well cared for and under the immediate supervision of our military authorities.

Since the Army Effects Bureau, Kansas City Quartermaster Depot, 601 Hardesty Avenue, Kansas City 1, Missouri, is designated to receive and ship the personal effects of our military personnel who die outside the continental limits of the United States, your correspondence has been forwarded to that bureau for proper action and direct reply.

The Adjutant General, Washington, D. C., is responsible for information regarding the circumstances surrounding the death of our military personnel. Therefore, your inquiry has been forwarded to that officer for direct reply regarding the death of Private Connelly.

SPQEL 293 (Connelly, John L., Jr., Pvt.) Ltr. 27 July 1945 (Cont'd)

The Quartermaster General, Lieutenant General Edmund B. Gregory, desires to express through you to the family of Private Connelly, his deepest sympathy in their great sorrow.

FOR THE QUARtermaster GENERAL:

Very truly yours,

JVH/elh

JAMES V. HUNT,  
Lt. Colonel, Q.M.C.,  
Assistant.

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IN REPLY REFER TO

SPQYG 293

Connelly, John L., Jr. WASHINGTON 25, D. C.  
S.N. 31,219,377

ARMY SERVICE FORCES

OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL

4 May 1945

SUBJECT: Report of Interment

TO: Commanding General, Comzone  
European Theater of Operations  
APO 887, c/o Postmaster  
New York, New York  
FOR: The Chief Quartermaster

1. It is requested that this office be advised as to whether the remains of the late Private John L. Connelly, Jr., S.N. 31,219,377, Corps of Engineers, have been recovered and interred, as to date a report of interment has not been received.

2. The individual named was reported missing in action in France from 6 June 1944 until such absence was terminated on 7 November 1944 when evidence considered sufficient to establish the fact of death was received by the Secretary of War from the Commanding General, European Area.

FOR THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL:

H. A. Barnes  
Brig General, QMC  
Deputy The Quartermaster General

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John L. Connelly Jr.  
31219 377  
Billfold  
Registration Card  
Torn Dollar Bill

SUPPLEMENTARY  
INVENTORY OF BELONGINGS

CONNELLY JR. JOHN L. 31219377

(First Name) (Middle) (Last) (MOS) (ABN)

Item Unknown Unknown  
(Type) (Color or Brand or Service)

He died on the Unk. day of July 1944

Billfold ✓  
Registration Card ✓  
One Dollar Bill ✓

Serial No. 31219377 Name J. L. CONNELLY JR.  
Grade. Rank  
Organization  
Address  
Nearest Relative Edna S. Connelly (Wife)  
Address 1012 Farmington Avenue  
Killed in Action Yes Died of Disease  
Date 22/7/44 Hospital  
Battle Area Information

Members Missing  
Place of Burial  
Point of Coordination  
Description of Body

I certify that the effects of Class I and II have been delivered to the ██████████  
██████████

F. A. GREULICH  
Capt., QMC

Blosville Cemetery  
22 July 1944

Signed Abraham Greulich Jr.

*26*  
Q-GRE (26 May 45.)

1st Ind.

MAY 27 1945

RWP/gd

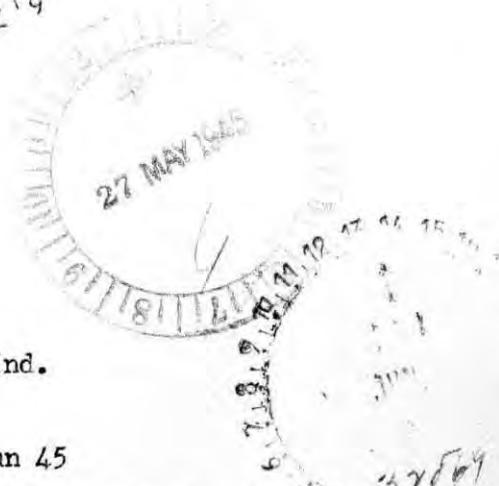
OCQM, HQ COM Z, ETO, APO 887, U.S. ARMY.

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

This office has never received a Report of Burial for Pvt. John L. Connelly, Jr., A.S.N. 31219377, and as far as is known, his remains have not been recovered.



ROBERT M. LITTLEJOHN  
Major General USA,  
Chief Quartermaster.



SPQYG 293 Connelly, John L., Jr.  
31 219 377

2nd Ind.

ASF, OQMG, Washington 25, D. C. 13 Jun 45

TO: Commanding General, CZ, ETO, APO 887, c/o PM, New York, N.Y.  
FOR: The Chief Quartermaster

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1. Attention is invited to the 1st Indorsement and to the photo-static copy of Report of Interment for the late Private John L. Connelly, Jr., 31 219 377.

2. It is requested that your records be corrected and this office advised upon its completion.

FOR THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL:

*Mayo A. Darling*  
MAYO A. DARLING  
Lt Colonel, QMC  
Assistant

1 Incl  
Phstc Cpy of  
Report of Interment

*293* Connally John L.

Q-GRE (St Mere Eglise #2, W-7-125)

(29 June 45)

OCQM, HQS COM Z, ETOUSA, APO 887, U. S. ARMY.

3rd Ind.

RWP/mjg

*31, 219, 322*

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

Records of this office have been corrected to indicate the proper name of subject deceased.

Incl. n/c



*JH in One  
Lt Col One*

W. H. MIDDLESWART,  
Brigadier General, USA,  
Acting Chief Quartermaster.

RECEIVED  
ARMED FORCES QUARTERMASTER CORPS  
COMPTROLLER'S SECTION  
29 JUN 1945  
RECORDED

*filed 7/21/68*

## REFUGEE RECORDS BRANCH

293

6 August 46  
Date

NAME CONNELLY, JOHN L. JR. ASN 31219377

Cemetery ST MERE EGLISE #2 W 7 125

LETTER TO

Correct Records to Read

J. Hamm

Special Checker

Charges made in information on Casualty Report  
Burial Report are from sources listed below.  
 Form 135

1. SERIAL FILE 77409

2.

3.

CORRECTIONS MADE

FROM

TO

CONNELLY, J.S. L JR.CONNELLY, JOHN L JR.

NAT

Name J. Hamm

File

Date 6 Aug 46

Officers Name

*Patterson*

QMGMR 314.6  
Graves Registration  
( European )

*W. J. Moore*

25 November 1946

SUBJECT: Burial Records

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

1. Request the burial reports and grave markers for the following decedents be changed to read as underscored:

CEMETERY: United States Military Cemetery Ste. Mere Eglise #2,  
France.

NAME	RANK GRADE	SERIAL NO.	PLOT	ROW	GRAVE	ORGANIZATION
Cripps, Richard A.	PVT	36 822 853	U	6	105	—
Connally, John L., Jr.	PVT	31 219 377	N	7	125	<u>Co B (Precht), 307th Arbn Engr Bn, 82nd Arbn Div</u>
Cole, Howard P.	PFC	37 243 133	B	10	199	<u>Co D, 8th Inf Regt, 4th Inf Div</u>
Coss, John C.	SGT	35 399 760	N	8	155	—
Columbus, Patsy S.	SGT	13 086 836	C	7	122	—

2. The records of this office have been reverified with the records of The Adjutant General, War Department, and have been found to be correct as indicated above.

FOR THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL:

jew

MARTIN G. RILEY  
Major, QMC  
Assistant

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Pvt. John L. Connally, Jr., 31 219 377  
Plot W, Row 7, Grave 125,  
United States Military Cemetery  
Ste Mere Eglise #2, France

24 September 1947

Mrs. Edna C. Connally  
Box 518  
West Farmington, Maine

Dear Mrs. Connally:

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

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

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

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

Sincerely,

Incls.

