

2nd LT Bernard L. Knudsen
392 BG, 526th BS
KIA 3-24-45 'Varsity'



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DISTRIBUTION CENTER 1819 W. PERSHING RD., CHICAGO 9 ILL. ROUTINE

RECEIPT OF REMAINS

AGR DIV., CHICAGO QM DEPOT

DELIVER AND REPORT
ANY CHARGES

DAY LETTER

REMAINS CONSIGNMENT TO:

BEAMAN & PALMER FUN'L DIRECTOR

FULLERTON, NEBRASKA

REMAINS OF THE LATE 2ND LT. BERNARD L. KNUDSON SN: 02072357

BEING SHIPPED TO YOU ACCCOMPANIED BY MILITARY ESCORT. ON TRAIN NUMBER 79

UP RR

DUE TO ARRIVE FULLERTON, NEBR., 1:08 PM (CST) TUESDAY 17 MAY 1949.

REQUEST THAT YOU IMMEDIATELY INFORM THE NEXT OF KIN AND MAKE ARRANGEMENTS

TO ACCEPT REMAINS AT STATION UPON ARRIVAL. REFER TO CONTROL NUMBER 21980.

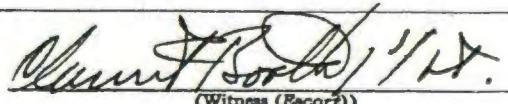
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MAJOR, QMC

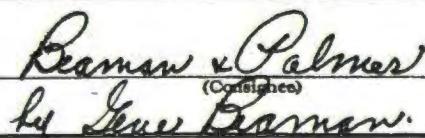
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15 JUN 1949

U.S. ARMY
BRANCH
MEM. DIV.

I, the undersigned, do hereby acknowledge receipt of the remains of the above-named deceased
 this 17 day of May, 1949


 (Witness (Escort))


 (Consignee)
 by George Beaman.

1	DISINTERMENT DIRECTIVE				68-4 3 278
SECTION A— NAME AND BURIAL LOCATION OF DECEASED			DIRECTIVE NUMBER 4650 08921		DATE 15 06 48 <small>DAY MONTH YEAR</small>
NAME KNUDSON BERNARD L		SERIAL NUMBER 02072357	RANK 2 LT	ARM 1	DATE OF DEATH <small>DAY MONTH YEAR</small>
CEMETERY MARGRATEN - AACHEN					DISPOSITION OF REMAINS 7600 265 <small>CODE DIST. PT.</small>
PLOT V	ROW 12	GRAVE 299	COUNTRY HOLLAND		
SECTION B—CONSIGNEE AND NEXT OF KIN					
NAME AND ADDRESS OF CONSIGNEE FORT MC PHERSON NATIONAL CEMETERY MAXWELL, NEBRASKA <i>Beaman & Palmer Fun. Ser. Fullerton, Neb.</i>			NAME AND ADDRESS OF NEXT OF KIN MRS. ALFRED J. LARSEN (MOTHER) WOLBACH, NEBRASKA		
SECTION C—DISINTERMENT AND IDENTIFICATION					
NAME <small>Part. Burial</small>		SERIAL NUMBER	RANK	DATE OF DEATH	DATE DISTINERRED
IDENTIFICATION TAG ON <input type="checkbox"/> REMAINS <input type="checkbox"/> MARKER	ORGANIZATION USAAF		RELIGION	IDENTIFICATION VERIFIED BY <small>NAME AND TITLE</small>	
SECTION D—PREPARATION OF REMAINS FOR SHIPMENT					
NATURE OF BURIAL			CONDITION OF REMAINS		
OTHER MEANS OF IDENTIFICATION SEE ATTACHED SHEET					
MINOR DISCREPANCIES: <small>1</small>					
REMAINS PREPARED AND PLACED IN CASKET					
DATE <small>1948</small>		<small>BY</small>			
CASKET SEALED BY			EMBALMER (Signature)		
CASKET BOXED AND MARKED			SHIPPING ADDRESS VERIFIED BY		
DATE <small>1948</small>		<small>BY</small>			
I hereby certify that all the foregoing operations were conducted and accomplished under my immediate supervision and that the report above is correct.					
<small>SIGNATURE OF GRS INSPECTOR</small>					
<small>1 Prepare Discrepancy Report QMC Form 1194a for major discrepancies.</small>					
<small>QMC FORM 1194 REV. 16 MAR 46</small>					

RECORD OF CUSTODIAL TRANSFER

1. SHIPPED			
FROM	TO		
KIND OF CONVEYANCE	NAME OF CONVOYER		
SIGNATURE OF SHIPPER <i>R. D. Miller</i> WILLARD A. GREN DATE, TIN. 02/22/49	DATE 20.1.49	SIGNATURE OF RECEIVER <i>R. D. Miller</i>	DATE SD JAN 1949
2. SHIPPED			
FROM AGRC ANTWERP BELGIUM	TO USAT HAITI VICTORY		
KIND OF CONVEYANCE VC. 2	NAME OF CONVOYER A. S. KIMBERLIN 1st. Lt. INF.		
SIGNATURE OF SHIPPER R. D. MILLER, Lt. COL. T.C.	DATE 10/10/49	SIGNATURE OF RECEIVER <i>A. S. Kimberlin</i>	DATE MOP 1949
3. SHIPPED			
FROM	TO <i>N Y P E</i>		
KIND OF CONVEYANCE	NAME OF CONVOYER		
SIGNATURE OF SHIPPER	DATE	SIGNATURE OF RECEIVER <i>W. PREISCH</i> LIEUT. COLONEL, TC. PORT TRANSPORTATION OFFICER	DATE MAR 15 1949
4. SHIPPED			
FROM N Y P E	TO <i>DC #08</i>		
KIND OF CONVEYANCE TRAIN	NAME OF CONVOYER <i>Robert F. Dolan Jr.</i>		
SIGNATURE OF SHIPPER <i>W. PREISCH</i> LIEUT. COLONEL, TC. PORT TRANSPORTATION OFFICER	DATE MAR 22 1949	SIGNATURE OF RECEIVER <i>C. Apple</i> L. A. BOCKSTAHLER	DATE MAR 25 1949
5. SHIPPED			
FROM	TO 1st Lt. QMC Chief, Operations Br.		
KIND OF CONVEYANCE	NAME OF CONVOYER		
SIGNATURE OF SHIPPER <i>BARRY</i> EQUIPMENT SECTION, ENGINEERING SECTION, ENGINEERING	DATE MAR 25 1949	SIGNATURE OF RECEIVER <i>AKSAGA</i> MESSAJI, L. S. M. (SHEM)	DATE MAR 25 1949
6. SHIPPED			
FROM <i>A 10 500 HORSEPOWER</i>	TO		
KIND OF CONVEYANCE	NAME OF CONVOYER		
SIGNATURE OF SHIPPER	DATE	SIGNATURE OF RECEIVER	DATE
7. SHIPPED			
FROM	TO		
KIND OF CONVEYANCE	NAME OF CONVOYER		
SIGNATURE OF SHIPPER	DATE	SIGNATURE OF RECEIVER	DATE

PLOT ROW

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NAME

INSPECTION CHECKLIST

NAME KNUDSON, BERNARD L.		RANK 2 LT.	SERIAL NO. 02072387	ARM OR SERVICE AAF	DIRECTIVE DATE
		RACE WHITE	RELIGION PROT.	SEX MALE	DIRECTIVE NO. 4650 08921 NY
CONSIGNEE AND ADDRESS FORT MC PHERSON NATIONAL CEMETERY MAXWELL, NEBRASKA			NEXT-OF-KIN ADDRESS MRS. ALFRED J. LARSEN (MOTHER) WOLBACH, NEBRASKA		
SHIPPING CASE - General Appearance (Check ONLY Discrepancies)			CONDITION OF SHIPPING CASE (Check One) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> SATISFACTORY <input type="checkbox"/> UNSATISFACTORY		
FINISH (Exterior)			REMARKS: <i>Serial Change</i> <i>OK BB</i>		
FINISH (Interior)					
HANDLES RAIL					
HANDLE BOLTS					
STENCILING - NAMEPLATE					
			INSPECTED BY:		
CASKET - General Appearance (Check ONLY Discrepancies)			CONDITION OF CASKET (Check One) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> SATISFACTORY <input type="checkbox"/> UNSATISFACTORY		
FINISH (Exterior)			REMARKS: <i>J Palackay</i>		
HANDLES AND FASTENINGS					
STENCILING - NAMEPLATE					
CAM LOCKS (Sealing)					
ODOR OR MOISTURE					
			INSPECTED BY:		
ROUTED THROUGH					
<input type="checkbox"/> MORTUARY OPERATING ROOM			<input type="checkbox"/> MORTUARY REPAIR SHOP		
CONDITION OF REMAINS <input type="checkbox"/> SATISFACTORY <input type="checkbox"/> UNSATISFACTORY			CASKET REPAIR <input type="checkbox"/>		
NECESSARY DISINFECTION (Explain)			CASKET EXCHANGED <input type="checkbox"/> SHIPPING CASE REPAIRED <input type="checkbox"/> SHIPPING CASE EXCHANGED <input type="checkbox"/>		
TIME	DATE	SIGNATURE OF MORTICIAN	TIME	DATE	SIGNATURE OF INSPECTING OFFICER
STORAGE LOCATION FLOOR SECTION BAY STORAGE NUMBER 1 1 1 1231			PASS. LIST NO. 020		CONTROL NUMBER AP-21980
STAMP INCOMING OR OUTGOING					

HEADQUARTERS
CHICAGO QUARTERMASTER DEPOT
OFFICE OF THE COMMANDING OFFICER
1819 WEST PERSHING ROAD
CHICAGO 9, ILLINOIS

IN REPLY REFER TO:

CMIC-MG 235

CMO/djh
22 March 1949

SUBJECT: Cancellation of Burial in National Cemetery

TO: Superintendent

Fort Mc Pherson National Cemetery
Maxwell, Nebraska

1. Request you disregard information previously furnished regarding final burial of

2 Lt. Bernard L. Knudson 02072357 NC-21980
Grade Mass Serial No. Contract No.

In your national cemetery. The next of kin has now requested this distribution center to forward the remains to a funeral director for final burial in a private cemetery.

FOR THE COMMANDING OFFICER:

G. M. ODENWALDER
Captain, Q.M.C.
Chief, Admin. Br.
AGR Division

AGR DIV., CHICAGO QUARTERMASTER DEP.
1819 W. PERSHING RD., CHICAGO 9, ILL.

