

293 COX, JOHN B.

1st. LT. A.C. O-710050

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NON-RECOVERABLE REMAINS REEXAMINATION OF RECORDS		
AREA OF DEATH Philippine Islands		CASE NUMBER
NAME (Last, First, Middle Initial) Cox, John B.	RANK 1/Lt	SERIAL NUMBER 0 710050
IN THE COURSE OF THIS REEXAMINATION IT HAS BEEN DETERMINED THAT THE CIRCUMSTANCES OF DEATH WERE SUCH THAT: (Check appropriate box)		
<input type="checkbox"/> THE REMAINS OF THE DECEDENT COULD NOT HAVE BEEN RECOVERED <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 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:		
1. 293 FILE OF DECEDENT		INITIALS OF ANALYST CRS
2. GEOGRAPHICAL CLUE INDEX FILE OF UNKNOWNNS RECOVERED FROM APPROPRIATE AREA, COMPARED WITH DECEDENT		CRS
3. OTHER DOCUMENTS OR SOURCES		Hayden
REMARKS Possible association If <u>there are</u> unknowns from this area - dental will be requested for the above named person - Hayden Identification factors for 1/Lt Cox compare negatively w/ data on Form 1944's for unresolved Norzagaray unknown		
RECOMMEND APPROVAL		APPROVED
NAME OF CASE ANALYST CRSchuth	CASE REVIEWER, FINAL DETERMINATION SECTION C. E. Dewaker	CHIEF, FINAL DETERMINATION SECTION Robert G. Lay ROBERT G. LAY Major, QMC
		DATE NOV 22 1950

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Major, QMC

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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)

COX, JOHN B.

RANK

1 LT

SERIAL NUMBER

0 710 050

ARM OF SERVICE

AAF

DATE OF DEATH

23 FEBRUARY 46

AREA OF DEATH

PHILIPPINE IS

NAME OF AUDITOR

HOLMES

DATE

10 NOVEMBER
50

NAME OF REVIEWER

MCMORRIS

DATE

14 NOV 50

REMARKS

ONE MAN PLANE

CONTROLLED CASE			
NAME Cox, John B.		GRADE 2nd Lt.	SERIAL NO. 0-710 050
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<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> IDENTIFICATION BRANCH, MEMORIAL DIVISION		FLAGGED BY (Initials) Lt De Weese	
UNKNOWN X -	NON-RECOVERABLE CASE NO. 9301	A-2 CARD FLAGGED BY	333 CARD FLAGGED BY
<p style="text-align: center;">IMPORTANT</p> <p>THIS FORM MUST BE MAINTAINED ON TOP OF 293 FILE AT ALL TIMES UNTIL CANCELLED BY MEMORIAL DIVISION. ONLY THE "CONGRESSIONAL TOPPER", OQMG FORM 391, MAY BE PLACED OVER THIS FORM.</p>			

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ALW/jb/10674/11569

19 August 1949

MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD:

SUBJECT: Review of Circumstances Surrounding the Disappearance of
First Lieutenant John B. Cox, 0710050, Air Corps.

1. First Lieutenant John B. Cox, 0710050, Air Corps, was reported missing in action over Luzon Island, on 22 February 1945, in flying pay status, and was presumed dead as of 23 February 1946, by SR&D No. 5451.

2. Lt. Cox was promoted from second to first lieutenant by Special Order No. 54, par. 3, Hq. USAFFE dated 23 February 1945, effective same date.

3. Missing Air Crew Report No. 12676 of the 82d Tactical Reconnaissance Squadron, 71st Tactical Reconnaissance Group, dated 24 February 1945, discloses that Lt. Cox was the pilot and sole occupant of an F-6D-10 type aircraft, No. 44-14619, with nicknames "My Jewell" and "San Antonio Rose" which departed the Lingayen Strip on a course of 140 degrees on a bombing and strafing mission to Norzagaray and was seen to crash five miles southeast of Norzagaray at 1630 hours, having been lost as a result of enemy anti-aircraft action. A parachute was used. Statements of three eyewitnesses to the crash and the officer in charge of search are appended to the Crew Report. Information from these statements follows:

a. F/O Weldon C. Britton, T-62785:

"Lt. Cox and I arrived over the target ten (10) minutes before the P-40's got there. We circled while the P-40's dropped their bombs and then Lt. Cox went down to see the results of the bombing. He made one pass and came back for another one when machine guns, a little west of him, started firing and white smoke came out of his engine. He pulled up about 600' and jumped. The chute opened just before he hit the ground. I called the leader of the P-40's and circled Lt. Cox. He hid his chute and went into the trees. Lt. Lambert continued to circle the spot and I joined the rest of the formation."

b. 2d Lt. Maurice E. Lambert, 0710001:

"With 2 F-6's and 4 P-40's we were bombing enemy artillery positions southeast of Norzugaray (sic). After the P-40's had bombed and cleared the target, Lt Cox went down to recco the area. While over the target Lt Cox was shot down by enemy fire. When I first saw him, his plane was trailing smoke and Lt Cox bailed out immediately after. I was circling at 3000' and when I saw Lt Cox bail out I went down to give him cover. After Lt Cox hit the ground, I saw him fold and hide his parachute. After this he disappeared in the brush and I never saw him again. He had appeared to be uninjured. I then got his position on the map and gave it to Lt Lake to relay to the ground station (Stucco). After this we returned to the home field as we were low on fuel."

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c. 2d Lt. Milo G. Lake, 0822202:

"On the 22nd of February (sic), I was leading the second element of P-40's on a bombing and strafing mission against (sic) Jap gun positions near Ipo Dam. Lt Cox was leading the flight with 2 P-6's. The P-40's bombed the primary target and after we finished, Lt Cox went down to see the results of the bombing. I was not in a position to see him as I had just finished my bombing run and was trying to get altitude, to join the flight of P-40's led by Lt Lambert. I then heard someone say over the radio that Lt Cox had been hit and had bailed out. Lt Lambert went down to cover him. Meanwhile I flew cover for Lt Lambert and contacted the ground station. We gave Lt Cox's position and they said they would send a patrol to pick him up. We left the area then because our gas was running low."

d. 1st Lt Harland B. White, 0738310:

"Immediately after being informed that Lt Cox was shot down, I contacted 308th Bomb Wing Air Sea Rescue Section giving them all available information. The local ground station Stucco was informed by the remaining members of the flight, at the time of the accident and Stucco replied that they would send out a patrol to try to rescue him. The 112th Cavalry informed us that they were also sending out a patrol. We had planes from this squadron over the area on the following day, which had radio contact with Stucco, but they found nothing. We have had no further reports as of this date."

e. Also attached to the Crew Report is a sketch map marked to indicate the point near Metropolitan Road, west-southwest of Apo Dam where subject pilot bailed out.

4. A brother of subject officer, who was in the Philippine Islands in November, 1945, with very limited time, attempted to locate the place where Lt. Cox disappeared. He did not locate the spot but did find a native Filipino who thought he had located the wreckage of a P-51 type plane in the area where this plane went down. A reply by 1st Indorsement dated 12 September 1946 to a communication from this office dated 18 July 1946, to the CG, USAFWESPAC, contains the following pertinent information:

"On 21 August 1946, Mr. Feliciano Del Mundo of Santa Cruz, Laguna (Formerly 1093 Sanchez Extension, Manila) was interrogated by the Criminal Investigation Division, Provost Marshal Office this headquarters and the following were his statements: 'I knew where the plane was located and would lead a search party to that vicinity.'

"b. On 22 August 1946, 2 members of the Provost Marshal Office, this headquarters and Mr del Mundo drove to the region of Ipo Dam, Bulacan and there, with the help of Mr. Del Mundo and a native guide, sections of the plane were found scattered over an area of fifty square yards. Parts

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bearing possible identification marks were selected, in addition four (4) Browning Machine Guns 50 cal. M2 were found. These numbers matches the numbers on the Missing Air Crew Report of Lt John B. Cox. Also a piece of wreckage was found of a wing with only 3 numbers 619, these numbers correspond with the last 3 numbers of Lt Cox plane.

"c. An area of one hundred square yards was searched for further leads on the fate of the pilot, but these leads were unsuccessful. All natives around the vicinity were interrogated if they had seen an officer where the plane crashed, but the natives could not give any clue or information."

5. Subject officer, with a converted P-51 type aircraft, (a F-6D-10) led a flight of two planes of that type, with an element of P-40's following, to bomb and strafe Japanese gun positions near Ipo Dam on Luzon. Following the bombing run he turned back to estimate the effects and his aircraft was damaged by anti-aircraft fire. He was seen to bail out, hide his parachute, and disappear into brush. In November, 1946, a native pointed out pieces of wreckage which were identified as part of his equipment. No further information pertaining to this incident has been received, and a possibility exists that he may have been captured and may have died at a date under circumstances not indicated by available information. Therefore, in the absence of definite information from which to establish date and circumstances of death, it is concluded that sufficient evidence is not available at the present time to warrant issuance of a report of death under the provisions of Section 9 of the Missing Persons Act.

ALICE L. WARD
Investigator

CONCUR:

JAMES A. FRIK
Captain, AGO
Asst. OIC, Determination Unit
Casualty Section
Personnel Actions Branch, AGO

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AG 201 file

BASIC: Ltr fr Hq. AFWESPAC, OOCM, CBA, APO 707, file GS QMS 332.3
Subj: "Deceased Personnel"

1s. Inc.

HEADQUARTERS BASE "M", UNITED STATES ARMY FORCES WESTERNPACIFIC,
QM BAGGAGE & EFFECTS SECTION, APO 70, 21 Oct. 45.

TO : Chief Quartermaster, United States Army Forces, Western
Pacific, APO 707.

1. Forwarded herewith Effects QM Form #1 relating to Lt.
John B. Cox, O-710050 and T/Sgt. Denver M. Bryant, 34782874, both
reported missing, in compliance with par. 4 basic letter.

2. Also enclosed herewith W.D. AGO Form # 54, for above
missing personnel.

3. Request acknowledgement of receipt by indorsement here-
on.

FOR THE QUARTERMASTER:

PERRY N. BIGHAM
2nd Lt., Q.M.C.
Baggage & Effects Officer

4 - Incls:

- # 1 - Effects Form # 1 - Lt. J. B. Cox
- # 2 - Effects Form # 1 - T/Sgt. D. M. Bryant
- # 3 - WD AGO Form # 54 - Lt. J. B. Cox
- # 4 - WD AGO Form # 54 - T/Sgt. D. M. Bryant

**NON-RECOVERABLE CASE
RECORD OF REVIEW AND APPROVAL**

FILE NUMBER
9301 (1)
AREA OR ZONE(S)
PHILCOM

NAME (Last, First, Middle Initial) **293 COX, John B.** RANK **1/Lt.** SERIAL NUMBER **0 - 710 050**

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		INITIALS OF ANALYST
1. 293 FILE OF SUBJECT(S) DECEASED	R.R.L.	4. ALPHABETICAL INDEX OF "BELIEVED TO BE" AND TENTATIVELY IDENTIFIED UNKNOWNNS	R.R.L.
2. a. REPORT OF DEATH b. FINDING OF DEATH c. STATUS REVIEW & DETERMINATION	R.R.L.	5. ALPHABETICAL FILE OF FORMER UNKNOWNNS NOW IDENTIFIED	R.R.L.
3. A - Z FILE OF KNOWN INTERMENTS IN U.S. MILITARY CEMETERIES, ISOLATED LOCATIONS, AND SEA BURIALS	R.R.L.	6. OTHER DOCUMENTS OR SOURCES OF INFORMATION ENUMERATED BELOW	R.R.L.

