

**RESTRICTED**  
**REPORT OF BURIAL**

TM 10-630 AND AR 30-1815

REBURIAL

43583  
25 July 1944

292

T/S

Packham		Leo	P.	Unknown	20915451
Last Name		First	Initial	Rank	Serial No.
Unknown		501 PARA INF REGT		Unknown	
Unit		Unknown		Organization	KIA
Place of Death		Date of Death		Cause of Death	
France		6 June 44		France	
Time and Date of Burial		Name of Cemetery		Name or Coordinates of Location	
24 July 1944		Blosville		Cross	
Grave Number	Row Number	Plot Number		Type of Marker	
128	7	T		Cross	

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

If No Identification Tags

How were remains identified?

REINTERRED FROM COORD: 422:752

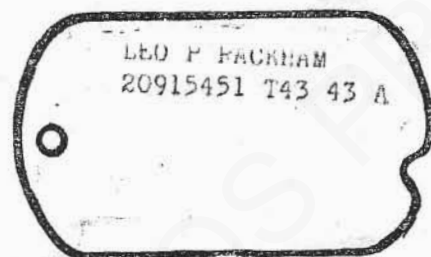
What means of identification were buried with the body?

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

Who is buried on:	Rockwell, Robert R.	31387989	Unknown	Unknown	129
Deceased's Right:	Name	Serial No.	Rank	Organization	Grave No.
Deceased's Left:	Lucas, Willard J.	33232088	Unknown	82nd A/B Div	127
	Name	Serial No.	Rank	Organization	Grave No.

Signature or Name, Rank and if possible 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 Unknown

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

2 souvenir coins

CURRENCY: 195 Francs

Signature of Officer or other person reporting burial

F. A. GENTILE  
Capt., OMC

Verified by G.R.S. Officer

File  
5-28-45  
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Dist #63

T-7-128  
Serial No. 20910-457 Name Packham, Leo P.

Grade \_\_\_\_\_ Rank \_\_\_\_\_

Organization \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Nearest Relative \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Killed in Action yes Died of Disease \_\_\_\_\_

Date 7/24/44 Hospital \_\_\_\_\_

Battle Area \_\_\_\_\_ Information \_\_\_\_\_

Place of Burial Blossville Cemetery (France)

Point of Coordination 364-934

Description of Body \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Members Missing \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Signed Abraham S. Byrd

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

246159  
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REPORT OF DEATH

DATE 13 November 1944  
q1g/4632

FULL NAME <p style="text-align: center;">Packham Leo P.</p>		ARMY SERIAL NUMBER <p style="text-align: center;">20 915 451</p>		GRADE <p style="text-align: center;">Tec 5</p>									
HOME ADDRESS <p style="text-align: center;">Los Angeles, Calif.</p>		ARM OR SERVICE <p style="text-align: center;">Infantry</p>		DATE OF BIRTH <p style="text-align: center;">22 Nov 21</p>									
PLACE OF DEATH <p style="text-align: center;">European Area</p>		CAUSE OF DEATH <p style="text-align: center;">Killed in action</p>		DATE OF DEATH <p style="text-align: center;">6 Jun 44</p>									
STATION OF DECEASED <p style="text-align: center;">European Area</p>		DATE OF ENTRY ON CURRENT ACTIVE SERVICE <p style="text-align: center;">23 Apr 40</p>		LENGTH OF SERVICE FOR PAY PURPOSES <table border="1" style="width: 100%; border-collapse: collapse;"> <tr> <td style="text-align: center;">YEARS</td> <td style="text-align: center;">MONTHS</td> <td style="text-align: center;">DAYS</td> </tr> <tr> <td style="text-align: center;">Over</td> <td style="text-align: center;">3</td> <td style="text-align: center;">Years</td> </tr> </table>		YEARS	MONTHS	DAYS	Over	3	Years		
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EMERGENCY ADDRESSEE (NAME, RELATIONSHIP & ADDRESS) <p style="text-align: center;">Gordis Mrs. <del>Leo</del> Gomes, mother, 1130 Loma Ave., El Monte, Calif.</p>													
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YES	NO	YES	NO	YES	NO	YES	NO	YES	NO	YES	NO	YES	NO
												X	X

ADDITIONAL DATA AND/OR STATEMENT

ON PARACHUTE PAY

The individual named in this report of death is held by the War Department to have been in a missing in action status from 6 June 1944 until such absence was terminated on 7 Nov 1944, when evidence considered sufficient to establish the fact of death was received by the Secretary of War from a Commander in the European Area.