WESTERN UNION
DAY LETTER

DELIVER AND REPORT ANY CHARGES

MRS. ALFRED J. LARSEN

WOLBACH, NEBRASKA

WE HAVE BEEN ADVISED THAT REMAINS OF THE LATE **2 LT BERNARD L. KNUDSON**
ARE ENROUTE TO THE UNITED STATES

OUR RECORDS INDICATE YOU WISH REMAINS INTERRED IN **FORT MC PHERSON NATIONAL
CEMETERY** **MAXWELL, NEBRASKA**

PLEASE CONFIRM YOUR ORIGINAL INSTRUCTIONS OR SUBMIT NEW DELIVERY INSTRUCTIONS
WITHIN 48 HOURS BY TELEGRAM COLLECT TO CHICAGO QUARTERMASTER DEPOT AGRD 1819 WEST
PERSHING ROAD CHICAGO ILLINOIS, INCLUDING FULL NAME OF DECEASED AND YOUR CORRECT
ADDRESS. YOUR REQUEST FOR CHANGE IN DELIVERY INSTRUCTIONS AFTER 48 HOURS HAVE
ELAPSED CANNOT BE COMPLIED WITH AT GOVERNMENT EXPENSE. FINAL INTERMENT WILL BE
MADE AS SOON AS PRACTICABLE AFTER RECEIVED HOWEVER MANY FACTORS BEYOND OUR CONTROL
MAY DELAY DELIVERY OF REMAINS TO NATIONAL CEMETERY FOR SEVERAL WEEKS. NATIONAL
CEMETERY SUPERINTENDENT WILL NOTIFY YOU BY TELEGRAM OF DATE AND HOUR FUNERAL
SERVICES WILL BE HELD IN SUFFICIENT TIME TO PERMIT YOUR ATTENDANCE AT YOUR OWN
EXPENSE. APPROPRIATE JOINT MILITARY AND RELIGIOUS SERVICES WILL BE PROVIDED AT
GRAVESIDE BY VETERANS ORGANIZATIONS OR MILITARY OR NAVAL PERSONNEL. REMAINS WILL
BE ACCCOMPANIED BY MILITARY ESCORT. INTERMENT EXPENSE ALLOWANCE OF \$75.00 IS NOT
AUTHORIZED IN ANY CASE WHERE BURIAL IS MADE IN A NATIONAL CEMETERY.
IN REPLY REFER TO CONTROL NO. **NC-21980**

T. E. C. C.
Major, QMC

Chief,

A. D. R. D.

MAR 9 1949

C. M. WALDER
Captain, QMC
Chief, Admin. Br.

**REQUEST FOR REIMBURSEMENT OF INTERMENT
OR TRANSPORTATION EXPENSES**

(Read Explanation on Reverse Side before completing form)

2. NAME OF DECEDENT (Last, First, Middle Initial)		3. BRANCH OF SERVICE	1. DATE
<u>KNUDSON, BERNARD L.</u>		<u>AAF</u>	<u>May 25, 1949</u>
4. RANK OR GRADE	5. SERIAL NO.	6. A. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> INTERMENT EXPENSES (Civilian or Private Cemetery) <input type="checkbox"/> TRANSPORTATION EXPENSES (National or Post Cemetery)	
<u>2 LT</u>	<u>02072357</u>	7. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> IF WORLD WAR II DECEASED, CHECK BOX. IF CURRENT DECEASED, ENTER DATE OF DEATH.	

INSTRUCTIONS TO INITIATING INSTALLATION

Fill in items 1 through 7 and item 10.

Cross out item 8 or item 9, whichever is not applicable.

Stamp "Ribbon" copy "ORIGINAL."

Stamp carbon copies "COPY."

FORWARD COPY TO OFFICE OF
QUARTERMASTER GENERAL, WASHINGTON 25, D. C.
ATTN: HQRS., A. G. R. S.

INSTRUCTIONS TO PERSONS SIGNING THIS FORM

This form is to be signed by the claimant and NOT by the funeral director.

Complete the original and three copies.

SIGN ORIGINAL ONLY.

CLAIM VALID-REPATRIATION JUN 2 1949

8. FILL IN THIS STATEMENT IF BOX "A" IS CHECKED		9. FILL IN THIS STATEMENT IF BOX "B" IS CHECKED
<p>I certify that the sum of \$ <u>75.00</u> was paid by me from personal funds in connection with the interment of the remains of the above-named decedent in the cemetery indicated below:</p> <p>NAME: <u>of cemetery Fullerton Cemetery</u></p> <p>CITY OR COUNTY: <u>Nance</u></p> <p>STATE: <u>Nebraska</u></p>		<p>I certify that the sum of \$ _____ was paid by me from personal funds in connection with the transportation of the remains of the above-named decedent from (City, town, or place from which remains were shipped).</p> <p>(For location and location of National or Post Cemetery)</p>
10. RETURN THE ORIGINAL AND THREE COPIES TO:		
<p>COMMANDING OFFICER CHICAGO QUARTERMASTER DEPOT 18-19 WEST PERSHING ROAD CHICAGO 9, ILLINOIS</p> <p>ATTN: AGR DIVISION</p>		
11. SIGNATURE OF CLAIMANT		
<p><u>MRS. ALFRED J. LARSEN</u></p> <p>12. ADDRESS (Street number or RFD, City and State)</p> <p><u>WOLBACK, NEBRASKA</u></p>		
13. RELATIONSHIP TO DECEDENT		
<u>MOTHER</u>		

REMARKS:

201159

RECEIVED
MAY 25 1949
U.S. MAIL CHICAGO, ILL.
MAIL ACCOUNTS OF E. G. DOYLE
U. S. COL. F. D. SYMBOL NUMBER 210-53

(DO NOT SIGN THIS)
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HEADQUARTERS
CHICAGO QUARTERMASTER DEPOT
OFFICE OF THE COMMANDING OFFICER
1819 WEST PERSHING ROAD
CHICAGO 9, ILLINOIS

IN REPLY REFER TO:

QDQIG-DC 205

CMO/djh
22 March 1949

SUBJECT: Change in Delivery Instructions and Final Interment

TO: The Quartermaster General
Department of the Army
Washington 25, D. C.
ATTN: Memorial Division

1. Reference is made to DD 4650 08921 pertaining to remains
of 2 Lt. Bernard L. Knudson shipment number NY-026.
2. The original instructions provided for burial in the Fort
McPherson National Cemetery. The next of kin has
now requested this distribution center to deliver the remains referred to
above to Beaman & Palmer Funeral Directors, Fullerton, Nebraska
for final interment in a private cemetery.
3. The superintendent of the national cemetery has been advised of
this conciliation.

FOR THE COMMANDING OFFICER:

THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY
WASHINGTON 25, D. C.
ATTENTION: MEMORIAL DIVISION

O. M. ODENWALDER
Captain, QMC
Chief, Admin. Br.
ADM Division

O. M. Odewalder
Not file if
Loyd Smith
M. C. New
Report - New

QUEST FOR DISPOSITION OF REMAINS

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

L 5/2/48

DATE:

10-4-47 all

2nd Lt Bernard L. Knudson, O-2 072 357
 Plot V, Row 12, Grave 299,
 United States Military Cemetery
 Margraten, Holland

23 November 1947

DO NOT WRITE ABOVE THIS LINE

A		C	
B		D	

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

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

PART I

I, Mrs. Alfred J. Larsen

(PLEASE PRINT OR TYPE NAME OF NEXT OF KIN)

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

- | | | | |
|--|--|--|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> WIDOW | <input type="checkbox"/> WIDOWER | <input type="checkbox"/> SON OVER 21 YEARS OLD | <input type="checkbox"/> DAUGHTER OVER 21 YEARS OLD |
| <input type="checkbox"/> FATHER | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> MOTHER | <input type="checkbox"/> BROTHER OVER 21 YEARS OLD | <input type="checkbox"/> SISTER OVER 21 YEARS OLD |
| <input type="checkbox"/> RELATIONSHIP OTHER THAN ABOVE (Specify) _____ | | | |

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

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

(NAME AND LOCATION OF CEMETERY)

- 3. BE RETURNED TO _____, THE HOMELAND OF THE DECEASED OR NEXT OF KIN, FOR INTERMENT BY NEXT OF KIN IN A FOREIGN COUNTRY.

PRIVATE CEMETERY LOCATED AT _____

(LOCATION OF CEMETERY SELECTED)

Fort McPherson, GA

- 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.)

not due unrecd 9/22
None
08921 - 09 7621
letter from father dated 29 July
status mother legal 70%

Chg t Miss William 6/23/48

DD Proc 11/29/48 AF

Coded a. o Jones

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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 you 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 (<i>Nearest railroad passenger station</i>)	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 (<i>Nearest railroad passenger station</i>)	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.*)

[Redacted] I, AS THE NEXT OF KIN AND THE INDIVIDUAL AUTHORIZED TO DIRECT THE DISPOSITION OF THE REMAINS.

[Redacted] I, AS THE NEXT OF KIN, SOLEMNLY SWEAR (OR AFFIRM) that the statements made by me in the foregoing document are full and true to my knowledge and belief.

Mrs. Alfred J. Larsen

(SIGNATURE OF NEXT OF KIN)

Mrs. Alfred J. Larsen

(NAME PRINTED OR TYPED)

(STREET AND NUMBER)

Wolbach, Nebraska

(CITY AND STATE)

Subscribed and duly sworn to before me according to law by the above-named applicant this 7th day of May,

1948, at city (or town) of Wolbach, county of Greeley, and State (or Territory or District) of Nebraska.

J. Stiles

(SIGNATURE OF OFFICER AUTHORIZED TO ADMINISTER OATHS)

Notary Public
(OFFICIAL TITLE)

Twenty-eight Ten Cable Avenue July 29th. 1948. Lincoln 2, Nebraska

The Quartermaster General,
Washington 25, D.C.

QMGMF 293
293 Knudson, Bernard L., SN 02 072 357
Plot V, Row 12, Grave 299
USMC Margraten, Holland. *ms*

In reply to your letter of the 27th. Inst., regarding the above captioned case this is to advise that my former wife, Mrs. Alfred J. Larsen, Wolbach, Nebraska, should be legally recognized as the next of kin having the right to direct the final disposition of the remains of my son. Even if there is or could be I hereby relinquish any rights regarding this matter.

Sincerely yours,

Bernard L. Knudson.

345 acre 1/11th
Brother Sept 4.



QMGAF 293

Knudson, Bernard L., SN 62 072 357
Plot V, Row 12, Grave 299
USMC Margraten, Holland

27 July 1948

Mr. Bernard L. Knudson
2810 Cable Street
Lincoln, Nebraska

Dear Mr. Knudson:

The Department of the Army is endeavoring to determine the relative of the late Second Lieutenant Bernard L. Knudson who may be legally recognized as the next of kin having the right to direct the final disposition of the remains of your son.