- a. Geographical clue index file of unknownns from pertinent area
- b. MACH

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:

None

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AUG 19 1949

J. Christy
Identification Branch

NAME OF CASE ANALYST **RALPH R. LANDERWAY/gsg** CASE TO BE FORWARDED TO _____ FOR CONSIDERATION OF NOTIFICATION TO INTERESTED PARTIES.

RECOMMEND APPROVAL		APPROVED	DATE
CASE REVIEWER, FINAL DETERMINATION SECTION <i>A.J. Craten</i> A.J. CRATEN	CHIEF, FINAL DETERMINATION SECTION <i>W.R. Deweese</i> W.R. DEWEESE, 1st Lt QMC	CHIEF, IDENTIFICATION BRANCH <i>G.W. Rogers</i> by G.W. ROGERS, Capt QMC	18 Aug 1949

9301

HEADQUARTERS
AMERICAN GRAVES REGISTRATION SERVICE
PHILCOM ZONE

APO 900
11 June 1949

CASE HISTORY FOR REMAINS CONSIDERED NON-RECOVERABLE

COX, John B.
2nd Lt., O-710 050

BASIS FOR DECLARING REMAINS NON-RECOVERABLE

1. 2nd Lt. John B. Cox, O-710 050, was pilot of an F-6D-10 type aircraft, AAF Serial No. 44-14619, which was hit by enemy anti-aircraft fire while on a bombing and strafing mission over Norzagaray, Bulacan Province, Luzon, P. I., on 22 February 1945. Another member of the mission reported that Lt. Cox went down to see the results of the bombing, and machine guns started firing at him. Smoke was coming out of his engine and he pulled up about 600 feet and jumped. The chute opened just before he hit the ground, and he was seen to hide it and go in among the trees. Patrols were sent out and planes covered the area the following day, but to no avail. Subject decedent was reported missing 22 February 1945 and presumed dead as of 23 February 1946.

2. Missing Aircrew Report is attached to substantiate the name of the missing personnel, the aircraft's type and serial number, and all other available information. Any other special information pertaining to the case is attached.

3. The final area search of PHILCOM Zone Search Area No. 15 (Bulacan) was completed 28 June 1948 with negative results relative to the recovery of the remains of subject decedent. Identification data for all applicable unknowns recovered from this area have been checked against those of the above-named individual with negative results.

4. There is no record of the recovery or burial of this individual.

5. Findings and recommendations are based on all presently available information.

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CASE HISTORY OF REMAINS NON-RECOVERABLE (Cont'd)

COX, John B., 2nd Lt., O-710 050

6. It is recommended that the remains of the subject decedent be considered non-recoverable and that all records pertaining to search and recovery of the remains be closed.

APPROVAL RECOMMENDED: 11 June 1949

Dominick A. Grey
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1st Lt., AF
AO-812 979
Member

Wilbur G. Hobbs
WILBUR G. HOBBS
1st Lt., Inf
O-887 555
Member

Harold B. McNemar
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O-507074
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PHILCOM ZONE

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APO 900.
23 March 1949

SPECIAL ORDERS
NUMBER 39

EXTRACT

1. In accordance with paragraph one (1) TAG letter, dated 9 April 1947, file AGAO-S 293.9 (27 March 1947) P-M, Subject: "Establishment of Boards of Review for Identification of Unknown Dead Overseas": CINCPAC radio CX 59328 dated 18 Mar 1948; and Par 59 h, TM 10-281, the following are appointed as Board of Officers for the purpose of reviewing and acting upon all cases referred to them pertaining to identity of unknown remains, finalizing disinterment discrepancy reports, and to review and determine in all cases, from evidence presented, the non-recoverability of remains referred to them within the PHILCOM Zone, AGRS:

MEMBERS OF BOARD

Major	Edward J. Brucher	O-199445	QMC
Major	Elee L. Tyler	O-324330	INF
Major	John J. Hart	O-51618	INF
Capt	Jesse E. Magers	O-1290273	INF
Capt	Harold B. McNemar	O-507074	QMC
1st Lt.	William E. Graves	AQ-682696	USAFR (INF)
1st Lt.	Wilbur G. Hobbs	O-887555	INF
1st Lt.	Teodoro M. Ronquillo	O-1896440	CMP
1st Lt.	John W. Weaver	O-1597189	QMC
1st Lt.	John Shypula	O-1307091	INF
1st Lt.	Golden J. Frame	O-1582729	QMC
1st Lt.	Paul E. Feineman	O-1312677	INF
1st Lt.	Gordon W. Bowman	O-1341941	SIG C
1st Lt.	Dominick A. Grey	AQ-812979	AF

BY ORDER OF LIEUTENANT COLONEL STANFORD-BJUNDEEN:

OFFICIAL:

JOHN SHYPULA
1st Lt., Inf
Adjutant

s/ John Shypula
t/ JOHN SHYPULA
1st Lt., Inf
Adjutant

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DATA ON REMAINS NOT YET RECOVERED OR IDENTIFIED

NAME (Last, First, Middle Initial) Cox, John B.		GRADE 1st Lt.	PRESENT SERIAL NUMBER O-710 050
ORGANIZATION 82nd TAC. RCN SQ. 71st. TACT. RCN GP.		RACE White	CREED Protestant
DATE OF DEATH/MIA 22 Feb. 45		CAUSE OF DEATH Finding of Death	
DATE OF FOD 23 Feb. 46		PLACE OF DEATH OR PLACE LAST SEEN IF MIA Phillippine Islands Southwest Pacific Area	
HEIGHT 5' 8"	WEIGHT 160lbs.	COLOR EYES Hazel	COLOR HAIR Brown
SHOE SIZE -----			

DENTAL CHART 12/10/43

UPPER RIGHT X 8 7 6 5 4 3 2 1	UPPER LEFT 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 X
LOWER RIGHT X 16 15 14 13 12 11 10 9	LOWER LEFT 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 X

X = Extracted

O = Carious

1 = Carious Non-Restorable

FRACTURES AND/OR BREAKS NONE SHOWN	TATTOOS AND/OR BIRTHMARK NONE SHOWN
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ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

AGE: 22 at MIA Date.

Did not return from mission to Norzagaray, P. I.

He was pilot of an F-6 (Mustang) Reconnaissance plane which participated in a bombing and strafing mission to Norzugaray, Luzon P. I. But due to enemy antiaircraft fire sustained damage and disappeared.

Type of Plane: **P-51** ~~B-25~~

Base: Binmaley, Pangasinan Prov. Luzon, P. I.

~~NO INFO~~
AAF Historical Branch Checked.

CASE No 9475

28 APR 1947

OQMG FORM 371
23 SEP 46

U. S. GOVERNMENT PRINTING OFFICE 16-49865-1

DATE FORWARDED TO FIELD

Front

COX,	John	B.	0710050	2nd Lt.
Name Last	First	Middle	ASN	Rank

82 Tac Rcn Sq 71 Tac Rcn Gp (AC)	Religion
Organization	

Luzon P.I.	22 Feb 45
Place of Death	Date of Death

Place of Burial	Date of Burial
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Grave No., etc.	Reburial
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Mrs. Bettye S. Cox, Garden City, Texas (Wife)

Next of Kin	Address
KIA- DED (C. Res Cas Cs 1 Jun 46)	(C. 15 Apr 46 Cas Br)
MIA--22-Feb-45-	Rptd 2 Mar 45

Name	Base Section	File No.
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Case No. 9475 **AREA 15 PLANE NO. 44-14619 TYPE F6D**

COX, John B. P.I.

Back

Place of Reburial	Date of Reburial
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Grave No., etc.

Place of Reburial	Date of Reburial
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Grave No., etc.

Remarks:
 CIP: Yes ___ No ___
 Area ___ Subarea ___

PUNCH TYPE: AG CASUALTY CARD " RACE: WHITE

R E S T R I C T E D

WAR DEPARTMENT
HEADQUARTERS ARMY AIR FORCES
WASHINGTON

MISSING AIR CREW REPORT

IMPORTANT: This report will be compiled in triplicate by each Army Air Forces organization within 48 hours of the time an aircraft is officially reported missing.

- ORGANIZATION: Location: Lingayen Command or Air Force 91 Pr Wg Fifth
GROUP 71 Tac Rcn : SQUADRON 82 Tac R DETACHMENT None
SPECIFY: Point of Departure Lingayen Strip ; Course 140 degrees
Intended Destination Norzagaray ; Type of Mission Bomb & Strafe
WEATHER CONDITIONS AND VISIBILITY AT TIME OF CRASH OR WHEN LAST REPORTED:
CAVU
- GIVE: (a) Date 22/2/45 Time 1630 ; and location of last known whereabouts of missing aircraft 5 mi Se Norzagaray
(b) Specify whether () Last sighted; () Last contacted by radio; () Forced down; (X) Seen to crash; or () Information not available.
- AIRCRAFT WAS LOST, OR IS BELIEVED TO HAVE BEEN LOST, AS A RESULT OF (Check only one: () Enemy Aircraft; (X) Enemy Anti-Aircraft; () Other circumstances as follows: _____)
- AIRCRAFT: Type, model and series F-6D-10 ; AAF Serial No. 44-14619 *See
ENGINES: Type, model and series _____ ; AAF Serial No. (a)V-523230 below
(b) _____ (c) _____ (d) _____
- INSTALLED WEAPONS (Furnish below Make, Type and Serial Number)
(a) 6 Browning A/C (b) M/G Cal 50 M-2 (c) 1546999 (d) 1546984
(e) 1547001 (f) 1546896 (g) 1315871 (h) 1546750
- THE PERSONS LISTED BELOW WERE REPORTED AS: (a) Battle Casualty Yes
(b) Non-Battle Casualty No
- NUMBERS OF PERSONS ABOARD AIRCRAFT: Crew 1 Passengers 0 Total 1
(Starting with pilot, furnish the following particulars: If more than 11 persons were aboard aircraft, list similar particulars on separate sheet and attached original to this form.)
- | Crew Position | Name in Full
(Last Name First) | Rank | Serial Number | Status |
|---------------|-----------------------------------|--------|---------------|-----------|
| 1. Pilot | COX, JOHN B. | 2d Lt. | 0-710050 | Missing |
| 2. CP | | | | in Action |
| 3. | | | | |
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| 11. | | | | |
- IDENTIFY BELOW THOSE PERSONS WHO ARE BELIEVED TO HAVE LAST KNOWLEDGE OF AIRCRAFT, AND CHECK APPROPRIATE COLUMN TO INDICATE BASIS FOR SAME:
- | Name in Full
(Last Name First) | Rank | Serial Number | Check Only One Column | | |
|-----------------------------------|---------|---------------|-----------------------|-----------|-------------------|
| | | | Last Sighted | Saw Crash | Saw Force Landing |
| 1. Britton, Weldon C | F/O | T-62785 | | X | |
| 2. Lake, Milo G | 2nd Lt. | 0822202 | | X | |
| 3. Lambert, Maurice E. | 2nd Lt. | 0710001 | | X | |
- IF PERSONNEL ARE BELIEVED TO HAVE SURVIVED, ANSWER YES TO ONE OF THE FOLLOWING STATEMENTS: (a) Parachutes were used X ; (b) Persons were seen walking away from scene of crash _____ ; or (c) Any other reason (Specify) _____
- ATTACH AERIAL PHOTOGRAPH, MAP, CHART, OR SKETCH, SHOWING APPROXIMATE LOCATION WHERE AIRCRAFT WAS LAST SEEN. Attachment No. 4
- ATTACH EYEWITNESS DESCRIPTION OF CRASH, FORCED LANDING, OR OTHER CIRCUMSTANCES PERTAINING TO MISSING AIRCRAFT. Attachment Nos. 1, 2, 3.
- ATTACH A DESCRIPTION OF THE EXTENT OF SEARCH, IF ANY, AND GIVEN NAME, RANK AND SERIAL NUMBER OF OFFICER IN CHARGE HERE WHITE, HARLAN B. 1st Lt. 0738310
Attachment No. 5

