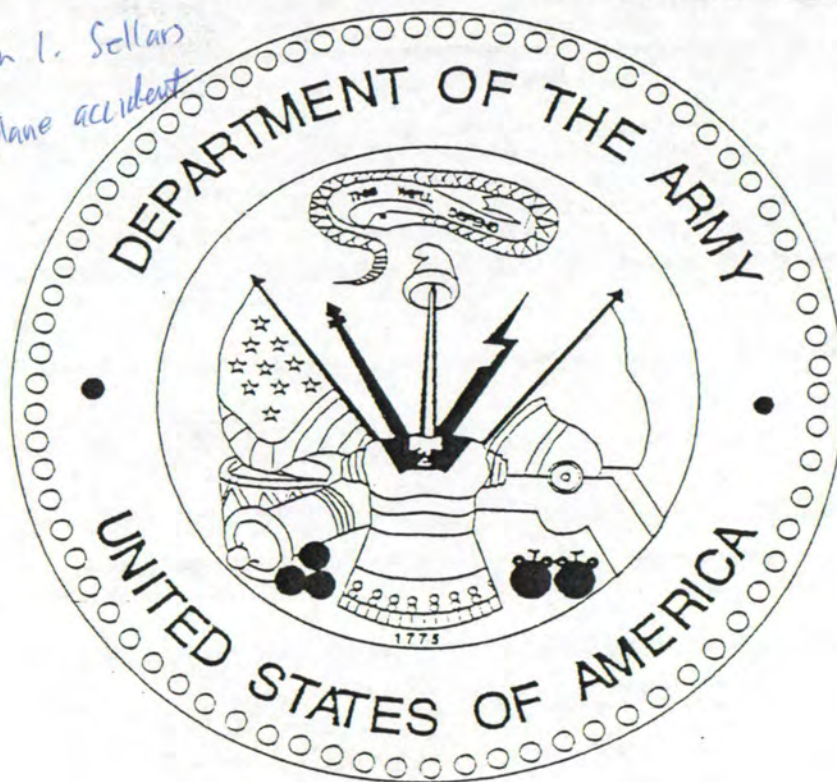


Sgt. William I. Sellers
Killed in airplane accident



INDIVIDUAL DECEASED PERSONNEL FILE

Date 19 August 1948

TO: Mrs. Rachel M. Purves
Woodenville
Washington

The authorized inscription for a Government headstone of the general type (furnished for all decedents except those who served only during the Civil and Spanish-American Wars) includes: (1) The State from which the veteran came; (2) religious emblem in a small circle above the inscription on the face of the headstone; and (3) the dates of birth and death.

In order that the appropriate information, as desired by the next of kin, may be shown on the headstone for the decedent whose name is listed below, it is requested that you fill in the proper spaces indicated below the data called for, and RETURN THIS FORM PROMPTLY TO THE

Superintendent, Golden Gate National Cemetery, San Bruno, California
Superintendent of Cemetery or Commanding Officer of Post

If this form is not returned to the Superintendent within fifteen (15) days from date of mailing, the headstone will be ordered with the data as to religious emblem, State and date of birth inscribed thereon as shown in the official records, and NO CHANGE WILL BE MADE AT A LATER DATE AT GOVERNMENT EXPENSE.

To be filled in by Superintendent or Commanding Officer

Name of Veteran 293 WILLIAM I. SELLARS

Rank, etc. SERGEANT, U. S. ARMY

Grave or lot No. 186, SECTION C

Date of death _____

Date buried 19 AUGUST 1948

To be filled in by Next of Kin

State desired Washington State

Religious emblem desired Latin Cross for Christian Faith
(Latin Cross for Christian Faith, Star of David for Hebrew Faith)

Date of birth December 27, 1922

Address of kin Woodinville, WA, Rt one Box 70

Signature Mrs. Rachel M. Purves Date September 1, 1948

FILE 23 SEP 1948

Riggs - Em

T/Sgt Breen

RECEIPT OF REMAINS

DISTRIBUTION CENTER

#13 SFPE OAKLAND ARMY BASE OAKLAND 14 CALIFORNIA "GRAVES"