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		A. G. 201 FILE

BATTLE  
 NON-BATTLE

BY ORDER OF THE SECRETARY OF WAR:

*[Signature]*  
ADJUTANT GENERAL

Interred 23 February 1949  
 C-16-44- USMC, St Laurent  
**DISINTERMENT DIRECTIVE**  
*C.H. HIEMSTRA*  
 C.H. HIEMSTRA  
 1/1T Inf, interring Officer

SECTION A -  
 NAME AND BURIAL LOCATION OF DECEASED

DIRECTIVE NUMBER  
 3508 03744

DATE  
 15 11 47  
 DAY MONTH YEAR

NAME: **PACKHAM LEO P**  
 SERIAL NUMBER: **20915451**  
 RANK: **TEC5**  
 ARM: **1**  
 DATE OF DEATH: DAY MONTH YEAR

CEMETERY: **BLOSVILLE - CARENTAN**  
 DISPOSITION OF REMAINS: **3505 80**  
 CODE DIST. PT.

PLOT: **T** ROW: **7** GRAVE: **128** COUNTRY: **FRANCE**  
 CAUSE OF DEATH: **1**

SECTION B - CONSIGNEE AND NEXT OF KIN

NAME AND ADDRESS OF CONSIGNEE: **ST. LAURENT, FRANCE**  
 NAME AND ADDRESS OF NEXT OF KIN: **LEO P. PACKHAM, SR. (FATHER)  
 1832 SOUTH ARLINGTON AVENUE  
 LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA  
 Flag sent**  
 7 MAR 1949

SECTION C - DISINTERMENT AND IDENTIFICATION

NAME: **Packham, Leo P.** SERIAL NUMBER: **20915451** RANK: **T/5** DATE OF DEATH: **Utd** DATE DISINTERRED: **9 Dec 48**  
 IDENTIFICATION TAG ON:  REMAINS  MARKER ORGANIZATION: **USAGF** RELIGION: **Utd** IDENTIFICATION VERIFIED BY: **J.H. CLARK 2d LT QMC**  
 NAME AND TITLE

SECTION D - PREPARATION OF REMAINS FOR SHIPMENT

OF BURIAL: **Fatigues and Mattress Cover** CONDITION OF REMAINS: **Adv. Decomposition;  
 Mandible & Rt. Radius missing.**  
 MEANS OF IDENTIFICATION: **None**  
 FOR DISCREPANCIES: **None**  
**FILE**  
**18 MAY 1949**  
 REPATRIATION  
 BRANCH  
 MEM. DIV.

REMAINS PREPARED AND PLACED IN CASKET

DATE: **4 Feb 48** BY: **T.R. Harrison Jr.**  
 CASKET SEALED BY: **T.R. Harrison Jr.** EMBALMER (Signature)

CASKET BOXED AND MARKED BY: **T.C. Snider** SHIPPING ADDRESS VERIFIED BY: **JOHN PALYOK JR, 1st LT, FA**

I hereby certify that all the foregoing operations were conducted and accomplished under my immediate supervision and that the report above is correct.

*John Palyok Jr*  
**JOHN PALYOK JR, 1st LT, FA**  
 SIGNATURE OF GRS INSPECTOR

1. SHIPPED

FROM USMC Blossville		TO Casketing Pt. B	
KIND OF CONVEYANCE Truck		NAME OF CONVOYER Sgt. Augustino	
SIGNATURE OF SHIPPER <i>W.T. Dailey</i> W.T. DAILEY, CAPT. QMC	DATE 27 Jan 48	SIGNATURE OF RECEIVER <i>E.N. Ciampo</i> E.N. CIAMPO, 1st LT, FA	DATE 4 Feb 48