Date of Report 2-24-45

(OVER)

CASE No 9475

(Signature of Preparing Officer)

/s /t/ WARREN L. SPARKS.

(Signature of Preparing Officer)

Captain, Air Corps
Operations Officer

* - NICKNAME OF AIRCRAFT:

"My Jewell" "San Antonio Rose"

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(Signature of Preparing Officer)

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82ND TACTICAL RECONNAISSANCE SQUADRON
71st Tactical Reconnaissance Group
APO 70

24 February 1945

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/s/ Weldon C. Britton
/t/ WELDON C. BRITTON
F/O, Air Corps,
T-62785.

Attachment No. 1

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/s/ Maurice E. Lambert
/t/ MAURICE E. LAMBERT
2nd Lt., Air Corps
0710001

Attachment No. 2

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/s/ Milo G. Lake
/t/ MILO G. LAKE
2nd Lt., Air Corps
0822202

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71st Tactical Reconnaissance Group
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24 February 1945

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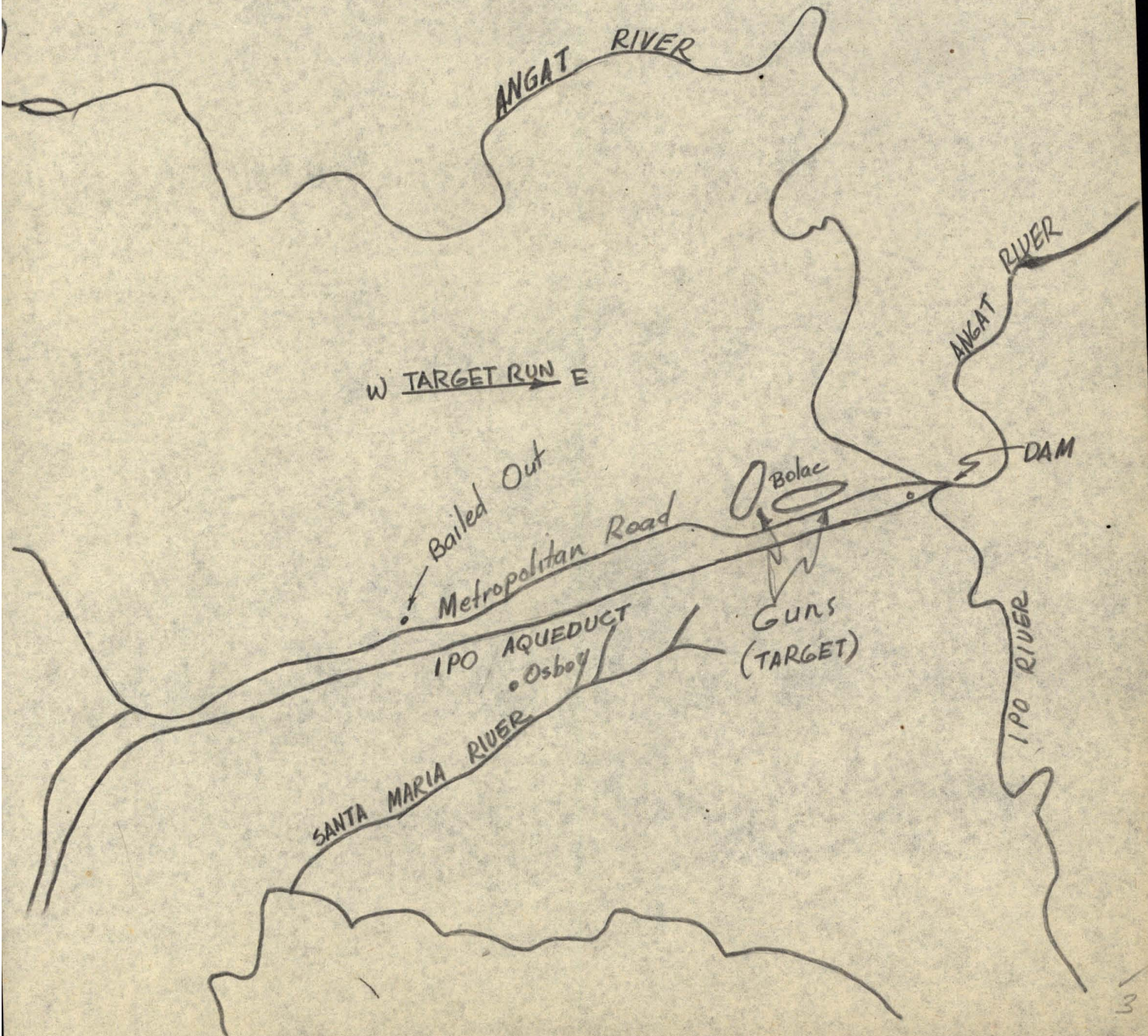
/s/ Harlan B White
/t/ HARLAN B WHITE
1st Lt., Air Corps,
Rescue Officer

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Sheet 3455



HEADQUARTERS
ARMY GRAVES AND REGISTRATION SERVICE
FIELD OPERATING DETACHMENT 1-B
Nichols Field

12 July 1948

Subject: Report of Findings
To: CO, FOD 1-B, Nichols Field

1. On 5 to 7 July 1948, the undersigned investigator made final inquiries at barrio Bigti and Minoya at Norzagaray, Bulacan, about a certain Lt. John B. Cox who allegedly bailed out in that sea sometime 22nd February 1945 after having been hit by a Jap anti-aircraft. One Godofredo Robes showed as the wrecks of a fighter plane. Machine guns found with the wrecks corroborated those listed as mounted on Lt. John B. Cox's plane. Said machine guns were consequently brought to HQ, FOD 1-B, Nichols Field.

2. Godofredo Robes claims that sometime during 1945 during the battle of Ipo Dam he was informed by the civilians taken captive by the Japs and later escaped that a certain aviator was being led by the Japanese towards the mountain. He was not, however, informed definitely where. No American was ever released from that area since the fight.

Eladio B. Sumabat
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Investigator, AGRS
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HEADQUARTERS
AMERICAN GRAVES REGISTRATION SERVICE
PHILRYCOM SECTOR

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In reply refer to:

GSQMM 293

COX, John B., 1st Lt.

APO 707

24 Sep 1947

SUBJECT: Report of Search for the Remains of 1st Lt. John B. Cox

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

1. On 22 August, 1946 the Provost Marshal of Headquarters, United States Army Forces, Western Pacific, located the wreckage of a crashed aircraft identified as a P-51B type, serial number 44-14619, flown by COX, John B., 1st Lt., O 710 050 on 22 February, 1945, reference inclosure one.

2. A search and recovery team from this office accompanied the father, John H. Cox, Garden City, Texas, to the scene of the crash on 24 July, 1947, reference inclosure two. A copy of the report of investigation of the Provost Marshal was furnished the father of the subject deceased.

3. Further specific search is not contemplated based on information available, but in the event additional information becomes available, your office will be advised. Present data on file does not substantiate a recommendation on non-recoverability.

FOR THE COMMANDING OFFICER:

Harold F. Reverski
HAROLD F. REVERSKI
Lt. Colonel, QMC
Executive

4 Incls:

- 1 - Memorandum Report,
Hq, AFWESPAC, OPM, APO
707, dtd 5 Sep 46, Case
No. A-1663, subj: Info
Investigation.
- 2 - Messageform, fr AGO, Pers
Bureau, Cas Br, SR&D Sec,
R. 1E527A, Pentagon Bldg.,
Wash, D.C., dtd 18 Jul 46,
w/1 Ind.

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- 3 - Ltr, Hq AGRS PHILRYCOM
SECTOR, APO 707, file
GSQMM 293, subj: Report
of Search, dtd 15 Sep 47.
- 4 - Cpy MACR, rel to F-6D-10,
#44-14619, piloted by Lt.
COX, missing 22 Feb 45,
w/attachments thereto.

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82ND TACTICAL RECONNAISSANCE SQUADRON
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/t/ HARLAN B. WHITE
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82ND TACTICAL RECONNAISSANCE SQUADRON
71st Tactical Reconnaissance Group
APO 70

24 February 1945

S T A T E M E N T

On the 22nd of February, I was leading the second element of P-40's on a bombing and strafing mission against Jap gun positions near Ipo Dam. Lt. Cox was leading the flight with 2 F-6's. The P-40's bombed the primary target and after we finished, Lt Cox went down to see the results of the bombing. I was not in a position to see him as I had just finished my bombing run and was trying to get altitude, to join the flight of P-40's led by Lt. Lambert. I then heard someone say over the radio that Lt. Cox had been hit and had bailed out. Lt Lambert went down to cover him. Meanwhile I flew cover for Lt. Lambert and contacted the ground station. We gave Lt Cox's position and they said they would send a patrol to pick him up. We left the area then because our gas was running low.

