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# NON-RECOVERABLE CASE RECORD OF REVIEW AND APPROVAL

NUMBER

17634 (1)

AREA OR ZONE(S)

Pacific

NAME (Last, First, Middle Initial)

29 York, George Sr.

RANK

Civilian

SERIAL NUMBER

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.)

Individual Case

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.

	INITIALS OF ANALYST	(CROSS OUT THOSE NOT APPLICABLE)	INITIALS OF ANALYST
1. 293 FILE OF SUBJECT(S)	ABK	a. <del>REPORT OF DEATH</del> b. <del>FINDING OF DEATH</del> c. <del>DATE OF REVIEW OF RECORD INFORMATION</del>	ABK
3. A - Z FILE OF KNOWN INTERMENTS IN U.S. MILITARY CEMETERIES, ISOLATED LOCATIONS, AND SEA BURIALS		4. GEOGRAPHICAL CLUE INDEX FILE OF UNKNOWN RECOVERED FROM APPROPRIATE AREA	ABK
5. ALPHABETICAL INDEX OF "BELIEVED TO BE" AND TENTATIVELY IDENTIFIED UNKNOWN		6. ALPHABETICAL FILE OF FORMER UNKNOWN NOW IDENTIFIED	
7. OTHER DOCUMENTS OR SOURCES			
None			

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:

Information obtained from The Adjutant General's Office, indicates that Mr. George York Sr., was a civilian World War II casualty, a citizen of the United States at the time of his death and subject to the repatriation program; that he died on 19 November 1942, while a Prisoner of War at Cabanatuan, Philippines Islands.

Efforts of this Office to obtain a Finding of Death or Report of Death have been futile. However, authority to process this case as Nonrecoverable, was given by Mr. E. J. Fisher, Planning Officer of Identification Section.

IDENTIFICATION BRANCH

NAME OF CASE ANALYST

A. Kennedy/meh

CASE TO BE FORWARDED TO Registration Branch, Correspondence Sec  
FOR CONSIDERATION OF NOTIFICATION TO INTERESTED PARTIES.

RECOMMEND APPROVAL

APPROVED

DATE

CASE REVIEWER, FINAL DETERMINATION SECTION

CHIEF, FINAL DETERMINATION SECTION

CHIEF, IDENTIFICATION BRANCH

CHARLES E. NEWBAKER

THOMAS E. COX, Major OMC



Office of The Quartermaster General of The Army  
INTRAOFFICE REFERENCE SHEET

Due, Hour and Date \_\_\_\_\_

1 TO	2 FROM	3 TO	4 DATE	
1	Chief Ident Br Mem Div	Chief Mem Div	10 Jan 1952	<p>SUBJECT: Nonrecoverability of Casualties associated with Cabanatuan POW Camp</p> <p>DISCUSSION:</p> <p>1. The decision on 3 January 1952 to declare he unresolved unknown remains associated with the Cabanatuan Project as Unidentifi- ble, necessitates that approximately 86 associated unresolved casualties be declared onrecoverable.</p> <p>2. Field Board Proceedings of Nonrecoverability have not been submitted by the verseas command for the approximately 86 casualties inasmuch as that action was ependent upon approval or disapproval of the recommended identifications.</p> <p>3. Preparation of applicable nonrecoverable findings in this Office would xpeditate the resolution of the concerned unresolved casualty cases.</p> <p>RECOMMENDATION:</p> <p>T hat this Office be given the authority to initiate the Nonrecoverable roceedings.</p>
/s/ccs	NOTED FT P&P Office	/s/ O.F.P. 10 Jan 52 MEMORIAL	/s/KING 74059	/s/ COX 74059 MAE
			APPROVED /s/ J.B.C. 10 Jan 1952 MEMORIAL	



CASE HISTORY FOR REMAINS CONSIDERED NONRECOVERABLE

Basis for Declaring Remains Nonrecoverable

1. Purpose: To review and determine from evidence presented, the nonrecoverability of the remains of World War II dead lost in the geographical area described below:

a. Cabanatuan POW Camp, Luzon, Philippine Islands.

