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WAR DEPARTMENT

OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL OF THE ARMY
GRAVES REGISTRATION SERVICE
WASHINGTON

1920
Rush Answer

FROM: Chief, Graves Registration Service, Q. M. C.
To: Mrs. Sarah Johnson, 250 West 1st St., OSWEGO, N.Y.
SUBJECT: Remains of Pvt. 1/c Ralph R. Johnson,
Co. A, 108th Inf. Ser. No. 1213490

Remain in Europe

The records of this office show that you have requested that his body ~~be returned to the~~
~~United States and shipped to:- H. E. Turner,~~
~~111 Main St., Batavia, N.Y.~~

If these are not the correct instructions, please correct them. Make corrections on reverse side of this sheet.

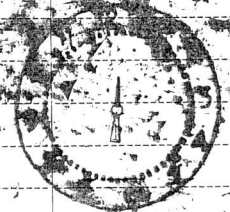
The nearest relative may choose between, (1) return of the body to any address in the United States; (2) interment in Arlington, Va., or any other National Cemetery; or (3) remain in Europe.

By authority of the Quartermaster General.

CHARLES C. PIERCE,
Major, U. S. A.

If all blank spaces below are not filled out, it will necessitate a return of this paper and a SERIOUS DELAY in the shipment of this body. State in each case WHETHER these relatives are STILL LIVING.

NAME OF—	NO. AND SURVIVAL	BOAVN	STATE.
Soldier's widow			
Soldier's children. (Name oldest first.)	1		
	2		
	3		
Father			
Mother			
Brothers. (Name oldest first.)	1		
	2		
	3		
Sisters. (Name oldest first.)	1		
	2		
	3		



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OCT 28 1920 OVERSEAS ADVISED by proposed cable # 153 not to return body smms.

Date _____ Signature _____

Address _____ Relationship _____

IMPORTANT.—CAREFULLY read instructions before filling out this paper.

....., 1920.

I, the undersigned, am the _____ (Relationship) _____ and nearest living relative of the within-named soldier, and desire the following disposition of his remains, viz: (Strike out all except the one showing the disposition desired.)

1. As stated on first page of this sheet.

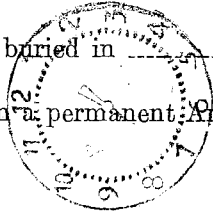
2. To be returned to the U. S. and shipped to _____ (Name.)

_____ (R. R. station.) _____ (State.)

3. To be returned to the U. S. and buried in _____ National Cemetery:

4. To remain in Europe, for burial in a permanent American Cemetery.

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Signature _____

INSTRUCTIONS FOR FILLING OUT.

1. If definite instruction as to the disposition of a body are not received from the nearest relative within two weeks of its arrival at New York, burial will be made without further notice in the World War Section of Arlington National Cemetery.

2. The transfer of bodies will be made ENTIRELY at government expense.

3. This paper MUST BE SIGNED BY THE PERSON WHO IS THE NEXT of kin IN THE ORDER shown in the square on the other side of this sheet.

4. This paper must be returned showing the name and address of each of the nearest living relatives in the spaces provided therefor on the other side of this sheet.

5. If there are minor children of the deceased soldier and no widow, the LEGALLY APPOINTED GUARDIAN of the children should ascertain their wishes and act for them in this matter.

6. If YOU are not the nearest relative, please ask the nearest relative, if living near you, to fill out this paper.

7. If YOU are not the nearest living relative and do not know who or where the nearest relatives are, please fill out this paper AT ONCE and mail to this office.

8. You are requested to return this paper AT ONCE in order to avoid delay in the case of this body.

9. Use the inclosed envelope—pay no postage.

Pardon me to say that I have changed my mind & prefer my son to remain in Europe. He fought & did a hero. Let him remain with his comrades who he did with. For Mother Mrs S Johns