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DRB, TAGO  
219 N. Lee St  
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293 Gruber Kent

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**THE ADJUTANT GENERAL'S OFFICE**  
**WASHINGTON**



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TECHNICAL SERVICES RECORDS SECTION  
DRB, TAGO  
219 N. Lee Street  
Alexandria, Virginia



QMGME-R 293  
Gruber, Kurt

Statement of Death

The Adjutant General  
Casualty Branch  
Room 1C660  
Pentagon Building

OQMG  
Memorial Division

8 March 1956

KERSCHER  
EX 54309

1. The attached letter from Mrs. Berta Gruba, along with a translation thereof and a copy of letter from this Office dated 12 June 1950, concerning the late Kurt Gruber, is forwarded to your Office for any action deemed appropriate.

2. Information obtained from the Office of the Under Secretary of the Army in 1949 indicates that Kurt Gruber was hired on or about 23 February 1945 and served with the OSS until date of death, under contract of employment.

3. The correspondent has not been advised of this referral.

FOR THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL:

3 Incls

1. Ltr 30 Jan 56
- ✓ 2. Translation
3. Cy ltr 12 Jun 50

ROY A. WALL  
Colonel, QMG  
Chief, Memorial Division

ruh/gtd

DISPATCHED  
O. O. M. G.  
MAIL & RECORDS BRANCH

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DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY  
OFFICE OF THE ASSISTANT CHIEF OF STAFF, G-2, INTELLIGENCE  
WASHINGTON 25, D. C.

G2 TRANSLATION NO. G-6224

LANGUAGE: German

TRANSLATOR: E. H.

SUBJECT: Letter

30 January 1956

Department of the Army

Dear Sirs:

For compensation purposes I need a death certificate for my son Kurt Gruber, born on 13 May 1912. As I can see from your inclosed communication my son met his death in Belgium. As yet I have not received a death certificate. I do not know either where the death was reported. Until I receive this death certificate I cannot obtain an inheritance certificate.

I shall be very grateful to you if you will send me this certificate as soon as possible.

Respectuflly,

/s/

Berta Gruber  
Gemmericher Strasse 105  
Germany

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12 June 1950

*[Handwritten signature]*  
Kurt Gruber  
Plot C, Row 7, Grave 37  
Headstone: Cross  
Neuville-en-Condroz, Belgium  
United States Military Cemetery

Mr. Edward Gruber  
105 Gemmericherstrasse  
Ahlen (Westf), Germany

Dear Mr. Gruber:

This is to inform you that the remains of your loved one have been permanently interred, as recorded above, side by side with comrades who also gave their lives for their country. Customary military funeral services were conducted over the grave at the time of burial.

After the Department of the Army has completed all final interments, the cemetery will be transferred, as authorized by the Congress, to the care and supervision of the American Battle Monuments Commission. The Commission also will have the responsibility for permanent construction and beautification of the cemetery, including erection of the permanent headstone. The headstone will be inscribed with the name exactly as recorded above, the rank or rating where appropriate, organization, State, and date of death. Any inquiries relative to the type of headstone or the spelling of the name to be inscribed thereon, should be addressed to the American Battle Monuments Commission, Washington 25, D. C. Your letter should include the full name, rank, serial number, grave location, and name of the cemetery.

While interments are in progress, the cemetery will not be open to visitors. You may rest assured that this final interment was conducted with fitting dignity and solemnity and that the grave-site will be carefully and conscientiously maintained in perpetuity by the United States Government.

Sincerely yours,

H. FELDMAN  
Major General, USA  
The Quartermaster General

JUN 12 12 35 PM '50

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





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USMC Neuville en Condroz  
Plot: C. Row: Gr: 37  
Date of Burial: 20 Apr 50  
Verified by GRS Officer  
M.R. Swart, Capt QMC

DISINTERMENT DIRECTIVE

SECTION A  
NAME AND BURIAL LOCATION OF DECEASED

DIRECTIVE NUMBER  
1260 21246

DATE  
15 01 50  
DAY MONTH YEAR

NAME  
GRUBER KURT

SERIAL NUMBER GRADE ARM  
7 0 6

CEMETERY  
NEUVILLE BELGIUM

PLOT ROW GRAVE  
C 3 71  
DISPOSITION OF REMAINS  
12 02 80  
CODE DIST. CTR.

SECTION B — CONSIGNEE AND NEXT OF KIN NO FLAG SENT

NAME AND ADDRESS OF CONSIGNEE  
NEUVILLE-EN-CONDROZ, BELGIUM

NAME AND ADDRESS OF NEXT OF KIN  
EDUARD GRUBER (FATHER)  
105 GEMMERICHERSTRASSE  
AHLEN (WESTF), GERMANY

SECTION C — DISINTERMENT AND IDENTIFICATION

NAME SERIAL NUMBER GRADE DATE OF DEATH DATE DISTINTERRED

IDENTIFICATION TAG ON ORGANIZATION ALLIED RELIGION IDENTIFICATION VERIFIED BY  
☐ REMAINS  
☐ MARKER NAME AND TITLE

SECTION D — PREPARATION OF REMAINS FOR SHIPMENT

NATURE OF BURIAL CONDITION OF REMAINS

OTHER MEANS OF IDENTIFICATION

MINOR DISCREPANCIES (Prepare Discrepancy Report QMC Form 1194a for major discrepancies.)

REMAINS PREPARED AND PLACED IN CASKET

DATE BY EMBALMER (Signature)  
CASKET SEALED BY

CASKET BOXED AND MARKED SHIPPING ADDRESS VERIFIED BY

DATE BY I hereby certify that all the foregoing operations were conducted and accomplished under my immediate supervision and that the report above is correct.

SIGNATURE OF AGRS INSPECTOR

REMARKS AND SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS  
PREV. UNK X-757

NAT  
FILE  
RECORDS ANNOTATED  
DATE 12 June 50  
NAME R. B. Kent  
BR. MEM. DIV.

FINAL LETTER SENT 12 JUN 1950

Incl # 1 Mcl 19 Prev disp as X 757 (Hof 2012)



REF ID: A66411

RECORD OF CUSTODIAL TRANSFER

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KIND OF CONVEYANCE	NAME OF CONVOYER		
SIGNATURE OF SHIPPER	DATE	SIGNATURE OF RECEIVER	DATE



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DISINTERMENT DIRECTIVE

SECTION A —  
NAME AND BURIAL LOCATION OF DECEASED

DIRECTIVE NUMBER  
1260 00069

DATE  
15 08 48  
DAY MONTH YEAR

NAME  
UNKNOWNX-000757  
SERIAL NUMBER GRADE ARM RACE RELIGION  
J 0 6

CEMETERY  
NEUVILLE BELGIUM  
PLOT ROW GRAVE  
C 3 71  
DISPOSITION OF REMAINS  
1202 80  
CODE DIST. CTR.

SECTION B — CONSIGNEE AND NEXT OF KIN

NAME AND ADDRESS OF CONSIGNEE  
NEUVILLE-EN-CONDROZ, BELGIUM  
NAME AND ADDRESS OF NEXT OF KIN  
(BY ADMINISTRATIVE DECISION)

SECTION C — DISINTERMENT AND IDENTIFICATION

NAME  
UNKNOWN  
SERIAL NUMBER  
X-757  
GRADE  
UNK  
DATE OF DEATH  
DATE DISTINTERRED  
19 OCT 48  
IDENTIFICATION TAG ON  
REMAINS GRS  
MARKER GRS  
ORGANIZATION  
UNKNOWN  
RELIGION  
UNK  
IDENTIFICATION VERIFIED BY  
FRITZ J TOLTZIEN  
1/LT MI NAME AND TITLE

SECTION D — PREPARATION OF REMAINS FOR SHIPMENT

NATURE OF BURIAL  
UNIFORM  
CONDITION OF REMAINS  
ADVANCED DECOMPOSITION.  
CRUSHED SKULL. ALL MAJOR BONES FRAC-  
TURED AND/OR MISSING EXCEPT R/FEMUR.

OTHER MEANS OF IDENTIFICATION  
REPORT OF BURIAL WITH REMAINS.

MINOR DISCREPANCIES (Prepare Discrepancy Report QMC Form 1194a for major discrepancies.)  
NONE

REMAINS PREPARED AND PLACED IN CASKET TRANSFER BOX

DATE 20 JAN 49 BY OLIVER E MODIN, EMBALMER  
CASKET SEALED BY  
JOHN T NICHOLSON EMBALMER (Signature)  
JOHN T NICHOLSON, EMBALMER

CASKET BOXED AND MARKED  
26 JAN 49 DONALD L GREGORY  
DATE BY PVT RA 44165610  
SHIPPING ADDRESS VERIFIED BY ALL TAGS, PLATES AND  
MARKINGS VERIFIED BY:  
CLYDE B SPINKS, CAPT FA

I hereby certify that all the foregoing operations were conducted and accomplished under my immediate supervision and that the report above is correct.  
EXCEPT CASKETING

JAMES M FORESTER 1/LT QMC  
SIGNATURE OF AGRS INSPECTOR

REMARKS AND SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS

I certify that the entries on this form are true copies of the entries on Copy Number 4 of the Disinterment Directive which contains the signatures of the persons whose names are typed hereon

Raymond G. Johnson, 1st Lt. Inf

Mccl 19

(20/12)



RECORD OF CUSTODIAL TRANSFER

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KIND OF CONVEYANCE		NAME OF CONVOYER	
SIGNATURE OF SHIPPER	DATE	SIGNATURE OF RECEIVER	DATE



REQUEST FOR DISPOSITION OF REMAINS

L-12-1-49

NAME OF DECEASED AND REPORTED PLACE OF BURIAL  
Kurt Gruber, (Civilian  
Plot C, Row 3, Grave 71  
USMC Neuville-en-Condroz, Belgium

DATE:  
12 October 1949

*Per NR.*

A		C	
B		D	

DO NOT WRITE ABOVE THIS LINE

NOTE.—The next of kin should familiarize himself with the contents of the pamphlet, "Disposition of World War II Civilian Dead," before filling out this form. When the proper part of this form is filled out and properly signed by the next of kin, it should be returned to the OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL, MEMORIAL DIVISION, WAR DEPARTMENT, WASHINGTON 25, D. C., in the self-addressed postage-free envelope provided for this purpose.  
If you are the next of kin or authorized representative of next of kin and desire to direct the disposition of the remains, please fill in PART I of this form.

PART I

I, Eduard GRUBER

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

(PLEASE PRINT OR TYPE NAME OF NEXT OF KIN)

- ☐ WIDOW
- ☐ WIDOWER
- ☐ SON OVER 21 YEARS OLD
- ☐ DAUGHTER OVER 21 YEARS OLD
- ☒ FATHER
- ☐ MOTHER
- ☐ BROTHER OVER 21 YEARS OLD
- ☐ SISTER OVER 21 YEARS OLD

☐ RELATIONSHIP OTHER THAN ABOVE (Specify) \_\_\_\_\_

HAVING FAMILIARIZED MYSELF WITH THE OPTIONS WHICH HAVE BEEN MADE AVAILABLE TO ME WITH RESPECT TO THE FINAL RESTING PLACE OF THE DECEASED DESIGNATED ABOVE, NOW DO DECLARE THAT IT IS MY DESIRE THAT THE REMAINS: (Please place an "X" in the box opposite the option you have selected.)

- ☒ 1. BE INTERRED IN A PERMANENT AMERICAN MILITARY CEMETERY OVERSEAS. Neuville en Condroz - Belgium
- ☐ 2. BE RETURNED TO THE UNITED STATES OR ANY POSSESSION OR TERRITORY THEREOF FOR INTERMENT BY NEXT OF KIN IN A PRIVATE CEMETERY

(NAME AND LOCATION OF CEMETERY)

- ☐ 3. BE RETURNED TO \_\_\_\_\_, THE HOMELAND OF THE DECEASED, FOR INTERMENT BY NEXT OF KIN IN A PRIVATE CEMETERY

(FOREIGN COUNTRY)

LOCATED AT \_\_\_\_\_

(LOCATION OF CEMETERY SELECTED)

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

*AR 12-30-49  
1949  
1 Dec 49*

FINAL LETTER SENT 12 JUN 1950

*coded 12-30-49*

*L. A. Scott*

*DDP Proc. 1-3-50*

*Clarke  
29 Dec 49*

NAN-Progress  
OQMG FORM 346 CIVILIAN  
14 NOV 1948

DEC 29 1949



PART I (Continued)

If Option Number 2 or 3 as given on page 1 of this form has been selected, complete one of these sections.  
I, AS THE NEXT OF KIN, DO FURTHER DECLARE THAT I DESIRE THE REMAINS TO BE SENT TO THE FOLLOWING PERSON WHO HAS AGREED TO RECEIVE THEM:

LAST NAME	FIRST NAME	MIDDLE INITIAL
NUMBER AND STREET	CITY OR TOWN	COUNTY OR PROVINCE
EXPRESS OFFICE (Nearest railroad passenger station)	TELEGRAPH ADDRESS	STATE OR TERRITORY OF U. S. A., OR COUNTRY
		TELEPHONE No.

OR  
I, AS THE NEXT OF KIN, DO FURTHER DECLARE THAT I DESIRE THE REMAINS TO BE SENT TO THE FOLLOWING FUNERAL DIRECTOR WHO HAS AGREED TO RECEIVE THEM:

FULL NAME OF FUNERAL DIRECTOR			
NUMBER AND STREET	CITY OR TOWN	COUNTY OR PROVINCE	STATE OR TERRITORY OF U. S. A., OR COUNTRY
EXPRESS OFFICE (Nearest railroad passenger station)	TELEGRAPH ADDRESS	TELEPHONE No.	

IN CASE OF EMERGENCY THE NAME AND ADDRESS OF THE PERSON NEXT IN LINE OF KINSHIP AFTER ME, AS SET FORTH IN THE PAMPHLET, "DISPOSITION OF WORLD WAR II CIVILIAN DEAD," IS—

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

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

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

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

<u>Eduard Gruber</u> (SIGNATURE OF NEXT OF KIN)	<u>105 Gemmericherstrasse</u> (STREET AND NUMBER)
<u>EDUARD GRUBER</u> (NAME PRINTED OR TYPED)	<u>AHLEN (Westf). GERMANY</u> (CITY AND STATE)

Subscribed and duly sworn to before me according to law by the above-named applicant this Third day of November, 1949, at city (or town) of BECKUM, county of Westphalia, and State (or Territory or District) of Zone of Germany.

\*NOTE.—Page 4 is part of the notarial attestation.  
PAGE 2  
CONTROL COMMISSION  
BRITISH RESIDENT  
-3 NOV. 1949  
BECKUM  
FOR GERMANY  
McInders & Co  
(SIGNATURE OF OFFICER AUTHORIZED TO ADMINISTER OATHS) 1  
British Resident BECKUM  
(OFFICIAL TITLE)  
B.A.R. 12



PART II—RELINQUISHMENT OF DISPOSITION AUTHORITY

If you are the next of kin and you desire to relinquish your disposition authority, please fill in Part II of this form.

I, THE \_\_\_\_\_, AS THE NEXT OF KIN OF THE DECEASED  
(PLEASE INSERT RELATIONSHIP)  
NAMED IN PART I OF THIS FORM, DO HEREBY RELINQUISH MY RIGHTS TO DIRECT THE FINAL DISPOSITION OF THE REMAINS OF THE DECEASED.  
THE NEXT EXISTING PERSON IN THE ORDER OF ELIGIBILITY OF DECEDENT'S SURVIVORS IS:

LAST NAME	FIRST NAME	MIDDLE INITIAL
RELATIONSHIP TO THE DECEASED		
NUMBER AND STREET	CITY OR TOWN	STATE OR COUNTRY

WHOM I UNDERSTAND SHALL HAVE THE RIGHT TO DIRECT FINAL DISPOSITION OF THE REMAINS OF THE DECEASED.

(SIGNATURE OF NEXT OF KIN)	(DATE)
(NAME PRINTED OR TYPED)	(STREET AND NUMBER)
	(CITY AND STATE)

PART III

If you are NOT the next of kin authorized to direct the disposition of remains, please fill in PART III of this form.

THIS IS TO NOTIFY YOU THAT I AM NOT THE NEXT OF KIN AUTHORIZED TO DIRECT THE FINAL DISPOSITION OF THE REMAINS OF THE DECEASED NAMED ON PAGE I OF THIS FORM. THE FOLLOWING PERSON, TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE, IS THE NEXT OF KIN TO WHOM THIS FORM SHOULD BE DIRECTED.

LAST NAME Mrs. K. GRUBER	FIRST NAME LEITH	MIDDLE INITIAL J.
RELATIONSHIP TO THE DECEASED wife		
NUMBER AND STREET 7 Marlboruch - Hill	CITY OR TOWN LONDON N.W. 8	STATE OR COUNTRY Great Britain

<i>Eduard Gruber.</i> (SIGNATURE)	3 November 1949 (DATE)
EDUARD GRUBER (NAME PRINTED OR TYPED)	105 Genmericherstrasse (STREET AND NUMBER)
	AHLEN (Westf). GERMANY (CITY AND STATE)



**ADDITIONAL REMARKS AND INSTRUCTIONS**

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





QMGOD 293, Gruber, Kurt  
Allied Civilian *293*

1st Ind

Department of the Army, OQMG, Washington 25, D. C., 2 February 1950

TO: Commanding Officer, QM Activities, Kansas City Records Center (AGO), Mo.

Unknown X-757, USMC, Neuville-en-Condrez, Belgium, has been identified as  
Kurt Gruber, Allied Civilian, 105 Gerrricherstrasse, Ahlen, (Westf) Germany.

BY COMMAND OF MAJOR GENERAL FELDMAN:

WILLIAM F. CONLON  
Major, QMC  
Field Service Division

*293*  
FEB 3 12 19 PM '50  
MAIL & RECORDS BRANCH  
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DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY  
KANSAS CITY QUARTERMASTER DEPOT  
ARMY EFFECTS BUREAU  
601 HARDESTY AVENUE  
KANSAS CITY 1, MISSOURI

IN REPLY REFER TO QMDKG 889173

S-20 Mar 50

SZ/LL/ns

20 January 1950

DATE

SUBJECT: Disposal of Personal Effects

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

1. Personal effects found on remains interred as Unknown X-757

Plot C, Row 3, Grave 71, USMC Neuville-en-

Condroz, Belgium have been held at this Bureau as of 16 March 1949

2. Bureau inspection of the effects has been made and the following description furnished for reference:

One 5¢ Canadian coin, remnant of necktie with label:  
S. Foerder, Berlin W 15 Kurfurstendamm 254, remnant  
of shirt, civilian type, and remnant of trousers

3. It is requested that this Bureau be informed whether or not  
the above listed Unknown decedent has been officially identified.

