



REPLY TO  
ATTENTION OF

**DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY**  
U.S ARMY HUMAN RESOURCES COMMAND  
1600 SPEARHEAD DIVISION AVENUE  
FORT KNOX, KY 40122

February 2, 2017

Freedom of Information Office

MS JENNIFER HOLIK  
[jenniferholik@generationsbiz.com](mailto:jenniferholik@generationsbiz.com)

Dear Ms. Holik:

This is in response to your Individual Deceased Personnel File (IDPF) request pertaining to Mr. **John W. Gordon**, Mr. Kurt Gruber and Mr. Frederick J. Brunner. Your request was processed under the provisions of the Freedom of Information and Privacy Acts. We have assigned your request control numbers FP-17-001713 and FA-17-0215 for administrative and tracking purposes – please refer to these numbers when inquiring with us about your request.

Attached is the IDPF you requested. If you would like for us to do another search please submit another request in 90 days. If you have additional questions and/or concerns, please contact the Freedom of Information and Privacy Act Office at (502) 613-4841 or [usarmy.knox.hrc.mbx.foia@mail.mil](mailto:usarmy.knox.hrc.mbx.foia@mail.mil).

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Alicia M. Flickinger".

Alicia M. Flickinger  
Government Information Specialist

Enclosure

293 GORDON, JOHN W. 36,626,898 PVT. PVT. INF. EUROPEAN AREA (ILL) 46 njc

classified in accordance with D.O. 13526

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Box #3513  
9-16-00-11

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7 Aug '59

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MEMORIALIZATION OF NON-RECOVERABLE  
REMAINS OF WORLD WAR II

THIS FILE HAS BEEN AUDITED FOR NON-RECOVERABILITY

NAME (Last, First, Middle)

GORDON, JOAN W

RANK

PFC

SERIAL NUMBER

36626898

ARM OF SERVICE

ARMY

DATE OF DEATH

22 JAN 46

AREA OF DEATH

FRANCE

NAME OF AUDITOR

KINKEAD

DATE

31 MAY 51

NAME OF REVIEWER

M. COX

DATE

31 MAY 51

REMARKS

**CONTROLLED CASE**

NAME GORDON, John W.	GRADE Pfc	SERIAL NO. 36/262 898
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DO NOT TAKE ANY ACTION ON THIS CASE OR RELEASE INFORMATION FROM THIS FILE WITHOUT THE CONCURRENCE OF:

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NON-RECOVERABLE REMAINS REEXAMINATION OF RECORDS

AREA OF DEATH European, vicinity of Reipertsweiler, France CASE NUMBER 16074

NAME (Last, First, Middle Initial) 242 Gordon, John W. RANK Pfc SERIAL NUMBER 36 626 898

IN THE COURSE OF THIS REEXAMINATION IT HAS BEEN DETERMINED THAT THE CIRCUMSTANCES OF DEATH WERE SUCH THAT: (Check appropriate box)

- THE REMAINS OF THE DECEDENT COULD NOT HAVE BEEN RECOVERED
THE REMAINS OF THE DECEDENT COULD HAVE BEEN RECOVERED. HOWEVER, AFTER REVIEW OF THE FOLLOWING IT HAS BEEN DETERMINED THAT EVIDENCE DOES NOT EXIST TO CONTRADICT A FINDING OF NON-RECOVERABILITY:

Table with 2 columns: Item description and INITIALS OF ANALYST. Rows include: 1. 293 FILE OF DECEDENT; 2. GEOGRAPHICAL CLUE INDEX FILE OF UNKNOWN RECOVERED FROM APPROPRIATE AREA, COMPARED WITH DECEDENT; 3. OTHER DOCUMENTS OR SOURCES.

REMARKS (Large empty space for handwritten notes)

NAV File 14 MAY 1951

J. Myrtle
Identification Branch

Table for approvals: RECOMMEND APPROVAL, APPROVED, DATE. Includes fields for NAME OF CASE ANALYST, CASE REVIEWER, CHIEF, FINAL DETERMINATION SECTION.

<b>NON-RECOVERABLE CASE RECORD OF REVIEW AND APPROVAL</b>	CASE NUMBER <b>16074 (1)</b>
AREA OR ZONE(S) <b>European</b>	

NAME (Last, First, Middle Initial) <b>Gordon, John W.</b>	RANK <b>Pfc</b>	SERIAL NUMBER <b>36 626 898</b>
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THE ATTACHED PROCEEDINGS OF THE FIELD BOARD OF REVIEW HAVE BEEN REVIEWED AND THE FINDINGS OF NON-RECOVERABILITY OF THE REMAINS OF THE FOLLOWING INDIVIDUAL(S) ARE APPROVED. (Corrections in name, rank, and/or serial number have been effected when appropriate.)

Individual Case

IN THE COURSE OF THIS REVIEW THE FOLLOWING SOURCES OF INFORMATION HAVE BEEN EXAMINED FOR ADDITIONAL CLUES. COPIES OF ANY DOCUMENTS BELIEVED MATERIAL TO THE CASE ARE ATTACHED FOLLOWING THE PROCEEDINGS OF THE FIELD BOARD OF REVIEW.

	INITIALS OF ANALYST	(CROSS OUT THOSE NOT APPLICABLE)	INITIALS OF ANALYST
1. 293 FILE OF SUBJECT(S)	<b>VAT</b>	2. a. REPORT OF DEATH b. FINDING OF DEATH <del>EXISTING REVIEW</del>	<b>VAT</b>
3. A - Z FILE OF KNOWN INTERMENTS IN U.S. MILITARY CEMETERIES, ISOLATED LOCATIONS, AND SEA BURIALS	<b>VAT</b>	4. GEOGRAPHICAL CLUE INDEX FILE OF UNKNOWN RECOVERED FROM APPROPRIATE AREA	
5. ALPHABETICAL INDEX OF "BELIEVED TO BE" AND TENTATIVELY IDENTIFIED UNKNOWN	<b>VAT</b>	6. ALPHABETICAL FILE OF FORMER UNKNOWN NOW IDENTIFIED	<b>VAT</b>
7. OTHER DOCUMENTS OR SOURCES	<b>None</b>		

THE FACTS AND CIRCUMSTANCES HAVE BEEN FOUND TO BE SUBSTANTIALLY AS PRESENTED IN THE ATTACHED PROCEEDINGS OF THE FIELD BOARD OF REVIEW, WITH THE FOLLOWING EXCEPTIONS:

KIA on 17 January 1945 in the vicinity of Reipertsweiler, France

**NAN  
File**  
**14 MAY 1951**

*J. Myrtle*  
 Identification Branch

NAME OF CASE ANALYST <i>Vincent A. Thomas</i> Vincent A. Thomas/cwt	CASE TO BE FORWARDED TO _____ FOR CONSIDERATION OF NOTIFICATION TO INTERESTED PARTIES.
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RECOMMEND APPROVAL	APPROVED	DATE
CASE REVIEWER, FINAL DETERMINATION SECTION <i>W. A. Wolf</i> W. A. WOLF	CHIEF, FINAL DETERMINATION SECTION <i>Mary A. Edwards</i> MARY A. EDWARDS, 1/Lt OMC	CHIEF, IDENTIFICATION BRANCH <i>Thomas E. Cox</i> THOMAS E. COX, Capt OMC
DATE 14 May 1951		