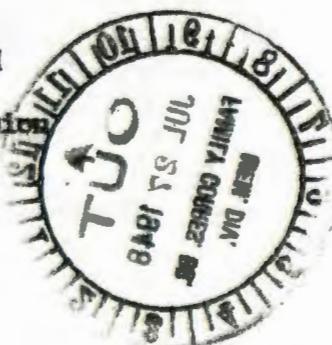
Upon request, your former wife, Mrs. Alfred J. Larsen has submitted a certified copy of the divorce decree whereby she was awarded the custody of your son.

Before determining which parent may legally exercise the disposition right, you are requested to forward to this office, certified copies of any modifications or amendments to the divorce decree or award of custody which may establish your precedence to this disposition right.

Your cooperation and promptness in forwarding the requested document to our office will be greatly appreciated.

Sincerely yours,

JAMES F. SMITH
Major, QMC
Memorial Division



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MAIL & RECORDS SECTION

JFS

CORRESPONDENCE ACTION SHEET

NAME OF DECEASED (Last, First, Middle)	GRADE	SERIAL NUMBER	
KNUDSON, BERNARD L.	2/LT	02 072 357	
PREVIOUS BURIAL LOCATION (Cemetery and Country)	PLOT	ROW	GRAVE
USMC MARGRATEN, HOLLAND	V	12	299
ADDRESSEE MR. MISS MRS.	ADDRESS (Street, City, State).		
ALFRED J. LARSEN Mother	WOLBACH, NEBR		
PARAGRAPHS (Sequence)	ADDITIONAL DATA — MODIFICATIONS		
	<p>We have received the "Request for Disposition of Remains" form and a certified copy of the divorce decree in regard to to the remains of your son, the late the late <i>pertaining</i></p> <p>It is the exp opinion of our legal advisors that the certified copy of the divorce decree is suffic sufficient to establish you as the legal next of kin of your late son. However, it has been noted that the portion of the decree which awards custody of your son can at any subsequent time be amended by the courts of any state having competent jurisdiction of the parties concerned.</p> <p>Therefore, a letter has been sent to your son's father for submission of documentary evidence which may indicate that the above mentioned divorce decree has been amended or modified.</p> <p>In the event that your ex former husband does not furnish us with the requested documentary evidence, official action will be initiated to comply with your expressed desire to have the remains of your son returned to the United States for final interment in the Fort McPherson National Cemetery, Maxwell, Nebraska. •</p> <p><i>will</i> Please rest assured that we shall assist you in every possible manner.</p>		
142-C	Mr. Bernard L. Knudson (father) 2810 Cable Street Lincoln, Nebraska <i>Par 1 - Par 2 - wife, Mrs. ALFRED J. LARSEN, Par 3 -</i>		
166-k	<i>cc: Mr. Anson</i> 		
ANALYST INITIALS AND DATE <i>Henderson 7-23-48</i>		TYPIST INITIALS	
		REVIEWER INITIALS AND DATE	

QMC-F 293

Knudson, Bernard L., SN 02 072 357
Plot V, Row 12, Grave 299
USMC Margraten, Holland

27 July 1948

Mrs. Alfred J. Larsen
Wolbach, Nebraska

Dear Mrs. Larsen:

We have received the "Request for Disposition of Remains" form and a certified copy of the divorce decree pertaining to the remains of your son, the late Second Lieutenant Bernard L. Knudson.

It is the opinion of our legal advisors that the certified copy of the divorce decree is sufficient to establish you as the legal next of kin of your son. However, it has been noted that the portion of the decree which awards custody of your son can at any subsequent time be amended by the courts of any state having competent jurisdiction of the parties concerned.

Therefore, a letter has been sent to your son's father for submission of documentary evidence which may indicate that the above mentioned divorce decree has been amended or modified.

In the event that your former husband does not furnish us with the requested documentary evidence, official action will be initiated to comply with your expressed desire to have the remains of your son returned to the United States for final interment in the Fort McPherson National Cemetery, Maxwell, Nebraska.

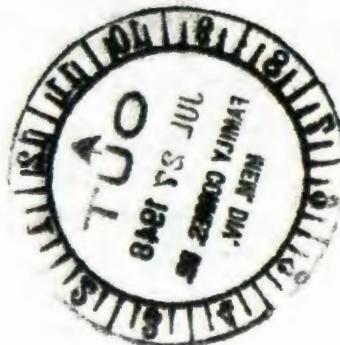
Please rest assured that we will assist you in every possible manner.

Sincerely yours,

JAMES F. SMITH
Major, QMC
Memorial Division

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OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL OF THE ARMY
INTRAOFFICE REFERENCE SHEET

DUE, HOUR AND DATE

1 NO.	2 FROM—	3 TO—	4 DATE	5 MESSAGE
3	Office of the General Counsel	NOK SEC FC BR MEM DIV Miss Williams	8 - JUL 1948	<p>QMGE 293 Knudson, Bernard L. — Legal Next of Kin.</p> <p>It is the opinion of this office that the attached document purporting to be a decree of divorce of the District Court of Nance County, Nebraska, dated 26 January 1934 and certified a true copy by a notary public of Hall County, Nebraska, is sufficient evidence to establish that the decedent's parents were divorced and that at that time custody of the decedent was given to his mother.</p> <p>2. It should be noted that the portion of the decree which awards custody of the issue of the marriage can at any subsequent time be amended by the courts of any state having competent jurisdiction of the parties concerned.</p> <p>3. Recommend, therefore, that a letter be sent to the decedent's father advising of the submission of subject documentary evidence and that unless the Department of the Army is furnished with the decree of a court of competent jurisdiction indicating that the aforesaid decree of divorce has been modified or amended or a court order establishing his prior right to dispose of decedent's remains, the decedent's mother will be considered next of kin for this purpose.</p> <p>Incl: File as above</p> <p>to</p> <p><i>Drape</i> for COMPTON 4293</p> <p>GR Renahan 74716</p> <p>BED</p> <p>RML</p>
4	NOK Sec FC Br Mem Div Miss Williams	Acc Sec FC Br Mem Div APTN: Mrs. Cage	12 July 48	<p>For necessary action. Mother, Mrs. Alfred J. Larsen, Wolbach, Nebraska, may be shown on records as next of kin, but 345 from her should not be accepted until letter has been sent to father and he has had an opportunity to reply.</p> <p><i>Dillreas</i></p> <p>3 Incls:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. OQMG Form 345 2. Ltr dtd 7 June 48 w/decrees 3. 293 File of Knudson, Bernard L. SN 02 072 357 <p>THIS FORM WILL REMAIN PART OF THE OFFICIAL FILE</p> <p>WILLIAMS 5775</p>

OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL OF THE ARMY

INTRAOFFICE REFERENCE SHEET

DUE, HOUR AND DATE _____

1 NO.	2 FROM—	3 TO—	4 DATE	5 MESSAGE
1	Family Corres Branch Fam Ltr Section	Miss Williams F. N.	11 June 48	<p>Forwarded for adequacy of document and decision as to the person authorized to direct disposition of decedent's remains.</p> <p>3 Incls: 293: Knudson, Bernard L., SN 0-2 072 357</p> <p>Ltr dtd 7 June 48</p> <p>Divorce decree</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><i>S. COOMBS</i> 5072</p>
2	NOK Sec FC Br Mem Div Miss Williams	The General Counsel QMG 2849 B Bldg	23 June 48	<p>1. Attached is 293 file of Bernard L. Knudson, 02072357, with letter of mother, inclosing copy of divorce decree and OQMG Form 345 completed by the mother.</p> <p>2. Information is desired as to whether the divorce decree is sufficient to establish that custody of decedent was awarded to his mother.</p> <p>3 Incls:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1. OQMG Form 345 2. Ltr dtd 7 June 48 w/decrees 3. 293 File of Knudson, Bernard L. SN 02 072 357, Margraten, V-12-299 <p style="text-align: right;"><i>Williams</i> WILLIAMS 5775</p> <p style="text-align: right;">2415</p> <p style="text-align: right;">243-2117 243-0-2072357</p> 

Walback, Nebraska

June 7-1948

The Quartermaster General:

Washington, D.C.

Dear Sir:

In reply to your letter of June 3 - I am enclosing a notarized copy of the divorce decree which you requested.

My son's natural father is living at Lincoln, Nebraska, street name and number is 2810 Cable.

I hope this is the information which you need for your records.

Mrs. Larsen and I were married on Nov. 26, 1941.

Yours
Mrs Alfred J Larsen



In the District Court of Nance County
Nebraska.

Ruby F. Knudson,

Plaintiff,

vs.

Bernard L. Knudson,

Defendant.

D E C R E E .

Now on this 26th day of January, 1934, the same being one of the days of the adjourned November 1933 term of said Court, this cause came on for hearing before the Court, the plaintiff being present in court and represented by her attorneys, Thompson & Thompson, and the defendant failing to appear, answer or plead, and no one appearing for him is in default, and default is hereby entered against said defendant; the court finds generally for the plaintiff and against the defendant.

This matter coming on further to be heard upon the pleadings and the evidence, the court finds that the plaintiff filed her petition in said court on the 13th day of October 1933; and due and legal service was had on the defendant Bernard L. Knudson, to-wit: person service on October 13th, 1933.

The court further finds that the plaintiff and defendant were married at Fullerton, Nebraska, on the 24th day of August, 1918; that plaintiff is a resident of Nance County,

Nebraska. That the only issue of said marriage is a son Bernard L. Knudson Jr.

The Court further finds, upon the evidence adduced, that the defendant has been guilty of extreme cruelty toward the plaintiff as alleged in her petition; that the plaintiff is entitled to a divorce from said defendant as prayed for in her petition.

The court further finds that the plaintiff is entitled to have the absolute and exclusive custody, care, education and control of said child Bernard L. Knudson, Jr.

The Court further finds that the defendant should contribute towards the support of his son Bernard L. Knudson Jr., the sum of \$15.00 per month, said amount to be paid to the plaintiff.

It is therefore ordered, adjudged and decreed by the Court that the marriage relation heretobefore existing and now existing between said plaintiff and defendant be, and the same hereby is dissolved, set aside and wholly annulled, and that said plaintiff is hereby granted a divorce from the defendant, and that the plaintiff be and hereby is awarded the exclusive, custody, care, education and control of said child Bernard L. Knudson, Jr.; subject to the right of the defendant to visit said child at all reasonable times upon receiving consent of the plaintiff; that the plaintiff have and recover from the defendant the sum of \$15.00 per

month as maintenance and support for said child Bernard L. Knudson, Jr., said sum of money to be paid to the clerk of this court on the first day of each month, commencing February 1st, 1934, and that defendant pay the costs of this action, including an attorneys fee to Thompson & Thompson, attorneys for the plaintiff in the sum of \$50.00.