2. SHIPPED

FROM Casketing Pt. A		TO Port. Unit, Cherbourg	
KIND OF CONVEYANCE Truck		NAME OF CONVOYER	
SIGNATURE OF SHIPPER <i>E.N. Ciampo</i> E.N. CIAMPO, 1st LT, FA	DATE	SIGNATURE OF RECEIVER <i>John E. Hendry Jr.</i> JOHN E. HENDRY JR, MAJ.	DATE

3. SHIPPED

FROM		TO	
KIND OF CONVEYANCE		NAME OF CONVOYER	
SIGNATURE OF SHIPPER	DATE	SIGNATURE OF RECEIVER	DATE

4. SHIPPED

FROM		TO	
KIND OF CONVEYANCE		NAME OF CONVOYER	
SIGNATURE OF SHIPPER	DATE	SIGNATURE OF RECEIVER	DATE

5. SHIPPED

FROM		TO	
KIND OF CONVEYANCE		NAME OF CONVOYER	
SIGNATURE OF SHIPPER	DATE	SIGNATURE OF RECEIVER	DATE

6. SHIPPED

FROM		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

REPAIRATION RECORDS BRANCH  
 MAY 10 1 08 PM '48  
 AIRMAIL DIVISION

REQUEST FOR DISPOSITION OF REMAINS

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

DATE:

Sec. 5 Leo P. Packham, 20 915 451  
 Plot T, Row 7, Grave 128,  
 United States Military Cemetery  
 Blosville, France

12 September 1947

A		C	
B		D	

DO NOT WRITE ABOVE THIS LINE

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, LEO P. PACKHAM

(PLEASE PRINT OR TYPE NAME OF NEXT OF KIN)

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

- WIDOW
- WIDOWER
- SON OVER 21 YEARS OLD
- DAUGHTER OVER 21 YEARS OLD
- FATHER
- MOTHER
- BROTHER OVER 21 YEARS OLD
- SISTER OVER 21 YEARS OLD
- 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. ST LAURENT FRANCE
- 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 PRIVATE CEMETERY LOCATED AT \_\_\_\_\_

(FOREIGN COUNTRY)

(LOCATION OF CEMETERY SELECTED)

- 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.)

NONE

HR proc. 19 Nov 47

**PART I (Continued)**

If on Page 1 of this form you have selected Option Number 2 or 3, or Option Number 4 with your 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	TELEPHONE No.	TELEGRAPH ADDRESS
EXPRESS OFFICE ( <i>Nearest railroad passenger station</i> )		

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> )	TELEPHONE No.	TELEGRAPH ADDRESS	

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.\**)

\_\_\_\_\_  
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 \_\_\_\_\_

AS EXPLAINED IN THE PAMPHLET, "DISPOSITION OF WORLD WAR II ARMED FORCES DEAD," I AM THE NEXT OF KIN AND THE INDIVIDUAL AUTHORIZED TO DIRECT THE DISPOSITION OF THE SAID REMAINS.

I, the undersigned, DO SOLEMNLY SWEAR (OR AFFIRM) that the statements made by me in the foregoing document are full and true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Leo P. Packham Jr.      1832 S. ARLINGTON AVE  
(SIGNATURE OF NEXT OF KIN)      (STREET AND NUMBER)  
LEOPACKHAM      LOS ANGELES, CALIF  
(NAME PRINTED OR TYPED)      (CITY AND STATE)

Subscribed and duly sworn to before me according to law by the above-named applicant this 29th day of September 1947 at city of Los Angeles, county of Los Angeles, and State (or Territory or District) of California

Stefano Bai  
(SIGNATURE OF OFFICER AUTHORIZED TO ADMINISTER OATHS)  
Notary Public

\*NOTE.—Page 4 is part of the notarial attestation:

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

REPORT OF DEATH

DATE 13 November 1944  
qlg/4632

FULL NAME Packham Leo P.		ARMY SERIAL NUMBER 20 915 451		GRADE Tec 5									
HOME ADDRESS Los Angeles, Calif.		ARM OR SERVICE Infantry		DATE OF BIRTH 22 Nov 21									
PLACE OF DEATH European Area		CAUSE OF DEATH Killed in action		DATE OF DEATH 6 Jun 44									
STATION OF DECEASED European Area		DATE OF ENTRY ON CURRENT ACTIVE SERVICE 23 Apr 40		LENGTH OF SERVICE FOR PAY PURPOSES YEARS MONTHS DAYS Over 3 Years									
EMERGENCY ADDRESSEE (NAME, RELATIONSHIP & ADDRESS) Gordis Mrs. <del>Leo</del> Gomes, mother, 1130 Loma Ave., El Monte, Calif.													
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YES	NO	YES	NO	YES	NO	YES	NO	YES	NO	YES	NO	YES	NO
											X	X	NO

ADDITIONAL DATA AND/OR STATEMENT

ON PARACHUTE PAY

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BY ORDER OF THE SECRETARY OF WAR

*[Signature]*

ADJUTANT GENERAL



SPQYG 293  
Packham, Leo P.

*20,915,451 dt*

1 April 1946

Mr. Leo P. Packham, Sr.  
Route #4, Box 272  
South Cruz, California

Dear Mr. Packham:

The War Department is most desirous that you be furnished the burial location of your son, the late Technician Fifth Grade Leo P. Packham, A.S.N. 20 915 451.

The records of this office disclose that his remains are interred in the U. S. Military Cemetery, Bloisville, France, plot T, row 7, grave 128.

This cemetery is located twenty miles northwest of St. Lo, twenty-four miles southeast of Cherbourg and five miles north and slightly west of Carentan, all in France, and is under the constant care and supervision of United States military personnel.

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

Sincerely yours,

T. B. LARKIN  
Major General  
The Quartermaster General

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MAIL & RECORDS BRANCH

LARK  
*[Signature]*

Sec. 5 Leo P. Packham, 20 915 451  
Plot T, Row 7, Grave 128,  
United States Military Cemetery  
Blignyville, France

12 September 1947

Mr. Leo P. Packham, Sr.  
Route 4, Box 272  
South Cruz, California

Dear Mr. Packham:

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. IARKIN  
Major General  
The Quartermaster General

Incls.

SEP 17 1947

U. S. ARMY  
RECORDS BRANCH

13 May 1949

Tec/5 Leo P. Packham, ASN 20 915 451  
Plot C, Row 16, Grave 44  
Headstone: Cross  
St. Laurent (France) U. S. Military Cemetery

Mr. Leo P. Packham, Sr.  
1832 South Arlington Avenue  
Los Angeles, California

Dear Mr. Packham:

This is to inform you that the remains of your loved one have been permanently interred, as recorded above, side by side with comrades who also gave their lives for their country. Customary military funeral services were conducted over the grave at the time of burial.

After the Department of the Army has completed all final interments, the cemetery will be transferred, as authorized by the Congress, to the care and supervision of the American Battle Monuments Commission. The Commission also will have the responsibility for permanent construction and beautification of the cemetery, including erection of the permanent headstone. The headstone will be inscribed with the name exactly as recorded above, the rank or rating where appropriate, organization, State, and date of death. Any inquiries relative to the type of headstone or the spelling of the name to be inscribed thereon, should be addressed to the American Battle Monuments Commission, Washington 25, D. C. Your letter should include the full name, rank, serial number, grave location, and name of the cemetery.

While interments are in progress, the cemetery will not be open to visitors. You may rest assured that this final interment was conducted with fitting dignity and solemnity and that the grave-site will be carefully and conscientiously maintained in perpetuity by the United States Government.

Sincerely yours,

H. FELDMAN  
Major General  
The Quartermaster General

246,159

(S-5-23-45)

JRM:MH:am

April 23, 1945

Mrs. Gordis Gomes  
1130 Loma Avenue  
El Monte, California

Dear Mrs. Gomes:

Reference is made to letter of the Army Effects Bureau dated February 6, 1945, requesting information to enable disposal of property belonging to your son, Technician Fifth Grade Leo P. Packham.

I shall appreciate a reply at your earliest convenience, in order that the property in our custody may be released to the proper person without further delay.

For your use in replying, there is inclosed an addressed envelope which needs no postage.