EXHIBIT "A"  
 ROSTER TO ACCOMPANY NON-SPECIFIC BOARD  
 FINDINGS OF NON-RECOVERABILITY  
 (Department of Bas-Rhin, France)

<u>NAME</u>	<u>RANK</u>	<u>ASN</u>
Ackerley, Fred	Sgt	38 468 424
Adams, Leonard E.	Pfc	38 589 388
Baham, Tony	Pfc	38 173 919
Bassett, Jay	Pfc	38 475 236
Belter, Frank J.	Pfc	36 833 083
Bonebrake, Otis E.	1/Lt	0-1 318 408
Bowen, Sanford K.	Pfc	35 308 473
Braaten, Bjarne	Pfc	36 275 766
Bridges, Daniel E.	Pfc	34 008 313
Brooks, Kenneth A.	Pfc	42 155 608
Brown, Clossie D.	Pfc	35 831 035
Brown, Millie W.	T/5	37 234 109
Brucker, Lawrence E.	Pfc	18 029 254
Bryant, Elvis W.	Cpl	12 164 481
Buchanan, Omer A.	Pfc	34 605 292
Bunde, Maurice (NMI)	Pvt	37 249 613
Callahan, George S.	Pfc	36 765 523
Caron, Roger H.	Pfc	31 374 950
Chambers, James W.	Pvt	38 528 947
Chambers, Mylett E.	T/4	32 584 042
Christmann, Robert L.	Sgt	19 186 994
Cole, Hood E.	Pfc	34 834 714
Colline, Vito J.	Pfc	32 738 853
Colton, George D.	Pfc	12 211 806
Condley, Mack E.	Pfc	38 852 590
Corcoran, Earle E.	Pvt	39 286 307
Corvin, Estle E.	Pfc	33 660 153
Crane, Allen C.	Cpl	20 831 899
Dillard, James E.	Pfc	33 658 417
Dolence, Albin J.	T/5	35 529 870
Donlay, Paul C.	T/5	37 221 474
Drake, Henry E.	T/4	38 105 053
Dufrene, Silas J.	Pvt	38 656 044
Durba, John	Pfc	32 663 911
Du Vall, Robert L.	Pfc	19 012 974
Entwisel, Robert E.	Sgt	16 112 055
Erdman, Sidney L.	Pfc	36 113 576
Fein, Irwin S.	S/Sgt	33 280 144
Fetty, Harry J.	Pvt	35 760 984
Finch, Milton	Pvt	34 396 736
Flores, Alcario V.	Pfc	39 853 364
Ford, Charles D., Jr.	Pvt	15 027 967
Forkner, Leonard C.	Pfc	16 156 151
Frazier, William R., Jr.	Pfc	34 775 115
Golden, James J.	Pfc	35 519 899

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Gordon, John W.	Pfc	36	262	898
Gosselin, Edward J.	1/Lt	0-1	016	676
Grant, Gerald	T/5	32	576	678
Green, Earl K.	S/Sgt	19	145	599
Grendell, Thurland R.	Pfc	35	384	472
Griffith, Floyd A.	Pvt	35	563	016
Gross, Anthony J.	Pvt	36	254	311
Grunkemeyer, Billie W.	T/5	37	479	568
Gunn, Paul A.	Pfc	31	353	920
Hall, Herman	Pfc	35	931	942
Hardy, Edward L.	Pfc	38	584	048
Helfgott, Harold S.	Pfc	32	961	749
Heydt, Lloyd I.	Sgt	33	075	592
Himmelhoch, Gilbert J.	Pfc	16	113	015
Hofman, Donald	Pfc	36	453	467
Hunter, Arthur W.	Pfc	35	928	976
Jacks, Worley D.	Pfc	35	087	716
Johnson, Artie	Pfc	34	166	777
Johnson, Edward E.	Pvt	34	850	980
Judah, Clifford A.	Pfc	34	795	464
Kessler, Clarence W.	Pfc	33	850	379
Kieffer, William J.	Pvt	13	060	244
Kilcheski, John J.	Pfc	32	526	603
Kinsie, William W.	Pfc	37	743	728
Kirkham, Benjamin G.	Pvt	34	809	828
Knight, James E.	S/Sgt	6	398	206
Lane, Clinton M.	Sgt	37	266	186
Lapides, Leonard H.	Pfc	37	511	823
Lopez, Jesse	Cpl	39	693	997
Lucas, John W.	Pfc	34	574	526
Mahoney, Jeremiah P.	Pvt	36	651	256
Marinaro, Dominick F.	T/5	31	422	588
Martin, Francis P.	Pfc	33	457	416
Martinez, Daniel	Pfc	38	014	413
Martinez, Jose V.	Pvt	37	361	988
McCartney, James B.	Pvt	37	346	034
McConnell, Willie E.	Pfc	33	214	067
McDonald, Richard W.	Pvt	37	415	819
Metcalf, James R.	Sgt	20	128	584
Minnis, Jessie C., Jr.	Pfc	34	920	167
Murphy, Joseph T.	Pvt	6	702	194
Nagy, George	Pvt	36	742	668
Nash, Henry L.	T/4	24	273	724
Null, Kenneth J.	Pfc	33	706	191
Numes, Joseph	Pvt	31	069	875
O'Malley, John L.	Cpl	36	975	661
Owens, Joseph H.	T/Sgt	33	076	669
Pasco, Carl L.	S/Sgt	36	613	244
Peeler, Franklin H.	Pfc	20	454	924
Pelletier, Herve O.	Pfc	11	056	931
Penton, Wallace V.	Pfc	37	008	635

Polson, Reuben W.	Cpl	37	263	340
Radney, Irwin C.	Pvt	32	545	280
Reider, Ralph L.	Pfc	33	829	542
Repke, Arthur C., Jr.	T/4	36	533	456
Robling, Everett E.	Sgt	35	570	398
Rotunno, James	S/Sgt	32	204	944
Saentz, Manuel	Pvt	39	566	632
Sajda, Stephen R.	Pfc	33	182	360
Salisbury, Glenn W.	Pfc	39	929	129
Schadke, Bernhard W.	Pvt	38	080	030
Sherry, Arthur W.	Pvt	36	901	309
Skarow, Nicholas Jr.	Pvt	42	143	062
Smith, Lowell D.	Pfc	36	984	783
Snyder, Earl M.	T/4	33	369	971
Starziski, John	Pfc	33	362	873
Stevens, Robert B.	Pfc	33	390	096
Stromock, John	S/Sgt	33	101	073
Summers, Richard P.	Pfc	42	062	954
Tague, Philip J.	Pfc	12	128	194
Taylor, Le Roy J.	S/Sgt	38	393	170
Thomason, Marion F.	Pvt	20	804	432
Thompson, William M.	Cpl	35	518	927
Tinsley, Fred P.	Sgt	34	592	218
Vance, Mose E.	Pfc	34	775	933
Vollmerr, John C.	Pfc	39	170	851
Wallace, Robert D.	Pfc	33	398	563
Walsh, Rudolph	Pvt	35	778	771
Wasson, John T.	T/4	39	685	227
Weinberg, Stanley H.	Pfc	12	113	860
Weitzel, Elmer	Pfc	36	988	510
Werner, James H.	Pvt	36	275	352
Wiggins, Edward	Pfc	34	434	868
Wilder, Johnnie C.	T/5	34	265	793
Wygol, George C.	Pfc	39	900	587
Yangula, Frank J.	Pfc	33	775	980

The Roster and other pertinent papers received from the Field are filed in the 293 file of Sgt Fred Ackerley, 38 468 424.