BY THE COURT.

/s/ Louis Lightner
JUDGE.

A TRUE COPY:

Dorothy M. Wilcox
DOROTHY M. WILCOX
Notary

Walbach, Nebraska

May 24- 1948

The Quartermaster General
Washington, D.C.

Dear Sir:

In reply to your letter of May 20-1948. Mr Alfred J. Lansen did not legally adopt my son. My son was left in my custody when a small child. I remarried just a few years ago.

The Army Air Force officer who helped me complete all papers at the time I received notice of my son's death took photostatic copies of all our papers and I supposed, filed them.

My son named me as his next-of-kin in all his records.

Yours

Mrs Alfred J. Lansen

QMGMF 293
Knudson, Bernard L. O2 072 557
Plot V, Row 12, Grave 299
USMC Margraten, Holland

3 June 1948

Mrs. Alfred J. Larsen
Wolbach, Nebraska

Dear Mrs. Larsen:

Your letter pertaining to the remains of your son, the late Second Lieutenant Bernard L. Knudson, has come to my attention.

Before the Department of the Army can determine who may be recognized as the legal next of kin of your son, and therefore the person authorized to direct the final disposition of the remains, certified copies of the divorce decree and legal award of custody of minor children are required to substantiate the present relationship.

If you were awarded custody of your son, or if his father relinquishes his potential disposition right to you, you may be authorized the right to direct the final disposition of the remains of your son, provided documentary evidence supporting your contention is submitted to the Department of the Army.

As requested in our letter of 23 April 1948, it would be greatly appreciated if you would inform us if the decedent's natural father is living, and if so his name and current address, in order that we may complete our records.

Your cooperation and promptness in forwarding the requested document to our office will be greatly appreciated.

2 Encls:
1. Info Slip
2. Envelope
3. O. D. RECO^{RE}Y

Sincerely yours,

RICHARD J.
Major,
Memorial



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CORRESPONDENCE ACTION SHEET

NAME OF DECEASED (Last, First, Middle)	GRADE	SERIAL NUMBER	
<u>Knudson Bernard L.</u>	<u>2/24</u>	<u>0-2072357</u>	
PREVIOUS BURIAL LOCATION (Cemetery and Country)	PLOT	ROW	GRAVE
<u>454 Magnaten Holland</u>	<u>V</u>	<u>12</u>	<u>299</u>
ADDRESSEE MR. MISS MRS. RELATIONSHIP	ADDRESS (Street, City, State) <u>alred J. Larsen</u> <u>Wolback, Nebraska</u> <u>Mother</u>		
PARAGRAPHS (Sequence)	ADDITIONAL DATA — MODIFICATIONS		
165A			
142B	<p>'st par 3rd par. ant "thus"</p> <p>As requested in our letter of 23 April '48, we would be greatly appreciated if you would inform us of the decedent's natural father as living, and if so his name and current address, in order that we may complete our records</p>		
166K			

ANALYST INITIALS AND DATE

el 1 June 48

TYPIST INITIALS

REVIEWER INITIALS AND DATE

Walback, Nebraska

April 29-1948

The Quartermaster General
Washington 25, D.C.

Dear Sir:

I have your letter of April 23 which was written to me following an inquiry from the Commanding Officer of the Kansas City Quartermaster Depot.

I, Mrs Alfred J. Laisen, was named as next of kin by my son, the late Second Lieutenant Knodeon. I have a copy of his Personal Services record which contains that information. I consulted the escort officer who called on me a few days ago as to what to do to get the Department of Army to spell my name correctly. I am enclosing a letter sent to me by Brig. Genl Johnson of Army Air Forces written on August 23-1945 in which he says the correction had been made.

When the papers came concerning the disposal of his body, they were addressed to my husband as well as misspelled again.

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I was named as next of kin by my son
and in order to keep future records in
order, I think my name, Mrs Alfred J. Lansen
should be absolutely accurate and correct.

Will you return the letter which I
am enclosing?

Sincerely

Mrs Alfred J Lansen



QMGMF 293
Knudson, Bernard L., ASN 02 072 357 *[Signature]*
Plot V, Row 12, Grave 299,
USMC Margraten, Holland.

20 May 1948

Mrs. Alfred J. Larsen
Wolbach, Nebraska

Dear Mrs. Larsen:

Your letter pertaining to the remains of your son, the late Second Lieutenant Bernard L. Knudson, has come to my attention.

I wish to advise you that the records have been amended to show that your surname is Larsen, rather than Latser, as it previously appeared in our files.

In order that we may determine who is the person authorized to designate the final resting place of your son's remains, it is requested that you advise us if Mr. Alfred J. Larsen ever legally adopted your son. If such adoption was accomplished, please furnish us a certified copy of the adoption papers as verification.

Your cooperation and prompt action in this matter will be greatly appreciated. An envelope, which requires no postage, is inclosed for your convenience.

Sincerely yours,

- 3 Inccls:
1. Ltr. dtde 23 Aug 45
2. Information Slip
3. Return envelope

RECORDED
O. M. H.
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RICHARD B. COOMBS
Major, QMC
Memorial Division

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CORRESPONDENCE ACTION SHEET

NAME OF DECEDENT (Last, First, Middle)	GRADE	SERIAL NUMBER	
KNUDSEN, Alfred L.	2/11	02072357	
PREVIOUS BURIAL LOCATION (Cemetery and Country)	PLOT	ROW	GRAVE
Magnolia, Holland	/	12	299
ADDRESSEE MR. MISS MRS. RELATIONSHIP	ADDRESS (Street, City, State). Hoback, Neb.		
Alfred J. Larsen Mother			
PARAGRAPHS (Sequence)	ADDITIONAL DATA — MODIFICATIONS		
165a	<p>I wish to advise you - that the records have been amended to show that your surname is. Larsen rather than Latte as it previously appeared in our files.</p> <p>Please advise that we may determine who is the person legally authorized to designate the final resting place of your son's remains, it is requested that you advise if Mr Alfred J. Larson ever legally adopted your son. If such adoption was accomplished please furnish us a certified copy of the adoption papers as verification.</p>		
136c	<p>-#3 . . action in this matter . . .</p> <p><i>2 photo 2. copy act 29 Aug 45 2. stamp clip 2. envelope</i></p>		
ANALYST INITIALS AND DATE <i>ST</i> 5-18		TYPIST INITIALS <i>Steel</i>	REVIEWER INITIALS AND DATE

NAME Knudson, Bernard L
ASN 0-2072357 RANK 2nd Lt

Margraten, Holland

V-12-299

Changes made in information
Forms #333 and A-Z are from
sources listed below:

Corres from
KC QMD dld
14 Apr 48.
Correct Spelling
of last name
of NOK.

OFFICERS' NAME

DATE

FROM: RELATIONSHIP Step-Father
NAME Mr. Alfred J. Larsen
STREET
CITY & STATE Wolback, Nebraska

TO: RELATIONSHIP Same
NAME Mr. Alfred J. Larsen
STREET
CITY & STATE Same

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d. Gray
3 May 48

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DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY

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QMGMF 293
 Knudson, Bernard L. SN 02 072 357
 Plot V, Row 12, Grave 299
 USMC, Margraten, Holland

23 April 1948

Mrs. Alfred J. Larsen

Wolbach, Nebraska

Dear Mrs. Larsen:

An inquiry has been received recently from the Commanding Officer, Kansas City Quartermaster Depot, 601 Hardesty Avenue, Kansas City 1, Missouri, pertaining to the remains of your son, the late Second Lieutenant Bernard L. Knudson.

Before the Department of the Army can determine who may be considered the legal next of kin of the late Second Lieutenant Knudson, and therefore the person authorized to direct the final disposition of the remains, certified copies of adoption papers are necessary to substantiate the legal relationship.

If however, legally recorded adoption was never accomplished by Mr. Alfred J. Larsen, step-father, the right of disposition will pass to the next of kin having precedence as established by the Secretary of the Army. Thus, in this case, if the decedent's natural father is no longer living, you will receive the disposition right.

In the event the decedent's natural father is living, please furnish us his name and current address in order that we may complete our records.

We regret sincerely that our letter of 28 November 1947, was incorrectly addressed to Mr. Larsen as Mr. Alfred J. Latser.

It is of the utmost concern that information released to the families of our honored dead be absolutely accurate. Please accept my apology for this error.

Your cooperation and promptness in forwarding the requested information and document to our office will be greatly appreciated.

AJL
Sincerely yours,

cc: Commanding Officer
 Kansas City QM Depot

RICHARD B. COOMBS
 Major, QMC
 Memorial Division

- gph
 2 Incls:
 1. Information Slip
 2. Self-addressed Envelope

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CORRESPONDENCE ACTION SHEET

Mr.
Miss.
Addressee: Mrs. Alfred J. Larsen mother
Relationship

State Wolbach, Nebraska

City, State Wolbach, Nebraska '47
Date letter

Cemetery
Temporary: _____

Permanent: V 12 299 U L MC Margaten, Holland
Plot Row Gr Cem. Name or No. City Country

PARAGRAPHS
(sequence)

— ADDITIONAL — DATA — MODIFICATIONS —

165-F cc: Commanding Officer
Kansas City Quartermaster Depot
601 Hardesty Avenue
Kansas City 1, Missouri

142-A 1st par—

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166-K and information

Precedent: K
Initial: D
Rank: SP5
ASN: 02-072-357

Wolbach
Analyst Typist Reviewer
4-22-48

Modifications

OKed

FROM: Family Letters Section

(Date)

TO: Reply Form Acceptance Section

Knudson
(Last Name)

Bernard
(First Name)

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Initial

02072357
(ASN)

Margaten
(Cemetery)

V
(Plot)

12
(Row)

299
(Grave)

The attached correspondence pertains to the disposition of the remains of the subject decedent. It is requested that the following information be supplied this Section in order to reply to correspondent:

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1. Has 345 been dispatched?

2. Has 345 been received and accepted? no

3. a. What option was selected?

b. What cemetery and location?

4. 345 was executed by whom?