/s/ Milo G. Lake
/t/ MILO G. LAKE
2nd Lt., Air Corps
0822202

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82ND TACTICAL RECONNAISSANCE SQUADRON
71st Tactical Reconnaissance Group
APO 70

24 February 1945

S T A T E M E N T

With 2 F-6's and 4 P-40's we were bombing enemy artillery positions southeast of Norzagaray. After the P-40's had bombed and cleared the target, Lt Cox went down to recco the area. While over the target Lt. Cox was shot down by enemy fire. When I first saw him, his plane was trailing smoke and Lt Cox bailed out immediately after. I was circling at 3000' and when I saw Lt Cox bail out I went down to give him cover. After Lt. Cox hit the ground, I saw him fold and hide his parachute. After this he disappeared in the brush and I never saw him again. He had appeared to be uninjured. I then got his position on the map and gave it to Lt Lake to relay to the ground station (Stucco). After this we returned to the home field as we were low on fuel.

/s/ Maurice E. Lambert
/t/ MAURICE E. LAMBERT
2nd Lt., Air Corps
0710001

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82ND TACTICAL RECONNAISSANCE SQUADRON
71st Tactical Reconnaissance Group
APO 70

24 February 1945

S T A T E M E N T

Lt. Cox and I arrived over the target ten (10) minutes before the P-40's got there. We circled while the P-40's dropped their bombs and then Lt. Cox went down to see the results of the bombing. He made one pass and came back for another one when machine guns, a little west of him, started firing and white smoke came out of his engine. He pulled up about 600' and jumped. The chute opened just before he hit the ground. I called the leader of the P-40's and circled Lt. Cox. He hid his chute and went into the trees. Lt. Lambert continued to circle the spot and I joined the rest of the formation.

/s/ Weldon C. Britton
/t/ WELDON C. BRITTON
F/O, Air Corps,
T-62785.

Attachment No. 1

HEADQUARTERS
 AMERICAN GRAVES REGISTRATION SERVICE
 PHILRYCOM SECTOR

APO 707
 15 September 47

GSQMM 293
 COX, John B.
 0710050

SUBJECT: Report of Search
 TO : Chief, Search and Recovery Section

1. 24 July 1947. With a team of five including myself from USAF Cemetery Manila #2, John H. Cox of Garden City, Texas, USA, searched the area between Ipo Dam and barrio Bigti, Rizal province, Luzon, an expanse of approximately five miles radius, for his son John B. Cox, reported to have bailed out from a P-51 on 22 February, 1945 while on a bombing mission and to have landed in that vicinity.

2. The party climbed the hills and mountains, and searched the caves and ravines, as well as the rivers and creeks. Led by one Feliciano del Mundo, an ex-guerilla officer who fought the Japs in Ipo Dam, we came upon a wreckage of a P-51 definitely identified as the ship of the subject missing pilot. The serial numbers of the four machine guns which were heaped and half-buried in the debris tallied with the numbers noted down in the letter and document of John H. Cox.

3. The surface between Ipo Dam and the spot where the plane crashed was combed; natives in the vicinity and guerillas who fought there were interviewed and questioned in detail but all to no avail. The most that could be gathered from their testimonies was that the territory was under Japs' control at the time and that one American pilot bailed out but was captured and brought to an unknown place in the mountains.

4. 28 July 1947. On the fifth day of the search, we thought we had stumbled on a happy lead when a farmer in the region furnished us with the information that he knew of a grave at the foot of a hill near his farm. This mound, according to him, looked very much like a grave and that it had a white marker on top of which a helmet was placed. Acting on the strength of his statement, we dug open the grave which we soon discovered to be a Jap's because of the remains and of the insignia and tattered parts of Jap uniform buried with it.

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 VICTORIANO ALABADO
 Special Investigator
 Search and Recovery Section

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HEADQUARTERS
 UNITED STATES ARMY FORCES WESTERN PACIFIC
 OFFICE OF THE PROVOST MARSHAL

/lto

APO 707
 5 September 1946
 Case No.A - 1663

MEMORANDUM REPORT

SUBJECT: Informational Investigation

TO : Provost Marshal, AFWESPAC, APO 707

DETAILS:

1. On 20 August 1946, this Agent was assigned by this office to conduct an informational investigation concerning the whereabouts of P-51 type plane missing in action since 22 February 1945.

2. Check Sheet from AG Recovered Personnel Division, requesting the investigation, gives the following information: The brother of Lt JOHN B. COX, O-710050, Air Corps, who recently returned from Manila had furnished the following information: "I tried to locate the plane in the short time I had but was unsuccessful. However, a native, Lt. FELICIANO DEL MUNDO, 1093 Sanchez Ext., Manila, P.I. wrote that he thought he had located the wreckage of a P-51 type plane, in the area my brother was said to have gone down in." (Check Sheet, Exhibit No. 1)

3. On 21 August 1946, this Agent contacted residents at 1093 Sanchez Extension, Manila, given residence of Lt. DEL MUNDO, but learned that he had moved and was residing at Santa Cruz, Laguna.

4. On 21 August 1946, this Agent accompanied by Agent 9473 located ex-Lt. FELICIANO DEL MUNDO at his home in Santa Cruz, Laguna. Mr. DEL MUNDO agreed to guide this Agent to the spot where the wrecked plane was alleged to be.

5. On 22 August 1946, this Agent and Mr. DEL MUNDO drove to the region of Ipo Dam, Bulacan. There, with the help of Mr. DEL MUNDO and a native guide, this Agent found sections of the plane scattered over an area of fifty square yards. Parts bearing possible identification marks as follows were selected and brought to Manila:

- (1) Section of wing bearing partial serial number 619
- (2) Pieces of metal bearing letters "A" and "On"
- (3) Metal identification tags

In addition, four Browning machine guns .50 Cal. M2 with serial numbers as follows were located:

1546750; 1547001; 1546896; 1546984

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An area one hundred square yards was searched for further loads on fate of the pilot. Results were negative. Interrogation of natives gave no further clues.

5. On 22 August 1946, Mr. DEL MUNDO in a signal statement summarized all information he was able to gather as follows:

- (a) Lt. JOHN B. COX, on a strafing mission with two other P-51 was hit by flak of Jap anti-aircraft and his plane went down in the vicinity of Ipo Dam, Bulacan.
- (b) His two fellow pilots reported that they saw him hide his parachute after landing, then wave goodbye to them.
- (c) This occurred on a date when the area of the accident was still enemy territory.

(Statement of FELICIANO DEL MUNDO, Exhibit No. 2)

6. On 26 August 1946, this Agent consulted files of the Casualty Branch, A. G. Recovered Personnel Division. The "Missing Air Crew Report" contained the following pertinent information on the plane flown by Lt. JOHN B. COX:

Model F-6D-10 P-51-B
 AAF Serial Number: 44-14619
 Nickname: My Jewel - San Antonio Rose
 Equipped with six Browning .50 cal M2 guns of numbers:

1546999
 1546984
 1547001
 1546896
 1315871
 1546750

This data compares as follows with the evidence found on the wreckage:

- (a) Wing fragment contains number 619, the last three numbers of the AAF number.
- (b) The numbers of four machine guns found correspond to four with which plane was equipped: 1546750, 1547001, 1546896, 1546984

All evidence was turned over to Maj. JAMES A CALLENDER of the Casualty Branch. (Receipt, Exhibit No. 3)

EXHIBITS:

- 1. Check Sheet - A. G. Recovered Personnel Division
- 2. Statement of FELICIANO DEL MUNDO
- 3. Receipt for Evidence

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WITNESSES:

1. MUNDO, FELICIANO DEL, Santa Cruz, Laguna

CONCLUSIONS:

1. That the wreckage of plane found at Ipo Dam, Bulacan, is the P-51 model plane flown by Lt. JOHN B. COX on his last mission, 22 February 1945.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

2. That the information concerning missing plane be forwarded to Casualty Branch, Rec. Pers. Div., as requested.

Submitted by: /s/ SA 3030
/t/ SA 3030

APPROVED: /s/ Neil R. Glerum
/t/ NEIL R. GLERUM
Legal Adviser
CID, AFWESPAC

REVIEWED: /s/ Robert L. Griffin
/t/ ROBERT L. GRIFFIN
Capt., CMP
Chief, CID

DISTRIBUTION:

- 1 - Casualty Branch, Hqs. Afwespac, A. G.
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BASIC: WD MF dtd 18 July 46 re: 1st Lt John B. Cox.

GSXRP 201-COX, John B (O) 1st Ind
(18 Jul 46)

HEADQUARTERS, UNITED STATES ARMY FORCES, WESTERN PACIFIC, APO 707
12 September 1946

TO: The Adjutant General, Washington 25, D. C.
ATTN: Casualty Branch

1. In compliance with Par 3 of basic communication the following information is submitted:

a. On 21 August 1946, Mr Feliciano Del Mundo of Santa Cruz, Laguna (Formerly 1093 Sanchez Extension, Manila) was interrogated by the Criminal Investigation Division, Provost Marshal Office this headquarters and the following were his statements: "I knew where the plane was located and would lead a search party to that vicinity".

b. On 22 August 1946, 2 members of the Provost Marshal Office, this headquarters and Mr del Mundo drove to the region of Ipo Dam, Bulacan and there, with the help of Mr Del Mundo and a native guide, sections of the plane were found scattered over an area of fifty square yards. Parts bearing possible identification marks were selected, in addition four (4) Browning Machine Guns 50 cal. M2 were found. These numbers 154 6750; 1547001; 1546896 and 1546984 matches the numbers on the Missing Air Crew Report of Lt John B. Cox. Also a piece of wreckage were found of a wing with only 3 numbers 619, these numbers correspond with the last 3 numbers of Lt Cox plane.

c. An area of one hundred square yards was searched for further leads on the fate of the pilot, but these leads were unsuccessful. All natives around the vicinity were interrogated if they had seen an officer where the plane crashed, but the natives could not give any clue or information.

2. Records this headquarters shows that Lt John B. Cox O-710050, AC., pilot of plane F-6D-10 (P51B), AAF Serial number 44-14619, nickname "My Jewel" San Antonio Rose".

3. No other information available in this headquarters with the exception of previous correspondence sent your office.

FOR THE COMMANDING GENERAL:

JAMES A. CALLENDER
Major, A. G. D.
Asst. Adj. Gen.

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M E S S A G E F O R M

FROM: AGO, Personnel Bureau, Casualty Branch,
SR&D Section, R. 1E527A, Pentagon Bldg., Wash, D. C.

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ACTION TO: Commanding General
U S Army Forces, Western Pacific
APO 707, c/o Postmaster
San Francisco, California

Air Mail

X Original Message

18 July 1946

1. 1st Lt. John B. Cox, 0710050, Air Corps, was reported missing in action 22 February 1945, over Luzon by SWP Shipment No. 060, and presumed deas as of 23 February 1946.

2. The brother of Lt. Cox, who recently returned from Manila, has furnished the following information, which is quoted from his letter:

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3. It is desired that Lt. del Mundo be interrogated for additional information regarding the aircraft referred to above, and the fate of Lt. Cox and that a report be furnished this office at the earliest practicable date.