FOR THE COMMANDING OFFICER:

Unk. X-757 is Identified as:

Gruber, Kurt Allied Civilian  
Gruber, Edward Father  
105 Gerrericherstrasse,  
Ahlen (Westf) Germany

*Stanley Zablocki*  
STANLEY ZABLOCKI  
Captain, QMC  
Effects Quartermaster



#  
293 Unk X-757 Belgium (Neuville-en-Condroz)



DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY  
KANSAS CITY QUARTERMASTER DETACHMENT  
KANSAS CITY, MISSOURI

IN REPLY REFER TO ORDER NO. 100

SUBJECT: Inspection of Personnel Effects

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

1. Personnel effects found on vehicles assigned as follows:  
Date: \_\_\_\_\_, Time: \_\_\_\_\_, Location: \_\_\_\_\_  
2. Bureau inspection of the effects has been made and the following description furnished for reference:



Very truly yours,  
[Signature]  
[Name]  
[Title]  
[Address]



C O P Y

HEADQUARTERS  
AMERICAN GRAVES REGISTRATION COMMAND  
EUROPEAN AREA  
APO 58 U S ARMY

RRE 314.6

23 January 1950

SUBJECT: Listing of Cases held  
in Suspense Status

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

Further to our cable AGRC # 120, forwarded herewith is a revised listing of Achmer Airdrome Cemetery cases now held in suspense by this headquarters. Any remains reflected in the original listing and not indicated in enclosed list have been released from suspense by this headquarters with no field board findings involved.

FOR THE COMMANDING OFFICER:

EDWARD F. PRICE Jr.  
Capt, QMC  
Assistant Adjutant

1 Incl  
List of Cases

GMAMT 293-  
GRUBER,  
KURT  
(CIVILIAN)

NAT  
File

FEB 2 1950

Identification Branch



COPY

## ACROSS AIRBORNE COUNTRY

## CAGES HELD IN SUSPENSE STATUS

<u>NAME</u>	<u>RANK</u>	<u>ASN</u>	<u>NO</u>	<u>I-NO</u>	<u>COUNTRY AND DISPOSITION</u>
BAILLY, Quinton K.	2/Lt	0-705285	24		Margraten U.S.
BASS, Paul Jr.	2/Lt	0-773284	24	Op 3	Margraten UHR
BRADLEY, Frank J. Jr.	Sgt	32406158	1		KIA
BURRIS, Ralph	Sgt	32448652	1		KIA
CAPORALINO, Frank	2/Lt	0-751095	6		Margraten U.S.
CAROTHERS, John W.	2/Lt	0-678160	8	2188	Margraten U.S.
CHAVIS, Thomas P.	2/Lt	0-722414	24	1158	Margraten U.S.
CONRALLY, James P.	S/Sgt	18115873		Not	Newville U.S.
DANIELL, William C.	2/Lt	0-678182	7	1434	Margraten UHR
DAVIS, Robert E.	Sgt	33256915	6	1427	Margraten POC
FAIRIS, Wallace	S/Sgt	18104250	24	Op of	Margraten UHR
FORTIN, Charles A.	T/Sgt	31152090	25		Margraten U.S.
FROST, Charles E.	2/Lt	0-715343	8	21762	Margraten UHR
HARRIS, Jack	2/Lt	0-665303	1		Newville U.S.
HITNER, Stanley J.	T/Sgt	16153472	24	Op of Margraten 3 in 3	UHR
ISAACSON, William W.	Sgt	12128827	1	764	Newville UHR
KNEBENT, Elmer C.	S/Sgt	33693808	25		Margraten U.S.
KADENBAUGH, Bernard J.	S/Sgt	38200850			Margraten U.S.
KASCHLA, George S.	S/Sgt	31144067	8	2187	Margraten UHR
ROBINSON, Arthur H., Jr.	Sgt	33373275	7		Margraten U.S.
STEVENS, Robert L.	S/Sgt	34494037	7		Margraten UHR
SULLIVAN, Lawrence T.	T/Sgt	39235973	1		Newville U.S.
WALTERS, Jack P.	P/O	T-3116	24	1456	Margraten U.S.
WATERS, William R.	1/Lt	0-560451	25	1460	KIA







QMGOD 293, Gruber, Kurt  
(Civilian) (German National)

1st Ind

Department of the Army, OQMG, Washington 25, D. C., 23 January 1950

TO: Commanding Officer, QM Activities, Kansas City Records Center (AGO), Mo.

Unknown X-757, Plot C, Row 3, Grave 71, USMC, Nauville-en-Condroz, Belgium, has been identified as Kurt Gruber, (alias Nowak, Pawel), German National. His next of kin is his widow, Mrs. Jessie Campbell Leith Gruber, 7 Marlborough Hill, London, N. W. 8, England.

BY COMMAND OF MAJOR GENERAL FELDMAN:

WILLIAM F. CONLON  
Major, QMC  
Field Service Division



Reclass 1-31-50



SMOED 222, Gruber, Kurt  
(Division (German National))  
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Department of the Army, OCMG, Washington 25, D. C., 28 January 1950

TO: Commanding Officer, ON Activities, Kansas City Records Center (AGO), Mo.  
Unknown X-787, Plot C, Row 3, Grave VI, USMC, Newville-en-Condroz, Belgium.  
has been identified as Kurt Gruber, (alias Kowak, Lawel), German National. His  
next of kin is his widow, Mrs. Jessie Campbell Leith Gruber, 7 Marlborough Hill,  
London, N. W. 8, England.

BY COMMAND OF MAJOR GENERAL FEIDMAN:

WILLIAM F. CONLON  
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Field Service Division



OFFICE OF THE  
JUDGE ADVOCATE GENERAL  
WASHINGTON, D. C.

1-21-50  
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DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY  
KANSAS CITY QUARTERMASTER DEPOT  
ARMY EFFECTS BUREAU  
601 HARDESTY AVENUE  
KANSAS CITY 1, MISSOURI

IN REPLY REFER TO QMDKG 889173

S-14 Dec 49  
HOC/LL/hal  
14 October 1949  
DATE

SUBJECT: Disposal of Personal Effects

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

1. Personal effects found on remains interred as Unknown X-757

Plot C, Row 3, Grave 71, USMC Neuville-en-Condros, Belgium have been held at this Bureau as of 16 March 1949

2. Bureau inspection of the effects has been made and the following description furnished for reference:

One 5¢ Canadian coin; remnant of necktie, label: S. Foerder, Berlin W 15 Kurfurstendamm 254; remnant of shirt, civilian type; and remnant of trousers.

3. It is requested that this Bureau be informed whether or not the above listed Unknown decedent has been officially identified.

FOR THE COMMANDING OFFICER:

H. O. CALDWELL  
Effects Quartermaster



293 UNK X-757 Belgium, Neuville-en-Condros



DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY  
KANSAS CITY QUARTERMASTER DEPOT  
ARMY EFFECTS BUREAU  
601 BARNETT AVENUE  
KANSAS CITY 1, MISSOURI



IN REPLY REFER TO QUERO

SUBJECT: Disposal of Personal Effects

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

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Place \_\_\_\_\_ Row \_\_\_\_\_ Grave \_\_\_\_\_ VMC \_\_\_\_\_

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2. Bureau inspection of the effects has been made and the following description furnished for reference:

3. It is requested that this Bureau be informed whether or not the above listed Unknown deceased has been officially identified.

FOR THE COMMANDING OFFICER:

H. O. CALDWELL  
Effects Quartermaster





*293unk/Belgium p-757 (Neuville)*

OQMG DEPT OF ARMY WASH DC

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CG AGRC PARIS FRANCE

PRIORITY

AGRC 3560

*wcl 48216*

FROM QMGMT REURAD 3560 CMA 2 JUNE 49

*Jun 13 3 09 PM '49*  
*367*  
*TELETYPE SECTION*

KRAY 757 NEUVILLE UNDER INVESTIGATION PD YOUR HQS WILL BE ADVISED SAP

*ADMINISTRATIVE BRANCH*  
*Jun 13 1 10 PM '49*  
*MEMORIAL DIVISION*



AGRC 3560 is MC IN NO. 74724 (2 June 49)

*[Signature]*  
cc: Adm Sec  
FARMER/rar  
REB

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QMGMT CAPT BERRY EXT. 72947  
293 - X-757 (Neuville)

10 JUNE 49 J. G. HOLLOWAY  
LT. COLONEL, QMG, 100M DIV

GRAVES

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COAST GUARD OF ARMY WASH DC

CO AGNC PARIS FRANCE

PRIORITY

AGNC 3560

JUN 13 3 00 PM '49  
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FROM COAST GUARD 3560 ON 2 JUNE 49

RE: 137 NEWVILLE UNDER INVESTIGATION PD YOUR HQS WILL BE ADVISED SEP

JUN 13 1 10 PM '49  
MEMORIAL DIVISION  
ADMINISTRATIVE BRANCH



AGNC 3560 is MC IN NO. 14754 (S. June 49)



REB  
FARMER/75  
cc: Adm Sec

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COAST GUARD BERRY EXT. 1234  
293 - X-137 (Newville)

GRAVES



DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY

QMGOD 332.3  
Kansas City

11 April 1949

SUBJECT: Present Status of Certain Unknowns

TO : Commanding Officer, QM Activities  
Kansas City Records Center (AGO), Mo.  
ATTENTION: Effects Quartermaster

1. You are advised that identification has not yet been established for the following named Unknowns:

Unknown	X-5327-28,	Neuville-en-Condroz,	Belgium
"	X-98,	"	"
"	X-268,	"	"
"	X-316-A,	"	"
"	X-560,	"	"
"	X-757,	"	"
"	X-1210,	"	"
"	X-6871,	"	"
"	X-7931,	"	"
"	X-1288,	"	"
"	X-1307,	"	"
"	X-2759,	"	"
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"	X-6041,	"	"
"	X-6802,	"	"
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"	X-7803,	"	"
"	X-7835,	"	"
"	X-7848,	"	"
"	X-7897,	"	"
"	X-7932,	"	"
"	X-7963,	"	"

2. Correspondence from the Bureau requesting status of these Unknowns is returned herewith.

BY COMMAND OF MAJOR GENERAL FEILDMAN:

1 Incl:  
Corres

WM. T. BROWN  
Lt. Colonel, QMC  
Field Service Division

QMGOD 293, UNK X-757, BELGIUM (NEUVILLE-EN-CONDROZ)



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IN REPLY REFER TO QMDKG 889173

HOC/ELW/mj  
22 March 1949  
DATE

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

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Plot C, Row 3, Grave 71, USMC Neuville-en-  
Condroz, Belgium have been held at this Bureau as of 16 Mar 49.

2. Bureau inspection of the effects has been made and the following description furnished for reference:

One 5¢ Canadian coin; remnant of necktie, label: S. Foerder, Berlin W 15 Kurfurstendamm 254; remnant of shirt, civilian type; and remnant of trousers.

3. It is requested that this Bureau be informed whether or not the above listed Unknown decedent has been officially identified.

FOR THE COMMANDING OFFICER:

H. O. CALDWELL  
Effects Quartermaster



293-1444 X 757-1369000 - (Neuville-en-Condroz)







HEADSTONE DATA FOR CIVILIANS  
BURIED IN U. S. CEMETERIES OVERSEAS

293 Gruber, Kurt NAME OF CEMETERY Kennerly <sup>Condover</sup>  
PLEASE PRINT OR TYPE

## 1. NAME AS IT IS TO APPEAR ON HEADSTONE

KURT GRUBER ( ALIAS PAWEL NOWAK)

## 2. ORGANIZATION BY WHICH EMPLOYED AT DATE OF DEATH

Office of Strategic Services

## 3. CAPACITY IN WHICH EMPLOYED

Contract employee

## 4. STATE OF RESIDENCE IN U. S. OR POSSESSIONS

German National

## 5. DATE OF DEATH

20 March 1945

## 6. RELIGIOUS PREFERENCE

No Record, OQMG

## 7. DECORATIONS, IF ANY

No Record, OQMG

## 8. NAME AND ADDRESS OF NEXT-OF-KIN IF DIFFERENT FROM THAT INDICATED ON DISINTERMENT DIRECTIVE

Edward Gruber,  
105 Gemmericher Street, Ahlen near Hamm, Westphalia, Germany.

## 9. PLOT, ROW AND GRAVE LOCATION IN PERMANENT CEMETERY IF NOTIFICATION HAS BEEN RECEIVED

Not yet of record.

SIGNATURE

GEO. W. HINMAN, JR.  
Colonel, OMC  
Memorial Division

DATE

17 January 1950

Original furnished  
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QMCMF 293  
Gruber, Kurt  
(Civilian)

17 November 1949

Mr. and Mrs. Edward Gruber  
105 Gemmericher Street  
Ahlen near Hamm  
Westphalia, Germany

Dear Mr. and Mrs. Gruber:

May I refer to our letter dated 12 October 1949 concerning the remains of your son, the late Kurt Gruber.

As you were previously advised his remains are currently resting in above ground storage pending disposition instructions. Therefore, it is requested that you complete the "Request for Disposition of Remains" form and return it to this office immediately to enable us to complete this case.

Your cooperation in this matter will avoid further delay and will be greatly appreciated.

Sincerely yours,

W. E. CAMPBELL  
Lt. Colonel, GIC  
Memorial Division



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AIR MAIL



17 November 1949

Charles 293  
Griber, Kurt  
(Civilian)

Mr. and Mrs. Edward Griber  
109 Gammacher Street  
Allen near Hamm  
Westphalia, Germany

Dear Mr. and Mrs. Griber:

May I refer to our letter dated 12 October 1949 concerning the  
remains of your son, the late Kurt Griber.

As you were previously advised his remains are currently resting  
in above ground storage pending disposition instructions. Therefore,  
it is requested that you complete the "Request for Disposition of Re-  
mains" form and return it to this office immediately to enable us to  
complete this case.

Your cooperation in this matter will avoid further delay and will  
be greatly appreciated.

Sincerely yours,



AIR MAIL



CORRESPONDENCE ACTION SHEET				NAME OF DECEDENT (Last, First, Middle)  Gruber, Kurt	GRADE  Civilian	SERIAL NUMBER
PREVIOUS BURIAL LOCATION (Cemetery and Country)	PLOT	ROW	GRAVE			
PRESENT BURIAL LOCATION (Cemetery and Country)	PLOT	ROW	GRAVE			
ADDRESSEE MR. MISS MRS.  Mr. and Mrs. Edward Gruber	ADDRESS (Street, City, State) 105 Gemmericher Street Ahlen near Hamm Westphalia, Germany					
RELATIONSHIP  parents						
PARAGRAPHS (Sequence)	ADDITIONAL DATA — MODIFICATIONS					
	<p><del>Reference is made to</del></p> <p>May I refer to our letter dated 12 October 1949 concerning the remains of your son, the late Kurt Gruber.</p> <p>As you were previously advised his remains are currently resting in above ground storage pending <del>final interment</del> disposition instructions. Therefore, it is requested that you complete the "Request for Disposition of Remains" form and return it to this office <del>immediately</del> <del>It is requested that you complete</del> immediately to enable us to <del>complete</del> complete this case.</p> <p>Your cooperation in this matter will avoid further <del>unnecessary</del> delay and will be greatly appreciated.</p> <p>cc: Miss Harris</p> <p><u>cc: 293</u></p> <p><u>Return 293 +cc to Kirschner for response</u></p>					
ANALYST INITIALS AND DATE <u>DAF</u> 16 Nov 49		TYPIST INITIALS		REVIEWER INITIALS AND DATE		



*Ind to 3456-1-49*

Subject:- Disposition of Remains

HRO/BEC/CA/9

5 Nov 1949

To:- Office of the Quartermaster General  
Attn: Memorial Division  
Department of the Army  
Washington 25, D.C.

From:- British Resident L/K BECKUM

1. I enclose a Request for disposition of Remains form made out by Eduard Gruber for the remains of his son KURT GRUBER, Civilian Plot C. Row 3 Grave 7, VSMC, Neuville-en-Condroz, Belgium.
2. After some discussion it was decided that Herr Gruber would fill out Part I as if his son's widow had passed the authority to him. If she makes a decision of her own then the form will naturally be worthless and unnecessary.
3. This action was taken with a view to a possible saving of time.

BECKUM  
JHCL/MS

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Process in respect  
of Supreme by O/S  
Command  
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*1 Dec 49*

*JHC*

(J.H.C. LINDSAY)  
BRITISH RESIDENT  
L/K BECKUM

SCO

*29 Dec 49*  
Accepted  
Permit







293 Gruber, Kurt es



HEADQUARTERS  
AMERICAN GRAVES REGISTRATION COMMAND  
EUROPEAN AREA  
APO 58 U S ARMY

4 November 1949

RRE 200.2

SUBJECT: Listing - Achmer Airdrome Cemetery

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

1. Reference radio, your office, WGL 20179, dated 25 October 1949, forwarded herewith is list of Achmer Airdrome Cemetery cases at present held in suspense status by this headquarters, pending resolution of discrepancies in several cases recovered from subject cemetery.

2. In addition to above list, all other cases on remains recovered from Achmer Airdrome Cemetery, still in the possession of this command, will be reviewed, and if necessary, held in suspense until cases can be properly cleared.