5. Did N.O.K. relinquish disposition authority?

6. Did widow indicate remarriage?

7. Did documents accompany reply form?
(If so, what document?)

8. Have necessary records been amended to reflect
this change in NOK?

9. Has L.O.I. been dispated to new N.O.K.?

10. Attach reply form and return to this section.

11. Forwarded for your information and any action deemed
necessary.

12. Change of decision.

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Special Inquiry, Please expedito

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KANSAS CITY QUARTERMASTER DEPOT
601 HARDESTY AVENUE
KANSAS CITY 1, MISSOURI

IN REPLY REFER TO QMDKD 293 Knudson, Bernard L.
SN O-2 072 357

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EPM/ar
14 April 1948

SUBJECT: World War II Deceased

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

1. An escort returning to this Distribution Center from a mission to the State of Nebraska brought back with him the Letter of Inquiry dispatched 28 November 1947 to the next of kin of 2nd Lt. Bernard L. Knudson, O-2072357, Plot V, Row 12, Grave 299, United States Military Cemetery, Margraten, Holland.

2. The Letter of Inquiry referred to was addressed to Mr. Alfred J. Latser, Wolbach, Nebraska, and was given to the escort by Mrs. Alfred J. Larsen of Wolbach, who said she was the remarried mother of Lt. Knudson.

3. According to Mrs. Larsen the letter should have been addressed to Mr. Alfred J. Larsen instead of Latser. It is the understanding of this office that Mrs. Larsen completed OQMG Form 345 and returned it to your office. However, she seems to be disturbed at this time regarding the difference in the spelling of the names.

4. This office has returned to Mrs. Alfred J. Larsen the Letter of Inquiry she entrusted to the escort and informed her that your office has been requested to provide her with information whether documents in this case are properly completed.

5. This office would appreciate a copy of the reply made to Mrs. Larsen.

FOR THE COMMANDING OFFICER:

C. R. Post

C. R. POST
Lt. Colonel, QMC
Chief, American Graves Registration Div.



2nd Lt Bernard L. Knudson, O-2 072 357
Plot V, Row 12, Grave 299,
United States Military Cemetery
Margraten, Holland

26 November 1947

Mr. Alfred J. Latser

Wolbach, Nebraska

Dear Mr. Latser:

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

ccy

1355 PM
D.Q.M.C.
RECORDED MAIL

SPQYG 293
Knudson, Bernard L.
S.N. 02 072 357

18 October 1945

Mrs. Alfred J. Larsen
Wolbach, Nebraska

Dear Mrs. Larsen:

At the request of the Headquarters Army Air Forces, we are furnishing you with information pertaining to the burial of your son, the late Second Lieutenant Bernard L. Knudson.

The official report of burial received in this office reveals that the remains of your son were interred in the United States Military Cemetery at Margraten, Holland, Plot V, Row 12, Grave 299. This cemetery is located approximately twelve miles northwest of Aachen, Germany, and eight miles southeast of Maastricht, Holland.

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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U. S. ARMY

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RECORDED
10 OCT 1945
U. S. AIR FORCE

FILE NO.

HEADQUARTERS ARMY AIR FORCES

DISPOSITION FORM

OFFICE SYMBOL

DATE

AFPPA-8

8/23/45

GRADE-SURNAME-PHONE

MA/mw/76286

TO

1. The Quartermaster General
Memorial Branch
Washington 25, D. C.

2.

3.

4.

FOR

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ACTION	CONCURRENCE	FORWARDING	INVESTIGATION
APPROVAL	SIGNATURE	REPLY	NOTE & RETURN
COMMENT	FILE	INFORMATION	RECOMMENDATION

SUBJECT:

Second Lieutenant Bernard L. Knudson, 02072357

Request that all available information concerning burial of subject named officer be forwarded to his mother, Mrs. Alfred J. Larsen, Wolbach, Nebraska.

FOR THE COMMANDING GENERAL:

N. W. Reed
 N. W. REED
 Major, Air Corps
 Chief, Notification Branch
 Personal Affairs Division
 Asst Chief of Air Staff

FILE NO.

HEADQUARTERS ARMY AIR FORCES

DISPOSITION FORM

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AFFPA-8

DATE

8-11-45

GRADE-SURNAME-PHONE

MA/sg/77226

TO	1. The Quartermaster General Munitions Building Washington, D. C.		3.	
	2.		4.	
FOR	ACTION	CONCURRENCE	FORWARDING	INVESTIGATION
	APPROVAL	SIGNATURE	REPLY	NOTE & RETURN
	COMMENT	FILE	INFORMATION	RECOMMENDATION
SUBJECT <i>292</i> <i>f</i> Second Lieutenant Bernard L. Knudson, 02072357				

Attn: Mrs. Mann

The following is forwarded for your information as per telephone conversation. MACR 14177.

AAF Sta. 118; Eighth Air Force; 392d Bomb Gp. (H); 576th Bomb Sq. Destination: Wesel, Germany; Type of Mission: Supply; Date: 24 March 1945 Last contacted by radio; Aircraft B-24-J; #42-50709.

Date of Report: 19 April 1945

L. A. WIPFLER
Capt., Air Corps,
Ass't Adjutant.

Remarks or eyewitness statement:

Aircraft was hit by small arms and cannon fire in target area at 500 feet altitude. At this point Lt. Knudson and Sgt. Morse bailed out and Sgt. Morse was picked up by American Troops. A report of burial for Lt. Knudson was received this date from Headquarters 9th U. S. ARMY. The remaining crew members crashed landed the aircraft in area controlled by Germans. Just before the aircraft hit the ground Cpl Deaton was last seen standing in the bomb bay with no chute. He may have fell out of the bomb bay. The remaining crew crashed with plane and got out of the damaged aircraft with the exception of Sgt. Milchak who was shot in the head by German machine gun fire while he was crawling out of the waist window. A hurried search of the wreckage was made for Cpl Deaton with no success. The Germans captured the rest of the crew and held them for approximately four (4) hours until such time the American Paratroops rescued them.

1 Incl

Copy of ltr fr Mrs. Larsen

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9/29/45
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8-11-45

MA/sg/77226

The Quartermaster General
Munitions Building
Washington, D. C.

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Date of Report: 19 April 1945

L. A. WIPPLER
Capt., Air Corps,
Ass't Adjutant.

Remarks or eyewitness statement:

Aircraft was hit by small arms and cannon fire in target area at 900 feet altitude. At this point Lt. Knudson and Sgt. Morse bailed out and Sgt. Morse was picked up by American Troops. A report of burial for Lt. Knudson was received this date from Headquarters 9th U.S. ARMY. The remaining crew members crashed landed the aircraft in area controlled by Germans. Just before the aircraft hit the ground Cpl Deaton was last seen standing in the bomb bay with no chute. He may have fell out of the bomb bay. The remaining crew crashed with plane and got out of the damaged aircraft with the exception of Sgt. Milchak who was shot in the head by German machine gun fire while he was crawling out of the waist window. A hurried search of the wreckage was made for Cpl Deaton with no success. The Germans captured the rest of the crew and held them for approximately four (4) hours until such time the American Paratroops rescued them.

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Cpy of ltr fr Mrs. Larsen

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A.J. LARSEN

Phone 10

Wolbach, Nebraska
July 15, 1945

Refer to - APPA-S
AAF 201 - (14) 77
Knudson, Bernard L.
0-2072357

Major N. W. Reed, Air Corps
Personal Affairs Division
Washington, D. C.

Major Reed:

I appreciated your letter with reference to my son, Bernard L. Knudson who has been reported as killed in action over Germany on March 24.

I hope you can secure more information as to what happened. According to a letter from one of the crew members, he "bailed out". That seems to be the last definite information - but what happened?

Is it possible to obtain other details relative to this last mission?

Will you take care of another matter for me? My name is being misspelled on all the papers which are being sent to me. I have a copy of Bernard's personal affairs record and my name is correctly spelled on it. Will you have the correction made on the records of the War Department?

Sincerely,

/s/ Ruby S. Larsen
(Mrs. Alfred J.)

LARSEN

PHYSICAL EXAMINATION FOR FLYING

(See AR 40-100, 40-105, 40-110)

293
 1. Knudson Bernard L. 2nd Lt. AC U-2U72357 19 1
 (Last name) (First name) (Middle initial) (Grade and arm or service) (Serial No.) (Age) (Years service)

2. AAF Mt. Home, Idaho Combat Flying August 1944 Qualified
 (Address) (Purpose of examination)
 (Date and result last examination)

Navigator Flying time as: Pilot - ; observer 103 ; pilot - ; observer 103
 (Aeronautical ratings) (Total) (Total) (Last 6 mos.) (Last 6 mos.)

3. Temperature 98.6 Vaccinations: Typhoid series, No. 2 Last 1944; smallpox 1944; reaction Immune
 (Date)

4. Medical history.

(In the case of applicant include family. Has he ever had epilepsy, enuresis, headaches, dizziness, vertigo, fainting, stammering, tic, somnambulism, pavor nocturnus, migraine, insomnia, phobias, anxiety trends, irritability, apathy, elation, depression, sensory disturbances, amnesia, spasms, unconsciousness, repeated episodes of alcoholism, encephalitis, pneumonia, syphilis, renal calculi, tuberculosis, asthma, hay fever, repeated colds, mastoiditis, sinusitis, tonsillitis, arthritis in any form, malaria, severe injuries, major operations, or other pertinent history? Explain fully.)

Measles, Whooping cough during childhood - No Sequelae

5. Eye: Inspection Nystagmus None

6. Associated palsies Normal Pupils: Equality Equal Reaction Normal

7. Visual acuity R.E. 20/20, correctible to 20/20 L.E. 20/20, correctible to 20/20

8. Depth perception (uncorrected) 12 mm. With correction mm.

9. Heterophoria at 6 meters: Eso 0 Exo 0 R.H. 0 L.H. 0 Prism divergence 10

10. Red lens test Normal Angle convergence: Pcb 45 mm. Pd 56 mm. -

11. Accommodation: R. 11 D. L. 11 D. Addition required for 50 cm. R. - L. -

(Jaeger type): Right J. 1-13, correctible to J. - : Left J. 1-13, correctible to J. -

12. Color vision Normal to AOC

13. Field of vision (form): R. Normal L. Normal Ophthalmoscopic: R. Normal L. Normal

14. Refraction: R. reads 20/20 with - S. C - CAx - ° L. reads 20/20 with - S. C - CAx - °

15. Ear: History of ear trouble Denies

16. External ear: R. Normal L. Normal Membrana tympani: R. Normal L. Normal

17. Hearing (whisper): R. 20/20 L. 20/20 Audiometer (percent loss): R. - L. -

18. Nares Normal Tonsils Normal

19. Teeth:

(a) Right (Examinee's) Left
 8 7 6 5 4 3 2 1 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8
 X6 15 14 13 12 11 10 9 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16

Indicate: Restorable carious teeth by O; nonrestorable carious teeth by /; missing natural teeth by X.

