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Box 30
Dracon, Texas
May 5, 1947

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Dear Major Coombs,

I just now received your letter of April 30; and am writing today to try to get a photostatic copy of my son's former wife's marriage certificate to send to you in order that you may have proof of her re-marriage.

I want you to appoint me next-of-kin as soon as possible in order that I may get all notices of any kind pertaining to him, or to the cemetery where he is buried [] under stand it is not to be a permanent Government cemetery, and all the soldiers will have to be removed].

He has two small children - 3 and 7 - but they are too young to attend to any of this, so surely there can be no question but that I should be "next in line of priority", as you put it. I am very unhappy with nobody to see about these things, and extremely anxious to get this attended to. Shall I send the copy of the marriage certificate directly to you?

My son's name: 293
First Lt. James Hugh Brantley
10-1063838

Thank you very much,
Mrs. Jesse L. Watkins

QMG MF 293

Box 3-5

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Draan, Texas

May 12, 1947

Dear Major Coombs,

I have secured a copy of the marriage certificate of my son's widow, and am enclosing it, as you suggested in your letter of April 30, 1947.

[My son was First Lieutenant James Hugh Brantly, O-663838. He was killed in action August 6, 1947]

Please have me take her place as next of kin so that I may receive all communications concerning him; and so that I shall be able to say when we will bring him when the Military Cemetery in Cambridge, England [where he is buried] is no longer ^{one of} our Military cemeteries. [A letter to his wife said all bodies would eventually be removed.]

As I have written you, he has two children, but they are minors - 3 and 6 years of age.

I will feel greatly relieved when I know I am on your records as next of kin of my son; so will you please notify me when this has been done.

Thank you very, very much for all you have done for me. Sincerely,

Helen M. Watkins
1.01. SENT 0 MAY 1947 To mother L

No. 177123

The State of Texas



County of Bexar

To any Regularly Licensed or Ordained Minister of the Gospel, Jewish Rabbi,
Judge of the District Court, Judge of the County Court, or Justice of the Peace:
You, or either of you, are hereby authorized to celebrate the rites of matrimony by joining in the

Holy Union of Matrimony

James E. Mayer

and

Mrs. Ruth Brantley



in accordance with the Laws of this State and that you make due return of
this, your authority, to my office, within sixty days after the celebration
aforesaid, certifying how you have executed the same.

Given under my hand and seal of the County Court of Bexar
County, Texas, this 20 day of Feb, 19 47

Fred Huntress

County Clerk, Bexar County, Texas

By Silva H Wernette, Deputy

The foregoing License executed by joining the within named parties in the

Holy Union of Matrimony

this the 8 day of Mar 19 47

Two witnesses sign here

Carolyn Cook

Ralph C. Cook

Official performing ceremony

David L. Murphy Pastor

Westminster Ch. S. A. Texas

Returned the 12 day of Mar 19 47

Recorded this the 12 day of Mar 19 47

A true copy of the original

By Silva H Wernette Deputy

Fred Huntress Clerk

CERTIFICATE N° 18901

THE STATE OF TEXAS,
County of Bexar.

I, Fred Huntress, Clerk of the County Court of Bexar County, Texas, do hereby

certify that the copy on the reverse side hereof is a true and correct copy of the Marriage License of

James E. Mayer

and

Mrs. Ruth Brantley

and the return thereof, as the same appears of record in my office in Volume 98, Page 310, of the Marriage License Records of Bexar County, Texas.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, witness my hand and official seal of office in the City of San Antonio, this the

8 day of May, A. D. 1947

Fred Huntress

County Clerk, Bexar County, Texas.

By

W. E. Sarran

Deputy.

No. 177123

Marriage License

James E. Mayer

and

Mrs. Ruth Brantley

APR 20 1947
F. E. SARRAN
CLERK

1st Lt. James H. Brantley, O 663 838
Plot M, Row 7, Grave 20,
United States Military Cemetery
Cambridge, England

20 May 1947

Mrs. Ruth O. Brantley
422 Alvarez Place
San Antonio, Texas

Dear Mrs. Brantley:

Reference is made to the "Letter of Inquiry - Disposition of Remains" sent to you about 45 days ago, requesting you to complete and mail the "Request for Disposition of Remains" form.

