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No difficulty was experienced with Mrs. Bossman. I explained in the beginning to Mrs. Bossman that it was a difficult case and asked if I could exercise my own judgment, and hold back some of the details. She asked not to tell her any gruesome details.

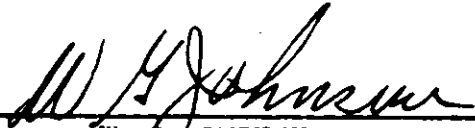
The discrepancy was explained about how the remains of her husband had been included in the group. She was told that during the confusion of combat, his remains were buried in the cemetery at Epernay, along side the casualties of the tank. Upon exhumation for transfer to a military cemetery they were thought to be part of the tank crew. Mrs. Bossman accepted the decision and was very thankful for the visit.

SECTION IV - ACTION

Action recommended - the following recommendations are made:

1. That all records in this Office, and at Jefferson Barracks National Cemetery be amended to show this as a group of four decedents, adding Captain Bossman's name to the group.
2. That a new marker be erected bearing the four names of the group as now constituted.
3. That a letter be dispatched to Mrs. Bossman confirming this visit and informing her of the grave location.
4. That a Memorial flag be dispatched to Mrs. Bossman.
5. That a photostat of this report be crossfiled into each of the 293 files of the group.


E. M. BROWN, LT COL, MC

APPROVED:  DATE: 7 NOV 51
V. G. JOHNSON
Colonel, MC
Memorial Division



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

IN REPLY REFER TO

7 November 1951

793 Shaljian, Donald J.
SUBJECT: Report of Official Travel *0-11017, 063*

TO: Chief, Memorial Division

SECTION I - ITINERARY

1. Places Visited	Arrived		Departed	
	Date	Hour	Date	Hour
Harrisburg, Pennsylvania				
Hamburg, Arkansas				
Stockton, California				
Minneapolis, Minnesota	1 Nov 51	0815	4 Nov 51	2215

2. Persons Contacted

- Mrs. John W. Ensminger, Stepmother
- Mr. and Mrs. Frank I. Tucker, Parents
- Mr. and Mrs. Van Lennep Shaljian, Parents
- Mrs. Bernice Bossman, Widow

SECTION II - PURPOSE OF VISIT

This visit to the next of kin of the group now interred in Jefferson Barracks National Cemetery was made to inform them of the addition of Captain Beryle B. Bossman. This was done after exhaustive investigation.

The group as it will now consist is as follows:

Corporal Frank L. Ensminger	33 148 547
2nd Lieutenant Donald J. Shaljian	01 017 063
Private John F. Tucker	38 516 495
Captain Beryle B. Bossman	0 454 572

SECTION III - OBSERVATIONS AND CONCLUSIONS

A.

On 23 October 1951, I proceeded to Harrisburg, Pennsylvania, to confer with the next of kin of Corporal Frank L. Ensminger, 33148547, one of the decedent's of the group.

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Mr. John Ensminger, the father wasn't home. He is a railroad man, and was away on a rail run. Mrs. Ensminger, the decedent's stepmother, said she could deliver any message I would leave. I found that the family felt very kindly toward the Army. Mrs. Ensminger said that they didn't write much because the Army had kept them so well informed.

The case was carefully explained. I told the mother that this Office was positive that Captain Bossman's remains were included in the group. Mrs. Ensminger wasn't surprised and thanked me for the visit and information.

Mrs. Ensminger was informed that Captain Bossman's name would be inscribed on the headstone and that the group now would be a group of four.

B.

On 27 October 1951, I arrived in Hamburg, Arkansas, to confer with the next of kin of Private John F. Tucker, 38516495. Mr. and Mrs. Frank Tucker, Parents, and Peggy Tucker, daughter of the decedent met with me.

I found Mr. and Mrs. Tucker very pleasant and receptive to the situation. The case was carefully explained. They were told that the remains of Captain Bossman were included in the group and that this was not known until a thorough investigation was made in an attempt to account for Captain Bossman. The parents were very pleased that I made this visit to them to explain. The mother said, "I know I wouldn't have understood if you had written a letter."

C.

On 30 October 1951, I arrived in Stockton, California, to interview Mr. and Mrs. Shaljian, Parents of Second Lieutenant Donald J. Shaljian, 01017063. The parents were found to be very pleasant, and receptive to narrative of this case.

All details were explained to them. They were told that after exhaustive investigation, it was concluded that the remains of Captain Bossman had been included with those of the group. Further, that it was the decision of this Office to add the name of Captain Bossman to the marker.

The parents fully understood. There were no recriminations or harsh remarks. On the contrary, the father expressed thanks for my visit and stated that when they were present at the interment ceremony his feeling was one of detachment. He couldn't believe that his son was in the group. However, now he felt different he said, "your visit has cleared everything, I now know that my son is in that group, and I'm amazed by the thoroughness of the investigation, and the thoughtfulness of the personal visit." He further stated that a letter would not have been satisfactory in explanation.

QMGMG 293
Shaljian, Donald J.
O-1017063

11 June 1952

Mr. & Mrs. Van L. Shaljian
1426 North Edison Street
Stockton, California

Dear Mr. & Mrs. Shaljian:

Reference is made to the interment of your son, the late Donald J. Shaljian, and his comrades, which was made in Graves 168, 169 and 170, Section 84, Jefferson Barracks National Cemetery, St. Louis, Missouri. It is regretted that because of the fact it was impossible to identify individually the remains of your son, you were deprived of the comfort and consolation which you might have been afforded by interring his remains at home.

It is felt that you might like to have the inclosed photographs of the stone which has been placed at the grave.

You are assured that the grave will always be cared for in a manner fully commensurate with the sacrifice your son has made for his country. Any desired information concerning the grave or the cemetery will be furnished upon request.

Sincerely yours,

JAS. F. WATT
Lt. Colonel, QMC
Memorial Division

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QMGT DEPT OF ARMY WASH DC
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ROUTINE

FROM QMGT

NAME BERYLE B BOSSMAN 0454573 HAS BEEN ADDED TO GROUP BURIAL OF FRANK L ENSMINGER
33148547 DONALD J SHALJIAN 01017063 JOHN F TUCKER 38516495 PAREN 3515GB60 PAREN PD
NONRECOVERABLE FINDINGS CANCELLED PD RQST RECORDS URHQ BE AMENDED ACCORDINGLY

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CAPT JOHN M NEFF

QMGT 293 - GRS European

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8 Nov 51

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J G WHICHER
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1. FILE UNDER NO.

293 - *Shajian, Donald J. 0-1017064*

SYNOPSIS

2. TYPE OF DOCUMENT:

RRE FORM #39

3. DATE:

6 May 50

4. FROM:

5. TO:

6. SUBJECT:

Attached correspondence and/or other identifying media of possible archival value, pertaining to the following Group Burial.

7. DOCUMENT FILED UNDER NO.

293 - Jefferson Bks N/C #3515 SB-60

(DD #1 - Group Burial)

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1. FILE UNDER NO. 293 - SHALJIAN, Donald J. O-1017063

SYNOPSIS

2. TYPE OF DOCUMENT: FORM 3. DATE: 15 Nov 49

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5. TO:

6. SUBJECT: No. 1 - Disint Dir. # 3515-08-60 covering Group or Mass
Burial from Champignoul - France to Jeff. Bks.
National Cemetery, Jeff. Bks., Missouri.
(Receipt of Remains Attached)

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UNDER NO.

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SYNOPSIS

2. TYPE OF DOCUMENT: MEMO

3. DATE: 8/3 24 Oct 49

4. FROM:

5. TO:

6. SUBJECT: GROUP BURIAL RETURNED TO THE UNITED STATES From Champignoul, France

ENSMINGER, Frank L. Cpl. 33148547

7. DOCUMENT FILED
UNDER NO. 293 - Jefferson Hqs Nat'l Cem

(Group Burial)

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QMCMF 293
Shaljian, Donald J.
SN 01 017 063

5 December 1949

Mr. and Mrs. Van L. Shaljian, Sr.
1426 North Edison Street
Stockton, California

Dear Mr. and Mrs. Shaljian:

Your recent letter concerning final interment of the remains of the group including your son, the late Second Lieutenant Donald J. Shaljian, has come to my attention.

I fully appreciate your desire to have the remains of your son and those of his crew members interred in the Arlington National Cemetery, Fort Myer, Virginia, rather than in the Jefferson Barracks National Cemetery, St. Louis, Missouri. I must inform you, however, that in cases of group burials, a change can be made in the designated national cemetery only upon unanimous consent of all next of kin involved, and since this office has not received requests for interment in the Arlington National Cemetery from the next of kin of all decedents in the group, I regret that we cannot comply with your wishes in the matter.