WITSELL
THE ADJUTANT GENERAL

Case No. SD 6695

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M. GRANO
Captain

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R E S T R I C T E D

WAR DEPARTMENT
HEADQUARTERS ARMY AIR FORCES
WASHINGTON

MISSING AIR CREW REPORT

IMPORTANT: This report will be compiled in triplicate by each Army Air Forces organization within 48 hours of the time an aircraft is officially reported missing.

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1. ORGANIZATION: Location: Lingayen Command or Air Force Fifth
GROUP 71 Tac Rcn; SQUADRON 82 Tac R; DETACHMENT None
2. SPECIFY: Point of Departure Lingayen Strip; Course 140 degrees
Intended Destination Norzagaray; Type of Mission Bomb & Strafe
3. WEATHER CONDITIONS AND VISIBILITY AT TIME OF CRASH OR WHEN LAST REPORTED:
CAVU
4. GIVE: (a) Date 22/2/45 Time 1630; and location of last known whereabouts of missing aircraft 5 mi Se Norzagaray
(b) Specify whether () Last sighted; () Last contacted by radio; () Forced down; () Seen to crash; or () Information not available
5. AIRCRAFT WAS LOST, OR IS BELIEVED TO HAVE BEEN LOST, AS A RESULT OF (Check only one: () Enemy Aircraft; () Enemy Anti-Aircraft; () Other circumstances as follows:
6. AIRCRAFT: Type, model and series F-6D-10; AAF Serial No. 44-14619 See
7. ENGINES: Type, model and series _____; AAF Serial No. (a) V-523230 below
(b) _____ (c) _____ (d) _____
8. INSTALLED WEAPONS (Furnish below Make, Type and Serial Number)
(a) 6 Browning A/G (b) M/G Cal 50 M-2 (c) 1546999 (d) 1546984
(e) 1547001 (f) 1546896 (g) 1315871 (h) 1546750
9. THE PERSONS LISTED BELOW WERE REPORTED AS: (a) Battle Casualty Yes
(b) Non-Battle Casualty No
10. NUMBER OF PERSONS ABOARD AIRCRAFT: Crew 1 Passengers 0 Total 1
(Starting with pilot, furnish the following particulars: If more than 11 persons were aboard aircraft, list similar particulars on separate sheet and attached original to this form.)
- | Crew Position | Name in Full
(Last Name First) | Rank | Serial
Number | Status |
|---------------|-----------------------------------|---------|------------------|----------------------|
| 1. Pilot | COX, JOHN B. | 2nd Lt. | 0-710050 | Missing in
Action |
| 2. CP | | | | |
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11. IDENTIFY BELOW THOSE PERSONS WHO ARE BELIEVED TO HAVE LAST KNOWLEDGE OF AIRCRAFT, AND CHECK APPROPRIATE COLUMN TO INDICATE BASIS FOR SAME:
- | Name in Full
(Last Name First) | Rank | Serial
Number | Contacted
By Radio | Last
Sighted | Check Only One Column | |
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| | | | | | Saw
Crash | Saw Forced
Landing |
| 1. Britton, Weldon C. | F/O | T-62785 | | | X | |
| 2. Lake, Milo G. | 2nd Lt | 0822202 | | | X | |
| 3. Lambert, Maurice E. | 2nd Lt | 0710001 | | | X | |
12. IF PERSONNEL ARE BELIEVED TO HAVE SURVIVED, ANSWER YES TO ONE OF THE FOLLOWING STATEMENTS: (a) Parachutes were used X; (b) Persons were seen walking away from scene of crash ___; or (c) Any other reason (Specify) _____
13. ATTACH AERIAL PHOTOGRAPH, MAP, CHART, OR SKETCH, SHOWING APPROXIMATE LOCATION WHERE AIRCRAFT WAS LAST SEEN. Attachment No. 4
14. ATTACH EYEWITNESS DESCRIPTION OF CRASH, FORCED LANDING, OR OTHER CIRCUMSTANCES PERTAINING TO MISSING AIRCRAFT. Attachment Nos. 1, 2, 3.
15. ATTACH A DESCRIPTION OF THE EXTENT OF SEARCH, IF ANY, AND GIVEN NAME, RANK AND SERIAL NUMBER OF OFFICER IN CHARGE HERE. White, Harlan B., 1st Lt. 0738310

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Date of Report 23-24-45

(Over)

/s/ /t/ WARREN L. SPARKS
(Signature of Preparing Officer)
Capt. Air Corps
Operations Officer

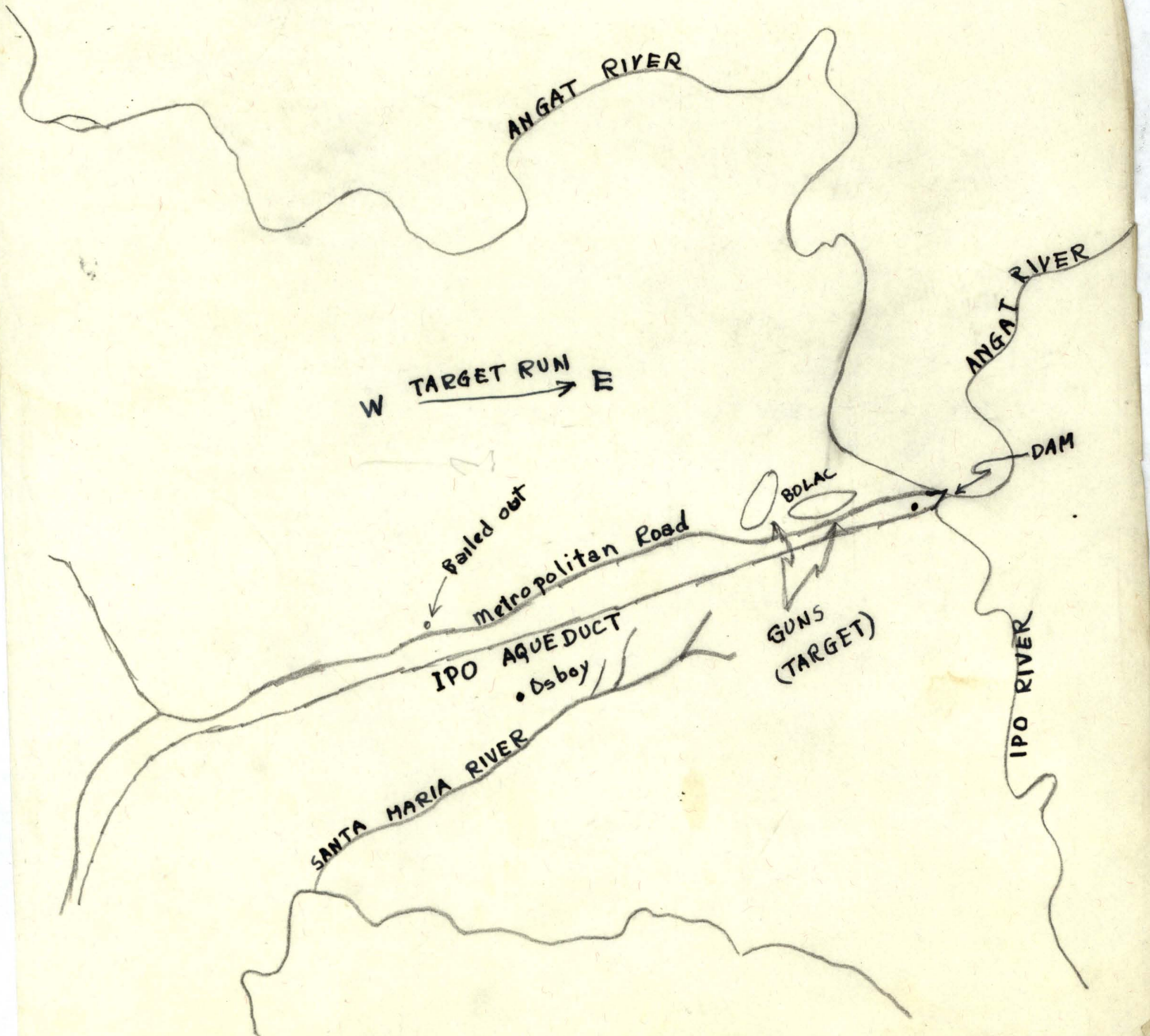
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AMERICAN GRAVES REGISTRATION SERVICE
PHILRYCOM SECTOR

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APO 707

9 Aug 1947

In reply refer to:
GSQM 293

Cox, John B.
1st Lt., O-710 050 at

SUBJECT: Area Search.

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

1. Reference is made to letter, your office, subject: "Additional Information That May Lead to the Recovery and Identification of Remains Not Yet Accounted For," relative to 1st Lt. John B. Cox, O-710 050 dated 28 April 1947 with OQMG Form 371, "Data On Remains Not Yet Recovered or Identified," inclosed.

2. An area search covering the area in which the subject(s) deceased were reported missing or killed in action has been scheduled by this office.

3. In the event the area search results in the recovery of the remains of the subject(s) deceased, WD QMC Form 1042, "Report of Interment," will be processed through normal channels and a report of recovery will be forwarded your office.

4. In the event the results of the area search relative to the subject decedent(s) are negative, this case will be referred to the Zone Board for processing in accordance with letter TAGO, file AGAO-S 293.9 (27 March 1947) D-M, subject: "Establishment of Boards of Review for Identification of Unknown Dead Overseas," dated 9 April 1947.

5. Until such time as the area search is completed the letter your office, reference paragraph one will be retained in the files of this office.

FOR THE COMMANDING OFFICER:

Harold F. Reverski
HAROLD F. REVERSKI
Lt. Colonel, QMC
Executive

AREA CODE: USAF Cemetery Area Manila #2
USAF Cemetery Area Sta Barbara #1

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27 AUG 1947
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Virginia Dougherty
Captain O-1G
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HEADQUARTERS
AMERICAN GRAVES REGISTRATION SERVICE
PHILRYCOM SECTOR

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APO 707

9 Aug 1947

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1st Lt., O-710 050
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FOR THE COMMANDING OFFICER:

HAROLD P. R. EWERSKI
Lt. Colonel, QMG
Executive

AREA CODE: USAF Cemetery Area Manila #2
USAF Cemetery Area Sta Barbara #1

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A I R M A I L

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

28 APR 1947

In Reply Refer To
QMGM 293

Cox, John B.
SN 0-710 050

SUBJECT: Additional Information That May Lead to the Recovery
and Identification of Remains Not Yet Accounted For

TO: Commanding General
Philippine-Ryukyus Command
APO 707, c/o Postmaster
San Francisco, California

1. There is attached hereto, in duplicate, OQMG Form 371
(covering all available information in the Office of The Quartermaster
General and is in addition to any previous information forwarded by
this office to your headquarters) for the following deceased individual:

<u>NAME</u>	<u>GRADE</u>	<u>SERIAL NO.</u>
Cox, John B.	1st/Lt.	0-710 050

2. It is requested that information on the above deceased be
furnished this office in accordance with the provisions of radio, this
headquarters, No. WCL 37087, dated 13 December 1946.

FOR THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL:

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Form 371 (In Dup.)