Since no reply has been received, you are again respectfully urged to return this completed form at the earliest possible date in order to avoid any unnecessary delay in the final disposition of the remains of your loved one.

Due to the tremendous amount of work involved in carrying out final burial arrangements for all of the deceased Americans of World War II, this program must proceed cemetery by cemetery in each area of the world.

The cemetery in which the remains of your loved one are buried is expected to be evacuated in the near future. In the absence of any reply from you by that time, the Government will assume that you have no objection to the final burial of the deceased in a permanent American Military Cemetery Overseas.

Sincerely,

G. A. NORMAN
Brigadier General, GMC
Chief, Memorial Division



L.O.I. SENT 8 OCT 1947 To mother fzf

RECEIVED REMAINS 22-23

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

IN REPLY REFER TO BURIAL OF

1st Lt. James H. Brantley, O 663 838
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United States Military Cemetery
Cambridge, England

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Brigadier General, QMC
Chief, Memorial Division

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QMCMF 293
Brantley, James H.
S. N. O 663 838

Address Reply To
THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
Attention: Memorial Division

27 May 1947

Mrs. Jesse Watkins
Box 305
Iraan, Texas

Dear Mrs. Watkins:

Thank you for your letter concerning your son, the late First Lieutenant James H. Brantley.

I wish to advise you that the United States Military Cemetery Cambridge, England has been designated as an established American Cemetery overseas to be maintained by the United States Government. However, if it is the desire of the next of kin that your son rest there permanently, it may be necessary to disinter and rebury his remains in another part of this cemetery.

Upon receipt of the certified copy of certificate of marriage, showing the remarriage of your son's widow, our records will be amended accordingly.

Sincerely yours,

RICHARD B. COOMBS
Major, QMC
Memorial Division



QMCMT 293
Brantley, James H.
SN 0 663 838

Address Reply To
THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
Attention: Memorial Division

30 June 1947

Mrs. Helen M. Watkins
Box 505
Iran, Texas

Dear Mrs. Watkins:

Thank you for your letter of 12 May 1947, concerning your son, the late First Lieutenant James H. Brantley.

The documentary evidence which you submitted is sincerely appreciated and further information concerning the person authorized to direct disposition of your son's remains will be forwarded at a later date.

I wish to advise that since the date of our last letter to you, complete information pertaining to the establishment of permanent American Military Cemeteries overseas was not available. However, since that time, the United States Military Cemetery Cambridge, England, has been designated as a permanent cemetery, and the remains of your son will not have to be moved to another cemetery.

May I extend my continued sympathy to you in your great loss.

Sincerely yours,

RICHARD S. COOMBS
Major
Memorial Division

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cc: Records Section



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1st Lt. James H. Brantley, O 663 838
Plot M, Row 7, Grave 20,
United States Military Cemetery
Cambridge, England

8 October 1947

Mrs. Helen M. Watkins
Box 305
Irwin, Texas

Dear Mrs. Watkins:

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

Incls.

CORRESPONDENCE ACTION SHEET

Addressee: ^{Mr.} Helen M. Watkins ^{Miss.} Mother
 Relationship Mother
 State Bay 305
 City, State Juan, Texas Date letter '47
 Cemetery _____
 Temporary: _____
 Permanent: _____
 Plot Row Gr Cen. Name or No. City Country

-- ADDITIONAL -- DATA -- MODIFICATIONS --

PARAGRAPHS
(sequence)

Thank you for your letter of 12 May 1947, concerning your son,
the late _____

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appreciated and further information concerning the person authorized
to direct disposition of your son's remains will be forwarded at a later
date.

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cc: Records Section

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American Military Cemeteries overseas was not available. However, since
that time, the USMC ~~at~~ Cambridge, England has been designated as a
permanent cemetery, and the remains of your son will not have to be moved
to another cemetery, ~~if the remains are not moved~~

Analyst Typist Reviewer

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Decedent:

Brantley

Last

James

First

BT

Initial

107 BT

Rank

0-665-838

ASN

Box 574, Iraan, Texas
October 27, 1947

Office of Quartermaster General
Memorial Division

Dear Sir,

All the "Disposition of Remains" material concerning my son, ²³First Lieutenant James H. Brantley, O 663 838, Plot M, Row 7, Grave 20, United States Military Cemetery, Cambridge, England, has been received, and duly noted.

