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# INDIVIDUAL DECEASED PERSONNEL FILE

MEMORIALIZATION OF NON-RECOVERABLE  
REMAINS OF WORLD WAR II

THIS FILE HAS BEEN AUDITED FOR NON-RECOVERABILITY

NAME (Last, First, Middle)

NORTON, EDWARD R.

RANK

2LT.

SERIAL NUMBER

0792299

ARM OF SERVICE

AAF

DATE OF DEATH

17 MAY 43

AREA OF DEATH

NORTH SEA

NAME OF AUDITOR

KATZ

DATE

9 JULY 51

NAME OF REVIEWER

M. Cox

DATE

9 JULY 51

REMARKS

## INTRAOFFICE REFERENCE SHEET

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

1 NO.	2 FROM—	3 TO—	4 DATE	5 MESSAGE
1	Liaison Office Mem Div	Corres Sec Regis Br Mem Div <i>Attn:</i> <i>Maj. Waulle</i>	3 July 51	<p>QMGL 293, Norton, Edward R. 2/Lt 0 792 299</p> <p>1. Returned with a suggestion that a non-recoverable letter <u>not</u> be written to the NOK of the decedent inasmuch as the family is aware of the circumstances of death, and have been advised of the possibility that the remains would not be recovered and identified.</p> <p>2. The latest Congressional inquiries were in 1946, therefore, Congressional action does not seem appropriate.</p> <p>1 Incl ✓ 293 file (Norton)</p> <p>R. BRAID 71088</p>

THIS FORM WILL REMAIN PART OF THE OFFICIAL FILE

Lima, Ohio  
22 May 50

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

In regards to your letter of 17 May 50 there is very little information that I can give you as to the burial of the two members of my crew, namely 2nd Lt Edward Norton and S/Sgt Harrison Kegg. My supposition is that their bodies, unless washed ashore later, are still in the ship in the North Sea.

We were shot down off the coast of Holland 17 May 43 on our return from a bombing mission on Imuiden Holland. As far as I know, either personally or from other survivors of my squadron, I was the only member of my crew picked up that day from the North Sea. The fishing boat that rescued me circled for several hours in an attempt to find other members of my crew. They managed to find an inflated life raft but that was all. I firmly believe that the rest of my crew went down with our ship.

I am sorry not to be able to give you any more complete information but will answer any more questions that might arise as to help you in any way shape or form.

I remain,

Sincerely yours

B. W. Longworth  
2370 Baywood Dr.  
Lima, Ohio.

C O P Y



# NON-RECOVERABLE REMAINS REEXAMINATION OF RECORDS

AREA OF DEATH European, North Sea, vic of IJmeiden, Holland	CASE NUMBER 14255
NAME (Last, First, Middle Initial) <i>240 Norton, Edward R.</i>	RANK 2/Lt
SERIAL NUMBER 0-792 299	

IN THE COURSE OF THIS REEXAMINATION IT HAS BEEN DETERMINED THAT THE CIRCUMSTANCES OF DEATH WERE SUCH THAT: *Check appropriate box*

- ☐ THE REMAINS OF THE DECEDENT COULD NOT HAVE BEEN RECOVERED
- ☒ THE REMAINS OF THE DECEDENT COULD HAVE BEEN RECOVERED. HOWEVER, AFTER REVIEW OF THE FOLLOWING IT HAS BEEN DETERMINED THAT EVIDENCE DOES NOT EXIST TO CONTRADICT A FINDING OF NON-RECOVERABILITY:

INITIALS OF ANALYST
1. 293 FILE OF DECEDENT <div style="text-align: right;"><i>E.R.</i></div>
2. GEOGRAPHICAL CLUE INDEX FILE OF UNKNOWN RECOVERED FROM APPROPRIATE AREA, COMPARED WITH DECEDENT <div style="text-align: right;"><i>E.R.</i></div>
3. OTHER DOCUMENTS OR SOURCES

REMARKS

NAN  
FILE

JUN 26 1951

IDENTIFICATION BRANCH

RECOMMEND APPROVAL		APPROVED	DATE
NAME OF CASE ANALYST <i>E. Miller</i>	CASE REVIEWER, FINAL DETERMINATION SECTION	CHIEF, FINAL DETERMINATION SECTION <i>Mary A. Edwards</i> 1st Lt. CMC	JUN 26 1951

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# NON-RECOVERABLE CASE RECORD OF REVIEW AND APPROVAL

CP NUMBER

14255 (2)

AREA OR ZONE(S)

European

NAME (Last, First, Middle Initial)

Norton, Edward R.

RANK

2nd Lt

SERIAL NUMBER

0-792 299

THE ATTACHED PROCEEDINGS OF THE FIELD BOARD OF REVIEW HAVE BEEN REVIEWED AND THE FINDINGS OF NON-RECOVERABILITY OF THE REMAINS OF THE FOLLOWING INDIVIDUAL(S) ARE APPROVED. (Corrections in name, rank, and/or serial number have been effected when appropriate.)

The above decedent and one (1) others

IN THE COURSE OF THIS REVIEW THE FOLLOWING SOURCES OF INFORMATION HAVE BEEN EXAMINED FOR ADDITIONAL CLUES. COPIES OF ANY DOCUMENTS BELIEVED MATERIAL TO THE CASE ARE ATTACHED FOLLOWING THE PROCEEDINGS OF THE FIELD BOARD OF REVIEW.

1. 293 FILE OF SUBJECT(S)	INITIALS OF ANALYST	(CROSS OUT THOSE NOT APPLICABLE)	INITIALS OF ANALYST
	VAT	2. a. REPORT OF DEATH b. <del>XXXXXXXXXXXX</del> c. <del>XXXXXXXXXXXX</del>	VAT
3. A - Z FILE OF KNOWN INTERMENTS IN U.S. MILITARY CEMETERIES, ISOLATED LOCATIONS, AND SEA BURIALS	VAT	4. GEOGRAPHICAL CLUE INDEX FILE OF UNKNOWN RECOVERED FROM APPROPRIATE AREA	
5. ALPHABETICAL INDEX OF "BELIEVED TO BE" AND TENTATIVELY IDENTIFIED UNKNOWN	VAT	6. ALPHABETICAL FILE OF FORMER UNKNOWN NOW IDENTIFIED	VAT
7. OTHER DOCUMENTS OR SOURCES			
Captured German Records			

THE FACTS AND CIRCUMSTANCES HAVE BEEN FOUND TO BE SUBSTANTIALLY AS PRESENTED IN THE ATTACHED PROCEEDINGS OF THE FIELD BOARD OF REVIEW, WITH THE FOLLOWING EXCEPTIONS:

None

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1 LG

11/13/51

*[Signature]*

BRANCH

NAME OF CASE ANALYST

Vincent A. Thomas  
Vincent A. Thomas/cwt

Registration Branch, Correspondence Sec.

CASE TO BE FORWARDED TO

FOR CONSIDERATION OF NOTIFICATION TO INTERESTED PARTIES.

RECOMMEND APPROVAL

APPROVED

DATE

CASE REVIEWER, FINAL DETERMINATION SECTION

*[Signature]*

W. A. WOLF

CHIEF, FINAL DETERMINATION SECTION

*[Signature]*

MARY A. EDWARDS, 1/Lt QMC

CHIEF, IDENTIFICATION BRANCH

*[Signature]*

THOMAS E. COX, Capt QMC

24 June 51



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1. Robertson Robertson Robertson Aviation Cadet-Pilot 12000177 21 12  
(Last name) (First name) (Middle initial) (Grade and arm or service) (Serial No.) (Age) (Years service)

2. Columbus, Miss. For Commission & Extended Active Duty 1/20/42 Qualified  
(Address) (Purpose of examination) (Date and result last examination)

125 125 0 0  
(Aeronautical ratings) Flying time as: Pilot (Total); observer (Total); pilot (Last 6 mos.); observer (Last 6 mos.)

3. Temperature 98.6 Vaccinations: Typhoid series, No. 1 Last 1/42; smallpox 1/42; reaction 1  
(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.)  
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29. Respiratory system Normal  
 30. X-ray of chest Essentially negative  
 31. Abdominal viscera Normal  
 32. Hernia None Hemorrhoids None  
 33. Genito-urinary system Normal  
 34. Nervous system: Reflexes, gait, coordination, musculature, tension, tremor, and other pertinent tests Normal  
 35. Laboratory procedures: Kahn Negative Wassermann ---  
 Urinalysis: Reaction Acid Sp. gr. 1.024 Albumin Negative Sugar Negative Microscopical Negative  
 36. Estimated adaptability for military aeronautics (if unsatisfactory, state reasons) Satisfactory

37. Remarks on conditions not sufficiently described Examinee states he is not drawing pension, disability allowances, compensation or retired pay from the U. S. Government.