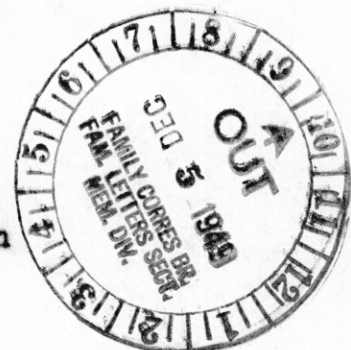
Should the next of kin concerned write to this office voluntarily requesting that final burial be made in the Arlington National Cemetery, you may be assured that we will attempt to comply with their mutual desires, if final interment has not already been accomplished. In the absence of concurrence from all the next of kin, interment must be made in the Jefferson Barracks National Cemetery as originally designated.

I sincerely regret that I am not permitted to furnish you with the names and addresses of the next of kin of other decedents comprising the group. Although this office formerly furnished such information upon request, in view of the numerous letters received from the families of our honored dead protesting this practice, we have been forced to conclude the releasing of any information concerning the next of kin.

Permit me to extend my deepest sympathy in the great loss you have sustained.

Sincerely yours,

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



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cc M Krescher

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CORRESPONDENCE ACTION SHEET

PREVIOUS BURIAL LOCATION (Cemetery and Country)	PLOT	ROW	GRAVE
PRESENT BURIAL LOCATION (Cemetery and Country)	PLOT	ROW	GRAVE
ADDRESSEE MR. AND MRS. VAN L. SHALJIAN, SR. MR. MRS.	ADDRESS (Street, City, State) 1426 N. EDISON ST. STOCKTON, CALIF.		
RELATIONSHIP PARENTS			

NAME OF DECEDENT (Last, First, Middle)
SHALJIAN, DONALD J.

GRADE
2/LT

SERIAL NUMBER
01 017 063

PARAGRAPHS (Sequence)	ADDITIONAL DATA — MODIFICATIONS
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ANALYST INITIALS AND DATE Henderson 12-2-79	TYPIST INITIALS	REVIEWER INITIALS AND DATE
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Stockton, California

Nov. 25, 1949

Dept. of the Army
Office of the Quartermaster General
Washington, 25, D.C.

Attention: Colonel E. V. Freeman
Chief, Memorial Division

Dear Colonel Freeman:

In reference to your letter concerning our son, the late Second Lieutenant ²⁹³ Donald J. Shaljian, O1 017 063, Group Burial, United States Military Cemetery, Champigneul, France, and dated 15 November 1949, it is our wish that his remains be buried at the National Cemetery at Arlington, Virginia.

We would like to contact the next of kin of the two men whose remains are grouped with those of our son, regarding their wishes in this matter. However, we have neither their names nor their addresses. In the event these people are from the east coast area of the United States, the distance they might have to travel would be lessened.

We have no objection to final interment at Jefferson Barracks, Mo., and are willing to abide by any majority of wishes as to the place of final interment, if any are expressed, or if it is permissible for such a preference to be expressed.

We have previously visited our country's national cemetery at Arlington, and will be present at the final rites.

Sincerely yours,

Mr. and Mrs. Van L. Shaljian Sr.

Alta Bunch Shaljian
Van L. Shaljian Sr.

1426 No. Edison Street
Stockton, California

STANDARD FORM NO. 64

OFFICE OF THE ATTORNEY GENERAL

Department of Justice
Washington, D.C.

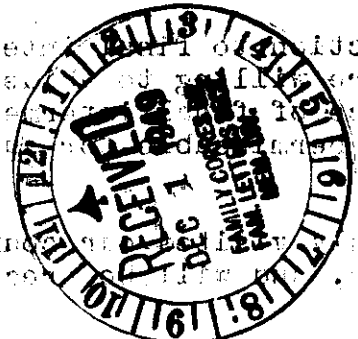
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Chief, ...

Dear Sir:

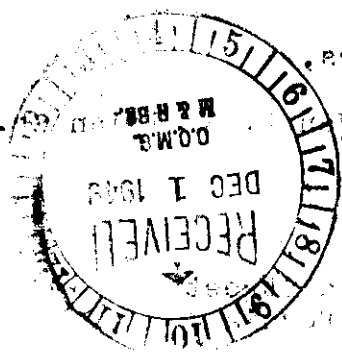
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MEMORIAL DIVISION
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15 November 1949

Mr. Van Lemnep Shaljian, Sr.
1426 North Edison Street
Stockton, California

2/Lt Donald J. Shaljian, O1 017 063
Group Burial
United States Military Cemetery
Champigneul, France

Dear Mr. Shaljian:

The Department of the Army desires that you be given the most recent information concerning your son, the late Second Lieutenant Donald J. Shaljian, ASN O1 017 063.

The American Graves Registration Service in their search for deceased American personnel recovered certain remains from the area in which your son and others of his comrades met their death. As identifications could not be established at the time of the recovery, unknown designations were assigned pending further investigation, and temporary interments were made in a United States Military Cemetery overseas.

The investigation has now been completed, and although the circumstances rendered individual identifications impossible, sufficient evidence was present to determine that they were those of your son and two comrades and to warrant a group identification of the remains. The remains are now casketed, and being held overseas, pending return to the United States for interment in Jefferson Barracks National Cemetery, located at Saint Louis 23, Missouri.

This plan for the burial in one of our country's shrines of all the known groups of men for whom individual identity cannot be established, is based upon the provisions of Public Law 383, 79th Congress, as amended by Section 3, Public Law 368, 80th Congress. Final interment in a national cemetery in the United States where perpetual care will be given the graves, is fitting and proper. This particular national cemetery was selected in order that no undue burden of travel might be placed on any one family wishing to attend the services.

You and the next of kin of the other men will be informed of the date and time of final interment sufficiently in advance to permit you and any interested persons to attend the ceremonies. In order that you may receive information concerning these final rites, it is essential, in case you change your address, that you promptly inform the Commanding General, New York Port of Embarkation, Attention AGRD, First Avenue and 58th Street, Brooklyn 20, New York.

Sincerely yours,

E. V. FREEMAN
Colonel, QMC
Chief, Memorial Division

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AGPO-CO-201 Shaljian, Donald J. 13
(26 Oct 49) 301004

31 October 1949

Mr. and Mrs. Van Lemney Shaljian, Sr.
1426 North Edison Street
Stockton, California

Dear Mr. and Mrs. Shaljian:

I am writing you relative to the previous letter from this office in which you were regretfully informed that a Finding of Death had been made in the case of your son, Second Lieutenant Donald J. Shaljian, 01017063, Infantry, and that the presumptive date of his death had been established as 29 August 1945.

The records of the Department of the Army are being amended to show that Lieutenant Shaljian was killed in action on 26 August 1944 in Epernay, France. This change in status from presumed dead to killed in action is based on burial information recently received. You will receive a letter from The Quartermaster General concerning the disposition of your son's remains.

Pursuant to the provisions of Public Law 490, 77th Congress, 7 March 1942, as amended, official reports will now be issued by the Department of the Army which will indicate the actual date of his death as that shown above. The issuance of this official Report of Death will not affect any payment or settlement of accounts which has been made on the basis of the Finding of Death.

My continued sympathy is with you in the great loss you have sustained.

Sincerely yours,

EDWARD F. WITSELL
Major General
The Adjutant General of the Army

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QUONET 293

~~GRS European~~

Champignoneul France

24 October 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 the following Unknowns in USMC Champignoneul, France:

<u>Unknown</u>	<u>Plot</u>	<u>Rank</u>	<u>Grave</u>
5	A	7	175
6	A	3	51
7	A	6	130

as the remains of either/or:

X293 Shaljian, Donald J.	2nd Lt	0-1017063
Reisinger, Frank L.	Cpl	33145547
Tucker, John F.	Pvt	33516495

as established by your headquarters has been approved by this Office.

2. Request all records be amended accordingly.

FOR THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL:

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

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Subject: Group Burial - USMC Champigneul, France
Plot A, Row 7, Grave 175; Plot A, Row 3,
Grave 51; Plot A, Row 6, Grave 130.

1. Forwarded herewith are 293 files for remains of subject group burial in which Ensminger, Frank L. Cpl. 33148547, is the first entry.
2. Next of kin have been verified and are listed below for your information.
3. Request you designate National Cemetery for final interment.

3-333 cards
3-1-2 cards

✓ Ensminger, Frank L. Cpl. 33148547 White - Protestant
Next of Kin: Mr. John W. Ensminger (Father)
1401 North 15th Street
Harrisburgh, Pennsylvania

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✓ Shaljian, Donald J. 2/Lt O-1017063 White - Protestant
Next of Kin: Mr. Van Lerner Shaljian, Sr. (Father)
1426 N. Edison Street
Stockton, California

* Mrs Earse Seamans (Former Widow) ✓ Tucker, John F. Pvt. 38516495 White - Protestant
Box 349
Hamburg, Ark
Next of Kin: Frank I. Tucker (Father)
Route #1
Hamburg, Arkansas

*to be notified in addition to next of kin.