2. Findings:

a. List of persons lost in subject area whose remains have not been identified is attached as Exhibit "A". This list contains seventy-seven (77) names.

b. General and/or individual area Search and Recovery operations have been completed in the above area.

c. Examination of the remains by an anthropologist revealed that there is a paucity of skeletal parts available and the remains are badly eroded. Based on the condition of the remains involved, the possibility of being able to sustain positive identifications of individuals and/or groups could not be defended.

d. All unknown remains recovered from the POW Camp at Cabanatuan have been declared unidentifiable.

e. Classified correspondence from Headquarters, AGRS, Pacific Zone, dated 1 November 1951, sets forth the condition of the remains referred to in paragraph c, above.

3. Conclusions: In view of the above and in compliance with authority contained in IRS, 10 Jan 52, from Chief, Memorial Division to initiate Nonrecoverable proceedings by this Office rather than await nonrecoverable findings from the Pacific Zone, it is recommended that the deceased listed on Exhibit "A" be declared nonrecoverable.



ROSTER TO ACCOMPANY BOARD  
FINDINGS OF NONRECOVERABILITY

TO ACCOMPANY PROCEEDINGS OF BOARD OF REVIEW

Accomando, John J.	S/Sgt	6 081 597
Akers, Lowell C.	Pvt	6 561 680
Ashborn, Walter L.	1/Lt	0 890 084
Beck, Garrison V.	T /4	20 842 578
Berrier, William I.	Cpl	18 007 819
Bisset, Warren R.	Pvt	19 000 559
Bizzell, Richard H.	Pvt	34 144 636
Blumenthal, Robert R.	Pvt	11 010 592
Brazzel, Rufus	Pfc	38 022 995
Brown, James C.	Pfc	6 532 983
Bruntmyer, Lloyd R.	Pfc	19 048 974
Bryant, Parker L.	S/Sgt	6 795 017
Bucey, William B.	2/Lt	0 890 526
Butler, William P.	T/4	14 014 530
Butts, John K.	Pvt	19 044 256
Calkins, William E.	Pvt	19 020 998
Clark, Walter L.	Cpl	19 053 642
Coggeshall, Charles A.	Sgt	20 842 975
Conlin, Edward C.	Pfc	16 015 480
Connell, Walter R.	Pvt	19 015 417
Cook, Herman	Civilian	
Cudworth, Frank G.	Pvt	19 019 993
Daniels, Elmer	Pvt	15 017 359
Davis, Jasper Jr.	Pvt	14 037 623
Dohrn, Dorrance P.	Pfc	19 030 003
Doyash, Harold W.	Pfc	281 424
Duncan, Robert T.	RM 2c	4 106 210
Erwin, Kenneth G.	Cpl	18 049 796
Farris, John E.	Civilian	
Gartner, Sigurd	Civilian	
Gladcoff, Boris Y.	Civilian	
Gourlay, Carlton R.	Pvt	32 074 027
Gregory, Loren J.	Pfc	14 038 458
Griswold, Daniel W.	1/Lt	0 391 006
Guerrera, Paul C.	Pvt	38 011 217
Hall, Garland L.	Cpl	13 016 412
Harris, John C.	Cpl	18 001 283
Hennessey, Harland J.	Pvt	32 092 573
Hillard, Guy W.	Pfc	20 843 806
Huffcut, Robert J.	2/Lt	0 890 390
Hughes, Eugene L.	Cpl	38 012 686
Kaneen, Charles A.	S/Sgt	16 000 328
Kingman, Stanley H.	Pfc	11 020 662
Krug, Fred	T/4	20 645 264
Langland, Wyman H.	1/Sgt	6 677 192
Larson, Gordon N.	Pfc	19 030 403
Lecroy, Douglas W.	S/Sgt	6 971 422
Lester, Robert B.	Civilian	
Long, Jessie F.	Pfc	6 384 593
Mason, John H.	Pvt	14 011738
Merrill, Willard D.	Pvt	11 014 150
Murray, John H.	T/5	6 953 671
O'Donovan, James J.	Major	0 294 421