ROUTINE 13 AUGUST 1948

REMAINS CONSIGNED TO: SUPERINTENDENT
GOLDEN GATE NATIONAL CEMETERY
SAN BRUNO CALIFORNIA

REMAINS OF THE LATE SERGEANT WILLIAM I SELLARS ASN 19006437 WILL BE DELIVERED TO YOU BY GOVERNMENT HEARSE AT APPROXIMATELY TEN THIRTY AM NINETEEN AUGUST BY THIS DISTRIBUTION CENTER ACCOMPANIED BY MILITARY ESCORT. REQUEST YOU MAKE ARRANGEMENTS TO ACCEPT REMAINS UPON DELIVERY AND THAT YOU IMMEDIATELY PASS THIS INFORMATION ON TO NEXT OF KIN.

Samuel G. O'Regan

SAMUEL G O'REGAN
MAJOR QMC

NAT
FILE
RECORDS ANNOTATED
DATE 9-7-48
NAME *Linton*
R & R BR.

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

THIS 19 DAY OF Aug, 1948

T/Sgt Wilbur G Breen
WITNESS (Escort)

Robert L Wallace
CONSIGNEE

NY-009-R

Incl. 9

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SPACE ABOVE FOR SIGNAL CENTER ONLY					
FROM: (Originator) #13 SFPE OAB OAKLAND 14 CALIF "GRAVES"			SECURITY CLASSIFICATION		
ACTION TO: .SUPERINTENDENT .GOLDEN GATE NATIONAL CEMETERY .SAN BRUNO CALIFORNIA			PRECEDENCE FOR ACTION INFORMATION		
			☐ ORIGINAL MESSAGE		
			REFERS TO ANOTHER MESSAGE IDENTIFICATION CLASSIFICATION		
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REMAINS OF THE LATE SERGEANT <u>WILLIAM I SELLARS</u> ASN 19006437 WILL BE DELIVERED TO YOU BY GOVERNMENT HEARSE AT APPROXIMATELY TEN THIRTY AM NINETEEN AUGUST BY THIS DISTRIBUTION CENTER ACCOMPANIED BY MILITARY ESCORT. REQUEST YOU MAKE ARRANGEMENTS TO ACCEPT REMAINS UPON DELIVERY AND THAT YOU IMMEDIATELY PASS THIS INFORMATION ON TO NEXT OF KIN.					
SAMUEL G O'REGAN MAJOR QMC					
SECURITY CLASSIFICATION			AUTHORIZATION		
ORIGINATING AGENCY			SIGNATURE		
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17 AUGUST 1948

FROM: NETTKE, SUPT. GOLDEN GATE NAT'L CEMETERY, SAN BRUNO, CALIF.

TO: CHIEF, AGE DIV., SEPE, OAB, OAKLAND, CALIF. "GRAVES"

DELIVER THE FOLLOWING REMAINS TO THIS CEMETERY PRIOR TO TEN AM THURSDAY
THE NINETEENTH OF AUGUST 1948:

SEARS, Bert E.

SELLARS, William I.

SHERMAN, Clifford C.

SLAMA, Alex R.

SWANSON, Clark E.

WINTER, William A.

ARCHULATA, Ramon A.

BARROW, Benjamin F.

BICA, Gus J.

BOHL, Gene W.

CARTER, Donald E.

WEISENHOLDER, Phile G.

s/t A. J. NETTKE
Superintendent

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FROM: (Originator)

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ACTION TO:

CHIEF AGR DIV OAB

SUPERINTENDENT

GOLDEN GATE NATIONAL CEMETERY

INFORMATION TO:

SAN BRUNO CALIFORNIA

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REFERS TO ANOTHER MESSAGE
IDENTIFICATION CLASSIFICATION

THE FOLLOWING REMAINS ARE RELAY FOR DELIVERY TO YOUR CEMETERY ON DATES INDICATED:

18 AUGUST 1948 (CONT'D)

SCHERZ, WILLARD C., 1 LT	NY-009-R
SEABERG, ALBERT W., SGT	NY-009-R
ALEXANDER, ROSS V., T/4	NY-013-R
ALLISON, NORLAND W., PVT	NY-013-R
ALVAREZ, TONY J., PVT	NY-013-R