BOSSMAN, BERYLE B. CAPT. 0454572 W-P.
NOK: MRS. BERNICE M. BOSSMAN (Widow)
3209 GEORGIA AVENUE
MINNEAPOLIS 16, MINN. 55517
CAMPBELL ARROWSMITH

2 Chief Chief 10
Opns Sec Rep Br Nov
Cem Br Mem Div 49
Mem Div Attn:
Res Sec
Unit #4

CMCMC 293 Jefferson Bks N/C
With reference to preceding comment Jefferson Barracks
National Cemetery, 101 Memorial Drive, St. Louis 23, Mo.,
has been designated as the place of interment for the
above mentioned Group Burial in which Ensminger, Frank L.
Cpl., 33148547 is the first entry.

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QOBT 293 (Misc)
Unknowns X-5, X-6, X-7
(Champigneul) France

1 August 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. Reference is made to Corrected Reports of Burial for Unknowns X-5 and X-6, United States Military Cemetery Champigneul, identified as the only recoverable remains of 2nd Lt. Donald J. Shaljian, O-1017063; Cpl. Frank S. Bussinger, 33148547 and Pvt. John F. Tucker, 38516495.

2. Case papers indicate that X-5 and X-6 were recovered from a tank belonging to Company "C", 31st Tank Battalion.

3. Case papers for Unknown X-7, Plot A, Row 6, Grave 130, USMC Champigneul, indicate that X-7 was also recovered from a tank belonging to Company "C", 31st Tank Battalion, the same tank of which T/5 Henry S. Brusdowski, 32213690, was a crew member.

4. Lt. Shaljian, Cpl. Bussinger, Pvt. Tucker and T/5 Brusdowski were crew members of the same tank.

5. Request reinvestigation of Unknowns X-5, X-6, X-7 for possible association with Lt. Shaljian, Cpl. Bussinger, and Pvt. Tucker and submission of results to this Office at the earliest practicable date.

6. OQBT Forms 371 for Lt. Shaljian, Cpl. Bussinger and Pvt. Tucker are inclosed for your convenience.

FOR THE ACTING THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL:

3 Incls: (in dup) T. H. MEYZ
1 - OQBT Form 371 for Lt. Colonel, QMC
(Shaljian) Memorial Division
2 - OQBT Form 371 for (Bussinger)
3 - " " " (Tucker)

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X 293 Shaljian's Donald J. O-1017063

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FROM GCMC

RE CONDUCTED BURIAL RPTS 16 AND 17 MAY 1948 FOR DONALD JIG SHALIAN 01017063
ON FRANK LOVE SCHMIDT 23148547 AND JOHN FOX TUCKER 22216495 PD RQST FWD SAP
CASE PAPERS INC AREA INVESTIGATION SEARCH

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GRAVES

SGT CAPT BERRY RAY 72847

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JUN 48

J. G. HOLLOWAY
LT COLONEL, GIC, MIA DIV

293 GRS EUROPEAN

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QMMS 293 *Ident* 1st Incl.
GIS (European)
SUBJECT: Request for Information

Department of the Army, OQMG, Washington 25, D. C. 4 January 1949

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

1. In compliance with basic communication forwarded herewith are forms 79 covering all available dental information in this office pertaining to 2nd Lt. Donald J. Chaljian, O-1017063 and Pfc. Frank L. Esslinger, 33148547.

2. Dental forms 79 are not available for Pvt. John P. Tucker, 38516495. Dental chart at Induction, dated 15 September 1943 shows teeth missing: R-2, 4, 6, 7, 8, 14, 15, 16; L-6, 7, 8, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16.

3. Records this office reveal correct status for Elmer Sipala, 36234772 - EUS and Richard Smith, 36234756 - EUS; no dates shown.

FOR THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL:

2 Incls:
Incl 1 & 2 forms 79

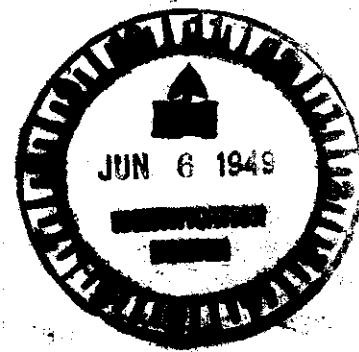
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REGISTER OF DENTAL PATIENTS AT

10-NORTH Camp Polk, La. 146

(1) SURNAME		(2) CHRISTIAN NAME		
Shaljian, Donald J.		O-1017005		
(3) RANK	(4) COMPANY	(5) REGIMENT OR STAFF CORPS		
2nd Lt.	A	80th Tk. Bn. 8AD		
(6) AGE YEARS	(7) RACE	(8) NATIVITY	(9) SERVICE YEARS	
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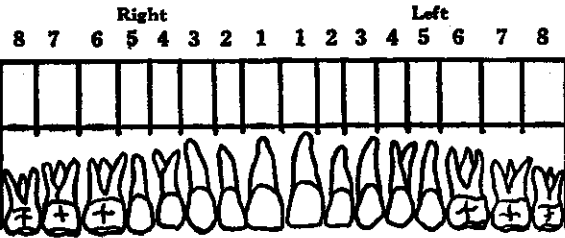
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Dental Corps, U. S. A.

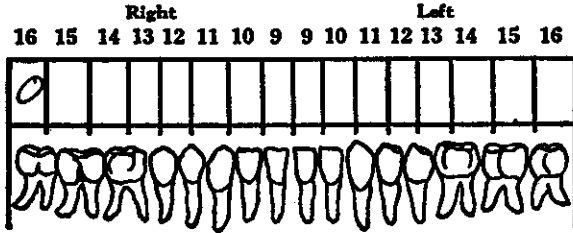
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(Revised Feb. 24, 1941)

*REPORT OF DENTAL SURVEY **44A**

UPPER TEETH



LOWER TEETH



CLASS II

Occlusion Far: Calculus: Slight, Medium, Heavy
 Periodontoclasia None
 Dental foci suspected: Yes No
 Other conditions _____

Date 10/6/, 1943
Carl P. V. Keller
 Dental Corps, U. S. A.

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 Nonrestorable carious teeth by /
 Missing natural teeth by X

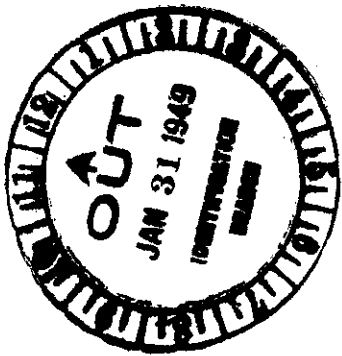
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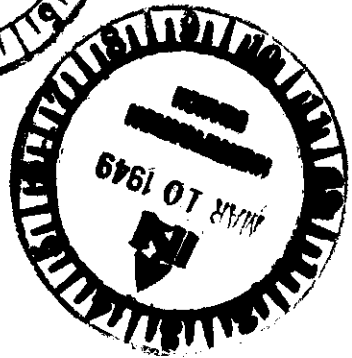
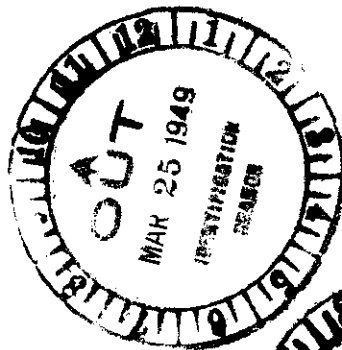
Teeth replaced by fixed bridge
 (oval to include abutments)

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MEMORIAL DIVISION



**REGISTER OF DENTAL PATIENTS AT
TROOP AREA DENTAL CLINIC
CAMP POLK, LOUISIANA**

(1) SURNAME (2) CHRISTIAN NAME
Shaljean, Donald, J 0107063

(3) RANK (4) COMPANY (5) REGIMENT OR STAFF CORPS
2 Lt. A 80th Tk. Bn

(6) AGE, YEARS (7) RACE (8) NATIVITY (9) SERVICE, YEARS
24 W Calif 2yrs 7mo

(10) DISEASE OR INJURY WITH LOCATION, COMPLICATIONS, REGULAR, ETC.	(11) DATES AND NATURE OF TREATMENTS AND OPERATIONS PERFORMED.	(12) RESULTS AND REMARKS
<p><i>all work done Jan 45</i></p> <p>Cap. R-14 DO Cap. L-16 F</p>	<p>1944 EXAM A A</p>	<p>13 18 CI-II CI-IV SGR IG</p>

A. H. MALERICH, JR.

Major, D. C.

Dental Corps, U. S. A.