38. Is the examinee physically qualified for flying duty? Yes If yes, in what class? 1  
 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? Yes Do you recommend acceptance with minor physical defects? --- If rejection is recommended, specify cause ---

Columbus Army Flying School  
 Columbus, Miss. July 24, 1942  
 (Place) (Date)

REVIEWED AND APPROVED:

Percy H. S. Lee Medical Corps.  
 (Senior flight surgeon) Major

Percy H. S. Lee Corps.  
 (Name and grade) Major, Medical  
Alfred L. Spaulding Corps.  
 (Name and grade) Captain, Medical  
L. A. Vail Corps.  
 (Name and grade) 1st Lt., Medical  
 1st Ind.<sup>2</sup>

Headquarters \_\_\_\_\_, 19\_\_\_\_  
 To the Commanding General,  
 Remarks and recommendations \_\_\_\_\_

(Name)

(Grade)

(Organization and arm or service)

Commanding.

2d Ind.<sup>2</sup>

19\_\_\_\_ To The Adjutant General.

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

<sup>2</sup> 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.



HEADQUARTERS  
7887 GRAVES REGISTRATION DETACHMENT  
REGISTRATION DIVISION  
APO 757 (Liege) US ARMY

Proceedings of a Board of Officers appointed in accordance with letter AGO-S 293.9 (27 Mar 47), D-13, War Dept, TAGO, 9 April 1947.

The Board convened pursuant to par 2, SO # 66, Headquarters, American Graves Registration Detachment, APO 757, US Army, 14 June 1950, at Liege, Belgium on  
The purpose of the Board was to determine the non-recoverability status of certain casualties now under jurisdiction of this command.

The Board reviewed report of investigation, statements of witness and other papers, contained in the files of American Graves Registration Detachment, EL, pertaining to the case of the following names casualty/casualties, the remains of which have not been recovered. The case records and other data considered, are attached.

CASE NO.	NAME	GRADE	ASN
3.	MORTON, Edward R.	2nd Lt.	O-792 299
	KING, Harrison E.	S/Sgt.	35 353 961

FINDINGS: The Board having carefully considered the evidence before it, finds the remains of said casualty/casualties are non-recoverable.

RECOMMENDATION: That the case concerning subject casualty/casualties be forwarded to the Office of The Quartermaster General for final approval.

EDWARD D. MULVANNY, Lt Col, QMC

JAMES C. MacFARLAND, Major, QMC

GEORGE GUNDERMAN, JR., Maj, QMC

GAYLORD E. LUTZ, 1st Lt, QMC

RAYMOND T. RODRIGUEZ, CWO, USA

HEADQUARTERS  
7887 GRAVES REGISTRATION DETACHMENT  
REGISTRATION DIVISION  
APO 757 (Liege) US ARMY

GRRE 293.9

SUBJECT: Non-Recoverable Remains

TO: Non-Recoverable Board, AGRC

1. It is recommended that the Board take action on the following cases:

NAVES: NORTON, Edward R. 2nd Lt O-792 299  
KEGG, Harrison E. S/Sgt 35 353 961

ORGANIZATION: 452 Bomb Squadron, 32nd Bomb Group,  
9th Air Force

DATE OF DEATH: 17 May 1943

PLACE OF DEATH: North Sea, vicinity of IJmuiden,  
Holland

SYNOPSIS: Missing Air crew Report # 5650 discloses that subject decedents and four other crew members comprised the crew of aircraft B-26 # 41-18090, which departed from England on 17 May 1943, on a bombing mission to IJmuiden, Holland. No other details are contained in the Crew Report regarding the loss of the plane. German Dulag records AV 121/43, AV 179/43 and AV 331/43 report that remains of A.K. Zeidenfeld, James A. Norton Jr and Ralph H. MacDougall, respectively, were washed ashore from the North Sea. These remains were recovered by U.S. Teams, evacuated to US Military Cemetery, Margraten, Holland where identifications were verified. One crew member of the subject aircraft was rescued from the North Sea, and records on file this headquarters reveal that he was returned to military control. It is logical to conclude that 2nd Lt Edward R. Norton and S/Sgt Harrison E. Kegg were killed when their aircraft crashed in the North Sea in the vicinity of IJmuiden, Holland on 17 May 1943, and their remains have not, to date, washed ashore and have not been recovered. The fact that of the unknowns recovered from the North Sea, none may be associated with the subject decedents, would tend to substantiate this conclusion. It is, therefore,

GRRF 293.9

SUBJECT: Non-Recoverable Remains

recommended that this case be deemed Non-Recoverable.

Reference is made to: OCMG Forms 371; MACR # F-77; Memorandum: Report of Death, dated 8 October 1948; Statement signed E. W. Longworth, dated 22 May 1950: On file in the Office of the Quartermaster General, Washington, D. C.

2. Every effort has been made to correlate this case with records in this headquarters pertaining to unknown deceased interred in US Military Cemeteries and reported isolated burials. The results are negative.

3. It is recommended that the remains based upon the above information and research, be declared non-recoverable.

C. W. Steinsiek  
C. E. STEINSIEK  
Captain, QMC TLO



HEADQUARTERS  
7887 GRAVES REGISTRATION DETACHMENT  
REGISTRATION DIVISION  
APO 757 (Liege) US ARMY

SPECIAL ORDERS )  
NUMBER 66 )

14 June 1950

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\*\*\*E X T R A C T\*\*\*

1. PAC, Ltr WD-AGO-S 293.9, dtd 9 Apr 47, Subj: Establishment of Boards of Review for Identification of Unknown Dead Overseas, and par 118b, SR 830-110-5, DA, 3 Mar 49, a Board of O's as follows is apt to meet at the call of the President thereof, for the purpose of reviewing case records pertaining to the identification of deceased, determination of non-recoverability of remains and for the purpose of reviewing major discrepancy cases:

LT COL	EDWARD D. MULVANY	QMC	O 359 598	President
MAJOR	JAMES C. MacFARLAND	QMC	01 576 321	
MAJOR	GEORGE GUNDERMAN, JR.	QMC	01 289 071	
1ST LT	GAYLORD E. LUTZ	QMC	01 595 665	
1ST LT	ROBERT W. GANSEL	QMC	01 599 085	
CWO	RAYMOND T. RODRIGUEZ	QMC	W2 107 098	

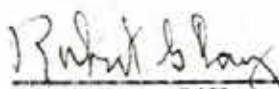
BY ORDER OF COLONEL BALLARD:

EDWARD F. PRICE, JR.  
Capt, QMC  
Adjutant

OFFICIAL:

s/t/ EDWARD F. PRICE, JR.  
Capt, QMC  
Adjutant

A TRUE COPY:

  
ROBERT G. LAY  
Capt QMC

AIRMAIL

293  
The European

2 June 1950

Request for Information

1. Commanding Officer  
7367 Graves Registration Detachment  
APO 757, c/o Postmaster  
New York, New York

1. Reference is made to 1st memorandum, this office, dated 18 May 1950, from, The European, subject: Request for Information.

2. Copy of reply received from Bennett W. Longworth is submitted herewith for your information pertaining to 2/Lt Edward Norton and 2/Lt Harrison Long.

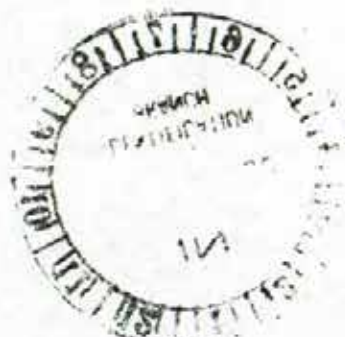
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SUBJECT: Request for Information

Dept of the Army, OQMG, Washington, 25, D. C., 18 May 1950

TO: Commanding Officer, 7887 Graves Registration Detachment, APO 757,  
c/o Postmaster, New York, New York

1. Submitted herewith is a copy of Memorandum, Subject: Report of Death, dated 8 October 1948 covering all available information pertaining to the aircraft accident in which 2d Lt Edward R. Norton, O 792 299 and S/Sgt Harrison E. Kegg, 35 353 961 became casualties.

2. Letter of inquiry has been dispatched to S/Sgt Bennet W. Longworth, 35 325 379 and upon receipt of reply your headquarters will be promptly advised.

FOR THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL:

1 Incl

Cy Mem o dated 8 Oct 48

THOMAS. E. COX  
Capt QMC  
Memorial Division

C O P Y:  
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1. FILE UNDER NO. 293 Norton, Edward R. 2/Lt 0 792 299

### SYNOPSIS

2. TYPE OF DOCUMENT: Letter 3. DATE: 17 May 50  
4. FROM: OQMG  
5. TO: Mr. Bennet W. Longworth Lima, Ohio  
6. SUBJECT: Letter concerning information surrounding the death and burial of 2d Lt. Edward R. Norton, O 792 299 and S/Sgt Harrison E. Keiser, 35 353 961 who lost their lives in the plane crash on 17 May 1943 over Holland

7. DOCUMENT FILED UNDER NO. 293 - GRS ~~EXX~~ European (Ident)

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SFG/sap/13741/9379

AG 704 DEAD (8 Oct 48)

8 October 1948

MEMORANDUM TO: Officer in Charge, Casualty Section  
Personnel Actions Branch, AGO

SUBJECT: Reports of Death

1. The following-named personnel of the Air Corps were reported missing in action over Holland on 17 May 1948, while in flying pay status, and were presumed dead under the provisions of Section 5 of the Missing Persons Act. (See SR&D Case Number 810):

2nd Lt	Edward R. Norton	0792299
S Sgt	Harrison E. Kegg	35353961

2. In addition to the above persons, the following-named were also on the same plane, comprising a crew of six:

1st Lt	Alvin K. Zeidenfeld	0662530	KIA
2nd Lt	James A. Norton, Jr.	0792300	KIA
S Sgt	Bennett W. Longworth	35325379	EUS
Sgt	Ralph E. McDougall	11037395	KIA

Of the entire crew, only one person, Sergeant Longworth, survived. No record is found in this office or in the Missing Air Crew Report Number 5650, relative to the circumstances surrounding the loss of the aircraft or the details concerning his survival.

