



AMERICAN BATTLE  
MONUMENTS COMMISSION

October 4, 2016

TO: Director of Overseas Operations  
Attn: John Wessels  
Unit 9200 Box 1030  
DPO AE 09777-1030

Director of Cemetery Operations  
Attn: Christine Young  
Office of Overseas Operations

SUBJECT: Authorization to Correct Grave Marker -  
SGT George B. Tullidge  
Plot D, Row 7, Grave 11  
Cambridge American Cemetery and Memorial

1. A review by the Department of the Army, Center of Military History has determined that the unit designation for SGT George B. Tullidge is the 507<sup>th</sup> Parachute Infantry Regiment, rather than the 507<sup>th</sup> Parachute Infantry Regiment, 17<sup>th</sup> Airborne Division as currently inscribed. At the time of SGT Tullidge's death, the 507<sup>th</sup> Parachute Infantry Regiment was a "non-divisional unit."
2. Authorization is granted to correct the unit inscribed on SGT Tullidge's grave marker.
3. Upon completion, please provide this office with a photograph of the grave marker.
4. Authorization is also granted to correct ABMC's printed and electronic burial registers.

Timothy Nosal  
Director of Public Affairs

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**From:** Nosal Timothy  
**Sent:** Tuesday, October 11, 2016 11:03 AM  
**To:** [REDACTED] FOIAExemption 6  
**Subject:** RE: George B. Tullidge Stone correction

FOIAExemption 6  
[REDACTED]

Thank you for contacting me. I have confirmed that the date of death is June 8 and the name and rank is SGT George B. Tullidge

In regard to the unit inscription, a review by the Army's Center of Military History determined that the 507<sup>th</sup> Parachute Infantry Regiment was a "non-divisional" unit. While it was attached to the 82<sup>nd</sup> Airborne Division, it was never formally assigned to the 82<sup>nd</sup> in the division's order of battle. As such the Army determined the proper engraving to be the regiment only. I know this is confusing and obviously the men of the 507<sup>th</sup> considered themselves part of the 82<sup>nd</sup>. To complicate matters, the burial records for the men of the 507<sup>th</sup> are inconsistent. Some of the records list only the regiment, others list both the regiment and the division.

You can see a copy of the order of battle at <http://www.history.army.mil/documents/eto-ob/82ABD-ETO.htm>

I know this is not the response you hoped for and I sympathize with you. If you have questions, please feel free to give me a call. My direct line is below. Thank you!

Sincerely,

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**Tim Nosal**

Chief of External Affairs

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**From:** [REDACTED] FOIAExemption 6  
**Sent:** Friday, October 07, 2016 9:34 AM  
**To:** Nosal Timothy  
**Subject:** Re: George B. Tullidge Stone correction

Mr. Nosal,

I am so sorry to bother you again after your kind attention. It is just so important to me to have the legacy of my brother, George Bowler Tullidge be correct on his stone for posterity, long after I am gone from this world. **May I ask for a review of the correct spelling on his stone and DOD before the carving is done?**



## AMERICAN BATTLE MONUMENTS COMMISSION

March 10, 2017

Mr. Brian N. Siddall  
PO Box 3897  
Ithaca, NY 14852

Mr. Siddall:

This is the response to your Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request dated March 6 2017 received attached to an email. It has been assigned tracking number FY 2017-14.

In this request you asked the following:

1. All documentation for the change of a headstone for Tullidge, George B. 33539482 at the Brookwood Cemetery in England. It was changed from the 17th Abn Div to the 82nd Abn Div. Also an image of the new headstone.

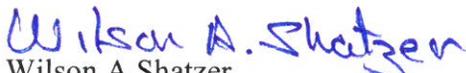
Response:

As of this date, March 7, 2017, the headstone for George B. Tullidge has not been changed. You should also be aware that he is not interred at Brookwood American Cemetery in England, but rather at Cambridge American Cemetery in England. Because the change in the headstone is still being considered all documentation is exempt from disclosure under Exemption 5 – as deliberative process material. See 5 U.S.C. – 552(b)(5).

You have the right to file an appeal of this decision. An appeal of this decision must be made within 90 days of the date of this decision. The appeal should be sent to:

FOIA Appeal  
American Battle Monuments Commission  
2300 Clarendon Blvd, Suite 500  
Arlington, VA 22201

Sincerely,

  
Wilson A Shatzer  
FOIA Officer