Yours very truly,

P. L. KOOB  
2nd Lt. Q.M.C.  
Officer-in-Charge  
SJ Unit

1 Incl-Envelope

246159

JRM:IB:bt  
May 10, 1945

Mrs. Gordis Gomes  
1130 Loma Avenue  
El Monte, California

Dear Mrs. Gomes:

Thank you for the information furnished the Army Effects Bureau in connection with personal effects belonging to your son, Technician Fifth Grade Leo P. Packham.

This property, consisting of souvenir coins, is being sent you.

If, for some reason, it has not been received at the expiration of thirty days from this date, please notify me so that tracer may be instituted.

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

Yours very truly,

P. L. KOOB  
2nd Lt. Q.M.C.  
Officer-in-Charge  
SJ Unit

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IMMEDIATE ACTION

April 11, 1945

Re: #246,159

Mr. F. A. Eckhardt  
Captain Q.M.C.  
Army Effects Bureau.

Dear Sir:

In reply to your letter of February 6, 1945 in regards to the personal property of my son, Technician Fifth Grade Leo P. Packham.

He left no Will as he expected everything to come to me in case anything happened to him.

He was not married.

His father's name is Leo P. Packham Sr.  
Address, Santa Cruz, California.

Altho' you did not ask, you might want to know his brother's name, my younger son. It is Gordon Van Derkarr Packham, 1/C, U.S.N. William B. Preston % F P O, San Francisco, Calif.

Thank you kindly for anything that you have to send to me that belonged to my boy.

Sincerely,

(Mrs.) Gordis Gomes  
1130 Loma Ave.,  
El Monte, Calif.

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ARMY SERVICE FORCES  
KANSAS CITY QUARTERMASTER DEPOT

601 HARDESTY AVENUE  
KANSAS CITY 1, MISSOURI

GHG:KD:bjb  
June 25, 1945

IN REPLY REFER TO 246159

Mrs. Gordis Gomes  
1130 Loma Avenue  
El Monte, California

Dear Mrs. Gomes:

The Army Effects Bureau has received some additional property of your son, Corporal Leo P. Packham.

This property consisting of a few small items is being sent you.

If, for some reason, the property has not reached you at the expiration of thirty days from the date of this letter, please notify me so tracer can 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 decedent's legal residence.

There is inclosed a receipt received here with your son's effects, showing that on March 6, 1944, he deposited \$100.00 with the Finance Department APO 472, for transmittal to you.

Extending every sympathy, I am

Sincerely yours,

HARRY NIEMIEC  
2nd Lt. Q.M.C.  
Chief, Correspondence Branch

1 Incl--  
Form 38

SPQYG 293  
Packham, Leo P.

20, 915, 451

dt

1 April 1946

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The Quartermaster General

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# INVENTORY OF EFFECTS

(See AR 600-560)

Packham, Leo P., 20915451

(Last name) (First name) (Middle initial) (Army serial number)

xxx MIA Tec 5 Hq C 1st Bn 501st P.I.

(Grade) (Organization or arm or service)

who died on the 6th day of JUNE, 1944

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

NUMBER	ARTICLES	*PACKAGE NUMBER
1	billfold ✓	
1	New Testament ✓	
1	bar, Campaign ✓	
1	kit, toilet, article ✓	

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

## CLASS II—Other effects

NUMBER	ARTICLES



HEADQUARTERS  
501st Parachute Infantry  
APO #472 United States Army



1 August 1944  
(late)

SUBJECT: Disposition of Effects.

TO: Effects Quartermaster, ETOUSA, APO #507, G-14, United States Army.

1. Disposal of effects made on the following individual:

Name: Leo P. Packham  
Rank: Tec 5th Grade  
ASN: 20915451  
Organization: Hq Co 1st Bn  
Status: MIA 6th June 1944

2. Personal effects of above individual transported by motor vehicle on AUG 21 1944 to Effects Quartermaster, ETOUSA, Warehouse Division, Stanley Warehouse, United States Forces, Liverpool.


3. Following items transmitted herewith:

None

4. Private debtors and creditors known to be as follows:

None

-Incls:  
1 WDAGO Form No. 54

  
KENNETH K. KEEHNEN,  
2d Lt., Infantry,  
Asst Pers Officer.