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

Proceedings of Board of Review appointed in accordance with letter AGAO-S 293.9 (27 Mar 47) D-M, War Dept, TAGO, 9 April 1947.

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1. The Board convened pursuant to par 4, SO 139, Headquarters, 7887 Graves Registration Detachment, APO 757, US Army, 15 November 1950, at Liege, Belgium on 30 November 1950.

2. Members present:

GEORGE GUNDERMAN, Jr., Major, QMC

C. W. STEINSIEK, Captain, QMC

JOHN A. BOUTIN, 2nd Lt., QMC

3. PURPOSE: To review and determine, from evidence presented, the non-recoverability of the remains of World War II dead lost in the geographical area described below:

a. Department of Bas Rhin, France.

4. FINDINGS:

a. General and/or individual Area Search and Recovery operations have been completed in the above area from July 1947 to 10 July 1950.

b. List of persons lost in subject area whose remains are determined non-recoverable is attached as Exhibit "A". This list contains one hundred twenty eight (128) names.

c. It has not been possible to associate definitely any of the persons listed in Exhibit "A" with any of the unknown remains recovered from the area.

d. Reference is made to OCMG Forms 371, Missing Aircraft Reports, After Action Reports, Missing Reports, Status Review and Determination Reports, Statements of Survivors and Witnesses, Narrative Reports of Field Investigations previously forwarded for resolved casualties lost in the area: On file in the Office of The Quartermaster General, Washington 25, D. C.

Non-Recoverable Board Proceedings Cont'd

e. Reference is also made to Narrative Report of Field Investigation, dated 10 July 1950, attached.

5. RECOMMENDATIONS: That the remains of the decedents listed in Exhibit "A" be determined non-recoverable.

S/ George Gunderman, Jr.  
GEORGE GUNDERMAN, Jr.  
Major QMC  
Member

s/ C. W. Steinsiek  
C. W. STEINSIEK  
Captain, QMC  
Member

s/ John A. Boutin  
JOHN A. BOUTIN  
2nd Lt. QMC  
Member

A TRUE COPY:

*C. C. Wasson*  
C. C. WASSON  
Capt QMC

The Board Findings and other pertinent papers received from the Field are filed in the 293 file of Sgt Fred Ackerley, 38 463 424.

HEADQUARTERS  
7887 GRAVES REGISTRATION DETACHMENT  
APO 757 (LIEGE) US ARMY

15 November 1950

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

LT COL EDWARD D. MULVANY, O 359 598, QMC., President  
MAJOR JAMES C. MacFARLAND, O 1 576 321, QMC.,  
MAJOR GEORGE GUNDERMAN, Jr., O 1 289 071, INF/QMC.,  
CAPT CLYDE W. STEINSIEK, O 1 040 311, QMC.,  
CAPT LEWIS A. McAMIS, O 1 543 042, MSC/QMC.,  
CAPT JOHN M. NEFF, O 1 055 924, QMC.,  
CAPT ALLAN L. LAWSON, O 1 288 075, QMC.,  
1ST LT ROBERT W. GANSEL, O 1 599 085, QMC.,  
2D LT JOHN A. BOUTIN, O 947 298, QMC.,

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BY ORDER OF COLONEL AMLONG:

EDWARD F. PRICE, Jr.,  
CAPT., QMC,  
Adjutant

OFFICIAL:

A TRUE COPY:

s/t/ EDWARD F. PRICE, Jr.,  
CAPT., QMC  
Adjutant.

*Robert S. Lay*  
ROBERT S. LAY  
Maj QMC

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1. FILE UNDER NO. Gordon John W

36-626-898  
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**SYNOPSIS**

2. TYPE OF DOCUMENT: Letter

3. DATE: 10 July 1950

4. FROM:

5. TO:

6. SUBJECT: Narrative of Investigation

7. DOCUMENT FILED

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FM CO 7887 GRAVES REG DET LIEGE BELGIUM

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AIR MAIL

QMGMS 293  
Gordon, John W.  
SN 36 626 898

15 September 1950

SUBJECT: Additional Information

TO: Commanding Officer  
7887 Graves Registration Detachment  
APO 757, c/o Postmaster  
New York, New York

1. Reference is made to your radio AGRC 2420 dated 6 September 1950.
2. Submitted herewith is a copy of AG Memorandum dated 12 August 1949 covering all available information surrounding the death of:

Gordon, John W. Pfc 36626898

FOR THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL:

1 Incl  
Cpy AG Memo dtd  
12 Aug 49

THOMAS E. COX  
Capt., QMC  
Memorial Division

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15 September 1950

ORDERS 232  
Gordon, John W.  
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SUBJECT: Additional Information

TO: Commanding Officer  
7887 Graves Registration Detachment  
APO 757, o/o Postmaster  
New York, New York

- 1. Reference is made to your radio AORC 2430 dated 8 September 1950.
- 2. Submitted herewith is a copy of AG Memorandum dated 12 August 1948 covering all available information surrounding the death of:

Gordon, John W. P/O  
38828888  
FOR THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL

THOMAS E. COX  
Capt., QMC  
Memorial Division

1 Incl  
Qty AG Memo 654  
12 Aug 48

TLV:vmc



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QMGMS 293  
Gordon, John W.  
SN 36 626 898

19 April 1950

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SUBJECT: Additional Information

TO: Commanding Officer  
7887 Graves Registration Detachment  
APO 52756/o Postmaster  
New York, New York

1. Reference is made to 2nd Ind., this Office, file and subject as above.

2. Next of kin of Pfc John W. Gordon, 36 626 898 was contacted 23 March 1950 and no civilian dental information is available for subject enlisted man. Mother of Pfc Gordon further indicated that the family did not wish to be disturbed again until positive proof of recovery of the remains had been established.

FOR THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL:

THOMAS E. COX  
Capt QMC  
Memorial Division

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18 April 1950

ORIG 133  
Gordon, John W.  
SN 38 828 888

SUBJECT: Additional Information

TO: Commanding Officer  
VSBY Grayer Registration Detachment  
APO 2575 - Postmaster  
New York, New York

1. Reference is made to SN Ind., this Office, file and subject as above.
2. Next of kin of Pfc John W. Gordon, SN 38 828 888 was contacted 25 March 1950 and no civilian general information is available for subject enlisted man. Mother of Pfc Gordon further indicated that the family did not wish to be disturbed again until positive proof of recovery of the remains had been established.