THOMAS B. LARKIN  
Major General  
The Quartermaster General

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## 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
<i>Mrs. Edward Blas</i>	<i>Edna</i>	
RELATIONSHIP TO THE DECEASED		
<i>Mother</i>		
NUMBER AND STREET	CITY OR TOWN	STATE OR COUNTRY
<i>R.F.D. #1.</i>	<i>North Johnson</i>	<i>Maine</i>

*November 14, 1947*  
(DATE)

*2663-31st Ave*  
(STREET AND NUMBER)

*Mrs. Edna (Kathy) Bryant*  
(SIGNATURE)

*San Francisco, California*  
(CITY AND STATE)

**ADDITIONAL REMARKS AND INSTRUCTIONS**

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

As I am remarried I feel his Mother  
is next of kin.

**REQUEST FOR DISPOSITION OF REMAINS**

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

DATE:

Pvt. John L. Connally, Jr., 31 219 377  
 Plot W, Row 7, Grave 15,  
 United States Military Cemetery  
 St. Mere Eglise #2, France

24 September 1947

**DO NOT WRITE ABOVE THIS LINE**

A		C	
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**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.**

(PLEASE PRINT OR TYPE NAME OF NEXT OF KIN)

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

- |                                 |                                  |                                                    |                                                     |
|---------------------------------|----------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> WIDOW  | <input type="checkbox"/> WIDOWER | <input type="checkbox"/> SON OVER 21 YEARS OLD     | <input type="checkbox"/> DAUGHTER OVER 21 YEARS OLD |
| <input type="checkbox"/> FATHER | <input type="checkbox"/> MOTHER  | <input type="checkbox"/> BROTHER OVER 21 YEARS OLD | <input type="checkbox"/> 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.)

- |                                                                                                                                                        |
|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> 1. BE INTERRED IN A PERMANENT AMERICAN MILITARY CEMETERY OVERSEAS.                                                            |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 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)

- |                                                                                                                                                  |
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| <input type="checkbox"/> 3. BE RETURNED TO _____, THE HOMELAND OF THE DECEASED OR NEXT OF KIN, FOR INTERMENT BY NEXT OF KIN IN A FOREIGN COUNTRY |
|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|

PRIVATE CEMETERY LOCATED AT \_\_\_\_\_

(LOCATION OF CEMETERY SELECTED)

- |                                                                                                                          |
|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> 4. BE RETURNED TO THE UNITED STATES FOR FINAL INTERMENT IN A NATIONAL CEMETERY LOCATED AT _____ |
|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|

(LOCATION OF NATIONAL CEMETERY SELECTED)

(Please indicate if your own religious services at a location other than the selected national cemetery are desired by placing an "X" in the proper box)

 YES       NO

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

**FILE**

10 FEB 1948

Pvt John L. Connally, 31 219 377  
Plot W, Row 7, Grave 125,  
United States Military Cemetery  
St. Mere Eglise #2, France

WMS  
9 February 1948

Mrs. Anna Blasl  
Rural Free Delivery #1  
North Anson, Maine

Dear Mrs. Blasl:

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

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

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

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

Sincerely,

7 Incls.

THOMAS B. LANKIN  
Major General  
The Quartermaster General

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## OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL OF THE ARMY

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<i>Lg. C. Chennell Jr. handle</i>				DUE, HOUR AND DATE
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REQUEST REMAINS OF MY SON PVT JOHN L CONNELLY JR BE LAID  
AT REST IN BEVERLY NATIONAL CEMETERY NJER

MRS ANNA BLASL, MOTHER

RFD NORTH ANSON MAINE

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FUNERAL SERVICES FOR PVT JOHN L CONNELLY JR 31219377

SCHEDULED FOR 130 PM TUESDAY 14 SEPT 1948

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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	STATE OR TERRITORY OF U. S. A., OR COUNTRY
EXPRESS OFFICE ( <i>Nearest railroad passenger station</i> )	TELEGRAPH ADDRESS		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
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IN CASE OF EMERGENCY THE NAME AND ADDRESS OF THE PERSON NEXT IN LINE OF KINSHIP AFTER ME, AS SET FORTH IN THE PAMPHLET, "DISPOSITION OF WORLD WAR II ARMED FORCES DEAD," IS:

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

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

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

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

*Mrs Anna Blasl*  
(SIGNATURE OF NEXT OF KIN)

(STREET AND NUMBER)

*MRS ANNA BLASL*  
(NAME PRINTED OR TYPED)

(CITY AND STATE)

Subscribed and duly sworn to before me according to law by the above-named applicant this 19<sup>th</sup> day of October, 1944, at city (or town) of North Army, county of Somerset, and State (or Territory or District) of Maine.

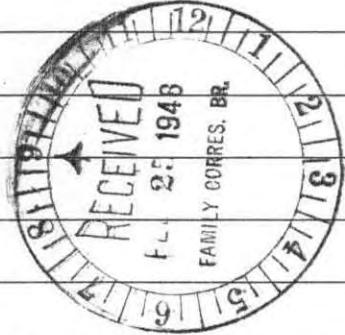
*Mark H. Dohler*  
(SIGNATURE OF OFFICER AUTHORIZED TO ADMINISTER OATHS)  
*Justice of the Peace*  
(OFFICIAL TITLE)

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

OPTIONAL REMARKS AND INSTRUCTIONS

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

Our second claim of National cemetery,  
is Woodlawn National Cemetery, Bronx  
Street, Bronx, New York.



## TEST FOR DISPOSITION OF REMAIN

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

DATE: L 3/8

Form 18-374

Pvt John L. Connelly, 31 219 377  
 Plot W, Row 7, Grave 125,  
 United States Military Cemetery  
 St. Mere Eglise #2, France

9 February 1948

DO NOT WRITE ABOVE THIS LINE

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

If you are the next of kin or authorized representative of next of kin and desire to direct the disposition of the remains, please fill in PART I of this form.

## PART I

I, Mrs. Anna Blas)

(PLEASE PRINT OR TYPE NAME OF NEXT OF KIN)

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

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| <input type="checkbox"/> WIDOW  | <input type="checkbox"/> WIDOWER           | <input type="checkbox"/> SON OVER 21 YEARS OLD     | <input type="checkbox"/> DAUGHTER OVER 21 YEARS OLD |
| <input type="checkbox"/> FATHER | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> MOTHER | <input type="checkbox"/> BROTHER OVER 21 YEARS OLD | <input type="checkbox"/> 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 FOREIGN COUNTRY

PRIVATE CEMETERY LOCATED AT \_\_\_\_\_

(LOCATION OF CEMETERY SELECTED) 03

- 4. BE RETURNED TO THE UNITED STATES FOR FINAL INTERMENT IN A NATIONAL CEMETERY LOCATED AT Beverly, New Jersey (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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Date 14 September 1948