19 AUGUST 1948

SEARS, BERT E., 1 LT	NY-009-R
SELLARS, WILLIAM I., SGT	NY-009-R
SHERMAN, CLIFFORD C., 1 LT	NY-009-R
SLAMA, ALEX R., T/SGT	NY-009-R
SWANSON, CLARK E., 2 LT	NY-009-R
WINTER, WILLIAM A., CAPT	NY-009-R
ARCHULETA, RAMON A., T/5	NY-013-R
BARROW, BENJAMIN F., PFC	NY-013-R

SECURITY CLASSIFICATION

BICA, GUS J., SGT SIGNATURE

AUTHORIZATION
NY-013-R

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Robert H. Bates Jr.
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FROM: (Originator)

ACTG CHF AGRD SFPE OAB

ACTION TO:

SUPT GG NATL CEM SAN BRUNO CALIF

INFORMATION TO:

RACHEL M PURVES WOODINVILLE WASH NOK OF LATE SGT WILLIAM I SELLARS 19006437 HAS
CONFIRMED DESIRE FOR INTERMENT OF REMAINS IN GOLDEN GATE NATL CEM END KELLER

SENT BY COURIER TO GG NATL CEM 28 JUN 48

GOLDEN GATE NATIONAL CEMETERY
SAN BRUNO, CALIFORNIA

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	28 JUN 48	ROBERT H. BATES 1st Lt., QMC Administrative Officer	

WESTERN UNION



GOVT COLLECT

WOODINVILLE WASH JUNE 25 1948 930A

OAB

YOUR WIRE JUNE 24TH NO CHANGE IN DELIVERY INSTRUCTIONS FULL
NAME OF DECEASED WILLIAM ISAAC SELLARS

MRS RACHEL M PURVES

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SIGNAL BRANCH

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Conf. L.C. Smith

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					GROUP COUNT 6R

FROM: (Originator)

CHIEF AGC DIV SEPE OAB "GRAVES"

ACTION TO:

- RACHEL M. PURVES
- WOODINVILLE, WASHINGTON

INFORMATION TO:

THIS HEADQUARTERS HAS BEEN ADVISED THAT THE REMAINS OF LATE **SERGEANT WILLIAM I. SELLERS** ARE ENROUTE TO THE UNITED STATES. RECORDS OF THIS OFFICE INDICATE YOU WISH REMAINS INTERRED AT GOLDEN GATE NATIONAL CEMETERY SAN BRUNO CALIFORNIA. WITHIN 48 HOURS OF DATE OF THIS MESSAGE PLEASE CONFIRM ABOVE DELIVERY INSTRUCTIONS OR SUBMIT NEW DELIVERY INSTRUCTIONS BY TELEGRAM COLLECT TO COMMANDING OFFICER DISTRIBUTION CENTER #13 OAKLAND ARMY BASE OAKLAND 14 CALIFORNIA. PLEASE BE ADVISED THAT IT WILL NOT BE POSSIBLE TO COMPLY AT GOVERNMENT EXPENSE WITH ANY DESIRED CHANGES IN DELIVERY INSTRUCTIONS RECEIVED AFTER THE EXPIRATION OF THE 48 HOUR PERIOD. YOUR PROMPT COOPERATION WILL GREATLY ASSIST THIS OFFICE IN MAKING FINAL DELIVERY. NATIONAL CEMETERY SUPERINTENDENT WILL NOTIFY YOU BY TELEGRAM DATE AND HOUR FUNERAL SERVICES WILL BE HELD IN SUFFICIENT TIME TO PERMIT YOUR ATTENDANCE AT YOUR OWN EXPENSE. MILITARY ESCORT WILL ACCOMPANY REMAINS TO NATIONAL CEMETERY. PAYMENT OF SEVENTY FIVE DOLLAR INTERMENT EXPENSE ALLOWANCE NOT REPEAT NOT AUTHORIZED IN ANY CASE WHERE BURIAL IS IN A NATIONAL CEMETERY. APPROPRIATE JOINT MILITARY HONORS AND RELIGIOUS SERVICES WILL BE PROVIDED AT GRAVESIDE BY VETERANS ORGANIZATION OR MILITARY OR NAVAL PERSONNEL. PLEASE INCLUDE FULL NAME OF DECEASED IN REPLY TELEGRAM, WHICH MUST BE SIGNED BY YOU.