3. Missing Air Crew Report Number 5650 discloses that subject persons and four others comprised the crew of B-26 aircraft number 41-18090, which departed from England on 17 May 1948, on a bombing mission to IJmuiden, Holland. No other details are contained in the Crew Report regarding the loss of the plane. Information contained in SR&D Review Number 810 reveals that eleven B-26 type aircraft departed from an English base on 17 May 1948, on this mission for the purpose of attacking power stations at IJmuiden and Haarlem, Holland. The first flight was to attack IJmuiden with six planes, the second Haarlem with five planes. One plane of the second flight returned to base when its electrical system failed about 33 miles from the Dutch coast. None of the remaining ten aircraft returned from this mission.

4. Captured German records on file in this office disclose that the bodies of the three crew members shown as KIA were recovered at various times and places in the North Sea, along the western coast of Holland.

a. AT 121/43 (Item 16) of German records reads as follows:

"4 June 1948 A. K. ZEIDENFELD, ASN 0-662530 T 42 1 dead body of amor. Flyer washed ashore near Callantsog".

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b. AV 179/43 states as follows:

"PLACE AND TIME OF CASUALTY: On 25 July 43 at 1700 near DEN HELDER, km 1 washed ashore

RANK: Unknown

1st NAME: James A.

NAME: NORTON, Jr.

AGE: 0792300 E 42 S 42 E

INDEX OF LIFE: DR. J. A. NORTON  
COINMAN, S. C.

BIRTH PLACE: Unknown

CAUSE OF DEATH: Crash

REMARKS: Buried on 29 July 43 with military honors in the Memorial Cemetery at Huis Duinen near Den Helder. Grave No. 198"

c. AV 331/43 (Item 1), states the following:

"Petten, km 18.5 washed ashore on 8 August 1943 at 1300	Maybougall Ralph E. 11037593 E 42 O Charles Leggett 236 Broad St. Weymouth, Mass. P"	Interred on 8 August 1943 1700, at Petten Cemetery, with military honors. Grave No. 169, right.
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As can be seen from examination of the German records referred above, the first body was recovered from the North Sea at Callantsoog, Holland, 22 miles north of the target area on 4 June 1943, the second at Den Helder, Holland, 36 miles north of the target area on 25 July 1943, and the third at Petten, Holland, 23 miles north of the target area on 8 August 1943.

5. The fact that the three bodies which were recovered and identified by the Germans were washed ashore along the west coast of Holland, clearly indicates the place of crash to be the North Sea. Therefore, it is logical to conclude that subject persons also came down in the North Sea. It is known that the waters of this sea are so cold in May as to permit continued life for only a few hours, unless life-saving equipment, such as rafts or dinghies are used. It appears that the bodies of subject persons were never recovered.



AG 704 DEAD (9 Oct 48)

or, if recovered, were among the many unknown dead who are shown by captured German records to have washed ashore in that general area during the succeeding weeks. In this connection, it may be stated that a report received from the Memorial Division of the Office of The Quartermaster General, Washington, D. C., states that efforts to identify unknown dead in the area where subject plane is believed to have crashed, with the persons listed in paragraph 1, above, have proved unsuccessful to date.

6. It is recommended, therefore, that pursuant to the authority contained in Section 9 of the Missing Persons Act, the foregoing information be accepted as an official report of death and that casualty reports be initiated stating that the persons named in paragraph 1, above, were killed in action on 17 May 1943, while in flying pay status, in the North Sea, and that systemats be processed in accordance with paragraph 2b, Operations Bulletin 35, 1945. The casualty report and official report of death in each case will include the following statement:

Finding of Death has been issued previously under Section 5, Missing Persons Act, showing presumed date of death as 18 May 1944. This "Report of Death" is issued in accordance with Section 9 of said Act and its effect on prior payments and settlements is as prescribed in Section 2.

Station and place of death: European Theater.

*Samuel F. Glano*  
SAMUEL F. GLANO  
Investigator

CONCUR:

*O. Paulsen*  
O. PAULSEN  
Captain, AGO  
CIC, Determination Unit

APPROVED: Recommended action will be taken

BY ORDER OF THE SECRETARY OF THE ARMY:

*Sylvio L. Bousquin*  
SYLVIO L. BOUSQUIN  
Lt Col, AGO  
Casualty Section  
Personnel Actions Branch, AGO

COPY FOR:

AG 201 file of each person named in par 1  
Casualty Section file of each person named in par 1  
293 file (OQIG) of each person named in par 1

# IDENTIFICATION SECTION MEMORIAL DIVISION

## IDENTIFICATION DATA

LAST NAME - FIRST NAME - MIDDLE INITIAL

NORTON EDWARD R.

ARMY SERIAL NUMBER

14068177

0-712244

GRADE

A/C

3rd Lt

HEIGHT

6'

WEIGHT

180

COLOR EYES

BLUE

COLOR HAIR

BRO

SHOE SIZE

10

DATE OF DEATH

5/18/42

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

452nd B. Sq

PLACE OF DEATH OR PLACE LAST SEEN IF MIA

MIA MISSION TO HOLLAND

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

STATION

DATES

No Show

FRACTURES AND/OR BREAKS

TATTOOS AND/OR BIRTH MARKS

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O - CARIOUS

/ - CARIOUS NON-RESTORABLE

293 FILE

## DATA ON REMAINS NOT YET RECOVERED OR IDENTIFIED

NAME (Last, First, Middle Initial)

GRADE

PRESENT SERIAL  
NUMBER

ORGANIZATION

RACE

CREED

FORMER SERIAL  
NUMBER (If applicable)

DATE OF DEATH/MIA

CAUSE OF DEATH

PLACE OF DEATH OR PLACE LAST SEEN IF MIA

DATE OF FOD

HEIGHT

WEIGHT

COLOR EYES

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ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

FILE

MAY 27 1948

E. J. Sullivan, 1st Lt., USA  
RECEIVED



QUCYZ 293

Norton, Edward R.  
2nd Lt. ASN O 792 299

Circumstances surrounding death

The Adjutant General  
Casualty Branch

QJMG, Memorial Div.  
Special Projects Br.

24 October 1946

Attached hereto is copy of letter from Honorable John L. McMillan, House of Representatives, which is forwarded for direct reply regarding the circumstances surrounding the death of Second Lieutenant Edward R. Norton, ASN O 792 299. Copy of reply from this office is attached.

FOR THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL:

Incls.

Cy ltr. dtd 16 Oct 46

fm Hon. McMillan w/cy incl.

Cy reply fm QJMG

2- ltr dtd 16 Oct 46

fm Mr. Norton

✓  
ANTHONY R. PAYER  
Major, QMG  
Assistant

lwk



WAGYL 293  
Norton, Edward R.  
Ord Lt., ASN 0-712-249

23 October 1946

1204  
4/12/46  
Honorable John L. McMillan  
Representative in Congress  
Florence, South Carolina

Dear Mr. McMillan:

Acknowledgment is made of your letter of 16 October 1946 regarding lack of information on the death of Lieutenant Edward R. Norton and pilgrimages of Gold Star Mothers of World War II to overseas cemeteries.

It is regretted that a question arose from the information contained in our letter of 12 October 1946. During the last session of Congress several bills were introduced providing for pilgrimages of Gold Star Mothers to overseas cemeteries at Government expense, but none passed. The law under which the Gold Star Mothers of World War I made pilgrimages overseas expired in December 1933. As a consequence, the War Department is without authority to sponsor pilgrimages overseas and defray the expense thereof, until such time as necessary legislation is enacted into law.

The records of this office disclose that Lieutenant Norton's plane crashed in the North Sea off the coast of IJmuiden, Holland, and that his remains were not recovered. However, since information as to circumstances surrounding the death of servicemen is under the jurisdiction of The Adjutant General, your letter has been forwarded to that office with request for a direct reply to you.

FOR THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL:

Sincerely yours,

1 Incl:  
Ltr O.M.G. 10/12/46

W. J. McDONALD  
Colonel, G.M.C.  
Assistant

DAVID 293  
Norton, Edward R.  
2nd Lt., ASN 0-792 299

25 October 1946

Honorable John L. McMillan  
Representative in Congress  
Florence, South Carolina

Dear Mr. McMillan:

Acknowledgment is made of your letter of 16 October 1946 regarding lack of information on the death of Lieutenant Edward R. Norton and pilgrimages of Gold Star Mothers of World War II to overseas cemeteries.