TO: Mrs. Anna Blasl  
R.F.D. #1  
North Anson, Maine

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

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

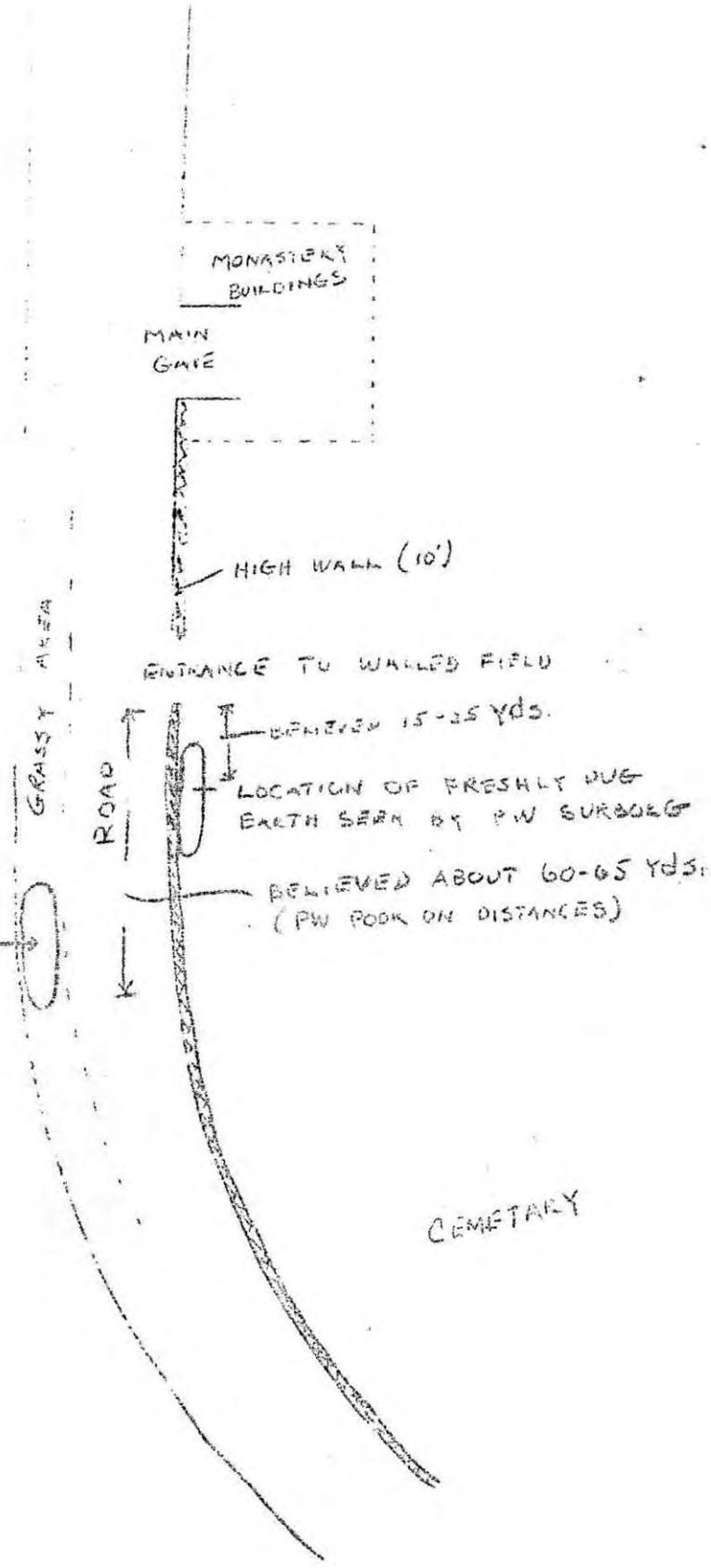
Name of Veteran John L. Connally, Jr., OPIC 101  
Rank, etc. Pvt Co B 307 AB Div  
Grave or lot No. 756 Section D  
Date of death (World War II Repatriation Program)  
Date buried 14 September 1948

To be filled in by Next of Kin

State desired Maine  
Religious emblem desired Christian Faith  
(Latin Cross for Christian Faith, Star of David for Hebrew Faith)  
Date of birth Aug. 3 1923 - June 6, 1948  
Address of kin North Anson Maine  
Signature Mrs Anna Blasl Date Sept 1 1948  
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LOCATION OF  
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ROUGH SKETCH FROM DESCRIPTION BY PWS OF MONASTERY  
AT ST SAUVIER, NORMANDY, SHOWING POSSIBLE GRAVE LOCAT

## INTELLIGENCE REPORT

FOR GENERAL USE BY ANY U.S. INTELLIGENCE AGENCY

From Director, Intelligence Division Eq. 1st Service Command Date 2 January 1944  
 AGENCY OR OFFICER STATION

Source POWS Heinrich PLOESSER and Karl SURBORG, POW Camp, Eval. See below  
 Fort Devens, Massachusetts

Area Reported On NORMANDY (FRANCE) Subject BURIAL PLACE OF THREE EXECUTED  
 AMERICAN PARATROOPERS

## Reference

(DIRECTIVE, CORRESPONDENCE, PREVIOUS REPORT, ETC., IF APPLICABLE.)

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**SUMMARY:** ENTER CAREFUL SUMMARY OF REPORT, CONTAINING SUBSTANCE GCUCCINTLY STATED. ANSWER QUESTIONS WHERE, WHEN, WHAT, HOW, HOW MANY, AND GIVE DATE OF EVENT. IN A FINAL ONE SENTENCE PARAGRAPH GIVE SIGNIFICANCE. BEGIN TEXT ON PAGE 2.

**SUMMARY:** Heinrich PLOESSER, 31 NO. 128041, and Karl SURBORG, 32 NO. 123328, German PWs, Fort Devens, Massachusetts, prior to capture were members of the Bakery Company of the 709th German Infantry Division. These PWs, interviewed among other prisoners gave the following information, dated 6-9 June 1944:

(3) T-7954 thru T-7951

During the first few days of the Allied Invasion of Normandy, the Bakery Company of the 709th German Infantry Division was stationed in the Monastery at St. Salvator, Normandy. On or about 7 June 1944 three captured American Paratroopers were taken from a barn where they were confined, marched out through the main Monastery gate down the road, then shot. (Evaluation: C-2). According to PW PLOESSER, who admitted helping to bury the Americans, the bodies were placed in a shallow grave in a grassy plot adjacent to the right hand side of the road as indicated on accompanying sketch. (Note: PW PLOESSER is a suspected principal or accessory in a War Crimes case now in preparation; his reliability is questionable. (Evaluation: E-0) PW SURBORG upon returning from guard duty in the area at a time placed as after the burial noticed freshly-dug earth in an enclosure not far from the spot where the shooting is believed to have taken place. (See sketch). (Note: PW SURBORG did not know whether or not the Americans were buried in the spot where he observed the freshly-dug earth; there is no apparent reason to question his reliability. (Evaluation: C-3)

(Report forwarded for possible interest to Adjutant General's Office, or Graves Registration. There is no reason to doubt that three American Paratrooper were shot. It is believed that accompanying sketch may give a clue to the location of the burial place.)

FOR THE COMMANDING GENERAL:

*J. S. Brown*

S. D. BROWN,  
 Colonel, G. S. C.,  
 Director, Intelligence Division

1. Enclosure: Sketch of Grave locations

Interview conducted and report prepared by Edward T. Howard and John Cronin.

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- TRAITEMENT -

Saint Sauveur le Vicomte, 14 November 1946

The Mayor of Saint Sauveur le Vicomte certifies that the burial of four American paratroopers took place at the Cemetery of our locality on 7 June 1944. This burial was made through Mr. Gauthé and himself.

About four or five months after this burial, American Graves Registration came and exhumed the bodies of these soldiers and very likely took them to Ste Mere Eglise U.S. Military Cemetery.

There is no more neither in the Cemetery nor on the territory of the Commune, bodies of American soldiers.

He declares that no documents were given to the Mairie when the bodies were removed.

The Mayor

( stamp )

Signature

Translated by:

L.J. CHERVET

(Letter 6.)

9 Oct 1946

Commanding Officer, Second Zone, American Graves Registration Command, APO 847, US Army.

Three (3) Unknowns  
(T-7954 thru T-7956)  
Paratroopers

St Sauveur,  
France

Three paratroopers were captured on 7 June 1944, marched down the road from the Monastery at St Sauveur, Department of Manche and shot. Bodies were buried in a shallow grave in a grassy plot adjacent to the right hand side of the road. (see inclosed sketch)

Investigation is to be conducted to locate this isolated grave. Remains will be disinterred, identity established and reburial accomplished in an established US Military Cemetery in conformance with existing procedure.