FOR THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL:

THOMAS E. COX  
Capt  
Memorial Division



AIR MAIL

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OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL OF ARMY  
**INTRAOFFICE REFERENCE SHEET**

DUE, HOUR AND DATE \_\_\_\_\_

1 NO.	2 FROM—	3 TO—	4 DATE	5 MESSAGE
1	Chief Ident Br Mem Div	Repat Br Corres Section ATTN: Capt Vogl	20 Mar 50	<p><i>293</i> <i>Gordon, John W.</i> <i>36626898</i></p> <p>1. The Field has associated Unknown X-6068 St. Avold with Pfc. John W. Gordon, 36626898, and requested the NOK be contacted for dental information in August 1949. A letter was dispatched to NOK 15 September 1949 but no reply was received. Field was notified 8 February 1950.</p> <p>2. In view of insufficient dental information on Army dental records for above-listed EM, it is requested that the NOK be contacted by telephone for the information.</p> <p>3. Further request 293 file be returned to this Branch.</p> <p><i>mb</i></p> <p><i>MEZ</i> 74059</p> <p><i>NEFF</i> 2462</p> <p>1 Incl 293 file</p>
2	Repat Br Mem Div	Ident Br Mem Div	23 Mar 50	<p>Phoned Mrs. Evelyn O. Gordon, widow of above decedent, and in her absence spoke to decedent's mother.</p> <p>Mrs. Gordon said that the civilian dentist who treated decedent before his entry into the Army has retired and his whereabouts are not known. She does not believe that he maintained a chart of her son's teeth.</p> <p>Mrs. Gordon also indicated that the widow and family had gone through enough and do not care to be disturbed again until we have positive proof that we have the remains.</p> <p><i>1 Incl</i> <i>n/c</i></p> <p><i>Letter to Field</i> <i>19 Apr 50</i> <i>Info in Comm #2.</i> <i>K. Hazel</i> <i>19 Apr 50</i></p> <p><i>VOGL</i> 4276</p> <p><i>File</i> <i>in Binford</i> <i>23 Mar 50</i></p>

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Basic ltr, Dept of the Army, OQMG, QMGMS 293, Golden, John W., 36 626 898,  
Subject: Additional Information, dated 27 September 1949

RRE 200.2 - Unknown X-6068, St Avold 1st Ind

Hq, American Graves Registration Command, European Area, APO 58, U S  
Army, 30 January 1950

TO: The Quartermaster General, Washington 25, D. C.  
ATTENTION: Memorial Division

1. Reference is made to basic communication.
2. Information is requested as to the status of reply from next of kin of Pfc John W. GOLDEN, 36 626 898.

FOR THE COMMANDING OFFICER:

GAYLORD E. LUTZ  
1st Lt, QMC  
Assistant Adjutant

QMGMS 293 2nd Ind  
Gordon, John W.  
SN-36626898

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Dept. of the Army, OQMG, Washington 25, D. C., 8 February 1950

TO: Chief, Registration Division, 7887 Graves Registration Detachment,  
APO 58, c/o Postmaster, New York, New York

Subject's correct name is GORDON, John W., 36626898. No reply has been received from next-of-kin to our letter dated 15 September 1949. Photostats of available Forms 79 were forwarded your headquarters per letter dated 16 June 1949, file QMGMS 293, GRS European.

FOR THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL:

T. H. METZ  
Lt. Colonel, QMC  
Memorial Division

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*293. Golden, John W.*

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Basic list, Dept of the Army, OCM, WASH DC, Golden, John W., 30 656 898  
Subject: Additional information, dated 27 September 1949

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Mr. Hamilton in the Registration Command, European Area, APO 58, U S  
Army, 30 January 1950

TO: The Quartermaster General, Washington 25, D. C.  
ATTENTION: Memorial Division

- 1. Reference is made to basic communication.
- 2. Information is requested as to the status of reply from name of kin of Pfc John W. GOLDEN, 35 656 898.

FOR THE COMMANDING OFFICER:

DAVID E. WATKINS  
1st Lt, OCM  
Assistant Adjutant

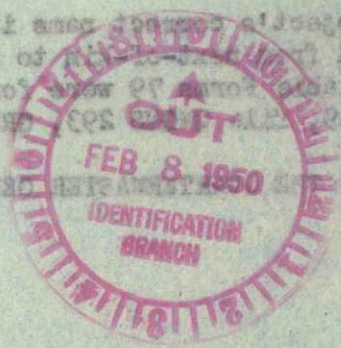
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Dept. of the Army, OCM, Washington 25, D. C., 8 February 1950

TO: Chief, Registration Division, 7887 Graves Registration Department,  
APO 58, c/o Postmaster, New York, New York

Subject's correct name is GORDON, John W., 30656898. No reply has been received to our letter dated 15 September 1949. Photographs of missing person were forwarded your headquarters per letter dated 15 June 1949. 293 783 European.



T. H. WATKINS  
1st Colonel, OCM  
Memorial Division



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*29* QMGMS 293  
Golden, John W. *JWS*  
SN 36 626 898

27 September 1949

SUBJECT: Additional Information

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

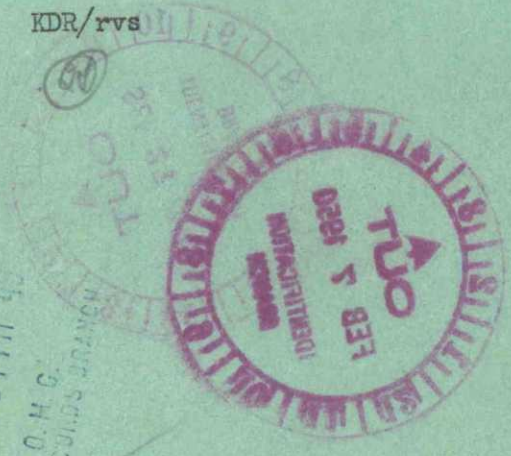
1. Reference is made to your radio AGRC 5210 dated 3 August 1949.
2. Dental information has been requested from next of kin of Pfc. John W. Golden, 36626898. Upon receipt of reply, same will be forwarded your headquarters.

FOR THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL:

T. H. METZ  
Lt. Colonel, QMC  
Memorial Division

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*[Signature]*

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MAIL RECORDS BRANCH

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ALABAMA

27 September 1950

Mr. J. Edgar Hoover  
Federal Bureau of Investigation  
Washington, D.C.

SUBJECT: Medical Information

TO: Commanding General  
American Graves Registration Command  
European Area  
APO 95, c/o Postmaster  
New York, New York

1. Reference is made to your radio AGRS 2010 dated 7 August 1950.

2. Medical information has been requested from your file on the late Mr. John W. Golden, 3060000. Your receipt of reply, when available, should be forwarded your headquarters.