It is regretted that a ~~misunderstanding~~ arose from the information contained in our letter of 12 October 1946. During the last session of Congress several bills were introduced providing for pilgrimages of Gold Star Mothers to overseas cemeteries at Government expense, but none passed. The law under which the Gold Star Mothers of World War I made pilgrimages overseas expired in December 1933. As a consequence, the War Department is without authority to sponsor pilgrimages overseas and defray the expense thereof, until such time as necessary legislation is enacted into law.

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Very truly yours,

Sincerely yours,

1 Incl:

1st AM 10/12/46

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CH. J. McDONALD  
Colonel, GAC  
Assistant



# INTEROFFICE REFERENCE SHEET

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2	Lea. adm <sup>3</sup> B. & Sec.		22 Oct.	Ltr. to Rep. McMillan dated 23 Oct. RLL
3	Adm Brant	Coland McQuinn	22/10/46	Ltr. to Rep. McMillan + AGO dtd 23 Oct/46 - transmitted for review
4	Adm B. & Sec.		22 Oct.	Ltr. to Rep. McMillan - latent RLL
5	Adm B. & Sec.	Coland McQuinn	25/10/46	Ltr. to Rep. McMillan dtd 25 Oct/46 + AGO dtd 24 Oct/46 - transmitted for review

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Washington, D. C.

Florence, S. C.  
Oct. 16, 1946

Col. Wm. J. McDonald  
Quartermaster General's Office  
War Department  
Washington, D. C.

Dear Colonel McDonald:

I am returning your letter of the 12th. I am certain that Dr. James A. Norton would not appreciate the sentiment expressed in your letter, since the War Department, through negligence or some other reason, failed to give Dr. Norton the details surrounding one of his twin sons, who gave his life for his country.

I am certain that Congress would not ask the War Department for permission for any father or mother to visit their sons graves. I do know however that an appropriation was made for all the Gold Star mothers to visit their sons graves in Europe after World War I, and it is my opinion that the mothers of World War II soldiers will be given the same privilege.

Sincerely yours,

*John L. McMILLAN*  
JOHN L. McMILLAN, S. C.

JLL:mem

Encl.

JKNYZ 293

Norton, James A., Jr.  
2nd Lt., A.S.N. O-792300

12 October 1946

Honorable John L. McMillan  
Representative in Congress  
Florence, South Carolina

Dear Mr. McMillan:

Acknowledgment is made of your letter dated 7 October 1946 with inclosure from Dr. James A. Norton, regarding his desire to visit the grave of his son, the late Second Lieutenant James A. Norton, Jr.

In view of the fact that legislation has been enacted into law providing for the return of the remains of all known American dead who gave their lives overseas and for whom verified burial information has been received, the War Department does not contemplate the sponsoring of pilgrimages to the American cemeteries abroad. This office would, however, have no objection to the parents visiting the grave of their son should they be able to arrange a visit overseas at private expense. It is suggested that Dr. Norton contact the State Department, Washington, D.C. or a reliable travel agency for further information regarding foreign travel.

This office notes the desire of Dr. Norton that the remains of his son be not disturbed. At a later date, Dr. Norton will receive a letter of inquiry from this office and in reply thereto he may state his desires concerning the final resting place of his son.

It is regretted that no further information regarding the recovery of the remains of Lieutenant Edward L. Norton has been received in this office.

Your interest in this matter is most considerate.

FM THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL:

Sincerely yours,

lcr

W. J. McMillan  
Colonel, gvt  
Assistant

ARB

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1st Ind.

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*3 11/10/45*  
HQ, AMERICAN GRAVES REGISTRATION COMMAND, THEATER SERVICE FORCES, EUROPEAN  
THEATER (Rear), APO 887, US ARMY, 8 November 1945.

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

1. This headquarters has received no burial report for Edward R. Norton, ASN 0-792299, nor any unofficial record of an isolated burial.

2. Records indicate that Edward R. Norton, ASN 0-792299, was reported MIA since 17 May 1943.

3. Evidence received at this headquarters indicate that on 17 May 1945, Edward R. Norton's plane crashed in the North Sea off the coast of IJmuiden, Holland; his remains have not been recovered.

FOR THE COMMANDING GENERAL:



*George F. Olson*  
GEORGE F. OLSON,  
WOJG, USA,  
Assistant Adjutant.

*293 - Norton, Edward R.*



IN REPLY REFER TO SPQYG 293

Norton, Edward R.

# ARMY SERVICE FORCES

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



19 October 1945

SUBJECT: Report of Interment.

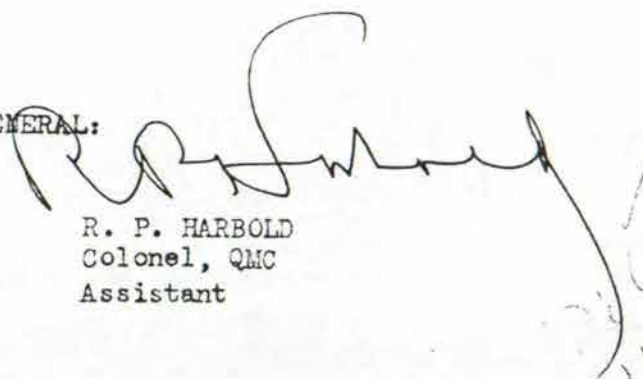
TO: Commanding General  
Com Zone, European Theater of Operations  
APO 887, c/o Postmaster  
New York, New York  
ATTN: Chief Quartermaster



1. Information is desired as to whether the remains of the decedent named below have been recovered and interred, as to date a report covering the disposition of these remains has not been received in this office.

NAME: Edward R. Norton  
SERIAL NUMBER: O 792 299  
DATE OF DEATH:  
PLACE OF DEATH:  
REMARKS: MIA since 17 May 1943

FOR THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL:

  
R. P. HARBOLD  
Colonel, QMC  
Assistant



IN REPLY REFER TO SPQYG 293

Norton, Edward R.

ARMY SERVICE FORCES

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



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R. P. HARBOLD  
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Assistant

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293 - Norton, Edward R. (O-792,299)

## INDEX SHEET

### SYNOPSIS

Letter

6/14/44

FROM:

OQMG

TO:

Hon. Burnet R. Maybank, U. S. Senate

RE:

Personal Effects

DOCUMENT FILED UNDER NO.

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INSTRUCTIONS.—Under "Synopsis" make brief entry showing date of communication and from whom received and synopsis sufficient to identify the papers. When these index sheets become numerous under a subject they will be entered on the consolidated index sheet and then destroyed.

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### SYNOPSIS

2nd Ind.

FROM:

CCMG

5/18/44

TO:

Effects QM, Army Effects Bureau, Kansas City QM Depot,  
Kansas City, Mo.

SUBJ:

Disposition of personal effects

DOCUMENT FILED UNDER NO.

293 - Norton, James A., Jr. (O-792300)

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FILE UNDER NO. 293 MORTON, EDWARD R. ( O-792 298)

## INDEX SHEET

### SYNOPSIS

3-20-44

LETTER:

FROM: C.I., Washington, D. C.

TO: Honorable Sumner B. Maybank, United States Senate, Washington, D. C.

RE: Personal effects of Lieutenants James W. Morton, Jr., and  
Edward R. Morton

DOCUMENT FILED UNDER NO. 293 MORTON, JAMES W., JR., (2nd Lt.) O-792 300

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## INDEX SHEET

### SYNOPSIS

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Letter

From;

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# SENSITIVE SURFACE - HANDLE EDGES ONLY

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

REPORT OF ~~DEATH~~

DATE 18 November 1948 pmr

FULL NAME NORTON, EDWARD R.		ARMY SERIAL NUMBER 0 792 299	GRADE 2nd Lt.
HOME ADDRESS Conway, South Carolina		ARM OR SERVICE Air Corps	DATE OF BIRTH 18 Aug 1920
PLACE OF DEATH North Sea		CAUSE OF DEATH Killed in Action	DATE OF DEATH 17 May 1943
STATION OF DECEASED European Area		DATE OF ENTRY ON CURRENT ACTIVE SERVICE 6 Sep 1942	LENGTH OF SERVICE FOR PAY PURPOSES YEARS MONTHS DAYS
EMERGENCY ADDRESSEE (Name, relationship, and address)			

Dr. James A. Norton, father, Conway, South Carolina.

BENEFICIARY (Name, relationship, and address)

Mrs. Edward R. Norton, mother, Conway, South Carolina.

Dr. James A. North, father, address shown above.

INVESTIGATION MADE		IN LINE OF DUTY		OWN MISCONDUCT		WAS DECEASED ON DUTY STATUS		AUTHORIZED ABSENCE		IN FLYING PAY STATUS		OTHER PAY STATUS (Specify below)	
YES	NO	YES	NO	YES	NO	YES	NO	YES	NO	YES	NO	YES	NO
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ADDITIONAL DATA AND/OR STATEMENT

☒ BATTLE ☐ NON-BATTLE

Finding of Death has been issued previously under Section 5, Public Law 490, 7 March 1942, as amended, showing presumed date of death as 18 May 1944. 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.

In accordance with the provisions of Section 2 and 7 of the Act of 7 March 1942 (56 Stat. 145) as amended the records show that this officer completed 8 months and 12 days of active service at the time of his death.