ARMY SERVICE FORCES  
ARMY EFFECTS BUREAU

ORDER FOR SHIPMENT

Mrs. Gordis Gomes

SHIP TO:

1130 Loma Avenue

T/5 Leo P. Packham

El Monte, California

Effects of:  
Name 20915451

ASN 246159-D

Case No.

Wt.

DATE 10 May 1945  
JRM:IB:bt

*E. Burton*

FOR: Effects Quartermaster

REMARKS:

     Inclose Bureau Check  
 1 Acct. No.             
     Amount             
     Inclose "Valuables" item  
     Ship "Valuables" item(s)

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

ROUTING:

     Accounting Branch  
 1 Warehouse Division  
 2 Files Branch, Adm. Div.

REMARKS:

*1 pkg*

Franked FRANKED  
Est. Exp. Chgs.       
Est. Frt. Chgs.       
No. of packages  1

MAY 15 1945

*mk*  
Shipping Clerk

ARMY SERVICE FORCES  
ARMY EFFECTS BUREAU

ORDER FOR SHIPMENT

SHIP TO: Mrs. Gordis Gomes  
1130 Loma Avenue  
El Monte, California

Effects of:  
Name **Corporal Leo P. Packham**  
ASN **20915451**  
Case No. **246159**  
Wt.

DATE 20 June 1945  
GHG:KD:bjb

*Bokan*

FOR: Effects Quartermaster

REMARKS:

         Inclose Bureau Check  
        Acct. No.           
        Amount           
         Inclose "Valuables" item  
         Ship "Valuables" item(s)

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

ROUTING:

         Accounting Branch  
         1 Warehouse Division  
         2 Files Branch, Adm. Div.

*filed  
wb 8-14*

*19/cg*

REMARKS:

Franked **RECEIVED**  
Est. Exp. Chgs. JUN 30 1945  
Est. Frt. Chgs.           
No. of packages         

*mt*  
Shipping Clerk

ARMY SERVICE FORCES  
ARMY EFFECTS BUREAU

ORDER FOR SHIPMENT

SHIP TO: Mrs. Gordis Gomes

1130 Loma Avenue

El Monte, California

Effects of:

Name T/5 Leo P. Packham

ASN 20915451

Case No. 246,159 D

Wt.

DATE August 31, 1945  
RTB:KD:at

*J. Alexander*  
FOR: Effects Quartermaster

REMARKS:

1 Inclose Bureau Check  
Acct. No. 150907  
Amount \$3.93  
Inclose "Valuables" item  
Ship "Valuables" item(s)

Remove G. I.  
Note discrepancy in \_\_\_\_\_  
Films removed  
Diary removed  
Laundry removed

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ROUTING:

1 Accounting Branch  
Warehouse Division  
2 Files Branch, Adm. Div.

150907  
246159

August 31, 45

Mrs. Gordis Gomes

3.93

Three and 93/100

REMARKS

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

Shipping Clerk

September 20, 1945

Re- 246159

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Mr. Harry Niemiec  
Army Effects Bureau  
Kansas City, Missouri

Dear Sir:

In your letter of June 25, 1945, you mentioned a deposit of \$100.00 with the Finance Department APO 472, which my son, Corporal Leo P. Packham wished transmitted to me. As I have not received it will you help me to trace it?

Thank you very kindly for all your kindness.

Very truly yours,

(Mrs.) *Gordis Homes*

*W. H. C.*  
10-11

NAME **PACKLAN, LEO P. 5451**

BAY

PALLET

BOX

TALLY

68

39

15

7609

TYPE OF PKG.