FOR THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL

E. H. WHITE  
Lieutenant Colonel, USA  
Medical Division



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G. W. ROGERS  
Capt., QMC  
Identification Branch

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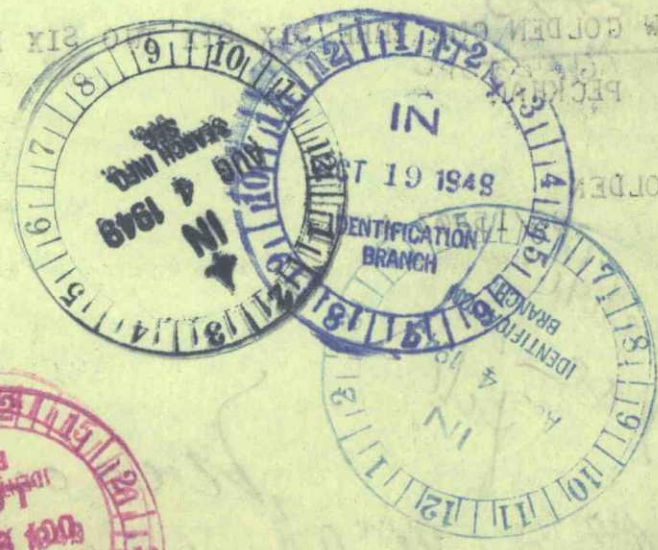
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Capt. GWC  
Identification Branch

MEMORIAL DIVISION

AG 201 Gordon, John W.  
 (12 Aug 49) 36 626 898

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12 August 1949

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

SUBJECT: Report of Death

FILE

AUG 23 1949

G. W. Rogers  
 Capt., GIC  
 Identification Branch

1. ETO Casualty Shipment No. 031 reported that Pfc John W. Gordon, 36 626 898, Infantry, Co G, 157th Infantry was missing in action in France on 21 January 1945. The shipment further states that Private Gordon was entitled to additional pay for award of the Combat Infantryman Badge. Under the provisions of Section 5, Missing Persons Act a Finding of Death was issued setting the presumed date of death for Private Gordon as 22 January 1946.
2. Missing Report dated 20 February 1945, submitted by the 157th Infantry, shows that Private Gordon was a scout assigned to Co G, whose mission was to attack and hold a wooded ridge one mile north of Reipertsweller, France. At 1600 hours on 18 January 1945 the company took the hill. Defensive positions were dug and the left flank extended by one platoon of Co E. During the night of 18 January the enemy infiltrated and established positions to the rear of Co G. Further infiltration on the following three days enabled the enemy to cut the entire group off completely. The probable fate of the group is given as captured.
3. Private Gordon's father wrote a letter to this office on 9 August 1945, in which he inclosed a letter dated 8 August 1945, that he had received from T Sgt Louis W. Wims, 31 065 139, first sergeant of Co G, 157th Infantry. The following is quoted from Sergeant Wims' letter:
 

"On 17 Jan 1945, the 2nd Platoon of G. Co. (of which your son was a member) was heavily attacked by a strong German force, necessitating a withdrawal by this Platoon. T/Sgt. Maurice H. Bieremann, acting Platoon leader reported his losses to me. He informed me that your son was killed. However, I personally did not see his body.

"On 20 Jan, 1945 the remainder of Co G, 157th Inf. became prisoners of war of the German forces attacking us. It remained my duty to account for the members of Co G. As regards your son he did not march off as a prisoner, nor was he carried off wounded."
4. An inquiry concerning Private Gordon and two other members of Co G was sent to Maurice H. Beiermann, a former member of Co G, on 26 November 1945 (File AG 704). He replied that he could not remember whether Gordon was killed or not.
5. The Office of The Quartermaster General has no burial report on file for Private Gordon. He was never reported as a prisoner of war, and no captured German record has been found which refers to him.
6. Although Mr. Beiermann cannot remember having told Mr. Wims that Private Gordon had been killed, this does not really detract from Wims' statement, inasmuch as he checked on all men of Co G who were taken prisoner, both those who were wounded and those who were not, and Private Gordon was not among them.

13 August 1945

FILE

AUG 23 1945

G. W. Roberts  
Capt. GNC  
1st Lt. Pilot on Board

MEMORANDUM TO: Director in Charge, Casualty Section  
Personnel Action Branch, AGC

SUBJECT: Report of Death

1. WFO Casualty Division No. 021 reported that Pfc John W. Gordon, US 228 892, Infantry, Co G, 125th Infantry was missing in action in France on 21 January 1945. The Division further stated that private Gordon was captured by the enemy and was held in a prisoner of war camp. Under the provisions of Section 2, Missing Person Act, a finding of death was issued pending the receipt of data for private Gordon on 22 January 1945.

2. Missing report dated 20 February 1945, submitted by the 125th Infantry, shows that private Gordon was a scout assigned to Co D, whose mission was to attack and hold a wooded ridge on the north of Saignesville, France. At 1400 hours on 18 January 1945 the company took the hill. Before the night was over the left flank extended by one platoon of Co E. During the night of 18 January the enemy infiltrated and established positions to the rear of Co E. Further infiltration on the following three days enabled the enemy to cut the entire group off completely. The probable fate of the group is given as follows:

3. Private Gordon's father wrote a letter to this office on 3 August 1945, in which he enclosed a letter dated 8 August 1945, that he had received from T Sgt Louis J. Sims, 31 082 188, First Sergeant of Co A, 125th Infantry. The following is quoted from Sergeant Sims' letter:

"On 17 Jan 1945, the 2nd platoon of Co G, of which your son was a member, was heavily attacked by a strong German force, necessitating withdrawal by this platoon. Sgt. Maurice M. Hiersman, acting platoon leader reported his losses to me. He informed me that your son was killed. However, I personally did not see his body."

"On 23 Jan 1945, a member of Co G, 125th Inf., became prisoner of war of the enemy. He stated that your son was killed on 17 Jan 1945. He further stated that your son had not been seen since that date."

4. An investigation of the records of the 125th Infantry, Co G, on 22 November 1945 (file 31 082 188) has revealed that the records of the 125th Infantry, Co G, do not show the name of private Gordon as killed or reported missing.

5. The Office of the Inspector General has no burial report on file for private Gordon. He has never reported as a prisoner of war, and no captured German records have been found which relate to him.

6. Although Mr. Hiersman cannot remember having told Mr. Sims that private Gordon had been killed, this does not really detract from Sims' statement, inasmuch as he observed on all men of Co G who were taken prisoner, both those who were wounded and those who were not, and private Gordon was not among them.



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(12 Aug 49) 36 626 898

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Had Private Gordon been alive at this time, there appears to be no good reason why he would not have been captured with the rest of the company. The statement of Sergeant Wims, then, furnishes reasonably conclusive proof of the death of Private Gordon on 17 January 1945.

7. It is recommended, therefore, that pursuant to the provisions of Section 9, Missing Persons Act, the foregoing information be accepted as an official report of death, and that a casualty report be initiated stating that Pfc John W. Gordon, 36 626 898, Infantry, was killed in action on 17 January 1945 near Reipertsweller, France. Entitled to extra pay as Combat Infantryman. The systemat will be processed in accordance with Paragraph 2b, Operations Bulletin 35, 1945. The casualty report and official report of death will include the following statement:

Finding of Death has been issued previously under Section 5, Public Law 490, 7 March 1942, as amended, showing presumed date of death as 22 January 1946. This "Report of Death" is issued in accordance with Section 9 of said Act and its effect on prior payments and settlements is as provided in Section 9.

Station and Place of Death: European Theater

LULU MAY LYBROOK  
Investigator

CONCUR:

T. J. COLLUM  
Major, ACD  
OIC, Determination Unit

APPROVED: Recommended action will be taken.

BY ORDER OF THE SECRETARY OF THE ARMY:

SYLVIO L. BOUSQUIN  
Lt. Col. ACD  
OIC, Casualty Section  
Personnel Actions Branch, ACO

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OQMG, Memorial Div  
AG 201 file



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had private Gordon been alive at this time, there appears to be no good reason why he would not have been captured with the rest of the company. The statement of Sergeant Sims, then, furnishes reasonably conclusive proof of the death of private Gordon on 14 January 1948.