COMMANDING GENERAL;  
FOR THE ~~QUARTERMASTER GENERAL~~

1 Incl  
Listing

/s/ John M. Neff  
JOHN M. NEFF  
Capt. QMC  
Actg Asst Adj Gen

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Identification Branch



Anderson, Truman K.	T/Sgt.	18167649
Bailey, Quinton E.	2/Lt.	0-705285
Baus, Paul Jr.	2/Lt.	0-773284
Bensuk, John A.	2/Lt.	0-682688
Capobianco, Frank	2/Lt.	0-751095
Carothers, John W.	2/Lt.	0-678160
Connally, James P.	S/Sgt.	18115873
Dashiell, William C.	2/Lt.	0-678182
Eckrosh, Floyd D.	S/Sgt.	17097350
Faires, Wallace	S/Sgt.	18106250
Fee, George H.	S/Sgt.	6959404
Fortin, Charles A.	T/Sgt.	31152090
Frost, Charles E.	2/Lt.	0-745343
Garneau, Charles D.		0-741157
Glenn, Jim A.	S/Sgt.	19138150
<u>Gruber, Kust (Alias Nowak, Pawel)</u>		OSS
Harris, Jack (NMI)	2/Lt.	0-665303
Hergenhan, William	S/Sgt.	39690153
Hittner, Stanley J.	T/Sgt.	16153472
Isaacson, William W.	Sgt.	12128827
Jaeger, William C.	T/Sgt.	12120058
Joachim, Harris W.	2/Lt.	0-752206
Kraemer, Daniel J.	T/Sgt.	13028896
Krummert, Elmer C.	S/Sgt.	33693808
Martin, James E.		32764784
Mathison, Paul L.	Capt.	0-421779
McGowan, Frank B.	2/Lt.	0-768823

Name *W. G. Clarke*  
 Action *W. G. Clarke*  
 Acceptance Section  
 Family *W. G. Clarke*  
 29 Dec 49



McKinney, Clifford	Sgt.	31125144
Miller, Phil R.	2/Lt.	0-796571
Morneau, Francis J.	Sgt.	31174758
Morse, Douglas C.	1/Lt.	0-686267
Novick, Edwin S.	S/Sgt.	12177972
Olson, John E., Jr.	Sgt.	19020313
Radebaugh, Bernard J.	S/Sgt.	38200850
Rajcula, George S.	S/Sgt.	31144067
Robinson, Arthur H., Jr.	Sgt.	33373275
Rodriguez, Herminio, Jr.	Sgt.	16150690
Rogers, Wiley A.	S/Sgt.	17057261
Steele, William C.		15117933
Stevenson, Robert L.	S/Sgt.	314404037
Sullivan, John J.	2/Lt.	0-696718
Sullivan, Lawrence T.	Sgt.	39235973
Walters, Jack P.	F/O	T-3146
Watters, William R.	1/Lt.	0-560451
Whitman, Nathaniel (NMI)	1/Lt.	0-455162



QMOMF 293  
Gruber, Kurt  
(Civilian)

12 October 1949

Mr. and Mrs. Edward Gruber  
105 Gemmericher Street  
Ahlen near Hamm  
Westphalia, Germany

Dear Mr. and Mrs. Gruber:

I am writing to you with reference to your son, the late Kurt Gruber.

Records in this office indicate that your son's remains have recently been identified and are being held in above ground storage by our American Graves Registration Command, at the United States Military Cemetery Neuville-en-Condroz, Belgium.

In accordance with the precedence of relatives established by the Secretary of the Army, your son's widow is the next of kin who is authorized to direct the final disposition of his remains. However, since the remains cannot be returned to England for final burial, we have requested the widow to advise us whether she has any objections to this office contacting you for disposition instructions, or if she has remarried since the death of your son.

It is requested that you complete the inclosed "Request for Disposition of Remains" form, indicating your desires for the final disposition of your son's remains, and return it to this office at your earliest convenience. Whether or not the form can be accepted will depend upon the reply from your son's widow. Upon receipt of a reply from the widow, you will be advised.

Your cooperation and promptness in completing and returning the Disposition Form to this office will be greatly appreciated.

Sincerely yours,

W. E. CAMPBELL  
Lt. Colonel, QMC  
Memorial Division



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3 Incls.

1. Req for Disp Fm
2. Postage Coupon
3. Return Envelope



## NAME OF DECEDENT (Last, First, Middle)

Gruber, KurtGRADE

Civilian

SERIAL NUMBER

OQMG FORM 1902  
REV 17 JUN 48



QMGHF 293  
Gruber, Kurt

28 September 1949

Mrs. Jessie Campbell Leith Gruber  
7 Marlborough Hill  
London, N. W. 8, England

Dear Mrs. Gruber:

We are desirous that you be furnished information concerning the remains of your husband, the late Kurt Gruber.

Records in this office indicate that your husband's remains have recently been identified and are being held in above ground storage by our American Graves Registration Command, at the United States Military Cemetery Neuville-en-Condroz, Belgium.

Inasmuch as the remains cannot be returned to England for final burial, it is requested that you advise us at the earliest practicable date, whether you have any objections to this office contacting the parents for disposition instructions.

It is also requested that you advise us if you have remarried since the death of the decedent, in order that we may complete our records.

Your cooperation and promptness in this matter will avoid unnecessary delay and will be greatly appreciated.

Sincerely yours,

W. E. CAMPBELL  
Lt. Colonel, QMC  
Memorial Division

- 3 Incls.  
1. Information Slip  
2. Coupon  
3. Envelope



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CORRESPONDENCE ACTION SHEET				NAME OF DECEDENT (Last, First, Middle)  Gruber, Kurt	
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Mrs. Jessie Campbell Leith Gruber widow		7 Marlborough Hill London, N. W. 8, England			
PARAGRAPHS (Sequence)	ADDITIONAL DATA — MODIFICATIONS				
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ANALYST INITIALS AND DATE		TYPYST INITIALS		REVIEWER INITIALS AND DATE	
<i>28 Sept 49</i>					



OQMG FORM 638  
REV 1 APR 48

OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL OF THE ARMY  
INTRAOFFICE REFERENCE SHEET

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

1 NO.	2 FROM—	3 TO—	4 DATE	5 MESSAGE
3	Mil Pl Div Chief, Pl Br	Liaison Office Mem Div	27 Sep 49	<p>SUBJECT: GRUBER, Kurt</p> <p>1. The following information is submitted concerning Subject individual:</p> <p>a. Status with OSS at time of death - Subject was hired on or about 23 February 1945 and served with the OSS until date of death, under contract of employment.</p> <p>b. Citizenship - German National.</p> <p>c. Name and address of widow - Jessie Campbell Leith Gruber, 7 Marlborough Hill, London, N.W.8.</p> <p>d. Name and address of parents - Decedent's parents are Edward and Bertha Gruber, 105 Gemmericher Street, Ahlen near Hamm, Westphalia, Germany.</p> <p><i>Taylor</i> TAYLOR 5207</p> <p>Attachments n/c</p> <p><i>Butler</i> Butler 4591</p>



INTRA OFFICE REFERENCE SHEET  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL OF THE ARMY

REVISED 1938

NO.	FROM	TO	DATE	MESSAGE
1	CHIEF, DIV.	MASTER, DIV.	27 SEP 49	1. The following information is submitted concerning Subject Individual: a. Status with USG at time of death - Subject was killed on or about 27 February 1948 and served with the OSS until date of death, under contract of employment. b. Citizenship - German National. c. Name and address of widow - Doris Josephine Smith, 7 Westchester Hill, London, E.W.8. d. Name and address of parents - Parents are - Edward and Martha Smith, 128 Cedar Street, Bronx, New York, New York. Attachments: 2

MEMORIAL DIVISION  
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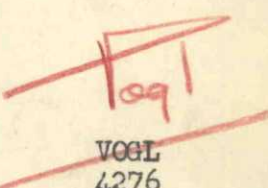
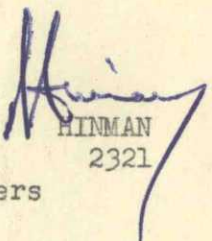
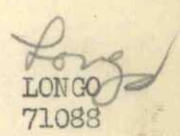
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OQMG FORM 638  
REV 1 APR 48

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

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

1 NO.	2 FROM—	3 TO—	4 DATE	5 MESSAGE
1	Repat Br Mem Div	Liaison Office Mem Div	17 Aug 49	<p>RE: GRUBER, KURT (Civilian) Alias: NOWAK, PAWEL</p> <p>1. The file indicates that the above deceased civilian was an OSS Agent who was killed while being flown over to Germany. In order that this Branch may determine eligibility, it is requested that information be obtained from the O.S.S. as to his status and the name of his Next of Kin.</p> <div></div> <p>Att: Cor Cpy Rep of Bur dtd 21 Apr 49 Ident papers loose papers 293 File</p> <div> VOGL 4276</div>
2	Liaison Office Mem Div	Military Intell.Sect Mil.Planning Division Attn: Mr. Hodges	18 Aug 49	<p>RE: GRUBER, KURT (Civilian) Alias: NOWAK, PAWEL</p> <p>Request that information desired in preceding comment be obtained by your office thru appropriate channels and case returned to this office for further action.</p> <div> HINMAN 2321</div> <div> LONGO 71088</div> <p>3 Incls. 1 - Notice of Ident. w/attached papers 2 - Form 1908 3 - 293 file</p>



OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL OF THE ARMY  
INTRA-OFFICE REFERENCE SHEET

RECEIVED 638

DATE HOUR AND DATE

REFERENCE

DATE

TO

FROM

NO.

RE: QUINER, RWT (Civilian)  
Alias: HOGAN, PHIL

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IV AM  
Office  
New York

Report to  
New York

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Asst:  
Cor Gwy Rep of Bur and 21 Apr 49  
Ident papers  
Local papers  
293 file

RE: QUINER, RWT (Civilian)  
Alias: HOGAN, PHIL

IV AM  
49

IV AM  
Office  
New York

Report to  
New York

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Comment: The information desired is being furnished to your office and is being furnished to this office for their action.

*[Handwritten signature]*

- 1 - Office of Ident.
- 2 - Your file
- 3 - 293 file

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OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL OF THE ARMY  
INTRAOFFICE REFERENCE SHEET

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DUE, HOUR AND DATE

1 NO.	2 FROM—	3 TO—	4 DATE	5 MESSAGE
3	Chief Id Br Mem Div	Chief Operations Branch Mem Div  THRU Repat Br Records Section	19 July 49	<p>REF: Proceeding Command</p> <p>1. Forwarded for necessary action by your Branch relative to disposition of remains of European Civilian Kurt Gruber, alias Pawel Nowak.</p> <p>1. Attached case file forward for necessary correction of records and deflagging.</p> <p>2. All records in Identification Section have been amended and the Field notified.</p> <p>METZ 74059 <i>Barry</i> BARRY 2462</p> <p>1 Incl: 293 file for Kurt Gruber, alias Pawel Nowak (European Civilian)</p>
4	Chief, Records Section Repat Br. Mem Div	Chief, Corres. Section Repat Br. Mem Div	27 July 1949	<p>1. For remark as to eligibility of decedent for repatriation under P.L. 383.</p> <p>2. Reference is made to Par. C 3, <i>Page 39</i> Division Order No. 19, Mem. Div., 23 June 1949.<sup>1</sup></p> <p>1 Incl. n/c</p> <p><i>J</i> SNEDIGAR 5198 <i>FRB</i> Snowden 5198</p>

5 ~~Eligibility reviewed - Determined not eligible - Request Oper Br. to advise A&RC European Area to turn over remains to proper authorities. (See Cable A&RC ETH 3560)~~

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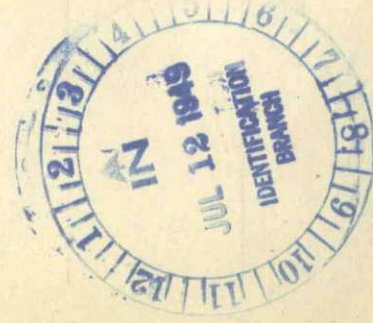
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1 NO.	2 FROM—	3 TO—	4 DATE	5 MESSAGE
1	Chief, Ident Br. Mem Div	Chief, Repat Br Mem Div Corres Sec	30 Jun 1949	<p>1. Reference is made to attached copy radio AGRC 3560.</p> <p>2. Identification of X-757 Neuville as European civilian Kurt Gruber, alias Pawel Nowak, has been approved by this Branch.</p> <p>3. It is requested that information, on which to base a reply to the Field's inquiry as to disposition of remains, be furnished.</p> <p>4. Request return of attached Radio and 293 file with information requested in paragraph 3.</p> <div><div>2 Incls: 1. Radio AGRC 3560 2. 293 file</div><div><i>for Barry</i> METZ 74059</div><div>BARRY 2462</div></div>
2	Chief, Rep Br Res Sec Mem Div	Chief, Ident Br Mem Div	12 July 1949	<p>In compliance with paragraph #3, Comment #1 this case is returned. Decedent is not eligible for repatriation under Public Law 383.</p> <div><div><i>Hinman</i> HINMAN 2321</div><div><i>CMT</i> THOMAS 2703</div></div>



INTRA-OFFICE REFERENCE SHEET

NO.	FROM	TO	DATE	REMARKS
1	Chief, Ident. Div.	Chief, Ident. Div.	1949	1. Reference is made to attached copy radio message dated 7/1/49.
2	Chief, Ident. Div.	Chief, Ident. Div.	1949	2. Identification of A-57 Buaville as Ensign William Paul Brown, alias Paul Brown, has been approved by this branch.
3	Chief, Ident. Div.	Chief, Ident. Div.	1949	3. It is requested that information on which the above is based be furnished to the file in disposition of records, be furnished.
4	Chief, Ident. Div.	Chief, Ident. Div.	1949	4. Medical return of attached radio and 293 file with information requested in paragraph 3.
5	Chief, Ident. Div.	Chief, Ident. Div.	1949	5. In compliance with paragraph 3, copies of the case is returned. Contact is being made with registration under file 293.



REPATRIATION  
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MEMORIAL DIVISION



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20 September 1949

SUBJECT: Request for Information - Kurt Gruber

Department of the Army, Office of the Under Secretary of the Army,  
Strategic Services Unit, Washington 25, D.C.

TO: OMC, Military Planning Division, Department of the Army,  
Washington 25, D.C.

1. In response to your request concerning subject, the following information is submitted:

(a) Status with OSS at time of death - Subject was hired on or about 23 February 1945 and served with the OSS until date of death, under contract of employment.

(b) Citizenship - German National

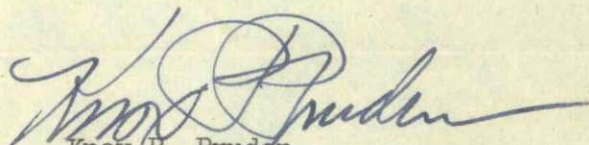
(c) Name and address of widow - Jessie Campbell Leith Gruber, 7 Marlborough Hill, London, N.W.8

(d) Name and address of parents - Decedent's parents are Edward and Bertha Gruber, 105 Gemmericher Street, Ahlen near Hamm, Westphalia, Germany.

2. The addresses given are taken from our records and may not be correct at this time.

3. If further information is required we shall be pleased to furnish same upon request.

FOR THE DIRECTOR:

  
Knox P. Pruden  
Colonel, AGD  
Adjutant



293  
Gruber, Kurt  
file  
to Gray  
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20 September 1949

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SUBJECT: Request for Information - Kurt Gruber

Department of the Army, Office of the Under Secretary of the Army,  
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(c) Name and address of widow - Jessie Campbell Gruber,  
Gruber, 7 Randolph Hill, London, N.W.3

(d) Name and address of parents - Decedent's parents  
are Edward and Bertha Gruber, 105 Germania Street, Allen  
Park, Kansas, Westphalia, Germany.

2. The address given was taken from our records and may  
not be correct at this time.

3. If further information is required we shall be pleased to  
furnish same upon request.

FOR THE DIRECTOR:

John P. Pruden  
Colonel, ASD







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

IN REPLY REFER TO

QMGWI 293

15 September 1949

SUBJECT: Request for Information

TO: Headquarters, Strategic Services Unit, OUSA, 2430 "E"  
Street, N.W., Washington, D. C.  
ATTN: Lt. Colonel Knox P. Pruden

1. Reference is made to recent telephone conversation between Lt. Colonel Pruden, your Office and Miss Butler, Office of The Quartermaster General.

2. It is requested this Office be furnished available data concerning GRUBER, Kurb (Civilian) Alias NOWAK, Pawel:

- a. Status with OSS at time of death.
- b. Citizenship.
- c. Name and address of next of kin.

3. Above information is required to determine his eligibility for repatriation under PL 383.

FOR THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL:

*Robert B. Taylor*  
ROBERT B. TAYLOR  
Lt. Colonel, QMC  
Military Planning Division

293  
Gruber,  
Kurb

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



IN REPLY REFER TO

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concerning GEORGE, Knop (Civilian) Alias: NOWAK, Pawel:

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  - b. Citizenship.
  - c. Name and address of next of kin.
3. Above information is required to determine his eligibility  
for registration under FI 383.

FOR THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL:

ROBERT B. TAYLOR  
Lt. Colonel, GPO  
Military Planning Division

MILITARY PLANNING  
D.O.M.G.  
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913 Gruber, Kurb (Civilian) *ms*

15 September 1949

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- c. Name and address of next of kin.

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FOR THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL:

ROBERT B. TAYLOR  
Lt. Colonel, QMC  
Military Planning Division

J. Butler/4591

T. Hodges/4591

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293 Gruber, Kurt a

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GRUBER, Kurt alias NOWAK, Pawel  
European Civilian

15 July 1949

SUBJECT: Identification of World War II Deceased

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

1. The identification of Kurt Gruber alias Pawel Nowak, European Civilian (formerly X-757, Plot C, Row 3 and Grave 71, USMC Neuville-en-Condroz, Belgium) as established by your headquarters, has been approved by this Office.
2. Request all records be amended accordingly.
3. Information relative to the disposition of remains will be the subject of a later communication.

FOR THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL:

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

cc: Adm Sec  
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293 Nowak, Pawel



*243 Humber Hunt*

15 July 1943

MEMORANDUM  
TO: THE CHIEF OF BUREAU  
FROM: THE CHIEF OF BUREAU  
SUBJECT: THE CHIEF OF BUREAU

SUBJECT: Identification of World War II Deceased

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

1. The identification of Kurt Gerdner alias Pamel Nowak, European  
Civilian (formerly K-757, Plot G, Row 3 and Grave VI, USMC Memorial  
Cemetery, Belgium) as established by your headquarters, has been approved  
by this Office.

2. Request all records be amended accordingly.

3. Information relative to the disposition of remains will be the  
subject of a later communication.

FOR THE CHIEF OF BUREAU:

T. H. WITZ  
Lt. Colonel, GPO  
Memorial Division

cc: Adm Sec  
Mr. CALDER  
Mr. FARMER  
REB: 24



*243 Humber Hunt*



RRE Form #43  
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Attached hereto correspondence and/or other identifying media of possible archival value, pertaining to:

293 GRUBER

Kurt

(Last Name)

(First Name)

(Initial)

(Rank)

(ASN)

Subject remains have been permanently interred overseas in the United  
States Military Cemetery USMC Neuville

Incl #



REPORT OF INVESTIGATION  
AREA SEARCH

AGRC Form 10 (Revised)

6 March 1946

1 January 1946

Date

NAME Unknown R 1-752 Neuville RANK en Condroz ASN unknown

ORGANIZATION A.A.P.