*File  
2 Dec 48  
Cunningham*

BY ORDER OF THE SECRETARY OF THE ARMY

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

—BATTLE CASUALTY REPORT

1948 OCT 14

AG 201	NAME <b>NORTON EDWARD R</b> ASN 0792299	GRADE <b>2/LT</b> <b>SON</b>	DATE CAS. REPORT RECEIVED <b>5</b>
NAME AND ADDRESS OF: A.	DOCTOR JAMES A NORTON  CONWAY SOUTH CAROLINA		

DATE TELEGRAM SENT  
*lit*  
**97 NOV 1948**

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	FOR STATUS	SHIPMENT NUMBER
END LT	NORTON, EDWARD R.	0792299	AC		K	288001
TYPE OF CASUALTY		PLACE OF CASUALTY		DATE OF CASUALTY		CASUALTY CODE
KILLED IN ACTION		IN NORTH SEA		DAY	MONTH	YEAR
				17	MAY	43

MARKS: AG 704 /DEAD/8 OCT 48/ ☐ CORRECTED COPY

MEMO: DET UNIT. APPROVED: OIC CAS SEC FAB. FOD ISSUED PREV UNDER SEC 5, A, SHOWING PRESUMED DATE DEATH 18 MAY 44. RPT DEATH IS ISSUED IN ACCORD WITH SEC 9, SAID ACT, ITS EFFECT ON PRIOR PAYMENTS AND SETTLEMENTS IS AS DESCRIBED IN SEC 9. STA & PL DEATH: ETO.

HOME ADDRESS: CONWAY, HORRY COUNTY, S C

PARA 2B,

PROCESS IN ACCORD WITH OPER BUL ~~100-100-100~~ 55, 1945.  
Report of Death issued 18 November 1948. per

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## —BATTLE CASUALTY REPORT

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SFCYO 392 (Norton, James A. Jr., S.N. C-792300)  
(Norton, Edward R. S.N. C-792299)  
War Department, ASF, CMG, Washington, D. C.

2nd Ind.

18 May 1944.

TO: Effects Quartermaster, Army Effects Bureau, Kansas City Quartermaster Depot, 601 Hardesty Avenue, Kansas City 1, Missouri.

1. Attention is invited to 1st indorsement.

For The Quartermaster General:

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MAYO A. DARLING  
Lt. Colonel, U.M.C.,  
Assistant

SPKDE 220.87 (43718 D)

3rd Ind.

JRM:BB:vb

Army Effects Bureau, Kansas City Quartermaster Depot, 601 Hardesty Avenue, Kansas City 1, Missouri, 5 June 1944.

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

1. Treasury check No. 204 for \$47.96, and Treasury check No. 230 for \$607.86, both dated 6 March 1944 were inventoried at this Bureau on 16 March 1944. Bureau checks for like amounts were forwarded with letter of 15 April 1944 to Dr. James A. Norton, Conway, South Carolina, father and designated recipient under Article of War 112, and bailee

2. The personal effects of James A. Norton, Jr., C-792300, 2nd Lt., A.C., deceased, and Edward R. Norton, C-792299, 2nd Lt., A.C., missing in action, were inventoried here on 18 April 1944, and were shipped by freight under dates of 1 May 1944, and 4 May 1944 to Dr. Norton.

For the Commanding Officer:

W. F. HERRMAN  
Major U.M.C.  
Asst. Effects Quartermaster

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ARMY SERVICE FORCES  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON.

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14 March 1944

Norton, James A. Jr., S.N. O-792300.  
Norton, Edward R. S.N. O-792299.

SUBJECT: Disposition of Personal Effects.

TO: Headquarters,  
A.P.O. 871, c/o Postmaster,  
New York, New York.

ATTENTION: Chief Quartermaster.

1. Information is requested by this office as to the whereabouts of the personal effects of the late Second Lieutenant James A. Norton, Jr. S.N. O-792300, who was killed in action on 17 May 1943 in the European Area, and Second Lieutenant Edward R. Norton, S.N. O-792299, who has been missing in the European Area since 17 May 1943. If said effects have been shipped to the United States, state the date of shipment and destination.

For the Quartermaster General.

MAYO A. DARLING.  
Lt. Colonel, G.M.C.,  
Assistant,

Q-GRE 293 (22Apr44).

1st Ind.

F'S/jw

HEADQUARTERS, GCM, ITCUSA, APO 887, U.S. ARMY.

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

1. One footlocker and one barracks bag, property of J.A. Norton, Jr. O-792300, officially reported missing in action, were received at Depot G-14 on 22nd June 1943 and shipped under check numbers 5528 and 5529, respectively, to the Port QM, APO 507, and were forwarded to the Effects Quartermaster, Kansas City QM, Depot, 601 Hardesty Ave. Kansas City, Missouri, on February 4 1944. Funds amounting to \$47.96 were forwarded on March 7 1944. No beneficiary was given.



KANSAS CITY MARSHALLS DEPOT  
601 Hardesty Avenue  
Kansas City 1, Missouri

In the matter of the disposition  
of the personal property of:

Case No. 43717 M - mp  
(S-5-15-44)

2nd Lt. Edward R. Norton

(Name of missing soldier)

0-792299

(Serial Number)

RECEIPT FOR PERSONAL PROPERTY  
DELIVERED TO RAILES BY ARMY EFFECTS  
BUREAU

I hereby acknowledge that I have received from the Army Effects Bureau, Kansas City, Missouri, for safe-keeping, the following personal property of the above-named officer or soldier:

No.	Articles	No.	Articles
Money in the amount of Six-hundred seven dollars and eighty-six cents (\$607.86)			

I agree to safely keep and store the above-listed personal property pending the return of said officer or soldier, and to deliver the same to him or to the Army Effects Bureau, Kansas City, Missouri, upon demand. I further agree, in the event the above-named officer or soldier subsequently becomes a casualty, to turn said property over to the person or persons legally entitled by law to receive the same.

Subscribed at Conway, S. C. on this 18th day of  
(City, town or village and state)

April, 1944.

Witnessed by:

John T. Long  
(Signature of witness)

Cowway Sp  
(Address)

James A. Gordon  
(Signature of bailee in ink)

Conway, S. C.  
(address)



P.O.F. \_\_\_\_\_  
Abandoned \_\_\_\_\_

# INVENTORY

Shown on Tally in as \_\_\_\_\_

TALLY IN NO. 3541 INVENTORY DATE 4/18/44 CASE NO. 43717

EFFECTS OF EDWARD R. NORTON RANK Lt. 2nd

ARMY SERIAL NO. 0-792299 ORG. \_\_\_\_\_

CONSIGNOR P.O. Bay-lage, New York

DELIVERING CARRIER \_\_\_\_\_ G B/L NO. \_\_\_\_\_ G B/L DATE \_\_\_\_\_

Package No.	Article Description	Remarks
#1	Underwear, ties, socks, towels	Father:
FOOTLOCKER	handkerchiefs	Dr. J.A. Norton
	2 pr boots	
#2	1 pr. slippers	Conway
	1 pr. shoes	
CARTON	1 pr. Oxfords	So. Carolina
	1 pr. sneakers	
	2 Barracks bags	
	1 short shorter	
	1 blouse / insignia w 1 large in	
	1 belt	ATT. Card
	1 French coat	
	1 Shop overcoat	1 Inv.
	2 service caps	
	1 field jacket	#77
	4 Garrison caps	
	1 Scarf	1 J.D. Card
	13 pr. trousers	
	9 shirts	1 app. notice
	2 swim trunks	
	1 athletic support	
	2 tooth brushes	
	3 money belts	
	1 shoe brush	
	1 haki trunks	
	1 sewing kit	
	1 mirror	
	1 bracelet	
	2 identification card cases	
	2 watch, elgin, damaged	
	1 pin	
	133. insignia	
	1 service ribbon	
	souvenir coins	
	2 pr. wings, large	
	1 insignia, cap	
	1 bullet, souvenir	
	lace laces	
	1 lot personal mail	
	1 wallet w/papers	
	1 kit w/articles	
	1 pr. gloves	
	1.04 U.S. Currency	
	11.00 dated 1938	
		MAY 4 1944

Warehouse Space 259A and 260A inventoried by Scheren and Neogen

Locked Storage Space \_\_\_\_\_ Packed By Covert 4/21/44 14:10

3541

APR 22 1944

ARMY SERVICE FORCES  
KANSAS CITY QUARTERMASTER DEPOT  
601 Hardesty Avenue  
Kansas City 1, Missouri

In the matter of the disposition  
of the personal property of:

Case No. 43717-M db:ah  
(8-643-44)

2nd Lt. Edward R. Norton

(Name of missing soldier)

O-792299

(Serial Number)

RECEIPT FOR PERSONAL PROPERTY  
DELIVERED TO BAILEE BY ARMY EFFECTS  
BUREAU

I hereby acknowledge that I have received from the Army Effects  
Bureau, Kansas City, Missouri, for safe-keeping, the following personal  
property of the above-named officer or soldier:

No.	Articles	No.	Articles
	underwear, ties, socks, towels, handkerchiefs	2	tooth brushes
2	pr. boots	3	money belts
1	pr. slippers	1	shoe brush
1	pr. shoes	1	khaki trunks
1	pr. oxfords	1	sewing kit
1	pr. sneakers	1	mirror
3	barracks bags	1	bracelet
1	footlocker	2	identification card cases
1	short snorter	2	watch, damaged
1	blouse w/insignia & 1 large wing	1	ring
4	belts		misc. insignia
1	trench coat	1	service ribbon
1	short overcoat		souvenir coins
2	service caps	2	pr. large wings
1	field jacket	1	cap insignia
4	garrison caps	1	bullet, souvenir
1	scarf		shoe laces
13	pr. trousers	1	lot personal mail
9	shirts	1	wallet w/papers
2	swim trunks	1	toilet kit w/articles
1	athletic support	1	pr. gloves (Cont'd on reverse side)

I agree to safely keep and store the above-listed personal property

pending the return of said officer or soldier, and to deliver the same to  
him or to the Army Effects Bureau, Kansas City, Missouri, upon demand. I  
further agree, in the event the above-named officer or soldier subsequently  
becomes a casualty, to turn said property over to the person or persons  
legally entitled by law to receive the same.