7. It is recommended, therefore, that pursuant to the provisions of Section 9, Missing Persons Act, the foregoing information be accepted as an official report of death, and that a casualty report be initiated stating that John W. Gordon, SS 336 898, Infantry, was killed in action on 14 January 1948 near Reichenweller, France. Efforts to extra pay as Combat Infantryman will be processed in accordance with Paragraph 2b, Operations Bulletin 30, 1948. The casualty report and official report of death will include the following statement:

Findings of Death has been issued previously under Section 8, Public Law 450, 7 March 1948, as amended, showing presumed date of death as 23 January 1948. This "Report of Death" is issued in accordance with Section 9 of said Act and its effect on prior payments and settlements is as provided in Section 9.

Location and Place of Death: European Theater

IDENTIFICATION BRANCH  
Aug 23 11 11 AM '48  
MEMPHIS DIVISION

WILLIAM L. BERRY  
Investigator

F. J. COLLIER  
Major, ADC  
SIC, Detachment Unit

REMARKS: Recommended action will be taken.

BY ORDER OF THE SECRETARY OF THE ARMY:

SAVING L. BOURBON  
Lt. Col. ADC  
SIC, Casualty Section  
Personnel Section Branch, ADC



*[Handwritten signature]*

15 September 1949

QMIMS 293  
Gordon, John W.  
Pfc 36 626 898

Mrs. Evelyn O. Gordon  
874 Lincoln Avenue  
Winnetka, Illinois

Dear Mrs. Gordon:

I regret the necessity of writing to you with reference to your husband, the late Private First Class John W. Gordon.

Every effort is being expended by this Office and the American Graves Registration Service overseas to recover and identify the remains of all deceased American personnel of World War II. I feel sure that you will appreciate the tremendous complexities of this undertaking, as well as the amount of time its proper accomplishment demands. To facilitate this project, complete dental records on an individual are helpful and, in some instances, essential. In view of the fact that military dental records do not always include work accomplished prior to entry into service, it is often necessary to request this information from the family of a decedent.

Inasmuch as there is the possibility that your late husband may have received treatment by a civilian dentist which is not shown in his military records, it will be greatly appreciated if, in the event this is so, you will secure from the dentist who treated him a copy of the chart usually retained by members of the dental profession showing work performed for each patient. If you would prefer that we request this information directly from the dentist, we will be quite willing to do this if you will furnish us his name and address.

A reply at your earliest convenience will be appreciated as this information may prove to be of material assistance in the identification of your husband's remains.

A self-addressed envelope which requires no postage is inclosed for your convenience and in order to expedite delivery.

Please accept my sincere sympathy in the great loss you have sustained.

Sincerely yours,

T. H. METZ  
Lt Colonel, QMC  
Memorial Division

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WASHINGTON, D. C.

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12 September 1949

Room 303  
Gordon, John W.  
P.O. Box 380 650

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T. H. METZ  
Lie Colonel, GSC  
Memorial Division

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REGISTER OF DENTAL PATIENTS AT

DENTAL CLINIC <sup>3</sup>  
CAMP HOWE

(1) SURNAME (2) CHRISTIAN NAME  
Gordon, John W. 36626898 44574

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Pfc. Co. F 411th Inf.

(6) AGE, YEARS (7) RACE (8) NATIVITY (9) SERVICE, YEARS  
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*W. H. Litzell*  
Dental Corps, U. S. A.

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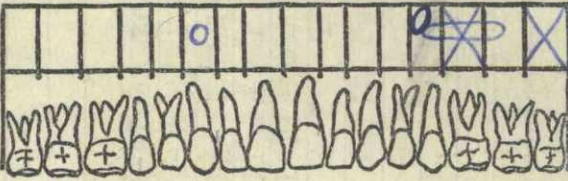
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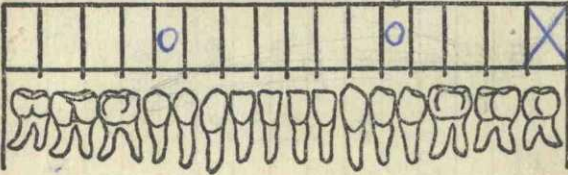


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Date

Capt. L. D. Britsch

Dental Corps, U. S. A.

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REGISTER OF DENTAL PATIENTS AT  
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CAMP CLAIBORNE, LA. 44374

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Gordon, John W 36626898

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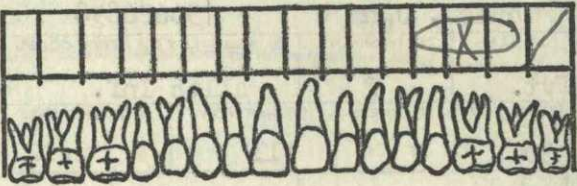
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*Edward G. McDowell Jr.*  
Dental Corps, U. S. A.

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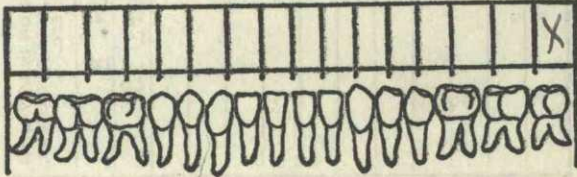
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IDENTIFICATION SECTION  
MEMORIAL DIVISION

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IDENTIFICATION DATA

LAST NAME - FIRST NAME - MIDDLE INITIAL <i>GORDON, JOHN W</i>			ARMY SERIAL NUMBER <i>36-626-898</i>	GRADE <i>Pfc</i>	
HEIGHT	WEIGHT	COLOR EYES	COLOR HAIR	SHOE SIZE	DATE OF DEATH

LAST ORGANIZATION TO WHICH ATTACHED OR ASSIGNED (Give complete designation)

PLACE OF DEATH OR PLACE LAST SEEN IF MIA

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

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*File  
17 June 49  
K. Nafel  
I.D.S.*

IDENTIFICATION SECTION  
MEMORIAL DIVISION

IDENTIFICATION DATA

LAST NAME - FIRST NAME - MIDDLE INITIAL	DATE OF BIRTH	DATE OF DEATH
JOHN W. BROWN	1918	1945
PLACE OF BIRTH OR PLACE LAST SEEN IN LIFE		
FIRST AND LAST NAMES IN WHICH REGISTERED IN U.S. ARMY TO SERVICE OVERSEAS, WITH INCLUSIVE DATES AT EACH		
STATION	DATE	

*John W. Brown - Service 1942-1945*

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FROM HQ AGRC PARIS

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D. T. G. 171039Z

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ACTION QMG

TO OQMG WASHDC

MC IN NO. 68198

GRAVES GRNG

*293 GRS Europe  
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PASS TO MEMORIAL DIV

REQUEST THIS OFFICE BE FURNISHED ALL AVAILABLE DETAIL DENTAL

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AIRMAIL

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16 June 1949

SUBJECT: Additional Information

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

1. Reference is made to your radio AGRC 3222 dated 17 May 1949.
2. Forwarded herewith is all available dental information pertaining to the following:

X 293	Adams, Leonard E.	Pfc.	35 899 388
	Gordon, John W.	Pfc.	36 626 898
	Null, Kenneth J.	Pfc.	33 706 191
	Olsen, Harold B.	Pfc.	36 883 692
	Rice, Daniel	Pvt.	39 717 458
	Summers, Richard P.	Pfc.	42 062 954

