

AUGUST 29, 1999

CASUALTY AND MEMORIAL AFFAIRS
ATTN: TAPC-PEC-F
2461 EISENHOWER AVENUE
ALEXANDRIA, VA 22334-0482

DEAR SIRS,

I WAS REFERRED TO YOUR OFFICE BY THE VETERANS SERVICE AGENCY, ROBERT J. SMITH, DIRECTOR, HAUPPAUGE, N.Y.

MY BROTHER, SERGEANT JOHN ADAMS SERIAL NUMBER 12176992, WAS KILLED IN A PLANE CRASH WHILE IN THE AIR CORPS AT HONDO FIELD, TEXAS ON OCTOBER 18, 1945. ALL OUR PARENTS RECEIVED WAS 2 TELEGRAMS ADVISING THEM OF THE DEATH, AND REQUESTING INFORMATION FROM THEM AS TO WHERE TO SEND THE BODY.

THE TELEGRAM WAS SIGNED BY COLONEL WILLIAM L KIMBALL CO HAAP. IT WAS SENT TO ALEXANDER ADAMS
369 ETNA STREET
BROOKLYN, N.Y.

WE HAVE NOT BEEN ABLE TO LOCATE A DEATH CERTIFICATE IN OUR LATE PARENTS PAPERS. ALL WE HAVE IS TWO TELEGRAMS ADVISING THEM OF THE DEATH.

WHAT WE WOULD LIKE TO FIND OUT IS WHETHER THE GOVERNMENT EVER ISSUED DEATH CERTIFICATES OR DID THE TELEGRAM SERVE AS A DEATH CERTIFICATE?

AND IF SO, WOULD THAT TELEGRAM SERVE AS A LEGAL DOCUMENT LIKE A DEATH CERTIFICATE?

OR HOW CAN WE GO ABOUT GETTING A DEATH CERTIFICATE IF THAT IS POSSIBLE?

WE THANK YOU IN ADVANCE FOR ANY INFORMATION YOU CAN GIVE US ON THIS MATTER.

RESPECTFULLY YOURS,

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