(b) Remarks, including other defects None

(c) Prosthetic appliances None (d) Classification² IV

20. History of swing, train, air, or sea sickness Denies

21. Barany chair (when indicated with results) -

22. Posture Good Figure Medium Frame Medium
 (Excellent, good, fair, bad) (Slender, medium, stocky, obese) (Light, medium, heavy)

23. Height, 67 inches. Weight, 130 pounds. Chest: Inspiration 34 Expiration 31 Rest 32 Abdomen 27

24. Skin and lymphatics Normal Endocrine system Normal

25. Bones, joints, muscles Normal

Feet Normal

26. Heart Normal

27. Pulse rate, 74 B.P.: S. 120-122 D. 80-82 Schneider - Pulse immediately after exercise 96

Two minutes after exercise 78 Character Normal

28. Arteries Normal Varicose veins Normal

¹ Semiannual, appointment as cadet, commission in the Air Corps, commission in Air Corps Reserve, transfer to the Air Corps, or change of purpose.
 I, II, III, or IV; see par. 3, AR 40-510.

Altitude Indoctrination Completion Date
 2 October 1944 Lincoln, Nebraska.

APR 28 1944

Capt. M. B. BROWN

Capt. M. B. BROWN

29. Respiratory system Normal
30. X-ray of chest¹ Negative (August 1944 Hondo, Texas)
31. Abdominal viscera Normal
32. Hernia None Hemorrhoids
33. Genito-urinary system Normal
34. Nervous system: Reflexes, gait, coordination, musculature, tension, tremor, and other pertinent tests Normal
35. Laboratory procedures: Kahn¹ Negative (August 1944 WASHBURN Hondo, Texas, AAF)
Urinalysis: Reaction Acid Sp. gr. 1.018 Albumin Neg. Sugar Neg. Microscopical Neg.
36. Estimated adaptability for military aeronautics (if unsatisfactory, state reasons)
Not Required
37. Remarks on conditions not sufficiently described None
38. Is the examinee physically qualified for flying duty? Yes If yes, in what class? I
If disqualified, indicate defects by paragraph number
39. Have defects been waived by The Adjutant General? If yes, give date
If no, is waiver recommended? Is request for waiver attached?
40. Is the examinee incapacitated for active service? No If yes, indicate defect by paragraph number
41. Corrective measures or other action recommended None
42. If applicant for appointment: Does he meet physical requirements? - Do you recommend acceptance with minor physical defects? - If rejection is recommended, specify cause -

Army Air Field

Mt. Home, Ia. (Place)

10 October 1944 (Date)

Herbert S. Simpson Medical Corps.
HERBERT S. SIMPSON, Captain, AME (Name and grade)

Corps.

REVIEWED AND APPROVED:

(Name and grade)

(Senior flight surgeon)

Medical Corps.

(Name and grade)

Corps.

1st Ind.²

Headquarters

19

To the Commanding General,

Remarks and recommendations

(Name)

(Grade)

(Organization and arm or service)

Commanding.

2d Ind.²

, 19 To The Adjutant General.

¹ Required for candidates for commission, Reserve officers reporting for extended active duty, and applicants for flying cadet.

² State action taken on recommendation of the board. If incapacitated for active service, state whether action by retiring board is recommended.

NOTE.—Use typewriter if practicable. Attach additional plain sheets if required.

RESTRICTED

100

REPORT OF BURIAL

TM 10-630 AND AR 30-1815

29 March 1945

Date

Knudson, Bernard L.	Initials	Rank	2nd Lt.	0-2072357
392 Bl. Sq. N.	Unit	Organization	9th AAF	
Wesel, Germany	Date of Death	Cause of Death	24 March 1945	KIA
Place of Death	Name of Cemetery	Name or Coordinates of Location	Obsidian A. and C. Cemetery	V Wooden Cross
1700 29 March 1945	Plot Number	Type of Marker	U.S. Mil. Cem., Margraten, Holland	VK 645482
Time and Date of Burial	Row Number		299	
Grave Number				

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

If No Identification Tags, Per. Ltr. 28 Dec. 44 (346 T/O European, Com. to Reports of Br.)
How were remains identified?

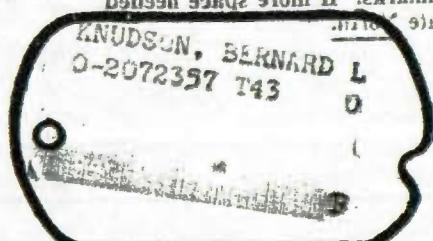
What means of identification were buried with the body?

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

Who is buried on:	Evens, Roy H. Jr.	34836021	Pfc	513 Para Inf.	298
Deceased's Right:	Name	Serial No.	Rank	Organization	Grave No.
Deceased's Left:	Casella, Clement A.	T-60411	E/O	9th AAF	300

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

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



Emergency Addressee Unknown

Name _____

Address _____

Religion P

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

RESTRICTED

EDWIN J. DUNOVAN Officer or other person reporting burial
1st Lt., QMC GRS Officer
611 QM Gr. Reg. Co. Verified by G.R.S. Officer

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30	31	32	33	34	35	36	37	38	39	40	41	42	43	44	45	46	47	48	49	50
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WAR DEPARTMENT
THE ADJUTANT GENERAL'S OFFICE
WASHINGTON 25, D. C.

REPORT OF DEATHDATE 21 May 1945

FULL NAME Knudson, Bernard L.		ARMY SERIAL NUMBER 02072357	GRADE 2nd Lt.			
HOME ADDRESS Wolbach, Nebraska		ARM OR SERVICE Air Corps	DATE OF BIRTH 11 Mar 25			
PLACE OF DEATH European Area	CAUSE OF DEATH Killed in action	DATE OF DEATH 24 Mar 45				
STATION OF DECEASED European Area		DATE OF ENTRY ON CURRENT ACTIVE SERVICE 18 Sept 44	LENGTH OF SERVICE FOR PAY PURPOSES YEARS MONTHS DAYS			
EMERGENCY ADDRESSEE (NAME, RELATIONSHIP & ADDRESS) LARSEN Mrs. Alfred J. Latser, mother, Wolbach, Nebraska						
BENEFICIARY (NAME, RELATIONSHIP & ADDRESS) Mrs. Alfred J. Latser, mother, same as above Mr. Alfred J. Latser, step-father, same as above LARSEN						
INVESTIGATION MADE? YES	IN LINE OF DUTY NO	OWN MISCONDUCT YES	WAS DECEASED ON DUTY STATUS YES NO	AUTHORIZED ABSENCE YES NO	IN FLTING PAY STATUS YES NO	OTHER PAY STATUS (SPECIFY BELOW) X

ADDITIONAL DATA AND/OR STATEMENT

 BATTLE NON-BATTLE

The individual named in this report of death is held by the War Dept. to have been in a missing in action status from 24 Mar 45 until such absence was terminated on 25 Apr 45, when evidence considered sufficient to establish the fact of death was rec'd by the Secretary of War from a commander in the European Area.

COPIES FURNISHED:		
S. O. S.	P. R. I.	P. O., U. S. A.
S.O.C.M.C.	G. P. D.	ARMY EFFECTS BUREAU CASUALTY BRANCH FILE
S. A. G.	VET. ADMIN.	A. G. 201 FILE

BY ORDER OF THE SECRETARY OF WAR

ADJUTANT GENERAL

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

BATTLE CASUALTY REPORT

AB 201	NAME KNUDSON BERNARD L. ASN 02072357	GRADE 2/LT SON	DATE CAS. REPORT RECEIVED
	NAME AND ADDRESS OF E.A. MRS ALFRED J LATSER REEDWOOD AVENUE WOLBACH NEBRASKA		
			DATE TELEGRAM SENT

13 APRIL 1945

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.

RELATIONSHIP

SON

GRADE	NAME	SERIAL NUMBER	ARM OF SERVICE	BATTALION	RELATIONSHIP	P OR J STATUS	SHIPMENT NUMBER
2 LT	KNUDSON BERNARD L	02072357	AC	ETO			
HAS BEEN	TYPE OF CASUALTY	PLACE OF CASUALTY	DATE OF CASUALTY	CASE NUMBER			
SINGLED IN ACTION	OVER	IN GERMANY	SINCE 24 MAR 45	3			

If further details or other information are received you will be promptly notified.

REMARKS:

CORRECTED COPY

STC

Identity Correct per AB 201 file. Jones

ACTION IN PROCESSING AND VERIFICATION SECTION: REPORT VERIFIED		FORM 48	AB 201 REG						
CASUALTY SEARCH FILE ATTACHED		OR CHARGED TO	NAME						
PREVIOUSLY REPORTED: NO		YES	(AB INDICATED BELOW)						
FILE NO.	MESSAGE NO.	TYPE	DATE AND AREA						
INFORMATION FOR AB 201									
FORWARDED TO	MAIL	TELEGRAM	WOUNDED	LETTER	CODE	E. A. S. S.	REPORT	M. S. M.	MEMO
REPORT NOT VERIFIED									

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DRY CLEANING

Do not use

LAUNDRY 2357E

Do not use

TROUSERS, WOOL

COAT, SERVICE, WOOL

OVERCOAT, LONG

OVERCOAT, SHORT, WOOL

CAP, GARRISON

CAP, SERVICE

TIES, WOOL

GLOVES, LEATHER OR WOOL

SCARFS, SILK, RAYON, OR WOOL

SWEATERS

TRUNKS, SWIM

LEGGINGS

BATHROBES

BED ROLL

COMFORTER

1 Rain coat w/50% 1

LAUNDRY RETURNED TO F.L.

24 Jan 46
grb

276

104

TALLY NO.

6310

ORIG. NO. OF PKGS.

EXAMINING DATE

15 Jan. 46

BOX NO.

SHEET

OF SHEETS

NAME

BERNARD Lawrence Knudson

A. S. N.

0-2072357

ORGANIZATION

RANK

2nd LF.

CASE NO.

WAREHOUSE SPACE

7-1353

EXAMINED BY

Exstium
McDonald

SUPERVISOR'S OK

LAUNDRY REMOVED

FROM
FOOTLOCKER

FL

PACKAGE DESCRIPTION

WEIGHT

SHIPPED

ABANDONED
UNKNOWN

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

CONTAINERS ADDRESSED TO

None

INFORMATION

Mother

Mrs. Ruby S. Larsen
 Wolbach, Nebr.
 Relationship unknown
 B.L. Knudson
 2810 Cable St.
 Lincoln, Nebr.