MEANS OF IDENTIFICATION

(All statements above this line will be completed, upon final processing, by the clerical staff at the unit processing point.)

SECTION A — GENERAL (To be completed by investigators in all cases)

1. Was positive identity acquired for the deceased through the surface investigation? no If so, state the following information:
- a. NAME \_\_\_\_\_ RANK \_\_\_\_\_ ASN \_\_\_\_\_
- b. ORGANIZATION \_\_\_\_\_
2. Was partial identification established? yes no If so, state the facts as to whom you believe the deceased to be:
- a. NAME ~~Walsh~~ RANK ~~unknown~~ ASN ~~unknown~~
- b. ORGANIZATION \_\_\_\_\_
3. NAMES OF OTHER DECEASED BURIED IN IMMEDIATE VICINITY see Cemetery Records

(Use reverse side for listing of crew members from MACR)

- a. Date of above burials see cemetery records Common Graves? yes
5. Name and Type of Cemetery Aohner Airborne Mil. Cem.  
(Military or Civilian)
6. Map Coordinates of the Cemetery Sheet K 53 (RW 1322)
- a. Town Brensch Country Germany
7. Give exact location in cemetery of the remains
- a. Section \_\_\_\_\_ Row 2 Grave 144
- b. Is Sketch attached? yes
8. If remains are not located in a cemetery, give exact location
- a. Town \_\_\_\_\_ Coordinates \_\_\_\_\_
- b. Is sketch attached? \_\_\_\_\_ ) does not apply
- c. Is area mined? \_\_\_\_\_ )
9. How is the grave marked? wooden stake with number 144 stamped out on
10. If grave is marked with cross, give exact markings thereon metal plate

a. From what source was this information obtained?  
(Identification tags, personal effects)

1. By Whom

11. Where are the cemetery records? JAG Branch War Crime Section British Army of the Rhine  
(Town Hall, cemetery, burgermeister's office)



- a. What information was contained thereon? see records
- b. Where was the information obtained? unknown
- c. By Whom? unknown
12. What is the date of death? 20 March 1945 0100 hrs
- a. Give basis witness statement
13. What is the cause of death? plane crash
- b. Give basis witness statement
14. What is the date of burial? 21 March 1945
- a. Give basis Cemetery Records
15. What was the place of death? ~~Wiesbaden~~ Schwege, Germany Coords Sheet K 53(RB 3629)
- b. Give basis Civilian witness statement, Cemetery Records
16. Where were the remains found? Schwege near Farmhouse Coords Sheet K 53(RB3418)
- a. By Whom? Civilian Olinde Kruse, Schwege No. 68
- b. Is sketch attached? yes
17. Was a casket used? no Who furnished the casket? None use
- Type of casket \_\_\_\_\_ How marked? \_\_\_\_\_
18. Who made the burial German Mil.  
(Civilian, American Mil. or German Mil.)
- a. What are the names and addresses? unknown
- b. Are certificates and statements attached? yes
- SECTION B — AIR CORPS DECEASED (To be Completed only if Deceased is believed to be an member of the AAF)
19. Were remains found in the plane wreckage? no
- a. Give location in plane from which the bodies were removed \_\_\_\_\_  
(Tail gunner, pilot, radio, turret, etc., or front, side of plane)
- b. Near wreckage? yes
20. Scene of crash must be investigated. Give complete results' of Investigation (if removed, state when and by whom)
- a. Type of Plane 2 motored plane
- b. Markings and/or name on plane Douglas A 26
- c. Give numbers on motors, machine guns, instruments, radios or other equipment: unable to take numbers because plane is under water or poor
21. How did crash occur? unknown Anti-aircraft unknown
- Enemy Planes? unknown Collision? unknown
22. Did plane explode in the air? no On ground? no
23. Did plane burn in the air? no On ground? no
24. What was the direction of the flight? west
25. What was the civilian opinion regarding destination of plane? unknown



26. Had bombs been released prior to the crash? No
27. Does specific time and date of crash correspond with date of death of above named deceased? Yes
28. Number of planes in formation prior to crash Unknown
29. State precise time and date of plane crash 20 March 1945 1.00 hrs.
30. Were parachutists seen? Unknown (Night? x Day)  
 Prisoners? \_\_\_\_\_ How many? Unknown Escaped? Unknown

SECTION C — ARMORED CORPS DECEASED (To be completed only if deceased is believed to have been a member of the Armored Force)

31. Were remains found in wreckage of a tank?  
 a. Give specific position in tank from which deceased was removed  
 \_\_\_\_\_  
 (Radio man, driver, assistant driver or . . . front, side, or back)  
 b. Near wreckage? \_\_\_\_\_
32. Location of destroyed tank must be investigated. Give complete results of investigation. (If removed, state when and by whom)  
 a. Type of tank \_\_\_\_\_  
 b. Markings and/or name of tank \_\_\_\_\_  
 c. Numbers on motors, machine guns, ammunition, instruments, etc \_\_\_\_\_
33. What was the type of enemy action that resulted in the tank's disablement? \_\_\_\_\_
34. Did tank explode? \_\_\_\_\_ Burn? \_\_\_\_\_
35. Number of tanks in immediate vicinity at time of disablement \_\_\_\_\_
36. Does specific time and date of disablement correspond with date of death of above named deceased? \_\_\_\_\_
37. Precise time and date of destruction of tank \_\_\_\_\_
38. Did any of the crew members escape? \_\_\_\_\_ (Night? \_\_\_\_\_ Day?)  
 Prisoners? \_\_\_\_\_
- SECTION D — OTHER BRANCH (To be filled out if B & C are not applicable)
39. Did death occur from any other means? (i. e., truck, jeep, mines drowning, or small arms fire) \_\_\_\_\_  
 If so, give complete and thorough results of the interrogation \_\_\_\_\_
- a. Are all certificates and statements of people who possessed knowledge of the case attached? \_\_\_\_\_
40. State the specific clues and evidence that were obtained in securing the name and facts regarding the above listed deceased \_\_\_\_\_

SECTION E — GENERAL (To be completed by investigation in all cases)

41. Were personal effects recovered by the investigating team No  
 If not, state reason Deceased were taken care of by German Military
- a. Were identification tags found at the time of death? Unknown  
 Where? \_\_\_\_\_ By Whom? \_\_\_\_\_  
 Present disposition \_\_\_\_\_
- If deceased is not identified, personal effects will not be forwarded to PE Depot, but will remain with this form until final identification is made, or investigation is abandoned



b. Were personal effects found at the time of death? Unknown  
Where? Unknown By Whom? Unknown  
Present disposition Unknown

c. Was deceased identified by living members of the crew at the time of death? Unknown

d. Did Cemetery register or corss indicate the immunization shot? No

42. Was Deceased given first aid? No If so, where? No  
By Whom? \_\_\_\_\_ Are statements from the medical people attached? \_\_\_\_\_

43. Was deceased evacuated to a German civilian hospital? No  
WHERE? \_\_\_\_\_ Names of people concerned \_\_\_\_\_

44. Is it possible on surface investigation to obtain from civilian sources a physical description of the deceased? No

45. Is it possible on surface investigation to obtain from civilian sources the condition of the remains? No  
Burnt? \_\_\_\_\_ Decapitated? etc) \_\_\_\_\_

46. Do facts surrounding death show any evidence that it might be an atrocity case? No  
a. If so, give basis for positive assumption \_\_\_\_\_  
b. If so, has higher headquarters been notified? \_\_\_\_\_

47. Was case previously investigated? No By Whom? \_\_\_\_\_  
When? \_\_\_\_\_

48. Give full names, addresses, and information obtained from each person interviewed  
Olinde ~~xxxx~~ Kruse, Schwege, No.68 Germany

49. Are all positive statements regarding identification and particulars surrounding death attached? Yes

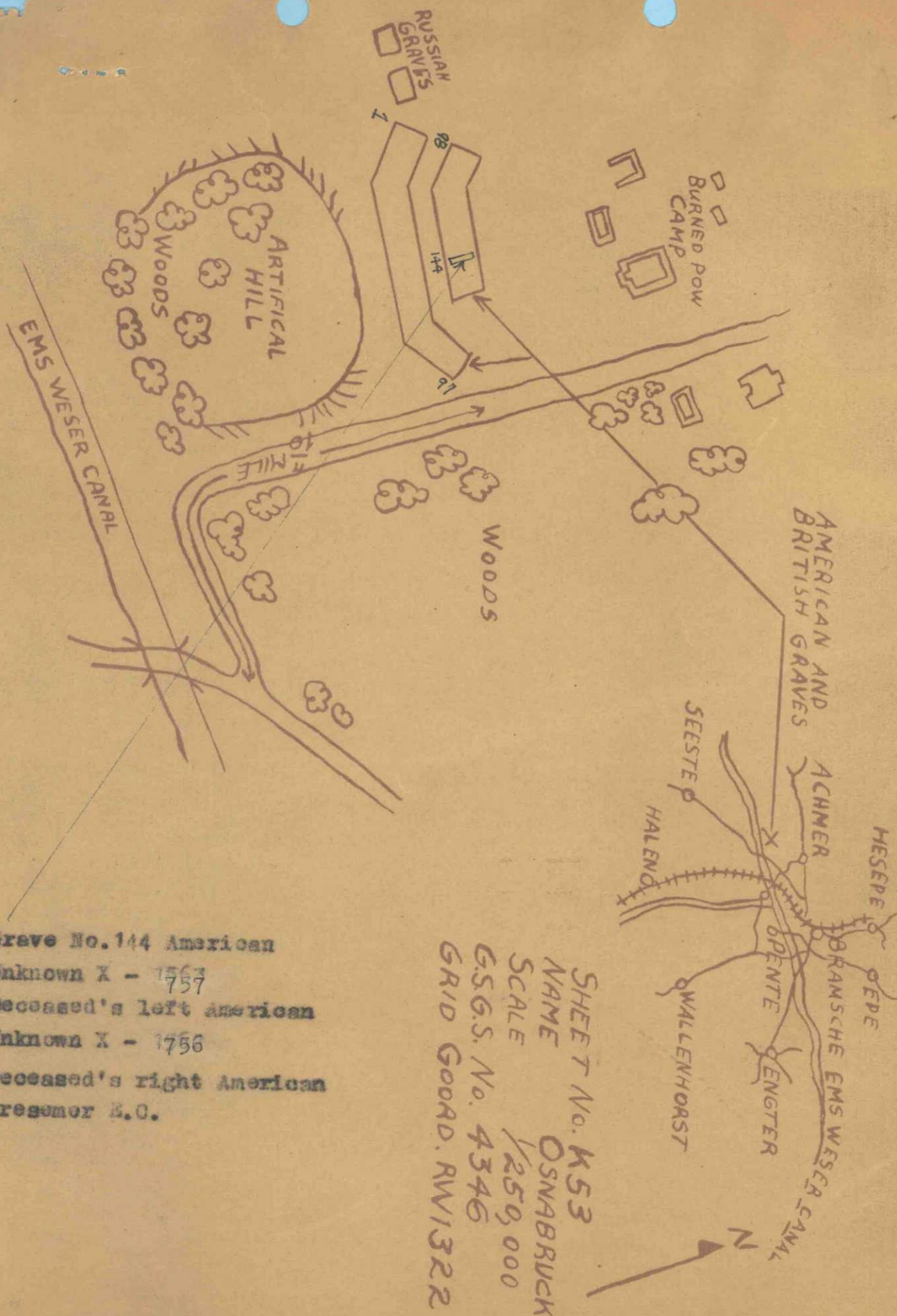
50. Has any information been given concerning isolated burials in the area outside the immediate vicinity? No

51. Was investigation preceded by anvanced publicity? No  
(If special investigation, give case number)

52. Give Brief Narrative Plane crashed in meadow 20 March 1945 01.00 American civili-  
an was found dead on the right side of the plane, and was  
wounded in ~~hidesxxxxxx~~ the right side of the face and head. None  
of the bodies were burned. (Use attached, sheets, if necessary)  
le g. The rest of the deceased were  
badly mangled.

Signature of Interpreter \_\_\_\_\_ Rank \_\_\_\_\_ ASN \_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Investigator Hassel Ferrell Rank \_\_\_\_\_ ASN \_\_\_\_\_  
HASSELFERRELL  
Sgt. 35768120  
608 QM Grave Registration Co.  
Organization \_\_\_\_\_ Organization \_\_\_\_\_

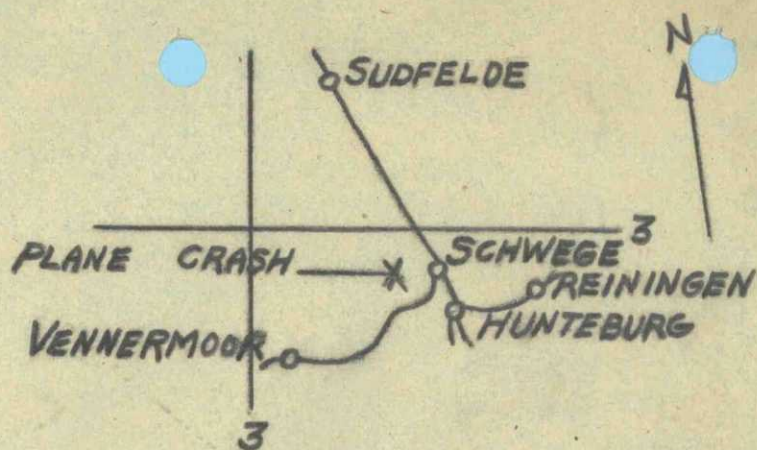




Grave No. 144 American  
 Unknown X - 1563  
 Deceased's left American  
 Unknown X - 1756  
 Deceased's right American  
 Tregemer R.O.

SHEET No. K53  
 NAME OSNABRUCK  
 SCALE 1/250,000  
 G.S.G. No. 4346  
 GRID GOOD. RV1322





SHEET No. K53  
NAME OSNABRUCK  
SCALE 1/250,000  
G.S.G.S. No. 4346  
GRID COORD. RW3428



STRATEGIC SERVICES UNIT, WAR DEPARTMENT  
PARIS STATION  
UNITED STATES FORCES, EUROPEAN THEATER

APD 887  
30 July 1946

SUBJECT: Unidentified personnel on A-26 plane

TO : American Graves Registration Command, Hotel Trianon,  
Versailles  
Attention: Mr. Gutman, Unidentified Branch

1. Reference is made to the case of the A-26 plane which crashed at Schwege, Germany, on 20 March 1945, killing all occupants, three bodies of which still remaining unidentified.

2. Our investigation reveals that only two members of the Office of Strategic Services were officially present on the plane, one being Staff Sergeant Frederick J. Brunner, USMCR, and the other being a European civilian, Kurt Gruber, alias Nowak. Descriptions are as follows:

Platoon Sergeant Frederick J. Brunner, USMCR, Serial No. 371861  
Next of kin: Mr. John Brunner, 41 High Park, Eggertsville, N. Y.  
Date of birth: 16 November 1915  
Physical description: Ruddy complexion, light brown hair, blue eyes (normal), height 70", weight 195 pounds. Scars: right forehead scar 1/2", left eyebrow scar 1", pin mole on left chest, vaccination scar on left arm, mole on left abdomen, mole on right knee, 1/2" scar on the right hand, mole on center of back, birth mark on left thigh. Teeth: #1 - missing; #2 - filling; #3 - two fillings; #4 and #6 - cavity; #14 two fillings; #16 missing; #17 - missing; #19 - cavity and filling; #30 - filling; #32 - missing.

Kurt Gruber, alias Nowak. Born Hovel a/Hamm, Westphalia, 13 May 1912. Height 5 ft 6 in. Head 6-3/4. Shoes 7. Waist 33. Leg length 31. Collar 15. Weight 140. Roundish face. Dark-blond hair. Blue eyes. Fair complexion.

3. The above information represents everything in our files bearing on the case. We hope it will serve in some way to afford identification of the bodies.

4. If we can be of any further assistance in the future, please feel free to call upon us.

F. R. PURCELL  
Major, Infantry



OLINDA KRUSE



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STATEMENT

On the evening of the 20 of March 1945 I was ordered to look at an airplane which had come down. The plane had come down near Schwege, a little distance from Hunteburg. With the policeman Pranghe who was accompanying us, we went to see the plane which was guarded by Mr. Winter, Schwege.

The plane was loosing height and came down slowly. Through hitting the ground it was damaged and slipped into a little brook and was totally destroyed. The only remaining part of the plane was the body.

After investigation it was found out, that it was a Douglas A 26, with 18 cylinder motor and one rudder, further it was noticed, that the plane was not hit by Anti-aircraft or fired upon by another plane. The members of the crew, believed to be 5, were dead.

The names which were identified through identification tags are as follows:

Nowak, Pawel,	through	German identification pass
Tresomer,	"	identification tag
Emmel,	"	id "
Walsh,	"	"
Brunner	"	naby pass

4 of the members were in soldiers out fit, Nowak were civilian clothes. 2 members of the crew were lying beside the plane the other about 20 to 150 meters away. The bodies showed some injuries, probably from the crash, some of them had arms and legs broken.



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All papers and personal effects taken from these bodies were handed over to the Kommandant, except these of the civilian Nowak. The papers of Nowak taken by policeman Pranghe were handed to Kommandant Hospelt, were looked through and later handed over to the secret service. Police Pranghe has taken care of a greater amount of papers, forms, stencils, small headphones and a small microphone, as well as RM. 7000.00 and one pound note (English money).

From papers found on Nowak it could be seen, that he had to be dropped as a spy. For this purpose he was using an automatic paracjute, as all the other members had an ordinary parachute.

From a letter written on paper of the Herman Göring-Works at Prag, could be seen that after a telephone conversation with this factory and another factory at Milheim, Nowak was to be transferred to there. Another letter was written to a certain gentleman in the factory and should be used as a letter of recommendation. On Nowak was found a German identification pass; it showed, that he was of Czech nationality.

The statement given by the wife of the farmer Kruse, who is living nearest to the place of the accident was, that the plane must have come down already in the night of 18 - 19 March 1945, because during this night she heard a great noise.

As the moor is some distance away, the plane had not been noticed until the 20 of March 1945.