Because of my son's grandmother's health - she has been ill since he was killed - it is not at this time advisable to go through the emotional ordeal of bringing him home. Therefore I would like for you to answer the following questions:

1. For how many years will the Government continue to bring back the war dead? [I read somewhere five years]
2. Will you tell me the approximate number of United States soldiers who are to be permanently interred in Cambridge Military Cemetery?
3. What percent of the boys are being brought home? [I had hoped all of them would be left undisturbed, believing they would refer it; and that the money used to bring them home would be spent to prevent another war. But, I cannot bear for my son to be left alone - or almost alone, even.]
4. Can you, and will you please, send me names of other American mothers whose sons are buried in Cambridge Military Cemetery? [I have contacted the Texas Gold Star Mothers' Association in an attempt to locate such mothers and there are ^{none} ~~some~~ whose sons are buried in Cambridge.]
5. In event the father of my son - named in your material as next of kin - cannot be located, and would not assume ^{the} responsibility were he located, is there any argument about me his mother - taking care of this heart breaking business?

Thank you. H. D. Mann Whitkins

CORRESPONDENCE ACTION SHEET

Addressee: ^{Mr.} Mrs. Helen Mary Watkins mother
 Relationship
 State Box 576
 City, State Prison, Texas Date letter '47
 Cemetery
 Temporary: _____
 Permanent: _____
 Plot Row Gr Cem. Name or No. City Country

-- ADDITIONAL -- DATA -- MODIFICATIONS --

PARAGRAPHS
(sequence)

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~~Since this program is already underway, it is vitally necessary that your decision be recorded with us by the return of the completed disposition form at your earliest convenience.~~

-- in hand -- buried in the U.S.M.C.,
 Cambridge, ~~Mass.~~ England. I wish to advise you, however, that many families have expressed their desire to have the remains of their loved ones rest overseas in the military cemeteries which will be under the constant care and protection of our grateful Government.

I regret that we are not at liberty to disclose the names of the mothers of other deceased servicemen entered in the U.S.M.C. (over)

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Decedent: Smith
 Last First Initial Rank ASN
 0663838

Cambridge, England.

According to the order of precedence among relatives, established by the Secretary of the Army, the father has precedence over the mother & the direct disposition of a deceased serviceman's remains. It is, therefore, requested that your advice as to the full name and address ^{of your son's father} in order that we may contact him regarding this matter.

166K -- in finding the info to our
office - - - - .

DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY

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QMCMF 293
Brantley, James H.
SN O 663 838

17 November 1947

Mrs. Helen Marr Watkins
Box 576
Iran, Texas

Dear Mrs. Watkins:

Your letter pertaining to the remains of your son, the late First Lieutenant James H. Brantley, has come to my attention.

Neither Congress nor the Department of the Army now contemplates moving the remains of World War II ~~Dead~~ after they have been permanently interred as requested by the authorized next of kin. Therefore, the decision made by the next of kin on the form "Request for Disposition of Remains" will be considered final. However, exceptions may be made prior to the actual start of exhumation of the cemetery in which your son is temporarily buried.

After that date, all subsequent reburials must have the prior approval of The Quartermaster General, and all expenses borne the ~~next~~ of kin.

Because not all next of kin have returned their Request for Disposition of Remains form recording their desires, it is not presently possible to estimate the number of deceased who will be permanently buried in the United States Military Cemetery Cambridge, England. I wish to advise you, however, that many families have expressed their desire to have the remains of their loved ones rest overseas in the Military cemeteries which will be under the constant care and protection of our grateful Government.

I regret that we are not at liberty to disclose the names of the mothers of other deceased servicemen interred in the United States Military Cemetery Cambridge, England.

According to the order of precedence among relatives, established by the Secretary of the Army, the father has precedence over the mother to direct disposition of a deceased serviceman's remains. It is therefore requested that you advise us of the full name and address of your son's father in order that we may contact him regarding this matter.

QMCMF 293 Brantley, James H., 0 663 838 17 November 1947 (continued)

Your cooperation and promptness in forwarding this information to our office will be greatly appreciated.