NAME AND STATUS VARIATIONS

Form 43 D Inf. Inv. Show

"Bernard L. Knudson"

CROSS REFERENCE

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

MUTILATED

OR
PLACE OF ISSUE

TO ISSUING AGENCY

PAYEE

REMITTER
OR
DRAWER

TALLY NO.	ORIG. NO. OF PKGS.	EXAMINING DATE	BOX NO.	SHEET
6310		15 Jan. 46		OF SHEETS
NAME			S. N.	
BERNARD Lawrence Knudson			0-20723574	
ORGANIZATION			RANK	CASE NO.
			2nd Lt.	
WAREHOUSE SPACE		EXAMINED BY	DIARY REMOVED	
			PHOTO FILM REMOVED	
		PACKED BY	MOTION PICTURE FILM REMOVED	
DESCRIPTION		Weight	SHIPPED	

ADDITIONAL REMARKS

REMOVALS (other than G. I.)

DAMAGES (List type of damage-extent)

1 Pr. + trousers w/ seam ripped
 1 Billfold appears to be
 stained by a red crayon
 Inside of foot locker stain-
 ed by moisture

SHORTAGES

U.S.M.O. No. 24505-Amt. \$100.00

U. S. GOV'T CHECK SHORT

4-Pr. Drawers (W) (short)

1-Towel

NUMBER

DATE

SYMBOL

AMOUNT

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

Eckstrum

INVENTORY CLERK

Curley
 SUPERVISOR

G. I. REMOVED

INVENTORY OF EFFECTS
(Attach extra sheets if necessary)

CLASS I

- 1 Dagger w/sheath ✓
- 1 Fountain pen ✓
- 1 Sewing kit ✓
- 1 Address Book ✓
- 2 Insignia: U.S. ✓
- 2 Insignia: Air Corps ✓
- 4 Bars ✓
- 5 pr. Tings, Navigators ✓
- 1 Set Ribbons ✓
- 1 Souvenir Hankie ✓
- 1 Razor ✓
- 2 Leather Wallet ✓
- 1 General QM, PD16-clipper ✓

CLASS II

- 6 Shirts, Khaki ✓
- 2 Blouses, Green O.D.
- 1 Short Coat ✓
- 1 Silk Scarf ✓
- 1 Pants, pink ✓
- 2 Tins ✓
- 1 pr. Trouser, Khaki ✓
- 1 Shirt, Green ✓
- 2 Caps, O.D. ✓
- 1 Belt ✓
- 2 pr. Pants, Khaki ✓
- 2 pr. Pants, Tropical Mopset ✓
- 1 pr. Swimming Trunks ✓
- 19 pr. Socks ✓

I declare that the foregoing inventory comprises all of subject's effects
and that these effects were shipped to Effects QM, ETOUSA, A.P.O. 507, G-14, U.S.
Army by delivering to

1st Lt. Quartermaster, Sta. 114

on

1944.

CLASS III

- 1 pr. Drawers, cotton ✓
- 1 pr. Pajamas ✓
- 1 Trench coat ✓
- 6 pr. Drawers, wool, short ✓
- 2 pr. shoes, civilian ✓
- 1 vr. shirt, tennis ✓
- 1 Belt w/buckle ✓
- 2 Bath towels ✓
- 1 Officers cap w/insignia ✓

Signature - (In Ink)

NORMAN M. WICHOLS,

1st Lt., Air Corps
Rank & Organization

4 April 2015
date

576 Bombardment Squadron 392 Bombardment Group (N) APO 592
(Organization and A.P.O. Number)

SUBJECT: Transmittal of Inventory of Personal Effects.

TO : Effects Quartermaster, ETOUSA, Depot G-14, APO 507.

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

Name	Rank	ASN	Control No
(First Name) (First Name) (M.I.) (Rank) (ASN)			(for use of Effects QM)

Organization 576 Bombardment Squadron 392 Bombardment Group (N)
(UNIT Not branch of service)

*Status. (Deceased, Missing in Action, Prisoner of War) on the _____ day of

Designated Beneficiary (with address)
Mrs. Ruby S. Larsen (Mother), Wolbach, Nebraska.

C. II Assets: Cash found in effects, less cost of money order inclosed herewith

U.S.M.O. 24505 Amt \$ 300.00 U.S.M.O. # Amt \$

U.S.I.O. Amt \$ U.S.M.O. # Amt \$

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

Bank Accounts

Debtors

Creditors

Inclosed is (Will Power of Attorney, War Bond, Travelers Checks. Describe Fully)

REMARKS (if any)

* Strike out words not applicable.

/ Negative report where applicable.

476832

HTB:JS:k1
January 31, 1946

Mrs. Alfred J. Larsen
Wolbach, Nebraska

Dear Mrs. Larsen:

The Army Effects Bureau has received from overseas some more property of your son, Lieutenant Bernard L. Knudson.

This property, contained in one footlocker, is being sent you for distribution. I regret to advise that a portion of the property was received here in a damaged condition.

If, for some reason, it has not been received within the next thirty days, this Bureau should be informed so that tracer may be instituted.

Yours very truly,

HARRY NIEMIEC
2nd Lt., QMC
Chm^r, Correspondence Branch

476832

RTB:JS:sh
December 7, 1945

Dear Mrs. Larsen:

This acknowledges your recent letter relative
to the personal effects of your son, Lieutenant Bernard
L. Knudson.

This Bureau, based on information from overseas,
is expecting to receive some personal property belonging
to him. However, due to transportation delays, it is
uncertain when these effects actually will reach us.

I realize your desire to receive these effects
and assure you that they will be forwarded at the earliest
possible moment.

Yours very truly,

HARRY NIERMIEC
2nd Lt., QME
Chief, Correspondence Branch

Refer to 476832

Wolbach, Nebr.

Nov. 30 - 1945

Capt. A. G. Schumacher
Army Effects Bureau
Kansas City, Mo. *jk*
See
Capt. Schumacher:

I received the additional funds which belonged to my son Lt. Bernard L Knudsen in your letter of Nov. 13. Thanks for your consideration.

I'm very anxious to receive his personal clothes and belongings. The officer of his crew who visited here said that he and the other officers collected his clothes and money and turned it all in to the supply sergeant of their bomb group. Since you have located the money, I'm hoping you will locate the rest of his things. I am writing you ^{again} according to a suggestion from Brig. Gen'l Leon W Johnson, Chief of Personnel Services Division who has been in touch with me all summer.

Sincerely,

Mrs Alfred J Lauen

476832

RTB:JS:gh
November 13, 1945

Mrs. Alfred J. Larsen
Wolbach, Nebraska

Dear Mrs. Larsen:

The Army Effects Bureau has received additional property of your son, Lieutenant Bernard L. Knudson, consisting of funds in the amount of \$100.00. A check for this sum is inclosed.

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

Sincerely,

A. G. SCHUMACHER
Captain, QMC
Asst. Chief, Adm. Division

1 Incl--
Check

476,832

RTB:JS:mf
November 7, 1945

Dear Mrs. Latser:

I have your recent inquiry regarding the personal effects of your son, Lieutenant Bernard L. Knudson.

It is regretted that the items about which you inquire were not received here. All of his property received at this Bureau has been sent you.

So that you may better understand the difficulties encountered in the recovery of personal effects, I am inclosing an information circular on the subject.

I wish to assure you that in the event additional property is received at a later date, it will be forwarded promptly.

Yours very truly,

I Incl.—
Form 51

HARRY NIEMIEC
2nd Lt., QM
Chief, Correspondence Branch

msd

A. J. LARSEN

COMPLETE I. H. C. LINE

Tractors, Cream Separators, Windmills, Everything for the Farm

Phone 10



Wolbach, Nebr.

Refer to # 476832
272 Lt. Bernard L Knudson

October 29-1945-

Quartermaster Depot
Army Effects Bureau
Kansas City 1, Mo.

af

Lt. C B Quinn:

I have not yet received the remainder of my son's personal effects. I received the check for \$18.16 which represented funds belonging to him and a wallet. I have not received any of his clothes or personal effects. Will you make an effort to trace these things?

I was told by an officer of my son's crew, who visited us recently, that they, the officers, had turned in 25 pounds, (any money) funds which belonged to Bernard, to the supply sergeant who was getting

A. J. LARSEN

COMPLETE I. H. C. LINE

Tractors, Cream Separators, Windmills, Everything for the Farm

Phone 10



Wolbach, Nebr.

Bernard's things together. I have not received that money. Its would amount to about \$100 in our exchange. Will you do what you can to locate this money or notify me what to do to start tracing it? The 392nd Bomb. Group is now located in S. Car.

Yours,

✓ Mrs Alfred J. Larsen

You will probably notice that you have my name misspelled on your records. That mistake has been corrected by the War department, personnel office division so notified me.

ARMY SERVICE FORCES
ARMY EFFECTS BUREAU

ORDER FOR SHIPMENT

Mrs. Alfred J. Latser

SHIP TO:
2nd Lt. Bernard L. Knudson

Wolbach, Nebraska

Effects of: 0-2072357
Name
ASN 476832 D
Case No.
Wt.

File P

DATE 9 August 1945
RTB: WA:gg

Winland
FOR: Effects Quartermaster

REMARKS:

Inclose Bureau Check
Acct. No. 133478 *KMC*
Amount \$18.16
 Inclose "Valuables" item
 Ship "Valuables" item(s)

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

ROUTING:

1 Accounting Branch *sur*
2 Warehouse Division
3 Files Branch, Adm. Div.

117261 ne

133478

476832

August 14

45

Alfred J. Latser

18.16

Eighteen and 16/100

REMARKS:

C

FRANKED

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

LJ AUG 22 1945
Shipping Clerk

#1phy

476,832

NAME
A.S.N.

BERNARD L KNACSON

RANK

02072357

ABANDONED

TALLY
NO. 90INV.
DATE 7-2-68ORIG. NO.
OF PKGS. 1BX
NO. 38SHEET
OF 1 SHEETS

ORGANIZATION

9AAF

Belt	TOWELS & WASHCLOTHS	WINGS
BRIF. MONEY (NO MONEY)	CLOTHING	BAGS, CLOTH OR TRAVEL
Cloth, Wash	BRACELET IDENT.	BILLFOLD (NO MONEY)
Coats	Brushes	CASH
Footwear, Pr.	CAMERAS	Footlocker
Gloves, Pr.	Glasses	KIT, SEW, TLT, OR WRITING
Handkerchiefs	Knives	BOOKS
Headwear	Lighters	Books, Address
Jackets	MISC.	Books, Pilot Log
Overcoats	Pen, Fountain	DIARY (REMOVED FOR DUR)
Scarfs	Pencil, Mechanical	FILMS
Shirts	Pipes	Letters
Socks, Pr.	RELIGIOUS ARTICLES	Papers, Personal
Ties	RIBBONS, DECORATION	Photos
Towels	Rings	Shoe Shine Articles
Trousers, Pr.	Tobacco	SHORT BORDER
Trunks, Pr.	TOILET ARTICLES	SOUVENIRS
Underwear	WATCH	SOUVENIR MONEY
		Stationery
		TESTAMENTS
		U.S. MONEY (AMOUNT)

REMARKS

no money
rechristened

ATTACHMENTS

FORM #54

FORM #100

Inventory
of items

C.A.T.