SECURITY CLASSIFICATION

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SIGNATURE

S. G. O'REGAN

Major, QMC

OFFICIAL TITLE

Chief, A.G.R. Division

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<i>1546</i> INSPECTION CHECKLIST (FOR USE AT OVERSEAS PORT, U.S. PORT, AND DISTRIBUTION CENTER)					
NAME SELLARS, WILLIAM I.		RANK SGT		SERIAL NUMBER 19006437	
SOURCE CAMBRIDGE - BRITISH ISLES		CONSIGNEE G.G. Nat'l Cemetery San Bruno, Calif.			
SHIPPING CASE - General Appearance <i>(Check ONLY Discrepancies)</i>		CONDITION OF SHIPPING CASE <i>(Check one)</i> ☐ SATISFACTORY ☐ UNSATISFACTORY			
FINISH (Exterior) _____ FINISH (Interior) _____ HANDLES _____ HANDLE BOLTS _____ STENCILING - NAMEPLATE _____ HEALTH PERMIT MARKER _____ HEALTH PERMIT NUMBER _____		REMARKS USAAF AUG 19 1948			
CASKET - General Appearance <i>(Check ONLY Discrepancies)</i>					
FINISH (Exterior) _____ HANDLES AND FASTENINGS _____ STENCILING - NAMEPLATE _____ CAM LOCKS (Sealing) OK ODP ODOR OR MOISTURE OK ODP		CONDITION OF CASKET <i>(Check one)</i> ☐ SATISFACTORY ☐ UNSATISFACTORY REMARK _____			
ROUTED THROUGH					
☐ MORTUARY OPERATING ROOM CONDITION OF REMAINS ☐ SATISFACTORY ☐ UNSATISFACTORY NECESSARY DISINFECTION <i>(Explain)</i>		☐ REPAIR SHOP CASKET REPAIRED ☐ YES ☐ NO CASKET EXCHANGED ☐ YES ☐ NO SHIPPING CASE REPAIRED ☐ YES ☐ NO SHIPPING CASE EXCHANGED ☐ YES ☐ NO REMARKS _____			
TIME 11 40 am	DATE 8/14/48	SIGNATURE OF MORTICIAN D D Parks		TIME	DATE
				SIGNATURE OF INSPECTOR	
REMARKS I certify that the casket and shipping case for these remains were inspected by me personally and are in perfect condition. I further certify that I personally checked the name stencil and shipping case tag against the casket tag for these remains and the name as stenciled on the shipping case and as on the shipping case tag are exactly the same as shown on the tag fastened to the casket. P. F. Hgellon Caplain INSPECTION OFFICER _____ INSPECTION OFFICER					

IDENTIFICATION SECTION
MEMORIAL DIVISION

IDENTIFICATION DATA

LAST NAME - FIRST NAME - MIDDLE INITIAL			ARMY SERIAL NUMBER		GRADE
SELLARS WILLIAM I.			19006437		SGT
HEIGHT	WEIGHT	COLOR EYES	COLOR HAIR	SHOE SIZE	DATE OF DEATH
67	144	BLUE	LT. BROWN	6½-D	AUG 3, 44

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

544 BOMB SQ. 384 BOMB GP(H)

PLACE OF DEATH OR PLACE LAST SEEN IF MIA

DIED IN AIRPLANE CRASH AT GRAFTON, UNDERWOOD, ENGLAND

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

STATION	DATES
FT. LEWIS WASH.	JULY 22, 1941
MOFFETT FLD. CALIF.	JULY 27, 1941
SCOTT FLD ILL.	NOV. 29, 1941
LEMOORE CALIF.	MAY 22, 1942
MARANA ARIZ.	SEPT 26, 1942
FT. LOGAN COLO.	OCT. 27, 1943
CP. KILMER N.J.	NOV. 21, 1943