The above Unknowns are buried in St Mere Eglise #2 as:

CONNELLY, John J.L. Jr.	W-7-125
CUNNINGHAM, Ralph J.	W-7-127
EDMONDSON, Charlie K. Jr.	W-7-128

PHONE:  
A-C 3900  
Ext 194

WALTER H. BOLOW

Major Infantry

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Air Raid  
Civil Service  
of St. Sauveur le Vicomte  
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American paratroopers killed on 7 June 44 and buried in  
St. Sauveur le Vicomte Cemetery:

J.L. CONNELLY Jr.  
31219377  
T/4 3.44.P

RALPH J. CUNNINGHAM  
11.049224  
PVT.

CHARLIE K. EDMONDSON  
20.417.075  
T/4 2.43 O

The wallets found on these soldiers were deposited at house  
of the Mairie's Secretary on Saturday 10 June about 18 hours, but  
at about 2100 hours a bombardment totally destroyed her house,  
which leaves a small chance of finding these documents.

However each soldier was buried with his identification Tag.

The Head of the Air Raid  
Civil Service of Saint  
Sauveur le Vicomte

Signed: L. GAUTHIER

Translated by:

  
M.J. CHAUVENT

(Letter 5.)

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- T E M P L E T A C H -

Saint Sauveur le Vicomte, 15 Nov. 1946

I, the undersigned, Gauthier Lucien, Head of the Air Raid Civil Service of Saint Sauveur le Vicomte declare that I recognized on a plan that was shown to me, the place where on 7 June 44 were buried, the following three American Paratroopers:

✓ J.L. CONNELLY JR.  
31219377  
T/4 3.44.B

RALPH J. GURVINGHAM  
11.049224  
PVT.

CHARLIE K. EDMONDSON  
20.417.075  
T/4 2.43 O

These soldiers were buried by me in the Cemetery of St. Sauveur le Vicomte on 8 June 44 at 10 p.m. I can certify that these soldiers were killed by surprise but while fighting. Since then the bodies have been removed to an American Cemetery. I am giving a list of the four (4) soldiers which was established at the time of these events.

The Head of the Air Raid Civil Service of St. Sauveur le Vicomte.

Signature.

Translated by:

  
M.J. CHERVET

(Letter 4.)



Date 12 July 1944

SUBJECT: Personal effects of soldier missing in action.

TO : Effects Quartermaster, ETOUSA, APO 871, U. S. Army.

THRU : Commanding General, 82d Airborne Division, APO 469, U. S. Army.

1. Name. John L. Connelly, Jr.

2. Grade or rank. Pvt.

3. Army Serial Number. 31219577

4. Organization. Co B 307 A/B Engr Bn

5. Status. (KIA, MIA, Missing)

6. Date of casualty. 6 June 44

7. Date and disposition of effects. 12 July 44. Effects QM 82d A/B Div.

8. Bank in United Kingdom in which deceased had an account. None

9. Names of Debtors and Creditors. None

10. Name and address of next of kin. Mrs Edna C. Connelly - Wife

R R # 2,

Farmington, Maine

For the Commanding Officer:

A. T. ZEINDEN, CWO., USA.,

307 A/B Engr Bn,

Personnel Adjutant.

1 Incls:

WD AGO Form 54 (trip only)

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- TRAILEDATION -

Saint Sauveur de Chaulieu, 24 November 1946.

I, the undersigned, LAVALLEE Louise, school teacher and Town Mayor's secretary, declare that to my knowledge, there exists in the Commune no graves of American soldiers.

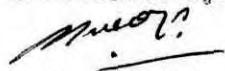
The school children and the population of the Commune have never spoken of the existence of graves of American paratroopers.

As for the American soldiers killed during the battle, they were removed on the following days by American trucks.

Besides there is no monastery in the area.

Signed: LAVALLEE L.

Translated by:

  
M.J. CHERVET

(Letter 1.)

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- T R A N S L A T I O N -

STATEMENT

Saint Sauveur de Chaulieu, 24 October 1946

I, Albert LEMONNIER, declare that I am Mayor of the Commune of Saint Sauveur de Chaulieu since May 1945.

I have never had any knowledge of graves of American paratroopers in my Commune and the population have never spoken of the existence of any American graves. Further there has never been a monastery in the Commune of Saint Sauveur de Chaulieu. In my opinion the bodies of the paratroopers must be in one of the other Communes also called St. Sauveur.

Signed: LEMONNIER

( stamp )

Translated by:

M.J.CHEVET

(Letter 2.)

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- T R A N S L A T I O N -

I, Jean LETONDU, Priest undersigned, declare that I have never heard say by any one of my parishioners of St. Sauveur de Chaulieu, questioned many times on the subject, that any graves of American soldiers existed on the territory of the Parish of St. Sauveur during the campaign of France.

Further more I have never known of this particular detail of three paratroopers killed in a village called St. Sauveur being buried in St. Sauveur de Chaulieu, in as much as these three (3) paratroopers were buried near a monastery and that my Parish has no monastery.

I certify all this from reports given by my parishioners, having been myself from June 1940 until May 1945 a prisoner in Germany.

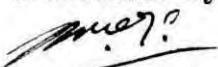
I wish to point out however that I am administrator of St. Sauveur de Chaulieu and that many previous investigations were made by myself, on the request of my ecclesiastre superiors.

Saint Martin de Chaulieu, 24 October 1946

Signed: LETONDU

Priest of St. Martin de Chaulieu  
Administrator of St. Sauveur

Translated by:

  
M.J. CHERVET

(Letter 3.)

Note : Supplemental information, the cemetery records at this Headquarters were checked and the following information obtained:

Connelly, John J.L. Jr., 31219377, Pvt., Airborne  
Ste Mere Eglise #2  
Date of death: 6 June 1944 Plot W Row 7 Grave 125  
Place of death: St. Sauveur le Vicomte, 28 August 1944  
Date of reburial: 28 August 1944

Cunningham, Ralph J., 11049224  
Ste Mere Eglise #2 Plot W Row 7 Grave 127  
No Date of death  
Place of death: St. Sauveur le Vicomte  
Date of burial: 28 August 1944

Edmondson, Charlie K. Jr., 20417075  
Ste Mere Eglise #2 Plot W Row 7 Grave 128  
No Date of death  
Place of death: St. Sauveur le Vicomte  
Date of burial: 28 August 1944

Kreiser, Roy K., 13090866, Pvt.  
Ste Mere Eglise #2 Plot W Row 7 Grave 126  
Date of death: 6 June 1944  
Place of death: St. Sauveur le Vicomte  
Date of burial: 28 August 1944

N A R R A T I V E

15 November 1946

This special investigation was to locate the isolated graves of three American paratroopers reportedly buried near the monastery at St. Sauveur (Manche), and to determine their identity if possible.

Six possible "St. Sauveurs" in the department of Manche were listed as towns to investigate. A thorough check of St. Sauveur de Chaulieu (A8/T62) proved that this could not be the right town (letters 1 to 3).

A visit to St. Sauveur le Vicomte revealed that this was undoubtedly the right one. The one Monastery (Abbey) there was as indicated on the map accompanying this case. Parachutists did land there on the evening of 6 June 1944, and early morning of the 7th, which was not true of the other St. Sauveurs.

A questioning of the inhabitants of the area revealed that three American soldiers were at one time buried in a shallow grave at the side of this road, but that they were removed shortly afterwards by the French Red Cross, and reburied in St. Sauveur cemetery. It was assumed that these parachutists were killed in combat, and not killed as prisoners.