WAREHOUSE SPACE

100

STORED BY

DATE SHIPPED

WEIGHT	G.I. REMOVED
X	SHORTAGE ON REVERSE
	IDENT. TAGS REMOVED
	DIARY REMOVED

WARD L
T43
RERICTED
INVENTORY FORM

29 March 1945
Date

SUBJECT: Inventory of Personal Effects of:

(Last Name)

(First Name)

(MI)

2/13

62072257

(ASN)

TO: Effects Quartermaster, Communications Zone, APO 227 US Army

The above named individual of

945

(Organization)

was reported Status (KIA, MIA, Hosp. etc.) about Est. 24 March 1945 1944.

Designated Beneficiary if information readily accessible unknown

INVENTORY OF EFFECTS

1 P.M. wings
1 Religious metal
1 Billfold

\$18.16

Money in the amount of \$18.16 has been turned into QB WDFD's Major WDFD (Name of finance office and

Form WDFD 38 enclosed.
(Symbol number)

Names and addresses of any Banks in which accounts may be carried:

I certify that the above items constitute all of the effects, secured by me, of the above named individual and that they were forwarded to the Effects Depot by (Rail, Truck, etc.) on 194. 194.

Name _____

EDWIN J. DONOVAN
Rank & ASN 411th QM Gr Reg Co.

Organization 411th QM Gr Reg Co.

Any additional pertinent information:

ARMY EFFECTS BUREAU
INVENTORY

25.
476832

CASE NO.

TYPED BY

Jc

DATE

7/11/45

STATUS

DEC

NAME

Bernard L. Knudson

A.S.N.

0-2072357

RANK

2nd Lt.

ORGANIZATION

AMOUNT

18.16

96-133478 RRP

ACCOUNT NO.

PAID-Check No. 117261 M

LIST NO.

F 269

REMARKS

ACCOUNTING INVENTORY

4 April 1945

date

*576 Bombardment Squadron - *392 Bombardment Group (H) --- *APO 558
(Organization and A.I.O. Numbr)

SUBJECT: Transmittal of Inventory of Personal Effects.

TO : Effects Quartermaster, ETOUSA, Depot G-14, APO 507.

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

KNUDSON,	Bernard L.	2d Lt.	02072357	57809
(Last Name)	(First Name)	(MI)	(Rank)	(ASN)
				(Control No.) (for issue of Effects QM)

Organization 576 Bombardment Squadron - 392 Bombardment Group (H)
(UNIT -----Not branch of service)

*Status. (Decesed, Missing in Action, Prisoner of War) on the 24 day of

March 19 45
Designated Beneficiary (with address).

Mrs. Ruby S. Larsen (Mother), Wolbach, Nebraska.

C. II Assets: Cash found in effects, less cost of money order inclosed herewith

U.S.M.O 24505 Amt \$ 100.00 U.S.M.O # _____ Amt \$ _____

U.S.M.O. _____ Amt \$ _____ U.S.M.O. # _____ Amt \$ _____

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

Bank Accounts _____

Debtors _____

Creditors _____

Inclosed is _____
(Will Power of Attorney, War Bond, Travelers Checks)
Describe _____
Fully) Q.M.
13 APR 1945

REMARKS (if any)

* Strike out words not applicable.

Negative report where applicable.

19 incl
Incl/



INVENTORY OF EFFECTS
(Attach extra sheets if necessary)

CLASS I

1 Dagger w/sheath
1 Fountain pen
1 Sewing kit
1 Address Book
2 Insignia, U.S.
2 Insignia, Air Corps
4 Bars, brass
5 pr. Wings, Navigators
1 Set Ribbons
1 Souvenir Hankerchief
1 Razor
1 Leather wallet
1 Camera, AGFA, PD16-Clipper

CLASS II

6 Shirts, khaki
1 Blouse, Green O.D.
1 Short Coat
1 Silk Scarf
1 Pants, pink
2 Ties
1 pr Trousers, Khaki
1 Shirt, Green
2 Caps, O.D.
1 Belt
2 pr Pants, Khaki
2 pr Pants, Tropical Worsted
1 pr Swimming trunks
19 pr Sox
1 pr Garters

I declare that the foregoing inventory comprises all of subject's effects and that effects were shipped to Effects QM, ETOUSA, A.P.O. 507, C-14, U.S. Army by delivering to Sta Quartermaster, Sta 118 on 4 April 1945.

CLASS III

1 pr Drawers, cotton
1 pr Pajamas
1 Trench coat
6 pr Drawers, wool, short
2 pr shoes, civilian
1 pr shoes, tennis
1 Belt w/buckle
2 Bath towels
1 Officers cap w/insignia


Signature - (In Ink)

ROBERT E. NICHOLS,

Name
1st Lt., Air Corps

Rank & Organization

RTB:WA:ap
August 10, 1945

476332

Mrs. Alfred J. Latser
Wolbach, Nebraska

Dear Mrs. Latser:

The Army Effects Bureau has received from overseas some personal effects of your son, Second Lieutenant Bernard L. Knudson.

I am inclosing a check for \$18.16, representing funds which belonged to him. The remainder of the property is being forwarded to you in one package.

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,

C. B. QUINN
2nd Lt., QMC
Chief, Files Branch

1 Incl--
Check

SUBJECT: Report of transaction in disposing of the effects of

Bernard L. Knudson, C-2072357 late a
(Name of deceased) (Army Serial Number)

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

on the 24 day of March, 1945, at European Area

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

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

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

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

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

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

FINDING

Before a Summary Court-Martial which convened at Kansas City, Missouri, on 2 August 1945, pursuant to Special Orders 228, Headquarters KCQM Depot, dated 25 September 1943, the application or affidavit of Mrs. Alfred J. Latser for the effects of the above-named deceased soldier, or person subject to military law, now in the possession of the United States, with other relevant evidence, was duly considered;

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

A.W. 112, Mrs. Alfred J. Latser of
(Name of person found entitled)

(Number, Street or Avenue), Holbach State of
(City, Town or Village)

Nebraska, is the Mother of the
(Relationship or Capacity)

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

(Signature of Summary Court Officer)

*REPORT OF DENTAL SURVEY

UPPER TEETH

	Right	Left
8 7 6 5 4 3 2 1	1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8	0 0 0 mod 0
X	0 0 0 0	
6		0 0 0 mod 0
A A A		A A A A
A A A		

LOWER TEETH

Right	Left
16 15 14 13 12 11 10 9 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16	16 15 14 13 12 11 10 9 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16
X 0 0 0 0	0 0 0 mod 0
A A A A	A A A A X

CLASS IV

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

Date 10-6-45, 19

Pt. F. Ciancone
 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)

Teeth replaced by fixed bridge
 (oval to include abutments)

16-20622

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ARMY EFFECTS BUREAU
 ACCOUNTING INVENTORY

M.C.

CASE NO.

476,822

TYPED BY

MS

DATE

10/24/45

STATUS

MIA

NAME

Bernard L. Knudson

A.S.N.

0-2072357

RANK

2nd LT *bf*

ORGANIZATION

CONSIGNOR

Q-114

AMOUNT

\$100.00

ACCOUNT NO.

Paid-Check # 162546

171770 *mtk*

LIST NO.

Uk-568

CHECK DESCRIPTION:

INCLUDED IN ONE U.S. TREASURER'S CHECK
 NEGOTIABLE BY EQM

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DATED

SYMBOL

AMOUNT

REMARKS:

L/T to sec file

REGISTER OF DENTAL PATIENTS AT

MOUNTAIN HOME, IDAHO

(1) SURNAME Knudson, Bernard

(2) CHRISTIAN NAME

(3) RANK 2nd Lt
(4) COMPANY Crew
(5) REGIMENT OR STAFF CORPS 8455
(6) AGE YEARS 19
(7) RACE W
(8) NATIVITY NEBR
(9) SERVICE YEARS 1 1/12(10) DISEASE OR INJURY WITH LOCATION, COMPLICATIONS AND OPERATIONS
(11) DATES AND NATURE OF TREATMENTS
(12) RESULTS AND REMARKS
REGULAR, ETC.Mar 12
71140

DENTAL IDENT. REC'D

WU AJ279 59/57 CR ECT

WOLBACH NEBR MAR 11 1949 250P
CHICAGO QUARTERMASTER DEPOT

AGR'D

REFERENCE IS MADE TO WESTERN UNION TELEGRAM DATED MARCH 9 1949
 CONTROL NO NC-21890 FROM MAJOR CALL QMC CHIEF AGR'D PLEASE CHANGE
 DELIVERY INSTRUCTIONS FOR THE REMAINS OF LATE 2ND LT BERNARD
L KNUDSON 02072357 TO READ AS FOLLOWS: BURIAL TO BE AT FULLERTON
NEBRASKA CEMETERY FULLERTON NEBRASKA NOTIFY BEAMAN AND PALMER FUNERAL
DIRECTORS FULLERTON NEBRASKA

MRS A J LARSEN

411P

9 1949 NC-21890 2ND 02072357..

INFORMATION SLIP

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KNUDSON, BERNARD L., 2nd Lt.
A. S. N. 02 072 357.
Plot V, Row 12, Grave 299,
USMC Margraten, Holland.

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Please attach this slip when forwarding the requested document to our office.

KNUDSON, BERNARD L.

LT. 2357

BAY PALLET BOX

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TALLY
6310TYPE
F.L.Knudson, Bernard L. 02 O^{FM} 357 Second Lieutenant

Please inclose this slip when forwarding the required information and document.

NAME

KNUDSON, BERNARD L. 2357

BAY	PALLET	BOX	TALLY
	9	38	9900
TYPE OF PKG.	WHSE. SPACE	INVENTORIED	
CRB			

Serial No. 02072357 Name Knudson, Bernard

Grade _____ Rank _____

Organization _____

Address _____

Nearest Relative _____

Address _____

Killed in Action Died of Disease _____

Date 24 Mar 45 Hospital _____

Battle Area Bataan Information _____

Place of Burial 41st Mort. Cem. Margate

Point of Coordination _____

Description of Body _____

Members Missing _____

Signed _____