FORM 79—MEDICAL DEPARTMENT, U. S. A.
(Revised Feb. 24, 1941)

16-20023

UPPER TEETH

Name *S. G. Baruff* Rank _____ Orgn. _____

8 7 6 5 4 3 2 1 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8

LOWER TEETH

Right Left

16 15 14 13 12 11 10 9 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16

CLASS II

Occlusion N: Calculus: Slight, Medium, Heavy

Periodontoclasia None

Dental foci suspected: Yes No

Other conditions None

Date 2-19, 1944

S. G. Baruff
 Capt. Dental Corps, U. S. A.

*Restorable carious teeth by O
 Nonrestorable carious teeth by /
 Missing natural teeth by X

Teeth replaced by denture
 (horizontal line)

X	X	X
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Teeth replaced by fixed bridge
 (oval to include abutments)

	X	
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W.B. Halpern, Donald G.
0-1,017,0/63

CHART AT INDUCTION 14 JULY 41 SHOWS NO TEETH MISSING NO TEETH
1 FORM 79 SENT OQMG IDENT SEC MEM DIV 21 DEC 48 1 FORM 79 BEING

File
1 June 1951
W. H. Jeffrey
Identification Branch

D. A ON REMAINS NOT YET RECOVERED OR IDENTIFIED

NAME (Last, First, Middle Initial)		GRADE	PRESENT SERIAL NUMBER	
Shaljian, Donald J.		2nd Lt	O-1017063	
ORGANIZATION		RACE	CREED	FORMER SERIAL NUMBER (If Applicable)
Co C, 31st Tank Battalion		White	Protestant	
DATE OF DEATH/MIA	CAUSE OF DEATH	PLACE OF DEATH OR PLACE LAST SEEN IF MIA		
28 Aug 44				
DATE OF FOD	ROD	Near Epernay, France		
29 Aug 45				
HEIGHT	WEIGHT	COLOR EYES	COLOR HAIR	SHOE SIZE
68	144	Brown	Brown	10 C

Form 79 6 Oct 43

DENTAL CHART

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

X = Extracted

O = Carious

1 = Carious Non-Restorable

FRACTURES AND/OR BREAKS	TATTOOS AND/OR BIRTHMARK
Not of record	Not of record

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Dental record at Induction 14 July 1941: no teeth missing; no teeth filled.

**IDENTIFICATION SECTION
MEMORIAL DIVISION**

IDENTIFICATION DATA

LAST NAME - FIRST NAME - MIDDLE INITIAL SHALJIAN DONALD J			ARMY SERIAL NUMBER 39081 490 01017163		GRADE 2ND LT
HEIGHT 5'8"	WEIGHT 144	COLOR EYES BRN	COLOR HAIR BRN	SHOE SIZE 10 C.	DATE OF DEATH 8-29-45

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

31ST TANK BN 7TH A.D.

PLACE OF DEATH OR PLACE LAST SEEN IF MIA

Missing in Action in France

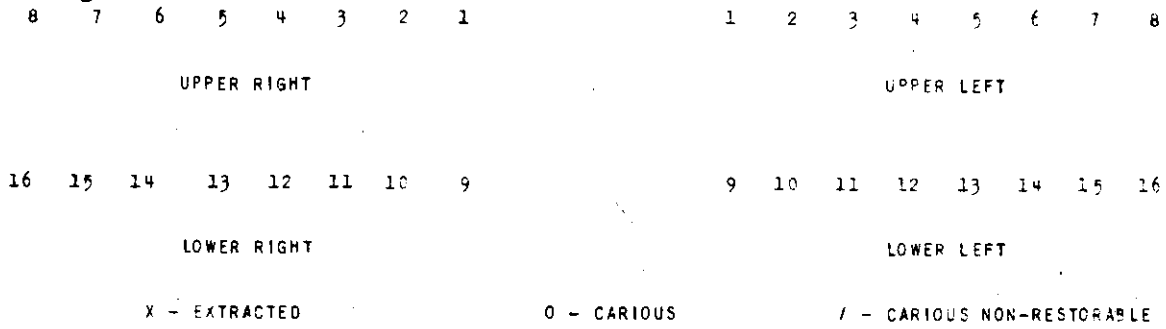
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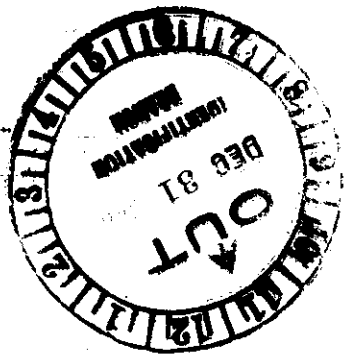
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George Meade Ind	May 44

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FRACTURES AND/OR BREAKS	TATTOOS AND/OR BIRTH MARKS
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D.K. 10-28-42. DENTAL CHART





Edward

22 DEC 48 70-21

FOR MAJ SEKOWSKI QM LN REURNR 38 17 DEC ON DONALD J SHALJIAN
01017063 & 39081490 DENT CHART AT INDCTN 14 JUL 41 NO TEETH MISSING
TEETH FILLED 1 FORM 79 BEING SENT

REQUEST FOR INFORMATION

ON ITEMS CHECKED

TO: PENTAGON LIAISON SECTION
ADMINISTRATIVE BRANCH

FROM:

*Don't check information
Kurtz 1538/B - DM*

NAME OF DECEASED (Last, First, Middle)

Shaljian, Donald J.

GRADE OR RANK

2 LT

SERIAL NUMBER

IN 39081440
 OFF 0-1017003

ORGANIZATION

REMARKS:

STATUS (Date)
 AG REPORT OF DEATH

RACE

CREED

HEIGHT

WEIGHT

SHOE SIZE

COLOR OF HAIR

DENTAL

FRACTURES / BREAKS

SPECIFIC PLACE OF DEATH

*near Germany,
France*

S - R & D REPORT

REVIEWER'S NAME

J. J. [Signature]

DATE REQUESTED

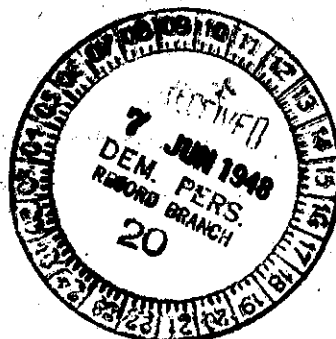
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Shaljian, Donald

FILE

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**F. J. [Signature] et al., [Signature]
CERTIFICATION DIVISION**



DATA ON REMAINS NOT YET RECORDED OR IDENTIFIED

NAME (Last, First, Middle Initial) SHALJIAN, DONALD J.		GRADE 2 ND LT.	PRESENT SERIAL NUMBER 0-1 017 063
ORGANIZATION 31 ST TANK Bn. 7 TH A.D.		RACE WHITE	CREED PROTESTANT
FORMER SERIAL NUMBER (If applicable) 39 01 490			
DATE OF DEATH/MIA 28 Aug '44	CAUSE OF DEATH F.O.D.	PLACE OF DEATH OR PLACE LAST SEEN IF MIA FRANCE	
DATE OF FOD 29 Aug '45			
HEIGHT 5'8"	WEIGHT 144	COLOR EYES BROWN	COLOR HAIR BROWN
		SHOE SIZE 10C	



DENTAL CHART 28 OCT '42

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

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FRACTURES AND/OR BREAKS 	TATTOOS AND/OR BIRTHMARK 
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ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

FILE
JUN 1 1948
E. J. Sullivan, 1st Lt., CMSG
IDENTIFICATION BRANCH

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

REPORT OF DEATH

DATE 1 Nov 49 lgi

FULL NAME Shaljian, Donald J.		ARMY SERIAL NUMBER 01 017 063		GRADE 2/Lt.	
HOME ADDRESS Stockton, California		ARM OR SERVICE Infantry		DATE OF BIRTH 14 Oct 1919	
PLACE OF DEATH France		CAUSE OF DEATH Killed in Action		DATE OF DEATH 28 Aug 44	
STATION OF DECEASED European Area		DATE OF ENTRY ON CURRENT ACTIVE SERVICE 20 Mar 43		LENGTH OF SERVICE FOR PAY PURPOSES YEARS MONTHS DAYS	
EMERGENCY ADDRESSEE (Name, relationship, and address) Mr. Van Lennep Shaljian, Sr., Father, 1426 North Edison St., Stockton, California					
BENEFICIARY (Name, relationship, and address) *Mr. Van Lennep Shaljian, Sr., Father, same as above Mrs. Alta Bunch Shaljian, Mother, same as above					
INVESTIGATION MADE		IN LINE OF DUTY		OWN MISCONDUCT	
YES	NO	YES	NO	YES	NO
WAS DECEASED ON DUTY STATUS		AUTHORIZED ABSENCE		IN FLYING PAY STATUS	
YES	NO	YES	NO	YES	NO
					<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
ADDITIONAL DATA AND/OR STATEMENT				OTHER PAY STATUS (Specify below)	
				YES	NO
				<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> BATTLE	<input type="checkbox"/> NON-BATTLE
<p>ASN as EM: 39 081 490</p> <p>*Beneficiaries designated 14 Jul 1941 while an enlisted man; no break in service.</p> <p>Finding of death has been issued previously under Section 5, Public Law 490, 7 March 1942, as amended, showing presumed date of death as 29 August 1945. This "Report of Death" based on information received since that date is issued in accordance with Section 9, of said Act, and its effect on prior payments and settlements is as prescribed in Section 9.</p>					
<p>BY ORDER OF THE SECRETARY OF THE ARMY</p> <p>[Signature] ADJUTANT GENERAL</p>					

File 7 Mar 49

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

3960

FINDING OF DEATH OF MISSING PERSON

Pursuant to the provisions of Section 5 of the Act of 7 March 1942 (Public Law 490-77th Cong.) as amended, upon direction and delegation by The Secretary of War, The Chief, Casualty Branch, The Adjutant General's Office, finds Second Lieutenant Donald J. Shaljian, Army Serial Number 01017063, Infantry, to be dead. He was officially reported as missing in action as of the 28th day of August 1944. For the purposes stated in said Act, death is presumed to have occurred on the 29th day of August, 1945.