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Lt. Colonel, QMC  
Memorial Division

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293 FILE		<b>DATA ON REMAINS NOT YET RECORDED OR IDENTIFIED</b>		
NAME (Last, First, Middle Initial) <b>Gorden, John W.</b>		GRADE <b>Pfc</b>	PRESENT SERIAL NUMBER <b>36 626 898</b>	
ORGANIZATION <b>Co G 157 Inf Regt 45 Inf Div</b>	RACE <b>White</b>	CREED <b>Protestant</b>	FORMER SERIAL NUMBER (If applicable)	
DATE OF DEATH/MIA <b>21 Jan 45</b>	CAUSE OF DEATH <b>Finding of Death</b>	PLACE OF DEATH OR PLACE LAST SEEN IF MIA <b>MIA near Reipertsweller, Germany</b>		
DATE OF FOD <b>22 Jan 46</b>				
HEIGHT <b>5' 11"</b>	WEIGHT <b>172</b>	COLOR EYES <b>Brown</b>	COLOR HAIR <b>Brown</b>	SHOE SIZE <b>9 B</b>
<b>DENTAL CHART 30 Nov 42</b>				
UPPER RIGHT 8 7 6 5 4 3 2 1 <b>Fixed Bridge Replacing L-6. Crowns L-5-7</b>		UPPER LEFT 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 <b>X</b>		
LOWER RIGHT 16 15 14 13 12 11 10 9		LOWER LEFT 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16		
X=Extracted		O=Carious		1=Carious Non-Restorable
FRACTURES AND/OR BREAKS		TATTOOS AND/OR BIRTHMARK		
ADDITIONAL INFORMATION				



**FILE**  
**JUN 4 1948**  
**E. J. Sullivan, 1st Lt., QMG**  
**IDENTIFICATION BRANCH**

NAME (Last, First, Middle Initial)		GRADE		PRESENT SERIAL NUMBER	
Gordon, John W.		Pfc		35 138 128	
ORGANIZATION		RACE		CREED	
Co D 1st Inf Regt 42nd Div		White		Protestant	
DATE OF DEATH		CAUSE OF DEATH		PLACE OF DEATH OR PLACE LAST SEEN IF MIA	
22 Jan 48		Finding of Death		MIA near Nagerow, Germany	
DATE OF BIRTH		WEIGHT		COLOR EYES	
22 Jan 46		175		Brown	
HEIGHT		COLOR HAIR		SHOE SIZE	
5' 10"		Brown		9 1/2	
DENTAL CHART 30 Nov 47					
UPPER RIGHT			UPPER LEFT		
8 7 6 5 4 3 2 1 Fixed Bridge Retaining I-O. Crowns I-5-7			1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8		
LOWER RIGHT			LOWER LEFT		
10 15 20 25 30 35 40 45			9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16		
X = Extracted			O = Carious		
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WASHINGTON 25, D. C.

1949 AUG 18

BATTLE CASUALTY REPORT

AG 201	NAME GORDON JOHN W ASN 36626898	GRADE PFC HUS	DATE CAS. REPORT RECEIVED 10 54
NAME AND ADDRESS OF E. A.	MRS EVELYN O GORDON 874 LINCOLN AVENUE WINNETKA ILLINOIS		DATE TELEGRAM SENT 24 Aug 49

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

THE SECRETARY OF WAR HAS ASKED ME TO EXPRESS HIS DEEP REGRET THAT YOUR HUSBAND

GRADE	NAME	SERIAL NUMBER	ARM OR SERVICE	REPORTING THEATRE	F OR J STATUS	SHIPMENT NUMBER
PFC	GORDON, JOHN W.	36626898	INF			228024
TYPE OF CASUALTY		PLACE OF CASUALTY	DATE OF CASUALTY			CASUALTY CODE
KILLED IN ACTION		IN FRANCE	DAY	MONTH	YEAR	
			17	JAN	45	

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Sept 9 1949  
R Sharp*

REMARKS: AG 201 /12 AUG 49/  CORRECTED COPY

FIGHT  
MEMO DET UNIT APPROVED OIG CAS SEC PAB/ KILLED NEAR REIPERTSWEILER, FOD ISSUED PREV UNDER SEC 5, PL 490, 7 MAR 42, AS AMENDED, SHOWING PRESUMED DATE OF DEATH 22 JAN 46. RPT OF DEATH ISSUED IN ACCORD WITH SEC 9 OF SAID ACT AND ITS EFFECT ON PRIOR PAYMENTS AND SETTLEMENTS IS AS PROVIDED IN SEC 9. STA AND PL OF DEATH ETO.

HOME ADDRESS AT TIME OF ADDRESS: WINNETKA COOK COUNTY ILLINOIS

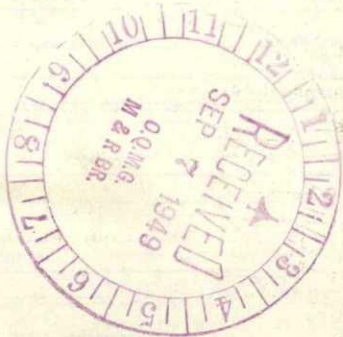
PROCESS IN ACCORD WITH PAR 2B, OPER BUL 35, 1945.

Report of Death issued 1 Sep 49. pmr

ACTION BY COMPOSITE SECTION: REPORT VERIFIED <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		FORM 43	AG 201 REQ.
CASUALTY BRANCH FILE ATTACHED <input type="checkbox"/>		OR CHARGED TO	DATE
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FORWARDED TO	SPEC. IDEN.	C. & P.	TELEGRAM
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REPORT OF DEATH

pmr 1C 656

DATE 1 September 1949

FULL NAME <b>Gordon, John W.</b>		ARMY SERIAL NUMBER <b>36 626 898</b>	GRADE <b>PFC</b>
HOME ADDRESS <b>Winnetka, Illinois</b>		ARM OR SERVICE <b>INF</b>	DATE OF BIRTH <b>28 Aug 1912</b>
PLACE OF DEATH <b>France</b>	CAUSE OF DEATH <b>Killed in Action</b>		DATE OF DEATH <b>17 Jan 1945</b>
STATION OF DECEASED <b>European Area</b>	DATE OF ENTRY ON CURRENT ACTIVE SERVICE <b>11 Dec 1942</b>	LENGTH OF SERVICE FOR PAY PURPOSES YEARS MONTHS DAYS	

EMERGENCY ADDRESSEE (Name, relationship, and address)  
**Mrs. Evelyn O. Gordon, 874 Lincoln Avenue, Winnetka, Illinois. (Wife).**

BENEFICIARY (Name, relationship, and address)  
**Mrs. Evelyn O. Gordon, wife, same as above.**  
**Mrs. Janet S. Gordon, mother, George W. Gordon, father, same as above.**

INVESTIGATION MADE		IN LINE OF DUTY		OWN MISCONDUCT		WAS DECEASED ON DUTY STATUS		AUTHORIZED ABSENCE		IN FLYING PAY STATUS		OTHER PAY STATUS (Specify below)	
YES	NO	YES	NO	YES	NO	YES	NO	YES	NO	YES	NO	YES	NO

ADDITIONAL DATA AND/OR STATEMENT  BATTLE  NON-BATTLE

\*Soldier awarded Combat Infantryman Badge by G. O. #14, Headquarters 157th Infantry dated 15 November 1944, effective 1 October 1944.