In order to obtain factual evidence this investigator contacted Mr. Lucien GAUTHE, garage owner, and former head of the French Red Cross in the city of St. Sauveur le Vicomte. He was very familiar with the case, and stated that he supervised the exhumation of these three bodies from their shallow graves, and the re-interment in the city cemetery. He had taken careful note of their names, and serial numbers, and stated too, that each one was identified in the cemetery by his respective identification tag. (ltr. 4). Mr. GAUTHE gave this investigator, as evidence, a copy of the records of his organization made at the time of the first exhumation and re-burial. He further stated that the paratroopers were killed in combat.

A check with the Mayor of St. Sauveur le Vicomte substantiated the account given by Mr. GAUTHE, (ltr. 6) and stated further that there are no bodies of American soldiers buried in his commune today.

The fourth soldier buried by Mr. GAUTHE on 8 June 1944, Pfc. Roy K. KREISER, was killed in the city, at some distance from the three in question.

In as much as these three soldiers are now in an American cemetery this case should be considered closed.

AUGUST A. ARIEY JR.  
US WD Civ. D-434693  
Investigator

Date: 15 November 1946

SURFACE INVESTIGATION

Section "B" (Investigator)

<u>August A. ARLEY JR.</u>	<u>US D Civ</u>	<u>B-454693</u>
(Name)	(Rank)	(ASN)

Investigation was initiated by questioning of:

Name: Lucien CASTEL Address: Saint Sauveur le VicomteName: Albert LAMBERT, Mayor Address: " " " "

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Address: \_\_\_\_\_

From these people the following was learned:

Three American paratroopers were killed during the early morning of 7 June 1944, and buried at place indicated in correspondence, by German soldiers. These three bodies were removed the following day by the St Sauveur le Vicomte Red Cross, their identity carefully noted, and reburied in the city cemetery. A few months later an American Graves Unit disinterred these three bodies for reburial in an American Military Cemetery.

Following this a search of the ground revealed:

The map of the locality coincided in every respect with the Monastery and surroundings in St. Sauveur le Vicomte. Parachutists did land in the vicinity, and three were buried at the place indicated.

(If body located, complete and attach AGRC Form # 10).

My conclusion is that this body cannot be recovered in this area because:

There is no doubt that the three soldiers buried here are now removed, and buried in an American cemetery.

<u>AUGUST A. ARLEY JR.</u>
(signature)
<u>US D Civ Empl</u>
(rank)
<u>589 TC Truck Bn, AGRC</u>
(organization)

Inclosures:

AMM 642-41D1

EUROPEAN THEATER AREA  
APO 887 U S ARMY

WBM/CBS/bed

Date: 9 Oct 1946

SUBJECT: Investigation of Isolated Burial.

To : Commanding Officer, Second Zone, American Graves Registration Command, APO 887, US Army.

Request that necessary action be taken on Isolated burial case  
below:

CASE RECORD AND INVESTIGATION

Section "A" (Registration Division, Hq. AGRC)

Name Three (3) Unknowns Rank \_\_\_\_\_ ASN \_\_\_\_\_  
(T-7954 thru T-7956)  
Organization Paratroopers

Present AG Status \_\_\_\_\_

Area of Disappearance St Sauveur, Coordinates \_\_\_\_\_  
France

Circumstances as known:

Three paratroopers were captured on 7 June 1944, marched down the road from the Monastery at St Sauveur, Department of Manche and shot. Bodies were buried in a shallow grave in a grassy plot adjacent to the right hand side of the road. (see inclosed sketch)

Persons to be interrogated:

Information desired:

Investigation is to be conducted to locate this isolated grave. Remains will be disinterred, identity established and reburial accomplished in an established US Military Cemetery in conformance with existing procedure.

Crew Members:

PHONE:  
ARC 3900  
Ext 194

HEADQUARTERS  
AGRC

- 9 OCT 1946  
53 431

*Walter B. Morrow*  
WALTER B. MORROW  
(sig.)  
Major Infantry  
(rank)

(1 page)  
1468

GHWPL 293.9

1st Ind.

JRE/sl

HEADQUARTERS, SECOND ZONE, AMERICAN GRAVES REGISTRATION COMMAND  
SUNCFELD THMTTH AREA, APC 887, U. S. ARMY. 10 December 1946.

TO: Commanding Officer, American Graves Registration Command,  
APC 887, U. S. Army.

1. An investigation at Saint Sauveur le Vicomte revealed that parachutists landed there on 6 June 1944 and that three American soldiers were buried in a shallow grave at the side of the road near an abbey, as indicated on map furnished with basic communication. These remains were later removed to the St. Sauveur Cemetery and were recovered 11 Dec 1946. They were reburied in the St. Sauveur Cemetery No. 2 as the following known individuals:

Connally, John J.L. Jr., 31219377, Ivt  
Plot W Row 7 Grave 125

Cunningham, Ralph J., 11049224,  
Plot W Row 7 Grave 127

Edmondson, Charlie F., Jr., 20417075,  
Plot W Row 7 Grave 128

13	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	- IN -
19	18	17	16	15	14	13	12	11	10	

2. Inasmuch as the information for the above three individuals corresponds with the facts given on Unknown T-7954 thru T-7956, it is evident that the remains of these paratroopers have been recovered and therefore this case will be closed at this headquarters.

FOR THE COMMANDING OFFICER:

James F. Hoban

Major, Infantry  
Asst. Adjutant

1860

9 Incls.

1-2. n/c

3. Narrative Report, 15 Nov. 46
4. Statement, Letendu, 24 Oct. 46
5. Statement, Lemonnier, 24 Oct. 46
6. Statement, Lavallee, 24 Oct. 46
7. Statement, Gauthier, 15 Nov. 46
8. Extract of records of Mr. Gauthier
9. Statement, Mayor of st. Sauveur  
14 Nov. 46.



RRE Form #39  
13 Jul 48

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

CONNELLY (Last Name)	John (First Name)	L JR (Initial)	PVT (Rank)	31 219 377 (ASN)
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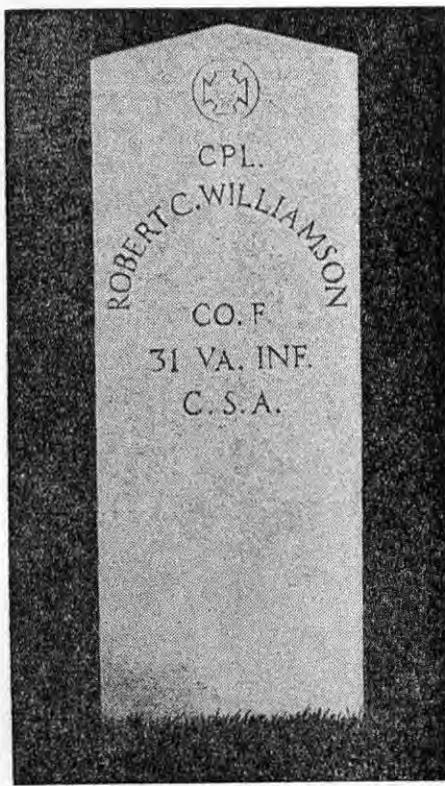
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STATION EMB

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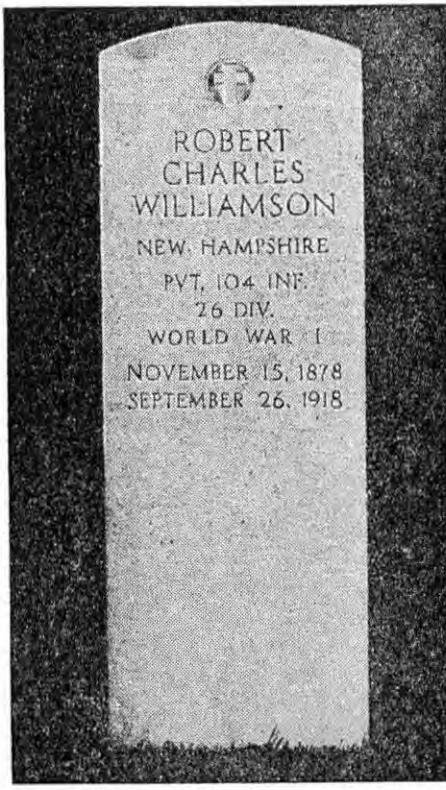
## UPRIGHT HEADSTONES OF MARBLE