Subscribed at Conway, S. C. on this 23 day of  
(City, town or village and state)

1944

Witnessed by:

C. A. Spivey  
(Signature of witness)

James A. Martin  
(Signature of bailee in ink)

Conway, S. C.  
(Address)

Conway, S. C.  
(Address)

C O P Y  
KCALD  
ALB vb

1st Ind. continued.

2. One footlocker and one barrack bag, property of Lt. Edward R. Norton O-7292299, officially reported as missing in action, were received on 22 June 1943, and were forwarded to the Port QM. APO 507 under check numbers 5526 and 5527, respectively. These effects left the United Kingdom on 4 February 1944, for re-shipment to the Effects QM. Kansas City, Missouri. Funds amounting to \$607.86 were forwarded on 8 March 1944. Beneficiary not given.

For the Chief Quartermaster:

A.M. BRIMBAUGH,  
Colonel, QM  
Deputy



AG 201 Norton, Edward R., O-792299,  
(1 Apr 44) PC-S

1st Ind.

JTB/reg/frl/4610

War Department, Adjutant General's Office, Washington 25, D.C., 26 May 1944.

TO: The Effects Quartermaster, Kansas City Quartermaster Depot,  
601 Hardesty Avenue, Kansas City 1, Missouri.

1. Second Lieutenant Edward R. Norton, O-792299, Air Corps, is carried on the records of this office as missing in action since 17 May 1943.

2. Designations made by Second Lieutenant Norton, as requested in paragraph 2 of basic communication, are as follows:

Beneficiary: Mrs. Edward R. Norton, (mother)  
Conway, South Carolina.

Alternate Beneficiary: Dr. James A. Norton, (father)  
Conway, South Carolina.

Nearest Relative: Dr. James A. Norton, (father)  
Conway, South Carolina.

Bailee: Dr. James A. Norton, (father)  
Conway, South Carolina.

3. A review of this soldier's status is now being made under Public Law 490, 7 March 1942, as amended, as of 18 May 1944 and upon completion thereof he will be continued in a missing status or a finding of death will be made as the facts appear to justify.

By order of the Secretary of War:

  
Adjutant General.

ARMY SERVICE FORCES  
KANSAS CITY QUARTERMASTER DEPOT  
601 Hardesty Avenue  
Kansas City 1, Missouri

*Cas*

(S-1 May 44)  
JLU:RMB  
1 April 1944

IN REPLY REFER TO: QM 201 (44717-1)

SUBJECT: Request for Report of Status

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

1. It is requested that the Army Effects Bureau be informed whether Edward R. Norton, O-7 2203, 2nd Lt. A.C. is carried on your records as deceased or missing in action.

2. It also is requested that this Bureau be furnished the name, address, and relationship of his beneficiary, alternate beneficiary, nearest relative, and the bailee designated to receive his lost or mislaid property.

For the Commanding Officer:



W. P. SMITH  
Major A.C.  
Asst. Effects Quartermaster

May 23, 1944.

To the Officer in Charge:

I wish to thank you and the business men of K. C. for looking so well after the things of my twins which reached me yesterday, and the receipt for which I am enclosing signed herewith. Everything was in good order and as listed, and nothing was missing. I do not know whether you overlooked it or just did not list it, but there was a sum of money in the papers, which we found in good shape and all accounted for. Which was one more reason for us to be thankful to both yourself and the business men of the city, who I understand are donating their time to this undertaking.

Very truly,

/s/ J. A. Norton



ARMY SERVICE FORCES  
KANSAS CITY QUARTERMASTER DEPOT  
601 HARDESTY AVENUE  
KANSAS CITY 1, MISSOURI

IN REPLY REFER No. 43717, 43718

(S-6-15-44)  
JRM:EM:jed  
May 16, 1944

Dr. James A. Norton  
Conway, South Carolina

Dear Dr. Norton:

Thank you for returning the signed receipts covering funds belonging to your sons, Lieutenants Edward R. Norton and James R. Norton, Jr.

The Army Effects Bureau recently received some property belonging to your sons. This property was shipped to you via freight under dates of May 1 and May 4. I am inclosing a Letter of Appointment which was included with these effects.

When you have received the shipments, I will appreciate your signing and returning copies of the inclosed receipts. For your convenience, an addressed envelope is inclosed.

Yours very truly,

G. H. CALVIN, JR.  
1st Lt. Q.M.C.  
Chief, Adm. Control Branch

4 Incls—  
2 Receipts (in dup)  
Letter of Appointment  
Envelope

ARMY SERVICE FORCES  
ARMY EFFECTS BUREAU

ORDER FOR SHIPMENT

Suspense 5 May 44

Case No. 43717-1 (BM:nb)

Date 3 May 1944

R-U-S-H

MEMORANDUM TO Warehouse Branch:

Please see that the personal effects on the above mentioned case are packed, weighed and ready for shipment promptly so that they may be readily picked up. Bills of Lading and all other papers will be marked with the case number and can be identified thereby. The original of this form should be returned to the Administrative Branch after completion.

Effects of: 2nd Lt. Edward R. Norton Serial No. 0-732,299

Ship to: Doctor James A. Norton

Street and Number \_\_\_\_\_

City and State Conway, South Carolina

Ship Via: \_\_\_\_\_ Gov't B/L No. \_\_\_\_\_

R-U-S-H

For the Effects Quartermaster

LIST OF PACKAGES SHIPPED

<u>103 #</u>
<u>35</u>

Franked Mail or less

Parcel Post Charges

Estimated Express Charges

Estimated Freight Charges

Total Number of Pieces: \_\_\_\_\_

Weight of Shipment: \_\_\_\_\_

Shipping Clerk \_\_\_\_\_

Date MAY 4 1944

# TALLY-OUT

(Packing or Loading List)

Serial No. ....  
Reg. No. ....  
No. of sheets ....  
Sheet No. ....

ARMY EFFECTS BUREAU - KORMD  
(Station)

Warehouse 11th Floor Date 5/4/44  
Consignee Doctor James A. Norton Carrier .....  
Destination Conway, South Carolina B/L No. ....  
Routing FREIGHT Car No., Initials, .....  
Seals No. ....  
Date shipped ..... Authority .....

U. S. NOS. ON PACKAGES	NUMBER AND KIND OF PACKAGES	CONTENTS	GROSS WEIGHT (Pounds)		CUBIC MEASURE
			UNIT	TOTAL	
		CASE #43717 (2nd Lt. Edward R. Norton O-792299)			
Pkg #1	1 Footlocker	Personal Effects	103#		
Pkg #2	1 Carton	" "	35#		
				138#	

Checker.

Packer.

Received the above articles in apparent good order and condition (except as noted) this date G.I. Newman, 1st Lt. QMC Shipper.  
CIN:dmk

(Signature)

(Designation)



452ND BOMBARDMENT SQUADRON (M), ARMY AIR FORCES  
322ND BOMBARDMENT GROUP

A.P.O. #634,  
U. S. Army,  
28 May 1943.

SUBJECT: Inventory of Effects of Edward R. Norton, 2nd Lt., AC, O-792299,  
"Missing in Action" May 17, 1943.

TO : The Effects Quartermaster, Q.M. Depot 110, Commercial Road, London.

1. The following is a list of the personal effects of Edward R. Norton, O-792299, "Missing in Action", May 17, 1943.

a. Class I Effects.

- (1). 1 pr. Identification Tags
- 1 ea. Bracelet
- 1 ea. Identification Card
- 1 copy Discharge
- 1 copy Letter of Appointment of 2nd Lt., AAF.
- (2). Monetary assets in the form of U. S. Postal Money Orders have been forwarded by separate letters.

b. Class II Effects.