BY ORDER OF THE SECRETARY OF WAR

George F. Herbert

ADJUTANT GENERAL
CHIEF, CASUALTY BRANCH

SUMMARY OF INFORMATION

AREA		FLYING STATUS	JUMP STATUS	LINE OF DUTY	OWN HIS-COMMANT	ON DUTY STATUS	ABSENCE AUTH'D
European		No	No	Yes	No	Yes	
PREVIOUS REVIEWS							
None							
DATE OF BIRTH	HOME ADDRESS	DATE OF ENTRY ON CURRENT ACTIVE SERVICE		LENGTH OF SERVICE (AS OF PRESUMED DATE OF DEATH)			
14 Oct 1919	Stockton, California	20 Mar 1943		YEARS	MONTH	DAYS	

EMERGENCY ADDRESSEE

NAME	RELATIONSHIP	ADDRESS
Mr. Van Lennep Shaljian, Sr.	Father	1426 North Edison Street Stockton, California

* BENEFICIARIES

NAME	RELATIONSHIP	ADDRESS
Mr. Van Lennep Shaljian, Sr.	Father	1426 North Edison Street Stockton, California
Mrs. Alta Bunch Shaljian	Mother	1426 North Edison Street Stockton, California

REMARKS

Distribution 56

*Beneficiaries designated 14 Jul 1941 while an enlisted man; no break in service.

Circumstances of disappearance: Crew member of a tank which was demolished by enemy fire near Epernay, France.

ASN as EM: 39,081,490

6 21 1945

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

949 OCT 28

BATTLE CASUALTY REPORT

AG 201	NAME SHALJIAN DONALD J ASN 01017063	GRADE 2 LT SON	DATE CAS. REPORT RECEIVED 14 39
NAME AND ADDRESS OF E. A.	MRS VAN LENNEP SHALJIAN 1426 NORTH EDISON STREET STOCKTON CALIFORNIA		DATE TELEGRAM SENT

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

THE SECRETARY OF ~~WAR~~ ^{THE ARMY} HAS ASKED ME TO EXPRESS HIS DEEP REGRET THAT YOUR **SON**

GRADE	NAME	SERIAL NUMBER	ARM OR SERVICE	REPORTING THEATRE	F OR J STATUS	SHIPMENT NUMBER
2D LT	SHALJIAN, DONALD J.	01017063 10107063	INF			301004 U-1X
TYPE OF CASUALTY		PLACE OF CASUALTY		DATE OF CASUALTY		CASUALTY CODE
KILLED IN ACTION		IN FRANCE		DAY	MONTH	YEAR
				28	AUG	44

Reports of Death issued 1 Nov 49/1g1

REMARKS: AG 201 /26 OCT 49/ CORRECTED COPY

MEMO DET UNIT APPROVED OIG CAS SEC PAB. PL EPERNAY. SOURCE OF INFO. OQMG FORM 319, BURIAL INFO. REVEALS THAT REMAINS OF UNK X-5 THRU X-7, INTERRED IN U.S. MIL. CEMETERY, CHAMPIGNEUL, FRANCE. IDENTIFIED AS GP BURIAL OF ABOVE AND 2 OTHERS. SEE MSG FOR DETAILS. STA AND PL OF DEATH ETC. FOD ISSUED PREV UNDER SEC 5, MPA, SHOWING PRESUMED DATE OF DEATH 29 AUG 45. RPT OF DEATH BASED ON INFO RECD SINCE THAT DATE ISSUED IN ACCORD WITH SEC 9 OF SAID ACT AND ITS EFFECT ON PRIOR PAYMENTS AND SETTLEMENTS IS AS PRESCRIBED IN SEC 9.

HOME ADDRESS AT TIME OF ENTRY: STOCKTON, SAN JOAQUIN CO., CALIFORNIA
PROCESS IN ACCORD WITH OPER BUL 35, 1945. ROUTE TO OPER UNIT FOR NOTIF. AND COPY OF NOTIF LTR TO BE FWD TO DET UNIT /FOR QMG/.

ACTION BY COMPOSITE SECTION: REPORT VERIFIED <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		FORM 43	AG 201 REQ
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SPEC. IDEN.	C. & P.	TELEGRAM	LETTER
CERTIF.	F. REL.	CORRES.	REPAT.
S. R. & D.	NON-DEL.		
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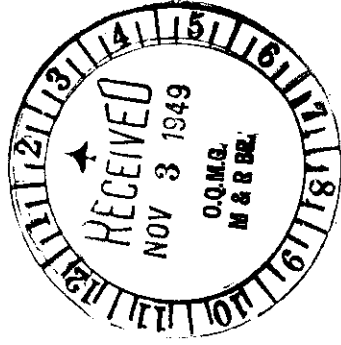
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REPATRIATION
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MEMORIAL DIVISION



BURIAL INFORMATION

NAME (Last, First, Middle Initial) GROUP BURIAL - RECOVERABLE REMAINS	ASN	GRADE
ORGANIZATION	DATE OF DEATH	
PLACE Epervay, France	DATE OF BURIAL	DATE OF REBURIAL

REMARKS **Remains of Unknowns X-5 thru X-7, interred in U.S. Military Cemetery, Champigneulle, France; Plot A, Row 7, Grave 175; Plot A, Row 3, Grave 51; Plot A, Row 6, Grave 130; have been identified as a Group Burial, but individual identity cannot be established: ENSMINGER, Frank L., Cpl., 33148547; SHALJIAN, Donald J., 2/Lt., O-1017063; TUCKER, John F., Pvt., 38516495.**

*BOSSMAN, Beryle B., Capt., O-454572

SHALJIAN
E. E. Barry
E. E. BARRY
John
Capt. QMG
Ident. Section

File
24 Oct. 49
E. Bishop

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TO: Identification Section

Case name 2nd Lt. Donald J. Shaljian

Request situation paragraph, and cemetery if appropriate, applicable to this case.

Attention is invited to paras. & Adjutant
Generals letter.

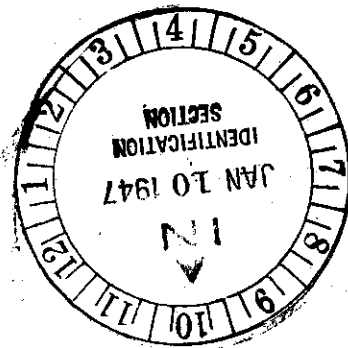
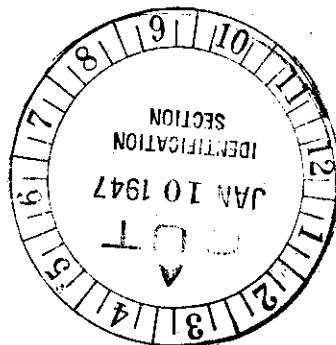
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Mr. Van L. Shaljian

Your wish to be advised regarding the recovery of your son's remains is most understandable. The Quartermaster General, this city, is concerned with matters of this nature and has been asked to make further reply to you in this respect.

My continued sympathy is with you in the loss of your beloved son.

Sincerely yours,

EDWARD F. WITSELL
Major General
The Adjutant General of the Army

AGPO-CG 201 Shaljian, Donald J.
(7 Dec 46) 01017063

2 January 1947

Mr. Van L. Shaljian
City Purchasing Agent
Stockton, California

Dear Mr. Shaljian:

I have received an inquiry in your behalf from the Honorable Leroy Johnson, Representative in Congress, 302 City Hall, Stockton, California, concerning your son, the late Second Lieutenant Donald J. Shaljian.

I sympathize with you in your desire for all available details regarding the status of your son. The reports submitted to the War Department disclose that Lieutenant Shaljian, a member of Company C, 31st Tank Battalion, 7th Armored Division, was one of five crew members of a tank which was leading a platoon of tanks on 28 August 1944, in an assault on Epernay, France, which is located about 17 miles south of Reims, France. Lieutenant Shaljian and two of the other men were reported missing in action when their tank was hit by enemy fire, exploded and burned. Two of the crew evacuated the tank when it was struck, one of these men being captured by the Germans and later reported as a prisoner of war. The second man evaded capture and returned to duty with his company. Unfortunately he was unable to furnish any information as to the status of the other crew members, two of whom were found in the tank but due to the circumstances under which they died it was not possible to make positive identification.

At the time Lieutenant Shaljian was reported missing in action, the information available warranted some hope for his survival, but after the lapse of many months, these circumstances lost their significance when considered with all other relevant factors bearing on his absence. Therefore, an official finding of death was issued in his case pursuant to the provisions of Public Law 490, 77th Congress, as amended. In considering any case under this law, the War Department does not deem it sound policy to make a finding of death while any reasonable ground remains for presuming that the person in question might still be alive.