Bramsche, den 8. March 1946

*Ernst Grubendorf*  
s/ Ernst Grubendorf



AGRC  
FORM NO. 11  
Revised 5 January 1946

CHECK LIST OF UNKNOWN

(to be completely filled out and attached to each  
copy of Report of Interment WD QMC Form 1042)

Unknown X **757 Neuville en Condroz**  
Cemetery  
Plot **C** Row **3** Grave **71**

1. Arrived at cemetery **1200 16 Mar 46**  
(Hour) (date)

2. Place of death **Schwege, Germany (RB 3629)**  
(Name of closest town) (coordinates and letter Prefex, maps)

**Osnabrück K 53 1/250.000 GSGS 4346**  
Sheet, scale and serials used.

3. Remains recovered or disinterred by **608 QM. Grave Registration Co.**  
(name and organization)

4. Evacuated to Cemetery by **608 QM. Grave Registration Co.**  
(name and organization)

5. Description of clothing and equipment: (if clothes do not fit, obtain size from body measurements).

Item	Clothing Markings	Sizes	Color	wear,	Indicate unusual markings tear, repairs, etc.
*Headgear	<b>no</b> (type)				

Raincoat **no**

Overcoat **no**

Jacket, Field **no** Jacket, Combat **no**

Mackinaw **no**

Sweater **no**

Jacket, HBT **no**

\*Shirt, Wool OD **civilian blue, no markings**

Undershirt, Wool **no**

Undershirt, Cotton **no**

Trousers HBT **civilian, dark green, no markings**

\*Trousers, Wool OD



Belt, Web no

Drawers, Wool no

Drawers, Cotton no

Leggings, Wool no (Note unusual lacing)

Socks, Cotton no

\*Shoes (type) no

Overshoes no

Web Equipment (type) no

(Other item) no west

(Other item) parachute harness

\*If body is nude, sizes of these items should be computed by measuring the remains.

6. Chevrons or Insignia none (type & location; shirt, jacket, coat, helmet)

Shoulder Patch none

7. Does clothing indicate that deceased was a member of the Air, Ground or Naval Forces

clothing indicates a civilian

8. Description of Remains:

Age unknown Height 5'9 1/2 Weight 150 Description of wounds jaw broken

Bandages or dressings none Scars unable to determine, flesh decomposed  
(Length, width, location)

Tattoos unable to determine, flesh decomposed  
(Number, location — illustrate on sep. page)

Outstanding moles, warts or birthmarks unable to determine, flesh decomposed  
(yes-no; description, location)

Sunburn or tan, other than hands & face unable to determine, flesh decomposed

Complexion unable to determine, flesh decomposed  
(light, med, dark, clear, pimples, bolls, freckles)

Build large  
(large, fat, thin, muscular)

Hair light brown, 1 1/2 inches, straight  
(color, length, quantity, curly, wavy, straight, whorls, or definite parting).

Hair  
(baldness, widows peak, distinctive cutting or other characteristics)



Sideburns brown Mustache none Beard or Goatee none  
(color, setting, shape) (color, size, shape) (length, heavy, light, color, extent)

Eyes decomposed Eyebrows unable to determine, flesh decomposed  
(color, setting, shape) (color, bushiness, extent across nose)

Nose straight Ears unable to determine, flesh decomposed  
(size, shape, straight) (size, set close to or far from head)

Mouth medium Lips flesh decomposed  
(large, medium, small) (small, large, full)

Teeth see attached tooth chart  
(white, size, unevenness, spacing, noticeable crowns, fillings, extract.)

Chin normal  
(prominent, receding, pointed, dimple, double)

Jaw badly broken, normal Circumference of head in inches 21 inches  
(large, small, normal) (hat band)

Neck normal Larynx decomposed  
(size, length, short, normal, wrinkled) (Prominent, normal)

Shoulders broad Arms disjointed  
(broad, straight, small, rounded) (length, muscular, color)

(extent and quantity of hair)

Hands normal

Fingers thick, short  
(short, thick, long, slender, size of knuckles, missing fingers or joints.) (Unusual characteristics of fingernails)

Chest 32 inches  
(size of nipples, color, quantity & extent of hair, large, small, normal).

Back unable to determine Waist 30 inches  
(quantity & extent of hair) (size of navel, appendectomy, amount)

Circumcision unable to determ. Pubic hair brown  
(yes-no) (color)

Hernioplasty unable to determine  
(yes-no; location)

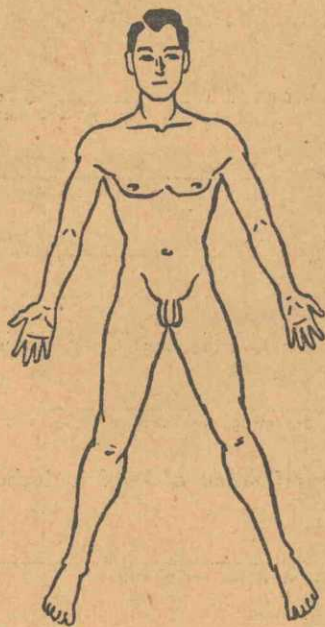
Legs unable to determine, disjointed  
(inseam, muscular, knock-kneed, bowed, normal, quantity, color & extent of hair)

Feet unable to determine, disjointed Toes disjointed  
(Size, corns, callouses, flat) (slender, straight, crooked, overlap)

Evidence of healed fractures none  
(nose, arms, legs, etc.)



9. Black out parts of body not received at cemetery:



10. Have fingerprints been placed on Report of Interment no  
Yes-no

If not, explain  flesh decomposed

11. Has tooth chart been prepared yes If not, explain  
Yes-no

12. Remarks:  jaw broken, arms and feet broken disjointed.  
 This deceased was found in civilian clothes, identity unknown.

I certify that I have personally viewed the remains of subject deceased and all resulting information has been recorded to the best of my knowledge.

*Hugo H. Grosz*  
**HUGO H. GROSZ**

Officers Name

**2nd.Lt. INF.**

Rank

Service

**608 M. Grave Registration Co.**  
Organization



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IDENTIFICATION CHECK LIST

DATE  
23 June 1949  
ROW 3 GRAVE 71

UNKNOWN X- NO. OR OTHER DESIGNATION  
X-757

CEMETERY  
Neuville en Condroz

PLOT  
C

IDENTIFIED AS  
GRUBER, Kurt alias NOWAK, Pawel, European Civilian

ITEM	FAVORABLE	UNFAVORABLE	UNKNOWN
DATE AND PLACE OF DEATH			
CAUSE OF DEATH	X		
DENTAL CHART	X		
COLOR HAIR	Fillings not American type		
ESTIMATED HEIGHT			
ESTIMATED WEIGHT			
SCARS, FRACTURES, ETC.			
LAUNDRY MARKS			
SHOE SIZE			
TYPE CLOTHING			
IDENTIFICATION TAG	X Civilian		
PERSONAL EFFECTS			
STATEMENT OF CIVILIANS			
ENEMY RECORDS	X		
EMERGENCY MEDICAL TAG	Attached		
PAY BOOK (EM/OFF.)			
SIGNED STATEMENT OF IDENTITY			
3 identified crew members of subject A/C recovered from same cemetery			
REMARKS			

Kurt Gruber alias Pawel Nowak, an O.S.S. agent, was aboard A/C 42-22524, which crashed on 19 March 1945, resulting in the death of the five men aboard. The crew consisted of three Army personnel and one member of the Marine Corps, Pl. Sgt. Brunner.

Civilians who witnessed the crash state that an A-26 plane went down near Hunteburg, Germany on 20 March 1945.\* Five bodies (including one in civilian dress) were recovered and identified by name; Tresemer, Emmel and Walch through ID tags, Brunner through a Navy pass and Nowak (GRUBER) through German identification papers. Burial location was reported as the Achmer Military Cemetery.

Five remains associated with this case were recovered from the Achmer Airdrome Military Cemetery, i.e., three known, Emmel, Walch & Tresemer and unknowns X-756 & X-757 Neuville. The case of X-756 has been released to the Navy for identification as Pl. Sgt. Brunner through favorable tooth chart comparison. Tooth chart accomplished for X-757 compares negatively with that of Brunner.

Coordinates: (K-53 1/250,000)  
Place of crash - Hunteburg (German Records).....52.26N - 8.16E  
Remains recovered - Achmer.....52.24N - 7.55E Approx.  
15 miles southwest of Hunteburg.

\*German Film 132711 gives date of crash as 19 March 1945 which agrees with MACR.

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AFPPA-14 (10 APR. 46)

MISSING AIR CREW REPORT  
WAR DEPARTMENT  
HEADQUARTERS ARMY AIR FORCES  
WASHINGTON

MACR NO. 13281

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.

- 1. ORGANIZATION: LOCATION: Harrington COMMAND OR AIR FORCE 1st A.D  
GROUP 492nd Bomb; SQUADRON Headquarters; DETACHMENT \_\_\_\_\_
- 2. SPECIFY: POINT OF DEPARTURE Harrington; COURSE \_\_\_\_\_  
INTENDED DESTINATION \_\_\_\_\_; TYPE OF MISSION \_\_\_\_\_
- 3. WEATHER CONDITIONS AND VISIBILITY AT TIME OF CRASH OR WHEN LAST REPORTED: \_\_\_\_\_
- 4. GIVE: (A) DATE 19 Mar 1945 TIME 2320; AND LOCATION OF LAST KNOWN  
WHEREABOUTS OF MISSING AIRCRAFT Harrington  
(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 A-26C; AAF SERIAL NO. 43-22524
- 7. ENGINES: TYPE, MODEL AND SERIES \_\_\_\_\_; AAF SERIAL NO. (A) \_\_\_\_\_  
(B) \_\_\_\_\_ (C) \_\_\_\_\_ (D) \_\_\_\_\_
- 8. INSTALLED WEAPONS (FURNISH BELOW MAKE, TYPE AND SERIAL NUMBER)  
(A) \_\_\_\_\_ (B) \_\_\_\_\_ (C) \_\_\_\_\_ (D) \_\_\_\_\_  
(E) \_\_\_\_\_ (F) \_\_\_\_\_ (G) \_\_\_\_\_ (H) \_\_\_\_\_
- 9. THE PERSONS LISTED BELOW WERE REPORTED AS: (A) BATTLE CASUALTY \_\_\_\_\_  
OR (B) NON-BATTLE CASUALTY \_\_\_\_\_
- 10. NUMBER OF PERSONS ABOARD AIRCRAFT: CREW 4; PASSENGERS 0; TOTAL 4  
(Starting with pilot, furnish the following particulars: If more than 11 persons were aboard aircraft, list similar particulars on separate sheet and attach original to this form)

CREW POSITION	NAME IN FULL (LAST NAME FIRST)	RANK	SERIAL NUMBER	STATUS
(1) PILOT	Emmel, Oliver H.	1/Lt.	0-2045247	KIA C-5-102 Neuville
(2) <del>xxxxxx</del> Nav	Walch, John W.	Major	0-790106	KIA C-5-101 Neuville
(3) Bomb	Tresemmer, Edward C	Major	0-434010	KIA C-5-104 Neuville
(4) Flex Gnr	Brunner, Fredrick J	S/Sgt	371866 (USMC)	DED RX-756 Neuville (Navy)
(5)				
(6)	OSS records also disclose the presence aboard plane of civilian			
(7)	Gruber, Kurt			RX-757 Neuville
(8)				
(9)	Walch - Ident. through ID tag			
(10)	Tresemmer - Ident. through clothing markings and cemetery records			
(11)	Emmel - Ident. through ID tag.			

- 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	SAW CRASH	SAW FORCED LANDING
(1)						
(2)						
(3)						

- 12. IF PERSONNEL ARE BELIEVED TO HAVE SURVIVED, ANSWER YES TO ONE OF THE FOLLOWING STATEMENTS: (A) PARACHUTES WERE USED \_\_\_\_\_; (B) PERSONS WERE SEEN WALKING AWAY FROM SCENE OF CRASH \_\_\_\_\_; OR (C) ANY OTHER REASON (SPECIFY) \_\_\_\_\_
- 13. ATTACH EYEWITNESS DESCRIPTION OF CRASH, FORCED LANDING, OR OTHER CIRCUMSTANCES PERTAINING TO MISSING AIRCRAFT.
- 14. ATTACH AERIAL PHOTOGRAPH, MAP, CHART, OR SKETCH, SHOWING APPROXIMATE LOCATION WHERE AIRCRAFT WAS LAST SEEN.
- 15. ATTACH A DESCRIPTION OF THE EXTENT OF SEARCH, IF ANY, AND GIVE NAME, RANK AND SERIAL NUMBER OF OFFICER IN CHARGE \_\_\_\_\_

REMARKS: (Use additional sheets if necessary)  
(Date of Report) \_\_\_\_\_ (Signature of Preparing Officer) \_\_\_\_\_



Tent. identified as GRUBER, Kurt, European  
civilian. No T/6 of physical description  
available

Unknown X- 757 Neuville

R-8 Maxilla Missing )  
R-7 MSD  
R-6 moA  
R-5  
R-4 caries m  
R-3 Broken  
R-2 MSD  
R-1 MSD

L-1  
L-2  
L-3  
L-4  
L-5 oA  
L-6 X  
L-7 X  
L-8 oA

R-16 X  
R-15 X  
R-14 X  
R-13 oA  
R-12  
R-11 chipped  
R-10  
R-9

L-9  
L-10  
L-11  
L-12  
L-13 oA oA  
L-14 X  
L-15 X  
L-16 oA

5' 3 3/4" (est.)  
Med. Brown

Civilian type clothing  
Parachute Harness

The fillings in the teeth appear to be very rough  
which indicates fillings were not put in by American



## DENTAL CHART

Unknown X- 756 Neuville

Name: BRUNNER, Frederick  
Pl. Sgt., 371861, USMC

R-8	une rupted
R-7	oA
R-6	oA oA
R-5	
R-4	
R-3	MSD
R-2	MSD
R-1	MSD

L-1	MSD
L-2	MSD
L-3	
L-4	
L-5	chipped
L-6	oA oA chipped
L-7	Broken
L-8	X

R-16	X
R-15	
R-14	oA
R-13	
R-12	Broken
R-11	Broken
R-10	Broken
R-9	Mandible Missing

L-9	MSD
L-10	Broken
L-11	Broken
L-12	
L-13	
L-14	oA
L-15	
L-16	X

5' 11 3/16" (est.)

Evidence of healed fracture directly below R-10

R-8	X
R-7	oA
R-6	oA oA
R-5	caries o
R-4	
R-3	X extracted 12 Feb. 1945
R-2	
R-1	

L-1	
L-2	
L-3	
L-4	
L-5	
L-6	oA oA
L-7	
L-8	X

R-16	X
R-15	
R-14	oA caries o
R-13	
R-12	
R-11	
R-10	
R-9	

L-9	
L-10	
L-11	
L-12	
L-13	
L-14	oA
L-15	
L-16	X

Naval Dental Record - 29 June 1942

5' 10"



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19 March 1945, 1600h

near Hunteburg, 3 km North of Welplage

Type of plane: Douglas . 98% wreckage

Crew : 5 corpses



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FROM QMGH REURAD 3560 CMA 2 JUNE 49

XRAY 757 NEUVILLE UNDER INVESTIGATION PD YOUR HQS WILL BE ADVISED SAP

*Kurt Gruber, alias Paul Novak  
European Civilian*

AGHC 3560 is NC IN NO. 74724 (2 June 49)

cc: Adm Sec  
FARMER/rar  
REB

*Farmer*

REB

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GRAVES

QMGH CAPT HENRY KOT. 72947  
293 - X-757 (Neuville)

10 JUNE 49

J. G. HOLLOWAY  
LT. COLONEL, QMG, MEM DIV



AG 704 - Dead (20 Mar 46)  
S. R. & D. No. 5590

20 March 1946

MEMORANDUM FOR: Chief, Casualty Branch

SUBJECT Review and Determination of Status  
Under the Missing Persons Act

# I - FACTS

1. The persons named below, of the organizations indicated, were reported missing in action, in flying pay status, over Belgium and Germany as of 19 March 1945, by ETO Shipments 090 and 087

<u>NAME</u>	<u>ASN</u>	<u>GRADE</u>
b. Headquarters Squadron, 492nd Bombardment Group:		
Tresemmer, Edward C.	0434010	Major
Headquarters, 25th Bombardment Group:		
Walch, John W.	0790106	Major
654th Bombardment Squadron, 25th Bombardment Group:		
Emmel, Oliver H.	02045247	First Lieutenant

3. Missing Air Crew Report No. 13281, dated 26 March 1945, reveals that the persons named in paragraph 1b and a member of the Marine Corps constituted the crew of an A-26 type aircraft, number 43-22524, which departed Harrington, England, on a secret mission to the Dummer Lake area in Germany. The aircraft was not seen or heard from after the take-off, 19 March 1945, at 2320 hours. The weather was given as "Clouds: 9/10, base 700 feet. Visibility: 3000 yards. Weather: Light continuous rain."

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Headquarters, 25th Bombardment Group:		
Welch, John W.	0790106	Major
54th Bombardment Squadron, 25th Bombardment Group:		
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2. Missing Air Crew Report No. 13831, dated 28 March 1945, reveals that the persons named in paragraph 1b and a member of the Marine Corps constituted the crew of an A-26 type aircraft, number 43-22224, which departed Harrington, England, on a secret mission to the Dummer Lake area in Germany. The aircraft was not seen or heard from after the take-off, 19 March 1945, at 2320 hours. The weather was given as "Clouds: 9/10, base 700 feet. Visibility: 3000 yards. Weather: light continuous rain."

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12. An examination of the files of these persons in Casualty Branch, Officers Branch and Enlisted Branch, AGO, does not reveal any further information relevant to this review.

## II - CONCLUSIONS

1. Subject persons became missing in action on 19 March 1945 while they were crew-members or sole occupants of aircraft which were on mission over Belgium and Germany. A Missing Air Crew Report has been received in connection with the loss of each aircraft; and statements concerning the disappearance of the person or persons aboard the plane have been obtained from one or more known survivors of each aircraft in which there was a crew. The reports are highly indicative of death. One plane, a B-17, was last sighted over Belgium; another, an A-26, was last seen at its take-off on a mission in Germany; returned crew-members stated that their B-24 crashed in Germany with the missing members still in the plane, four of whom had no parachute on when last seen.

2. In view of the foregoing facts and circumstances, together with the fact that no report has been received in the War Department during the twelve months which have elapsed since the inception of the subject persons' missing in action status indicating that they are alive, it is concluded that they may not "reasonably be presumed to be living" within the meaning of Section 5 of the Missing Persons Act.



S. R. & D. No. 5590

### III - RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that findings of death be made under the provisions of Section 5 of the Missing Persons Act in the cases of the persons named in Part I, paragraph 1, above, and that these findings show the presumed date of death, in each case, to be 20 March 1946.