ROSTER TO ACCOMPANY BOARD  
FINDINGS OF NONRECOVERABILITY  
TO ACCOMPANY PROCEEDINGS OF BOARD OF REVIEW (CONT'D)

Olsen, Ingvald	Civilian	
Packard, Henry H.	Sgt	11 015 365
Padgett, Thomas M.	Civilian	
Parker, William H.	Pfc	6 680 585
Filling, William D.	Cpl	38 012 006
Pitsor, Richard G.	Pfc	20 843 973
Rees, Arthur	Pfc	11 017 169
Reimer, John W., Jr.	ACMM	1 830 108
Saiz, Reynaldo	Pvt	38 012 389
Schovanec, Joe	Pfc	20 843 599
Sedillo, Adan N.	Pvt	38 012 467
Seiff, Harry M.	Pfc	19 046 304
Sivell, Richard J.	Pfc	16 027 916
Smith, Henry J.	Cpl	6 671 009
Snyder, Russell B., Jr.	T/5	6 048 573
Stefek, Paul J.	Sgt	R 939 212
Surber, Donald H.	Pvt	19 018 755
Tafoya, Martin A.	Cpl	38 012 195
Thomas, John A., Jr.	Pfc	6 542 406
Villarreal, Elias	Pvt	38 029 861
Wasson, DeWayne E.	T/5	20 645 245
Winters, Charles B.	Pfc	6 664 117
Yeats, Allen M. W.	Sgt	19 016 505
York, George Sr.	Civilian	



OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL  
Memorial Division  
Identification Branch

AUG 20 1951

UP of Memorial Division Information Bulletin 39, Change 1, dated 16 May 1949 and because there is insufficient evidence concerning date, place and fact of death, and/or that data concerning physical characteristics is insufficient to establish identification of, or association with, recovered unidentified deceased, no further action will be taken in the case of:

NAME	RANK	SERIAL NO.	COMP.
292 York, George Sr.	Civilian		

*Mary A. Edwards*  
MARY A. EDWARDS

Capt. ~~XXXXXX~~, QMC  
for THOMAS E. COX

Maj. ~~Capit~~, QMC  
Identification Branch

*Cancelled  
The SR's dated  
10 Jan 1952  
6912entaker  
21 Br.  
13 March 1952*

CLOSED CASE — IDENTIFICATION NOT ESTABLISHED

20 Aug 51  
*J. L. [unclear]*



## REQUEST FOR INFORMATION

TO:  PENTAGON LIAISON SECTION, MEMORIAL DIVISION		DATE  9 November 1950	
FROM (Branch and Section)  Repatriation Branch, Records Section	REQUESTED BY  L. Kenney	TEL. EXT.  52408	ROOM NO.  2631 "B"
NAME OF DECEDENT (Last, First, Middle Initial) 293 York, George Sr. or 2593 Yorke, George Sr.	RANK DOD: 19 Nov 1942 Civilian	SERIAL NUMBER POB: Philippines DOB: 6 Apr 1879	

INFORMATION REQUIRED

VERIFY LAST NAME.

INFORMATION FURNISHED

Above decedent's surname is shown as both York and Yorke in file from CPRB. Widow's name and address: Mrs. Remedio York, P.O. Box 894, Marin City, California.

PENTAGON LIAISON SECTION OFFICER (Signature)

Donald A. Renner

Donald A. Renner, Major, QMC  
(JR)



## DATA ON REMAINS NOT YET RECOVERED OR IDENTIFIED

NAME (Last, First, Middle Initial)

293 YORK, George Sr.

GRADE

PRESENT SERIAL NUMBER

CIVILIAN

ORGANIZATION

RACE

CREED

FORMER SERIAL NUMBER  
(If Applicable)

DATE OF DEATH/MIA

CAUSE OF DEATH

PLACE OF DEATH OR PLACE LAST SEEN IF MIA

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ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Information requested not in file  
See attached sheet from CRRB.