For Veterans of the  
Confederate States Army

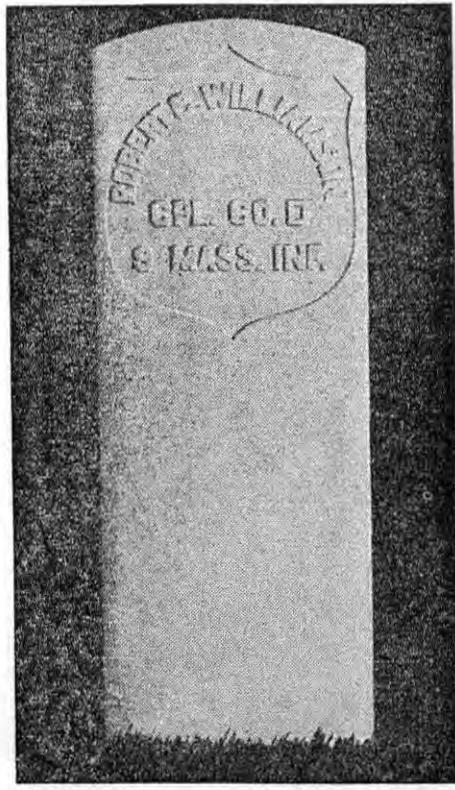


39 inches long, 12 inches wide, 4 inches thick; top is slightly pointed; inscribed with name, rank (if above a private), and organization, followed by the letters "C. S. A." Date of birth and death not inscribed on this stone.

For ALL VETERANS EXCEPT those  
of the CIVIL and  
SPANISH-AMERICAN WARS



For Civil War (April 15, 1861–August 20, 1865)  
and Spanish War (April 21, 1898–April 11, 1899)  
Veterans

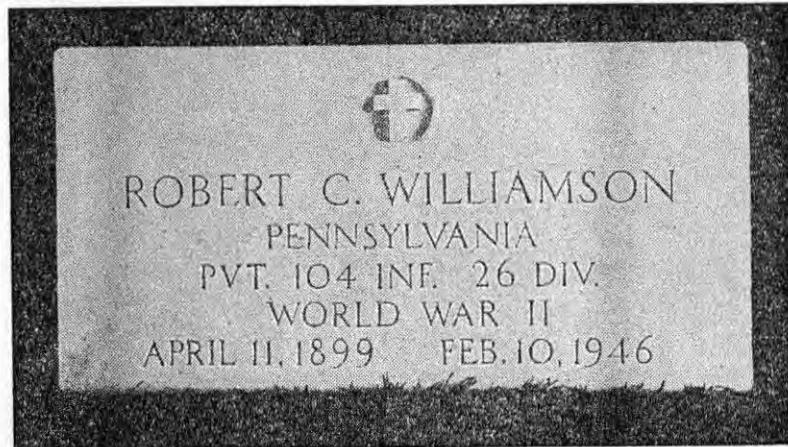


42 inches long, 13 inches wide, 4 inches thick. Within small circle above inscription will be cut either a Latin Cross for Christians, or Star of David for Hebrews, or no emblem, as elected. Check "EMBLEM" desired on application form.

Inscription consists of full name of decedent, State from which he came, rank, authorized organization; war period of service (as shown in official records such as World War I and/or II, Mexican War, War 1812, etc.), the month, day, and year of birth and death.

39 inches long, 12 inches wide, 4 inches thick. Top is slightly rounded, inscribed with name, rank (if above private), all cut within a sunken shield. Date of birth and death not inscribed on this stone. When headstone is used for Spanish-American War service, the words "Sp. Am. War" are added inside the shield below the organization, in order to distinguish this service from Civil War service.

## FLAT MARKERS OF MARBLE, GRANITE, OR BRONZE



FILE #151103

The granite or marble marker is 24 inches long, 12 inches wide, and 4 inches thick, lettering incised. The bronze marker is 24 inches long, 12 inches wide, and  $\frac{3}{16}$  inch thick, with raised lettering. Marker placed flush with the ground. Inscription will be placed parallel to the greatest dimension on the marker and will consist of the name of the decedent, the State from which he came, his rank, authorized organization, war period of service (as shown in official records as World War I and/or II, Mexican War, War 1812, etc.), and the month, day, and year of birth and death. Within a small circle above the inscription will be cut either a Latin Cross for Christians, or Star of David for Hebrews, or no emblem, as elected. Under "Emblem" check the one chosen.

**THE ABOVE PICTURES SHOW HOW THE STONES AND MARKERS APPEAR AFTER BEING PLACED AT THE HEAD OF THE GRAVE**

The upright headstones are of American white marble. The flat markers are of American white marble, or light gray granite, or bronze. No deviation can be made from these specifications.

EFFECTS OF

John L. Connally Jr.

RANK

192726

A.S.N.

31219377

ORGANIZATION

PACKAGE DESCRIPTION

CLOTHING	PERSONAL ITEMS	CONTAINERS
BELT	BRACELET, IDENTIFICATION	BAGS, CLOTH
BELT, MONEY (NO MONEY)	BRUSHES	BAGS, TRAVEL
CLOTH, WASH	CAMERAS	BILLFOLD (NO MONEY) ✓ W/C
COATS	GLASSES	CASE,
FOOTWEAR, PR.	KNIVES	FOOTLOCKER
GLOVES, PR.	LIGHTERS	KIT, SEWING
HANDKERCHIEFS	MISC. INSIGNIA	KIT, TOILET
HEADWEAR	MISC. ITEMS	KIT, WRITING
JACKETS	PEN, FOUNTAIN	PAPERS AND MISC.
OVERCOATS	PENCIL, MECHANICAL	
SCARFS	PIPES	BOOKS
SHIRTS	RELIGIOUS ARTICLES	BOOKS, ADDRESS
SOCKS, PR.	RIBBONS, DECORATION	BOOKS, NOTE
TIES	RINGS	BOOKS, PILOT LOG
TOWELS	TOBACCO	DIARY (REMOVED FOR DURATION)
TRousERS, PR.	TOILET ARTICLES	FILMS
TRUNKS, PR.	WATCH	LETTERS
UNDERWEAR	WINGS	PAPERS, PERSONAL
		PHOTOS
		SHOE SHINE ARTICLES
		SHORT SNORTER
		SOUVENIRS
		SOUVENIR MONEY
		STATIONERY
		TESTAMENTS
		U.S. MONEY (AMOUNT) ✓

REMARKS:

Home address  
Farmington, Maine  
Hilton, Maine

ATTACHMENTS:

FORM #54

FORM #100

2 Inventory  
1 Gr. Label

\* torn in four pieces  
misaligned

\*\* C.A.T. Edna C. Connally (wife)  
Rt. #2 Farmington, Maine

WEIGHT	GI REMOVED
	SHORTAGE ON REVERSE
	IDENT. TAGS REMOVED
	DIARY REMOVED

WAREHOUSE SPACE

STORED BY

DATE SHIPPED

LOCKED STORAGE

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

293 - CONNELLY, John L.

Washington D.C. Sep 14, 1949

Your request for a headstone for the veteran named on the attached application has reached this office.

Please fill in on the enclosed application or form attached, the information requested where the items are checked in red and return the application and form to us immediately. No further action can be taken on this case until the application and form fully completed regarding additional information are returned.