Sincerely yours,

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RICHARD B. COOMBS
Major, OMC
Memorial Division

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MEMORIAL DIVISION
RECORDS BRANCH

Irving, Texas
January 17, 1948

^{General}
Major Thomas B. Larkin
Quartermaster General's Office

Dear Sir,

This is regarding my son, the late First Lieutenant ⁹¹³ James H. Brantley, 0663 838, Plot M, Row 7, Grave 20, ~~United States Military Cemetery,~~ Cambridge, England.

Sometime ago you wrote me that if his father was still living he would be the one to decide whether we bring my son home or not.

He is living, and I sent the letter [through his sister, Miss Bertha J. Brantley, 610 North Street, Nacogdoches, Texas], and instructions from you, to him.

His sister says he refuses to take any action whatever.

It was his Mother's [my son's grand mother] wish that he be brought home as soon as possible. She died three months after he was killed.

All of his father's people want him brought home.

Is there anything further I, his mother - can do to see he is brought home?

Thank you,
(Mrs) Helen Marr Walkers

If you want to correspond directly with his father, Miss Brantley [address above]

DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY
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UNOMF 298
Brantley, James H.
SN O 665 858

29 January 1948

there is a father

Miss Bertha T. Brantley
610 North Street
Nacogdoches, Texas

Dear Miss Brantley:

The Department of the Army is endeavoring to determine the relative who may be legally recognized as the next of kin having the right to direct the final disposition of the remains of your nephew, the late First Lieutenant James H. Brantley.

The official report of burial indicates that the remains of your nephew were interred, in a dignified and solemn manner, in Plot M, Row 7, Grave 20, in the United States Military Cemetery Cambridge, located fifty miles north of London, England.

Inasmuch as information has been received which indicates that you forwarded the "Disposition of Remains" form to you brother, who according to our records is the next of kin, it is requested that you urge him to complete this form, indicating his desires. If you would forward his current mailing address to us, it would be greatly appreciated.

Sincerely yours,

RICHARD B. MOONIS
Major, QMC
Memorial Division

Handwritten:
JAN 30 1948
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CORRESPONDENCE ACTION SHEET

Addressee: ^{Mr} ~~Miss~~ Bertha J. Brantley Aunt
 Relationship
 State 610 North St
 City, State Waco, Texas '47
 Date letter
 Cemetery
 Temporary: _____
 Permanent: _____
 Plot Row Gr Cem. Name or No. City Country

PARAGRAPHS
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Inasmuch as information has been received which indicates that you forwarded the "Disposition of Remains" form to your brother, who according to our records is the nok, it is requested that you urge him to complete this form, indicating his desires, ~~xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx~~ ~~xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx~~ If you would forward his current mailing address to us, it would be greatly appreciated.

Decedent:

Last

First

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

In Reply Refer To RR Br: QMGR 293 Brantley, James H., 1st Lt., O 663 838
Plot M, Row 7, Grave 26
United States Military Cemetery
Cambridge, England

12 March 1948

P R I O R I T Y

Miss Janet Neal, Home Service Director
Midwestern Area, American Red Cross
1709 Washington Avenue
Saint Louis 3, Missouri

Dear Miss Neal:

The Next of Kin of the above captioned deceased father
(relationship)

C/o Mrs. Bertha T. Brantley, 610 North Street, Nacogdoches, Texas
(name) (address)

has failed to return a Form 345 indicating disposition instructions for the remains.

It is respectfully requested that the attached QMGR Form 345 be properly accomplished by the Next of Kin and legal documents obtained through assistance of your representative if appropriate, be furnished this office. In the event you are unable to secure disposition instructions from the Next of Kin, it is further requested that a statement of the action taken by your representative be furnished this office for use as a basis for final disposition of remains of the decedent.

It is recommended that in contact with the Next of Kin mentioned above, they first be queried as to whether or not they have submitted the appropriate form, as it may have been mailed to this office since receipt by you of this request.

Sincerely yours,

JOHN O. HYATT
Colonel, QMG
Memorial Division

Incls. *[Signature]*
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MAIL & RECORDS BRANCH

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THE AMERICAN NATIONAL RED CROSS
MIDWESTERN AREA

1709 WASHINGTON AVE., ST. LOUIS 3, MO.

March 31, 1948

Office of the Quartermaster General
Memorial Division
Department of the Army
Washington 25, D. C.