NOV 21 1950  
Capt M. NEFF  
Ident Branch



RECEIVED  
PENTAGON LIAISON  
OCT 20 1950  
MEN. DIV. OQMGQMGMA-Specials (Cabanatuan)  
SUBJECT: D. F. #298

TO	QM Liaison	FROM	Chief, CPRB	DATE	18 Oct 50	COMMENT NO 2.
	Rm 1D 684, Pent		Casualty Unit			Heston/738
	Wash 25, D. C.		Bldg 104 A-2			
	ATTN: Capt Donald A. Renner		St Louis 20, Mo			

1. Search of records on file in this Branch fails to reveal any information required for attached OQMG Form 371.

2. Records on file in this Branch do show Mr. York was a civilian employee of the Contractors, Pacific Naval Air Bases; that there is no record of employment with the War Department; that he was an American interned at American Naval Concentration Camp on Corregidor Island in May of 1942; and that he died 19 November 1942 of Myocarditis, Chronic at Philippine POW, 1st Branch Station Hospital, Cabantuan POW Camp Hospital. Name also shown as George Yorke, Sr., birthdate 6 April 1879, birthplace Butte, Montana. Records also indicate that widow's name and address are Mrs. Remedio York, P. O. Box 894, Marin City, California.

FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL:

1 Incl  
n/c

*Robert A. Lindquist*  
Adjutant General



AIR MAIL  
RESTRICTEDQIANT 293  
GRS Far East

1 Bd. Proc.)

10 November 1949

SUBJECT: Identification of World War II Deceased

TO : Commanding Officer  
American Graves Registration Service  
Philcom Zone  
APO 900, c/o Postmaster  
San Francisco, California

1. Reference is made to Board Proceedings, your headquarters, dated 21 July 1949 and 31 August 1949, recommending the following individual and group identifications:

Unknown X-4857 as OVERBEY, Evans E. Pvt 13 035 026

Unknowns X-4849 thru X-4856 and X-4858, as the remains of:

COLLINS, F. G. Jr.	Cpl	6 578 818	
RUARK, John Wesley	Cpl	278 681	USMC
SHEDDEN, George G.	Cpl	19 018 886	
EDVACH, John Jr.	Pfc	20 500 764	
DOBELL, Lloyd J.	Pfc	20 645 267	
HIRSCH, Harold S.	Pvt	19 038 407	
KEIDER, Arthur H.	Pvt	36 016 623	
WALD, Charlie M.	Pvt	19 049 058	
X 293 YORK, George Sr.	Civilian		

2. After a careful review of this case, it has been determined that the dental and physical evidence presented, is not sufficiently conclusive to prove the individual recommendation or to substantiate the group recommendation. The association of these decedents with these Unknown remains is based upon information contained in the Cabanatuan POW Camp Death Report. Experience with this report has proved it to be a valuable aid for the association of decedents with Unknown remains. However, in repeated instances it has been shown that the report does not constitute substantive proof within itself. Therefore, it is subject to qualifying or substantiating comparison of dental and physical data.

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QUICK 293

10 November 1949

CRS Far East

SUBJECT: Identification of World War II Deceased

3. Board Proceedings are returned herewith disapproved  
FOR THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL:

2 Incls

1. Bd Proc (Group Burial)
2. " " (Overboy)

*T. H. Metz*  
T. H. METZ  
Lt. Colonel, QMC  
Memorial Division

E. A. Kazup:dal  
L. H. White  
J. Windsor

cc: GINGER, AFO 500

AIR MAIL

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1. FILE UNDER NO. 293 - York, George Sr. Civilian

## SYNOPSIS

2. TYPE OF DOCUMENT: Letter 3. DATE: 13 Sep 1949  
 4. FROM: Hdqs Philippines Command United States Army  
 5. TO: TQMG  
 6. SUBJECT: Group Identification of Unknowns  
 Collins, F.G. Jr. Cpl 6578 818  
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7. DOCUMENT FILED  
 UNDER NO. 293 - Unk P.I. (Misc) (Maus. Manila) X-4849 thry 4856, & 4858)  
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