- Complete shipping instructions should be given.
- Exact date of death - month, day and year should be furnished.
- Give name and location of cemetery in which deceased is buried.
- AS THE RECORDS SHOW THE FOUNDATIONS FOR HEADSTONES OR MARKERS MUST BE PAID FOR PRIOR TO ERECTION, ACTION ON THIS APPLICATION IS BEING WITHHELD PENDING RECEIPT OF A SIGNED STATEMENT FROM THE SUPERINTENDENT OF THE CEMETERY ADVISING THAT THE FOUNDATION HAS BEEN TAKEN CARE OF AND THAT THE HEADSTONE OR MARKER CAN BE ERECTED UPON ARRIVAL.
- The records of this office show there are restrictions with regard to headstones and markers in the cemetery in which this veteran is buried. It will be necessary, therefore, that you obtain from the cemetery officials a permit for the erection or placing of the government headstone or marker at the head of the veteran's grave.

THE GOVERNMENT FURNISHES AN UPRIGHT HEADSTONE OF MARBLE OR A FLAT MARKER OF EITHER MARBLE, GRANITE OR BRONZE.

CHECK THUS: (X) WHICH TYPE PERMITTED:

UPRIGHT MARBLE

FLAT MARBLE MARKER

FLAT GRANITE MARKER

BRONZE

check only one

✓  
FILE 21 SEP 1949  
Post P.W.  
Not S.H.M.

PLEASE RETURN THE APPLICATION WITH THE CEMETERY PERMIT PROMPTLY.

MESSAGEFORM		MESSAGE CENTER NO.	TRANSMITTING MEANS	CRYPTOGRAPH OR CLEAR TEXT											
CALLS V	STA. SER. NO. NR	PRECEDENCE	TRANSMISSION INSTRUCTIONS	ORIGINATOR 1 AUG 1945	DATE-TIME GROUP										
ACTION	INFORMATION		EXEMPT	OPERATING SIGNALS	GROUP COUNT GR										
SPACE ABOVE FOR SIGNAL CENTER ONLY															
FROM: (Originator) <u>PHILADELPHIA QUARTERMASTER DEPOT, PHILA., PA.</u>	SECURITY CLASSIFICATION														
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INFORMATION TO:															
<p>WE HAVE BEEN ADVISED REMAINS OF THE LATE <u>PVT JOHN L CONNELLY, JR</u>          ARE ENROUTE TO THE UNITED STATES. OUR RECORDS INDICATE YOU WISH REMAINS INTERRED          IN <u>BEVERLY</u> NATIONAL CEMETERY. WITHIN FORTY EIGHT HOURS AFTER RECEIPT OF          THIS MESSAGE PLEASE CONFIRM YOUR ORIGINAL INSTRUCTIONS OR SUBMIT NEW DELIVERY IN-          STURCTIONS AND FURNISH YOUR CORRECT MAILING ADDRESS BY TELEGRAM COLLECT TO COMMAND-          ING OFFICER PHILA. QUARTERMASTER DEPOT, PHILA. PENNA. REPLY IS NECESSARY WITHIN          THIS PERIOD SINCE IT WILL NOT BE POSSIBLE TO COMPLY AT GOVERNMENT EXPENSE WITH ANY          DESIRED CHANGES IN DELIVERY INSTRUCTIONS RECEIVED AFTER THE EXPIRATION OF FORTY          EIGHT HOURS. WHILE FINAL INTERMENT OF THE REMAINS WILL BE MADE AS SOON AS PRACTI-          CABLE AFTER RECEIPT FACTORS BEYOND OUR CONTROL MAY DELAY DELIVERY OF REMAINS TO          THE NATIONAL CEMETERY FOR SEVERAL WEEKS. HOWEVER NATIONAL CEMETERY SUPERINTENDENT          WILL NOTIFY YOU BY TELEGRAM DATE AND HOUR FUNERAL SERVICES WILL BE HELD IN SUFFI-          CIENT TIME TO PERMIT YOUR ATTENDANCE AT YOUR OWN EXPENSE. APPROPRIATE JOINT MILI-          TARY 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 SEVENTY FIVE DOLLARS IS NOT AUTHORIZED IN ANY CASE          WHERE BURIAL IS MADE IN A NATIONAL CEMETERY. YOUR PROMPT COOPERATION WILL GREATLY          ASSIST THIS OFFICE IN MAKING FINAL DELIVERY. PLEASE INCLUDE FULL NAME OF DE-          CEASED IN REPLY TELEGRAM.</p>															
C. R. YOST, LT COL., QMC															
SECURITY CLASSIFICATION		SIGNATURE		AUTHORIZATION											
ORIGINATING AGENCY		DATE-TIME GROUP		OFFICIAL TITLE											
SYMBOL					PAGE <u>1</u> OF <u>1</u>										

O.I. 10096	INSPECTION CHECK LIST (For Use at Distribution Point)				
Name  Connelly, John L. Jr.	Rank  Pvt.	Serial Number  31219377 ✓			
Source  Mrs. Anna Blasl (Mother) RFD #1, North Anson, Me.	Consignee  Beverly National Cemetery Beverly, N. J.				
SHIPPING CASE - General Appearance  (Check ONLY Discrepancies)	Condition of Shipping Case (Check One)  <input type="checkbox"/> Satisfactory <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Unsatisfactory				
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> FINISH (Exterior) <input type="checkbox"/> FINISH (Interior) <input type="checkbox"/> HANDLES <input type="checkbox"/> HANDLE BOLTS <input type="checkbox"/> STENCILING - NAMEPLATE <input type="checkbox"/> HEALTH PERMIT MARKER <input type="checkbox"/> HEALTH PERMIT NUMBER	Remarks  <i>J.J.</i>				
CASKET - General Appearance  (Check ONLY Discrepancies)	Condition of Casket (Check One)  <input type="checkbox"/> Satisfactory <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Unsatisfactory				
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> FINISH (Exterior) <input type="checkbox"/> HANDLES AND FASTENINGS <input type="checkbox"/> STENCILING - NAMEPLATE <input type="checkbox"/> CAM LOCKS (Sealing) <input type="checkbox"/> ODOR OR MOISTURE	Remarks  <i>2nd. Insp. 9/10/48 J.J.</i>  <i>J.J.</i>				
ROUTED      THROUGH					
MORTUARY OPERATING ROOM		REPAIR SHOP			
Condition of Remains  <input type="checkbox"/> Satisfactory <input type="checkbox"/> Unsatisfactory		Casket Repaired  <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No			
Necessary Disinfection (Explain)		Casket Exchanged  <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No			
		Shipping Case Repaired  <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No			
		Shipping Case Exchanged  <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No			
Remarks					
Time	Date	Signature or Mortician	Time	Date	Signature of Inspector
Remarks  <i>Inspected &amp; Sd. for Ship 9/14</i>				9/14/48 <i>J.L. Connelly</i>	
41					

SEP 11 1948

## RECEIPT OF REMAINS

DISTRIBUTION CENTER  
AGR DISTRIBUTION CENTER, PHILA. QM DEPOT

SUPERINTENDENT  
BEVERLY NATIONAL CEMETERY  
BEVERLY, N.J.

DAY LETTER  
~~XXXXXX~~

O.I. 10096

REMAINS CONSIGNMENT TO:

293

REMAINS OF LATE PVT JOHN L. CONNELLY JR. 31219377 WILL BE  
DELIVERED TO YOU BY THIS DEPOT VIA GOVERNMENT HEARSE AT APPROXIMATELY  
ONE PM FOURTEEN SEPTEMBER ACCOMPANIED BY MILITARY  
ESCORT. REQUEST YOU MAKE ARRANGEMENTS TO ACCEPT REMAINS UPON DE-  
LIVERY. ~~XXXXXXXXXXXXXX~~ ~~XXXXXXXXXXXXXX~~ ~~XXXXXXXXXXXXXX~~  
~~XXXXXXXXXXXXXX~~ ~~XXXXXXXXXXXXXX~~ ~~XXXXXXXXXXXXXX~~

C. R. YOST, LT COL, QMC

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

THIS 14 DAY OF Sept, 1948

John W. Sullivan  
WITNESS (Escort)

Frank A. Lockwood, Jr.  
CONSIGNEE

NAT

FILE

RECORDS ANNOTATED

FRANK A. LOCKWOOD, SUPT.