MARTIN G. RILEY
Major, QMG
Memorial Division

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293 FILE		DATA ON REMAINS NOT YET RECOVERED OR IDENTIFIED		
NAME (Last, First, Middle Initial) Cox, John B.		GRADE 1st Lt.	PRESENT SERIAL NUMBER 0-710 050	
ORGANIZATION 82nd TAC. RCN SQ. 71st. TACT. RCN GP.		RACE White	CREED Protestant	FORMER SERIAL NUMBER (If applicable) 18 078 347
DATE OF DEATH/MIA 22 Feb. 45	CAUSE OF DEATH Finding of Death		PLACE OF DEATH OR PLACE LAST SEEN IF MIA Phillippine Islands Southwest Pacific Area	
DATE OF FOD 23 Feb. 46				
HEIGHT 5' 8"	WEIGHT 160lbs.	COLOR EYES Hazel	COLOR HAIR Brown	SHOE SIZE -----
DENTAL CHART 12/10/43				
UPPER RIGHT X 8 7 6 5 4 3 2 1			UPPER LEFT 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 X	
LOWER RIGHT X 16 15 14 13 12 11 10 9			LOWER LEFT 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 X	
X = Extracted		O = Carious		1 = Carious Non-Restorable
FRACTURES AND/OR BREAKS NONE SHOWN			TATTOOS AND/OR BIRTHMARK NONE SHOWN	
ADDITIONAL INFORMATION AGE: 22 at MIA Date. Did not return from mission to Norzagaray, P. I. He was pilot of an F-6 (Mustang) Reconnaissance plane which participated in a bombing and strafing mission to Norzugarray, Luzon P. I. But due to enemy antiaircraft fire sustained damage and disappeared. Type of Plane: B-25 P-51 Base: Binmaley, Pangasinan Prov. Luzon, P. I. NO MACR AAF Historical Branch Checked.				

DDMG FORM 371
23 SEP 46

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DATE FORWARDED TO FIELD

28 APR 1947

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QMCMR 293
Cox, John B.
SN O-710 050

Address Reply To
THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
Attention: Memorial Division

30 January 1947

Mr. A. Ray Cox
Garden City, Texas

Dear Mr. Cox:

Your letter to The Adjutant General concerning the late First Lieutenant John B. Cox, has been referred to this office. You are advised that an answer will be forthcoming in the near future

Sincerely yours,

JAMES L. PRENN
Major, QMC
Assistant

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MEMORIAL DIVISION

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MEMORIAL DIVISION

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SECURITY CLASSIFICATION (If any)

ARMY SERVICE FORCES

TRANSMITTAL SHEET

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FILE NO.	AGAO-C 095 Cox, A. Ray(21 Dec 46)	SUBJECT	Transportation to the Philippine Islands to visit area where 1st Lt John B Cox was lost in action
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TO	FROM	DATE	COMMENT No.
	The Quartermaster General Attn: Memorial Division Room 2007, Temporary Building B.	Operations Branch AGO 1E 863 Ext 3188	2 January 1947

Forwarded as a matter pertaining to your office. Writer has been advised of this reference.

FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL:

Bernard E. Balchuck
Adjutant General.

1 Incl.
Ltr fm A. Ray Cox,
Garden City, Texas

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SECURITY BRANCH

Garden City, Texas
December 21, 1946 A0

From: A. Ray Cox

To: The Adjutant General of The Army

Subject: Request for Information and Advice on
Contemplated Trip to Philippine Islands to the Area

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Ref - Where First Lt. John B. Cox was lost in Action
AGPC-S 201

It is contemplated that John H. Cox father of
First Lt. John B. Cox 0710050 will make a trip to
Manila Philippine Islands about April 1, 1947 to
visit the area and add any possible
details to the case of his son's missing in
action. If there is any aid or suggestions
you might give we would appreciate it
very much, however the important thing
you can help with is in arranging
for transportation while in the Philippines.
An Army jeep would probably be most desirable.
A letter of introduction and verification of
facts should be beneficial in transactions
while over there.

He is planning on using commercial
transportation ^{enroute to Philippines} however if there
is any

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available Government transportation we
would like to get information on it.

Your office has been very helpful
and courteous in our previous inquiries
and I will leave it to you to help now
as you see fit.

Respectfully
A. Ray Cox

Form prescribed by
Comptroller General, U. S.
7 October 1944

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

FINDING OF DEATH OF MISSING PERSON 5451

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BY ORDER OF THE SECRETARY OF WAR

George M. Weir

Acting ADJUTANT GENERAL
CHIEF, CASUALTY BRANCH

SUMMARY OF INFORMATION

AREA Southwest Pacific	FLYING STATUS Yes	JUMP STATUS No	LINE OF DUTY Yes	OWN MIS-CONDUCT No	ON DUTY STATUS Yes	ABSENCE AUTH'D
PREVIOUS REVIEWS None						
DATE OF BIRTH 26 Dec 1922	HOME ADDRESS Garden City, Texas	DATE OF ENTRY ON CURRENT ACTIVE SERVICE 8 Feb 1944	LENGTH OF SERVICE (AS OF PRESUMED DATE OF DEATH)			
		YEARS	MONTHS	DAYS		

EMERGENCY ADDRESSEE

NAME	RELATIONSHIP	ADDRESS
Mrs. Bettye S. Cox	Wife	Garden City, Texas

BENEFICIARIES

NAME	RELATIONSHIP	ADDRESS
Mrs. Betty Sue Cox	Wife	Garden City, Texas
*Mr. John H. Cox	Father	Garden City, Texas

REMARKS

Distribution 56

*Second Alternate Beneficiary: Mrs. Eva L. Cox (Mother)
Garden City, Texas

Circumstances of Disappearance: Failed to return from a mission to Norzagaray, Philippine Islands.

ASN as EM: 18,078,347

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WD AGO FORM 0353
1 FEB. 1945

THIS FORM SUPERSEDES WD AGO FORM 0353, 1 NOVEMBER 1944,
WHICH MAY BE USED UNTIL EXISTING STOCKS ARE EXHAUSTED.

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

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EMERGENCY ADDRESSEE							
NAME Mrs. Bettye S. Cox	RELATIONSHIP Wife	ADDRESS Garden City, Texas					
BENEFICIARIES							
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NAME *Mr. John H. Cox	RELATIONSHIP Father	ADDRESS Garden City, Texas					

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

—BATTLE CASUALTY REPORT

NAME		SERIAL NUMBER		GRADE	ARM OR SERVICE	REPORTING THEATRE
COX JOHN B		O-710050		2 LT	AC	SWP
PLACE OF CASUALTY		DATE OF CASUALTY		FLYING OR JUMPING STAT	TYPE OF CASUALTY	SHIPMENT NUMBER
LUZON 9		DAY	MONTH	YEAR		
		22	FEB	45	MIA	060

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	DATE NOTIFIED
MRS. BETTY SUE COX	WIFE	17 MARCH 1945 LMC
NO. AND NAME OF STREET—CITY—STATE		
GARDEN CITY TEXAS		

REMARKS:

 CORRECTED COPY

ACTION BY PROCESSING AND VERIFICATION SECTION:		REPORT VERIFIED <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	FORM 43 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	AG 201 REQ. _____
CASUALTY BRANCH FILE ATTACHED _____		OR CHARGED TO _____		DATE _____
PREVIOUSLY REPORTED	NO. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	YES. _____	(AS INDICATED BELOW):	
FILE NO.	MESSAGE NO.	TYPE	DATE AND AREA	E. A. NOTIFIED
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			CERTIF.	M. & M.
				NON-DEL.
REPORT NOT VERIFIED	NO FORM 43	NO CAS. BR. FILE	CHECKED BY <i>Haus 16 mar</i>	REVIEWED BY <i>Dates 16 Mar 45</i>

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

ACCT. AREA	CASUALTY STATUS	ORIGINAL CAS. DATE			MESSAGE NO.	LATEST CAS. DATE			REFERENCE AREA	CREW POS.	RESIDENCE		COMP	RACE											
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W.D., A.G.O. FORM NO. 0365
 16 JUNE 1944

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June 5, 1946

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Dear Mrs. Cox:

The Army Effects Bureau has received from overseas some personal effects of your husband, First Lieutenant John B. Cox.

These effects are being forwarded to you in two cartons.

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 officer'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,

D. S. JOHNSTON
2nd Lt., QMC
Chief, Adm. Division.

AMOUNT OF CHECK	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> DISCREPANCY IN	INCLOSE VALUABLES	RECIPIENT FROM
ACCOUNT NUMBER	NAME	SHIP VALUABLES	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> CASUALTY REPORT
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<p style="text-align: center;">Mrs. Betty Sue Cox Garden City, Texas</p> <p>1st Lt. John B. Cox O-710050 441914 <i>R</i></p>			LETTER
			NO. & TYPE OF CONTAINER
			ENVELOPE
			<i>2</i> CARTONS
			PACKAGE
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LAUNDRY INVENTORY
ARMY EFFECTS BUREAU

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DRY CLEANING	Do not use	LAUNDRY	Do not use
TROUSERS, WOOL		SHIRTS, WOOL	
COAT, SERVICE, WOOL		TROUSERS, COTTON	<i>22/1</i>
OVERCOAT, LONG		TIE, COTTON	
OVERCOAT, SHORT, WOOL		UNDERSHIRTS, COTTON	
CAP, GARRISON		SHIRTS, DRESS, COTTON	<i>12/1</i>
CAP, SERVICE		DRAWERS, COTTON	
TIES, WOOL		SWEATSHIRTS, COTTON OR WOOL	
GLOVES, LEATHER OR WOOL		DRAWERS, WOOL	
SCARFS, SILK, RAYON, OR WOOL		SOCKS, COTTON, PR.	
SWEATERS		SOCKS, WOOL, PR.	
TRUNKS, SWIM		PAJAMA TOPS	
LEGGINGS		PAJAMA BOTTOMS	
BATHROBES		FATIGUES, 1 PC., COTTON	
BED ROLL		FATIGUES, TOPS, COTTON	
COMFORTER		FATIGUES, TROUSERS, COTTON	
		FATIGUES, CAP	
		BELT, COTTON	
		TOWEL, HAND	
		TOWEL, BATH	<i>2</i>
		CLOTH, WASH	
		GLOVES, COTTON	
		JACKET, FIELD	
		SUPPORTERS, ATHLETIC	
		HANDKERCHIEFS	
		SCARFS, COTTON	
		CASE, PILLOW	
		TRUNKS, GYM	
		SHEETS, COTTON	
		BAGS, BARRACKS	