- |                            |                             |
|----------------------------|-----------------------------|
| 22 ea. Undershirts, cotton | 39 pr. socks                |
| 1 ea. Muffler              | 25 pr. Shorts, cotton       |
| 6 pr. Trousers, khaki      | 5 ea. Shirts, Khaki         |
| 4 ea. Towels, bath         | 12 ea. handkerchiefs        |
| 6 pr. Shoe laces           | 2 ea. Brushes, tooth        |
| 4 ea. Belts                | 1 ea. Coat, trench          |
| 1 ea. Blouse               | 1 pr. Trousers, pink        |
| 1 pr. Trousers, green      | 1 pr. Trousers, tropical    |
| 1 ea. Shirt, green         | 1 ea. Shirt, pink           |
| 4 ea. Caps, field          | 8 ea. Ties,                 |
| 5 ea. Undershirts, wool    | 1 ea. Portrait, girls       |
| 1 ea. Kit, sh aving        | 3 ea. Belts, money          |
| 1 ea. Towel, face          | 1 ea. Overcoat, short       |
| 1 ea. Kit, sewign          | 1 ea. shoe brush and polish |
| 1 ea. Mirror               | 2 ea. Bags, barracks        |
| 2 pr. Trunks, swimming     | 1 pr. Trunks, khaki         |
| 1 ea. Supporter, athletic  | 7 pr. Shoes                 |
| 1 pr. Slippers             | 1 pr. Gym shoes             |
| 1 pr. Socks, sweat         | 1 ea. Jacket, field         |
| 1 ea. cap, service         |                             |

2. The above effects are to be delivered to Dr. J. A. Norton (Father), Conway, South Carolina.

THOMAS W. HATHAWAY,  
1st Lt., Air Corps,  
Supply Officer

ARMY SERVICE FORCES  
KANSAS CITY QUARTERMASTER DEPOT  
601 Hardesty Avenue  
Kansas City 1, Missouri

In Reply Refer To:

WPC:dms

May 1944

Doctor James A. Norton  
Conway, South Carolina

Dear Doctor Norton:

The inclosed Original (white copy) and Property Received (yellow copy) of Government bill of lading No. WT-4710552 cover shipment of the personal effects of Dr. James A. Norton being forwarded to you at the above address from the Army Effects Bureau.

This property is being shipped to you at Government expense. Upon arrival of the shipment at destination, representative of the delivering carrier will either contact you or make delivery to you at your address. The delivering carrier will make free delivery to your address if freight tariffs for your locality provide such service.

When the shipment is delivered, Consignee's Certificate of Delivery, at the bottom of the Original (white copy) of the bill of lading is to be filled in and signed by you, and that copy surrendered to the agent of the delivering carrier. The bill of lading covers all charges incident to forwarding the property from this Bureau to you at your address, if you live within corporate limits of billed destination and free delivery is provided by the carrier.

If any damage to the shipment is noticed upon delivery, please make notation of such damage on the reverse of the Original bill of lading, under the caption, "Report of Loss, Damage or Shrinkage", and place your signature after the notation. The agent of the delivering carrier should be requested to make appropriate notation on the freight bill of such damage. Any adjustment or claim you may desire to present because of damage must be handled between you and the agent of the delivering carrier.

The Property Received copy of the bill of lading may be retained or discarded by you.

At the present time, a great amount of freight is being handled by common carriers and delivery of this shipment may be delayed. However, if the shipment is not received within a reasonable length of time, you may notify this Bureau, so that tracer action can be instituted here.

Yours very truly,

M. P. C. I. S.  
C. I. S. A.  
A. I. S.

1 Incl,  
MP:ml  
Eff QM Form 41 (Rev. 4/5/44)



U. S. GOVERNMENT BILL OF LADING  
MEMORANDUM COPY

No. WT-871055

CAR INITIALS AND NO.

NAME OF INITIAL TRANSPORTATION COMPANY

TRAFFIC CONTROL NOS.

STOP THIS CAR AT

FOR

RECEIVED BY THE TRANSPORTATION  
COMPANY NAMED ABOVE, SUBJECT TO  
CONDITIONS NAMED ON THE REVERSE  
HEREOF, THE PUBLIC PROPERTY  
HEREINAFTER DESCRIBED, IN APPAR-  
ENT GOOD ORDER AND CONDITION  
(CONTENTS AND VALUE UNKNOWN), TO BE FORWARDED TO DESTINATION  
BY THE SAID COMPANY AND CONNECTING LINES, THERE TO BE DELIVERED  
IN LIKE GOOD ORDER AND CONDITION TO SAID CONSIGNEE:

CONSIGNEE

DESTINATION

VIA (ROUTE JOURNEY ONLY WHEN SOME SUBSTANTIAL INTEREST OF THE GOVERNMENT IS SUBSERVED THEREBY)

FAIR - and connections - storage  
car if available.

PICK-UP SERVICE AT ORIGIN WAS BY THE GOVERNMENT OR ITS AGENT.  
(Insert "WAS" or "WAS NOT")  
INITIALS OF SHIPPER'S AUTHORIZED AGENT OR EMPLOYEE

SIZE CAR IN FT.		MARKED CAPACITY OF CAR		DATE CAR FURNISHED	DATE B/L ISSUED
ORDERED	FURNISHED	ORDERED	FURNISHED		
					4 FEB 1944

FROM (SHIPPING POINT)

FROM (FULL NAME OF SHIPPER)

MARKS

CHARGES TO BE BILLED TO (DEPARTMENT OR ESTABLISHMENT AND BUREAU OF SERVICE AND LOCATION)  
FINANCE OFFICER, U. S. ARMY

APPROPRIATION CHARGEABLE

ISSUING OFFICE

NAME AND TITLE OF ISSUING OFFICER

TRANSPORTATION

OFFICE

FURNISH THIS INFORMATION IN CASE OF CARLOAD SHIPMENTS ONLY.  
\*SHOW ALSO CUBIC MEASUREMENTS FOR SHIPMENTS VIA OCEAN CARRIER IN CASES WHERE REQUIRED.

PACKAGES

NO. KIND

DESCRIPTION OF ARTICLES  
(USE CARRIERS' CLASSIFICATION OR TARIFF DESCRIPTION IF POSSIBLE,  
OTHERWISE A CLEAR NONTECHNICAL DESCRIPTION)

NUMBERS  
ON  
PACKAGES

WEIGHTS\*

1 Footlocker  
1 Carton

MILITARY

Personal Effects

(CAR 140717) total wt.

1  
2

100 lbs  
35 lbs  
135 lbs

RECEIVED VALUATION AT LATEST RATE

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

112 ... 1943.

CERTIFICATE OF ISSUING OFFICER

Contract No. or  
Purchase Order No.

Dated

Name of Transportation Company

Date of Receipt of Shipment

O. B. Point  
indicated in Contract

Signature of  
Issuing Officer

Signature of Agent

Per

MEMORANDUM COPY



(48717-M)

JRM:BM:nb  
3 May 1944

of Edward R. Norton, O-792299, Second Lieutenant, Air Corps, missing in action.<sup>s</sup>

G. E. GALVIN, JR.,  
1st Lt. Q.M.C.  
Assistant

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S--

- Incl 1--SE 4675 - Certificate of Appointment
- Incl 2--W.D., A.G.O. Form No. 77 - Officer's Pay Data Card (4/11/48)
- Incl 3--W.D., A.G.O. Form No. 77 - Officer's Pay Data Card (11/4/42)
- Incl 4--W.D., A.G.O. Form No. 77 - Officer's Pay Data Card

C-O-P-Y  
JHB m

James J. Horton, "J. B."  
Lewiston, N. Y.  
Office work only

Attention Lt. Col. John R. Murphy:

I am enclosing receipt for the money, and will look for the other property in due time. I just wished to thank you most sincerely for your kind letter and sympathy, for we have been terribly hard hit by this affliction. These boys were twins, born just one year after I was discharged from the army after the last war, just 22 years old, and being our only boys, we were of course crazy about them. But they were flying in the same plane, Marauders, in the fateful raid of May 17th last, and while one has already been reported dead, we of course can have but scant hope for the life of the other.

But I just wished to say how much better such letters as you have written from those in authority make us feel, and so again thank you.

Very truly,

/s/ J Horton

ARMY SERVICE FORCES  
KANSAS CITY QUARTERMASTER DEPOT  
601 HARDESTY AVENUE  
KANSAS CITY 1, MISSOURI

IN REPLY REFER TO  
43717, 43718

JRM:mp  
April 15, 1944

SCREENED

Mr. James A. Norton, M.D.  
Conway, South Carolina

Dear Doctor:

I am pleased that you forwarded me the letter from Great Britain relative to holding effects for six months in that Theatre of Operations. Frankly, we did not know definitely that this was being done although in certain cases such action, in our opinion, might be justified, for example, some airmen who go down over Europe in a matter of weeks or a few months have been able to return through the Underground, hence it is desirable that their property be retained in Great Britain for direct return to these men.

I assure you that had this Bureau known of the withholding of your sons' property we most certainly would have so advised you. You may quite properly say "we should have known it" and I would agree. Due to our inability to get such information, a representative from this Bureau is shortly going to the United Kingdom.

To date, we have received the sums of money mentioned in Major Chayes' letter. Checks and receipts which we require are inclosed. The balance of the effects are in transit to us by transport and rail; the money came to us by mail. I assure you that immediately after the property is received here, I'll expedite it on to you.

I recognize that this matter has taxed your patience to the limit. Mine likewise would be so taxed were I in your position.

Few families in our country have sustained such a loss as you and Mrs. Norton have sustained. To you I extend my deepest sympathy.