Re: QMGMR 293
BRANTLEY, James H 1/lt
O 663 838
Plot M, Row 7, Gr 20
US Military Cemetery
Cambridge, England

Father: A. L. Brantley
3901 Polk St
Houston, Texas

Gentlemen:

This is in reply to your request of March 12, 1948, concerning the next of kin of the above-named deceased serviceman and the disposition of Form 345.

Our chapter worker at Nacogdoches, Texas, advises that the father does not live at the address given for Nacogdoches, Texas, but is residing at 3901 Polk Street, Houston, Texas. The father's sister, Miss Bertha T. Brantley, stated that her brother does not want to be the one to make the decision concerning the serviceman's burial and that he was willing that his former wife, the serviceman's mother, be given this authority. It was explained that he could relinquish his authority by completing Part II of the form. Inasmuch as Mr. Brantley is now living at another address we are referring this matter to our Houston, Texas, Chapter so that they may make a contact with the next of kin in an effort to have Form 345 completed.

We are giving you this interim report so that you may be advised of the action taken to date and of our anticipated contact with the father. A report will be forwarded to you as soon as there is any definite information.

Sincerely yours,

Janet Neel
(Miss) Janet Neel per BX
Director, Home Service

Dictated 3/30

File-NAN
G. Kennedy
201-MC2
5 April 48



THE AMERICAN NATIONAL RED CROSS

MIDWESTERN AREA

1700 WASHINGTON AVE., ST. LOUIS 3, MO.

April 21, 1948

Memorial Division
Department of the Army
Office of the Quartermaster General
Washington 25, D.C.

RR Br: QMGMR 293
Re: BRANTLEY, James H. 1/Lt.
ASN O 663 838
Deceased

Gentlemen:

Cambridge Eng. M-7-20

This is in reply to your request of March 18, 1948
regarding disposition of the remains of 1/Lt. James H. Brantley.

Our chapter Home Service worker reports that the father
of the deceased officer completed form 345 and decided to have
the body interred in a permanent American Military Cemetery over-
seas. The chapter worker advises that the form was mailed to
your office on April 20.

If further information is desired, please let us know.

Sincerely yours,

Janet Neel

(Miss) Janet Neel
Director, Home Service
Midwestern Area

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FILE
MAY 4 1948
*James H. Brantley
ASN O 663 838
Cambridge Eng.*

REQUEST FOR DISPOSITION OF REMAINS

BUDGET BUREAU No. 49-R277.

25/1/48

GRADE OF DECEASED, NAME, ARMY SERIAL NUMBER AND REPORTED PLACE OF BURIAL

DATE:

1st Lt James H. Brantley, O 663 838
Plot M, Row 7, Grave 20,
United States Military Cemetery
Cambridge, England

12 March 1948

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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 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 I of this form.

PART I

I, A. L. Brantley
(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. Cambridge England

☐ 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 _____ (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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Incl #1

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PART I (Continued)

If on Page 1 of this form you have selected Option Number 2 or 3, or Option Number 4 with your own funeral ceremonies desired at a location other than the selected national cemetery, 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	STATE OR TERRITORY OF U. S. A., OR COUNTRY
EXPRESS OFFICE (Nearest railroad passenger station)	TELEGRAPH ADDRESS		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 ARMED FORCES 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 ARMED FORCES 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.

A. L. Brantley 3901 POIK ST
(SIGNATURE OF NEXT OF KIN) (STREET AND NUMBER)
A. L. Brantley Houston, Texas
(NAME PRINTED OR TYPED) (CITY AND STATE)

Subscribed and duly sworn to before me according to law by the above-named applicant this 19th day of April, 1948 at city (or town) of Houston, county of Harris, and State (or Territory or District) of Texas

***NOTE.—Page 4 is part of the notarial attestation:**

Dan Allen
(SIGNATURE OF OFFICER AUTHORIZED TO ADMINISTER OATHS)
Notary - Harris Co. Texas
(OFFICIAL TITLE)

6 April 1949

1/Lt James H. Brantley, ASN 0 663 8 38
Plot F, Row 7, Grave 11
Headstone: Cross
Cambridge (England) U. S. Military Cemetery

Mr. A. L. Brantley
3901 Polk Street
Houston, Texas

Dear Mr. Brantley:

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. FREIDMAN
Major General
The Quartermaster General

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