Finding of death has been issued previously under Section 5, Public Law 490, 7 March 1942, as amended, showing presumed date of death as 22 January 1946. This Report of Death based on information received since that date is issued in accordance with Section 9 of said Act, and its effect on prior payments and settlements is as prescribed in Section 9.

*File  
Sept 12, 1949  
E. Sharp*

BY ORDER OF THE SECRETARY OF THE ARMY

~~PROVIDER OF THE SECRETARY OF THE ARMY~~

*[Signature]*  
 ADJUTANT GENERAL

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IDENTIFICATION SECTION  
MEMORIAL DIVISION

IDENTIFICATION DATA

LAST NAME - FIRST NAME - MIDDLE INITIAL <i>GORDON JOHN W.</i>			ARMY SERIAL NUMBER <i>36626898</i>		GRADE <i>PFC</i>
HEIGHT <i>5' 11"</i>	WEIGHT <i>172</i>	COLOR EYES <i>Brown</i>	COLOR HAIR <i>Brown</i>	SHOE SIZE <i>9E</i>	DATE OF DEATH <i>22 JAN '46</i>

LAST ORGANIZATION TO WHICH ATTACHED OR ASSIGNED (Give complete designation)  
*Co "G" 157th INF.*

PLACE OF DEATH OR PLACE LAST SEEN IF MIA  
*MISSING IN ACTION NEAR REIPERTSWEILER GERMANY 21 JAN '45* *22 JAN '46*  
*PROSUMED DEAD*

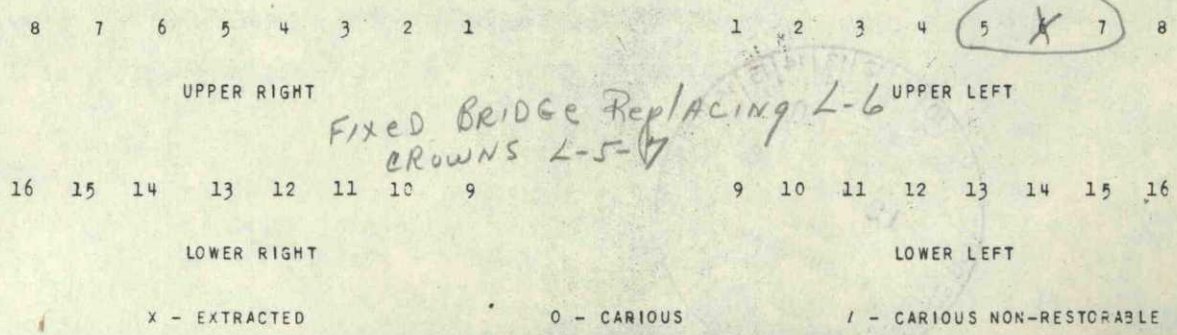
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STATION	FROM	DATES	TO
<i>CAMP GRANT ILL.</i>		<i>Dec '42</i>	
<i>CAMP CLAIBORNE LA.</i>	<i>Dec '42</i>		<i>June '44</i>
<i>CAMP HOWE TEX.</i>	<i>MAY '44</i>		<i>June '44</i>
<i>FT GEO G. MEADE MARYLAND</i>	<i>June '44</i>		<i>June '44</i>

**NO RECORDS ON FILE**

FRACTURES AND/OR BREAKS <i>aki</i>	TATTOOS AND/OR BIRTH MARKS
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DENTAL CHART *30 Nov '42*



IDENTIFICATION SECTION  
MEMORIAL DIVISION

IDENTIFICATION DATA

NAME - LAST NAME - MIDDLE INITIAL	ARMY SERVICE NUMBER	GRADE
DATE OF BIRTH	DATE OF DEATH	PLACE OF DEATH OR PLACE LAST KNOWN
LIST ALL STATIONS IN WHICH DUTY WAS PERFORMED, WITH INCLUSIVE DATES AT EACH.		
STATION	DATE	

TATTOO AND/OR BIRTH MARKS	INDICATOR BREAKS
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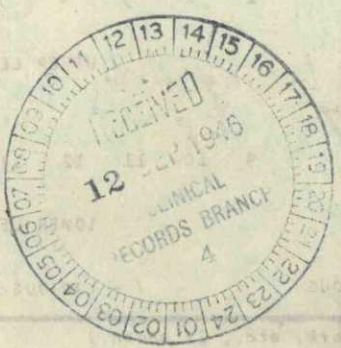
DENTAL CHART

LEFT      RIGHT

UPPER RIGHT      UPPER LEFT

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ON JHN W GORDON 36626898 INDCTN RECORD DTD 30 NOV 42 SHOWS TEETH  
MISSING L 6 REMARKS SHOW FIXED BRIDGE REPLACING L6 CROWNS L 5 7 TWO FORMS  
79 BEING SENT TODAY FLY PERS DENTAL IDEN FORMS NOT FD

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**FINDING OF DEATH OF MISSING PERSON**

Pursuant to the provisions of Section 5 of the Act of 7 March 1942 (Public Law 490 77th Cong.) as amended, upon direction and delegation by The Secretary of War, The Chief, Casualty Branch, The Adjutant General's Office, finds Private First Class John W. Gordon, Army Serial Number 36,626,898, Infantry, to be dead. He was officially reported as missing in action as of the 21st day of January 1945. For the purposes stated in said Act, death is presumed to have occurred on the 22nd day of January, 1946.

BY ORDER OF THE SECRETARY OF WAR

*George F. Heubert*

ADJUTANT GENERAL  
CHIEF, CASUALTY BRANCH

SUMMARY OF INFORMATION

AREA	FLYING STATUS	JUMP STATUS	LINE OF DUTY	OWN MIS-CONDUCT	ON DUTY STATUS	ABSENCE AUTH'D
European	No	No	Yes	No	Yes	
PREVIOUS REVIEWS						
None						
DATE OF BIRTH	HOME ADDRESS	DATE OF ENTRY ON CURRENT ACTIVE SERVICE	LENGTH OF SERVICE (AS OF PRESUMED DATE OF DEATH)			
28 Aug 1912	Winnetka, Illinois	11 Dec 1942	YEARS	MONTH	DAYS	
			Over	Three	Years	

EMERGENCY ADDRESSEE

NAME	RELATIONSHIP	ADDRESS
Mrs. Evelyn O. Gordon	Wife	874 Lincoln Avenue Winnetka, Illinois

BENEFICIARIES

NAME	RELATIONSHIP	ADDRESS
Mrs. Evelyn O. Gordon	Wife	874 Lincoln Avenue Winnetka, Illinois
Mrs. Janet S. Gordon	Mother	874 Lincoln Avenue Winnetka, Illinois
Mr. George W. Gordon	Father	874 Lincoln Avenue Winnetka, Illinois

REMARKS

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Soldier awarded Combat Infantryman Badge by G.O. No. 14, Headquarters 157th Infantry, dated 15 November 1944, eff. 1 October 1944.

Circumstances of disappearance: Soldier was isolated from his battalion by infiltrating enemy troops in a wooded area near Reipertsweller, France.

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JAN 28 1946  
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