WHSE. SPACE

INVENTORIED

CTN



JUN 13 1945

PACKAGE DESCRIPTION  <i>#1 Pkg</i>	ARMY EFFECTS BUREAU INVENTORY	246159 B	RECEIVED MISSING <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
			P.O.W. ABANDONED TALLY NO. <i>7609</i> INV. DATE: <i>7-Jun-45</i> Orig. No. of PKGS. <i>1</i> BOX NO. <i>15</i> SHEET <i>1</i> OF <i>1</i> SHEETS ORGANIZATION <i>C 1st Bn 501 PI</i>
NAME <i>LEO R. PACKHAM</i> A.S.N. <i>20915457</i> RANK <i>S/S-</i>			

Belt		TOWELS & WASHCLOTHS		WINGS
<del>BELT, MONEY (NO MONEY)</del>		CLOTHING		BAGG. CLOTH. OR TRAVEL
Cloth, Wash		BRACELET IDENT.		BILLFOLD, (NO MONEY) <i>W</i>
Coats		Brushes		Case
Footwear, Pr.		CAMERAS		Footlocker
Gloves, Pr.		Glasses		<del>KIT, SEP. SET, OR WRITTEN</del>
Handkerchiefs		Knives		BOOKS
Headwear		Lighters		Books, Address
Jackets		<del>NOISE.</del>		Books, Pilot Log
Overcoats		Pen, Fountain		DIARY (REMOVED FOR DUE)
Scarfs		Pencil, Mechanical		FLIMS
Shirts		Pipes		Letters
Socks, Pr.		RELIGIOUS ARTICLES		Papers, Personal
Ties		<del>RIBBONS, DECORATION</del>		Photos
Towels		Rings		Shoe Shine Articles
Trousers, Pr.		Tobacco		SHORT SNOOPER
Trunks, Pr.		Toilet articles		SOUVENIRS
Underwear		WATCH		SOUVENIR MONEY
				Stationery
				<del>TESTAMENTS</del>
				<del>U. S. MONEY (AMOUNT)</del>

*\$1.00*

*File*

*mls*

REMARKS	ATTACHMENTS	FORM #54	FORM #100
<i>Mrs Gordis Gomes</i>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<i>1-form # 38</i>	
<i>1130 Loma ave</i>			
<i>E. l. monte, Calif.</i>			
C.A.T.	<i>none</i>		
WAREHOUSE SPACE		STORED BY	
<i>2082</i>		<i>[Signature]</i>	
	WEIGHT	G.I. REMOVED	
		SHORTAGE ON REVERSE	
		IDENT. TAGS REMOVED	
		DIARY REMOVED	
	DATE SHIPPED	LOCKED STORAGE	

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

JRM:IB:bt

Case No. 246159

Date 10 May 1945

SUBJECT: Report of transaction in disposing of the effects of

Leo P. Packham, 20915451 1 to a  
(Name of deceased) (Army Serial Number)

Technician Fifth Grade, Infantry who died  
(Grade) (Organization, Army or Service)

on the 6 day of June, 1944, 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., KCOM 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 9 May 1945, pursuant to Special Orders 228, Headquarters KCOM Depot, dated 25 September 1943, the application or affidavit of \_\_\_\_\_

Mrs. Gordis Gomes 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. Gordis Gomes of \_\_\_\_\_ (Name of person found entitled)

1150 Loma Avenue, El Monte State of \_\_\_\_\_ (Number, Street or Avenue) (City, Town or Village)  
California, 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)

SHEET <u>1</u> OF <u>1</u> SHEETS	ARMY EFFECTS BUREAU INVENTORY		DECEASED <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
BOX NUMBER <u>39</u>	ORIGINAL NUMBER OF PACKAGES		MISSING <input type="checkbox"/>
TALLY NUMBER <u>5737</u>	INVENTORY DATE <u>13-Jan-45</u>	CASE NUMBER <u>246 159</u>	P.O.W. <input type="checkbox"/>
EFFECTS OF <u>LEO P. PACHHAN</u>		RANK <u>1st Lt</u>	ABANDONED <input type="checkbox"/>
A.S.N. <u>50915454</u>	ORGANIZATION <u>Unknown</u>		
PACKAGES DESCRIPTION			