FRACTURES AND/OR BREAKS

TATTOOS AND/OR BIRTH MARKS

DENTAL CHART

JULY 15, 1941

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1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8

UPPER RIGHT

UPPER LEFT

16 15 14 13 12 11 10 9

9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16

LOWER RIGHT

LOWER LEFT

X - EXTRACTED

O - CARIOUS

/ - CARIOUS NON-RESTORABLE

DATE _____

5 March 1947

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B		D	

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

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

I, Rachel May Purves
(PLEASE PRINT OR TYPE NAME OF NEXT OF KIN)

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

- ☐ 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.
- ☐ 2. BE RETURNED TO THE UNITED STATES OR ANY POSSESSION OR TERRITORY THEREOF FOR INTERMENT BY NEXT OF KIN IN A PRIVATE CEMETERY.

(NAME AND LOCATION OF CEMETERY)

- ☐ 3. BE RETURNED TO _____, THE HOMELAND OF THE DECEASED OR NEXT OF KIN, FOR INTERMENT BY NEXT OF KIN IN A
(FOREIGN COUNTRY)
PRIVATE CEMETERY LOCATED AT _____

(LOCATION OF CEMETERY SELECTED)

4. BE RETURNED TO THE UNITED STATES FOR FINAL INTERMENT IN A NATIONAL CEMETERY LOCATED AT Golden Gate, San Bruno, California
(LOCATION OF NATIONAL CEMETERY SELECTED)

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

- ☐ YES ☒ NO

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

None

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Sgt. William I. Sellars, 19 006 437
Plot L, Row 8, Grave 3,
United States Military Cemetery
Cambridge, England

5 March 1947

Mrs. Rachel E. Purvis
Route #1
Woodinville, Washington

Dear Mrs. Purvis:

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

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

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

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

Sincerely,

THOMAS B. LARKIN
Major General
The Quartermaster General

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QMR 293
Sellers, William I.
A.S.N. 19 006 437

3 February 1947

Mrs. Rachel E. Purvis
Route #1
Woodinville, Washington

Dear Mrs. Purvis:

Inclosed herewith is a picture of the United States Military Cemetery Cambridge, England, in which your brother, the late Sergeant William I. Sellers, is buried.

It is my sincere hope that you may gain some solace from this view of the surroundings in which your loved one rests. As you can see, this is a place of simple dignity, neat and well cared for. Here, assured of continuous care, now rest the remains of a few of those heroic dead who fell together in the service of our country.

This cemetery will be maintained as a temporary resting place until, in accordance with the wishes of the next of kin, all remains are either placed in permanent American cemeteries overseas or returned to the Homeland for final burial.

FOR THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL:

Sincerely yours,

1 Incl
Photograph

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G. A. HORKAN
Brigadier General, QMC
Assistant

McN

SPQYG 293
Sellers, William I.

25 January 1946

Mrs. Rachel E. Purvis
Route #1
Woodinville, Washington

Dear Mrs. Purvis:

The War Department is most desirous that you be furnished the burial location of your brother, the late Sergeant William I. Sellers, A.S.N. 19 006 437.

The records of this office disclose that his remains are interred in the Cambridge American Military Cemetery, plot L, row 8, grave 3.

This cemetery is located approximately forty-two miles northeast of London, England, just outside the university town of Cambridge, and is under the constant care and supervision of United States military personnel.