/i/ DMcP  
Investigator

/i/ RD  
Captain, AGD

#### CONCURRED IN:

/i/ JTB  
Wm. D. Cartwright  
Lt. Col., A. G. D.  
Officer in Charge  
Status Review and  
Determination Section

#### APPROVED:

/i/ GMW  
GEORGE M. WEIR  
Lieutenant Colonel, AGD  
Acting Chief, Casualty Branch



REPORT OF INVESTIGATION  
AREA SEARCH

AGRC Form 10 (Revised)

6 March 1946

1 January 1946

Date

NAME ~~Unknown~~ X - 757 Neuville RANK en Condroz ASN unknown

ORGANIZATION A.A.F.

MEANS OF IDENTIFICATION

(All statements above this line will be completed, upon final processing, by the clerical staff at the unit processing point.)

SECTION A — GENERAL (To be completed by investigators in all cases)

1. Was positive identity acquired for the deceased through the surface investigation? no If so, state the following information:

a. NAME RANK ASN

b. ORGANIZATION

2. Was partial identification established? yes no If so, state the facts as to whom you believe the deceased to be:

a. NAME ~~XXXXX~~ RANK ~~XXXXXX~~ ASN ~~XXXXXX~~

b. ORGANIZATION

3. NAMES OF OTHER DECEASED BURIED IN IMMEDIATE VICINITY see Cemetery Records

(Use reverse side for listing of crew members from MACR)

a. Date of above burials see cemetery records Common Graves? yes

5. Name and Type of Cemetery Achmer Airdrome Mil.Cem.

(Military or Civilian)

6. Map Coordinates of the Cemetery Sheet K 53 (RW 1322)

a. Town Bramsche Country Germany

7. Give exact location in cemetery of the remains

a. Section Row 2 Grave 144

b. Is Sketch attached? yes

8. If remains are not located in a cemetery, give exact location

a. Town Coordinates )

b. Is sketch attached? ) does not apply

c. Is area mined? )

9. How is the grave marked? wooden stake with number 144 stamped out on

10. If grave is marked with cross, give exact markings thereon metal plate

a. From what source was this information obtained?

(Identification tags, personal effects)

1. By Whom

11. Where are the cemetery records? JAG Branch War Crime Section British Army of the Rhine  
(Town Hall, cemetery, burgermeister's office)



- a. What information was contained thereon? see records
- b. Where was the information obtained? unknown
- c. By Whom? unknown
12. What is the date of death? 20 March 1945 01:00 hrs
- a. Give basis witness statement
13. What is the cause of death? plane crash
- b. Give basis witness statement
14. What is the date of burial? 21 March 1945
- a. Give basis Cemetery Records
15. What was the place of death? ~~XXXXXXXXXX~~ Schwege, Germany Coords Sheet K 53(RB 3629)
- b. Give basis Civilian witness statement, Cemetery Records
16. Where were the remains found? Schwege near Farmhouse Coords Sheet K 53(RB3418)
- a. By Whom? Civilian Olinde Kruse, Schwege No. 68
- b. Is sketch attached? yes
17. Was a casket used? no Who furnished the casket? none use
- Type of casket \_\_\_\_\_ How marked? \_\_\_\_\_
18. Who made the burial German Mil.  
(Civilian, American Mil. or German Mil.)
- a. What are the names and addresses? unknown
- b. Are certificates and statements attached? yes
- SECTION B — AIR CORPS DECEASED (To be Completed only if Deceased is believed to be a member of the AAF)
19. Were remains found in the plane wreckage? no
- a. Give location in plane from which the bodies were removed \_\_\_\_\_  
(Tail gunner, pilot, radio, turret, etc., or front, side of plane)
- b. Near wreckage? yes
20. Scene of crash must be investigated. Give complete results of Investigation (if removed, state when and by whom)
- a. Type of Plane 2 motored plane
- b. Markings and/or name on plane Douglas A 26
- c. Give numbers on motors, machine guns, instruments, radios or other equipment: unable to take numbers because plane is under water or moor
21. How did crash occur? unknown Anti-aircraft unknown
- Enemy Planes? unknown Collision? unknown
22. Did plane explode in the air? no On ground? no
23. Did plane burn in the air? no On ground? no
24. What was the direction of the flight? west
25. What was the civilian opinion regarding destination of plane? unknown



26. Had bombs been released prior to the crash? No
27. Does specific time and date of crash correspond with date of death of above named deceased? Yes
28. Number of planes in formation prior to crash Unknown
29. State precise time and date of plane crash 20 March 1945 1.00 hrs.  
(Night? ~~Day?~~)
30. Were parachutists seen? Unknown How many? Unknown Escaped? Unknown  
Prisoners? \_\_\_\_\_

SECTION C — ARMORED CORPS DECEASED (To be completed only if deceased is believed to have been a member of the Armored Force)

31. Were remains found in wreckage of a tank?  
a. Give specific position in tank from which deceased was removed  
\_\_\_\_\_  
(Radio man, driver, assistant driver or . . . front, side, or back)  
b. Near wreckage? \_\_\_\_\_
32. Location of destroyed tank must be investigated. Give complete results of investigation. (If removed, state when and by whom)  
a. Type of tank \_\_\_\_\_  
b. Markings and/or name of tank \_\_\_\_\_  
c. Numbers on motors, machine guns, ammunition, instruments, etc \_\_\_\_\_
33. What was the type of enemy action that resulted in the tank's disablement? \_\_\_\_\_
34. Did tank explode? \_\_\_\_\_ Burn? \_\_\_\_\_
35. Number of tanks in immediate vicinity at time of disablement \_\_\_\_\_
36. Does specific time and date of disablement correspond with date of death of above named deceased? \_\_\_\_\_

37. Precise time and date of destruction of tank \_\_\_\_\_  
(Night? Day?)
38. Did any of the crew members escape? \_\_\_\_\_ Prisoners? \_\_\_\_\_

SECTION D — OTHER BRANCH (To be filled out if B & C are not applicable)

39. Did death occur from any other means? (i. e., truck, jeep, mines drowning, or small arms fire) \_\_\_\_\_  
If so, give complete and thorough results of the interrogation  
a. Are all certificates and statements of people who possessed knowledge of the case attached? \_\_\_\_\_
40. State the specific clues and evidence that were obtained in securing the name and facts regarding the above listed deceased \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

SECTION E — GENERAL (To be completed by investigation in all cases)

41. Were personal effects recovered by the investigating team No  
If not, state reason Deceased were taken care of by German Military  
a. Were identification tags found at the time of death? Unknown  
Where? \_\_\_\_\_ By Whom? \_\_\_\_\_  
Present disposition \_\_\_\_\_
- If deceased is not identified, personal effects will not be forwarded to PE Depot, but will remain with this form until final identification is made, or investigation is abandoned



b. Were personal effects found at the time of death? Unknown  
Where? Unknown By Whom? Unknown  
Present disposition Unknown

c. Was deceased identified by living members of the crew at the time of death? Unknown  
d. Did Cemetery register or cross indicate the immunization shot? No

42. Was Deceased given first aid? No If so, where? No  
By Whom? \_\_\_\_\_ Are statements from the medical people attached? \_\_\_\_\_

43. Was deceased evacuated to a German civilian hospital? No  
WHERE? \_\_\_\_\_ Names of people concerned \_\_\_\_\_

44. Is it possible on surface investigation to obtain from civilian sources a physical description of the deceased? No  
45. Is it possible on surface investigation to obtain from civilian sources the condition of the remains? No  
Burnt? \_\_\_\_\_ Decapitated? etc) \_\_\_\_\_

46. Do facts surrounding death show any evidence that it might be an atrocity case? No  
a. If so, give basis for positive assumption \_\_\_\_\_  
b. If so, has higher headquarters been notified? \_\_\_\_\_

47. Was case previously investigated? No By Whom? \_\_\_\_\_  
When? \_\_\_\_\_

48. Give full names, addresses, and information obtained from each person interviewed  
Olinde ~~xxxx~~ Kruse, Schwege, No.68 Germany

49. Are all positive statements regarding identification and particulars surrounding death attached? Yes  
50. Has any information been given concerning isolated burials in the area outside the immediate vicinity? No  
51. Was investigation preceded by advanced publicity? No  
(If special investigation, give case number)

52. Give Brief Narrative Plane crashed in meadow 20 March 1945 01.00 American civil-  
ian was found dead on the right side of the plane, and was  
wounded in ~~hides were~~ burned the right side of the face and head. None  
of the bodies were burned. One of the flyers was wounded in the right  
leg. The rest of the deceased were  
badly mangled. (Use attached sheets, if necessary)

Signature of Interpreter \_\_\_\_\_ Signature of Investigator Hass Elferrell  
HASS ELFERRELL  
Sgt. 35768120

Rank \_\_\_\_\_ ASN \_\_\_\_\_ Rank \_\_\_\_\_ ASN \_\_\_\_\_

Organization \_\_\_\_\_ Organization 608 QM Grave Registration Co.



CASE HISTORY

UNKNOWN No X-757

U.S. Military Cemetery Neuville.

European Civilian KURT GRUBER,  
alias PAWEL NOWAK.

1. A/C 43-22524 crashed in the vicinity of Schwege, Germany, on 20 March 1945.
2. The A/C carried four crew members and one European civilian. All five were killed in the crash.
3. With the identity of X-756 as Pl. Sgt. Brunner, all four crew members have been identified and reburied as Knowns in USMC Neuville.
4. Civilian Gruber is the only remaining casualty of the subject A/C and X-757 is the only remaining deceased Unknown disinterred from the cemetery at Achmer Airdrome that can definitely be connected with this A/C. Also, X-757 is the only deceased Unknown that is assumed to be a civilian.

*E. J. Murray*



HEADQUARTERS  
AMERICAN GRAVES REGISTRATION COMMAND  
EUROPEAN AREA  
APO 58 U S ARMY

RRE 200.2

Date 29 DEC 1948

SUBJECT: Reprocessing of Remains

TO: The Quartermaster General  
2nd & T Sts. S.W..  
Washington 25, D.C.

The remains of X - 757  
interred in Plot C, Row 3, Grave 71, USMC Neuville  
Belgium, have been reprocessed and the information  
not previously forwarded to your Headquarters is herewith submitted.

NECKTIE, Woven with label	: " <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px; display: inline-block;">S. Foerder Berlin W. 15 Kurfurstendamm 254</div> "
VEST, Dark blue	: Serge herring bone
SHIRT, Green cotton	: Civilian type
DRAWERS, Cotton	: Civilian type with elastic waist band
SOCKS, Heavy wool	: Pair
OUTER FLYING SUIT	: British canvas zipper type. Zipper marked :made in England with the word DOT
FLYING SUIT, 2 Piece wool	: Dark blue serge herring bone. Sample enclosed.
JACKET, Gabardine	: Sample enclosed
HEIGHT	: Estimated 5' 3 3/4"
HAIR	: Medium brown, 1 1/2 long, slightly wavy
TEETH	: Recovered from within remains
CLOTHING	: Found on the remains. Illegible marking on shirt below the collar. Forwarded to LAB.
AGE	: Estimated 25 years

Samples of clothing forwarded as an aid to identification.

FOR THE COMMANDING GENERAL :

*George L. Freeman*  
GEORGE L. FREEMAN  
1st Lt QMC  
Actg Asst Adj Gen

- 5 Incls. :
1. Dental Chart
  2. Skeletal Chart
  3. Laboratory Report
  4. Supplemental Remarks
  5. Inventory of Effects

Incl #14



TOOTH CHART

USMC Neuville  
G - 3 - 71

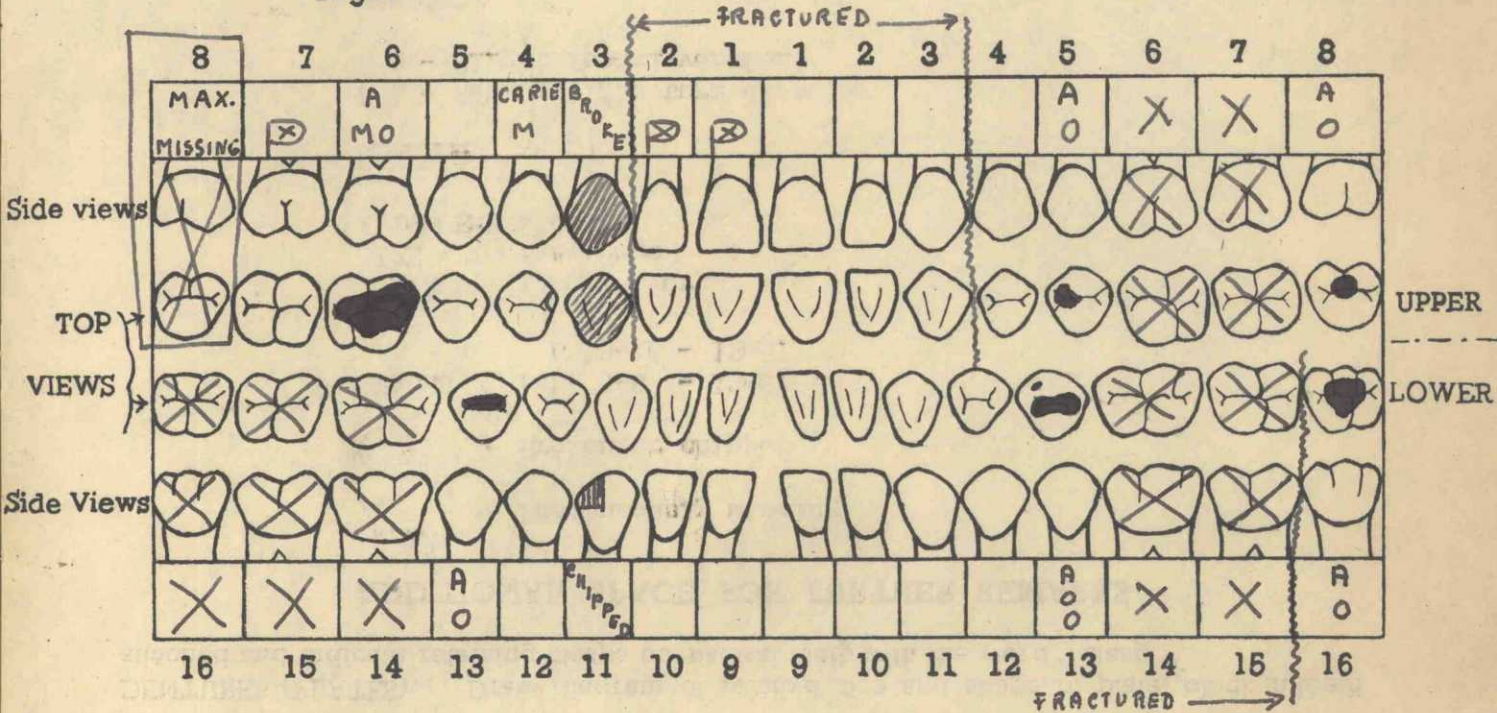
16 November, 1948  
Date

Unknown X-757

Last Name	First	Initial	Grade	Serial No.
Unit		Organization		
Place of Death		Date of Death	Cause of Death	

Right

Left



This dental chart is very important and should be filled in with great care. There are 32 teeth to be accounted for, as shown by the numbers on the chart. Beginning at the middle line in both upper and lower jaws, the teeth are arranged symmetrically on either side and classed as incisors (cutting teeth), cuspids or canines (tearing teeth), bicuspid (chewing teeth), and molars (principal chewing teeth). An examination should be made and findings charted to cover the following basic conditions: Lost teeth, crowned teeth, bridge work, fillings, caries (cavities of decay), dentures (plates), and any deformity of jaws found. See reverse side for illustrations.

CERTIFIED TRUE COPY:

*George L. Freeman*  
GEORGE L. FREEMAN  
1st Lt QMC

/S/ Ivor J. Fosmo  
Signature of Officer or other person who prepared Tooth chart

Verified by G. R. C. Officer


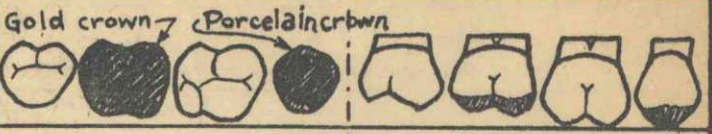
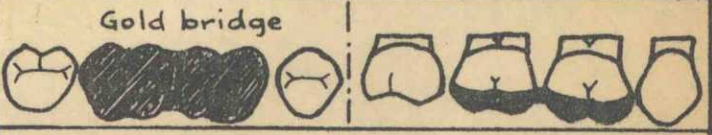
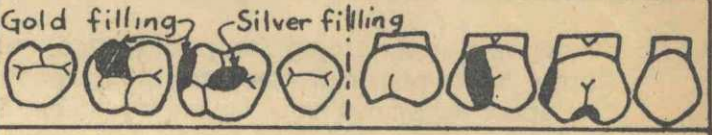

S.T.

ET FORM 1-22 (29 AUG. 46)

(OLD GRAVE REGISTRATION FORM 1-A)


AGL (3) 10-46-50M-6912-1207




MISSING TEETH... All teeth missing through previous extraction (not those fractured or displaced by recent wounds) should be "X" 'd out and labeled, thus :	
CROWNED TEETH... Block in solid the crown of tooth (label gold, porcelain, Silver or gold and porcelain), thus :	
BRIDGE WORK... Block in solid the crown of tooth (label gold bridge, gold and porcelain bridge), thus :	
FILLINGS.. Draw filling on tooth as accurately as possible (block in and label gold, silver, cement), thus :	
CARIES (CAVITIES). Outline location and size of cavity, shade in thus :	

DENTURES (PLATES)... Draw diagram of relative size and shape of plate, block in teeth attached and indicate retaining clasps on natural teeth with the word " clasp "

ADDITIONAL SPACE FOR FURTHER REMARKS

 - Posthumously missing

 - Broken or chipped

SPACES : L 5-8 - 13mm.  
          L 13-16 - 12mm.

COLOR : Dull Ivory  
SIZE : Average  
ALIGNMENT : Good

MAXILLA

R 4 - Rotated 1/16 turn distally  
L 2 - Slight facial version

MANDIBLE

L 13 - Rotated 1/8 turn mesially  
L 16 - Mesial version

NOTE : A large amount of calcus is present on lower incisors. The fillings in the teeth appear to be very rough which indicates that the fillings were not put in by American.