Very truly yours,

JOHN R. MURPHY  
Lt. Col., Q.M.C.  
Effects Quartermaster

.7.96  
\$607.86  
5 (in dup)  
m 203 (in dup)  
velope



REQUEST FOR INCLOSURES

Case No. 43717 M

To:

       Locked Storage for:

XXAccounting Branch for Check

Account No. 13460 Amount \$607.86

Payable to

James A. Norton, M. D.

Conway, South Carolina

Correspondent WDS

Check No. 11037

Initials       FW      

13460

43717

APRIL 15

44

JAMES A. NORTON

607.86

SIX HUNDRED SEVEN AND 86/100

MAJOR Q.M.C.  
ASST.

JAMES A. NORTON, M. D.

April 12, 1944. *File*

Effects Quartermaster,  
Kansas City, Missouri

Conway, S. C.

Office Work Only

Gentlemen:

I am enclosing a letter which is self-explanatory, and it is my desire that after reading it and checking up on the arrival of these shipments, you return it and let me know regarding same. I know that war is going on and that other things might take precedence at this time, but it seems to me these things should have been delivered before this, for it has been nearly one year now that my boys have been missing. Why were we not told at the beginning, either from England or when I wrote you last Dec, that these things were required held in England for six months before sending over here? Had I known this, I could at least have been more patient, but no, I had to learn this little item of some needless army mandates the hard way.

If you are also required to hold them for six months, at least let me know when you get them and when they will be sent to me.

Very truly,

J. A. NORTON

## SUMMARY COURT

DEPOT G-14

APO 507

United States Army

21 March 1944.

File No.

## SUBJECT:

TO: Mrs. J.A. Norton,  
Conway,  
South Carolina.

*File  
mp*

Dear Mrs. Norton,

Your letter addressed to Lt. Forrest of the 322nd Bomb. Group, has been turned over to this office for attention and we hasten to give you whatever information we have available.

One footlocker and one barracks bag each for Lt. Jas. A. Norton, Jr. and Lt. Edward R. Norton, were received by this office on June 22nd 1943. Under our procedures we were required to hold these items for six months before sending them back to the U.S. Accordingly, they were turned over to the Port Quartermaster on January 27, 1944, for shipment to the Effects Quartermaster, Kansas City, Missouri, under check Nos. 5526/7/8/9.

Funds belonging to the two officers had been on deposit with this office as follows:

Lt. J.A. Norton, Jr.	\$47.96.
Lt. E.R. Norton	\$607.86.

These amounts were forwarded on March 7th and 8th, 1944, respectively, to Effects Quartermaster, Kansas City, Missouri, for disposition together with the baggage, in accordance with Army procedures. The designated beneficiary as shown in our records is Dr. J.A. Norton, Conway, S. Carolina. We suggest that you write to Effects Quartermaster, 601 Hardesty Avenue, Kansas City, Missouri, at once, and you will no doubt be able to expedite the delivery to you of the various items that we have sent there.

I trust the above information clarifies the situation for you, and that by the time this letter reaches you it will be possible for you to arrange for delivery of these items to you and Dr. Norton. If there is any further way in which you think this office can be of service to you, please do not hesitate to call upon us.

Very truly yours,

/s/Edward Chayes  
/t/EDWARD CHAYES,  
Major QMC.  
Effects QM. ETOUSA.

Reply, if any, should be addressed to:  
Effects Quartermaster, ETOUSA,  
Depot G-14, APO 507



(S-1 May 44)  
JRM:BM:nb  
1 April 1944

only. For this reason, the following

## EFFECTS QUARTERMASTER, ETOUSA.

SUMMARY COURT

DEPOT G-14

APO 507

United States Army

8 March 1944

Control No. 1759

SUBJECT: Closing Statement, Account of:

NORTON, EDWARD R.2nd Lt.0-792299

(Name)

(Rank)

(ASN)

TO: Effects Quartermaster, Kansas City Quartermaster Depot,  
601 Hardesty Avenue, Kansas City, Missouri.

1. Submitted herewith is complete file of subject person;

(a) Organization 452 Bomb Sq. AAF.

(b) Status Missing in Action 17 May 1943

(c) Beneficiary Dr. J. A. Norton (Father) Conway, S.C.

2. Personal effects were shipped 27 January 1944

3. FINANCIAL STATEMENT:

Incl.#	Date Rec'd	<u>RECEIPTS</u>	Dollars	Sterling
		Details		
1.	22 June 1943	WDAGO Form #54	\$553.45	
2.	14 July 1943	Ltr. Transmittal	54.41	

Total to be accounted for

\$607.86

Incl.#	Date Pd.	Details	<u>DISBURSEMENTS</u>
			Amount

Army Effects Bureau, Kansas City  
Quartermaster Depot, 601 Hardesty  
Avenue, Kansas City 1, Missouri

Receipt acknowledged.

For The Effects Quartermaster:

43717  
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January 4, 1944

James A. Norton, M.D.  
Conway, South Carolina

Dear Dr. Norton:

December 28, 1943  
2nd Lts. James A. Norton, Jr. & Edward R. Norton.

Lts. Norton's

R. DOVE  
2nd Lt. Q.M.C.  
Asst. Chief, Adm. Control Branch



452ND BOMBARDMENT SQUADRON (M), ARMY AIR FORCES  
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201-Norton, Edward R. (O)  
-Wolfe, Richard O. (O)

APO 638, U. S. Army,  
22 July 1943.

SUBJECT: Serial Numbers of Officers.

TO : Effects Quartermaster, General Depot G-14, APO 607,  
U. S. Army.

In compliance with letter, Effects Quartermaster, General Depot  
G-14, Subject: "Class II Assets (Check, Money Orders, etc.,)", dated 14  
July 1943, the following serial numbers of subject officers is submitted:

NORTON, EDWARD R. O-792299.  
WOLFE, RICHARD O. O-791745.

For the Squadron Commander:



*Birdene E. Forrest*  
BIRDENE E. FORREST,  
1st Lt., Air Corps,  
Executive Officer

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APO 638, U. S. Army,  
23 June, 1943.

SUBJECT: Effects of Personnel Missing In Action.

TO : Effects Quartermaster, 4th Depot 110, APO 887, U. S. Army.

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1. Inclosed herewith money orders #8935 and #8936, resulting from finances which have recently been discovered and belonging to Lt EDWARD R. NORTON, Air Corps, and Lt RICHARD O. WOLFE, Air Corps, Missing in action since 17 May, 1943.

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2. The money order in the amount of Fifty Four Dollars and Forty One Cents (\$54.41) belongs to Lt NORTON, and the other in the amount of Ninety Eight Dollars and Sixty Three Cents (\$98.63) belongs to Lt WOLFE.



For the Squadron Commander:

*Birdene E. Forrest*  
BIRDENE E. FORREST,  
1st Lt., Air Corps,  
Adjutant.

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<u>Wolfe</u>	Control	176

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JAMES A. NORTON, M. D.

CONWAY, S. C.

OFFICE WORK ONLY

December 28 1943.

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Effects Quartermaster,  
Kansas City, Mo.

Gentlemen:

Will you kindly let me know if the effects of 2nd Lt. James A. Norton, Jr. O-792-300, and 2nd Lt. Edward R. Norton, O-792-299, missing in action over Holland since May 17, 1943, have been forwarded to either you or myself since that time. They were pilots in the 8th Air Force, Medium Bomber section, and the former has since been reported by the German Gov. as being killed on that day, the latter so far unreported, but I would like to know about their effects and would appreciate hearing from you.

Very truly,

*J. Norton*

**CLASS II—Continued**

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to Dr. J. A. Horton, (Father)  
(Give name and degree of relationship; if legal representative)

Adjutant General

BIRDENE E. FORREST  
BIRDENE E. FORREST,  
1st Lt., Air Corps, Adj.

Rougham, Suffolk, England.  
(Stallion)

3 June, 1945

\*Strike out words not applicable.

## CLASS II—Continued

NUMBER	ARTICLE
4 ea	caps, fidd
5 ea	undershirts, wool
1 ea	kit, shaving
1 ea	toawl, face
1 ea	kit, sewing
1 ea	mirror
2 pr	trunks, swimming
1 ea	supporter, athletic
1 pr	slippers
1 pr	socks, sweat
1 ea	cap, service
39 pr	socks
25 pr	shorts, cotton
6 ea	shirts, khaki
12 ea	handkerchiefs
2 ea	brushes, tooth
1 ea	coat, trench
1 pr	trousers, pink
1 pr	trousers, tropical
1 ea	shirt, pink
8 ea	ties
Money	Specie... \$.....
	Notes... \$.....

to \_\_\_\_\_  
(Give name and degree of relationship of legal representative)

\*the effects of class I have been forwarded to The Adjutant General and those of class II have been sold.

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\*Strike out words not applicable.



(See A/E 600-115)

late a 2nd Lt. 452d Bomb Sq (M), AAF  
(Grade) (Organization or arm or service)

**CLASS I**—Saber, insignia, decorations, medals, campaign badges, watches, manuscripts, and other articles valuable chiefly as keepsakes.

\*To be filled out only in case of shipment to The Adjutant General.

W.D., A.G.O. Form No. 54  
July 1, 1933

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(See AR 600-55C)

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