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X Stained
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TALLY NO. <i>9820</i>	ORG. NO. OF PKGS.	EXAMINING DATE <i>30 April 1946</i>	BOX NO.	SHEET _____ OF _____ SHEETS
NAME <i>JOHN BELTON COX</i>			A. S. N. <i>0-710050</i>	
ORGANIZATION			RANK <i>Lt</i>	CASE NO.
WAREHOUSE SPACE <i>1680</i>	EXAMINED BY <i>Gunn</i>	SUPERVISOR'S OK <i>[Signature]</i>	LAUNDRY REMOVED FROM FOOTLOCKER <input type="checkbox"/>	
PACKAGE DESCRIPTION <i>H 1 ch</i>	WEIGHT	CHECKED BY <i>McDowell</i>	DATE <i>JUN 10 1946</i>	BY WHOM <i>MK</i>
<i>May 10, 1946</i>		CHECKED AND PACKED BY <i>Mabeck</i>		

ATTACHMENTS		EFFECTS INVENTORY		STATUS	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	INBOUND INVENTORY <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	ARMY EFFECTS BUREAU			DECEASED
	G. R. OR SUB GR LABEL				MISSING
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	TALLY IN FORM 43 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>				ABANDONED
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	attachment <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>				UNKNOWN
	BAGS, CLOTH OR TRAVEL		BELT		OVERCOATS
	BELT, MONEY (NO MONEY)		BOOKS, ADDRESS		PAPERS, PERSONAL
	BILLFOLD (NO MONEY)		BOOKS, PILOT LOG		PENCIL, MECHANICAL
	BOOKS		BRUSHES		PEN, FOUNTAIN
	BRACELET, IDENT.		CASE		PHOTOS
	CAMERAS		CLOTH, WASH		PIPES
	CLOTHING		COATS		RINGS
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	MISC. ARTICLES <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		FOOTLOCKER		SCARFS
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	RELIGIOUS ARTICLES <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		FOOTWEAR, PR.		SHIRTS
	RIBBONS, DECORATION		GLASSES		SOCKS, PR.
	SHORT SNORTER		GLOVES, PR.		STATIONERY
	SOUVENIR MONEY		HANDKERCHIEFS		TIES
	SOUVENIRS		HEADWEAR		TOBACCO
	TESTAMENTS		JACKETS		TOILET ARTICLES
	TOWELS & WASHCLOTHS		KITS		TOWELS
	U. S. MONEY (AMOUNT)		KNIVES		TROUSERS, PR.
	WATCH		LETTERS		TRUNKS, PR.
	WINGS		LIGHTERS		UNDERWEAR

DAMAGED LAUNDRY

CONTAINERS ADDRESSED TO

none

INFORMATION

*Mrs John B. Cox
Garden City,
Texas*

NAME AND STATUS VARIATIONS

*43 inventory + attachment
shows name
John B. Cox*

CROSS REFERENCE

CHECK	REC'D BY	NUMBER	BUREAU CHECK	
MONEY ORDER		SYMBOL	TRANSMIT ORIGINAL	
BOND		AMOUNT	ORIG. REG. MAIL	
TRAV. CHECK		DATE	TO G. A. O.	
FOREIGN CURRENCY		BANK OR PLACE OF ISSUE	MUTILATED	
U. S. CURRENCY		PAYEE	TO ISSUING AGENCY	
WAREHOUSE SPACE		EXAMINED BY	DIARY REMOVED	
PACKAGE DESCRIPTION		PACKED BY	PHOTO FILM REMOVED	
		INSPECTED BY	MOTION PICTURE FILM REMOVED	
WEIGHT		STORED BY	SHIPPED	
			DATE	BY WHOM

TALLY NO. *9820* ORIG. NO. OF PKGS. EXAMINING DATE *30 April 1946* BOX NO. SHEET _____ OF _____ SHEETS

NAME *JOHN BELTON COX* A. S. N. *0-710050*

ORGANIZATION RANK *Lt* CASE NO.

EXAMINED BY *Bunn*

PACKED BY *Quinn*

INSPECTED BY *[Signature]*

STORED BY *[Signature]*

DATE *JUN 10 1946* BY WHOM *[Signature]*

ADDITIONAL REMARKS

REMOVALS (other than G.I.)

DAMAGES (List type of damage-extent)

Testament damaged
by moisture
sheet yellow stains from
moisture

SHORTAGES

U. S. GOV'T CHECK SHORT

1 Barracks bay
Testament

NUMBER

DATE

SYMBOL

AMOUNT

I certify that the above items were not in the containers inventoried by me.

Gunn

INVENTORY CLERK

SUPERVISOR

G. I. REMOVED

1 Computer Type D-4
1 pair gloves Type A-11
1 flying cap. # 3189

COX, JOHN B.		LT. 0050		TYPE PKG.	
BAY	PALLET	BOX	TALLY	CTN	
			9820		

INVENTORY OF EFFECTS
(See AR 600-550)

COX JOHN B. 0-710050
 Last name (First name) (Init) (ASN)
 Lt. 82 TAG REGN SQ.
 (Grade) (Orgn or arm or service)
 MIA
 Died on the 22 day of Feb 19 45

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

Number	Articles	*Pkg No.
1 ea	Barracks Bag	
1 ea	Sheet, bed	
2 ea	Shirts, khaki	
1 ea	Coat, top	
1 pr	Trunks, swimming	
1 pr	Trousers, khaki	
1 ea	Cap, garrison w/cover	
5 ea	Neckties	
3 pr	Gloves	

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

W.D., A.G.O. Form No. 54
July 1, 1933

CLASS II Other effects	
Number	Articles
1 pr	Leggins
2 ea	Towels, bath
1 ea	ARC bag w/misc. personal items
2 ea	Testaments
1 set	Air speed computer
1 ea	Cap, flying

(Specie \$

MONEY

(Notes \$ None

I Certify that the foregoing inventory comprises all the effects of the deceased whose name appears on the first page hereof, and that the effects were delivered to Effects OM, Army
 (Give name and degree)

Effects Bureau, Kansas City, Mo.
 of relationship; if legal rept., so state)
 GI items turned into Salvage. (See attached list)
 The effects of Class I have been forwarded to The Adjutant General and those of Class II have been sold.

Perry N. Brigham
 2nd Lt., Q.M.C.

Baggage & Effects Officer

Base "M" Apo 70
 (Station)

20 October, 19 45
 (Date)

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

Case No. 441914
Date WFH:BLF:gs
3 June 1946

SUBJECT: Report of transactions in disposing of the effects of

John E. Cox, 0-710050 late a
(Name of deceased) (Army Serial Number)

First Lieutenant, Air Corps who died
(Grade) (Organization, Army or Service)

on the 23 day of February, 1946, at Southwest Pacific Area
Washington

TO : The Adjutant General, War Department 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 decedents 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. none.)

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 none, Incl none).

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 27 May 1946, pursuant to Special Orders 228, Headquarters, KCQM Depot, dated 25 September 1943, the application or affidavit of Mrs. Betty Sue Cox 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. Betty Sue Cox of
(Name of person found entitled)
Garden City State of
(Number, Street or Avenue) (City, Town or Village)
Texas, is the widow of the
(Relationship or Capacity)

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

(Signature of Summary Court Officer)

W. F. HEHMAN, Major, QMC
(Name, Rank, Organization)
SUMMARY COURT MARTIAL

ARMY SERVICE FORCES
KANSAS CITY QUARTERMASTER DEPOT
ARMY EFFECTS BUREAU
601 Hardesty Avenue
Kansas City 1, Missouri

(S-12-10-45)
RTB:EB:sj
October 3, 1945

In Reply Refer To: 441914

**Mrs. Betty Sue Cox
Garden City, Texas**

Dear Mrs. Cox:

The Army Effects Bureau is forwarding to you the following personal property, recently received here, belonging to your **husband, Second Lieutenant John B. Cox:**

Two cartons and contents

My action in transmitting the property does not, of itself, vest title in you. The items are forwarded in order that you may act as gratuitous bailee in caring for them pending the return of the owner, who has been reported missing in action. In the event he later is reported a casualty, and I sincerely hope he never is, it will be necessary that the property be turned over to the person or persons legally entitled to receive it.

When delivery has been made, I shall appreciate your acknowledging receipt by signing one copy of this letter in the space provided below, and returning it to this Bureau. For your convenience, there is inclosed an addressed envelope which needs no postage.

I regret the circumstances prompting this letter, and wish to express my hope for the safe return of your **husband.**

Regrettably, part of the property was damaged prior to receipt at this Bureau.

Yours very truly,

**P. L. NOOB
1st Lt., QMC
Officer-in-Charge
SJ Branch**

Incl--
Envelope

Receipt acknowledged:

Betty Sue Cox
(Signature of Bailee)

October 1945
(Date)

Eff. JM Form 205 (11 Apr 45)

ARMY SERVICE FORCES
ARMY EFFECTS BUREAU

ORDER FOR SHIPMENT

Mrs. Betty Sue Cox
Garden City, Texas

SHIP TO: . . .

Effects of: 2nd Lt. John B. Cox
Name
0-710050
ASN
441914 M
Case No.
Wt.

DATE 3 October 1945
RTB:EB:sj

Burton
FOR: Effects Quartermaster

REMARKS:

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

 Remove G.I.
 X Note discrepancy in rank
 Films removed
 Diary removed
 Laundry removed

ROUTING:

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

REMARKS:

SHIP DAMAGED PROPERTY ✓

Franked
Est. Exp. Chgs. 2
Est. Frt. Chgs.
No. of packages

Shipping Clerk

Eff. QM Form 14 (26 Dec 44)

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LAUNDRY INVENTORY 44,914
ARMY EFFECTS BUREAU

C-0050E

DRY CLEANING		Do not use		LAUNDRY		Do not use	
TROUSERS, WOOL				SHIRTS, WOOL			
COAT, SERVICE, WOOL			5	TROUSERS, COTTON ✓ ✓ 110		5	
OVERCOAT, LONG				TIE, COTTON			
OVERCOAT, SHORT, WOOL				UNDERSHIRTS, COTTON			
CAP, GARRISON			4	SHIRTS, DRESS, COTTON ✓ ✓ 48		4	
CAP, SERVICE			4	DRAWERS, COTTON ✓ ✓ 16		4	
2 TIES, WOOL ✓ - 20		2		SWEATSHIRTS, COTTON OR WOOL			
GLOVES, LEATHER OR WOOL				DRAWERS, WOOL			
SCARFS, SILK, RAYON, OR WOOL			7	SOCKS, COTTON, PR. ✓ ✓ 28		7	
SWEATERS			7	SOCKS, WOOL, PR. ✓ ✓ 42		7	
TRUNKS, SWIM				PAJAMA TOPS			
LEGGINGS				PAJAMA BOTTOMS			
BATHROBES				FATIGUES, 1 PC., COTTON			
BED ROLL				FATIGUES, TOPS, COTTON			
COMFORTER				FATIGUES, TROUSERS, COTTON			
				FATIGUES, CAP			
				BELT, COTTON			
				TOWEL, HAND			
			1	TOWEL, BATH ✓ ✓ 04			
				CLOTH, WASH			
				GLOVES, COTTON			
				JACKET, FIELD			
				SUPPORTERS, ATHLETIC			
			1	HANDKERCHIEFS ✓ ✓ 02			
				SCARFS, COTTON			
				CASE, PILLOW			
				TRUNKS, GYM			
				SHEETS, COTTON			
				BAGS, BARRACKS			
	20				250		