The records show that the commanding officer of Company C, 31st Tank Battalion at the time of Lieutenant Shaljian's death was First Lieutenant George J. Racine, 01013889. He has been relieved from active duty and his home address is recorded as Orient Heights, Danielson, Connecticut.

CONGRESS OF THE UNITED STATES

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

WASHINGTON, D. C.

302 City Hall
Stockton, Calif.

December 7, 1946

The Adjutant General
War Department
Washington, D. C.

RE: 2nd Lieut. Donal Joseph Shaljean,
O-1017063

My dear Sir:

The above named officer was sent overseas in June 1944. His address was

Excess Officers Company A
APO 15296, New York, NY.

He was reported missing in action August 28, 1944. The presumptive date of his death was established as August 29, 1945 at Epernay, France. It was alleged that he was in command of a tank platoon.

His parents would like to know something about their son, namely, what Army unit he was a member of, including the details, such as platoon, battalion, division, etc., who his commanding officer was, such as the commanding officer of his battalion; have all efforts to locate his body failed; and is the Army satisfied that he is actually dead.

I suggest that you send your letter regarding this directly to his father,

Mr. Van L. Shaljean
City Purchasing Agent
Stockton, California.

Any detailed information you may give the parents of this officer regarding him and those with whom he was associated would be greatly appreciated by the parents and also by me because we have been friends of many years standing.

Very truly yours,

/s/ Leroy Johnson
Leroy Johnson
Member of Congress

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WAR DEPARTMENT

SECURITY CLASSIFICATION (If any)

DISPOSITION FORM

FILE No.

AGPO-CG 201

SUBJECT

293 Second Lieutenant Donald J. Shaljian, 01017063

TO

The Quartermaster General
Tempo B, Room 2035

FROM

Personnel Actions Br.
Casualty Section
Rm. 1E515, Pent. Bldg.

DATE

2 Jan 47

COMMENT No. 1

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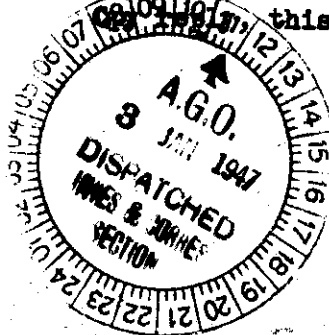
Maj. Clark Marshall

The foregoing copy of communication from the Honorable Leroy Johnson, Representative in Congress, 302 City Hall, Stockton, California, is referred for further direct reply to Mr. Van L. Shaljian, City Purchasing Agent, Stockton, California, relative to the recovery of the remains of Second Lieutenant Donald J. Shaljian, 01017063, whose missing in action status was terminated by a presumptive finding of death, the date being set as 29 August 1945.

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CLARK MARSHALL
MAJ. U.S.A.

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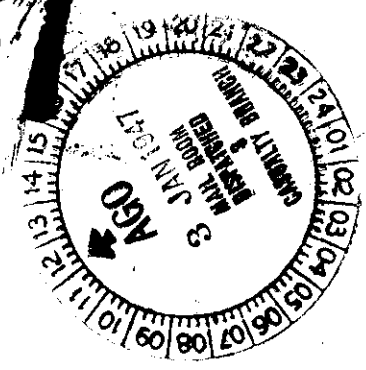
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WASHINGTON, D. C.

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QMGWR 293
Shaljian, Donald J.
SN O-1 017 063

16 January 1947

Address Reply To
THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
Attention: Memorial Division

Mr. Van L. Shaljian
City Purchasing Agent
Stockton, California

Dear Mr. Shaljian:

An inquiry has been received in this office from the Honorable Leroy Johnson, Representative in Congress, 302 City Hall, Stockton, California, concerning your son, the late Second Lieutenant Donald J. Shaljian.

Although no conclusive information is available as to the recovery and the identification of the remains of your son, remains have been recovered and interred in the United States Military Cemetery, Champigneul, France, which may be those of your loved one. An investigation is now being conducted in order to determine beyond a shadow of a doubt, the identity of these remains. Upon the conclusion of this investigation, you will be informed of the results.

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

FOR THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL:

Sincerely yours,

JAMES L. PRENN
Major, QMC
Assistant

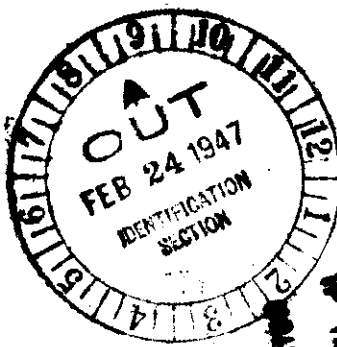
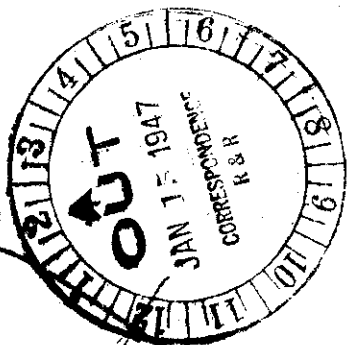
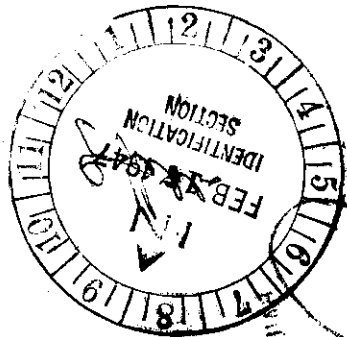
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MAIL & RECORDS BRANCH

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RESTRICTED

18 September, 1944
Date

SUBJECT: Inventory of Personal Effects of:

Shaljian Ronald J 2nd Lt 01017063
(Last Name) (First Name) (MI) (Rank) (ASN)

TO: Effects Quartermaster, Communication Zone, APO _____
US Army

The above named individual of Company C
(Unit)

31st Tank Battalion was reported missing in action
(Organization) (Status-Killed, MIA,

_____ about 28 August 1944
Hospitalized, etc.) (Date)

Designated Beneficiary if information readily accessible _____

INVENTORY OF EFFECTS

- 1 Valet Pack ✓
- 1 Proof of photographs ✓
- 1 Pocket dictionary ✓
- 2 Caps, garrison, officers ✓
- 9 Bars, 2nd Lt. ✓
- 6 Armored Force Collier Insignias ✓
- 1 pr. swimming trunks ✓
- 2 shirts, khaki ✓
- 4 Keys ✓
- 1 pr. paratrooper boots ✓
- 1 Ring ✓
- 1 Br. Roman beads ✓
- 3 U.S. Collier Insignias ✓
- 1 straight razor ✓
- 1 safety razor ✓
- 1 shaving brush ✓
- 1 necktie khaki ✓
- 1 Lt. Herbert medal ✓
- 1 Surgeon's file ✓
- 1 Fountain pen ✓
- 1 Metal mirror ✓
- 1 Address book ✓
- 1 Pixer-English money ✓
- 1 Shilling ✓
- 1 Bar with good conduct & European theater Ribbons ✓
- 1 pr. glasses with case ✓
- 1 Wallet with 6 snapshots ✓
- 2 Poled Articia bags ✓
- 1 shirt, o.d. ✓
- 1 Trousers, o.d. ✓
- 1 Blouse, officer's ✓
- 1 shirt, green ✓
- 1 Trousers, green ✓

RESTRICTED

RESTRICTED

Money in the amount of _____ has been turned into

Form WDFD 38

(Name of finance officer and symbol number)

enclosed.

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 Arthur on (Rail, Truck, etc.)

18 September 1942

Name

Bank & ASN

Organization

James E. Gray
18 H. 061130
W.C. 31st Bank Co.

Any additional pertinent information:

RESTRICTED

NAME SHALJIAN, DONA J. LT 7063

BAY	PALLET	BOX	TALLY
45	49	9700	

TYPE OF PKG.	WHSE. SPACE	INVENTORIED
VAL PAK Ext. QM Form 48		

122,695

ATTACHMENTS

STATUS

EFFECTS INVENTORY
ARMY EFFECTS BUREAU

DECEASED	
MISSING	X
P. O. W.	
ABANDONED	
UNKNOWN	

X	INBOUND INVENTORY	✓
	G. R. OR SUB GR LABEL	
	WILL OR POWER OF ATTY.	
X	TALLY IN FORM 43	✓

2	BAGS, CLOTH OR TRAVEL		BELT		OVERCOATS	
	BELT, MONEY (NO MONEY)		BOOKS, ADDRESS		PAPERS, PERSONAL	
1	BILLFOLD (NO MONEY)		BOOKS, PILOT LOG		PENCIL, MECHANICAL	
X	BOOKS		BRUSHES		PEN, FOUNTAIN	
	BRACELET, IDENT.		CASE		PHOTOS	
	CAMERAS		CLOTH, WASH		PIPES	
X	CLOTHING		COATS		RINGS	
X	MISC. ARTICLES		FOOTLOCKER		SCARFS	
X	RELIGIOUS ARTICLES		FOOTWEAR, PR.		SHIRTS	
	RIBBONS, DECORATION		GLASSES		SOCKS, PR.	
	SHORT SNORTER		GLOVES, PR.		STATIONERY	
X	SOUVENIR MONEY		HANDKERCHIEFS		TIES	
	SOUVENIRS		HEADWEAR		TOBACCO	
	TESTAMENTS		JACKETS		TOILET ARTICLES	
	TOWELS & WASHCLOTHS		KITS		TOWELS	
	U. S. MONEY (AMOUNT)		KNIVES		TROUSERS, PR.	
	WATCH		LETTERS		TRUNKS, PR.	
	WINGS		LIGHTERS		UNDERWEAR	