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

Sincerely yours,

G. L. CORBIN
Major General, GMC
Acting The Quartermaster General

GRAVES REGISTRATION SECTION
JAN 25 3 19 PM '46
MEMORIAL DIVISION

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

REPORT OF DEATH

DATE 26 Aug 1944

TS/MI/4624

FULL NAME <u>29³ Sellars, William J. <i>final</i></u>				ARMY SERIAL NUMBER <u>19 006 437</u>		GRADE <u>Sgt.</u>	
HOME ADDRESS <u>Spokane, Washington</u>				ARM OR SERVICE <u>Air Corps</u>		DATE OF BIRTH <u>29 Dec 1922</u>	
PLACE OF DEATH <u>European Area</u>			CAUSE OF DEATH <u>Injuries incurred in an airplane accident</u>			DATE OF DEATH <u>3 Aug 1944</u>	
STATION OF DECEASED <u>European Area</u>				DATE OF ENTRY ON CURRENT ACTIVE SERVICE <u>21 July 1941</u>		LENGTH OF SERVICE FOR PAY PURPOSES YEARS MONTHS DAYS <u>Over 3 Yrs.</u>	
EMERGENCY ADDRESSEE (NAME, RELATIONSHIP & ADDRESS) <u>Mrs. Rachel E. Purvis, sister, Rt. #1, Woodinville, Washington</u>							
BENEFICIARY (NAME, RELATIONSHIP & ADDRESS) <u>Mrs. Rachel E. Purvis, sister, same as above.</u> <u>Mrs. Louise Johnson, sister, Seattle, Washington</u>							
INVESTIGATION MADE?		IN LINE OF DUTY		OWN MISCONDUCT		WAS DECEASED ON DUTY STATUS	
YES	NO	YES	NO	YES	NO	YES	NO
☒	☒	☒	☒	☒	☒	☒	☒
AUTHORIZED ABSENCE		IN FLYING PAY STATUS		OTHER PAY STATUS (SPECIFY BELOW)			
YES	NO	YES	NO	YES	NO	YES	NO
☒	☒	☒	☒	☒	☒	☒	☒

ADDITIONAL DATA AND/OR STATEMENT

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2. O. Q. M. G.	O. F. D.	ARMY EFFECTS BUREAU
G. A. O.	VET. ADMIN.	CASUALTY BRANCH FILE
A. G. 201 FILE		

☐ BATTLE

☒ NON-BATTLE

BY ORDER OF THE SECRETARY OF WAR:

final

ADJUTANT GENERAL

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

201041

filed

REPORT OF DEATH

DATE 26 Aug 1944

FULL NAME Sellers, William A.		ARMY SERIAL NUMBER 19 006 437	GRADE Sgt.
HOME ADDRESS Spokane, Washington		ARM OR SERVICE Air Corps	DATE OF BIRTH 29 Dec
PLACE OF DEATH European Area	CAUSE OF DEATH Injuries incurred in an airplane accident		DATE OF DEATH 3 Aug
STATION OF DECEASED European Area		DATE OF ENTRY ON CURRENT ACTIVE SERVICE 21 July 1941	LENGTH OF SERVICE 3 Aug
EMERGENCY ADDRESSEE (NAME, RELATIONSHIP & ADDRESS)		YEARS MON Over	
BENEFICIARY (NAME, RELATIONSHIP & ADDRESS) *Mrs. Rachel E. Purvis, sister, Rt. #1, Woodinville, Washington Mrs. Rachel E. Purvis, sister, same as above. Mrs. Louise Johnson, sister, Seattle, Washington			
INVESTIGATION MADE?		IN LINE OF DUTY	
YES	NO	YES	NO
	☒	☒	
OWN MISCONDUCT		WAS DECEASED ON DUTY STATUS	
YES	NO	YES	NO
	☒	☒	
AUTHORIZED ABSENCE		IN FLYING PAY STATUS	
YES	NO	YES	NO
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OTHER (SPEC)		YES	
		☒	

ADDITIONAL DATA AND/OR STATEMENT

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		A. G. 201 FILE

☐ BATTLE

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BY ORDER OF THE SECRETARY OF WAR:

[Signature]

ADJUTANT

201041

JRM:KB:crw
May 7, 1945

Mrs. Rachel E. Purvis
Route 1
Woodinville, Washington

Dear Mrs. Purvis:

The Army Effects Bureau has received additional property of your brother, Sergeant William I. Sellars, consisting of funds in the amount of \$28.09. A check for this sum is inclosed.

As previously indicated, such property is forwarded for distribution in accordance with the laws of the state of the soldier's legal residence.

Sincerely yours,

A. G. SCHUMACHER
1st Lt. Q.M.C.
Asst. Chief, Admin. Division

1 Incl--
Check

KB

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ARMY SERVICE FORCES
ARMY EFFECTS BUREAU

ORDER FOR SHIPMENT

SHIP TO:

Mrs. Rachel E. Purvis

Route 1

Woodinville, Washington

Effects of:

Name Sgt. William I. Sellars

ASN 19006437

Case No. 201041 D

Wt.