SKELETAL CHART

16 November, 1948

(BLACK OUT PARTS OF BODY NOT RECEIVED AT CEMETERY)

Unknown X-757  
USMC Neuville  
C - 3 - 71

ULNA 25.1cm.

RADIUS 23.6cm.

FEMUR 43.6cm.

TIBIA 36.6cm.

Est.HEIGHT: 5' 3 3/4"



CENTRAL IDENTIFICATION POINT  
 CHEMICAL LABORATORY  
 DETACHMENT "B" 7887 AGRC GP.  
 APO 58 US. ARMY

30 November, 1948

Chemical Lab. Case No. 2923

Other Designations : D.D.#392 Neuville en Condroz, Belgium  
 X-757 Plot C, Row 3, Grave 71

Inventory of Effects:

- a) Remnant of necktie, woven with label
- b) Remnant of vest, dark blue serge herring bone
- c) Remnant of shirt, green cotton, civilian type (illeg. marking)
- d) Remnant of gabardine Jacket
- e) Remnant of trousers, civilian type
- f) One (1) Coin

Laboratory Findings:

- a) Manufacturer's label : S. Foerder  
 Berlin W. 15  
 Kurfurstendamm 254
- b) Stamped : 3 1 8 7  
 (Believed to be tailor's or laundry marking)
- c) No illegible writing or stamping found.  
 Laundry marking in thread was found which appears  
 to be : ? ? ?  
 X I D  
 or 1 1 1 0
- d) No Findings
- e) No Findings
- f) One (1) 5 cent Canadian coin

Remarks : Item e) is a remnant of trousers and not a remnant of drawers as listed on Check List.

Serge O. GULOO  
 Chemist



SUPPLEMENTAL REMARKS

CASE : Unknown X-757      Neuville en Condroz, Belgium  
D.D. # 392              Plot C, Row 3, Grave 71

16 November, 1948

Remains received as an Unknown American soldier.

Clothing consists of an English outer flying suit, a 2-piece dark blue serge flying suit and vest of the same material, a heavy necktie from a shop in Berlin, Germany, a green cotton shirt and a jacket of brown wool gabardine, all of unfamiliar type which is not ordinary U.S. issue.


Clothing was checked by Captain SAWKINS, R.A.F. British Liaison Officer with A.G.R.C. Capt. Sawkins definitely identified the outer flying garment as British but could not identify any other clothing as definitely British.

It is possible this may be an allied flyer or even an O.S.S. representative.

Portions of clothing are forwarded for more definite examination.

/s/ Wesley A. NEEP  
US DAC SP-7  
C.I.P.

CERTIFIED TRUE COPY:

  
GEORGE L. FREEMAN  
1st Lt              QMC  
Actg Asst Adj Gen



D.D.# 392

Neuville en Condroz  
Plot C, Row 3, Grave 71

RESTRICTED

INVENTORY FORM

3 December 1948

DATE

SUBJECT : Inventory of Personal Effects of :

X - 575 (LAST NAME) (FIRST NAME) (MI) Unk (RANK) Unk (ASN)

TO: Effects Quartermaster, Communications Zone, APO US Army

The above named individual of UTD(Possibly British or Canadian)  
(UNIT) (ORGANIZATION)

was reported about 194  
STATUS (KIA, MIA, Hosp. etc.) (DATE)

Designated Beneficiary if information readily accessible

INVENTORY OF EFFECTS

- One (1) Canadian coin
- One (1) Remnant civilian trousers
- One (1) remnant gabardine jacket
- One (1) remnant civilian shirt
- One (1) remnant serge vest
- One (1) remnant woven necktie.
- //////// Last Item //////////

Money in the amount of has been turned into  
(NAME OF FINANCE OFFICE AND

Form WDFD 38 enclosed.  
SYMBOL NUMBER)

NAMES AND ADDRESSES OF ANY BANKS IN WHICH ACCOUNTS MAY BE CARRIED

I certify that the above items constitute all of the effects, secured by me, of the above named individual and that they were forwarded to the Effects Depot

by on 194  
(RAIL, TRUCK, ETC.)

A CERTIFIED TRUE COPY

Clyde V Carlson  
WOJG USA

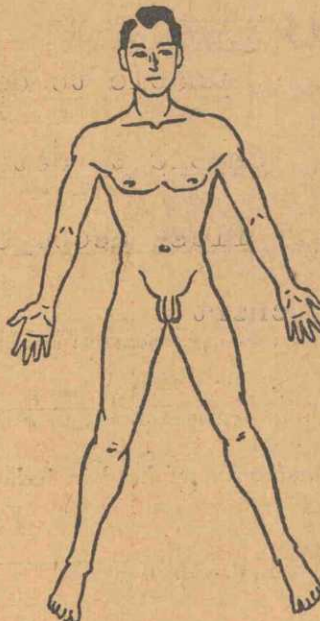
Name M. H. NOYES  
Rank & ASN DA CIV D-046895  
Organization CIP, ZONE ONE

Any additional pertinent information:

RESTRICTED



9. Black out parts of body not received at cemetery:



10. Have fingerprints been placed on Report of Interment no  
Yes-no

If not, explain flesh decomposed

11. Has tooth chart been prepared yes If not, explain  
Yes-no

12. Remarks: Jaw broken, arms and feet broken disjointed.  
This deceased was found in civilian clothes, identity unknown.

I certify that I have personally viewed the remains of subject deceased and all resulting information has been recorded to the best of my knowledge.

*Hugo H. Gross*  
HUGO H. GROSS

Officers Name

2nd.Lt. INF.

Rank

Service

608 QM. Grave Registration Co.  
Organization



Sideburns brown (color, setting, shape) Mustache none (color, size, shape) Beard or Goatee none (length, heavy, light, color, extent)

Eyes decomposed (color, setting, shape) Eyebrows unable to determine, flesh decomposed (color, bushiness, extent across nose)

Nose straight (size, shape, straight) Ears unable to determine, flesh decomposed (size, set close to or far from head)

Mouth medium (large, medium, small) Lips flesh decomposed (small, large, full)

Teeth see attached tooth chart (white, size, unevenness, spacing, noticeable crowns, fillings, extract.)

Chin normal (prominent, receding, pointed, dimple, double)

Jaw badly broken, normal (large, small, normal) Circumference of head in inches 21 inches (hat band)

Neck normal (size, length, short, normal, wrinkled) Larynx decomposed (Prominent, normal)

Shoulders broad (broad, straight, small, rounded) Arms disjointed (length, muscular, color)

(extent and quantity of hair)

Hands normal

Fingers thick, short (short, thick, long, slender, size of knuckles, missing fingers or joints.) (Unusual characteristics of fingernails)

Chest 32 inches (size of nipples, color, quantity & extent of hair, large, small, normal).

Back unable to determine (quantity & extent of hair) Waist 30 inches (size of navel, appendectomy, amount)

quantity & color of hair) Circumcision unable to determ. (yes-no) Pubic hair brown (color)

Hernioplasty unable to determine (yes-no; location)

Legs unable to determine, disjointed (inseam, muscular, knock-kneed, bowed, normal, quantity, color & extent of hair)

Feet unable to determine, disjointed (Size, corns, callouses, flat) Toes disjointed (slender, straight, crooked, overlap)

Evidence of healed fractures none (nose, arms, legs, etc.)



AGRC  
FORM NO. 11  
Revised 5 January 1946

CHECK LIST OF UNKNOWN

(to be completely filled out and attached to each  
copy of Report of Interment WD QMC Form 1042)

Unknown X - 757 Neuville en Condre  
Cemetery  
Plot C Row 3 Grave 71

1. Arrived at cemetery 1200 16 Mar 46  
(Hour) (date)
2. Place of death Schwege, Germany (RB 3629 )  
(Name of closest town) (coordinates and letter Prefix, maps)  
Osnabrück K 53 1/250,000 GSGS 4346  
Sheet, scale and serials used.
3. Remains recovered or disinterred by 608 QM. Grave Registration Co.  
(name and organization)
4. Evacuated to Cemetery by 608 QM. Grave Registration Co.  
(name and organization)
5. Description of clothing and equipment: (if clothes do not fit, obtain size from body measurements).  
Clothing Markings Sizes Color wear, tear, repairs, etc.
- | Item               | Clothing | Markings                | Sizes | Color | wear, | tear, | repairs, | etc. |
|--------------------|----------|-------------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|----------|------|
| *Headgear          | no       |                         |       |       |       |       |          |      |
| (type)             |          |                         |       |       |       |       |          |      |
| Raincoat           | no       |                         |       |       |       |       |          |      |
| Overcoat           | no       |                         |       |       |       |       |          |      |
| Jacket, Field      | no       |                         |       |       |       |       |          |      |
| Jacket, Combat     | no       |                         |       |       |       |       |          |      |
| Mackinaw           | no       |                         |       |       |       |       |          |      |
| Sweater            | no       |                         |       |       |       |       |          |      |
| Jacket, HBT        | no       |                         |       |       |       |       |          |      |
| *Shirt, Wool OD    | civilian | blue, no markings       |       |       |       |       |          |      |
| Undershirt, Wool   | no       |                         |       |       |       |       |          |      |
| Undershirt, Cotton | no       |                         |       |       |       |       |          |      |
| Trousers HBT       | civilian | dark green, no markings |       |       |       |       |          |      |
| *Trousers, Wool OD |          |                         |       |       |       |       |          |      |



Drawers, Wool no

Drawers, Cotton no

Leggings, Wool no (Note unusual lacing)

Socks, Cotton ..... no

\*Shoes (type) 110

Overshoes no

Web Equipment (type) no

(Other item) mae west

(Other item) parachute harness

\*If body is nude, sizes of these items should be computed by measuring the remains.

6. Chevrons or Insignia none  
(type & location; shirt, jacket, coat, helmet)

Shoulder Patch ..... none

7. Does clothing indicate that deceased was a member of the Air, Ground or Naval Forces

clothing indicates a civilian

### 8. Description of Remains:

unknown

Age ..... Height 5'9" Weight 150 Description of wounds jaw broken

Bandages or dressings ..... none ..... Scars ..... unable to determine, flesh decomposed  
(Length, width, location)

Tattoos unable to determine, flesh decomposed  
(Number, location — illustrate on sep. page)

Outstanding moles, warts or birthmarks ..... unable to determine, flesh decomposed  
(yes-no; description, location)

Sunburn or tan, other than hands & face unable to determine, flesh decomposed

Complexion unable to determine, flesh decomposed  
(light, med. dark, clear, pimples, poeks, freckles)

Build large (large, fat, thin, muscular)

Hair light brown, 1 1/2 inches, straight  
(color, length, quantity, curly, wavy, straight, whorls, or definite parting)

**Hair** \_\_\_\_\_  
(baldness, widows peak, distinctive cutting or other characteristics)



I did not see para  
parachutes or I do not know if there  
were any prisoners taken.

OLINDE KRUSE



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S T A T E M E N T

On the evening of the 20 of March 1945 I was ordered to look at an airplane which had come down. The plane had come down near Schwege, a little distance from Hunteburg. With the policeman Franghe who was accompanying us, we went to see the plane which was guarded by Mr. Winter, Schwege.

The plane was loosing height and came down slowly, Through hitting the ground it was damaged and slipped into a little brook and was totally destroyed. The only remaining part of the plane was the body.

After investigation it was found out, that it was a Douglas A 26, with 18 cylinder motor and one rudder, further it was noticed, that the plane was not hit by Anti-aircraft or fired upon by another plane. The members of the crew, believed to be 5, were dead.

The names which were identified through identification tags are as follows:

Nowak, Pawel,	through	German	identification	pass -
Tresemer,	"		identification	tag
Emmel,	"	"	"	"
Walsh,	"	"	"	"
Brunner,	"		navy	pass -

5 of the members were in soldiers outfit, Nowak wore civilian clothes. 2 members of the crew were lying beside the plane, the other about 20 to 150 meters away. The bodies showed some injuries, probably from the crash, some of them had arms and legs broken.

With the help of a laborer of the farmer Kruse and a Russian prisoner of war, the bodies were taken out of the moor and brought to the Achmer Mil. Cemetery.



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All papers and personal effects taken from these bodies were handed over to the Kommandant, except these of the civilian Nowak. The papers of Nowak taken by policeman Pranghe were handed to Kommandant Hospelt, were looked through and later handed over to the secret service. Policeman Pranghe has taken care of a greater amount of papers, forms, stencils, small headphones and a small microphone, as well as RM. 7000,00 and one pound note (English money).

From papers found on Nowak it could be seen, that he had to be dropped as a spy. For this purpose he was using an automatic parachute, as all the other members had an ordinary parachute.

From a letter written on paper of the Hermann-Goering-Works at Prag, could be seen that after a telephone conversation with this factory and another factory at Muelheim, Nowak was to be transferred to there. Another letter was written to a certain gentleman in the factory and should be used as a letter of recommendation. On Nowak was found a German identification pass, it showed, that he was of Czech nationality.

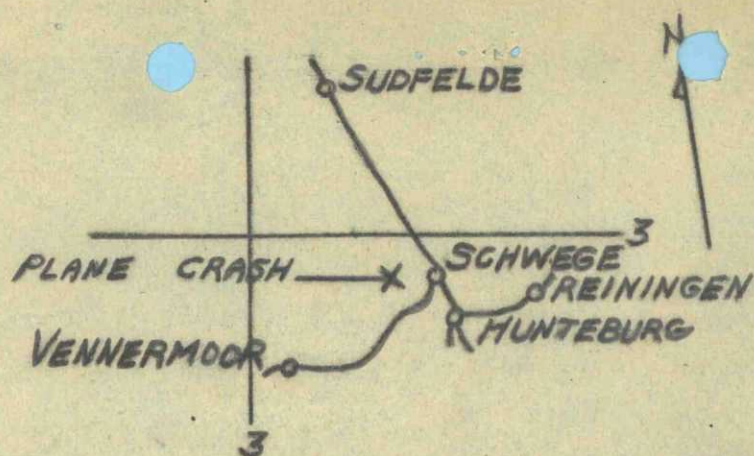
The statement given by the wife of the farmer Kruse, who is living nearest to the place of the accident was, that the plane must have come down already in the night of 18-19 March 1945, because during this night she heard a great noise.

As the moor is some distant away, the plane had not been noticed until the 20 of March 1945.

Bramsche, den 8. March 1946

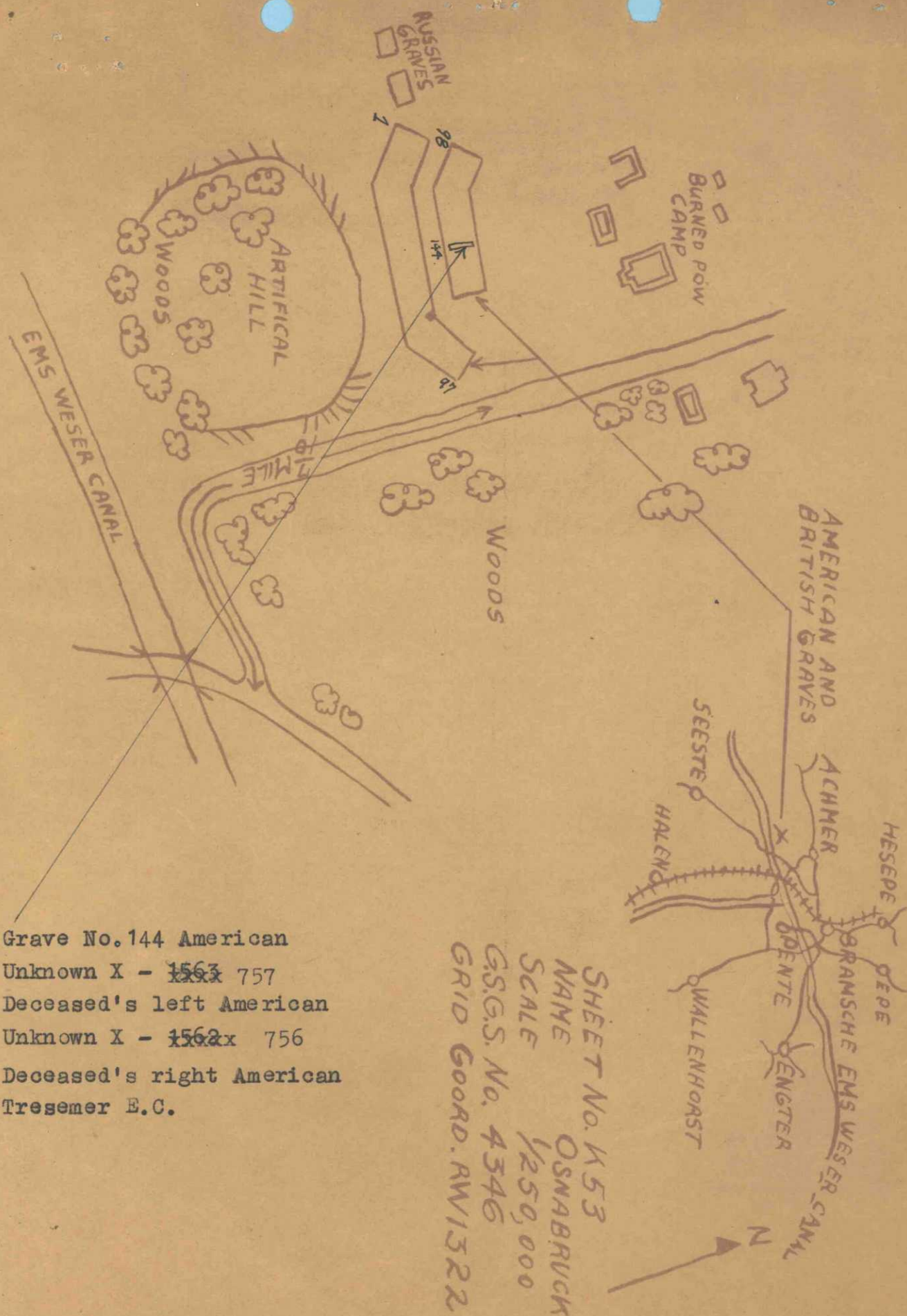
*Rust Grussendorf.*  
s/ Grussendorf





SHEET No. K53  
NAME OSNABRUCK  
SCALE 1/250,000  
G.S.G.S. No. 4346  
GRID COORD. RW3428





Grave No. 144 American  
Unknown X - ~~1563~~ 757  
Deceased's left American  
Unknown X - ~~1562~~ 756  
Deceased's right American  
Tresemer E.C.