CONTAINERS ADDRESSED TO

None

INFORMATION

Carl Miller
2305 Scott St.
San Francisco, Calif

NAME AND STATUS VARIATIONS

CROSS REFERENCE

see
8/31

DAMAGED

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

TALLY NO.	ORIG. NO. OF PKGS.	EXAMINING DATE	BOX NO.	SHEET	OF	SHEETS
9700	1	24 Aug 45		1	1	4
NAME	DONALD J SHALTIAN			A. S. N.	01017063	
ORGANIZATION	Co C 31st Tank Bn			RANK	2nd Lt	
WAREHOUSE SPACE	1939X			EXAMINED BY	Lapson	
PACKAGE DESCRIPTION	WEIGHT	PACKED BY	INSPECTED BY	DIARY REMOVED		
				PHOTO FILM REMOVED		
				MOTION PICTURE FILM REMOVED		
		STORED BY		SHIPPED		
				DATE	SEP 12 1945	
				BY WHOM	YAC	

ADDITIONAL REMARKS

REMOVALS (other than G. I.)

DAMAGES (List type of damage-extent)

Wring has set missing
rosary broken.

SHORTAGES

U. S. GOV'T CHECK SHORT

NUMBER

DATE

SYMBOL

AMOUNT

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

INVENTORY CLERK

SUPERVISOR

G. I. REMOVED

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

RB
9-25

In Reply Refer To: 122695

RTB:LD:ash
August 31, 1945

Mr. Van Lennep Shaljian, Sr.
1426 North Edison Street
Stockton, California

Dear Mr. Shaljian:

The Army Effects Bureau is forwarding to you the following personal property, recently received here, belonging to your son, Second Lieutenant Donald J. Shaljian.

1 Carton

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

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

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

No list accompanied shipment but what was there seemed to be in order. He took a fine camera overseas with him that was not returned.

Yours very truly,

R. T. BROWN
1st Lt., QMC
Chief, Adm. Division

Incl--
Envelope

file and

Receipt acknowledged:

Van Lennep Shaljian Sr.
(Signature of Bailee)

Eff. QM Form 205 (11 Apr 45)

9/18/45
(Date)



KANSAS CITY, MO.

SEP 21 1966

POST OFFICE EFFECTS BUREAU
KANSAS CITY, MO. 64108

ARMY SERVICE FORCES
ARMY EFFECTS BUREAU

*File
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ORDER FOR SHIPMENT

SHIP TO:

Mr. Van Lennep Shaljian, Sr.

1426 North Edison Street

Effects of:

Name **2nd Lt. Donald J. Shaljian** Stockton, California

ASN **0-1017063**

Case No. **122695**

Wt.

DATE 31 August 1945
RTB:LD:mcb

fc
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.

REMARKS

SHIP DAMAGED PROPERTY

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

SEP-12 1945

Shipping Clerk *Z.K.*

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

<input type="checkbox"/>	BAGS, CLOTH OR TRAVEL	<input type="checkbox"/>	BELT	<input type="checkbox"/>	OVERCOATS	
<input type="checkbox"/>	BELT, MONEY (NO MONEY)	<input type="checkbox"/>	BOOKS, ADDRESS	<input type="checkbox"/>	PAPERS, PERSONAL	
<input type="checkbox"/>	BILFOLD (NO MONEY)	<input type="checkbox"/>	BOOKS, PILOT LOG	<input type="checkbox"/>	PENCIL, MECHANICAL	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	BOOKS	<input type="checkbox"/>	BRUSHES	<input type="checkbox"/>	PEN, FOUNTAIN	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	BRACELET, IDENT.	<input type="checkbox"/>	CASE	<input type="checkbox"/>	PHOTOS	
<input type="checkbox"/>	CAMERAS	<input type="checkbox"/>	CLOTH, WASH	<input type="checkbox"/>	PIPES	
<input type="checkbox"/>	CLOTHING	<input type="checkbox"/>	COATS	<input type="checkbox"/>	RINGS	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	MISC. ARTICLES	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	FOOTLOCKER	<input type="checkbox"/>	SCARFS	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	RELIGIOUS ARTICLES	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	FOOTWEAR, ...	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	SHIRTS	
<input type="checkbox"/>	RIBBONS, DECORATION	<input type="checkbox"/>	GLASSES	<input type="checkbox"/>	SOCKS, PR.	
<input type="checkbox"/>	SHORT SNORTER	<input type="checkbox"/>	GLOVES, PR.	<input type="checkbox"/>	STATIONERY	
<input type="checkbox"/>	SOUVENIR MONEY	<input type="checkbox"/>	HANDKERCHIEFS	<input type="checkbox"/>	TIES	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	SOUVENIR	<input type="checkbox"/>	HEADWEAR	<input type="checkbox"/>	TOBACCO	
<input type="checkbox"/>	TESTAMENTS	<input type="checkbox"/>	JACKETS	<input type="checkbox"/>	TOILET ARTICLES	
<input type="checkbox"/>	TOWELS & WASHCLOTHS	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	KIDS	<input type="checkbox"/>	TOWELS	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	U. S. MONEY (AMOUNT)	<input type="checkbox"/>	KNIVES	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	TROUSERS, ...	
<input type="checkbox"/>	WATCH	<input type="checkbox"/>	LETTERS	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	TRUNKS, ...	
<input type="checkbox"/>	WINGS	<input type="checkbox"/>	LIGHTERS	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	UNDERWEAR	

Diary ✓

CONTAINERS ADDRESSED TO
 Mr + Mrs Van L. Shaljian
 1426 N. Edison St.
 Stockton, Calif.

INFORMATION
 Van L. Shaljian
 1426 N Edison St.
 Stockton Cal.

NAME AND STATUS VARIATIONS
 Show Donald G. Shaljian

CROSS REFERENCE

LAUNDRY ME

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

TALLY NO. <i>6801</i>	ORIG. NO. OF PKGS.	EXAMINING DATE <i>18 Feb 46</i>	BOX NO.	SHEET OF SHEETS
NAME <i>DONALD JOSEPH SHALJIAN</i>		A. S. N. <i>0-1017063</i>		
ORGANIZATION		RANK <i>2nd Lt</i>	CASE NO.	
WAREHOUSE SPACE	EXAMINED BY <i>Ford.</i>	DIARY REMOVED		
PACKAGE DESCRIPTION <i>#1 Foot Locker</i>	WEIGHT	PHOTO FILM REMOVED		
	PACKED BY <i>[Signature]</i>	MOTION PICTURE FILM REMOVED		
	INSPECTED BY <i>[Signature]</i>	SHIPPED		
	STORED BY	DATE <i>MAR 22 1946</i>	BY NHOM <i>[Signature]</i>	

ADDITIONAL REMARKS

REMOVALS (other than G. I.)

DAMAGES (List type & damage extent)

1/2000 damaged by blue ink
1/F locker damaged by moisture

SHORTAGES

U. S. GOV'T CHECK SHORT

NUMBER

DATE

SYMBOL

AMOUNT

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

INVENTORY CLERK

SUPERVISOR

G. I. REMOVED

1 air Filter

122,695
231,955

LAUNDRY INVENTORY
ARMY EFFECTS BUREAU

S-7063E DEPT. CLEANING		Do not use		LAUNDRY		Do not use	
1	TROUSERS, WOOL	1		1	SHIRTS, WOOL	1	
	COAT, SERVICE, WOOL			1	TROUSERS, COTTON	1	
	OVERCOAT, LONG				TIE, COTTON		
	OVERCOAT, SHORT, WOOL	24		4	UNDERSHIRTS, COTTON	4	
	CAP. GARRISON				SHIRTS, DRESS, COTTON	1	
	CAP. SERVICE			3	DRAWERS, COTTON	3	
	TIES, WOOL				SWEATSHIRTS, COTTON OR WOOL		
	GLOVES, LEATHER OR WOOL				DRAWERS, WOOL		
	SCARFS, SILK, RAYON, OR WOOL				SOCKS, COTTON, PR.		
	SWEATERS				SOCKS, WOOL, PR.		
	TRUNKS, SWIM				PAJAMA TOPS		
	LEGGINGS				PAJAMA BOTTOMS		
	BATHROBES				FATIGUES, 1 PC., COTTON		
	BED ROLL				FATIGUES, TOPS, COTTON		
	COMFORTER	150			FATIGUES, TROUSERS, COTTON		
1	trousers coat w belt				FATIGUES, CAP		
1	strip				BELT, COTTON		
					TOWEL, HAND		
				1	TOWEL, BATH	1	
					CLOTH, WASH		
					GLOVES, COTTON		
					JACKET, FIELD		
					SUPPORTERS, ATHLETIC		
				3	HANDKERCHIEFS	3	
					SCARFS, COTTON		
				1	CASE, PILLOW	1	
					TRUNKS, GYM		
				1	SHEETS, COTTON	1	
				1	BAGS, SMALL <i>small</i>	1	