DATE 7 May 1945

JRM:KB:crw

Katherine Bell
FOR: Effects Quartermaster

REMARKS:

x Inclose Bureau Check
Acct. No. 82625
Amount \$28.09
 Inclose "Valuables" item
 Ship "Valuables" item(s)

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

ROUTING:

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

68372 emh

82625

201041

May 7

Rachel E. Purvis

28.09

Twenty-Eight and 09/100

REMARKS:

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

Shipping Clerk

ARMY EFFECTS BUREAU
INVENTORY

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201.041

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CASE NO.

TYPED BY

7P
DATE

3-10-45
STATUS

Dec
NAME

William I Sellers
A.S.N.

19006437
RANK

Sgt
ORGANIZATION

AMOUNT

19605
ACCOUNT NO.

28.09
LIST NO.

uk 434
REMARKS

PK 68372 H
PK 68371 H

ACCOUNTING INVENTORY

201041

JRM:IB:rt
April 16, 1945

Mrs. Rachel E. Purvis
Route #1
Woodinville, Washington

Dear Mrs. Purvis:

The Army Effects Bureau has received from overseas some personal effects of your brother, Sergeant William I. Sellars.

These effects are being forwarded to you in one carton.

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

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

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

Yours very truly,

P. L. KOOB
2nd Lt. Q.M.C.
Officer-in-Charge
SJ Unit

ARMY SERVICES FORCES
ARMY EFFECTS BUREAU

ORDER FOR SHIPMENT

SHIP TO:

Sgt. William I. Sellars

19006437

Mrs. Rachel E. Purvis

Route #1

Woodinville, Washington

Effects of:
Name

ASN

201041 D

Case No.

Wt.

DATE 16 April 1945

JRM:IB:rt

V. Russell
FOR: Effects Quartermaster

REMARKS:

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

____ Remove G.I.
____ Note discrepancy in _____
____ Films removed
____ Diary removed
____ Laundry removed

ROUTING:

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

1 Ctu

REMARKS:

Franked **FRANKED**
Est. Exp. Chgs. _____
Est. Fct. Chgs. _____
No. of packages 1

PTA
Shipping Clerk

APR 20 1945

SHEET <u>1</u> OF <u>1</u> SHEETS	ARMY EFFECTS BUREAU INVENTORY		DECEASED ☒
BOX NUMBER	ORIGINAL NUMBER OF PACKAGES <u>1</u>		MISSING ☐
TALLY NUMBER <u>6711</u>	INVENTORY DATE <u>27/Feb/45</u>	CASE NUMBER <u>201.041</u>	P.O.W. ABANDONED ☐
EFFECTS OF <u>William I. Sellers</u>	RANK <u>Sgt.</u>		
A.S.N. <u>19006437</u>	ORGANIZATION <u>544 BOMM6 Sq 384 BOMM6</u>		
PACKAGE DESCRIPTION <u>#1 ctn</u>			

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

REMARKS: Sister
Mrs Rachel E. Purvis
Rt #1, Woodinville, Wash.

ATTACHMENTS: FORM #51 FORM #100

Inventory

* Stein missing

MAR 6 1945

WEIGHT

GI REMOVED

SHORTAGE ON REVERSE

NAME

SELLARS, WILLIAM L.

SGT

BAY	PALLET	BOX	TALLY
50	62		6711
TYPE OF PKG.	WHSE. SPACE	INVENTORIED	
BOX			

Eff. QM Form 43

ARMY AIR FORCES
US ARMY

13 February 1945.

LPO 507, US ARMY.

1. Enclosed is U. S. Postal Money Order No. 32701, value Twenty-eight dollars and nine cents (28.09).

2. Subject money order is to be added to the effects of Sgt. William I. Sellars ASN 19006437, killed in action 3 August 1944. Original shipment of effects was shipped to your headquarters 15 August 1944.