TALLY NO. 1287 ✓	ORIG. NO. OF PKGS. 1	EXAMINING DATE 14-Sept-45 ✓	BOX NO.	SHEET 1	OF 1 SHEETS
NAME JOHN B Cox ✓			A. S. N. 0710050 ✓		
ORGANIZATION 82nd Tac. Recon Sq			RANK LT ✓		
WAREHOUSE SPACE 1515	EXAMINED BY Goedeke	SUPERVISOR'S OK 990	LAUNDRY REMOVED FROM FOOTLOCKER		
PACKAGE DESCRIPTION Sept 24-45 1 Ctn	WEIGHT	LISTED BY McDowell	SHIPPED		
		CHECKED BY Bradley	DATE OCT 8 1945	BY WHOM	
		CHECKED AND PACKED BY [Signature]			

ATTACHMENTS	EFFECTS INVENTORY ARMY EFFECTS BUREAU	STATUS
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> INBOUND INVENTORY <input type="checkbox"/> G. R. OR SUB GR LABEL <input type="checkbox"/> WILL OR POWER OF ATTY. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> TALLY IN FORM 43		DECEASED MISSING <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> P. O. W. ABANDONED UNKNOWN

2 BAGS, CLOTH OR TRAVEL 1 BELT, MONEY (NO MONEY) 1 BILLFOLD (NO MONEY) BOOKS BRACELET, IDENT. CAMERAS CLOTHING <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> MISC. ARTICLES RELIGIOUS ARTICLES RIBBONS, DECORATION SHORT SNORTER <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> SOUVENIR MONEY <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> SOUVENIRS TESTAMENTS <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> TOWELS & WASHCLOTHS <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> U. S. MONEY (AMOUNT) WATCH 1 WINGS	BELT BOOKS, ADDRESS BOOKS, PILOT LOG BRUSHES CASE CLOTH, WASH COATS FOOTLOCKER 3 FOOTWEAR, PR. GLASSES GLOVES, PR. HANDKERCHIEFS HEADWEAR JACKETS KITS KNIVES LETTERS LIGHTERS	OVERCOATS PAPERS, PERSONAL PENCIL, MECHANICAL PEN, FOUNTAIN PHOTOS PIPES RINGS SCARFS SHIRTS <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> SOCKS, PR. STATIONERY TIES TOBACCO TOILET ARTICLES TOWELS TROUSERS, PR. TRUNKS, PR. UNDERWEAR	
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CONTAINERS ADDRESSED TO	INFORMATION
None	Wife Betty Sue Cox Garden City Texas
NAME AND STATUS VARIATIONS	CROSS REFERENCE

CHECK	REC'D BY	NUMBER	BUREAU CHECK
MONEY ORDER		SYMBOL	TRANSMIT ORIGINAL
BOND		AMOUNT	ORIG. REG. MAIL
TRAV. CHECK		DATE	TO G. A. O.
FOREIGN CURRENCY		BANK OR PLACE OF ISSUE	MUTILATED
U. S. CURRENCY	PAYEE	TO ISSUING AGENCY	
	REMITTER OR DRAWER		

TALLY NO. 1287	ORIG. NO. OF PKGS. 1	EXAMINING DATE 14-Sept-45	BOX NO.	SHEET 1 OF 1 SHEETS
NAME JOHN W Cox			A. S. N. 0710050	
ORGANIZATION 82nd Tac. Recon Sq			RANK LT	CASE NO.
WAREHOUSE SPACE 3218		EXAMINED BY Goedeke	DIARY REMOVED	
PACKED BY Nichols		PHOTO FILM REMOVED		MOTION PICTURE FILM REMOVED
PACKAGE DESCRIPTION #1 Ctn		INSPECTED BY P	SHIPPED	
WEIGHT		STORED BY DM	DATE OCT 8 1945	BY WHOM [Signature]

ADDITIONAL REMARKS

REMOVALS (other than G.I.)

DAMAGES (List type of damage-extent)

1 Toilet Kit - badly damaged of no value
 1 picture Album of no value
 1 Book, 1 Folder & papers water soaked and damaged of no value
 1 pack of Old Time
 6 Handkerchiefs 5 Shorts

2 pocket picture Polder water soaked
 1 Bill Fold torn and other wise damaged

SHORTAGES

U. S. GOV'T CHECK SHORT

6 undershirts 2 caps 2 Shirts
 2 pair Sox 1 Tie
 4 Towels 1 Trousers Water soaked and Torn of no value

NUMBER

DATE

SYMBOL

AMOUNT

I certify that the above items were not in the containers inventoried by me.

INVENTORY CLERK

SUPERVISOR

G. I. REMOVED

NAME COX, JOHN B. LT 0050

BAY	PALLET	BOX	TALLY
23	4		1287
TYPE OF PKG.	WHSE. SPACE	INVENTORIED	
BOX			

Eff. QM Form 48

INVENTORY OF EFFECTS

(See AR 600-550)

Cox John B. 0710050
 (Last name) (First name) (Middle initial) (Army serial number)

late a 2d Lt. 82d Tac Rcn Sq
 (Grade) (Organization or arm or service)

who died on the 22d day of Feb., 19 45

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

NUMBER	ARTICLES	*PACKAGE NUMBER
1 ea	Cap, officer	
1 ea	Cap, garrison	
1 ea	Kit, toilet	
7 ea	Shirts, khaki	
6 pr	Trousers, khaki	
9 pr	Shorts, cotton	
5 ea	Towels	
6 ea	Shirts "T"	
19 pr	Socks	
7 ea	Handkerchiefs	
1 ea	Book	
2 ea	Folders, picture	
1 ea	Checkerboard	
1 ea	Portfolio	
1 ea	Belt	
1 bdl	Letters, personal	
3 ea	Neckties	

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

CLASS II—Other effects

NUMBER	ARTICLES
1 set	Identification tags
1 ea	Billfold
2 pr	Shoes, dress
1 pr	Shoes, GI
1 ea	Fountain pen
1 pr	Wings, pilot
1 ea	Bar, 2d Lt.

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W.D., A.G.O. Form No. 54
 July 1, 1933

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- J.

HEADQUARTERS
82D TACTICAL RECONNAISSANCE SQUADRON
71ST TACTICAL RECONNAISSANCE GROUP
APO 70

4 March 1945

*file
mp*

201 - COX, John B. (O)

SUBJECT: Final Report of Summary Court.

TO : The Adjutant General, Washington, D. C. (Thru Channels).

1. In accordance with AR 600-550 and the 112th Article of War, the undersigned, having been appointed Special Representative of the Commanding Officer per Par 2, SO 36, Hq 71st Tactical Reconnaissance Group, APO 70 dated 23 February 1945, submits herewith the Final Report in the case of 2d Lt John B. Cox, O710050, 82d Tactical Reconnaissance Squadron, 71st Tactical Reconnaissance Group, missing in action 22 February 1945.

a. The personal effects of the decedent were packed securely in a suitable container, the original of the inventory of effects, WD AGO Form 54, inclosed and shipped through Base Quartermaster APO 70, to the Effects Quartermaster, Kansas City Quartermaster Depot, Kansas City, Missouri for forwarding to Mrs. Betty Sue Cox, Garden City, Texas.

b. There were no debts due the deceased nor any undisputed local creditors discovered. There were no monies found.

c. No evidence of accounts in American banks was discovered.

d. All government issue property has been turned in the decedent cleared of all property responsibility and accountability.

e. No monies are due the U. S.

JAP G LOTT
2d Lt., AC, O767300

1 Incl
WD AGO Form 54 (in dup.)

DISTRIBUTION:

Orig & 1 cpy to TAG (thru channels)
1 cpy to Effects QM
1 cpy to Unit File

COX, John B., Lt. O-710050 EFFECTS of: MIA
 82nd Tac. Recn. Sq., APO 245 441,914
 Type: 1-Ctn.

Date rec'd: 20 Oct 45 Sect. stored: E

Date shipped: 9 Nov. 45 Dock: #1

Tally In: 1085

Vessel: Winefred L. Smith

Tally Out: 416

Remarks: ⁶ Repacked
 15 Pkgs - Net

COX, JOHN B. 2nd Lt. O-710050 EFFECTS of
 82d Tac Recn Sq, APO 70 441,914

Type: 1 Box

Disp. Instrn.

Date rec'd 10 April 1945 Sect. stored E

Date shipped 20 Apr. 45 Dock "C" Beach (Lem)

Vessel S S Lunbar Remarks

Tally In 377

Tally out #78

BEQM Form 1

DISTRIBUTION:

Orig - BSOS
Dupl - BEQM File

BASE EFFECTS QUARTERMASTER
BASE M
APO 70

441,914

Tally-In No: 377

Date Rec'd: 10 April 1945

~~822~~ PRINT Last Name First Name Initial and Rank 0-7100A S N

822 7th Reg Sq. APO 70 Organization MA or KLA 224 FEU or MIA

Manila Place of Death or Missing MA or FL FEU Condition FE 110 Approx Wt

William A. Rhono, Major Effects received from 822 7th Reg Sq. APO 70 Name, Rank & Org of Summary Court O

20 April 1945 Date Forwarded "C" Beach via LHM N-4-A-30 SN Vessel Number

Port Command, Base M, APO 70 (For SFPOR) To whom forwarded 28 Tally-out Number

10 April 1945 Indexed WD AGO Form 54 10 April 1945 Filed 22/4/45

I certify the above to be correct:

SIGNED: _____

REMARKS: SAMUEL KATZ, 1st Lt. OMC
Baggage & Effects Officer

mv/

File 7-11-45

INVENTORY OF EFFECTS

BASE M APO 70

20 September 1945
(Date)

COX JOHN B. 0-710050
Last Name First Name Initial Army Serial No.

Lt. 82 Tac Recn Sq.
Grade Organization & Arm of Service

MIA 22 Feb 45 Luzon, Phillipine Islands.
Date Death or Missing Place of Death or Missing

Mrs Betty S. Cox, Garden City, Texas (wife)
Next of Kin

Inventory

1 B/B

HEADQUARTERS BASE "M"
UNITED STATES ARMY FORCES WESTERN PACIFIC
QM BAGGAGE & EFFECTS SECTION
APO 70

I certify that the following items of government property were withdrawn from the baggage of Lt. John B. Cox, O-710050, 82 TAC RECN SQ, MIA, 22 February 1945, in accordance with existing regulations and such articles were turned into appropriate Salvage Agency:

1 ea Blanket, wool, OD
1 ea Barracks Bag
1 ea A/Bag
1 ea Carrier, pack, field
1 pr Trousers, Pilots'
1 ea Jacket, Pilots'

Perry N. Bigham

FERRY N. BIGHAM
2nd Lt., Q.M.C.
Baggage & Effects Officer