DATE 10/1/48

NAME T E Dennis

R & R BR.

# RECORD OF CUSTODIAL TRANSFER

## 1. SHIPPED

FROM USMC, St. Mere Eglise No.2		TO Casketing Point B, St. Laurent
IND OF CONVEYANCE Truck		NAME OF CONVOYER Pfc Gibbs
GNATURE OF SHIPPER <i>W.T. Dailey</i> W.T. DAILEY, CAPT., QMC.	DATE 6/5/48	SIGNATURE OF RECEIVER <i>D.A. MacKenzie</i> D.A. MACKENZIE, CAPT., INF.
		DATE 6/5/48

## 2. SHIPPED

FROM Casketing Point B, St. Laurent		TO Casketing Point A, Cherbourg
IND OF CONVEYANCE Truck		NAME OF CONVOYER Pfc Gibbs
GNATURE OF SHIPPER <i>D.A. MacKenzie</i> D.A. MACKENZIE, CAPT., INF	DATE 7/7/48	SIGNATURE OF RECEIVER <i>E.N. Ciampo</i> E.N. CIAMPO, 1/LT., FA.
		DATE 7/7/48

## 3. SHIPPED

FROM Casketing Point A, Cherbourg		TO Cherbourg Port Unit
IND OF CONVEYANCE Truck		NAME OF CONVOYER T/Sgt Fuller
GNATURE OF SHIPPER <i>E.N. Ciampo</i> E.N. CIAMPO, 1/LT., FA	DATE	SIGNATURE OF RECEIVER <i>J. Hendry Jr.</i> JOHN E. HENDRY, JR., MAJOR, CAC
		DATE

## 4. SHIPPED

FROM CHERBOURG PORT UNIT		TO NYPOE
IND OF CONVEYANCE USAT LAWRENCE VICTORY		NAME OF CONVOYER JOSEPH J. CARROLL 1st Lt. TC
GNATURE OF SHIPPER <i>John E. Hendry Jr.</i> JOHN E. HENDRY JR., MAJ. GAG	NOTICE DATE 3/8/48	SIGNATURE OF RECEIVER <i>Joseph J. Carroll</i>
		DATE

## 5. SHIPPED

FROM NYPOE		TO NYPE
IND OF CONVEYANCE USAT LAWRENCE VICTORY		NAME OF CONVOYER <i>John E. Hendry Jr.</i>
GNATURE OF SHIPPER <i>John E. Hendry Jr.</i> JOHN E. HENDRY JR., MAJ. GAG	DATE	SIGNATURE OF RECEIVER <i>John E. Hendry Jr.</i> JOHN E. HENDRY JR., MAJ. GAG
		DATE AUG 19 1948

## 6. SHIPPED FORT TRANSPORTATION OFFICER

FROM NYPE		TO <i>J.C. 03</i>
IND OF CONVEYANCE TRAIN		NAME OF CONVOYER <i>Merrill R. Wilcox</i>
GNATURE OF SHIPPER <i>AUG 21 1948</i>	DATE AUG 21 1948	SIGNATURE OF RECEIVER <i>Merrill R. Wilcox</i>
		DATE AUG 21 1948

## 7. SHIPPED

FROM FORT TRANSPORTATION OFFICER		TO
IND OF CONVEYANCE		NAME OF CONVOYER
GNATURE OF SHIPPER	DATE	SIGNATURE OF RECEIVER

*MEM*

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## DISINTERMENT DIRECTIVE

SECTION A— NAME AND BURIAL LOCATION OF DECEASED				DIRECTIVE NUMBER 3586 00791			DATE 15 04 48 DAY MONTH YEAR		
NAME CONNELLY JOHN L JR				SERIAL NUMBER 31219377	RANK PVT	ARM 1	DATE OF DEATH		
CEMETERY ST MERE EGLISE NO 2 - CARENTAN							DAY	MONTH	YEAR
LOT ROW GRAVE COUNTRY W 7 125 FRANCE							DISPOSITION OF REMAINS 1 2221 Q CODE DIST. PT.		
CAUSE OF DEATH 1									

## SECTION B—CONSIGNEE AND NEXT OF KIN

NAME AND ADDRESS OF CONSIGNEE BEVERLY NATIONAL CEMETERY BEVERLY, NEW JERSEY		NAME AND ADDRESS OF NEXT OF KIN MRS. ANNA BLASL (MOTHER) RURAL FREE DELIVERY #1 NORTH ANSON, MAINE	
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## SECTION C—DISINTERMENT AND IDENTIFICATION

NAME CONNELLY, John L. JR.		SERIAL NUMBER 31219377	RANK PVT	DATE OF DEATH	DATE DISTINERRED 30 APRIL 1948
IDENTIFICATION TAG ON <input type="checkbox"/> REMAINS <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> MARKER	ORGANIZATION USAGF		RELIGION UTD	IDENTIFICATION VERIFIED BY HENRY A. GENTZEL, Embalmer NAME AND TITLE	

## SECTION D—PREPARATION OF REMAINS FOR SHIPMENT

ATURE OF BURIAL Jump suit		CONDITION OF REMAINS Advanced decomposition	
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## OTHER MEANS OF IDENTIFICATION

None

## MINOR DISCREPANCIES

Initials on ID tag only

REMAINS PREPARED AND PLACED IN ~~CASKET~~ transfer case.

DATE 3 May 1948

BY

*Henry A. Gentzel*  
Henry A. Gentzel

## CASKET SEALED BY

W.T. BUSH

EMBALMER (Signature)

*W T Bush*

## CASKET BOXED AND MARKED

DATE 20/7/48 BY B. Benjamin

SHIPPING ADDRESS VERIFIED BY: All markings, tags and plates verified by:

*John Palyok, Jr., 1/LT., FA.*

I hereby certify that all the foregoing operations were conducted and accomplished under my immediate supervision except casketing

ROBERT B. HOWARD, 2/LT., INF.

SIGNATURE OF GRS INSPECTOR

ARMY SERVICE FORCES  
ARMY EFFECTS BUREAU

ORDER FOR SHIPMENT

Mrs. Edna C. Connally

SHIP TO: Route # 2

Effects of: Pvt. John L. Connally, Jr. Name Farmington, Maine

ASN: 31219377

Case No. 195756 D

Wt.

DATE February 27, 1945

JFM:HA:mt

REMARKS:

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

FOR: Effects Quartermaster

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

ROUTING:

Accounting Branch  
 Warehouse Division  
 Files Branch, Adm. Div.

REMARKS:

Franked *HALF ELM*  
Est. Exp. Chgs. \_\_\_\_\_  
Est. Frt. Chgs. \_\_\_\_\_  
No. of packages \_\_\_\_\_

MAR 1 1945

*MWS*  
Shipping Clerk



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

195756  
IN REPLY REFER TO:

JM:Ha:mt  
February 27, 1945

Mrs. Edna C. Connally  
Route #2  
Farmington, Maine

Dear Mrs. Connally:

The Army Effects Bureau has received from overseas some personal effects of your husband, Private John L. Connally, Jr.

These effects were damaged prior to arrival at this Bureau; however, they are being forwarded to you in one package.

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

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

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

Yours very truly,

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