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CLOTHING	PERSONAL ITEMS	CONTAINERS
<input type="checkbox"/> BELT	<input type="checkbox"/> BRACELET, IDENTIFICATION	<input type="checkbox"/> BAGS, CLOTH
<input type="checkbox"/> BELT, MONEY (NO MONEY)	<input type="checkbox"/> BRUSHES	<input type="checkbox"/> BAGS, TRAVEL
<input type="checkbox"/> CLOTH, WASH	<input type="checkbox"/> CAMERAS	<input type="checkbox"/> BILLFOLD (NO MONEY)
<input type="checkbox"/> COATS	<input type="checkbox"/> GLASSES	<input type="checkbox"/> CASE,
<input type="checkbox"/> FOOTWEAR, PR.	<input type="checkbox"/> KNIVES	<input type="checkbox"/> FOOTLOCKER
<input type="checkbox"/> GLOVES, PR.	<input type="checkbox"/> LIGHTERS	<input type="checkbox"/> KIT, SEWING
<input type="checkbox"/> HANDKERCHIEFS	<input type="checkbox"/> MISC. INSIGNIA	<input type="checkbox"/> KIT, TOILET
<input type="checkbox"/> HEADWEAR	<input type="checkbox"/> MISC. ITEMS	<input type="checkbox"/> KIT, WRITING
<input type="checkbox"/> JACKETS	<input type="checkbox"/> PEN, FOUNTAIN	<input type="checkbox"/> PAPERS AND MISC.
<input type="checkbox"/> OVERCOATS	<input type="checkbox"/> PENCIL, MECHANICAL	<input type="checkbox"/> BOOKS
<input type="checkbox"/> SCARFS	<input type="checkbox"/> PIPES	<input type="checkbox"/> BOOKS, ADDRESS
<input type="checkbox"/> SHIRTS	<input type="checkbox"/> RELIGIOUS ARTICLES	<input type="checkbox"/> BOOKS, NOTE
<input type="checkbox"/> SOCKS, PR.	<input type="checkbox"/> RIBBONS, DECORATION	<input type="checkbox"/> BOOKS, PILOT LOG
<input type="checkbox"/> TIES	<input type="checkbox"/> RINGS	<input type="checkbox"/> DIARY (REMOVED FOR DURATION)
<input type="checkbox"/> TOWELS	<input type="checkbox"/> TOBACCO	<input type="checkbox"/> FILMS
<input type="checkbox"/> TROUSERS, PR.	<input type="checkbox"/> TOILET ARTICLES	<input type="checkbox"/> LETTERS
<input type="checkbox"/> TRUNKS, PR.	<input type="checkbox"/> WATCH	<input type="checkbox"/> PAPERS, PERSONAL
<input type="checkbox"/> UNDERWEAR	<input type="checkbox"/> WINGS	<input type="checkbox"/> PHOTOS
		<input type="checkbox"/> SHOE SHINE ARTICLES
		<input type="checkbox"/> SHORT SHORTER
		<input type="checkbox"/> SOUVENIRS
		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> SOUVENIR MONEY
		<input type="checkbox"/> STATIONERY
		<input type="checkbox"/> TESTAMENTS
		<input type="checkbox"/> U.S. MONEY (AMOUNT)

*file*

REMARKS: No Information

ATTACHMENTS: 1 Inventory of Effects  
1 GR label

No correspondence

C.A.T. none

JAN 21 1945

WEIGHT	GI REMOVED
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> SHORTAGE ON REVERSE
	<input type="checkbox"/> IDENT. TAGS REMOVED
	<input type="checkbox"/> DIARY REMOVED

SHORTAGES

195 Francs turned  
in to Clayton J. Hathaway  
May. F.O. 311-655

U S GOVT. CHECK SHORT

NUMBER

DATE

SYMBOL

AMOUNT

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

*Crawford*  
INVENTORY CLERK

SUPERVISOR

G. I. REMOVED

LEO P. HATHAWAY  
20915451 T43 43 A

INVENTORY OF EFFECTS

PACKHAM LEO P. 20915451

Last name)(First)(Mid. Init) (ASN)

Grade) (Orign or arm or service)

died on the Unknown of July 19 44

2 Souvenir coins

CURRENCY:

195 Francs 0

Above turned in to Clayton T. Hathaway, Maj. F. D. 211-655

I certify that the effects of Class I and those of Class II have been delivered to the ~~XXXXXX~~  
~~XXXXXX~~  
~~XXXXXX~~

*F. A. Greulich*

F. A. GREULICH  
Capt., QMC

Blosville Cemetery  
25 July 1944