SHEET NO. 1453  
NAME OSNABRUCK  
SCALE 1/250,000  
G.S.G.S. NO. 4346  
GRID COORD. RW1322



G. R. & E. DIV.  
OFFICE OF THE CHIEF QUARTERMASTER  
HQ. COM. ZONE, ETOUSA

TOOTH CHART

20 February 1946

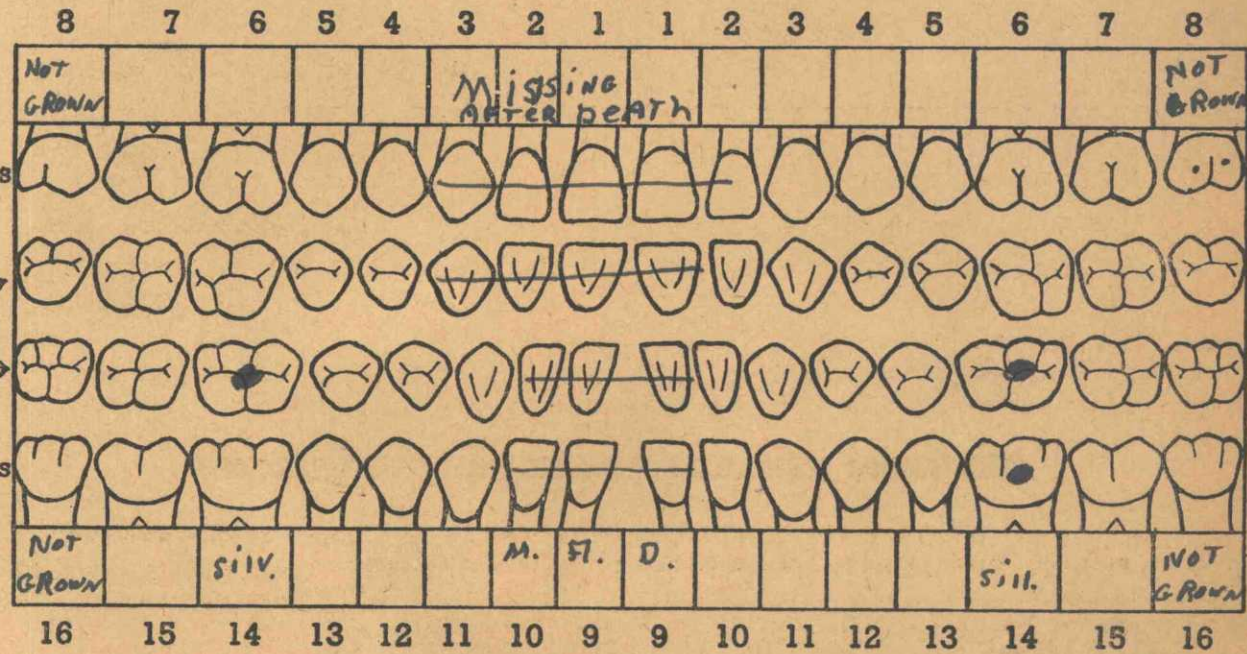
Date

UNKNOWN X- 754 Neuville en Condroz none none  
Last Name First Initial Rank Serial No.

Schwege Unit 20 March 1945 Organization plane crash  
Place of Death Date of Death Cause of Death

Right

Left



This dental chart is very important and should be filed in with great care. There are 32 teeth to be accounted for, as shown by the numbers on the chart. Beginning at the middle line in both upper and lower jaws, the teeth are arranged symmetrically on either side and classed as incisors (cutting teeth), cuspids or canines (tearing teeth), bicuspid (chewing teeth), and molars (principal chewing teeth). An examination should be made and findings charted to cover the following basic conditions: Lost teeth, crowned teeth, bridge work, fillings, caries (cavities of decay), dentures (plates), and any deformity of jaws found. See reverse side for illustrations.

HUGO H. GROSZ

Signature of Officer or other person who prepared Tooth chart

2nd.Lt. INF.

Verified by G. R. S. Officer



**MISSING TEETH . . .** All teeth missing through previous extraction (not those fractured or displaced by recent wounds) should be "X" 'd out and labeled, thus:



**CROWNED TEETH . . .** Block in solid the crown of tooth (label gold, porcelain, Silver or gold and porcelain), thus:



**BRIDGE WORK . . .** Block in solid the crown of tooth (label gold bridge, god and porcelain bridge), thus :



**FILLINGS . . .** Draw filling on tooth as accurately as possible (block in and label gold, silver, cement), thus :



**CARIES (CAVITIES). . .** Outline location and size of cavity, shade in thus :



**DENTURES (PLATES) . . .** Draw diagram of relative size and shape of pate, block in teeth attached and indicate retaining clasps on natural teeth with the word "clasp."

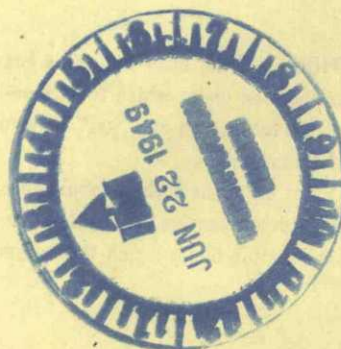
**ADDITIONAL SPACE FOR FURTHER REMARKS**



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AIRMAIL

CS  
QJOMS 293

1st Ind

Brunner, Frederick J.

SN 371 861

SUBJECT: Identification of Unknown Deceased

Dept. of the Army, OJMO, Washington 25, D. C., 28 February 1949

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

1. Medical record and physical examination of Platoon Sgt. Frederick J. Brunner, 371861, USMC, shows no history of fracture of the middle third shaft of the left femur or the lower jaw.

2. Attached herewith is Department of the Navy dental record. Tooth Right #3 (#6 on Navy chart) was extracted on 12 February 1945. Due to the short period of time from time of extraction to date of death, 19 March 1945, the socket may appear as posthumously missing.

3. Records this Office indicate no physical or dental records are available on European Civilian, Kurt Gruher, alias Pawel Nowak, member of Office of Strategic Services.

FOR THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL:

1 Incl  
Dental chart

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

X 293  
Brunner, Kurt

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AIRMAIL



IDENTIFICATION ACCEPTED

HEADQUARTERS  
AMERICAN GRAVES REGISTRATION COMMAND  
EUROPEAN AREA  
APO 58 US ARMY

IDENTIFICATION  
RECOMMENDED

GRUBER, Kurt (alias NOWAK, Pawel) (Rank) European Civilian

previously buried as Unknown X- 757, USMC NEUVILLE, Belgium  
Identification accepted in accordance with Letter, File AGAO-S 29359 (27 Mar 47)  
D-M, War Dept, TAGO, 9 April 47, subject: Establishment of Boards of Review  
Identification of Unknown Dead Overseas; by the following members of the Board  
of Review; established by Par 5, SO #16, Hq. A.G.R.C. dated 3 Feb 1947  
amendment, Par 2, SO #32, dated 18 Mar 1949, Hq. A.G.R.C., and amended by Par 1,  
SO # 43, dated 19 Apr 1949.

Maj. Roger BERGER, O-251736 ORD Capt. Jack C. HAYES, O-1577297

Capt. Edward F. PRICE, Jr., O-1588236 QMC 1/Lt Edward E. STOUT, O-1594512

1/Lt. Ernest J. OGLESBY, O-449004, Cav.

Col. H.P. HENRY, O-12589

QMC

Col. E.D. MULVANITY, O-359598

QMC

APPROVED

27 June 49

Chief, Identification Br  
Memorial Division, OCMG

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27 July 49  
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Graves Registration  
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(Revised Sept. 1943)

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**REPORT OF BURIAL**  
TM 10-630 AND AR 30-1815

21 April 1949  
Date

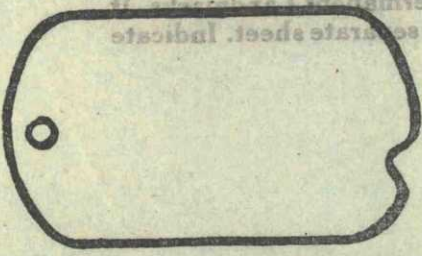
**GRUBER** Kurt, (alias **NOWAK**, Pawel) European Civilian  
Last Name First Initial Rank Serial No.  
Member of Office of Strategic Services, American Embassy, London  
Unit Organization  
Schwege, Germany 20 March 1945 Plane crash  
Place of Death Date of Death Cause of Death  
1110 - 23 March 1946 US Military Cemetery NEUVILLE, Belgium  
Time and Date of Burial Name of Cemetery Name or Coordinates of Location  
71 3 Cross  
Grave Number Row Number Plot Number Type of Marker

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

If No Identification Tags Previously buried as Unknown X-757 (Neuville, Belgium)  
How were remains identified? Identified through: 1) Civilian clothing found on re-  
mains of X-757 in agreement with status of Kurt Gruber as a civilian. 2) Color  
of hair of X-757 is in agreement with color of hair of Gruber. 3) Est. date &  
place of death of X-757 are in agreement with established date & place of crash  
of A/C 43-22524 in which Gruber was riding. 4) X-757 was disinterred from the  
same cemetery as the identified remains of crew members of A/C 43-22524. 5) Sta-  
tement by an inhabitant gives the date & place of crash & lists the names of all  
members of A/C 43-22524 as dead, including the name Pawel Nowak, alias of Kurt  
Gruber. 6) Civilian Gruber is the only remaining casualty of the subject A/C.  
To determine Right or Left use Deceased's Right and Left.

Who is buried on :  
Deceased's Right : X-762 Name Serial No. Rank Organization Grave No. 70  
Deceased's Left : X-764 Name Serial No. Rank Organization Grave No. 72

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



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

Emergency Addressee: Unknown Name  
Address  
Religion: Unknown

List only Personal Effects Found on Body and disposition of same :  
**REBURIAL**  
Previously buried in isolated grave  
located at: Achmer, Airdrome, Mil. Cem.  
Germany

This corrected copy of Report  
of Burial, prepared in the  
Office of the American Graves  
Registration Command.

Signature of Officer or other person reporting burial

*John M. Neff*  
Verified by: G.R.S. Officer  
**JOHN M. NEFF**  
Capt. QMC

*File  
25 July 49  
L. B. Meyer  
OK*



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CORRECTED COPY

REPORT OF BURIAL  
IF DECEASED UNIDENTIFIED

Take Fingerprints of Both Hands. If unable to obtain a complete set of Fingerprints, Take Those You Can, and fill in the following:

Height:	Laundry Marks:
Weight:	Number of Rifle:
Color of Eyes:	Wear Glasses?
Color of Hair:	Is Tooth Chart Attached?
Race:	

(If possible, have medical personnel take a tooth chart, if no medical personnel present, fill in a tooth chart below.) In space below, locate, and describe any scars, birthmarks, moles, deformities, etc.

Left Hand	Right Hand
Thumb	Thumb
Index	Index
Middle	Middle
Ring	Ring
Pinky	Pinky

TOOTH CHART

If this is an Isolated Burial, make a Sketch of the Location, oriented with Permanent Landmarks. If more space needed attach separate sheet. Indicate North.

Deceased's Left							
8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1
8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1
Upper							
Lower							

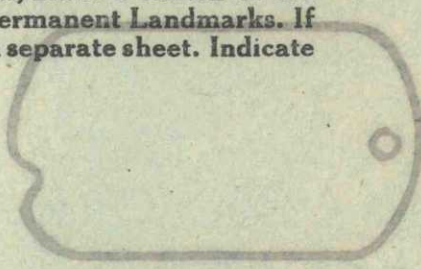
Indicate missing natural teeth by X; crowns by O; fillings by □; Bridges by ▢; missing anchor teeth; replacements by artificial teeth X

Characteristics:

Other Data:

Signature of Officer in Charge:

Signature of Registrar:





RESTRICTED

TRANS. LETTER-1865

REBURIAL

REPORT OF BURIAL

20 February 1946

Graves Registration Form No. 1 (Revised 1 Sept. 1943)

TM 10-630 AND AR 30-1815

757-052

GRUBER, Kurt, alias NOWAK, Pawel

(European Civilian)

UNKNOWN X-757 Neuville-en-Condroz unknown

Last Name First Initial Rank Organization A.A.F.

Schwege, Germany (RB 36124) March 20, 1945 plane crash

1110 23 March 1946 US Mil. Cem. Neuville, Belgium K 390187

71 3 1110 23 March 1946 US Mil. Cem. Neuville, Belgium K 390187 Cross

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

If No Identification Tags How were remains identified?

Ident. by Field, accepted by Col. Metz - 27 June 49 jec

What means of identification were buried with the body?

"GRS Form No 1 in bottle"

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

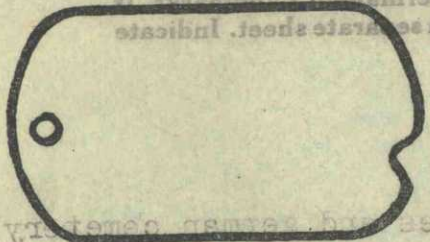
Who is buried on : UNKNOWN X-762 Unk Unk Unk 70

Deceased's Right : Name Serial No. Rank Organization Grave No.

Deceased's Left : UNKNOWN X-764 Unk Unk Unk 72

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

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



Emergency Addressee unknown Name

Address unknown

Religion unknown

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

no personal effects

DISINTERING OFFICER : HUGO H. GROSZ

Signature of Officer or other person reporting burial

REINTERING OFFICER: 2nd Lt. INF.

Verified by G.R.S. Officer

RESTRICTED William E. Leftwich

REBURIAL

WILLIAM E. LEFTWICH, 1st Lt. Inf. 6894 QM GR Det. (CA)

Achmer Airdrome, Mil. Cem. (RW 1322)

Previously buried in isolated grave

located at Osnabrück K53 1/ 250.000 GSGS 4346



REPORT OF BURIAL  
**IF DECEASED UNIDENTIFIED**

Take Fingerprints of Both Hands. If unable to obtain a complete set of Fingerprints, Take Those You Can, and fill in the following :

Height 5'9"      Laundry Marks : none  
Weight 150      Number of Rifle :  
Color of Eyes miss.      Wear Glasses unknown  
Color of Hair brown      Tooth Chart Attached ?  
Race white      yes

(If possible, have medical personnel take a tooth chart, if no medical personnel present, fill in a tooth chart below.) In space below, locate, and describe any scars, birthmarks, moles, deformities, etc.

Attached to Marker Yes ☐ No ☒

Note below any identifying clues found, such as letters, photographs, probable organization of deceased, etc. :

Accepted by Field, accepted by Col. Metz #27 June 49, Jec

"GRS FORM No 1 in bottle"

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

Who is buried on :  
Deceased's Right :  
Deceased's Left :

Name	Serial No.	Rank	Organization	Grave No.
UNKNOWN X-762	Unk	Unk	Unk	70
UNKNOWN X-764	Unk	Unk	Unk	72

**TOOTH CHART**

If this is an Isolated Burial, make a Sketch of the Location, oriented with Permanent Landmarks. If more space needed attach separate sheet. Indicate North.

**REMARKS**

see attached sketches and german cemetery records.  
no personal effects  
Last only Personal Effects Found on Body and disposition.

Deceased's Right								Deceased's Left							
8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
see attached								tooth chart							

Indicate : missing natural teeth by X ; crowns by O ; fillings by □ ; Bridges by ◊ ; linking anchor teeth ; replacements by artificial teeth X

Characteristics :

Other Data :

REBURIAL  
66-76942-887 M 13-45

Previously buried in isolated grave, located at  
Campoborok #27, 1250 1000, 1250 4940  
William E. Leffewich, 1st Lt. Inf. (M 6894)  
Admiral, Altonome, Ill. Gen. (M 1322)



1949 June 2 18 13.8

From: AGRC Paris

MSG NO: AGRC 3560

D.T.G. 021548Z

ACTION MC

MC IN NO: 74724

FM UFPO 28/HQ AGRC PARIS FRANCE 021548Z

TO OQMG WASHDC

GRAVES GRNC

PASS MEMORIAL DIV

REF AGRC THREE FIVE SIX ZERO

CORRECTED BURIAL REPORT FOR KURT GRUBER CMA ALIAS PAVEL NOWAK PAREN  
 PREVIOUSLY UNKNOWN XRAY DASH SEVEN FIVE SEVEN NEUVILLE UNPAREN FORWARDED  
 YOUR OFFICE ON LETTER OF TRANSMITTAL NR THREE EIGHT ONE SEVEN DATED SIX  
 MAY ONE NINE FOUR NINE PD REQUEST WHETHER IDENTIFICATION IS APPROVED PD  
 FURTHER AS DECEASED WAS EUROPEAN CIVILIAN ASSIGNED QTO OFFICE OF STRATEGIC  
 SERVICES REQUEST WHETHER REMAINS ARE ELIGIBLE FOR REPATRIATION UNDER PUBLIC  
 LAW THREE SIX EIGHT OR WHETHER REMAINS SHOULD BE DELIVERED TO PROPER BELGIUM  
 AUTHORITIES AS AN ALLIED DECEASED PD END AGRE PECKHAM

CFN GRUBER NOWAK

02/630Z June

NOT ELIGIBLE PL383

DATE 12 July 49 INITIALS CMT

REMARKS

European

Original on file  
 Brubaker, Frederick J. 371861, USMC  
 many identifications

Incl #1



QMGMT 293  
GRUBER, Kurt alias NOWAK, Pawel  
European Civilian

18 July 1949

SUBJECT: Identification of World War II Deceased

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

1. The identification of Kurt Gruber alias Pawel Nowak, European Civilian (formerly X-757, Plot C, Row 3 and Grave 71, USMC Neuville-en-Condroz, Belgium) as established by your headquarters, has been approved by this Office.
2. Request all records be amended accordingly.
3. Information relative to the disposition of remains will be the subject of a later communication.

FOR THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL:

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

Green copy forwarded M&R with outgoing correspondence.



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

QMGMT 293  
GRUBER, Kurt alias NOWAK, Pawel  
European Civilian

\_\_\_\_\_  
DATE

SUBJECT: Identification of Former Unknown Deceased

TO : Commanding Officer  
Army Effects Bureau  
Kansas City Records Center  
Kansas City 1, Missouri

1. The remains previously interred as Unknown X- 757  
Plot C, Row 3, Grave 71, USMC Neuville en Condroz, Belgium, have been identified by the Graves  
Registration Service in the Field as those of Kurt Gruber alias Pawel  
Nowak, European Civilian whose emergency addressee  
is: \_\_\_\_\_
2. The identification as established has been approved by this  
Office.

BY COMMAND OF MAJOR GENERAL LARKIN:

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