LAUNDRY RETURNED TO HQ

2 mar 46
JPB
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TALLY NO. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	ORIG. NO. OF PKGS.	EXAMINING DATE	BOX NO.	SHEET
6801		18 Feb 46		OF SHEETS
NAME	A. S. N.		CASE NO.	
DONALD JOSEPH SHALGIAN	0-1017063			
ORGANIZATION	RANK	CASE NO.		
	2nd Lt.			
WAREHOUSE SPACE	EXAMINED BY	SUPERVISOR'S OK	LAUNDRY REMOVED	
960 X	Ford	smc	FROM FOOTLOCKER	
PACKAGE DESCRIPTION	LISTED BY	SHIPPED		
	Dawson	DATE		
WEIGHT	CHECKED BY	BY WHOM		
53	McDowell	MAR 22 1946		
	CHECKED AND PACKED BY			

2-1063E

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NOT RECORDED

AMOUNT OF CHECK	DISCREPANCY IN	INCLOSE VALUABLES	RECIPIENT FROM
ACCOUNT NUMBER	NAME	SHIP VALUABLES	CASUALTY REPORT
	SERIAL NUMBER	VALUABLES SHIPPED BY: (Clerk)	INVENTORY
	RANK		FORM 20
<p>Mr. Van Lennep Shaljian, Sr. 1426 North Edison Street Stockton, California</p> <p>2nd Lt. Donald J. Shaljian 0-1017063 122,695 D</p>			LETTER
			NO. & TYPE OF CONTAINER
			ENVELOPE
			CARTONS
			PACKAGE
			FOOT LOCKER
			SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS
			REMOVE GI
			SHIP BLOODSTAINED
			SHIP DAMAGED
REMOVE BL'DSTAINED			
REMOVE DAMAGED			
FILMS REMOVED			
DIARY REMOVED			
HN:LD:rfs	SUMMARY COURT DATA		DATE ACTION TAKEN
DATE OF FINDING	APPLICANT		21 Mar 46
12-11-45			MAIL REVIEWER (initials)
REMARKS <i>file rfs</i>			SHIPPED
			FRANKED
			EXPRESS
			FREIGHT
			DATE SHIPPED
			MAR 22 1946
			SHIPPING CLERK
			ROUTING
			ACCOUNTING BRANCH
			WAREHOUSE
FILE			
ORDER FOR ACTION			

EFF OM FORM 14
10 OCT 1945

SHALJEAN, DONALD J

LT 7063

BAY

PALLET

BOX

TALLY

6801

TYPE

F.L.

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

3960

122,695
md

FINDING OF DEATH OF MISSING PERSON

Pursuant to the provisions of Section 5 of the Act of 7 March 1942 (Public Law 490-77th Cong.) as amended, upon direction and delegation by The Secretary of War, The Chief, Casualty Branch, The Adjutant General's Office, finds Second Lieutenant Donald J. Shaljian, Army Serial Number 01017063, Infantry, to be dead. He was officially reported as missing in action as of the 28th day of August 1944. For the purposes stated in said Act, death is presumed to have occurred on the 29th day of August, 1945.

BY ORDER OF THE SECRETARY OF WAR

George F. Hebert

**ADJUTANT GENERAL
CHIEF, CASUALTY BRANCH**

SUMMARY OF INFORMATION

AREA European		PLANS STATUS No	JUMP STATUS No	LINE OF DUTY Yes	OWNERS REPORT No	ON DUTY STATUS Yes	ABSENCE AUTH'D
PREVIOUS REVIEWS None							
DATE OF BIRTH 14 Oct 1919	HOME ADDRESS Stockton, California	DATE OF ENTRY ON CURRENT ACTIVE SERVICE 20 Mar 1943		LENGTH OF SERVICE (AS OF PRESUMED DATE OF DEATH)			
		YEARS	MONTH	DAYS			

EMERGENCY ADDRESSEE

NAME Mr. Van Lennep Shaljian, Sr.	RELATIONSHIP Father	ADDRESS 1426 North Edison Street Stockton, California
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* BENEFICIARIES

NAME Mr. Van Lennep Shaljian, Sr.	RELATIONSHIP Father	ADDRESS 1426 North Edison Street Stockton, California
NAME Mrs. Alta Bunch Shaljian	RELATIONSHIP Mother	ADDRESS 1426 North Edison Street Stockton, California

REMARKS

Distribution 56

*Beneficiaries designated 14 Jul 1941 while an enlisted man; no break in service.

Circumstances of disappearance: Crew member of a tank which was demolished by enemy fire near Epernay, France.

ASN as EM: 39,081,490

122695

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

825

BATTLE CASUALTY REPORT

NAME		NUMBER		GRADE	ARM OR SERVICE	REPORTING THEATRE
SHALJIAN DONALD J		01017063		2 LT	INF	ET
PLACE OF CASUALTY		DATE OF CASUALTY		FLYING OR JUMPING STAT	TYPE OF CASUALTY	SHIPMENT NUMBER
FRANCE 9		DAY	MONTH	YEAR		
		28	AUG	44	MIA	190

NAME AND ADDRESS OF EMERGENCY ADDRESSEE

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

MR.-MRS.-MISS—FIRST NAME—MIDDLE INITIAL—LAST NAME	RELATIONSHIP	DATE NOTIFIED
MR. YAN LENNEP SHALJIAN SR.	FATHER	19 Sept 44 1st
NO. AND NAME OF STREET—CITY—STATE		
1426 NORTH EDISON STREET STOCKTON, CALIFORNIA		

REMARKS:

CORRECTED COPY



ACTION BY PROCESSING AND VERIFICATION SECTION: REPORT VERIFIED FORM 43 AG 201 REQ

CASUALTY BRANCH FILE ATTACHED OR CHARGED TO _____ DATE _____

PREVIOUSLY REPORTED NO YES _____ (AS INDICATED BELOW):

FILE NO.	MESSAGE NO.	TYPE	DATE AND AREA	E. A. NOTIFIED

FORWARDED TO SPEC. IDEN. TELEGRAM WOUNDED LETTER CORRES. S. R. & O. CONF. M. & M. NON-DEL.

REPORT NOT VERIFIED NO FORM 43 NO CAS. BR. FILE CHECKED BY *Kayser* REVIEWED BY _____

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

ACCT. AREA	CASUALTY STATUS	ORIGINAL CAS. DATE			MESSAGE NO.	LATEST CAS. DATE			REFERENCE AREA	CREW POS.	RESIDENCE		COMP	RACE											
		DAY	MO.	YR.		DAY	MO.	YR.			STATE	COUNTY													
34	35	36	37	38	39	40	41	42	43	44	45	46	47	48	49	50	51	52	53	54	55	56	57	58	59

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

WFH:LD:rfs
Case No. 123695
Date 30 March 1946

SUBJECT: Report of transactions in disposing of the effects of

Donald J. Shelton, 0-1017063 late a
(Name of deceased) (Army Serial Number)
Second Lieutenant, Infantry who died
(Grade) (Organization, Army or Service)
on the 29 day of August, 1945, in European Area
Washington

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

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

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

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

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

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

FINDING

Before a Summary Court-Martial which convened at Kansas City, Missouri, on 12 March 1946, pursuant to Special Orders 228, Headquarters, KCQM Depot, dated 25 September 1943, the application or affidavit of Van Lennep Shelton, Sr. 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,

Van Lennep Shelton, Sr. of
(Name of person found entitled)
1426 North Edison Street Stockton State of
(Number, Street or Avenue) (City, Town or Village)
California, is the Father of the
(Relationship or Capacity)

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

(Signature of Summary Court Officer)

W. E. HEHMAN, Major, CMC
(Name, Rank, Organization)
SUMMARY COURT MARTIAL

122695

HN:LD:sh
March 21, 1946

Dear Mr. Shaljian:

The Army Effects Bureau has received from overseas some personal effects of your son, Lieutenant Donald J. Shaljian.

These effects are being forwarded to you in one footlocker.

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

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

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

Yours very truly,

HARRY NIEMIEC
2nd Lt., OIC
Chief, Adm. Division

122695

RTB:LD:nd
September 26, 1945

Mr. Van Lonsep Shaljian Sr.
1426 North Edison Street
Stockton, California

Dear Mr. Shaljians:

This acknowledges your statement on our letter of August 31, relative to the camera of your son, Second lieutenant Donald J. Shaljian.

It is regretted that the item about which you inquire was not received here. All of his property received at this Bureau has been forwarded.

Yours very truly,

R. T. BROWN
1st Lt., QMC
Chief, Adm. Division