3. The original bank notes were burned and were forwarded to the Bank of England for reclamation, causing this delay.

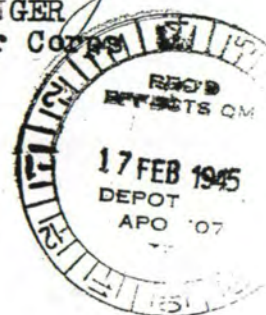
4. Next of kin listed for Sgt. Sellars is:
Mrs. Rachel E. Purvis (Sister), Rt No. 1, Woodinville, Wash.

For the Squadron Commander:

C. R. Zeininger
C. R. ZEININGER
Captain, Air Corps
Adjutant.

CONTROL NO.

66139



1 Incl
Incl 1

CONFIDENTIAL

AAF STATION NO. 106
APO 557, U.S. ARMY

15 August 1944.

SUBJECT: Transmittal Inventory of Personal Effects.

TO : Effects Quartermaster, **Communications Zone, ETOUSA, APO 350,**
U. S. Army.

Transmitted herewith in accordance with Adm. Cir. # 80, dated 25 Oct. 1943, Hq. SOS. ETOUSA, is Inventory of Effects concerning subject named below.

Sellers: William I. Sgt 19006437
(Last Name) (First Name) (MI) (Rank) (A.S.N.) (Control No.)

Organization 54th Bomb Squadron, 384th Bombardment Group (H).

Status. (Deceased, ~~XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX~~ on the 3rd
day of August 19 44

Designated Beneficiary: Mrs. Rachel E. Purvis (Sister)
Rt #1
Woodinville, Wash.

Cl. II Assets: Cash found in effects, less cost of money or inclosed herewith

U.S.M.O. # None. AMT \$ U.S.M.O. # AMT \$

U.S.M.O. # AMT \$ U.S.M.O. # AMT \$

U.S. Official Check # Amt. Bank
(Name and Branch)

Bank Accounts None.

Debtors None.

Creditors None.

Inclosed is None.
(Will, Power of Attorney, War Bond, Travelers Checks. Describe fully)

REMARKS

(OVER)

1945
RESTRICTED

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

JRE:JB:rt
Case No. 201041
Date 16 April 1945

SUBJECT: Report of transaction in disposing of the effects of

William I. Sellars

(Name of deceased)

19006437

(Army Serial Number)

late

Sergeant

(Grade)

Air Corps

(Organization, Army or Service)

who died

on the 3 day of August, 1944, at European Area

TO : The Adjutant General, War Department, Washington 25, D.C.

1. Complying with A.W. 112, a Summary Court-Martial, convened at Kansas City, Mo. Pursuant to S.O., 228 Hq., KCQM Depot, dated 25 September 1943, for the purpose of disposing of the effects of the above-named soldier, or person subject to military law, reports that:

a. No legal representative or widow of decedent being present at decedents camp or quarters, effects of decedent were forwarded to this Summary Court-Martial.

b. Local debtors owed decedent's estate \$ none, of which the sum of \$ none was collected. (If nothing was found due or collected, state "None"; otherwise attach itemized statement of sums owing and collected.) (Incl. _____.)

c. Decedent owed undisputed local creditors the sum of \$ none which has been paid by the Summary Court-Martial from funds of decedent. (See inclosed receipt _____, Incl. _____)

d. Disposition of decedent's effects (less money paid creditors, if any) has been made by the Summary Court-Martial by transmittal through the Quartermaster Corps, at Government expense to person found entitled (See Summary Court-Martial FINDING below)

FINDING

Before a Summary Court-Martial which convened at Kansas City, Missouri, on 10 April 1945, pursuant to Special Orders 228, Headquarters KCQM Depot, dated 25 September 1943, the application or affidavit of _____

Mrs. Rachel E. Purvis for the effects of the above-named deceased soldier, or person subject to military law, now in the possession of the United States, with other relevant evidence, was duly considered;

Whereupon, this Summary Court-Martial finds that, under the provisions of

A.W. 112, Mrs. Rachel E. Purvis of
(Name of person found entitled)

Route #1

(Number, Street or Avenue)

Woodinville

(City, town or Village)

State of

Washington

, is the

Sister

(Relationship or Capacity)

of th